Easter Seal #4

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Shall we pray? Heavenly Father, we appreciate Your Presence this morning, above Your Word, we just ask for further understanding that You alone can give, and bringing it together in such a way that it becomes all the light principles of our very lives here, knowing that this is what we require, and You gave it to us for this hour, may we appreciate it, may we put nothing ahead of it, but put everything in subservience to it. Grant this, this morning, in Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen. You may be seated.

1. Now we're on number 4 of the <u>Easter Seal</u>, and of course this is a message where Bro. Branham is using the word 'Easter' interchangeable with resurrection. So he of course has been speaking of the resurrection as being the great Seal that seals everything to us that Christ has been made unto us, which could not be outside of the fact of the resurrection. For if Jesus died for our sins and had not risen again, then his life would not be the guarantee and he would not be the guarantor of all that which was placed in him for our redemption.

Now last Wednesday, on pages 9-11, we found Bro. Branham very energetically, dynamically teaching on predestination, setting forth as Jesus was foreknown, elected, and predestinated to be the Redeemer by means of a body that housed the Spirit of God, even God the Father, making Him indeed Emmanuel, which is God with us, so we and all true believers are assuredly a part of God, and therefore born with that eternal life of God in our souls, which signifies foreknowledge, election and predestination.

And because of that gene from God, we alone are positioned to receive and believe the direct evidence and Bible proof that we are included in the great resurrection morning and of course the Rapture. Of course as Bro. Branham is speaking as a vindicated prophet, we know he is allowing us the concession that we accept his vindication of the Presence of God in our midst and the manifestation of the days of the Son of man, that proved Jesus Christ risen amongst us with the potential of healing in His wings, which is of course the immortal gift, the gift of immortality that God gives us.

2. Now I hope you caught what I was saying there, because the fact is He is depending on us who stand with Him in vindication, wherein Christ is risen amongst us, proving He is, thus with the Son of man ministry amongst us, which is in the Holy Spirit Jesus is doing everything that He did back there when He was in a human body, in Israel two thousand years ago.

As we were closing on page 12, paragraph 56, we were struck by the simplicity of the obedience of Jesus to the Father, Who indwelt him, Jesus was baptized by John in Jordan, that was the act of obedience, then God witnessed to him, and that was a fulfillment of Scripture to John the Baptist, "This one upon whom the Spirit has descended is the Son of God," and a Voice from heaven saying, "This is My beloved Son."

The Spirit had sought out the obedient one who's obedience was to step into Jordan and witness to his Sonship. How like today, repent and be baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. As Bro. Branham said, "The great vindicated truth of this hour is that there is one God, and you must be baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ," which of course is anathema, to just about every single person and just about every single Christian is a Trinitarian, and even the Oneness don't understand the significance, because they baptize in Jesus Only, making Jesus his own Father, which is completely ridiculous, and never was and never can be. Shows they don't understand.

But then therefore in obedience, which would be to the fulfillment of Scripture, people step forward in this hour, to be baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, which becomes their witness to the potential witnessing of God, "This is one of My sons." Understand what I'm saying? Based upon Jesus' baptism.

3. Then in paragraph 57, which we will now read, he is calling people to correct baptism, which they will enter into if they are of the lost sheep that have gone astray, but are now being called to God. Well let's read paragraph 56 again, and then we'll go into 57. And you'll notice what I am doing here, I'm using every single paragraph from Bro. Branham's sermon, as I would indeed use the Bible verse by verse, trying to take it in its legitimate context, referring it to other Scripture, delineating upon it to give us further understanding, more clear understanding. Because that is what we'll be seeing today as Bro. Branham talks to us, an understanding.

Now notice in 56: [Easter Seal, 04/10/65]

[12-1] God's Word, as Jesus, was born the Son of God to be Emmanuel, God's full expression in a Man...

Now you'll notice we talked about that, Bro. Branham in paragraph 42 on page 9, he says here:

[9-8] *Jesus was the Word.* (Now you know, and he quotes John:) "In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

And you know categorically in setting forth doctrine, he said, "If you make Jesus the Word, then you have three gods."

- 4. Now I want you to notice here that this is not a contradiction in the man's thinking when he says, "*Jesus is the Word*." Because you'll notice as we read past paragraph 42, we were dealing with seed, s-e-e-d, which seed is Christ. Galatians.
- [12-1] God's Word, as Jesus, was born of God...

Now then what are you looking at? God's Word, as Jesus, you're looking at the fact that spoken Word is original seed, for actually as you look at Rhema, you are looking at the omniscience of God, and the thinking of God, and everything that was in Him that could be productive. Which could be produced by His omnipotence.

And so what you are looking at here then is the fact that this is the seed of God of Whom it is said in Scripture, "This day have I started My lineage in you." And another time it says, "This day thou art My Son. Let all the angels worship him."

5. So you're looking at what we see here as to be the seed of God, which lay in the Rhema, and as it became spoken it became the expression. But as Bro. Branham said, "When God said let there be light, it didn't mean that light had to appear instantaneously, it could have appeared thousands of years later, (or millions) how do we know."

So therefore we are looking at what Bro. Branham says here, in his understanding of the Word, which is a hundred percent correct, Jesus the body, God's Word, this One, way back there in the beginning lay there, and now it's coming forth in the form of human flesh, which absolutely at the River Jordan when God indwelt Him, was Emmanuel which means 'God with us' or the full expression of God in a man. In other words, everything that could be expressed in Him was expressed.

Now:

[12-1] *He found Him in perfect obedience down at the river Jordan...*

Now that doesn't mean only at the River Jordan was there perfect obedience, the Bible distinctly says that Jesus grew in stature and favor with God and man. He absolutely was in obedience to the Word when his mother said, "Thy father and I sought thee sorrowing." He said, "Know ye not I must be about my Father's business," showing the fact that the Word corrected the order, that he was denying the fact of Joseph's paternity, because Joseph was not his father except in a matter of stewardship, or as a surrogate, he certainly was not his actual father.

Now:

- [12-1] ...being baptized by that prophet. (Which was John.) As soon as He obeyed Him and walked out of that water, the heavens opened to John, and he saw the Holy Ghost descending from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son." Perfect obedience, the Spirit had sought (it) out in obedience.
- 6. So therefore the Spirit of God is obedient to the Word of God and remember that each one of us is a part of the Word of God. So therefore God is absolutely obedient to His children. Now a lot of people would turn that around and say the children must be obedient to the Father, which is absolutely true. But if the Father is not obedient to what lies within the Father, how can the child be obedient what lies within the child to the Father? As Plato said, what is it? I don't know if it's Plato, but somebody said, "To thine own self be true."

Well if God is not true to Himself then He better not expect you and me to be true to Him, because we wouldn't know what to be true to. That's why the Bible says in Him there is neither variableness, nor changing, nor shadow of turning. He said, "I am the Lord, I change not, lest you sons of Jacob be consumed." He tells you right there, if God were able to change, and yet people want a changing God, they want a changing Word, and that's disaster. And they don't know where disaster comes from. Disaster comes from the Word of God where the serpent changed one word and Eve swallowed it. See? The people say he swallowed that lie. But they go right to the Bible, food. Many things in the Bible refer to food as type. Okay.

7. Now can water baptism mean this much? Yes it can mean this much, because there's a progression wherein God begins to deal with people to bring them to repentance, which is godly sorrow worketh repentance and a change of the mind, and the change of the mind begins to put things in perspective as to the Kingdom of God, and the Kingdom of this earth and reality in which is unreal, and when they come to the place of water baptism, then the die is cast, because water baptism symbolizing not the putting away the filth of the flesh, but the crossing over from death into life, symbolically showing you have forsaken that was there once in preeminence, and now bringing into preeminence the things of the Spirit of Almighty God. So you get down to water baptism.

Now we look at water baptism this morning, where almost everybody that's a Christian so-called, is a Trinitarian, and he now baptized in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. So they come to the place where they rationalize in themselves, "What does it really matter how you're baptized?" As long as you do it in Jesus' Name, you could say, "I baptize in the Name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, in Jesus' Name, the idea of Jesus' Name is there, whatever, whatever, and after all the Name of the Son, whatever, whatever," and so they rationalize it's okay. But it's not okay, the test of obedience in this hour, as to whether you fully repented or not, are you going to be re-baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, knowing and understanding what is being done?

8. So this is what Bro. Branham is talking about. And he's talking about a progression. As there was a progression as God coming down to become man, so there's a progression of man coming up to be God! And that doesn't mean the Elohim of God where you are God; it simply means everything that Jesus stood for now comes into immortal flesh so that we are like Him as we stand in the Presence of God in the great and wonderful New Jerusalem.

Now Bro. Branham says:

[12-2] *Oh, wayward man...*

And we're going to apply; you must apply 57 to 56.

Oh, wayward man or woman this morning, when you're sitting here and there's something in you telling you this is right, it's the Holy Spirit seeking you out to bring you to a knowledge of truth of the hour wherein we are living: not some hour that's gone by, the hour now.

Now I want you to notice something here that Bro. Branham is setting forth a principle. And we've set it forth here time and time again. That there is a Message of the hour. And if you cannot take every single sermon that Bro. Branham preaches and see the Message of the hour, you are missing what he is teaching! This is why you have the constant repetition from the pulpit, because no matter how constant my repetition is, I always find that it breaks upon me like I've just seen something new. That every single message is a reiteration of the truth, and he's trying to get across to these people, there is a truth for this hour, as there was a truth in Jesus' hour, the same one, God, Elohim, manifesting amongst men for a very particular reason.

9. All right, now he wants the people to sit up and take notice that there is a Message and it is a Message to those that have ears to hear, and only the elect are going to receive it. Now right there of course people have a problem. They say, "Well now just a minute, I believe this is for everyone." Why don't you read your Bibles? It is not for everyone. There is no way it's for everyone. It certainly wasn't for Cain; he turned it down flat, because he was of that wicked one. And you can understand all through the Pauline epistles and everything in the Bible, that there is an election and only the elect get it, as it says in the last days, only the very elect will not be deceived, and who are the very elect? Well they are the ones that come under this Message, who receive change unto immortality, and they are caught up in the Rapture. All the others, they do not get the truth.

Now notice in paragraph 58 now:

[12-3] *There were thousands there* (at Jerusalem, who were) *obeying the* (last) *hour* (the Scripture of that hour) *past, but there was a* (perfect) *tense* (Scripture for the) *hour.*

Now let's understand this. When Jesus broke upon the scene they were worshipping according to their understanding of Moses, which had absolutely gone to the Talmud, which was supposed to be based upon the Torah. They were listening to what ...?... said, and no doubt ...?... said, and all the great men from yore, they were giving the people exactly what they thought that Moses was saying, and they were using that. Now they were not picking from the Scripture that which was absolutely pertinent, and relative, and revealing concerning the Messiah who appeared in that hour, and they just couldn't take it. Why? Because they were living in the past, and they couldn't open their minds to receive the present truth.

10. Now anybody right today that calls himself a Christian and reads the Bible, knows that that's exactly the truth. When the Messiah came on the scene, they who knew Messiah were coming, did not understand the revelation of Scripture concerning him, they interpreted the Scripture the wrong way, and they crucified Messiah.

Now you say, "Could it not be possible that that could happen today?"

And they'd say, "No!" They'd just tell you no.

I'm sorry, but that's exactly what they say, because you know why? You cannot give them Scripture to show the ministry of the Son of man, and 1 Th 4:16, no way will they believe it, so you

might as well shut-up and save your breath. Tell them once, tell them twice, and walk away. Because they already know the Scripture that says you've got to see Him as He is to get your change! And they've already got it figured out; they're going to get their change before they see Him, so shut-up and sit down!

You say, "Well Bro. Vayle, that's very cruel, what if I could really get those people to listen?" Well go ahead, be my guest, but I'm telling you ahead of time, who are you kidding? Eight souls were in the ark! Of course some of you folk are really nice, you want eight hundred. Well be my guest, I don't care what you want, I'm not being sarcastic and mean, I'm just telling you what the Bible says.

11. People don't believe the Bible like I try pleading here on Wednesday night and showing you with sarcasm and everything under God's high heaven, the Scripture distinctly says, when Jesus being on earth, "If I had not done the works no other man did, they had not sinned, but now they've both hated me and my Father." See? They denied them. They saw the wonderful works. And anybody that denies divine healing is a hater of Jesus Christ, though they'll give their lives for Him!

Now I've been trying to tell you people for eight solid years, people are so messed up on what love is, they haven't got a clue! Now I'd better stand here before you to tell the truth, and I told you truth, it took me years to get the one simple verse as it always takes me years, because I'm not a prophet. "The love of God is shed in your hearts by the Holy Ghost," and there's only one conduit for the Holy Ghost, that's not you, that's the Word! "In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, and the Word became flesh." So what was the conduit? The Word! What was the conduit of the Word? Flesh! So Rhema became Logos right down to the human flesh, you understand what I'm saying?

- 12. Okay, so he says here:
- [12-3] *There were thousands there...* (they were in the past tense of the Word, they couldn't take the Word of the hour. Now:) *That was the hour that Jesus was to appear, there stood the Word. There stood the people, and here was a manifestation of God taking place to vindicate that that was the truth.*

Now let's break it down to you. The day that Jesus walked out on the scene presenting Himself, slowly He did it, by His birth, angels and shepherds, by the destruction of the children under two years of age by Herod, by going to the temple, there talking with the people, picking up the scroll and reading, going to the wedding of Cana, producing all the miracles, there was a progression to the hour that He would identify Himself. Now listen:

[12-3] (The present hour of Jesus,) *that was the hour*,(that was the Scripture designated for that time) *that Jesus was to appear*, *and there stood the Word*. (Which means the full manifestation of what was in that Bible now made flesh. There He stood.) *There stood the people*, *here was a manifestation of God* (or the fulfillment of Scripture) *taking place to vindicate that that was the truth*.

Now come on, what did they do? "Oh this is the Lord, hallelujah," said two million people. Like fun. He had twelve people picked out, one betrayed him, and the rest ran off. And a woman stood there crying, and he said, "Don't cry for me, you better cry for yourself."

People think I'm a hard mean person. I preach this way to let you know, don't you thumb your nose at the Word of God and pretend you know something. Don't you dare say one word off this Bible. As Bro. Branham said, "Every man's be a lie, but mine be the truth, said Almighty God, you don't change one thing." Don't you try to change anything with your superior intellect, or with your superior emotions and your superior righteousness, because it's all a lie. "All their righteousness is as filthy rags," the Bible said. So let's get down in Scripture. Now this is what happened there.

13. Now listen what Bro. Branham says bringing you to this hour.

[12-3] As Pentecostal people today, let me say this: We are standing in this last days where God promised He'd would pour out His Spirit upon all flesh, and His sons and daughters prophesy. For, "These signs shall follow them that believe." (Now listen.) It's that hour.

The Pentecostal know it's that hour! Now the point is: what's to happen in that hour? When the sons and daughters are prophesying, and the gifts are manifested? Listen to what he said.

[12-3] It's the hour. That is what makes that creation in you.

Now what's he talking about? A Message! The Word of God revealed! Am I losing you? I hope not. Because if you can't get this, you'll never understand Bro. Branham saying, you can read all you want, you not going to do you any good. Yet some people got the nerve to say, "We don't need a five-fold ministry." I'm going to tell you right here this morning, you wouldn't get except what I am teaching you, because you're not ordained to it. I'm going to tell you flat. You don't like it, its fine by me, because I know where I get it. These are things I do not get by myself, I usually get them sitting right in that seat while you're believing God with me; although that's not at this point. I have my notes, and in my heart and mind I trust.

- 14. What Bro. Branham is saying in paragraph 58 is based upon 57:
- [12-2] *Oh, wayward man or woman this morning,* (you know I'm telling you the truth, and you know) *the Holy Spirit is seeking to bring you to the knowledge of the truth* (in which you are) *now living:*

Now let me illustrate, as it was in the days of Jesus Christ it is today and it's going to go over people's heads, and they will crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, even as it says in Hebrews 6. Now he's standing there telling them. He is telling that this is the hour of the Appearing! Which is vindicated by the ministry of the Son of man! Wherein He is doing in the form of the Holy Spirit, through a prophet, exactly as Jesus was a prophet. But William Branham and Moses and Paul were not Emmanuel! They were not that seed! But as God indwelt prophets and used prophets, now in His fullness, when Christ was all of it, He stood there before the people and they crucified Him, because they could not understand that He was the revelation of the living Word of God for that hour.

15. And so there's a revelation at the end time, it's called the Appearing. And everybody but us calls it the Rapture, it is not the Rapture, the Appearing is not the Rapture, the Appearing precedes the Rapture! "As it was in the days of the Son of man," it says, "So it's going to be again." But everybody just says, "Oh that means they turned Him down, that means hardly anybody believes Jesus, what's this Son of man stuff anyway?"

Hey, that's the same thing they said when Jesus was here upon earth. Are they going to act any different? You got to be kidding if you think they act different. Come on, you that like chocolate, you'll die liking chocolate, you're chocoholics. And like my wife, you're going to try to grab a cup of coffee on the way up in the Rapture. And I'll be handing it to her, so you get a sip out of mine. Come on, they never change; they're not going to change! God doesn't change, the devil doesn't change, and people don't change. It's according to seed. If you haven't got the right seed in you, you're going to lose it. If you're hybridized you'll lose it.

16. Listen, he tells us here, see, just as he said many times in the third exodus, he's telling the Pentecostals here, telling you and me. When Moses went down to Egypt, God did not only appear with Moses in signs and wonders, but He Himself appeared in a Pillar of Fire upon Mount Sinai, so today we have His picture, which is absolutely authenticated, scientifically as a supernatural figure. Of course, they'll say, "Well George J. Lacy said that, but we've got smarter men now, hallelujah." You know? It's very strange, isn't it?

"No Scripture lives apart from the correct hour." Larkin said it. Any Bible teacher knows it. Any Christian that's worth his salt knows anything knows it. You don't take Scripture from its timeslot and put it some place else, neither do you wrest it out of its doctrinal context. And here's the catch of the whole thing. Who's going to stand up now and put the bell around the cat's neck?

17. Remember the story of the mice and the cat? The cat always came in, on pussy, pussy feet, you know, pussy cat feet? And ...?..., got a mouse. So the mice held a conference. And they said, "Hey, the trouble is we can never hear that predator coming."

And a mouse said, "Well it would be great, we'll get a bell and put it around its neck," and they all voted.

Then one little mouse said, "Well whose going to put the bell around the cat's neck?"

Who's going to stand in this pulpit here and say, "Well bless God, I'll tell you the hour of that Scripture, amen, hallelujah."

And I'd say, "Okay boy, before you open your big fat mouth, you give me one 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' that comes to pass, because now you've set yourself up with Deuteronomy 18."

"Oh well, no."

"Then buzz off."

My life's too important to fool with that stuff; I fooled with that stuff all my life. I know how to get indigestion. Just eat any old thing they give me. Only it's called 'all tables are full of vomit'.

Now:

- [12-3] This is what makes that creation in you.
- 18. Okay. Let's go to Ephesians 4 and here again we're going to get stuck, and I am not a gramophone record the needle got stuck on. You'll get new material every single time oh that's always added and added, we go over the old, we add and add. Now you notice here in Eph 4:24,
 - (24) That ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

I believe that Bro. Branham being a prophet of God and giving Paul's message absolutely is talking about that. Now if you want to be honest with me, you got to go to the context. And the context goes way back to verse 4,

- (4) One body, one Spirit, even as ye (have) one hope of your calling;
- (5) One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
- (6) One God and Father of all, above all, and through all, and in you all.

Then he tells how he sent the Holy Spirit back and he works through a five-fold ministry, verse 12,

(12) For the (equipping) of the saints, (that's making them absolutely finished and absolutely right, there's no more to come,) for the work of the ministry, the edifying of the body of Christ:

- (13) Till we all come in unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a (mature) man, the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:
- (14) That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

In other words, you come to the place where you're never going to be deceived, which is Matthew 24, the very elect cannot be deceived. No use trying, you ain't going to get them. Hey Eve, Eve shuts her mouth, "Beat it." Like I could just see Eve coming back today, and the devil taunting, you know what she would do? I really don't know what she would do, but I think if she was human again, she would not only tell him off, she would try to burn him to a crisp. For what he did to her.

19. Come on; let your minds go this morning. Here's Eve come back here, in an unfallen condition, but knowing what she went through and put us through, Adam and everybody else. And there's that great big handsome hunk coming by. "Hi Eve."

"Don't hi Eve me." She'd know how to put a scallywag in a cauldron of boiling water, or oil. She'd run him off. You think she wouldn't? Come on. Well if she's like some of the stupid dames we got today, the answer is she'd just keep on coming, have him come on, come on, come on. The Bride is not stupid dames. Maturity, grown up.

- (15) But (holding) the truth in love, may grow up (unto) him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:
- (16) From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.
- 20. In other words you're coming right to the end time. Right to the very end time, where the elect cannot be deceived.
 - (17) This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth not (walk) as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,

What's the vanity of the Gentiles mind? They talk about the Word, they presuppose, they indicate, they do everything, but they can't prove it. There's no vindication. We are walking in vindication.

Now the Gentiles, these Christians out there, this worldly bunch, I don't care what they are, religious:

(18) Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Now what does it tell you right there? Hey, do you understand what we just read here?

(18) Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Where did their hearts get blind? Wrong word. Are they with God? No! They're the enemies of God.

- (19) Who being past feeling have given themselves over to lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness...
- 21. You're right back in Romans; you're right back to AIDS, homosexuals. You think I harp a lot on that? I'm going to harp on it too, if you don't like it, go someplace else. I don't care, I'm going to preach the truth, because I'm telling you that's what happened to Sodom and Gomorrah, and that's the sign of this hour, because they're running the government, and if you don't know that you better read your statistics! And you're completely fooled. I've read them to you! They are running the government! In no time they had more money given them than heart and cancer, everything else, and they're the ones that broke the AMA that says, "You can't have any drugs, but our drugs." And they said, "We'll get them!"

Now they got a law, if you want a certain thing today that's not given you in America, and you talk to your doctor, you can get it out of Canada and Mexico, or Europe, all you need is a prescription with your doctor's name on it. And you'll get it, because I've done it. AIDS did it.

Now don't sit here and don't tell me that you know what you're talking about and you deny what I'm saying. You better keep your passions in control. Oh you say, "I can get away with it." Go ahead. Go ahead, defy the Word of God. Be my guest.

- (20) But ye have not so learned (of) Christ;
- (21) If so be ye have heard him, and been taught by him, as the truth (says):
- 22. Now Paul is telling you he is Christ, Jesus Christ to the listener. He is telling you that a true five-fold minister or any true seed Christian with the true Word that testifies becomes Christ to the individual listening. As Paul said, "Now we become ambassadors for Christ," as though God in us, we're pleading with you. There you are.
 - (23) And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

He tells you that the mind and the spirit go together! But the soul is where the gene is! So by the mind you feed the spirit, going down into the soul, and the soul begins to reproduce the Word of God, and you become a living epistle. That's what Bro. Branham said, I'm just quoting the prophet, he got it out of the Word here, because he's a Pauline preacher.

(24) And put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Now the word 'create' here does not mean to take nothing and make it into something. And I believe in Bro. Branham talking about "This is what makes that creation in you," I believe he's speaking the identical meaning of the Greek the same that Paul did. Just like he said when "My ministry is to declare that He is here," he used the word 'declare' the same as it is in Jn 1:18, where it means to lead him forth by words, to actually present and manifest and show. So that you don't have to have any wrong ideas. Because even when God manifests Himself, somebody's got to tell you what the manifestation is all about. Or you can be led astray by your own folly.

Now:

- (24) ...put on the new man, which after God is created...
- 23. Now the word 'create' is 'to form originally'. And the idea comes from being the owner or the proprietor. An owner and proprietor is not necessarily a creator, he's just got something he works on. So

therefore for the context of what we're talking about here, we go to the very same thing over in 2 Cor 5:17, wherein you find the same root word. 5:17 about the new creature. All right:

(17) Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: (a new creation) old things (have) passed away; behold all things (have) become new.

So what you're looking at is really what is read in Ephesians 4, what you've come up to. And what is there at the hour of presentation, at the fullness. Not that it wasn't there in all ages, but not to this degree, because this degree is where the body is completed, there's no more saints to come in. No more lost sheep.

- 24. All right, now what about this thing he's talking about? Well let's go to Colossians and find out. And we find in Colossians 3, I want to start from verse 1,
 - (1) If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sit(s) on the right hand of God.
 - (2) Set your affection on the things above, not things on earth. (Now that's like Ephesians.)
 - (3) For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.
 - (4) When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

Now, what else we got here?

- (5) Mortify (the deeds, and so on, oh yeah, let down here below again, Paul says the same thing,)
- (9) Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds:
- (10) And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

It's the very same Word there, showing the molding process of what is there! That as the original seed in the flesh, without being reborn was subject to, not wantonly, but manifesting in the flesh those things it did not want, now with the Spirit of God can begin to manifest and come forth in the way that it should definitely come forth.

25. So we're seeing here that Bro. Branham is saying that it's this Word that you have is going to be responsible for the work of the hour, come on now, the work of the hour! Not some past hour, not some future hour, but the hour of what? Resurrection, immortality.

So there you see it. He's laid out here to the Pentecostals, every one of us, and said, "You people understand this. There is a creation going on, which is a molding!" See? It's that which is different! The Word that we had previous to this hour could not give us immortality! Could not take us to the place that they without us could not be made perfect! Could not bring us to the Headship which demands, what? The Voice to get the people out of the grave. And that Voice has got to come to us, because we don't die. So that's why you have a Voice, and a Shout, and a Trumpet. Now Bro. Branham said that is what's going on at this time.

26. Now he's going to explain it by his little story of the eagle in the chicken pen. We'll read it.

[12-4] As I spoke here not long ago, the farmer that set the hen with an eagle egg. Many of you remember the story of the hen giving birth to this egg of a eagle under her chicken feathers. See, it's the atmosphere. (In other words, she got it warm, and it was coming up the thing to do, and that's what happened. There's an atmosphere all through the church, looking for Christ, looking for the Pillar of Fire, not knowing what they're looking for. Coming up, coming up, coming up. See? An atmosphere.) The Presbyterian church, Methodist church, Baptist church, any of them can bring forth these eagles. Sure, it's the atmosphere that does it.

As Dr. Bosworth used to say, you can take a hen egg and put it under a pup and tie it down, a pup would hatch out a chicken. Why? It's the atmosphere. (Temperature.) And when any church or any group will assemble themselves together and pray until they're throw away their creeds and things, and look straight in the face of God, it'll bring forth eagles just as certain as I'm standing here.

Now come on. Will the Methodist do it? Not when they got their book. Will the Pentecostal do it? Not when they got their book. Who will do it? Those that go away from the book; that drop the book. They don't say, "We don't need the Word." They just say, "Hey, something's rotten in Denmark. Things aren't the way the Word's supposed to be. So let's just forget everything we know." See they're like Paul now.

- 27. Now Bro. Branham says:
- [12-5] That's what I think that this Business Men's Group has done, trying to break up the atmosphere. We were getting too clannish. One belongs to this one to that. Let's break up the atmosphere and get the atmosphere in a heavenly worship. Get the atmosphere right.

So first thing he's saying here, "You got to drop your creeds and your dogmas and your organizations, and those things which will hurt you."

- [12-6] Eagles will be born out of any church anywhere. And this little eagle walked with the hen for a long time, but the clucking was kind of strange. [End of side one of tape.] He didn't understand what the hen meant when she scratched in the waste of the manure pile in the yard. (That's denomination creeds apart from revelation.) That wasn't food to him. She ate bugs (the hen did,) and so forth that an eagle doesn't eat; so it sounded strange to him. And he was a ugly duckling. (In that bunch.) He was not being sacrilegious; now maybe he was a Freewill Baptist, but something of that order, or a Presbyterian.
- 28. [13-1] But you know, one day his mother knew that she had laid an egg. There had to be an (?account?) somewhere. So she threw her big wings into the wind, and she searched, and searched, screaming at the top of her voice. One day she passed over the barnyard. This little eagle heard the familiar scream; He'd never heard it before, (it was familiar to him though, see?) but he realized that it fit him like a glove over a hand, he knew that was his mother. She knew that was her son. She was looking for him.
- [13-2] So God in every age ordained for that age: (to have a mother eagle scream out) a message. (Scream for her children, that's what he's saying.) They could have laws and anything that they want, but when that hour comes, the Holy Spirit of God, which is at the beginning thought out and spoke out for that age, that Spirit hunts that egg. And when he hears that message, there is no church denomination that's going to hold it. It'll rise to the height. It's got to.

29. Now Bro. Branham is telling you right there in this Easter Seal message, that there is a resurrection to bring forth for this hour, that is a Word of the resurrection to bring forth for this hour everything that that resurrection had within it when Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life, he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live," that's resurrection, "and he that liveth and believeth in me shall never perish," that's Rapture, "believest thou this."

And he is telling the people right there that "*I am that one with the authority to do it*," and they said, "Hogwash." When he said, "*You organize and I'll leave you*," they immediately organized under Trinitarianism so you couldn't belong to the Full Gospel businessmen unless you are a Trinitarian. "Because bless God, we has got it. And you is going to come us."

What if us isn't Jesus? There's your organization, they'll boot you out, I got booted out, hallelujah. Next time I got in I booted myself out, because I never really got in, I just about preached for it, but that's the end of it. Then I heard so many times from the Baptist headquarters, I said, "Merciful God, if I could hear from You this often, I'd be the most spiritual man living outside of Jesus Christ," so I dumped the organization. I said, "I need to hear from You, not some headquarters junk."

- 30. Now listen:
- [13-4] No matter how loyal the church has been, how big of a name it's got, when "My sheep hear My voice (which is the Word), a stranger they will not follow."

Just a minute, that's all they know are strangers. They've been with the strangers. According to the Bible, who's the stranger? The person you know the best. You know something? But when the Voice of God comes, you'll dump the stranger, because you found out he isn't your friend. And you'll find out that he doesn't think what you think, he doesn't do what you do, he doesn't live what you live. He's just different. That's right. They won't stick with those strangers. They'll come out of Rev 18:4, and remember Revelation 18 is the great harlot and her systems, and they're absolutely foreign and strange to God, because when God talks they don't come running! They hear the cluck-cluck and they go back to the hen.

- [13-4] *They'll go right straight to that Word, they* (can't) *do it. It's like a magnet.* (See, they can't leave the Word, they got to go to it. Now he's uses a little story.
- 31. [13-5] One day in Indiana, I was visiting the steel mills, and the whistle blew. And everybody took off their aprons and begin to sweep up the lathes, the middle of the floor, (so the great big magnet came down, a man pressed the button and all the shavings went up except some of the shavings were not caught up into the magnet.)

And I said, "I'm wondering something."

He said, "What is it?" "I notice some (shavings) didn't go up."

Well he said, "That's aluminum, magnets are not magnetized to the aluminum."

I said, "I see." Then I said, "Well did you notice there's a piece of iron laying across there...

"But sir, it's bolted down."

"I see." When he took it out, I said, "Now, what happens to that out there?" (That's the shavings, metal shavings.)

He said, "It goes right back into the mill, poured into the cupola, and comes right out back and makes another wheel."

I said, "Praise the Lord."

32. [14-2] That's it. See? There is a great magnet sitting in the sky that God one day'll touch His fingers to. No man knows the time He's coming, not even the Angels in heaven know. God alone knows. But there has been some trimmings that's come off of the Bible: Bible Christians, believers for this hour. One of them might've been an axle back in the other days. This might be some other part. It's going on to make the big regime of God, but it'll be molded into the pot of God's great cupola and poured out again into the images of God. (That's ...?... sons of God, see, we'll be in His image. At the time of He appears, that's when it takes place.) Just those that are magnetized to it will be taken up. (In other words, just those that can go to the Word.) Oh... What a privilege it is to know that there is something in the resurrection that's pertaining to us.

Now remember resurrection is Easter. And resurrection is the great Seal. That every single thing poured into Christ that was related to us and given to us is in Him. And we've never had the resurrection yet, we never had immortality yet. Now he's telling you in his message, that's what lies there. Now either William Branham is a liar, or he's telling the truth.

33. Now you can fall back on Deuteronomy 18, it's the only place you can go. The prophet that comes in the Name of the Lord, and the thing comes to pass, you listen to him. He comes before he talks! The same as it says over in the Book of Acts. He said, "These things I declare unto you that Jesus both began to do and to teach," and every theologian says, "There you are, there you are, there you are, if your life doesn't live it, don't bother preaching. You've got to show you're a Christian before you can talk." Hogwash, that's not what that Scripture says! That Scripture says he's a prophet, and he's vindicated before he opens his mouth and says one word, just like Moses and Paul and the rest of them.

See, you can see twist the Scripture and be nice doing it. "Well Bro. Vayle, I've got such love, and I'm supposed to live the life before I talk." Yes you are, yes you are, but if you're going to contradict what the real Word of God means, there's something wrong with you. You are an Easter chicken, or an Easter bunny, you are not an Easter sheep. Yep.

- 34. All right, 68, we'll read it, down to 69.
- [14-3] *Now, notice,*(this is a fact, to) *recognize the call of God's Word,* (and be) *a part of* (it, comes by an) *eagle to an eagle.*

In other words, there is no such thing as a chicken coming to a Word, or the eagle missing the Word, or the eagle missing the eagle. You're right back to the status of where Bro. Branham said, "God is the Word, absolutely, ...?...even as the Word, the Word was with God, the Word was God," he said, "that's God." Jesus was a complete manifestation seed Word, everyone in Him, and its Word, Word, Word, as Bro. Branham said, "If Christ is that Word," and he was the full manifestation. Then he said, "If we are His body, we've got to be Word piled upon Word till it's nothing but Word." That's what we're looking at right here. So how in the world can a chicken come to the Word? How can an eagle not come to the Word? How can God come to a chicken? How can God not come to an eagle? You are looking at the fatalism known as sovereignty, which is in three steps: foreknowledge, election, predestination. Right.

35. [14-3] Now, if that mother would've screamed like a buzzard, he would never have known it.

Now isn't that wonderful consolation? Somebody come by and scream like a buzzard, do the best old chicken talk, do you think you could get me back in Pentecost? I'm not boasting, but you know my God by now I should be able to say it. Back with anything else? Come on. What if they take everything we got, so they're going to do it anyway, come on don't be stupid. Better to lose your coat and your hat,

your eye and your limbs than have it all burnt with your soul and body in hell. You're not going to lose anything except that which is rubbish. I've been trying to do that for years; my I hate certain things about myself. I'll be so glad to be completely changed. I just know that God's going to do that. See?

[14-3] He would have been just as well off in the barnyard. But it was the scream of an eagle. There was something inside that little fellow that make him know he was an eagle; and the same thing is true of every believer.

Spiritual election has to have natural election, and it positively does. The chicken will stay in the pen, and if he ever gets out, he's going to run to find the hole he came out of.

36. Now we're going to read on to 69, because 69 explains 68. See?

Notice, (this is the fact, to) *recognize the call of God's Word*, (and be) *a part of* (it comes by an) *eagle to an eagle*.

God to His children and the children answer back, because there's something in there, the gene of God. Now watch:

[14-4] When the preaching of God's Word comes forth, and vindicated, and proved that it is God's Word for this hour, then there is something within the believer; I don't care how loyal his father was to the church, or how loyal his mother was, or his grandparents, and if the church is teaching contrary to this hour of the baptism of the Holy Ghost message; there's something in him that screams out. He'll leave the barnyard. He's got to do it. The chicken might have been all right one day but this is eagle hour. It is different.

Now that's what he's talking about. And yet these people will go back and they'll say, "Well I want to tell you, we came over to this country, and we were brought over here by a man that prophesied, and I tell you, we're just going to stick with that because that was good and he did it, and so we're going to stick with it."

37. What about the fact Bro. Branham coming on the scene, going amongst those same Armenian people, and a woman dying, not a prayer, she was gone with cancer. The doctor standing there, another Armenian friend of the family, they're millionaires, Bro. Branham said, "'THUS SAITH THE LORD', she'll be walking up and down the streets tomorrow."

And the guy said – he just really took Bro. Branham to town. He said, "Shame on you saying that, you know better. Blah, blah."

Bro. Branham said, "Listen, I'm going to tell you something. If this woman is not walking around tomorrow," even that night for all I know, within so many minutes or hours, he said, "I will let you drive your car behind me, go down the main street of Los Angeles, and honk the horn screaming 'false prophet, false prophet', but if that woman is raised up, and she is better as I say she will be, then I will ride in the car, and you will go down the street, and I will honk the horn, and say, 'quack, quack, quack doctor'."

Oh the doctor, he just couldn't see that, but the woman was healed. I want to ask a question. Where are those people today? That's a good question. I don't know where they are, ten to one they're not anywhere near I know.

All right. He says:

[14-5] *There is something that he must leave, the old coop, and fly away into the blue.* (Unchartered courses, where they haven't said creeds, dogmas and destroyed you.)

[14-6] Then this earthly body is quickened and brought by the quickening Spirit to the obedience of God's Word.

And what's the quickening experience to? The Word, the resurrection. And immortality.

- 38. Now let's go to Philippians. And in Philippians 3, Paul says here, verse 7,
 - (7) But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.

What were they? Verse 4,

- (4) Though I might have (also) confidence in the flesh. If any other man think(s) he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:
- (5) Circumcised the eighth day, the stock of Israel, tribe of Benjamine, Hebrew of Hebrews; touching the law, a Pharisee;
- (6) Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.
- (7) But what things were gain to me, (in other words, everything he was taught,) those I counted loss for Christ.
- (8) Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them dung, (manure,) that I may win Christ,
- (9) And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

What's he saying? "In the light of my own vindication, I," he said, "I cannot" – how's he going to put it? "I cannot find myself too extremely different from what I was, and now so extremely maxed up to Christ."

39. What am I trying to tell you? This man here still looked at the past and knew that those things could come to his mind the odd time; he knew they weren't real, but he had his problems like everybody else. Now he saw what Christ was to him, and he had his problem fully identified. There's not anybody doesn't have a problem. You come where Paul came and William Branham, you say, "Well thank God for that problem."

See they got to the place where Bro. Branham could say, "If God told me to raise Abraham Lincoln or George Washington," he used the terms, he said, "I'll go to the graveyard and raise them tomorrow morning, or the armies of the earth could come and shoot me down."

Now how you going to get a man talking like that? Well you say, "That's just a bluff." You should have been there to call his bluff like I was. Go ahead.

You know you're looking at a man that went through this, you don't have to believe me, hey come on, this is White Throne, I'll be looking you in the eye shortly up there at the White Throne when it comes right out. I got no – you've got problems and I don't. Because I'm telling you the truth. I know you can say it's a little skeptical, "Well Lee Vayle, I believe what he says, but I can't stand the guy." I can't either, that makes two of us, why don't you pray harder for me. Prophet didn't mind. He said, "You're made that way."

40. I hit hard, I know I hit hard. But I'm going to tell you something, I'm not lying to you. Because whether I want it over or not, and whether I want to meet you or not, or you want to meet me, hey it's going to happen kid, because it's ninety-nine percent there already, so what am I supposed to do? I keep telling my wife, "What if I was to get more religious, more this?" I said, "Kid listen, it's over." I got no where to turn, what am I going to do now? Say, "Oh God, please forgive me, I made a mistake." Out! What am I supposed to do? Well you tell me. It's over.

Years ago they'd say, "Ashes to ashes, dust to dust, the fleas don't get us, the bedbugs must." Today it's the AIDS will get you. You can be true to your wife, a sneeze will go six feet at a hundred miles an hour, duck it when somebody's got AIDS. You're gone. How stupid can people get? Science, science, science. Who got us here? Science. Why do you think they got filthy AIDS, because they were able to cure gonorrhea and stuff like that for a while, Penicillin and junk. So they turn sex more and more loose, and more loose and more loose. You can't fool with God sitting there this morning. Just try. Just you try.

- 41. All right. This is the last day and the last hour. This is the last day message of a last day hour. Last message of the hour. Nothing more can be added to it, nothing taken from it. Organization must be left. Okay. Paragraph 70, based upon 69.
- [15-2] Now, when this Holy Spirit, represented as the eagle flying over the land, finds the believer... (Now,) "No man can come to Me. No man can even come to Me who wants to. Only all the Father has given Me will come to Me, no man can come by himself." (He says come but don't come. You know if you come when you're not called, you'll be a makebeliever. And suddenly you'll find yourself a horrible unbeliever. Because you just thought you saw something.) It isn't your own thinking, your own drawing. It's God drawing. (Or it's not going to be done.) "All that the Father has given Me will come to Me."
- 42. Okay, this in my estimation is background for 2 Thessalonians 1.
 - (7) And you who are troubled rest with us, (in the day when Christ must appear,) when the Lord Jesus shall (appear,) be revealed from heaven with his mighty (messengers),
 - (8) In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God...

But He's coming to be glorified in you when He does that, so don't worry, you get out of here before they get hit, because the righteous never perish with the wicked. You're safe and you're secure. You'll get by that. Now watch: [2 Thessalonians 2:]

(1) Now we beseech you, brethren, by the (presence) of our Lord Jesus Christ...

What Presence? When He comes at that time. There's a picture right there, there's a picture right there, scientific, you can't deny them.

(2) That ye soon (not be) shaken in mind,

What mind? The mind that you got that Bro. Branham speaks of and Paul speaks of, which is influenced by the Spirit, to go down to the soul, so you'll put this, the new creation will begin to form in you. See? And now look it, you're moving into the Promised Land. Immortal body.

(2) ...or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as the day of (the Lord Jesus) Christ is at hand.

See, it's not. That actual literal Coming has to be preceded by the Appearing, and by the fact of only the elect knowing it, spirits loose, two hundred thousand, the river Euphrates, Bro. Branham mentioned just alone. All these things going on. The Son of man ministry paralleled by the son of perdition ministry. The devil, Judas doing exactly what Jesus did, everybody thinking its God. Turn around, call Jesus the devil, the other guy, call him God. Can't tell God from the devil, vice versa. All mixed up.

43. Now listen, there's got to be a Word to get the eagles out, or how in the world have you got any faith, because faith is the consideration! Righteousness comes by faith and faith is a revelation. So they're going to be stuck without it.

Now this is what we're looking at, as we said here. At this particular time Bro. Branham is preaching for the people at the time of the Appearing, which precedes the Coming. And at the time of the Appearing, when that runs out, positively there'll be a resurrection and mortal bodies changed, there's going to be a Rapture.

Now that's what he's saying. I don't care what you think you hear him saying, and I don't care what the Full Gospel Businessmen and the Pentecostals think they're hearing, I'm telling you what you're hearing! And I've proved it to you by taking the very things that Bro. Branham said, it's this hour and there's a Message! Now what do you want for your nickel?

Listen, you've been well taught here, I've got no worries about whether I'm going to meet you and how I'm going to meet you. The only thing I'm going to meet you on is whether I was mean enough or sweet enough, I'm not quite sure which is going to be. Because if I've got to be mean, I'll be mean, I'll tar and feather you to get you to understand this, because listen, I know it's difficult, it is not easy. Especially with everything to chain, to pull you away from the Word these days. And Bro. Branham said, "That's the one fear I got. That you will let loose of that Word, you'll not take it seriously." In other words, it will not be your life, when it should be your life, and we want it to be your life.

44. Now watch:

[15-3] *Now, the Holy Spirit is here on earth...*

Now there again they get messed up. Are they talking about the Baptizer or the baptism? Now the Baptizer gives the baptism. But this is not the point. He Who gave the baptism at Pentecost, came to Paul as an individual and gave the Word, and now at the same time today, when He is the Baptizer, once more He's the Holy Spirit revealing the Word, that's a hundred percent the Word of God. And vindicated by God Himself to a prophet. So you can't change it.

Now the last hour the Holy Spirit has got to come! Right! And He's got to be disregarded and taken away! Right! 2 Thessalonians. You can't get away from it. And when He leaves, He leaves a Word, which the righteous take with them, the unregenerate repudiate, walk right into the lie, are deceived and destroyed. Now there you are. That's restoration according to what Elijah does, which is Matthew 17 and also Acts 3.

45. [15-3] Now, the Holy Spirit is here on earth, looking for those individuals God has ordained to Life in this age. And as soon as He finds It, It does just like It did on Jesus Christ, the great super Son of God, who redeems us all. It comes down and takes Its place of abode in the human life.

Now that's very good. And remember we've been talking all about John the Baptist and Jesus. So now he can be a hundred percent talking about himself, God in the prophet. The same man said, "I have the Pillar of Fire standing up inside of me."

They said, "Well how can Jesus be God? How can that be the Father?"

Well he said, "It's very simple, you're looking at me, aren't you?" He said, "Same like Jesus." He said, "Not saith William Branham, 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' that child doesn't have leukemia, 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' that person is healed. 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' that thing — no," he said, "that's not William Branham," he said, "that's the One in me."

"Oh sacrilege!"

Well how come God backed him up? Why don't you just go to God and say, "God I'm going to beat the tar out of You. Wait till I get my hands on You." You can't even see Him. You wouldn't know if you saw Him.

- 46. You see how stupid people get? I want you to understand this. This Message refers to the prophet at the end time! To the Message that we have before it's given to us! That is literally the end of the sealing in, which is the resurrection, because with this, it's all over as far as humanity is concerned. You've gone to immortality. So you see you're looking at an end time thing here. Just exactly what we talked about, which is 1 Th 4:16.
- [15-4] Now, notice. Brought the quickening power... Now, that quickening power that came upon Jesus quickened Him to manifest every promise of the Word of that day. So does the Holy Spirit that comes upon us in this day. If it's not a mockery holy spirit, (or a mockery, and you're) not the devil mocking the Holy Spirit, but it's the real true Holy Spirit, it'll manifest the promise of this hour.

All right, I ask you a question! He's talking about Jesus, is he not? Right. Who came down upon him to manifest the Word of the hour? God, Holy Spirit. Now I want ask you another question! Does the Bride of Christ, many membered per se, every one of us, do this manifesting? Hogwash. One man. One man. The prophet. You and I can be baptized with the Holy Ghost individually, that's great. And if we really are, we'll go right to this Message. You can't get away from it.

- 47. Now watch what he says here 73:
- [15-5] When It fell upon Luther, (and Luther looked for the Pillar of Fire, he looked for the very thing we're looking for, the Appearing,) It manifested that promise of that hour. (What was that? Restoration, get out of the Catholic church.) When It fell upon Wesley, (from justification to sanctification,) It manifested the promise of that hour. When It falls in this day, It manifests the promise of this hour.

Now watch what he does. Now you think anybody in his right mind this is at all logical that's got an education past grade one? Talking about elephants, he's suddenly going to switch and now he talks about mice and you don't even know it? The person talking about today when you're eating a chocolate bar, and suddenly you don't know, but he's talking about the day that you robbed somebody's henhouse. So I'm wanting to know, why does he jump back to Moses? Why does he jump back to Moses, what's the big idea? Exodus! In a promised land.

[15-5] (When it) *fell upon Noah*, (destruction, flood. Eight people saved.) *When It fell upon Jesus*, (what happened then? God manifested, signs and wonders, proved exactly Who He was, what the Word was, all about it.) *See? It's the Holy Spirit coming down to quicken, make alive those people that are foreordained of God to be in the rapture*. (This is not the baptism with the Holy Ghost. The baptism with the Holy Ghost is temporary and looks to this. Now the great Sealer Himself is here, sealing in the boxcar to take us all away. You're in a different hour.) *That is, if he is a true eagle, he will understand the message of this hour: if he's a true eagle.*

- 48. What is that Message? 1 Thessalonians 4, let's go and look at it and then I'm going to close. Must be closing time anyway, I don't know why I'm tired, but I shouldn't be, I feel good enough to keep preaching for the rest of the day. I like my notes, I got them really good, Lord helped me. Now where am I at? Oh yeah, 13th verse.
 - (13) But I would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, as others which have no hope. (Oh what a mess there was in that day, a lot of folk didn't believe in the resurrection, hardly anything. They had a hodge podge back there!)
 - (14) For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them which sleep in Jesus will God bring (forth) with him. (Hey that's good.)
 - (15) For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, (that's 'THUS SAITH THE LORD') that we which are alive and remain unto the (presence) of the Lord shall not (take any preeminence over) them which are asleep. (Nope. Go before, anything else. Make any hindrance either.)
 - (16) For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, (which is a command that puts things in order,) with the voice of the archangel, and the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
 - (17) Then we which are alive and remain (standing here, do not die,) shall be caught up (immortal) with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord: (what Lord is that? That's Jesus, "The Lord said to my Lord, sit on my right hand." God said to His God. Don't get buffaloed by Scripture, just believe it. See?) so shall we be with the Lord.
 - (18) Wherefore comfort one another...

Now what he's saying here, that this is the hour for that, and there is a Message, for when the Lord descends with the Shout, he said it is the Message of the hour, and that's exactly true, because Paul says that in 2 Thessalonians, our gathering together, which has to be by the Presence, and this is the same Presence, and when you are putting something in order, which is what he is doing according to 1 Corinthians 15, it has to be without doubt, the restoration of the Word according to the rest of the Scripture! You can't wrest Scripture from Scripture. People listen to this and it goes over their heads. You can't tell them anything. Why? Because they still got the chicken manure up here! They with the chickens too long. They can't clear their minds!

49. Do you know the biggest trouble you've got and I've got in this world, now let's get it down flat. The greatest battle is to clear our minds and get the minds with the Word. That's why people don't get healed or anything else. Because they will look at evidences out here, and they'll say, "Well, uh-uh-uh." And they'll look at what some preacher said, "Uh-uh-uh."

I look at a vindicated prophet, and may God give me strength no matter what happens to stand with it. No matter what it costs, no matter where it goes. If it's a true Holy Spirit, if the Holy Spirit's coming down to quicken, to make the people alive – now He isn't going to do the dead any good, it's for us! The Shout is for us! The Voice of the archangel to bring the dead out of the ground. Why was it an archangel? Because an archangel contended for the body of Moses! That's why your archangel's involved. God raises the dead thereby. The next thing is the trump, what's the trumpet for? The assembling. What are we assembling for? Coronation, Wedding Supper. The Spirit in the midst becomes incarnate to us, we'll crown Him King of kings and Lord of lords, see there you are.

- [15-5] He makes the people alive that are foreordained (now notice foreordained) of God to be in the rapture. That is, if he's a true eagle, he will understand the message of the hour: but only if he's a true eagle.
- [15-6] Now, the little eagle probably in the barnyard was eating all right, but it wasn't exactly right. But when he heard the truth, he received the truth.

Now how do you know Bro. Branham's preaching the truth? Vindication. Well of course it's got to be vindicated to you. Person right beside you, he won't see a thing! Nah! Like I told you a long time ago, I got this good buddy down there in Corpus Christi, I really loved the guy; he's a prince of guy. I mean if you want a real prince of a guy, you wouldn't get a nicer guy than this fellow I'm talking about. And he said he'd never seen a miracle. "Oh Bro. Vayle, if I could only see a miracle." Yet his own wife, tubercular, no cure, when Oral Roberts said, "Touch your TV and be healed," she touched the TV, and she got no more tuberculosis.

What do you call a miracle? "Well Bro. Vayle, a miracle to me is if somebody takes something like alchemy, you know an alchemist was supposed to do, take a piece of tin and turn it into gold."

You're a jerk. Tin doesn't turn to gold, you'd have to have blasters and atomic vaporizers and God knows what to do that thing. The best you'd get is water turned into wine, and you can turn carbon into diamonds, because that's the way God laid it out. But if God hasn't laid a way that tin gets turned into gold, forget it.

See what are you going to do with people? Love them. Just love them. Be nice to them. Kind, considerate. I loved that guy. If I could help him, I'd love to help him. He may even be dead by now, I don't know. Let's rise and be dismissed. 7:30, Wednesday night, Bro. Stan, we'll turn the pulpit over fairly early.

Heavenly Father, as we go we pray You'll go with us, we believe You will. We believe Lord our time this morning was profitable for us, that we had given to us Lord from You by way of the prophet's Message, what is not just current, lots of things are current, but what is the meat, the food, the life of this season. And I believe Lord that in spite of everything, and that's maybe just the right way to put it, takes in everything that's of the devil, and not of Him or anything else Lord, by reason of our own humanity, in spite of everything we're coming more and more to the definitive, to the ultimate, where we just consider nothing else. Just the same as Abraham did. And that's good, that's the way it's got to be.

And I pray Lord, in the holy Name of Jesus Christ it will be with all reverence and Holy Spirit in our lives in every single one of us here this morning. Help us to realize Lord when You called the Wedding Supper, You didn't ask us to even bring a napkin, You didn't ask us to bring a knife or a fork, You didn't ask us to bring a toothpick, didn't ask to bring a wedding garment, any garment, You said, "Come on. Let me take care of the whole thing. Just want you to do one thing, come and sit down."

And Father that's what we want to do here in this church is to hear Your Voice, which we believe we've heard by the prophet, not mine Lord, but by the prophet, heard Your Voice, bidding us to come. And we believe O Lamb of God, great Eagle, Your appellation of this hour, we come to You for the life that You alone can give us in the way alone that You alone give us, and we're happy for it, we know it doesn't make us unique, doesn't give us preeminence, no, because nothing in our hands we bring, simply to the Wedding we come, having heard Your call.

May there not be one of us miss it, as the prophet prayed so often, may the sweet Spirit of Christ really come amongst us now and heal the sick amongst us. Just like it was back in the days of Elisha when he said, "Let these Syrians know there is a God in heaven," and the man was healed Lord. We

know there is a God, we don't even put Him in heaven anymore, we put Him right down here with the Pillar of Fire leading a Bride, believing that's true. There is a God amongst His Bride, there is Headship returned. And there is healing for the body today. Thank You for everything You're doing for us, we really appreciate it so much, and we love You this morning, we give You glory, in Jesus Christ's holy Name. Amen.

'Take the Name of Jesus with you'.