

Future Home #6

Compatibility

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Shall we pray. Gracious heavenly Father, we welcome Your Presence with us this morning only hoping somehow that it's not rubbing off on us but actually indwelling us, O God, by the Holy Ghost within us, that we might bring forth fruit in Your Word, unto the praise of the glory of Your Grace and we might testify that we are the written epistles of God Himself. Lord, we don't want this on our own. We are very fearful that this would be the case. But Father, we know You are a good God, You love us, and we believe that somehow we are directly related to You by the birth and the rebirth, Lord. And we just pray that You'll help us, then, to assume the position of responsibility You have given us. Bless each one in Divine Presence. May not one go away empty. May there not be one here but receives what that person came for, and even more so, even as always been in Your Presence. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

You may be seated.

1. Now this is number six of "The Future Home of the Earthly Bride." And, before we start to read on page 42, paragraph 192, we take note that the cleansing of the heavens and earth preparatory for the descent of the New Jerusalem on Mount Zion, is a cleansing like no other cleansing that has been or ever will be. There'll be no need for any more after this one.
2. Now, since Peter mentions the flood as destroying the world of the ungodly, and sets it forth as an illustration of the cleansing of fire, which is about to come, we'd like to compare the two and see wherein they actually differ. Now the first cleansing by destruction, in which the world was first of all judged, and then destroyed, was merely a washing of the atmosphere by water. And the same water washing the earth's surface, changed the earth, through forming oceans and seas; and the earth tilted on its axis, and landmasses were no doubt covered by great deposits of silt, layers of good earth. At least in many, if not all places, we have no understanding if all of the places were covered by the good earth and silt, though it's quite possible that did take place. Furthermore, eight people only, and all animals and birds, were carried over in their same condition of perversion. Remember, just one person came over, and that was Noah, the only perfect man genetically. And his wife, of course, was not; therefore, the sons and their wives were not. And therefore, he stood as one person, genetically perfect, typing, of course, today, just before the fire, the one person to stand genetically perfect is God Himself in our midst. There's nobody else.
3. So, there were only eight people, and all animals and birds were carried over in their same state. They were left to start anew with the same government, and the same problems on the earth, because that's all they had were those same problems. And, since that time, all creation, including all creatures, have progressively deteriorated, as have all systems of government. It's gotten worse and worse in every form.
4. But, in the cleansing by fire we notice that the atmosphere shall catch fire and literally melt, as will also the crust of the earth. Absolutely nothing, except changed creatures, shall go into the changed earth. There will be no one going in his present status.

There will be an entirely new form of government and a new orderly system. In other words there will be a government that will definitely be a government of status, starting with the top, which is God Himself, Pillar of Fire. Down through Jesus, no doubt twelve apostles, twelve patriarchs, whatever,

down, down, down, to the foundation ones of the Bride and out flowing out into the world beyond it, the earth beyond it, the kings... There'll be a status out there, too; at least that seems apparent.

5. Now again, we say absolutely nothing, except changed creatures, goes into the changed earth, and there will be an entirely new form of government, a new system of order. This will be far greater than the Millennium, wherein the first born of the First Resurrection from among the dead, go into a renovated land for one thousand years. There, as the Bible teaches, they will build homes and actually farm the land. There Satan is bound one thousand years by a chain of circumstances. But, at the end of the Millennium, the one thousand years, all the rest of the dead come forth, and we see sin appear once again, because the devil comes up and all his crowd; and all the sinners that didn't want God anyway, still don't want God. In fact, at that time, at the end of the thousand years, at the White Throne judgment, the Second Resurrection, sin is so virulent, it's so strong and so terrible, that Satan and all the wicked attempt to attack God and His people and seize the Kingdom. They don't get anywhere with it. Fire comes down out of heaven, and Christ and His Own are hidden and caught away, (Bro. Branham says up into the heavens. That'd be the heaven of heavens.) until we're placed into a city of pure gold, transparent, where we do not build homes or labor, because God has already prepared it, and our way of life will be just for the taking of it.

6. At that great fire and Lake of Fire, all things that offend are annihilated. Now you just figure what things bother you now, and you know they're going to be gone. You say, "Well, I don't think that needs to be, because I'm going to be changed." Well, you don't know God. Everybody wants to sell God short by their own idea.

"Well, you see, if I'm immortal, I don't care if this mosquito's going to bite."

Goodbye to the mosquitoes.

"Well, I don't think the thorn will rip my flesh."

It certainly won't, because there'll be no thorns there. Hallelujah! In other words I want what God wants, and that's the best. And we can never out want God, when it comes to the really good things.

7. So, all right. All things that offend are annihilated, from Satan on down; it is all destroyed, annihilated. From that time we are dwelling with God as a redeemed people in a redeemed heaven and earth; and all creation and all creatures are delivered, redeemed, for ever and ever, and walk in harmony with God and in His Light and in His Glory and in His Government, through the headship of the Son upon the Throne. It will never decrease, but rather increase—and without an end. The earth and the firmament, and all creation in it, will radiate with the brightness and the glory and the life of God. Now that's what we're looking for.

8. Now, let's start reading in our books: page 42, paragraph 192. Now, if you've got the right ones, they're what Bro. Mamalis put out. The other ones will be a bit of a problem maybe.

[192] *God and His creation, and His creatures of this creation are redeemed by God's Own Blood,*

See, right away people are a little bit too holy for God. They have a little higher morals and ideals.

"Well now, I don't think the blood was needed for creatures and creation; just us."

You must be whistling in the dark. You don't know where you're going. Let it sink in. I want you to show me one place where God ever made anything and deemed it unworthy. The Bible tells us He created all these things, and absolutely, they were in a perfect, divine order. And that's what you're looking for God to redeem; and it took the Blood to do it.

9. See, what we're looking at, with Bro. Branham, is back to an integration. We have become disoriented concerning God and the things of God and what God wanted. We're very disoriented. That's our trouble. We can't seem to blend together, integrate within ourselves, with each other, and with God.

Look, you sitting here. I don't know when you might knife me or when I might cut your throat. I'm just bringing these things out, see. I might gyp you; you might gyp me. Now we've got nice faith in each other, but I'm just trying to illustrate. We haven't gone very far. The comment is, try to love each other. Love, my foot. It's just another rotten society—politics and power. Where is trust? Well, hopefully, we don't have too much of it. Someone will cut your throat if you do. Look at it: God's creation. The lamb will lie down with the lion. There'll be no killer instincts. See?

Now, what Bro. Branham tries to show us here is the beautiful future we're walking into. It's started now. Desperately we want to love and trust each other; hungrily we make advances, only to know that many times the outstretched hand will be cut off. Or, like feeding a morsel of bread to the dog, he wants more than the bread; he wants your five fingers. And yet, we're desperately trying.

10. So, don't you see what Bro. Branham is saying here? The Blood does it. Let's sit here this morning and ask a question.

Let's say, "All right, we come back as glorified people. We come back on an earth that isn't in a hundred percent harmony."

You've got a battle. You're still fighting. And I ask you a question. Can you and I do anything that will restore the harmony? And the answer is, "No!" How am I going to change a cactus here?

"Now, little cactus, now you don't just dare hurt me. Thump. Ooowwww!"

Man.

"Well," you say, "You're glorified."

Does that mean I'm going to go around testing everything under God's high heaven to see how glorified I am? That's ridiculous. It's the Blood that does it--the Blood shed upon the earth--the Blood shed for every ounce of God's creation. And, remember: the Holy Ghost is the burning fire, as it were, that comes and burns it all out—bringing back all the good. Without the Blood it couldn't be.

11. So, I want you to make your minds go beyond what we have been taught by previous generations, thinking that we're really wonderful citizens of the Kingdom, and very loving toward God, to say, "Lord, Your Blood shouldn't drop upon the earth. Why, the old earth you know..." I've got news for you. Without the Blood shed and dropping on the earth, you would not come back to this earth and to New Jerusalem. So, make up your minds. You see how important doctrine is?

You say, "Well, Bro. Vayle, it wouldn't really make any difference if we didn't know that."

I don't know that you're right when you say something like that, because Bro. Branham claims this sermon is by divine revelation—under the Seventh Seal, that you might know (And this is a part, as far as I am concerned.) what we have to know, in Eph 1:17:

- (17) That the God (and Father) of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
- (18) The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

In other words you are stepping up to the divine plan of God, which William Branham is revealing. And without it, you don't make it!

12. In other words, for the first time you're getting a true worldwide revelation of true redemption, not foolish hypocritical restoration, so-called, where one day the devil and Jesus will walk down the streets of glory, hand in hand. That's a lie from the pit of hell! That's the same junk that Jimmy Jones had, and see what happened to them. So, your doctrine does make a difference.

Now there's something in here I'm not trying to explain, I'm not trying to find; I just know, if I believe it, it's going to do something for me. It's going to bring the dead out of the ground. It's going to put me in a resurrection with them and get me out of here. Revelation, the Shout, is terribly important.

13. Now he said here, and that's just one sentence—one part of a sentence.

[192] *God and His creation...* (It should be 'God's creation', not 'God and His creation'; because God doesn't get cleansed. He sheds His Blood.) *God's creation and His creatures of this creation are redeemed by God's Own Blood, cleansed by His Own cleansing process—His germ-killing, sin-killing process—like as if anything is sterilized. The best sterilization we've ever had has been fire. You can take anything and wash it with soapsuds and all these chemicals they talk about; it still isn't free, but you burn it once... And when the holy fire of God sterilizes the earth and when the chemicals are all changed back and He's lifted His Bride, which can come into heaven with Him while this is going on, and comes back upon the earth again, there'll be a New Heaven and a New Earth* (which are undefiled).

Now you know that Bro. Branham is speaking very truthfully. And it's a fact that it takes fire to kill some germs. Now freezing doesn't kill viruses. It takes fire to really get rid of them. Now I don't know too much about the ages, glacial, and everything else. And I haven't got a clue as to whether this is the truth, that it was the deluge that destroyed the mastodons. But it is said the sudden descent, of like that mass of water, just shoom, took away the heat so fast, that the mastodon was positively frozen. And he's still frozen. They still find them in the steppes of Russia. And dig them out, and they say you could actually cook a steak.

Now the point is I'm trying to show you: Water, if that's the case, doesn't do it. Frost doesn't do it. It's going to be fire that does it. And every germ is going to be destroyed. It's got to go. Everything that's not good for us. It's all going to go. And all nature is going to be changed back to where it should be, and that's original nature.

14. Now, notice what Bro. Branham says concerning the New Heavens and New Earth, upon which is New Jerusalem.

[193] *The cold winter can't hurt it; the hot summers can't hurt it; the deserts will blossom like as a rose; sin and sinners are gone.*

That might say, "Well, that person's saying that doesn't have much grace." I don't... It takes a lot of grace to say that. We've got a lot of sinner friends, nice people. We're not here to chop anybody to pieces. I'm going to tell you something. If they get in the way of the sword, look, I'm sorry; it's not my fault. So, the sin and the sinners are all gone, see?

15. [193] *God in His creatures and creation is dwelling together in perfect harmony.*

Now, you know something? I'm glad all these chemicals are finally going to be put back in their place, which is not in your bodies and mine. The doctors and the lawyers and the government know only one thing: that is to take a small segment of society, and endow them with the complete grace of

authority to do what they want, if it means killing you and me. Right? Be honest; it's the truth. Doctors have a license to kill. Now, if you don't think that's the truth, how come out there in California when they didn't have a doctor on the job for five days, nobody died. The minute they came back they all started dying like flies again. I'm not against doctors; I'm just trying to bring a point to you. Chemicals are fine, but they don't necessarily belong in your body.

16. Now Bro. Branham said doctors are of God and to the extent we know that, if they're well-trained and conscientious and do the patient no harm, which is the number one vow—which how many keep? I don't know. Maybe they try more than I think they do. All right. You give them so much poison, and you balance with an antidote. Well, I know when I took Nizoral, Nizoral is definitely a poison, but it did kill the buggies in me. But I know one thing: the doctor did not give me an antidote. The thing had to wear itself out. And my body, then, had to build itself up; and, as Bro. Branham explained, he said "*Penicillin will kill the rats, but what mends, what plugs the rat hole, or mends the rat holes?*" There's got to be a life there.

17. Now, what I'm looking at is this: there is an attempt at a new line of medicine, which our government will not allow because of the drug and the doctor combine. And they cannot make a proper decision. The prophet said so. "*No politician can make a right decision.*" He can't do it. The Speaker of the House, Jim Wright, has written into a bill to let a woman get off with four million dollars taxes by just simply saying a certain beneficiary, or a certain foundation, which deals in charities, if dying on a certain date, the estate would not be taxed. Well, that's the woman's husband.

So, they phoned and said, "What about it?"

She said, "All I know is that it could be I won't have to pay all those taxes."

Too bad Jim Wright's not a friend of everybody. (Dan) Rostenkowski former Speaker of the House—the same thing. Who needs him? Read your papers. It's full of it. Editors are angry. Economists are angry. But the poor, dumb people aren't angry, because they're hoping Mr. Speaker, Jim Wright, will somehow do them a favor! See how rotten everything is? It's everywhere.

18. Now I'm going to tell you something: you deal with certain doctors of the natural medicine of life, which is the herbs of the field, the fruit that's supposed to be, like the leaves for the healing. God's Word tells you what is good for you. If we could only get it, I suppose. But, you know, they'll even tell you, which is the truth, there is nothing that doesn't vibrate. This bit of metal here is vibrating. And you can get an instrument that can measure the vibrations and the movement. You can pick up a rock that sits on the hill; and, if the wind didn't blow or anything else, except for a minor erosion, the rock could sit there for 20 million years, but it's still moving. There's a vibration. And everything in nature is in tune. And some of these men have found out. I don't know who they listen to; maybe some voice out there that wasn't God; maybe it was God's voice. I don't know. But they can tell you even at a distance, whether you are in tune and in harmony within yourself and your body, and they are quacks to the chemical industry. I'll be glad when the chemicals are in divine order. They'll never be out of divine order again. You won't get a splinter in your hand. No dog will run up and bite you. No snake will have venom.

You say, "That sounds like a case of blanc mange."

You know, pudding. Creamy texture. Cream-puff existence. Exactly. Exactly.

19. Secretly every man has not really wanted to be macho man, and every woman whatever she is. Secretly everybody has wanted to be real, but they've been misled. And this is the only true reality. We've never had it, except when we were in an embryonic form; pardon me, it goes past, beyond that, a seed form in Christ. And we're waiting to get where God wants us to be. But, how many people will listen to a prophet of God who knows where God wants us to be and we're going to be? Our own thinking because of religious prejudices, (It's a good word.) instead of real theology, takes us away from

reality. It does. See, I mentioned this morning reading Scripture; the ungodly. Who's that? That's Cain and his family. They won't take the truth.

20. [194] (Now, perfect harmony. Now, watch the harmony.) *As the heavens and earth are husband and wife, so is Christ and the Church.* (In other words we are looking for a harmony in the universe which is contingent, not only contingent with Christ, but actually emanates and is a product of the Christ--a unity.)

Now man doesn't know harmony, but he's going to. That's for sure. And it's going to be the harmony which is epitomized by a marriage—a union as God wanted it. How did God want His marriage? He said, "This man needs a helpmeet."

And, of course all the fat ladies and men, they make a joke and said, "God didn't say I'm going to give him a help-eat. Give him a helpmeet."

And then, they turn around, and they say, "This helpmeet means, 'helps and meets conditions, helps and meets problems, helps and meets life'."

And I've got news for you: that isn't true either. The actual fact of the matter is 'helpmeet' means 'one like him in his own order', one of his kind or species.

21. Now, let's say that the Bride is in the order of Jesus Christ. She's one with Him, because she's one of His. Her thoughts are His thinking, not His commands as though they were commands, and "Hey, you do this." You know, how'd you like to see two people, let's say, one-armed paperhangers, work together. And they had opposite arms off, just to make it really good.

You say, "Now, well, I just don't know if they could do too good a job."

That's what I'm talking about in marriage. It's not one person in an authority or a headship, or two people contemplating coming to some end whereby they somehow get together on plans, but it is one thought. How'd you like to have now a paperhanger, or two of them with two hands--one to pick up, the other to put up, pick up, put up--and say, "Hey, those guys are working like clockwork."

Have you ever seen anything like it?" You'd almost think they had one life, yeah, and almost one arm. That's marriage. The way God said it. "She is one of my kind."

22. Now, in marriage with Adam and with Eve; remember, they had God over them. And they were in a position of what? Trial. They were there on, not probation, but something like that; you know what I mean. But, when we're talking of this now, that is not so, because Bro. Branham in this message tells us that this marriage, the Lamb is on the Throne and the Pillar of Fire is above the Throne, but they're one; and before they call, He answers.

"Oh, just a minute, that doesn't make sense." "Or does it?"

No, it doesn't make sense, unless you bring it into sense, which means that God has anticipated every single thing, so that you, as the anticipator in your anticipations, have only the anticipations that He put within you. And that's a never-ending, but ever-flowing, life. God made Eve basically to be that. And He made a Bride to be that. Listen! What is driving people buggy? Think, think, think. Think, think, think. Think, think, think. Think what?

"Well, let me see, how can I get this guy. Well, he might get me. What should I do?"

Scratch, scratch, scratch. You know what I mean? The thoughts of man that come from the heart are desperately wicked.

23. Now brother/sister, I am talking over one thousand years down the road—with the prophet. But I want you to know, that is what marriage was supposed to be. And it's going to be. The heavens and earth anticipate each other; not just complement each other, although that is true. But there is one life, Christ and His Bride as one. Now I know that's beyond us, but I'm going to tell you something: I don't care if it is; I want it. I would just like to see nature back in the hands of God with the comets and the planets and the stars spinning up there 24,000 miles a minute, or whatever it is. Never hitting, swoosh, swoosh. How many went by when I said swoosh? How many just missed each other? Never a miss—I mean a hit—or as though there's a miss and they could hurt each other. The great mind of God is going to take us there.

24. [194] *And they all meet (Now, watch.) in one big glorious plan of redemption...*

In other words every single thing that went askew, every single thing that's messed up, every single thing that's off track; all of that is going to come into divine order. That's why Bro. Branham said, "*If you get the wrong one here, you'll get the right one over there.*" And it won't be marriage as we know marriage. It's going to be this what I am talking about. In other words... He explains it on one other tape. Most everybody, like for years and years at least, we could simply quote what Bro. Branham said. One day I heard it on tape. And it's nothing but compatibility. Strict compatibility. In other words there is a unity as it should be.

25. [194] *And they all meet in one great big glorious plan of redemption and is brought right into the bosom of God again.*

In other words, back to the first divine essential, which was thinking: wisdom, followed by the next divine essential, which was capability, or omnipotence. So, now we go back to where God had it all figured out and the ability to do it, but this was brought in to bring about the attributes of God in redemption. So now, with redemption by the Blood, and the burning over of the atmospheres of the earth, God is re-creating and bringing us to this position of back to the bosom. In other words, the heart of God. You can see this in Ephesians 5.

(25) Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church, and gave himself for it;

(26) That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

(27) That he might present it to himself a glorious church, (just exactly like Himself; no spot, no wrinkle, none such thing, absolutely holy, the Lamb without a blemish.)

Helpmeet. Everything one. Now we can't get this as husband and wife. We have a very poor type. But that's all types are. Very poor. They never can approximate the real thing. They just look to it. All right. And you can't get to know this, of course, until we get there.

26. [195] *And in the New Earth, there is a new City (Oh, my. Now, listen close. Don't forget this.) and Jesus said in John 14, He would go to prepare it for us. "Let not your hearts be troubled (He said that when He's going away). "I have a reason to go away," He said, "You believe in God? Well then, believe in Me also." They couldn't see He was God. A duality. He said, "You believe in God, sure you do, now you believe in Me. And I'm going to prepare a place for you. In My Father's house are many mansions. (Or, as it is literally written) in My Father's Kingdom are many palaces." Christ is there under promise of the construction of the New Jerusalem now." (In other words He is there, and the promise is He is making it right now.)*

[196] *Now, listen close; don't move; don't miss this. Christ is in heaven today preparing the New Jerusalem. Just as God created the earth in six days—made the earth in six days (or six thousand years)... Said, "Don't be ignorant." We read in the Scripture, one thousand years is one day. And Christ is gone and is preparing a place (that's been on its construction for many, many thousands of years), preparing a place. "And if I go and prepare a place, I will come again, and receive you, that wherever I am, there you may be also." Notice, the Redeemer and the redeemed.*

Now Bro. Branham is telling us here, "I don't want you to miss this. I want you to know one thing: Christ is doing this now." Let's look at some scriptures just for the joy of it. You know, I kind of guess at some of these things what he's got in mind, but this sermon you see, is like the Bible in twentieth century language. So, when I read Bro. Branham here, I think, "Well now, this man is the prophet of God, and he's giving us the Word for this hour, in our twentieth century language, and our knowledge for this hour in which we live, so I'm going to look into my mind and see if I can place it with the Scripture, because it's in here." So, I read little things like this, if I can find it.

27. Okay, I go to Jn 5:17. And he says here:

- (17) But Jesus answered (and said) My Father worketh hitherto, (up to this point, there's an interim coming on where he won't) and I work. (In other words, there's going to be a work stoppage of God, and I'm going to take over. Now, let's read that in the light of 10-20.)
- (10) The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured (the man that took up his bed and walked on the sabbath), It is the sabbath day: it's not lawful for (you) to carry (your) bed.
- (11) He answered them, He that made me whole, the same said, Take up thy bed, and walk. ("And, if a man can make me whole, and he said, "Take up your bed and walk," well, certainly I would do it. What do you think, I'm some kind of an idiot?" He'd be scared not to. Oh, he'd be overjoyed. "Great, I could lift nothing yesterday, watch me lift my bed today." So, he went and he did it.)
- (13) And he that was healed (didn't know) who it was: for Jesus had conveyed himself away, a multitude being in (the) place. (He just sneaked out amongst the crowd.)
- (14) Afterward Jesus find(s) him in the temple (the same man that he had healed), and said, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.
- (15) (And) the man departed, (he went straight to) the Jews (and said, "Jesus is the one that made me whole." Oh, the Jews were mad!)
- (16) Therefore the Jews (did) persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on the sabbath day.
- (17) But Jesus answered (and said), My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.
- (18) Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but also (said) that God was his Father, making himself equal with God.

- (19) Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he see(s) the Father do: (whatsoever) things he doeth, these (things) also do the Son likewise.
- (20) For the Father loveth the Son, and shew(s) him all (these) things that himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that (you) may marvel.

Now, what I'm trying to show here is the fact that Jesus is up there doing a certain work, and this work is absolutely the work of Almighty God He's doing. He's doing it according to plan, and according to context within the plan, exactly what is right. And He's building this marvelous, glorious City of pure solid gold.

28. Now Bro. Branham says that this City has been in progress for thousands of years. Well, now, that's very strange. But is it? It is strange. Let's go to the Book of Hebrews 11. And, notice in verses 8-11.

- (8) By faith Abraham, when (he's) called to go out (to) a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and (when) he went out, not knowing whither he went.
- (9) By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:
- (10) For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

I'm going to sit down when I get there; I'm not going to move no more. Just a joke. Okay.

29. Let's read a little further. This time we go to Chapter 12 and Abraham looking for the City, the same City that Jesus promised. And John saw. Okay, Hebrews 12. And we're going to read verses 22-29.

- (22) But (you) are come (to) mount Sion, unto the city of the living God, (Aha! God's own city.) the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels. (Now, that's our mother—the true New Jerusalem.)
- (23) To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to spirits of just men made perfect,
- (24) And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.
- (25) See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that (spoke) on earth, much more shall (we not) escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:
- (26) Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven. (That's looking to what Peter spoke of. That's looking at New Jerusalem.)
- (27) And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken (in contradistinction to those things that remain), that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. (In other words, what you see here that can be shaken, as not in contradistinction to those that

are made, they are those things that are made in contradistinction to that which cannot be shaken. In other words, which comes by the creative power of God.)

- (28) Wherefore (seeing we... Now, watch!) we (receive) a kingdom which cannot be moved, (Now, that is not the Millennium, although that's growing up to it. That's an interim period.) let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

- (29) For our God is a consuming fire.

Now, that is Malachi, but it's also down the road a thousand years. So, you can see here, it was preparing, many, many thousand years. He said, "If I go and prepare a place for you, I'll come again, and receive you, that wherever I am, there you may be also." Notice the Redeemer and the redeemed.

30. Now, who and what did He redeem? Well, I got to go back to page 41, if I can find it. All right.

[189] *Remember, the Bible said if that soul won't do as He said, He will even destroy that soul. But you see, (Now, you see, He can't redeem it.) He can't destroy Himself and remain God. So, if that soul is of the world, it has to be destroyed. (Then, what is your soul of? It's a part of God. So, He's going to redeem it.)*

Also, page 42, 192. And that's just the first sentence about it.

[192] *God and His creation and His creatures of this creation are redeemed by His own Blood, cleansed by His own cleansing process, His germ-killing, sin-killing process, like as if anything is sterilized.*

Okay, that's what's going to be redeemed. Just that which can stand the fire, like the Hebrew children. All right.

31. [197] *I wish we had time now; I got marked here, Solomon courting this girl, the Bride. Oh, we just have to omit it; it's getting too late. See? I'll get at it some other time.*

[198] *When he tries to get her, but she's engaged to a shepherd boy. Some probably thought that was a song that he sung. Oh, no. Solomon was on the throne he inherited from David. But it was only an earthly throne. But this did show that the kingdom had to pass away. (What was this all about?) It was a type of Christ in love with the Bride. (The Song of Solomon.)*

[199] *Notice that Jesus said (John 14 now), "... go and prepare a place." Oh, what will it look like? Did you ever think now, Bride, (Bro. Branham said, "I don't call you church (or saints) anymore, I call you Bride.") Bride. (He's going to describe the City.) What will it look like? It is prepared and designed by the Divine Architect. What will that City look like? Now I'm going to talk about it for a few minutes.*

The divine Architect has designed it and prepared it. I put 'design' before 'prepared', because I am thinking in terms of a blueprint and, then, working from the blueprint. And, look, He's designed and prepared it with tender hands for His beloved Bride.

32. Now, let's watch something here. You'd go to the Scripture, and you're going to find that Job said that God will desire to see the work of His hands. And, over in the Book of Genesis, God Himself, with His Own hands, molded man's body from the dust. Man was created; man was formed. See? So, now He

takes this very thing and His Own hands, whereby He made man, He is doing this for us now, out of the silver and gold.

Now, if you just recall, that the Spirit of God fell upon Bezaleel and the various workers who were workers, or artificers, in gold and silver and brass, to make the tabernacle of the wilderness. Then, He endowed men at the time of Solomon, so that they could cut material and just bring it together, and you didn't hear even the sound of a hammer and nails. They just shoved it together: perfect acoustics, perfect everything. Sometimes you read articles that just literally blind you--your thoughts. How could they do it? You see, God did it.

33. So, this same God is doing this for you and me. Exactly what He had in His mind, He is carrying out Himself; because, if His little dollop of the Holy Ghost in the mind of a person could make him a designer with his hands, marvelous artificer, what could God Himself do? God can do anything He puts His mind to. Well, God's got a mind to do this, and He's doing it.

34. What's it going to look like? Now, listen to what he says.

[200] *Could you imagine how, a capable man in marrying his wife, builds and puts every little thing just exactly to her touch, or just how she'd like it. (He said,) Amen.*

Now, that tells you something here, that evidently, the Bride has a knowledge deep in her that she really wants to see fulfilled. In other words she's got designs. She's got something she wants that she really would like to have God do for her. See? So, God is going to do it for her. Just like a husband, the woman comes in, she said, "Well, I would like this and this and this." And our house is a little different; I've got to admit. I never asked my wife exactly what she wanted. I just gave it to her knowing that she'd like it, because everything I planned in the house was essentially for her, to the extent today I've got to build another house where I can have a place in it, because the office is no good, but she'll get everything she wants, or everything she doesn't want. Then, of course, what she doesn't want, I'll want. She's quite a different thing. [End of the first side of the audio tape.]

Here again, you find that, as the woman was the helpmeet, the exact likeness of the man, in every sensibility, she'd be just like him innately--you know, a real part. So, this woman, the Bride, will have thoughts from God, and God will bring those thoughts to pass. And what is beyond her thinking, because she is in the flesh at this point, God will so make it. She'll say, "Look, this is exactly what I wanted all the time." In other words she'll recognize what God is doing. All right, now that's a great beautiful thing here, this marriage.

35. Now:

[201] *Now, the Divine Architect has designed a new City where He will live with His Bride, exactly as she wants it just to Her touch. No wonder the apostle said, "Eye has not seen; ear heard, neither has it ever entered the heart of man what God's prepared." Let's see if we can probe into it just for a moment, and see what it's going to be like, or look like.*

And we're building the church the same way, to get rid of this place where you've got an air conditioner and nothing works. So, let's get out of here in a hurry and get to this City, too.

You know what one fellow said the Millennium's going to be like? He said, "It's going to be like a big plastic bubble, air-conditioned."

I said, "Hogwash."

I think his head was air-conditioned. My Lord, have pity.

36. [201] *Oh, what a place it must be (Now, watch.) when divine nature, a divine Architect has designed it for a divine attribute that's been divinely predestinated by a divine God, Who is the Author of divine Life.*

Now the word 'divine' means 'of God'. So, that's kind of like a redundancy here, but we're going to look at it. And I'm going to tell you what I think, as I read this, what Bro. Branham had in mind, because the man was a poet, though I'm not; he's a deep thinker, though I'm not. But I can come up with some of his thoughts, without a doubt, because I have the same God, and I've got the same Bible, and I've got a little ministry to help out with it, because I'll explain this to a degree.

37. [201] *What a place it must be when you consider, number one: there is a divine nature within the divine Architect.*

Now, what would be a divine nature? A divine nature would be this: a true revelation of His true Character, what He's really like. In other words, what this God is really like down inside, what He really intends, what He really wants for you and me and for Himself, and what He's really going to do, is going to come out of what's exactly inside of Him. Now a divine Architect means that He is going to think it over, design it, and bring it to pass, exactly with what is within Him.

38. Now, look. I ask you a question as human beings. In the light of what Bro. Branham's taught us the Scripture says about the City, I want to ask you something. Tell me one thing that's missing that you would like to throw in here. Cigarettes? No. Bottle of booze? No. Crack? You won't even need STP to make your motor run. What would you add to this?

Now, listen; this may shock our systems, but we're going to get this. This should make everybody grin a big happy grin, because this is in process, and we know we're going to get it, because we believe in vindication. The world doesn't. See, there's got to be something to narrow it down! The man that jumps the highest?...

I haven't got a prayer. I never was a high jumper; I can't even jump. I stumble over a cigarette paper. You know how these guys; they lift one leg and, then, bring the body over? Now they throw themselves over. I'd need someone to toss me over. That's how I can jump. If it's some feat of strength, forget it. I have got arthritic muscles right here. Well, maybe lifting. I'm sorry; my back isn't what it used to be. It never was good enough anyway. My God, I used to work as a kid, to build up muscle. Let me show you what... Look, I weigh too much now; but, look at those arms. Those arms are nothing but real bone. I can't put muscle on them. I used to take buckets of rocks, put my wrists like this, take 40, 60 pounds of rocks, and do it a hundred times. I could take my fingers a hundred times. Never could put anything on there that looked like a man! So, do you think it's going to be something like this? The machos are out. Forget it. No way.

39. It's nothing that we are ever going to produce that gets us in here. It is from the heart of God and this lovely City. And this new creation is according to His nature.

What's according to my nature? You ask my wife. She asks too many questions. I blast her. I can't stand questions. She doesn't jump fast enough, and she's past the stage of jumping. I get angry there, too. What's your nature? Let's be honest now. I'm just mentioning the mild thing. Never mind the tough ones. What comes out of your hearts?

Bill's a nice boy; the rest of you guys didn't say anything, but Bill speaks for all of you. Ask your wife, ask your husbands, and ask your kids what comes out. Ask the neighbors, ask the bank or ask your lawyer, ask your doctor, ask your girlfriend, anything, boyfriend, who knows? See? This comes out of God! This is His nature to do this. This is just God to do it. See?

Does the cat like cream? Let's find his nature. "Pussy, pussy." Put a plate of cream down. Oh, and he gets too potbellied, licks his whiskers on it. "Mmm, that was good. Where's the next one?" That's his nature. You're hungry; you eat. It's your nature. And some folk love bitter things! And sour things! I wish I did; I love sweet things. Come all ye fat parts. Bad for you. What's your nature? See? What you are inside intrinsically, you cannot help but produce. Cover it up the best you can; it will pop out just like your stomach pops out over your belt. It may take awhile to show, but it will get there.

40. Do you know what one fellow said? "You can fool some of the people all of the time, you can fool all of the people some of the time, but you can't fool all of the people all the time."

And that's exactly what this is here. You and I can fool everybody over a period of time, but it comes out eventually. The Swaggerts and the Bakkers and everything comes out. And let's face it, when I saw Marjo's picture for the first time, I could have cried when I saw it. It was a horrible, horrible thing that he did. But I want to tell you: it comes out what you are, brother/sister. And this is what God says, by the prophet, is coming out of God! What is in God? Love, love, love! Demonstrated, beautiful love. And He hasn't got a place in this City for sin, imagination, and all those miserable things in this world are gone.

41. So, the divine nature, Bro. Branham says, is the nature that will express itself—God Himself. It's a divine Architect. In other words every plan, every little jot and tittle, is exactly what lies in God. And He designs it—exactly what lies in Him. For what? A divine attribute! Now, who knows better than the provider of the attribute, what the attribute should have? Because the attribute is a little life that's feeding on, taking from, the big life. That's why God's called a nourisher! A breast! The attributes lie on His breast, and they suck from His breast! That's what you're looking at. A divine attribute is you and I! See? What is an attribute? That which attributes, or makes up, and characterizes. We're a part of God. That's why we're going to love that City like we never knew possible.

Right now we have our chocolate bars, our Hershey bars, and you know, because they've got almonds, roasted almonds. I like that like you do. And we've got a great big chocolate cake. Oh, listen, we love our chocolotta bars. They're very popular. You get great big magazines now and cookbooks, nothing but chocolates, chocolates. And they even say they're not bad for you. That's a lie. That's just to sell things. I'm going to tell you what: that's because we like certain things.

42. Now the thing is, what will the divine nature in us like, because everything else is burnt out? You think God's not going to burn out our sins? He does it by the Holy Ghost. And burn out our germs? That's the way you get resurrected. He's going to burn out everything that is foreign to God Himself. Therefore, we will be one with God. No wonder he said, "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard." How can that enter your heart and mind, my brother/sister, when we're earth creatures in a vulgar sense of the word. In the good sense of the word, we're earth creatures in the redemption. Praise the Lord! Oh, I love what Bro. Branham's going to say later on. We're not going to get to it. I'm going to let you go home after this. I'll read this and finish it.

43. [201] *Now, that's been divinely predestinated by a divine God, Who is the Author of divine Life.*

In other words this 'divinely predestinated' is the manifestation of His child, which to whom He gave a soul! What did the male, the father, give to his son? Life! The sperm. What did the woman give? The egg, the field. Together, the attributes make that child. From what? The life works through the chemistry, from the soil. So, God's divine attributes are you and me. We're in His mind and His thoughts. We're in Christ Jesus, because that's the Logos. That's where God begins to form Himself. We'll see about how He does it later on down here in the womb. But, in the meantime we look at this, and we see (okay) then, the attribute that has been predestinated—in other words come out into the Word and is seed, and will go to the Holy City—is the manifestation of His child (Not Himself, His child.) and what He wants for Him: the Ultimate—the Holy City.

44. Now “*a divine God.*” What’s he saying by that? A God, God? Absolutely, a God, God. God is intrinsically God. “I’m God, there’s none beside me. Nobody adds; nobody takes. I’m God. I do what I want, but I always do it right. No fear, no problem. I’ll answer to myself; it’s going to be right.” God’s a divine God. Absolutely. Everything is perfect within His life. Perfect order. Can’t add; can’t take. Never changes within Himself or what He does. God Himself can only be God-like and the New Jerusalem proves how God is God-like.

45. Now, what more could you want? See, what more could you want? Do you think you’d commit suicide in a place like that? Do you think you’d get sick in a place like that? Do you think you’d get drunk in a place like that? Do you think you’d hate in a place like that? Do you think you’d get weary? That you’d get sick? That you’d get bored? That you’d get tired? You’d get enervated? I don’t mean vitalized. I’m talking about enervation, when you get weary, just right down to nothing. Would you get bored? Where you couldn’t stand somebody; couldn’t stand yourself? Everybody here this morning, we can hardly stand ourselves. Don’t expect me to stand you; I can’t stand myself. Isn’t that the attitude? It’s pretty well. Over there? Do you think God can’t stand Himself? Do you think God’s not perfect? God’s not the sovereign God?

Brother/Sister, that’s what Bro. Branham is saying here. He’s trying to throw this whole picture into looking to God and understanding much about God from what lies ahead. What are we saying here? It’s a faith builder. It’s a tonic to get us in line in our faith, like Abraham, so the dead can come out of the ground; because they without us cannot be made perfect.

46. [201] ...*the Author of divine Life.*

What’s the Author of divine Life? Who’s your author? Your father.

You say, “Well, I think my mother too.”

Not your mother. No! Eve came from Adam. He was her author. She was the field. So, now he’s author, and she’s sub-author, together one kind, a complement—to bring forth children. God is the Author of our lives.

47. Now then, listen. This beautiful, lovely City “*could only have a divine Author of that divine Life.*” Yes. We are just as thoroughly and more thoroughly designed and shaped by God than is New Jerusalem. Because, when you bring New Jerusalem right down to the boiling point, right down to where you’re going to look at it straight eye level, you’re going to find this: that New Jerusalem and the New Heaven and the New Earth are nothing more than less the aggregate of the people that are going to be in it. In other words every single thing devolves upon them, and we have got ours from God. Everything in harmony. That’s why Bro. Branham could say, and he said, “*the Lamb on the throne, and the Pillar of Fire above the throne.*” We’ll talk about that a little later on. We can’t get it today. The Pillar of Fire. And he said, “*before they call, I’ll answer.*” And the sheep lie right down with the wolf. Wonderful.

48. You know, there isn’t one of us that isn’t nervous, because you don’t know what somebody is going to do, you don’t know what you’re going to do, and you don’t know what nature is going to do. And you only wish you knew what God was going to do. Oh, we think we know, and we hope we know. But, can we get Him to do it? Is there a place where I can be and know that He’s going to do something for me that’s good?

Listen, this ends it all. This ends it all right here. Back to my old tactics: one page in one hour and a half. This is it. I can now in my soul feel Bro. Branham singing, ‘I am Bound for that Beautiful City.’ Singing that song, “They Come from the East and the West,” making it... It’s real. It’s here. It’s part of us.

49. My, I tell you what, makes me feel like getting out of here. Of course, I can't jump off a bridge to do it. That would be just the way to miss it. I can't force the issue, but I can learn patience and know with Abraham, this is what I'm coming to. And Abraham is waiting a whole lot longer than I waited. Just think, it's a certainty for you and me alongside of what Abraham waited. But, you know what? He's up there, and no doubt watching it being built. How do you like that?

You say, "Is it that real?" We'll talk about that, how real it is. Don't worry. I've got my own ideas. It's nearer and realer than we ever believed. It's got to be, because that's how God is.

Let's rise and be dismissed.

Gracious heavenly Father, again we want to thank You for Your love and mercy and grace, which You bestowed upon us. We pray, as we go today, that we'll go with Your love in our hearts and minds and a greater appreciation of You, O God, a greater desire to study and to know, a greater desire to get out of the way, and to be real husband and wife as we should be, not only in this life here, but the life, Lord, we have with You. And then, Lord, if we get that with You, we'll be better husband and wife, better children, better everything. We're looking for it, Lord God in heaven. And I'm sorry, Lord that we're just lagging behind so much, and I pray, Father, that you'll help us. Help us by getting our eyes off of each other, or anything going on in the world anymore. We know it's there; we know it's true, You didn't tell us to say, the prophet never did tell us to say, "I haven't got a disease; I've not got cancer; I've not got TB." He said, we acknowledge it; but there's a bigger authority than somebody labeling it, telling us what it is.

So, Father, we're not looking at that. We're looking to You, O God, and we're looking to You to just help us in this respect now, that this is part of the Seventh Seal, part of those Thunders. And it's something to give us, Lord, the revelation that's going to get the dead out of the ground, because we've got to have it before they can get out. And we've got to be changed.

So, Lord, we commend ourselves to You; and what we're lacking Father, we know we're not going to lack over there, but neither will we will lack it here, Father, what we need to get us out of here to there. So, we commend ourselves to You, every single one in Your Divine Presence this morning, this church, Lord, lock, stock, and barrel, O God. Have Your way now, Lord, as never before. We'll give You the praise and the glory in Jesus' Name. Amen.

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