The God of This Evil Age #12

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Shall we pray: Heavenly Father, we're glad that we can enter into Your gates with thanksgiving Lord, be in Your Presence with praise from our hearts knowing that we have a knowledge that passes understanding and we know it is something that has been accomplished for us, even though explained after the fact, we're glad it is that way, knowing that we stand as Paul's converts did when he let the people know that his ministry was proven and vindicated for miles and miles around. It was irrefutable proof that he had, that he was that servant of God; that even those who listened to him were just as though they had listened to Jesus, and credited to their account to believe in the Day of Judgment going against those who did not believe. Lord, we're repeating those days tonight, and we know it's fallen our lot to be among those and with those who believe such as in the Word, and though others shun It, we thank You for It Lord. May our hearts be open tonight and our spiritual eyes and understanding, illuminated as we pray for Your glory Lord, but for our great and eternal good, in Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen. You may be seated.

1. Now we're over here in number 12 of <u>The God of This Evil Age</u>, and in this message that we are studying, literally word by word, we are assured by Bro. Branham as a vindicated prophet, in other words, a man with a vindicated Word, interpretation or vindicated Word revelation. And that's a whole lot different from simply knowing that this Bible is a vindicated truly God given Word. But to have somebody come and reveal to us the exact understanding and meaning is in itself a most marvelous thing, as Bro. Branham said, "Just think the same Pillar of Fire that brought the Word to Paul is here revealing the Word." And that takes a lot of believing, it takes a lot of understanding and faith in the Scripture to really put that into our hearts and keep it there.

So, we see that Bro. Branham was a vindicated prophet with a vindicated Word revelation ministry, that speaking to us that though Eve's actual and physically manifested sin of disobedience was a sexual act, he shows us the act itself was not of itself as to its origin but because she allowed Satan to anoint her mind with vain words and take her straightaway from the truly revealed Word unto reasoning which is the basis for our conclusions that become ultimate principles as we review Scripture and life, particularly in the light of nature and our understanding of things in this present realm.

2. Now to go over that with you what I'm saying very basically is here that that though Eve actually entered into an illicit sexual act with Satan, that is the beast, because he was identified, Satan was identified with that serpent, and brought forth Cain, the act in itself was not of itself original. In other words, you just don't look at that act, what you do you got to go behind it and say now, "What is behind it?" and you understand then that Satan actually anointed her spirit with his word and that's what we're looking at here, that the word is the conduit of the spirit, both for God and Satan.

And so when Bro. Branham speaks of the woman, her spirit being anointed with an evil spirit or a dirty spirit, speaking of the conditions which exist today, typing the church seen in women, we'll talk about that. You have to come to the realization then that he reasoned with her, and the reasoning was where she began to depart from the Word of God.

3. Now, that same reasoning process is in the world today and sadly it's in the church. Now if it weren't in the church, it wouldn't be so bad, but it is in the church and what we find today is that people by reasoning draw conclusions, and those conclusions are written in a book, and they're called the doctrines of the church and they become the ultimate. And this is why you have a Laodicean complex at the very

end time, because people are trying to get their answers from other sources than a divine revelation of the Word.

Now the Word of God reasons from the invisible to the visible but education cannot contend with the invisible so it draws anti-Word conclusions as to the invisible starting with Godhead concerning God, His personality, characteristics, and authority. And that's just exactly what they do. That's why you got a Trinitarian god. You don't have a singular God. You don't have a God who is Spirit, who has a Son, and He's not God the Son, He's the Son of God. That's right. My son is my son. He is not the father. Paganism is what lies in the world through Trinitarianism.

4. Now education in failing to define the source of life and in its failure turns from a vindicated Word, enshrines its own hypotheses which contradict the Word of God and exalt it above the Word of God. And that's where Satan steps in because that's where he stepped in. He causes people to reason.

Now, this all came from Satan as he approached Eve and she listened. And it is Satan anointing his own word which is God's Word perverted, that invaded Eve's mind, anointed her spirit and made her the first child of disobedience. In other words, a child of disobedience is a child of unbelief; she didn't believe the Word of God, she turned from It and, therefore, she died. Now the church has consistently denied the Word and turned to its own channels of education and, thereby, enthroned Satan and exalted him and will eventually accept his fullness in a beast who rules the entire world. Now, I realize that people aren't just too happy about that. They don't like to think that's the way it is. But that is the way it is.

- 5. Now before we start to read over here where I left off, I want to turn back with you if you care to, to Isaiah, chapter 28, and we read a little something here that might be interesting beginning at verse 14.
 - (14) Wherefore hear the word of the Lord, ye scornful men, that rule this people which is in Jerusalem.
- (15) Because (you) have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell...we (are) at agreement; (that would be the sheol, and you could even call it the grave, the covered over place,) with hell...we (are) at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves:
 - (16) Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.
- (17) Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.
- (18) And your covenant with death shall be (annulled), and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then (you will) be trodden down by it.

Now you'll notice that in Jerusalem in about 70 A.D. Titus thoroughly destroyed the city, and no matter what those people said concerning that they would have refuge, their refuge was in lies and it was all swept away. Now, see, they put at naught the corner stone, and you will notice that the corner stone is the headstone in a different position.

6. Now at the end time they bring to naught the Headstone or the Capstone, spiritually speaking now, setting Him at naught according to Hebrews, chapter 6; taking refuge in lies. Now what is the lie? It's the misinterpreted, misapplied Word of God and it just isn't going to work. Now God says, "I'm going to sweep it away." Now you'll notice He swept it away at the time of what we call A.D. 33, 30-33. He swept

it away by vindication. And remember, they took everything at that particular time that Jesus did, it was okay to heal the sick, and raise the dead, of course, as long as it was within the confines of the interpretation of the church.

Now, they couldn't stand Him because of what He said. There's no way that they would listen to Him. Today it is the same because Alpha is Omega, and you cannot change it. The very Presence of Jesus Christ risen from the dead in the form of the Holy Spirit coming back to the earth, doing what He did when He was back there in the days of the flesh, the people will take it. There is no church that will not receive it as long as it is within the confines of their own understanding.

7. Now what is going to happen to this age? This age once more will have as it did in Jesus' day, the son of perdition, Judas who was able to do everything the other apostles did, the other eleven, by the anointing that Jesus gave them; heal the sick, raise the dead, cast out devils, do all of those things and Judas did them. Then at the last supper and the foot-washing, Satan entered into Judas making him the man of sin or that iniquitous one, that lawless one.

You've got the same thing right today in organization, the very same thing; you have the anointing of the Holy Spirit with gifts of the Spirit. The Catholic Church accepts it. About every church, I guess, except the Church of Christ and they're so dead they wouldn't accept anything; I mean they've already enshrined the devil. You can say what you want, but the church is a hundred percent antichrist. They've blasphemed the Holy Ghost like the Nazarenes, and even worse. And the Christian Missionary Alliance, those churches, even a lot of Baptist Churches have blasphemed the Holy Ghost, calling these actual manifested gifts of the devil. You can't do that and get away with it. I don't care who you are. You think well, that's because I did it while...I can do it. Can you? Hey, I got news for you; it may be too late already to repent. You be careful what you say.

8. So you see here in the Book of Isaiah we have this of the Cornerstone. Now remember, the Cornerstone becomes the Headstone because it's the same stone. That Cornerstone is in the Gentile church; it left Israel who built the foundation, the Gentile church came. And what laid the Cornerstone the Gentile church?

Jesus Christ in the form of the Holy Ghost in the Pillar of Fire came down to the apostle Paul, knocked him flat off of his horse, blinded the man for awhile and said, "I am Jesus whom you persecute."

He said, "What will I do?"

"Why," He said, "you go where there's this fellow, Ananias, down Strait street, and he'll come to you and he'll lay hands on you, and you'll receive your sight having received the Holy Ghost."

Then God took him to the wilderness for such a length of time in Arabia and there He gave him the actual Word that you and I have in this Book and we must come back to according to 2 Thessalonians, chapter 1, and verse 10. You got to come back to it. There's no way you can evade it.

9. Now, this time He is the Headstone. For the same Pillar of Fire came down and anointed William Branham who has the same testimony, "*I am vindicated*." That's what Paul said. What did you expect Paul to say? Shall we argue the thing out? Shall we play a deck of cards or something, cast the lots? God sends prophets, and those prophets come a certain way and they're vindicated. Now in the day of Paul they had already left the truth; he said, "I've espoused you as a virgin to Christ. But he said already you're defiled. You got another Jesus, another spirit, another word."

Do you know what I'm talking about tonight, you people, this seriousness of this question? Two thousand years ago they already had a mess. What do you think we've got today?

"Well, Bro. Vayle, you don't know my bag of apples, you see, I found three rotten apples in my bag but the thing is, see, nothing is going to happen to those other apples, in fact, ten weeks from now, Brother, I'll show you, my apples are better than ever."

I'll say, "Oh boy. What are you going to do with those apples? Are you going to irradiate them?" "Well, that will do it."

"They ain't fit to eat; they'll kill you, man."

10. How do you expect in two thousand years to have hardly a vestige of the Word of God? And yet it's commanded according to Paul that you will participate in Christ glorifying Himself in His saints according to believing His witness or His testimony. You know, listen, you've got to come to the time when you come to an ultimate. The churches have made their ultimate based upon the reasoning.

How much reasoning did Paul do when God had to fulfill by revelation the Old Testament to him? Paul said, "Everything I learned I counted manure." You got to...you got to realize it, today if we have somebody it's got to be somebody that has to bypass every church and every seminary, he's got to come out, he's got to be some kind of a man that God can deal with, the same as He dealt with Paul to bring us the same Word. That has to be a prophet. See? Okay.

- 11. The church that once started in the strength of the Word now stands in the shambles by the lie. It's wretched, miserable, naked and blind and doesn't know it. Its own testimony of self-conceit is, "We're rich, increased in goods, and don't lack a thing." Now how in the world if that is the true case of the church, and it is, and Christ has been put outside, how is He going to have any influence? He will not have any influence in the church. The church is going to have to go without the gate and suffer as Christ suffered without the gate outside the city and the city—listen!—the city spoken of, Jerusalem, has been called Babylon, spiritual. We know today the city Babylon is Rome set upon seven hills. She is a prostitute and she has many daughters. And the daughters are all one with her. So it is as Rev 18:4 said, "Come out of her, my people." Now all right.
- 12. Bro. Branham has just spoken up here in about oh, paragraph, maybe 103 or something in that area. He has just spoken of the evening light from the Book of Zechariah and the sun shining from east to west, of course, in the Book of Matthew, which is bringing the vindicated Son of man ministry to us as a basis of a new and true message, the truly revealed Word of God which is rejected. And he lets us know as Eve fell and Christ's Bride fell by refusing revelation and favored education, such as was set forth by the beast in Eden, taking her from Eden, and the beast was there, and from the Presence of God, and the beast was there in the Presence of God. Ah, ha, and he was there in the Presence of Life.
- 13. Now let's look in the Book of Revelation and find that, because that's exactly what it says in Revelation 22 which is... The Book of Revelation at one time was nothing to me but it's sure a great book now. It says in verse 10.
 - (10) And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

All right: since Rev 10:4 when he said, "Seal it," something happens before Rev 22:10, actually it's Rev 10:7, something happens, the book is unsealed, and at that time the book cannot be resealed. So it's an open book. As the Bible said, there was a time when there was no open revelation. That time is not now; there is an open revelation. The book is revealed. Now watch what it says. At that time, what's at hand?

(12) ...behold, I come quickly; my reward is with me...

Now that's actually as far as I can understand the literal coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, physically; at this time of the opening of the Seals,

(11) He that is unjust, (is) unjust still: he (that) is filthy, (is) filthy still: he that is righteous, (is) righteous still: he that is holy, holy still.

So therefore, the book that came down that was in the hand of Him that sat upon the throne in Revelation 4 and 5 chapters, where the Lamb comes from behind the throne off the mercy seat, tears the Seals off the book, hands it back to the One on the throne, climbs upon the throne of the One sitting on the throne, the One sitting on the throne comes down with the book open; it is the book of redemption because it's right here: "He that is filthy, is filthy still, he that is righteous, is righteous still." It's an open and shut book in the sense of knowing who is in that book. Now you don't have to know the names. The

sheep hear the voice. He calls them all by name. The sheep hear the voice. This is where Bro. Branham said, "When God's son and daughter fell, He didn't trust an archangel, He came down Himself, and He does the same thing right here."

14. Now he said,

- (12) ...behold, I come quickly; my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.
- (13) I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.
- (14) (And) blessed are they (not who) do his commandments, (but wash their robes) that they may have (the) right to the tree of life...

So you're right back where? You're right back in the Presence of the Tree of Life that Eve had in her hand to be fulfilled and she turned It down for Satan's wisdom which was carnal reasoning, not of vindication. See, what I'm driving at.

- 15. Now listen! Satan stood there before the Tree of Life. He stood there as the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The same thing exists today, and you'll see that Bro. Branham is showing there is an opportunity for a Bride who will not let that Word go, but the church will let the Word go.
 - (14) ...that they may have (the) right to the tree of life, (that's immortality) and may enter in through the gates into the city.

Now that let's you know a little clue right here. If you make the Resurrection, if you become immortal; it's a cinch. You wonder...say, "Well, what can happen from this point?" Nothing but straight on into New Jerusalem, part of the Bride, see, because—listen!—they may enter through the gates. Then what is the gate? The gate is the open unsealed book. If you want to come in, you got to come in that way. Now take it back to Paul. Then what is the true unsealing? It is bringing us the true revelation that God gave Paul. And you're not going to figure it by the Greek...I think this fellow, I think his name is Zachiotis(?), he's a Greek, and he preaches from the fundamental view point. He says a lot of wonderful things. But hey, the revelation isn't there because it takes the Holy Spirit of God. The same one that gave it to Paul would have to tell it back.

16. Now he says, [Revelation 22:]

(15) For without are dogs, (that's male prostitutes, and you know that today that the homosexuals are running the world) and sorcerers, (that's your...typed by your pharmacists who'll give you the wrong drugs, the poisons and all those things, you know the poison word, the) whoremongers, (you know, they get you to join churches) and murderers, (they destroy your souls) idolaters, (they get you idolizing the devil) and whosoever (and you could even use that word 'and' in there not as a conjunction but as a preposition to bring them all in, even) whosoever loveth and

maketh a lie. (Well, that's where it all came from. You know?
Okay.)

- (16) I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, the bright and morning star.
- (17) ...the Spirit and the bride say, Come. (and so on)...(and then it says,)
- (18) ...I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man add (to) these things, God (will) add the plagues... (Now that's the Great Tribulation.)

(19) ...if any man take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God (will) take away his part out of the book of life, (that's at the White Throne.)

So you can see here that we are not given something that we can fool with. We have to be very, very careful.

- 17. Now we're going to keep reading here on Bro. Branham's message, and see some of the things maybe we can pick up. Now Bro. Branham talking here on 105: I just want to read that rapidly because I went over it the last time.
- [105] ...The same sun that rises in the east is the same sun that sets in the west. (Now that's the light shining from east to west.) The prophet said, "There will be a day that couldn't be called day nor night." It's dismal, the clouds, are over the face of the sun. But he said, "About evening time it shall come Light again." The same Son, He's Alpha and Omega.

Now that lets you know what was back there will repeat, and that's what the book of Matthew tells us. Now I don't know, people sitting here that I don't think I've met and maybe you don't understand some of these things we're saying, so I'm going to be a little...do what I usually...I don't usually do and I don't like to do, because I like to start moving and just keeping sweeping from where I am and not go back. But I want to read you something for you folk; maybe, you haven't had this thoroughly explained to you.

- 18. Over here in the 12th chapter of Matthew which is a fantastic chapter, here is Jesus healing the sick multitudes following Him,
 - (16) ...(he) charged that they should not make him known:
 - (17) That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,
- (18) Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my spirit upon him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.

Now tell me, when did Jesus ever go to the Gentiles? He never went to the Gentiles. Now we're talking about something concerning a man that's standing there. That's over thirty years of age; he's Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, the Messiah, the Son of David, the Son of man. Here He is. Now it is said of Him, judgment to the Gentiles. That never happened then. Now let's keep reading.

(19) He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets.

Hogwash! When He was back there, He strove, He kicked them out of the temple, He lacerated their backs. You say He didn't strive? He did strive. All right. It says right here,

(19) He shall not...cry...

He didn't cry? He cried, "For everyone that thirsts," Jn 7:37-39, the great day of the feast, He lifted up his voice and cried, "If you're thirsty, come to me and drink." Then it says,

(19) ...neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets.

He preached in the streets. Then that's not the man Jesus in the flesh. It's the same Son of God in the form of the Holy Spirit, a Pillar of Fire, before His incarnation, He went back to what He was, and now He comes down here. Notice!

(20) A bruised reed shall he not break, (well, if he didn't break Israel and finish it, you tell me what he didn't do.) (the) smoking flax he) shall not quench...

They never took the oil; they turned it down flat; it's finished. You think for one minute, Moses and Elijah, go back to Israel, they're going to preach the law? They're going to preach Christ and Him crucified. He'll come and show His hands and His feet and His riven side. They're not going to get somebody all washing pots and pans. No! No! Now listen!

- (20) ...till he send forth...judgment unto victory.
- (21) And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.
- 19. It tells you right there that that One would have to turn to the Gentiles, and as Bro. Branham said, "The Bible clearly declares that what He did in his flesh, in the days of his flesh for Israel, He must do for the Gentiles," and this is exactly where he got it from. And He's done it. You say, "Well, I don't think I believe that." Why, listen, that's your privilege? I'm not trying to make converts. I…just preach to those who already believe. I'm here to clinch the nail that was already driven in. I don't have a message of my own. I wouldn't bother after hearing Bro. Branham. That's…you know, that would be so ridiculous.
- [105] The same Son that rose in the east was predicted to rise in the west again in the last days...before the day was over. (That's the days of the Son of man, Luke 17.) I don't know how they interpret it; God interprets His Own Word. He proves It. This is the evening time.

He said, "Look! I'm not trying to…I didn't figure this thing out. I'm not trying to stand up here as though I know something from somebody." He said, "I am just the mouthpiece of God. I know no more about this than nothing but He told me." That's exactly what Paul said. Paul was vindicated. Paul was vindicated but so was Bro. Branham, actually, vindicated. I'd like to see somebody that can go ahead and do what he did. Give me one THUS SAITH THE LORD, one proof, one evidence. They can't do it. But the Pentecostals will tell you, "Oh, we have THUS SAITH THE LORD. Thus saith God." I'd like to see them stand up and prove it.

- [106] It's sad, but she sure fell for it again. Christ's bride fell for it and took the intellectual knowledge of some seminary preacher instead of believing the pure, vindicated Word of God.
- [107] Now ministers out yonder in the land wherever you are, you might disagree with this; I'm not hurting you. I'm just trying to help. I'm talking to my own group. (That's the way I feel. I got nothing for somebody else out there. If they want to listen, be glad to listen. I can't do a thing for anybody, just the Word of God can do it.) ... If you want to sit in, I'll sure be glad to have you to hear It. ...then you listen to it. See? But I'm just telling them now what they have seen, (that means after the fact, see,) and showing it to them, God proving it that it's right.
- 20. Now you know that is Deuteronomy 18, when a prophet comes in the Name of the Lord and the thing that he says come to pass, that is the one that comes from God. And you'll notice also, he always just goes plumb to the Word. He just sticks word by word, he doesn't take you out here to the Book of Mormons, or the Talmud, or something else; it's always with the Word. He takes you right to the Word.
- [107] Now...See? This is the hour. He doesn't need anybody to interpret It. Your worldly knowledge doesn't have a thing to do with it. You might have a B.A., or a D.D.,(or something else) whatever it might be; it doesn't mean one thing. God interprets His Word Himself. He promised it, here it is.

Now that's exactly the truth. God interprets His Word; He takes His promise, brings It manifested in exactly how it is, according to His own mind and heart and that's exactly how it is done.

- 21. Now, 108: there is where we should really start.
- [108] But...the knowledge of seminary, (or the seminary of knowledge, that which comes from a seminary, some Bible college,) denominational preaching, has caused the whole world to wonder after the beast whose deadly wound was healed from pagan to

papal. See where she's heading up? She believes it. She believes the knowledge that he tells her.

Now, when Bro. Branham mentions this, of course, you know that he's referring to the 13th chapter of Revelation, wherein he says, "America builds the image to the beast." And you will see in Revelation, the 13th chapter, that this is identical to Daniel.

(1) And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

Now this is a blasphemous creature. Now remember, in the Book of Daniel, it was the fourth of a world empire wherein in the fourth world empire there would be the One descend from heaven as a rock cut without hands from a mountain and absolutely grind to dust the last vestige of this earth's civilization and government, destroying all those who destroy the earth, so there's not one vestige left. Not one speck of dust that hasn't been licked somehow in the earth so the saints can come back in...the Millennium, it tells you right here. [Revelation 13]

(2) ...(now) the beast I saw was like a leopard, and his feet...feet of a bear, (the) mouth (the) lion: and the dragon gave him power, and his seat, and great authority.

Now it tells you at the end time and you've got to bring Daniel in with Revelation, this end time empire is going to have a tremendous figure over it. The last great dictator, king, what you want to call it; he's actually a pope.

- (3) ...I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.
- 22. Okay, you see right here now, where this empire, this represented here by this creature with these heads, actually was wounded, actually to death. In plain English, it ceased in the form of which it was, which was actually Rome going to the Holy Roman Empire, then becoming as we know today, the same empire under cloaks of cover which is really a papal empire, because there's no place where Rome is not. You got to just understand. Rome is Rome and it's in Italy. Now it's not Cincinnati with seven hills, and it's not Moscow with seven hills, because they don't have a thing to do with this written way back there. See? Now, it was already extant. So he's talking about the extant looking to the future.
 - (4) And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like...the beast? who is able to make war with him?
- 23. Now listen, you'll notice it lets you know here that war caused the wound. It was war and decimation by the Goths, the Visigoths, and all the rest that came down there, that knocked Rome for a loop, put them right out. But remember, at that time, right after Jesus, they were given the opportunity to become Pontifex Maximus which was the leader of the Babylonian religion and when the emperors didn't want it, the pope took it. That's why he's the great pope. He's called the vicar of Jesus Christ which he isn't; it means 'instead of Christ'.

So, now it tells you here that this great empire has a beast. And remember, the Bible speaks of the end time, that men become natural brute beasts. The seed runs out; no more election.

- 24. "Who is like unto him?" There is nobody, because he's got his full force and authority from the greatest power outside of God when you talk about worldly events and affairs which is the devil. See? Now if Judas could betray Jesus and put Him to death, don't think this guy can't do plenty.
 - (5) And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power given unto him to continue forty and two months. (That's your three and a half years.)

(6) And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, (and so on.) (And it says in verse

8,)

- (8) And all (nations)...And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
- 25. You can see right in there at the end time there's a horrible danger that there's going to be those, all except those found in that book of redemption coming right on down, part of that Bride, are going to have serious problems.
 - (9) ...If any man have an ear, let him hear.
 - (10) He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that (kills) with the sword must be with the sword (be killed). Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

In other words, if this kingdom is going to end just the same as it is said over there in the Book of Daniel. Now, I won't read anymore; I could read to verse 18 but I don't want to go there.

- 26. I just want to go over here to Revelation 17, we read it different times, and it's in verse 1 to 18. He shows this...great harlot church which is headed up by the beast, which is the Empire that was wounded, and comes back, no longer as a true political figure, but now as a religious dominion. Okay. Notice the heads of blasphemy, and all these things.
- (5) And upon her forehead...MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT,
 THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF
 THE EARTH.

Now it says, "Mystery, Babylon," the mystery of Babylon, in other words, the Babylon of religion... the religion of Babylon is right in this harlot and her harlot system.

(6) And I saw the woman (drunk) with the blood of the saints, with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

- 27. Now, I want to ask you a question and you know the answer, unless you are completely duped, and you are an insane type of an idiot because you've been brought up in a certain church. Which bunch of people killed the Christians? You know, the Roman Catholic Church: Smucker's Martyr, alone, sixty-eight million. What about Saint...?... what is it, I forget, ... Where there in France where they killed off the Huguenots? You know positively that the blood lies within her. And they have never apologized. The closest they ever came was saying, "Well, I'll tell you if Pope John—I think—the XXIII, had been pope instead of Leo, then we know that Luther would not have left." That is a lie. Luther would have gone if it was Pope John XXI, John XXIII, or a whole bunch rolled into one popes. He left. A lie is a lie. You know they... Well, you know what I'm talking about. What a mess! ...
 - (9) And here is the mind (that) hath wisdom. (Now here you are, see this, if you can it will sink into your head.) The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman (sits).
- 28. Now what was the last great empire? Rome! And that's all there is—four, starting with the Babylonian, Medes O Persian, Greek and Roman. That's all. Those snuffed out by war come back another way, and you're talking about Babylonian religion. You're talking about the mystery which is the religion of Babylon. It's right in there where the Virgin Mary has supposed to be the son of Christ upon her knee and absolutely, Babylonish religion and definitely says, "That the child is the husband of the mother," coming from Nimrod. Well, you figure it out. You can't...you get a Trinitarian doctrine; you end up in the most ungodly mess in the world. And that's exactly what Babylonian religion was. All right.

- 29. So we see this here, she was healed from pagan to papal, from Babylonish religion she took all the trappings as anybody knows. I don't care what scholar you read. If he's got an ounce of savvy and most of those scholars have savvy, they will tell you that the Roman religion is absolutely nothing but Christian names put on heathen gods. Now come on! Read your histories! Oh, I know, it's such a hush a thing, mustn't say a thing about religion, oh no, not about religion, you know, because after all, nobody really knows, you know. Oh, we do know. We know; we know. We're not going to tuck in and say, "Hey you know, I don't have ten cents in my pocket," when you got five or six dimes. You know, you don't act foolish. You just got to tell what's truth. Okay.
- 30. She believes the knowledge he tells her. See? That is the church system believes what Satan tells her. Now we don't because we believe in vindication this last hour.
- [109] ...now watch it, it is that both engaged brides believe Satan's knowledge against God's Word.

Now what's he talking about? He's talking about Eve engaged to Adam like in other words she was actually his wife, he had not yet got to her, and of course, Paul had espoused the Bride to Jesus, and He had not come for her and gotten to her either. Okay.

- 31. Let's look at the picture, we find it over here. The Apostle Paul himself says, now look it, I'm going to read what Paul said. I don't care what anybody else says. Paul says here,

 [2 Corinthians 11:]
 - (2) For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

Now what is an untouched, undefiled woman waiting for her husband to be true to him? We sure don't have many of those in the land, I can tell you that. Roman Catholic, or Protestant or anybody else, but thank God, there's a couple. Now watch!

- (3) I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.
- (4) For if he that cometh (preaches) another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or (you) receive another spirit, which (we) have not received, or another gospel, which (you) have not accepted, (three things right there and it started way back there.)

Well, I ask a question. What three things, what one more thing, what one half of a thing would you need to add to this? You blow it; it's gone. Wrong spirit, wrong Jesus, wrong word: that's what religion is all about, Christianity is all about. And you can see right here at the time of Paul, that these Corinthians which were pagans of the highest order, immoral and God knows what, had fallen away from the truth. Just as in the Ephesian Age, he said, "You've left your first love."

- 32. So they'd taken Satan's word against the Word of God; let me prove it to you because it says in verse 13 of the same chapter.
 - (13) For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.

In other words, they say, "We're the apostles of Christ. You listen to us." And you'd be surprised how many people listen. They don't require any proof. They don't require anything. You know, I can understand the Pentecostals having a problem with Bro. Branham because they do have some things amongst them, real gifts of the Holy Spirit; that's true. I mean that's the Bible.

Many will come in that day and say, "Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied, cast out devils, raised the dead and everything else." And He'll say, "I never knew you."

- 33. He never denies the fact that it was done. Just like Judas, anybody...it can be done. See? But what really bugs me is how a church with nothing to back it, even fights the very thing that could be some sort of evidence, say, "We got it." He said, "That's right, you got it." You see, it's astounding when you think of it. You say, "Well, how could it be?" Satan has blinded their eyes. There's nothing left.
 - (14) And no marvel; Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

 (What Satan did in the Garden, he has taught his clergy to do likewise.)
 - (15) Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed...

In other words, Paul said, "Hey, listen, you fellows, is it so hard to understand; can't you see if Satan did it, his ministers would do it? What's the matter with you?"

You say, "Oh no, I can't believe that. I just couldn't believe that. No, I got these nice people."

I guess I'm not very nice because I got the kind of faith Paul talks about. I'm too suspicious. I'm very suspicious. Yeah, it's death in the pot, brother; I don't care how good it tastes.

(15) ...transformed as ministers of righteous; whose end shall be according to their works.

Now what is their work? Deceit; in other words, they have aligned themselves with the deceiver. [End of side one of tape] All right.

- [109] The bride of Adam believed Satan's knowledge against God's Word, and the bride of Christ has believed Satan's knowledge in this intellectual evil age against God's Word.
- 34. Now remember, the apostle Paul, over here in chapter 10, 2 Corinthians, already warned these people about this. And he said.
 - (3) For though we (walked) in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
 - (4) (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
 - (5) Casting down (reasonings), and every high thing that (exalts) itself against the knowledge of God, ...

That says, "Hey, anybody knows this can't be right. Look here how this works. Why don't you just step aside and leave this? Why do you have to adhere to this? Hey, there could be more than one way. Don't you know there's more than one way looking at this Scripture?" That's what Satan said to Eve. "Why," she said, "do tell; more than one way?" She was taken right there; too bad. See?

- (5) Casting down (reasonings), every high thing that (exalts) itself against the knowledge of God...
- 35. Now what's the highest part of your body? The head, so therefore, man allows his head to take the place of the Head which is God. Because remember, the head of man is Christ. I don't care what anybody says. The head of the church is Christ. So Paul is saying right here, what the people have done they have substituted reasoning, they have substituted carnal knowledge, they have substituted their own thinking as the ultimate when he was the ultimate amongst them because he said, "though you have many teachers, you have only one Father." He was the one that brought it.

So therefore, it says in Malachi, "To turn the hearts of the children back to the fathers," what's he telling you? To turn it right back to the apostle Paul, the original true teacher is the Word, like he told Timothy, he said, "I've instructed you. You've got the truth, now you teach others." We go back to Paul. We don't go back to Pentecost. The message on the day of Pentecost won't do it because it wasn't a message; it was a prophecy and a vindication of Christ the Messiah and His Resurrection. But Paul preached the gospel. Come on! Paul said, "According to my gospel He's going to judge the world."

36. Like I said the other day, Peter was... Listen, Peter actually backslid. I'm not going to feel embarrassed, it's the honest...it's God's truth. Peter tried to bring in circumcision to Timothy, and here's Barnabas set aside by the Holy Ghost, "Oh, that's right, that's right." Paul said, "Out!"

Wonder who spoke at that meeting and said, "Separate unto me Saul and Barnabas?" I'm not saying it was a lie. I'm just going to bring the next point. What about genuine tongues and genuine gifts? That was one of them but Barnabas blew it. You never hear his name again. It was Silas and Paul that the jail opened to. See?

Paul stood before Peter and he said, "Peter," he said, "listen, if you do, that is what the Jews don't do, and eat with the Gentiles, and you live with them according to their way," now he said, "you come on right back, you deny that God gave you the right to open the door to the Gentile." I want to ask you one question, Peter, who sinned, you or God? It wasn't Paul that apologized. It was Peter that apologized. And he that said, he's the one who had to bow down literally, I mean, I don't mean worship anybody, he's the one that had to recognize Paul, and he said, "Our beloved Paul says things hard to understand and people wrest it to their own destruction," but he had to come and vindicate Paul, and Paul stood right against it.

- 37. Now listen! If you want to go back to those, that's all right, I want to go back to Paul. I'm a Gentile. I might have some Jewish blood. I'd have a tongue for all I know but it ain't doing me no good, I can tell you that. I'm not interested. See?
 - (5) ...against the knowledge of God, and (Listen!) bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

Paul was representing himself as Christ to the people. It's strange, yeah. Want me to read it to you? You people know where it is. It's over here in Ephesians, chapter 4, where Paul here says,

- (20) But (you) have not so learned Christ;
- (21) If so be that (you) have heard him, and been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

When did they ever see Jesus? When did they ever hear Him? When did they ever walk down the street with Him? You think...a prophet, or an ordained prophet is not God to the people? And then accept some pope or some preacher? Oh yeah, yeah, yeah. Come on, brother/sister, surely we're past the stage of folly. No, the church isn't but the Bride is. Yeah...

[109] The bride of Adam believed Satan's knowledge against God's Word, and the bride of Christ has believed Satan's knowledge in this intellectual evil age against God's Word. And notice, Eve in the natural...believed it and plunged the whole human race to death. The natural bride... (Now he's talking what a person can do physically here, this marvelous being.) The natural bride...Adam the natural man of the earth, his bride, before he got to her to be wife, plunged the whole human race into death. Whether it's scientific or not, we die just the same, because God said we would. Whether you are in holy Eden,...

Now that's not sarcasm, because she was. The Tree of Life was there, immortality was there, ready to be grasped and fulfilled, and right there she turned.

- [109] ...holy Eden, or holy church, (What holy church? Now that's sarcastic.) ...holy (denominations, that's loading sarcasm,) or whatever it might be, you'll die the day you disbelieve one word of God's Word to be the Truth when It's vindicated and proved to you. That's the day you separate yourself from God. Not just the whole sentence, one word. Whoever shall add one word or take away, that's the day you die.
- 38. Let's go back and see if that's the truth. The last book of the Old Testament is called Malachi. And the last chapter is the 4th chapter, and in the 4th chapter it says,

(1) For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, ... it (will)

In other words, you are already at the White Throne whether you know it or not and the judgment is passed and you as sure as this earth will burn and everybody on it, the same (bunch?) will go to the lake of fire. The last great church movement, the last great church organization is the chaff, because the wheat comes out of the chaff. The Bible distinctly says that at that end time He will come with the fan in His hand and He will thoroughly cleanse His floor, and then it says, He will...fan out the wheat from the chaff. He will put the wheat in the garner and He'll burn the chaff with unquenchable fire.

- 39. Now I'm going to tell you something. The fire that hits in the Great Tribulation is the same unquenchable fire in the lake of fire. White Throne is here whether you know it or not. You're not going to escape, brother/sister, come on, please listen to me and go back to the day of Paul. What was there in Paul's day? "He that hears me hears God," said Paul. "I'm vindicated. You know it. I'm not standing on junk and heathenism." And the end of the age says, "It's all heathen." And you got to have what Paul had. Listen! Come on, go to 2 Thessalonians, come on, read the thing. Let's not bandy words. If I read it a thousand times you'll know it a thousand times better, ...1st chapter.
 - (7) And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,
 - (8) In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:
 - (9) Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction (that's Malachi) from the presence of the Lord, from the glory of his power;
 - (10) When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, ...

Come on! When we're caught up to the Marriage Supper, there's three and a half years to go before the fire falls and wipes them all out. Now listen what it says.

(10) When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and be admired in all them that believe (so He's coming for the saints to be admired, and He's going to burn them up that are left in the three and a half years. Now listen!) (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

I'd like some theologian to tell me exactly what Paul said in that. I'd say, "Brother Hotshot, that sounds very good."

40. When I was a kid years ago, a man palmed himself off as a millionaire and me being a little stupid jackass, I thought he was till the day I found out and proved he didn't have any more than I had except a lot of lies. You think you got money, bring your bank account and show me. Bring me your letter of references; show me your stocks and bonds.

Don't tell me you got the prettiest wife in the universe and bring me someone who looks like a haggis bag or a dishpan full of warts. [Congregation laughs.] I'm not saying anybody's like that's here. In other words, put your money where your mouth is or shut up.

- 41. Listen! You get what I read here? In that day, not this day in 54 A.D.—this day! Now who are you going to call on? I'm asking the question.
 - (11) Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our (Lord) would count you worthy of this calling...

What calling? To be called in that day for the glorification that you believe the testimony. Now if it's just across the board; and say, "Hallelujah, I believe Paul." I say, "Hallelujah, Bro. Vayle, I got money."

And I say, "How much you got?" [Congregation laughs.] Right? We're going to go to the horse track and bet equal money, and if I got twenty bucks, you put your twenty bucks down. You say, "Bro. Vayle, I'm going to put five dollars down and you see, when we get the money, I'll give you the other fifteen." I'll say, "You, you're kidding." I put my twenty bucks down; I get the odds.

- 42. What are these guys talking about? I want to know. Look it, when I talk this way, you can see how stupid religion is, how false and farcical, how hypocritical, what idolatry is in the ranks. See? See, I'm just using human reasoning and logic now. And if I can use human reasoning and logic and cut this to pieces, then you better come up with your answer. "Bro. Vayle I can prove what Paul said on the grounds I know what he said." Oh, we'll have fun right there because I'm with Bro. Peter, "Paul said some very, very deep things. They're hard to be understood and you could wrest them to your own destruction."
 - (11) ...count you worthy of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power:
- (12) That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and (you) in him, according to the grace of our (Lord) God of our God and Lord Jesus Christ.
- 43. Now that started way back there and ends today. The hour of immortality, the hour of putting your hand to the Tree of Life, and you can't do it unless the Book is unsealed, and I'm asking you a question. Who is going to unseal it? "Well," you say, "that's not hard, Jesus is." Well, the pope is His representative. Huh? Or is it Dr. Carey, the archbishop? You know, Runcie, just quit, so now they got Carey. Falwell? [Congregation laughs.] Jerry Falwell? I don't know who the Assemblies of God is anymore. I don't know who runs anybody. But I'm going to ask; who are you going to do? You see when you get down to the Word it becomes pretty ludicrous, if you think you can reason, you can do it.
- 44. Now back in Malachi again it tells you here that day is going to come leaving neither root nor branch, but it said, "Behold, I send you Elijah, the prophet, before that fire falls and you come back on the ashes of the wicked, because the Sun of righteousness has risen with healing in his wings which is immortality, and he shall turn the heart of the...not the father to the children, no, that's been done by John the Baptist, and the heart of the children to the fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."

And I already showed you that Paul said, "You can have a whole lot of teachers but you got one Father." Plain English of God, turn them back to the beginning of the New Testament church, even to the very foundation where you honor what God set in order and by vindication, put it before the people, one Word off is Satan's kingdom. One Word off is death.

- 45. Look at 2 Timothy, and again I want to indulge your kindness in listening because you know I read these scriptures over and over but you know what happens to you when you hear them over and over? You can suddenly find where you are in the Bible. Never could do that before, could you? I couldn't either. Now we're learning a few goodies. Okay. 2 Timothy 3:
 - (1) This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
 - (2) For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

In other words, everybody is going to have his own thing. You get a thousand people; there'll be a thousand opinions, a thousand churches with a thousand books. Now watch!

(3) Without natural affection,...

What's natural affection? That goes in different ways, just like animals have a natural affection because there's a kinship and relationship. In all the hate and bitterness, there's no love in the nations today and homosexuality proves it's not even sexual love. There is just filthy intercourse.

(3) ...trucebreakers, ...

Well you know what a trucebreaker is. He calls off the peace. At the last day, the Son of righteousness comes to bring peace, and they deny it. The Bible distinctly says, they'll deny the Lord, they'll say no to Him. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock." "Get away, boy!"

- 46. People say they believe this message, do the same thing. They make it a doctrine. I can tear into that one. The doctrine is the definition or the Word picture, the declaration, the exegeticsesing(?) of what is there, but that which is there is not what I said, it's only a description. My Jesus is not a doctrine and not a description, although if you want to bring it where it's Logos, then He is the doctrine. We're not fooling. No, we're not in the oven like half-baked bread. We're in God's oven becoming bread for Him. You bet, one loaf.
 - (3) ...false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
 - (4) Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
 - (5) Having a form of godliness, denying the power thereof: from such turn away.
 - (6) For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
 - (7) Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Seminaries are full of smart men; they know every argument outside of the Book and many times inside the Book, but they don't have the revelation.

- (7) Ever learning, and never (coming) to the knowledge...
- (8) Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, (false prophets anointed to do wonders and signs and miracles.)...
- 47. Who withstood Bro. Branham? Catholics don't even know about it. Baptists didn't care two bits. Pentecostals! Study their history; they never were with the Word. A good Baptist would put them to shame. ...Pity Pentecostal. Listen, I was Pentecostal for years, then I got tired of them went to the Baptist, got tired of them, too. I'm a renegade. I admit it.
 - (8) ...so these resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.

Isn't that exactly what the Pharisees and Sadducees and the Sanhedrin did with Jesus? They said, "For a good work, Hey man, listen, we wouldn't stone you. We wouldn't raise our voice. We'd say, 'Hey, brother, how about doing more?' but listen, boy, when you called yourself the Son of God, you made yourself equal with God." See, the first son has equal rights. Said, it's all over. You cut your throat by your mouth. So did Martin Luther. So did Paul. So did Irenaeus. So did Martin, Colomba, Wesley. They never got in trouble because they're good people, oh no, everybody likes good, nice people. Word! That's where it was. Paul lost out because of the Word they turned on him. See? They said, but listen,

- (9) ...they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be (made) manifest unto all, as theirs also...
- 48. Paul said, "One day this is going to halt. The end time it's going to be over, and when it's over, it is over." All right.
- [110] *Notice*, *Adam's bride caused natural death...* (That's very good.)

Look it. A son of God always was, always will be a son of God. Seed never changes. Sons of God can fall; they can get into every mischief under high heaven, but they're sons of God. "If we were in Him," (as Paul said, and it's true somebody had to be in Him,) "then it has to be a natural death, not a spiritual." Although we are spiritually asleep until we are awakened by the Word that comes full of the Holy Ghost to wake us and bring us into an understanding of who we are, and even then it's too bad that teachers have not taught us the truth. They're trying to make it like here's a dog that turned into a lamb. Here's a

sow that turned into a lamb. I can't buy that. I've never seen that happen in nature yet and I don't think I'm about to.

- [110] ...Adam's bride caused natural death to her race, the human race and the Second Adam's bride, Christ's engaged bride, has plunged the whole...world—(Now listen!)—to a denominational death, (that's the names of blasphemy,) to take the mark of the beast, by the scientific, intellectual, big denominations.
- 49. In other words, they put reasoning even within the Scripture above revelation and then they go back to their books. "Holy father said so and so." That's what he's telling you; it's not going to work, brother/sister. It won't work. I told you many, many times how it is when I was in Pentecost. We had this guy named George A...?... He was up there in Canada where I was born. And I remember the time he was preaching and he said, "Listen, you people, I'm going to tell you something and you get this straight," he said, "we and our fathers came out of Methodist and Baptist and Nazarene," he said, "you name it because new Light came, that's why we came out. Let us beware lest future Light should come and we turn It down." They turned it down flat as a fritter. See?
- 50. Listen! That's why the Bible said, "By your words you're justified and by your words you're condemned."
- [110] ...plunged the whole church to a denominational death, to take the mark of the beast by scientific, intellecutal, big denominations. "We're Baptists," "We're Presbyterian." "We are Pentecostals," and so forth. "We got this, and we own more property. We are noted by the government, we're all around the world," ...such things. "And the mayor of the city, and so forth, comes to us." Even, "The President has mass said with us, and we're coming to this, that, or the other." The whole world has been plunged to a spiritual, denominational death, the whole church. She is dead!
- 51. Okay, let's go to Revelation 3 and look what he said back there to a certain church, and in verse 20... ah, not...Rev 3:20, well, that's standing at the door. That's not the one I wanted. Oh, here. Verse 21, and I want the 2nd chapter first of all.
 - (21) And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.
 - (22) Behold, I will cast her into bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds. (Now watch!)
- (23) And I will kill her children with death; (Kill with death? That's second death.) and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts and will give unto every one of you according to your works.
- 52. When did the church know that? There's a promise over here in the Book of Hebrews, the 4th chapter...
- (12) For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the (joint) and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.
 - (13) Neither is any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

Paul said that because he had the gift of discernment, same as William Branham. Now tell me how your bishop's got it, your preacher's got it, your church has got it. Tell me they got it and I'll tell you where you've been, kid. You don't know what I'm talking about. William Branham with five thousand, could be five million, it wouldn't matter, he'd stand right there and take every spirit under control and you couldn't hide if you tried and that's not spiritism because I know spiritism. I've seen it. Because he

tied every spirit into a knot: those that came with wrong spirits, stood before him, he called them all by name, and a person even a woman with a cancer, and he said, "Ah ha, just a minute, that cancer is calling for help, that's an evil spirit." And he said, "The woman over here has got a cancer. And this cancer is calling that cancer." And he cast that out, and he cast that out, and they were both healed. The devil doesn't cast out no devils. I don't understand people. Something's wrong, brother/sister, it's not…with us. It's not with us. Okay.

- 53. We saw all this in Revelation, already reading, the great harlot, how she's got all this power, she's going to take the world over. Then Bro. Branham says, hypothetically,
- [110] ... "You're covering a lot of territory." A lot people said that to him.
- [111] Jesus said, "As it was in the days of Noah, wherein eight souls were saved, so shall it be at the coming of the Son of man."

Now that's true, the coming of the Son of man. Jesus was known as the Son of man and He absolutely called Himself that, and it had to do with His ministry. It was the Son of man ministry, and He said, "You're going to want to see that day but I got news for you. You will not see it, until there comes a time after the Son of man is dead, it will come." How far down the road, he didn't say but he said those days will be like the days of Noah, and the days of Sodom. And in the days of Sodom the homosexuals ran the government.

How come the cancer patients, the lung patients, the TB, and the heart, and the kidneys, you name it, cannot get the money that these miserable filthy rotten homosexuals are getting? They can run me out of the church, and take away my papers; it's okay by me, I'll still say it, because they're the filth of the universe. They're the curse that's bringing the curse upon us, and the politicians stand back because they rattle the vote. God have pity. There'll likely be a homo in the White House pretty soon. You'd be surprised how many men in politics tried it and decided they didn't want it. I'll be very blunt. I've got nothing to hide. Churchill admitted it. So much for your government. Lot sat in the gate as the mayor, and he said, "Boys, you shouldn't really do this, you know." They pushed him to one side. He said, "Look," he said, "it's bad I've got daughters here," and they already had husbands, too. What where the husbands doing? Out looking for other men? You think we're going to get by this age without this age dying off? Listen! AIDS, you rot on your feet while you're walking. Well, they asked for it.

[111] "...in the days of Noah, ...the coming of the Son of man. In the days of Lot, three were brought out of Sodom,..." (Eight got in the ark.) Now, there's already a group that's already out, remember, (Abraham wasn't down in Sodom.)

Who went down there? Two witnesses, two messengers; the third one stayed out. William Branham marked them: Oral Roberts and Billy Graham. They went down there. So when Elvis Presley died; who dictated Elvis would be in heaven? Billy says, "I'll see him in heaven." I wonder if Billy will be looking in or in there?

54. I had a friend; her name was Bea Harris. She highly disliked a man who was as hypocritically and as rotten as they come. And I mean he was sleazy. And Bea let him know that she wasn't happy.

"Well," he said, "Bea, hold it, you better like me because I'm going to be in heaven with you."

And she said, "Listen—I won't tell the name—she said, "Listen, Bud, if you're where I'm at I know I'm in the wrong place." [Congregation laughs.]

You think for one minute you can take this Word of God and mock It? Say, "I judge better than this Book." Where are those men today in the light of the vindicated message? They're not even interested. Yet Billy knows the Word must be restored. And this message we have is not a restored Word of the school of the prophets and that restoration bunch that amounted to nothing. William Branham was vindicated. You say, "Because you say so." No, no; it's proven he's vindicated. What do you want? See?

55. Now he said,

[111] ...there's a group already out, remember, but, as it was...when the Son of man will be manifested. (Can't come before then. The same ministry has got to come back to earth.) Look hard; look where we're living.

What's he talking about? He's talking about himself; his own ministry. "Well," you say, "that's not very bright." Well, why didn't Paul talk about somebody else's ministry instead of his? He talked about his own, and be bluffed Peter...it wasn't a bluff, I beg your pardon. He called Peter's bluff and he called his hand. And he made their little old council; they all held, said "Paul, we got to talk this over."

He said, "Okay, go ahead and talk."

"Well, Paul, it's evident as much as we hate to admit it; it's evident. You're to the Gentiles. Go boy, go."

He said, "I'm going."

- 56. So, what are you trying to tell us? I'm trying to tell you that when people let their minds in under any consideration, sin enters. See, that's our major problem. It's right up here, the high thing. The highest thing is the head. And I believe we're back to headship, the Cornerstone is now the Headstone, spiritually speaking, Jesus isn't here in the person of His body, don't think I'm saying that. I am not! I'm talking about the One who laid aside His glory and took on flesh. Now that's very hard to understand but that's the Son of God, in the form of the Holy Spirit in a Pillar of Fire and everything God does He does through Him, that compounds your mystery, but I'm not going to back away from it. At least I can say what the Bible says.
- [112] Now, at this time she has caused the whole world to accept the scientific leadership of the educational program that Satan has given to her under the name of a church, (that's right,) the leadership of a educational, scientific program. I'm picturing to you the god of this world. (He's picturing the one in control that is controlling the others.) When she, as Eve, had the very fulfilling of God's Word in her hand...
- 57. There she was right in front of the Tree of Life and she fell into sin, she threw away the Word of God when all she had to do was walk to that Tree and take It. She had her choice for immortality, and the Bible distinctly says, "Now lest she stretch forth her hand, she's stopped, and she will not have immortality. She will not live forever." Now she had it right there: the Jews, the same thing.

Now, brother/sister, listen to me. Paul could not say that to the First Church. It's only to the last church, within our grasp is immortality. Now you tell me who's going to believe it? They're so chock full of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil that they do not know who is at the door. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock, you have kicked Me out." Larkin, everybody knows that's the understanding of it. William Branham was not the originator. He testified that Larkin was correct, though Larkin was not correct in the other places because the prophet corrects the errors. That's what the Word is all about. "Behold, I stand at the door." Said, "We're not interested." I can understand that. I'm not interested in their church. It's passé to me; it's finished. It's snafu; it's gone. I can understand. I won't fight with them. See? She had in her grasp the fulfilling of the Word of God, positively, is what she had and she turned It down.

- [112] ...she could have taken God's Word, but what did she do to that? Instead of tarrying—
 (Bro. Branham preached <u>The Token</u>)—for the baptism of the Holy Ghost, she let
 science prove to her that the Holy Ghost was only for... disciples.(Yeah.) Instead of
 keeping Divine healing going, when she ought to be now raising the dead and doing
 great miracles, she has let Satan, under his leadership of religious man take the Word
 of God and try to say...It was for another age. ("The Apostolic Age was over.") And
 she's believed it.
- 58. Now I want to stop here and let you know this, when we're talking about the return of the Capstone, spiritually speaking, and remember, the life is in the Word, and remember, Satan's lie was in his word and death in the word, so she took Satan's word denying life, she came into death. So today we have the

spiritual life of God in His Word returned, that's the conduit, and we under It's anointing can as we believe as Bro. Branham said, "Pile Word upon Word and Life, therefore, will be more abundant until that sweet spirit of Christ can and will come into the church, the gifts of the Spirit on the shelf as it were, and the sick amongst us be healed." We've seen some of it here but not nearly enough. What I'm telling you is the progression that should be in the church that they lost but has been returned. Now that doesn't mean the church is going to do great miracles, signs and wonders because the vindication of the Word is over, now you believe It. There are people trying to preach you got to reprove It.

Hey, I don't need any proof about this and that. I was with him too many years; spent too many hours. I'm not interested. I don't care what my ministry could take as raising the dead, if it did raise the dead, and I think on one occasion after prayer, there's men with me, the man was raised from the dead. But I'm not going to try to prove anything. I know jolly well that cancer disappeared, blind eyes opened, deaf spoke and everything...deaf heard and so on. Tumors of the brain just disappeared. I never had a failure with a little child under two years of age that had cerebral palsy or a tumor or a hydrocephalus—never had one failure. God helped me discern almost...and I shouldn't have even been doing it. So I couldn't go back to that because it's not right. It's not what God wants.

It's this message, the life that's in it is the healer because the Son has risen with healing in His wings, and He is the Word. So there should be a progression, and I'm saying this, not to fault anybody but to encourage you. When I was so desperately sick out at Tucson, I heard that tape out there played, ...over and over. I was so desperately sick sitting there. My God, have pity, and that was <u>Perfect Faith</u>, and it got so negative in the building, the building just was dark with negativity. Couldn't wait to get home. You can hear Bro. Branham's message and go so negative you'll die. Peter warned that about Paul, "It could kill you." This message is not to be negative, brother/sister; I'm trying to encourage you. There's something for you. Not big mass healing, but there's life, there's help for you. You can be healed. I'm believing in healing. Let's believe the Lord together. Let's pray.

Heavenly Father, we come to You at this hour knowing that Your grace and mercy is sufficient, there was nothing that's too hard for the Lord, and we realize Father, we're not trying to tell You to be something other than what You are because that would be blasphemy. But You named it concerning our problems, concerning our riddles, and You swept them all away as concerning Your power and Your ability and Your desire and Your compassion to do good when Jesus was nailed to the cross, the blood was shed, and He died and rose again, taking captivity captive, coming back in the form of the Holy Spirit, setting His church in order, and is now come back again to head it. Lord, that shows that there isn't anything that hasn't been provided, even as Paul said, "If God spared not His own Son but freely delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not also with Him freely give us all things," and we see that tonight here Lord. We're even going so far to know that there are people here that are going to become immortal and I believe that I might not be. I may have to go to the grave Lord, I appreciate that. Get the best of both worlds, I know that's possible. And I have no problem with You Lord. I may have lots of problems with myself, but I believe Your vindication in this hour, and I believe people sitting here, yes, some people sitting here, absolute candidates, right to the Tree of Life, invited, walk right over, right to the gates.

Lord, I believe this has been separating time. Amen! I believe it's been. And I believe Lord, You want to heal Your people. I pray, tonight Lord, the sick amongst us will be healed in the Name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. I pray, Lord, for our good friend, Bro. Elmer Hodge who has great faith in the ministry here, who believes, is being taught right. Lord, honor his faith tonight, I pray, as You've honored ours so many times here where people have been wonderfully healed, wonderfully helped Lord. The great grace of Almighty God, Father, I pray in Jesus' Name, he gets his help tonight, I believe He does Lord, be able to sleep good tonight, rest us secure and fine, grace of our God taking him all the way through, same with the people here, Lord, tonight, little children, adults wherever they are, the wonderful love of Jesus shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost that's indwelling this wonderful Word that he gave us.

As David said, "Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee. For thou, Lord, hast exalted thy Word above Thy Name, and I'm putting my trust in it." We thank You for that tonight. Thank for everybody present, Lord, certainly do appreciate every person here. May each person feel right at home, enjoy the Presence, and the sweetness of our Christ, the love of Almighty God, and know we're not trying to hurt anybody Lord, not even trying to build a case but bringing out this Word in the only way we know how Lord, to show there's nothing outside of It. Teach people Lord, to respect and love and feel secure and understand; there's no place else to go. To where, to whom would we go? As the apostles said, "We're convinced, we're sure, Thou alone hast the Word of Eternal Life." They knew what it was all about. Even in their most peculiar moments, they said, "Now we're sure you know what you're saying, that you're the Son of God, you came from God, and you go back." Lord, I never could figure how they could say that under those conditions with those words, but Father, I know Your way is peculiar, it's wonderful. And so tonight, we also can come to that same place, not understanding but knowing and saying, "Now we know," gone right to the place of that secure knowledge, proven Word of the living God. We commend ourselves now for the further part of this service in Jesus' Name, Amen.

[Communion service:]

- 1. Foot-washing and communion, part of our services. I appreciate that very much; part of the church order. Most of the people do not wash feet. It's too bad they don't but they're supposed to. Now you'll notice in John 13:
- (1) Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

Now, you see here that Jesus is going to do something, because of His great love for those with whom He'd had this fellowship. See, He'd loved them all along, and now this is a little peculiar, you'll understand, that this is going to be a great act of love. He loved them right to the end. Now He's going to do something. So this very peculiar thing He does, loving them right to the end.

- (2) And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him;
- 2. Now remember, at the end time they crucified to themselves the Son of God afresh. So there's got to be a betrayal again. They got to betray the Word. Now they're doing it now by writing all kinds of lies about Bro. Branham. And I say, "Hop to it." They've told enough about me, so let them tell some about him now. Just spare the goodies; just spread them around. You're going to hear more and more lies about the man, more and more stories that are patently false and ridiculous. It's got to be. You understand? It's got to be. A prophet cannot be anything but destroyed as far as the people are concerned. They killed John the Baptist. They sawed asunder Isaiah. Poor old Jonah, just turning his back on the Lord, got swallowed by a whale. Don't say the Sanhedrin did that. Daniel got thrown in the fiery furnace. [Lion's den] You know, you just...don't have it easy. See? So now at the time...there's got to come a time of betrayal. One of the last things Bro. Branham did was talk about love to the people, and communion and fellowship. So, all right.
- 3. Judas is going to betray him; time to be sold down the river. The Word of God sold down the river.
 - (3) Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, ...he was come from God, and went to God;
 - (4) He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.
 - (5) ...(poured) water into a basin, began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

- (6) ...(comes) to Simon Peter: and Peter (said) Lord, dost thou wash my feet? (What's going on here?)
- (7) (And) Jesus said, What I do (now Peter, you do not know but you will know down the road, later on.)
- (8) (And) Peter (said)... (No, it isn't right. There's no way that I can let you do it. It's not that I don't love you. I really love you, but couldn't let somebody of your caliber do that, your stature do that. So Jesus had to set him straight. Just like Paul set Peter straight. He's the guy that needed quite a lot of comfort. He said, you will) never wash my feet. Jesus (said, "Ah, ah,) if I wash thee not, (you got) no part with me. (Then watch him go overboard.)
 - (9) ...Lord, (then) not my feet only, my hands and my head.

There's a man that knew how to repent. He apologized for what he said to Paul. He came right around. That's a great fellow, that fellow Peter, wonderful man of God, wonderful person.

- 4. Jesus then said, "No, no, hold it, you're overboard again. Don't swing the pendulum all the way back." He said, "Come to center."
 - (10) ...He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and (you) are clean, but not all. (There's one person that's not right.)
 - (11) For he knew who should betray him; therefore...he (said), (You) are not all clean.
 - (12) So after he had washed their feet, and taken his garments, was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye (not) what I have done to you?
 - (13) (You) call me (Lord) and (Master): (you) say well; for so I am.
 - (14) If I then your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; (you) ought to wash one another's feet.
 - (15) For I have given you an example, that (you) should do as I have done to you.
 - (16) Verily, verily, ...The servant is not greater than (the) lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.
 - (17) (For) if ye know these things, happy are (you that) do them. (So, all right.)

We have the Lord's Supper connected with foot-washing, and Jesus positively gave us these ordinances within the Christian church as a final act of His love.

5. Now that may not seem interesting, it may not seem intelligent, and I'm not going to try to explain it but the fact is this was His last act of love in this particular area of being with them, because from this point on you will find with the betrayal that everything begins to get scattered. So while they are together He does this wonderful act of love which is to wash their feet, and He said, "Now look, you do the same thing with each other in commemoration of my great act of love, my sincerity, and my rightness, I came from the Father, I go back," this is typical then of everything you attribute to me.

And they might have said, "Well, hey, I think you could have done something else." But He didn't. See, that's the simplicity of believing. Can we believe that this One in His last moments instituted communion and foot-washing as an act of commemoration, an act of His love and this is what He wants us to do. Now if we really believe that there's going to be a spiritual blessing here because He said,

"Look, the cleaning is very, very necessary. There's something terribly necessary about this commandment, about this ordinance. It's very, very vital to you, so do not hold it lightly. Do it, because it's very valuable. It's necessary in My plan and in the things which I have set before you."

6. So many people give so many interpretations, and there aren't so many myself taken Bro. Branham, what have you but I just wanted to leave this thought here, that they at that time, I know they didn't realize that this was necessary. It was important. It was something that was valuable and valued. So I want to just impress on that tonight when we take the Supper of the Lord, we understand that's the shed blood. We understand the broken body. We understand the life coming back upon us. We also understand this that this actually in the light of the rest shows that there's something that you and I have this to do with each other wherein we had nothing to do with the shedding of the blood and the broken body. That's something that God did entirely, but in here we show our faith and our part of the great plan that God set before us.

Let's rise at this time, shall we? The brethren come forward and serve and they'll help you how to come around the side and up front here and we'll have two lines in order to expedite the service and then as the women go out, there's foot-washing in the hall out there and the men simply come back to their seats, and there'll be foot-washing immediately afterward, so that's fine. Those, of course, who play you come right along here, because we're going to need you to take the emblems first and then you can take your part where you're supposed to take your part. Are we ready? Let's just bow our heads in prayer.

Heavenly Father, at this particular part of the service when the Lord having loved His own, loved them to the end, and then did this which even wrought questions in the mind of Peter, even that he could voice them, the others seemingly were silent; Judas gone out. But Lord, they didn't understand. And many things we don't understand but if You say it's written in Your Word that this is what You did in the final part, that life that You loved and were in and ready to give Yourself, then Lord, we also know this is what we ought to do and we do it, and thank You Lord, for the opportunity. Bless the emblems to us Lord, we pray, O living God, so there's not just a matter of taking something but realizing what it stands for and realizing also the life that has come back upon us, even to the extent Lord, that You can be here now with healing in Your wings. What a magnificent testimony to the blood when we see what's in the Word Lord, and You mark it so clearly in Your Word that it's there and we see it so clearly that is in the world, it makes Your grace all the more wonderful and makes us realize that circle of Blood causes sin to vanish until there be no sign of it, making us non-sinners Lord, couldn't make a man a sinner when the Blood has scattered the sin. Thank You Lord, for these things You allow us to do. We give You glory in the Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Lloyd will help you here; give you an understanding if you need it. And tomorrow's service at ten o'clock; we start an half an hour earlier, because so many people have to leave in the afternoon to get home. We appreciate your attendance tonight and trust some good has been done to you, starting in the mind, the anointed Word down into the soul which we know some day is going to accomplish what Eve failed to do. She could have had the Word fulfilled in her but she didn't do it. But tonight, there are those who will...praise God. Let's rise and be dismissed.

'Take the name of Jesus with you.'