

Recap Of Good Friday Message

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Thank you. Very happy to be here with you tonight and can't express my appreciation properly for your kind appearance. I always have mixed emotions in a meeting like this, for the reason that I feel very, very happy to have people come, it's a very humbling experience that you should be so gracious to come, the distance you come, and the other side is that I feel sorry that you have come such a distance. I traveled, you know, many years on the road, and I know what it is to get on those airplanes and drive the miles and I don't like it. Not anymore anyway. I know there's more danger than there was a few years ago, but we're very, very happy to have you and trust the Lord will richly bless you and trust that whatever you came for that you'll be well rewarded; if it's just fellowship, which is fantastic, I trust you'll have real good fellowship. If you came for the Word, which I know you come for that above all, I trust the Lord will bless you that you get the Word given to you.

Now I don't know how well you're going to be able to hear tonight, especially with the speakers up front here, and if you feel you should hear a little better, the balcony's very good, so don't feel at all unhappy about moving; you won't bother anybody if you should decide you should move in order to hear a little bit better.

Now I want to announce tomorrow at two o'clock in the building here, we're going to have Dr. Kash here with us. He's a chiropractor; he's very, very outstanding in nutrition. And you know Bro. Branham made a statement, he said there's nothing left in the soil, and he said if the body turns to mush, what about the brain? Now he did make a statement of course with that, and that is he said that, you know, concerning the food we eat, he said you pray that the Lord will cleanse it, the Word will cleanse it. Whether he was just talking about the Word as the Message or the Logos, whichever, I don't know, but I know there is the thought there that the Lord helps us. But I never did hear him say that you know you could take a plate of bran flakes, or you know, a plate of pasta with nothing in it outside a little bit of wheat flour and expect the Lord to turn it into vitamins and minerals for you. I don't know that.

So I'm not trying to give you a health lecture, but Bro. Branham was more for what people would call the health kick than what perhaps you people realize. Before he left this scene it was my intention to spread myself so thin that three men would look like a, you know, piece of tissue paper. He wanted me to preach doctrine to the preachers in the morning, faith to the people in the afternoon, write the books, do all those things necessary, interviews and what have you, might be necessary, and on top of that I volunteered I would cook for all of us, where he wouldn't have to go to restaurants and eat junk food, and you know, live off the unfat of the land, so to speak.

So I know he was interested in keeping the body up and so Doc will tell us a little bit tomorrow, something to help us, and we'll try to have something else in the spiritual side for you too at two o'clock. So I just want to let you know that. And tomorrow night Bro. Bell will be bringing us a message, and you know he's a very outstanding preacher, very good brother, believes this Message and God's blessed him tremendously. That will be at seven o'clock

tomorrow night, and communion will be after the service, no foot washing of course, and Sunday morning, 10:30, we'll be having a service. And a little later on Bro. White will try to make a canvas here to see how many wish to have dinner at the Holiday Inn if they can possibly take care of us. Because it will be a buffet there. He'll take care of that.

Now I'm going to bring a little special request for prayer to you tonight to take home with you very seriously. A brother phoned me on Monday morning and talked for well over an hour. His name is Don Doerkson. And he is going through trials and has gone through trials that I realize were far deeper than any trial I went through and ?have? gone through in the two years back there, when I was so devastated by an infection in my bloodstream. Don had a little operation on a finger and instead of being taken care of in just a few minutes, as it were, he was literally hours there, perhaps under anesthetic or whatever, and I don't know what the trouble is, but he's never been well since. The depression has been so great and so hard on his family, his wife was committed to a ward for awhile; she's with her sister, she cannot bear to be home. Don's literally alone, trying to ...?... take care of himself, he's been a burden on his children, though they love him. It's been almost like a personal crucifixion in that man's life. And I thought I'd suffered till I heard him talk about what he's gone through. And I said I would bring this to you personally, and I want you to pray for him, to believe with him with all your heart that God will deliver that man.

Now he's a believer in the Message, he's very different from how we believe, but that doesn't mean a thing; he's a brother. And he's a suffering brother, I want you to pray... every day I pray for him, twice a day when we kneel in prayer, and I'm going to continue to do so, because I remember how people have prayed for me, and if it weren't for their prayers, I wouldn't be here tonight. So I appreciate that, it will bring you closer to the Lord and closer to each other. So I want you to do that as a special favor to me.

Now tonight I want to tell you a little bit about the message I'm not going to preach at this minute, but the message tonight is simply entitled A Good Friday Message. And of course you realize that that has to do with Christ's death and what he did for us. And I'm going to try, based upon a thought that came to me in this series on The Anointed Ones Of The End Time, which we're preaching; I suppose five or six weeks ago, where in about sixty or ninety seconds it suddenly occurred to me life as in contradistinction of spirit and yet life being the manifestation of spirit. And that has so much to do with how it was that Christ was able to come to earth here, or God was in the form of a man, and laid down his life. Now it may be a little difficult to follow, I don't think that it is that difficult. But I want you to be thinking along that line when I start speaking, because we'll be just moving into it from the thought of it's a Good Friday message. So I want you to know ahead of time what you're looking at. Because the title itself you know is very vague, it could go any way. But it does have to do with the fact, Jesus having died upon Calvary; how was it done? And I think by the grace of God we'll take a couple things Bro. Branham said, at least one thing in particular, if not two maybe, and show you the best I can what I see from the Word of the Lord. And what the prophet brought us.

So that pretty well takes care of all my announcements; from this point on, turn the service back to Bro. Lloyd and may you have a rich and blessed time in your song service.

...[Microphone problems where the microphone needs switching on]... Okay it's on now. I tell you what, well it's nice to be in a place you can get switched on, but I don't know if I let it

get switched off. I don't like the sound of that too well. However those things happen in the best of society, and I must admit my society is not always that great.

So before we have a little study here based on last night, I want to mention that Bro. Bell will be speaking tonight and also we'll have communion service, but of course not foot washing because there's no accommodation for it. At least we have not provided any accommodation. So we have that to remember, then tomorrow we have service at 10:30, and we've made arrangements at the Holiday Inn, they said they would take care of us, it is a dinner, a brunch, \$5.95 for adults, and I guess it's 10 and over, for all I know, it might be 10 and under, \$2.95. But it's very good, and I'm sure it will be good, and I notice that their seating capacity there, I see it on their menu is advertised at 300. So that means that all the dining areas possible will be available, so that means the majority of us could pretty well all sit down at one time, and so that's very, very nice. So I appreciate them doing that for us.

And then of course Bro. Kash is going to be called up here pretty soon, and he would like to bring some things to your attention that may possibly fit your need or answer some questions, but if you wish any personal questions, it would be very good to write them on a piece of paper, and give them to the usher. You can be thinking of it as Bro. Kash talks, and then he'll have room till about four o'clock, because we'll get out at four o'clock, to answer your questions or perhaps try to deal with you personally. Already he's done a lot of good things for a lot of people, of which I am one of the lot of people.

So we appreciate that. Shall we bow our heads in a word of prayer?

Heavenly Father, we come to you at this time, knowing Lord that at the end time all the mysteries of God are made available to us and we appreciate that, but we know there's a warning there that we can be only intellectually absorbed by them and the mechanics Lord, though good must be dynamized.

So we pray Father that we shall not be just looking at those things in a way that we'll understand them mentally and we'll know that they're there, and appreciate them, but may they become literal life to us, Lord, because we know that that Word to live has got to have a conduit beyond Itself and that's in the human vessel, so that therefore we could then be living epistles read and known of all men. We're already that we realize, but may it be that men will know that we're epistles written of Thee, Father, and not giving an uncertain sound but a real true sound. We know that's a big prayer request Lord, but we don't know any other prayer request we could offer at this time, that's what we desire. So help us all in Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

Now going back over last night, I recognize and I know you do too, that the message could be preached many more times from many, many ways and many, many points added to it. But I'm going to start over here just for a minute in 2 Corinthians 5, and I suppose around the 21st verse or somewhere in there, I'm not quite sure. It's 18, beginning 18 and 19:

(18) And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

- (19) To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

So we have here that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, is something that God did in order to bring about a reconciliation between us and Him, and then of course we have the Word of it. In other words we witnessed to it, we testify and tell people how it was done, and we act as ambassadors so that people may avail themselves of this reconciliation that God has worked out through Jesus Christ the Lord.

Now let's just go over here to Hebrews 1, and we'll see something here.

- (1) God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers (in) the prophets,

In other words in many parts, in many ways. It wasn't just once, it was on different occasions, different times in different ways, and so on. But it was always this, that God was in the prophets. And that's something that you must keep in mind. God in the prophets. Now,

- (2) Hath in these last days spoken unto us by Son, (not by His Son, but by Son. I think that's more the office than it is the individual; it's both there.) whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; (Now,)
- (3) Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Now what I'm looking at there is that you'll notice that it says in Corinthians that God was in Christ. And it says over here that God was in the prophets, but at no time does it say that the prophets were the instrument of reconciliation. It only says that Christ is. Yet God was in the prophets. Now God is in Christ, and He's working out a reconciliation, which could not be worked out in the prophets, the prophets only pointed to it and witnessed to it coming as we witness back.

Now it says concerning Jesus in whom God was, because that's the truth, he's the brightness of His glory, and the very expression, in other words he's the effulgence, the outshining, the outraying, and he's the express image, or he's the expression of the substance of God.

Now what is God? God is Spirit. Then what was Jesus? He was the substance of the Spirit. See? That was part of what we're looking at last night. We're trying to look at the phraseology of words, not to make them confusing but to make them understandable in the sense of how you apply the terminology to yourselves. As Bro. Branham said, "*You've got to say the right thing.*" See? He was talking at that time concerning Son of man, Son of God, Son of David. And he said, "*See, you've got to say the right thing.*" Then he likened it to Sis. Moser, that's Hattie Wright, when she said the right thing. And so there's a necessity, I would think, of an understanding of some of these things, that's what we're looking at.

So we're looking at this Jesus who was different from the prophets. Because the prophets were not the outshining of God's glory, and they weren't the expression of His substance, and they didn't uphold all things by the Word of His power and so on. And they didn't purge us from our sins. That what brought reconciliation. And they are not sat down on the right hand of the majesty on high.

- (4) Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. (That's the only thing I know that he actually obtained by inheritance.)
- (5) For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee?

Of course he did inherit the genes and those things of God too, the attributes. But I'm looking particularly at the name.

- (5) Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? (He didn't say that about anybody else.) And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?
- (6) And again, when he bringeth in the first begotten into the world, he saith... all the angels of God worship him.
- (7) ...the angels he (said), Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire.
- (8) But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the [sceptre] of thy kingdom.

Now notice, "Unto the Son he said, "O God."" You see? That's in other words an object of worship there. For:

- (9) Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God...

Notice:

- (8) (Therefore) unto the Son he (said), (and this is somebody speaking of) Son, he said,) O God, (thy throne) is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness (a) sceptre of thy kingdom.
- (9) Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, (talking about Himself now,) hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness...

Now there you have actually a truth there that the Oneness cannot see and the Trinitarians cannot see. And Bro. Branham was neither Oneness nor Trinitarian. He stood right in between. And he never preached like other people preached. See? But he understood the true terminology.

- (10) And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:
- (11) They shall perish; but thou remainest; they shall wax old as a garment;
- (12) ...as a vesture thou (will) fold them up, they shall be changed: (for) thou art the same, and thy years fail (not).
- (13) But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, (till) I make thine enemies thy footstool? (And so on.)

And then in into the second chapter:

- (5) (But) unto the angels (5th verse) hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak.
- (6) But in a certain place testified, saying, What is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man, (you visit) him?
- (7) (You made) him a little lower than the angels; (you crown) him with glory and honour, set him over the works of (your) hands:
- (8) (You) put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not under him. But now we see not yet all things under him.
- (9) But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels (now here's what I'm driving at) for the suffering of death, (that's our Good Friday) crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God...

Now notice that's a strange expression, 'by the grace of God'. Now not the grace of God to Jesus, although that could be true, the grace of God to us. See? We're getting it free but somebody paid a price. You can never say that redemption didn't cost something, because redemption means to buy back. But grace means that you procur nothing, because you have nothing whereby you might procur it. You're stuck. So it's got to be unsolicited, unmerited favour. But of course the person then would be a great giver of love.

- (9) ...(so) that by the grace of God should taste death for every... (Now the word 'man' should not be in the Book. It should be in italics, because it's not in the Greek or any place else. It's 'every son'. Because the word 'son' comes below.)
- (10) For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
- (11) For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,

Now,

(11) For he that sanctifieth and they (that) are sanctified...

Now who's doing the sanctifying? Christ is. Who are the sanctified? We are the ones, and we are all of God. It says both of us are of God. So the whole thing is of God.

(12) Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee. (Now all right, who's doing that? You see, that's already happened, and happening, and will happen.)

(13) And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given me.

(14) Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood...

Now what were those children to begin with? They had to be spirit beings; they were in Adam. Adam did not have flesh and blood in the beginning. He was a spirit made person. Now Bro. Branham said so, we know it to be true. So that's what he says here. Now he said,

(14) (Because) the children (took) flesh and blood, he... likewise took part of the same;

Now he didn't take all, he took a part in it. And I think old Dr. Dehon brought it out beautifully, that Jesus Christ was not human flesh, because he just took a part of it. He was made in the image, fashioned after, but he did not have a true human blood in him as far as you could say that. Because it wasn't. It would have to be the blood of God. See?

Now we're watching this a little bit here. Now... it says,

(14) ...likewise took part of the same; that through death might (bring to nothing) him that (hath) the power of death, that is, the devil;

(15) And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

(16) For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; (he never became an angel,) but he took on him the seed of Abraham.

And he did because he came through the lineage down to David. And you could trace it back through the mother, but remember she was a surrogate mother. And she didn't contribute anything at all in the sense of contributing a life source, but she contributed the life support source. Notice how that word is used in modern medicine, 'life support'? You can't find anything today that's not here in the Bible. Everything is just in perfection. Everything, see? And we'll talk about that in just a little more too.

Now keep reading:

- (17) Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and [faithful] high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.
- (18) For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.

Now remember he resisted sin unto the point of blood, because he shed drops of blood resisting sin.

Now what we've seen here then is reconciliation in the Word of God through God indwelling a man who was formed in the form of a man, but you cannot honestly say that he was the flesh and blood of a man. As per se, you cannot do it. Now we'll get to it, just wait a minute.

Let's go back now to the Book of Romans, and if it's the 5th chapter, somewhere in there, we'll read. Verse 9:

- (9) Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.
- (10) For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. (Now notice,)
- (11) And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the (reconciliation).

How was the reconciliation made? It says here:

- (12) Wherefore, as by one man sin entered the world, and death by sin; so death passed upon all men, for all have sinned:

And then it said here – I'll just skip that – verse 15:

- (15) But not as the offence, so is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, the gift by grace, by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

So what you're looking at here is a reconciliation to God was accomplished by the shedding of blood. See, it was the blood of Jesus Christ that was shed.

Now what we looked at last night was strictly the fact as Jesus said in the resurrection, "Handle me and see; a spirit hath not flesh and bone." Didn't say flesh and blood, he said flesh and bone, because the blood was gone. Bro. Branham said it fell upon the ground and returned to the elements; in another place he said it was taken up. It doesn't matter to me, brother/sister, if it was taken up or not taken up. I've got no care about it all, the blood was shed; that's the answer. And what God did with all of the blood is God's business. The blood was shed; it answered the question.

So what we're seeing here is reconciliation by this blood. Now the blood of bulls and goats couldn't do it. And the blood of man couldn't do it. If that had been the case, then God, all He had to do was slit our throats as we went along, you know, just pour the blood out, ...?... But that didn't do it. It takes something far deeper than that.

Now let's just take a look at science for a second. And I'm not a scientist, but I read once in awhile something that is worthwhile. Now I think as I read something about the astronauts going to the moon, they came back, I think they came back with some rocks, and I think they said that they found some protein. And every ...?... time you see protein, you say, "Well hey, there's got to be life there." Because you see what they tell you is we are made out of protein, which is true, and if you can find that element or that which is protein, that substance which is protein, then of course you have a building block. But what if you don't have life? See?

They presuppose, "Hey, the building block is here so there's got to be life, and that life then is based upon the building block." Hogwash. How stupid can they get? They can get so stupid the fool will say in his heart, "There is no God." And that's all God thinks of the guy, he's just a fool, and brushes the stupid jerk off. And that's the end of him and his asininity. And that's so much for your so-called scientist. They make me sick. When have they ever designed anything that ever worked? See, people got to get away from this smart stuff they try to pull before God. Just because there's protein, then they figure life just snuck up on it. Or the protein evolved the life. That was proven years ago, there's no such thing as spontaneous life.

Remember years ago they took the jar, a bit of hay, and they put it in a bottle and they closed it up, and they said, "There now, we'll prove it there's life," and the thing was just teeming with life after a rotten mold and bugs and everything else. Well they said, "There, you see, life's spontaneous."

The guy said, "Hogwash." He said, "We'll sterilize everything."

So they burnt everything. They said, "Now let's see life." And it could sit there till judgment day. No life.

So these scientists are crazy. Talk about the mad scientist. You know, Boris Karloff and his Dr. Frankenstein. Well he is a smart person alongside of most of these guys.

See what I'm trying to show you here? I'm trying to show you, look here: life requires protein, but protein doesn't bring life. Now remember before God did anything about man or anything that had life in it, zoe, He had it already here for the zoe. As Bro. Branham said so beautifully, "*Before there was a fish with a fin, God had a sea for the fish to swim in.*" Now you're talking true science. And you're getting some understanding. So here we got protein. That doesn't mean there's going to be life. Mm-mm. The protein was there because there was life. There was life that God was going to use.

So what I'm trying to look at here now, a spirit hath not flesh and bone, and here was protein. And a spirit doesn't need protein. You look it, when you get out of here and you get to the other side, which it would be nice if we could just have a happy exodus and all of us go over there where Bro. Branham is, and the saints of God rejoicing in the Seventh Church Age, might even meet some sixth ages, I don't know what we're going to meet. According to Bro.

Branham's vision it looked only like the Seventh Church Age was there. That would suit me just fine.

All right, no protein. See, no protein ...?... They're spirit bodies. Now you can feel them and hug them. Why not? Don't tell me spirit's not substance. Look, I know enough to have read my – not mythology but my Pentecostal books and also other books – and I've read in there where these demons in China and places are so strong, in fact it happened right up in Edmonton, Alberta. ...?... What was their names up there anyway? The Sis Mary Benson was in the institute entirely insane – Sis. Ansley. She went in there with some people, when a preacher ahead of her went in, they tell me, I think his name was Jack Field, and you know I don't think the woman sprang on him, I think really he got slugged without being slugged by a human being. Yeah. And I've heard in China the same thing, where people can get knocked down by a spirit. Nobody there and suddenly you're flatter than a fritter. Almost scrape you off the floor.

So don't think that spirits don't have substance; it's like wind. You get a wind blowing a hundred mile an hour, it's going to rip up your fences. You get a whirlwind; it will knock your car off the road. You get a tornado coming; it will take a piece of straw and ram it through a fencepost. It will do tremendous things. You get that same tornado coming down the road and it will whip around, and if you're in a well and you're looking up, you can see a green kind of color up there with lightnings and flashings and things going on, and you can see the neighbor's barn slowly drifting around and a cow flying with no problems. But you can't see the wind. "Who hath seen the wind? Neither you nor I. But when the clouds are drifting by, or the trees are bending low, the wind is blowing by," or something. I forget the poem, but you got the idea. That wind can flatten you.

Well I'm trying to say that spirit is a reality, it is a substance. So Jesus became the substance of a substance. See? So now that's why I based what I said last night on the fact, or on the understanding that it says here, [John 1:]

- (1) In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (And so on.)

And Bro. Branham said, "*If you make Jesus the Logos,*" he said, "*you got three gods.*"

Logos therefore is what? God expressing Himself. That's exactly what you're looking at. That's why we got the Logos right today, and it is not Jesus in a human form. It is God expressing Himself.

Okay. Then it says,

- (4) In Him was life; and the life was the light of men. (And it says that light makes manifest.)

So therefore we find that life can manifest itself. But life cannot in a spirit manifest itself per se, it's got to have something to manifest through. So what did God do? He took some protein. That's all He needed to do. And He could take a drop of His great ocean of attributes, like an ocean is the same as the whole ocean, as a drop of the ocean. You analyze it, it's the very same thing, but it's a little tiny form.

So what does God do? He takes His life. And around it He creates and places some protein. He places that in the womb of the virgin Mary. Now she becomes a true surrogate mother, because she becomes, as Bro. Branham said, an incubator, but a little better than an incubator, because she becomes a factory. Whereby she takes from the soil to feed the protein that is already there. Now she didn't make the protein and the man didn't make the protein. Now you could take any protein here, it's not going to create by itself. There's got to be a life there. Now the beautiful thing is everybody knows there's a life, but they only call it a life on the grounds that they see something!

So what am I trying to say? I'm trying to say this: God is Spirit, and when you see Him, now He's life. So okay. We got this protein now. And Mary's the factory that begins to feed these elements now. Now what kind of blood will it be? Now I said last night, look it. I can say this morning now, look I got four fingers. Okay, this finger here represents sperm and egg, sperm and egg, sperm and egg, sperm and egg. Protein is identical. The male and female are identical. Same mother, same mother and father. It's just four different conceptions. Let's say they're even, you know, four babies – what's that? – quadruplets, born at one time. All right. Now watch, this baby has brown eyes, this one has blue eyes, this one has gray eyes, this one has green eyes. How come? You know how come, life did it. That spirit in there did it, that life. Took the same protein, took everything in there.

So that's what I'm looking at. I'm looking at the life that God's Own life was placed in that egg and sperm. And He identified Himself with us by using a woman from the tribe of Judah, who could trace her ancestry plumb back to David. And He gave her a husband who could do the same thing though he was not involved and she was not involved; it was for the sake of a marriage bringing forth a clean child. Where God said, "Fear not to take her, she is your wife."

So the whole thing is set up beautifully by Almighty God. Here now is a child of Almighty God, begotten of God, with the life of God in him. Now the point is that God is specific getting Himself a carrier. Because He's got to be visible, He's got to be apprehended. The beginning of the creation of God is known in our hour, which God is transforming Himself into human flesh and the prophet giving us all these clues and these keys to help us to understand. Now the understanding doesn't do us any great deal of good, unless God quickens it to us where we see the wonderment of it, and we know something about it in a spiritual instinct rather than in a physical.

So all right now this woman is now bringing forth this baby. Now look it here. This light is using a protein, is using a substance. It's just like human substance. But it's not true human substance, because this is the Lord from heaven. Adam was the earth earthy; this is the Lord from heaven. God condescending to use this means. Okay? What do we see then? We see the body itself has to be sustained. It has to eat. "Eat of the trees, eat of this." Now look it, if God had not said that, the body wouldn't have to do it.

How often have people said, "I wish I had a trapdoor on my stomach, zip, throw the food in, zap, that's it."

Say, "Well I like to eat."

"Yeah, but boy it gets me in trouble. Sooner zip, zap."

You're made to do it. You see what I mean? You don't say, "Hey what about this? Hey what about that?"

Oh shut-up. Hey, hey, a bunch of cows or something? Huh? I don't mean to insult you; I'm just saying this to get your minds where I want your minds to be. Get away from the ludicrous. Don't ask questions, look at it. You haven't been asked to ask questions. Like Bro. Branham said, "*You ain't got a think coming.*" I liked it. That's one of the most remarkable statements that ever fell from the lips of any prophet. God Himself said it, I believe, "You ain't got a think coming." What we're looking at. We're looking at what God said and what God did, and we're seeing it here in this child that's born.

Now there's got to be a carrier for this. What is the carrier? The blood! Now he said, "The life is in the blood." And God had Zoe in Himself. In other words, as a Spirit, the All Knowing, All Powerful had the ability to become zoe, putting a zoe out here. It's just like the word 'cosmos'. That's a good word and it's a bad word. But remember, everything in the beginning was good, because God made everything in the beginning, and that's true cosmos. And God's got His Own cosmos. That's when He died for the world; He died for His Own cosmos. And He's establishing His cosmos now in 1 Corinthians 15, having descended.

Oh people think I preach a gospel Bro. Branham didn't preach, I preach exactly what he preached, they haven't got enough sense to know it. They think putting the church in order is still a room out here with tongues interpretation. That's been on the shelf, that's dead manna! He's made Himself the Head of the church and putting everything in order! And when the Bride gets in order and knows her position she's going to be gone! We ought to be talking more about these things and doing more about them. Then just horsing around like a bunch of horses; we're sheep.

Anyway, let's get back to subject. Where was I? Carrier. Carrier for life, that's what God wanted.

Now let's look at the Scripture again. "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth. Right? A hand for a hand, a foot for a foot, right? An ear for an ear, a tongue for a tongue, then a soul for a soul. Life for a life.

All right now this Spirit God with this zoe out here, He put us in a zoe, and He said, "I've got it in Me to become a part of that zoe." As Bro. Branham said, "*He became us that we might become Him.*"

Now what did God really become? God really became a true Man in His true image, a true federal Headship of the new born again immortalized race. That Adam had the chance to bring forth and blew it. And God by death, reconciliation, the blood, the resurrection, brings us to the place and beyond where God said concerning Adam, lest he stretch forth his hand and take of the Tree of Life and now become immortal in this condition. And remember immortality was God's plan.

Now what did Bro. Branham say about God? "*God being a Savior, it was necessary He predestinate a sinner to give Himself reason and purpose of being.*" Quoting Irenaeus. Which is true. His original statement was "*Deep calleth to deep.*" But the real statement is Irenaeus: "God

being a Savior, it was necessary to predestinate a sinner who'd require salvation in order to give Himself reason and purpose of being."

So God working this whole thing out reduced Himself. Now trying to show you how it was done. The Life was in that sperm, that was Spirit, real Life, then it began to operate on a physical life. Now you know that's true. We're putting Life and life together. And it was a soul. We showed you Bro. Branham said, "*The baby's not living; doesn't have a spirit.*" Right? Now every soul is required of God, and the soul that sins, dies. And all souls are Mine. Didn't say all spirits, said all souls. You say, "I think that refers to individuals, as eight souls in the ark." You can refer any way you want, brother/sister, I'm telling you what I believe. What I believe the prophet taught.

So all right, we're looking at the fact then the little baby that was stillborn, he said, "*You'll see your baby in heaven.*" Not going to see a baby flesh and blood, not going to see a little kid dead up there lying in a casket, going to see a living something. And come in a resurrection. What was it? You can't put it in a life there, it didn't have it. But it did have a soul, it had to have.

That means there's a natural election, brother/sister, the soul's coming on down. When God breathed into Adam the breath of lives he became a living soul. Showed you what propagation would do. That's propagation. And he went then from the Word to sex. And it's been that way ever since. I can't explain it, I don't intend to, but I do know there is life within life. And now we've got the bloodstream carrying the life, nourishing the body and all. But listen, that body can die. And we refer to the person as dead, when we talk about a body. So that life goes. As the Bible said, "Do not fear him who can destroy the body, but fear Him Who destroys body and soul in hell." Doesn't say spirit now, spirit goes back to God Who gave it. I'm just quoting Scripture. I can't explain it all, but I'm just... I listen to myself sort of talk, see? I lay it out here.

Okay we're looking at this then. So then what did Jesus do? It says, "He shall see the travail of his soul."

"I lay down my soul for the people. I laid down my soul for their souls. I laid down my life for their lives. I laid down my Zoe for their zoe. I give it all in order to bring them where I am, having come from the Father, to make them what I am and be with me forever."

So what do we see in salvation? We see God doing it all! With His Own Life, with His Own developmental structure of our flesh, because He started by creation, gave us a part through the woman, a building the body, hey, whatever you want to do it, but God did it! And that's what Good Friday, last night was all about. And I can preach this thirty more times with or without notes and I'll only really begin to really begin to get it. Don't worry, I know it's difficult. But you give yourself a chance and the thoughts will begin to come in and you'll see where it stands. And you'll begin to see that when God said, calling Himself Jehovah in the seven redemptive titles, God did it! And it says, "God was in the anointed one, Christ." Yes sir, that Prophet. Who was the outraying of His Own substance, that the substance that you and I can deal with, formed from and showing us the substance that we can't see and can't deal with. [End of side one.]

Back to John. Okay, it says: [John 1]

(4) In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

(14) And the Word (became) flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

(18) No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, hath declared him.

“Handle me and see; a spirit hath not flesh and bone.”

Okay, back to 1 John 1, reading it last night. And I’m going to get out of here, and Bro. Kash come up and take over.

(1) That which was from the beginning, which we have heard...

Now listen, it doesn’t say he heard it from the beginning. He said, “That which was from the beginning, we got a hold of down here.” Maybe billions of years later. Trillions of years, God knows, nobody can tell.

(1) ...which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, (now you can’t see God and live. You can’t see spirits.) which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life;

The Logos, God, Who had life in Himself. And if this one’s the true Son of God and came from God, then he’s got life in himself. Then he can lay down his life and take it again. And no man can take it from him. Sure. Then it says God raises the dead and God raised Jesus Christ. So what life was doing it? It was the life of Almighty God in this.

(2) (For the life was manifested...

The life was manifested in such a way as to be the true characteristic life of God Himself.

Now I’m going to tell you something right here, let’s get our... I’ll snatch a little more time. Let’s just line ourselves up this afternoon, just see how stupid we are. Let’s see how much we really believe. Now let’s come on. I’ve often made this statement and I do not like the man actually, I admit he’s a very facile type of person, his name is Woody Allen. And they asked him various questions, “What do you think of so and so? What do you think of so and so?” And they said, “What do you think of Jesus Christ?”

And he said, “He was an underachiever.” I loved it. I loved it. Do you know why? Because according to you and me he was.

Now think in your own mind, you sitting here and I’m standing here. Come on, be honest. Come on you guys that still believe in Puss ‘n Boots. Sure you do. And the fairy godmother? And the tooth fairy? Oh sure you do. Don’t tell me you don’t, because you do. I can make you a liar right now by proving it. Ask you one question. If you had your way of thinking as a human being, what would you have required of Jesus Christ to make you really believe that he was God in flesh?

Now go ahead, you still believe in the tooth fairy. You still do. You're still heathen, you're still atheists, you're still nothing. Same as I am. Because we don't have a clue. Because Jesus was a billion percent opposite to what we wanted.

Well you say, "Bro. Vayle."

Don't Bro. Vayle me and pretend you're different, because honey you are cooped up hypocrite. You're just back in obnoxious Pentecost. I don't know where you're at, but you're sure not in my sights, I can tell you right now, if you don't agree with what I'm saying, because listen to me, brother/sister, you don't know anything about even John the Baptist. He said, "He shall go before the Lord God of Israel in the power of the Lord God of Israel." And I'm going to ask you one question. If Jesus Christ was God manifested in the flesh, why would he need John the Baptist? And the only answer you can give me is scriptural answer; you cannot think of an answer yourself. And the scriptural answer is pretty poor. Right? That's right; you know what I'm talking about. I'm not running down God, I'm just trying to show you something.

God is an underachiever, as far as you and I are concerned. God has never done anything the way you and I ever wanted it done. God's never done one single thing the way anybody ever wanted it done. You say, "I think He did." You're wrong, otherwise why did Adam and Eve leave Him? Why did they pull out and sell out for a measly stinking thing the devil could give? You know hindsight, brother/sister is such a wonderful thing that we think we have a little bit of foresight. And revelation is so great we think we might have thought it by our self. Let me tell you something, brother/sister, this Word is God in print. And one word off is the devil.

I hope you don't think I've been mean today, back to my x-rated sermons and my mean cutting ways. I wanted to tell you this to get it across to you. To realize these things. Brother/sister, there's nothing that you and I have. See? Say, "Well Lord, I knew this, I knew that." It was God in redeeming grace that did it.

And right today, the more I hear Bro. Branham's messages, the more I read and study them, the more I get to understand the mechanical, my mind says, it begins like it's in a vice and says, "Oh God, why did this have to be? I've got this down where I can see it, one, two, three, four and what's it doing for me? What is there out there anyway?" I'll be honest with you and you be honest with me now. I spill my guts all the time; you don't spill yours though do you? You ain't got the nerve. Or have you got the nerve? I don't want to be mean but I want to hit you where it hurts. Because I'm talking desperate today and I hope to desperate people. See? We wouldn't say it this way, we wouldn't want it this way, we wouldn't do it this way! We'd say, "? Mmmph?!" You know it's the truth.

Let me tell you something. It's Life. And only the elect can receive it. No use fighting, no use worrying. Your brother, sister won't see it if they're not meant to see it. I came out of a big family. My brother died a nice man but he didn't have clue. I got a sister that didn't have a clue, much of a clue. She died. Another one had no clue at all. A brother that died without knowing anything about salvation. I hope he got something by way of salvation, he had some godly ministers talk to him before he died, he had died in one week, pneumonia. I've got four living sisters. I don't think you could tell one of them anything at all. She'd been too long a Nazarene, ?and then she? threw that in the garbage pail. Couldn't take the kissing of the dead corpse I guess any longer. Where ?have? the Nazarenes gone. One sister, she didn't have

anything. She's got I think more than the other two. Who were Pentecostal like I was, but they're coming along pretty good.

But you know listen, you don't know. It all depends on who God picks out. See? This revelation we're talking – I'm trying to show you something like in the mechanical. And you say, "Well what is good any for? What is it going to do?" What is anything of the Word of God going to do unless it's revealed to you that this is the Word of God, you believe it, you love it. But of ourselves you see I'm trying to show you, we have nothing. You've got to just take this Word inch by inch as the prophet gave it, as lying here in the print. That which was from the beginning. They didn't hear it back there. We heard what was from the beginning. In the beginning God. We heard God. We saw God. We looked upon. Our hands handled of the Word, and he puts "of life," which was God manifested. Now God was manifest in the flesh because the Bible says so. I ask you the question. Was He or was He not? Then if He was manifested in the flesh, what kind of flesh did He have? Your and mine? No way. Didn't have your life and my life in it. Quite a lot like it perhaps. But what was It? It was His Own life.

So when we see God Who is Spirit, which you cannot handle, you cannot see, you cannot feel, in the sense of a legitimate, you know, sensate. Just like Adam was. But when God took upon Himself a form, then that became a life, because in there you could see a manifestation. Now you've got Him Who came into Christ. Therefore when Jesus died upon Calvary, it is my estimation here from the Scripture, that absolutely every one of Jehovah's redemptive titles was absolutely made bare at Calvary, when he died upon Calvary's cross. That we literally saw God intervening on our behalf in a human form. As Bro. Branham said, *"All He did was change His mask, He came down and became a man."*

I don't understand it perfectly, I may never understand it. But I get a lot of understanding from this Word, and it helps me to know in myself and to understand the beauty and the depth of what I'm up against, and which is for me. When all of these things begin slanting in, and I say, "Well what about this, what about that?" And I know that my redemption doesn't have one thing to do with me as a man and one thing to do with any other man as a man per se, it has to do with God. And what He chose.

So now when that life blood flowed out of the veins of Jesus, the carrier was gone. The spirit went to God; the soul went down into Hades, right? That was the life; it went down there, that life that was going to come back. And the body was in the grave. There was dead, you say. You say, "Jesus died." I want to ask you a question. Did he die? No, he didn't die. But he did die. Was he gone? No, but he was gone. Then how are you going to explain it? Oh you say, "The thing is the temple is lying there." That's exactly right. I want to ask you, what gave that temple to us in the first place? Spirit did, God did it.

Now let's face it. If that's the case, then that carrier has got something about God in it that makes it intrinsically God the way we are intrinsically human. I don't explain it, I just look at it. I know something lies there. When they could take him by the hands and feet and say, "My Lord and my God." Say, "Well that's because you see the man was back in his temple." Yes, that's so, but also they said he's dead when he's not dead. Huh?

Now what am I saying? Well get it down pat. Soul, life, spirit. I can't separate them. I don't know how to dismantle them. I know they're an integrated whole. And I know they all mean

something. And the only way that I can separate them is to see and understand what is being projected at that particular point when I use the word 'life'. When I use the word 'spirit'. When I use it. And then I say concerning myself, I bring it to you, and I hope this covers it so we can close here, remember He had Zoe in Himself, this great Spirit God had Zoe. And in there then He made this all propitious for you and me, everything out here. So that there was this manifestation in God's creation. And now then He became a literal part of it, He became protein. He did. Became protein. Became a human being in that limited sense. He became us, now then we become Him. The circle's completed, being brought back.

So what did Good Friday mean to us? It meant the day when God took that one great step, wherein He was identified with you and me, in order to redeem us He shed His Own blood, thereby making perfect reconciliation through the blood so the Spirit could come back upon us that we be birthed into His Kingdom, we'll come to that place of immortality, which is now, because the Son of righteousness has appeared and has risen with healing in His wings.

For the first time you've come to the place where you can stretch forth your hand and take of the Tree of Life and live forever. Then my brother, my sister, what's happened to you? If you're going to be living here and I'm living, which I don't know I will be here. But what's happened to you? You have become declared the righteous Bride of Jesus Christ, you didn't even do it; so if you didn't do it, you can have it. Because Adam did it and he couldn't have it, and if you and I didn't do it, we can have it!

Now if that's not a Good Friday Message, I don't know Good Friday Message, Good Saturday Message too. Be a Good Sunday Message, but I'm not going to preach it. So you follow what I've been trying to say last night? Get you to the understanding; it's just what the Scripture told us, what Bro. Branham told us. He became us. Yep. Salvation is of God, redemption, the whole thing. Christ Jesus is the Blood of God. Mystery? Sure a mystery, but that's all right.

Okay? Let's bow our heads a minute in prayer, and Doc, we're going to get you up here.

Heavenly Father we thank You again for Your love, mercy, and grace You've bestowed upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior, helping us Lord to be more and more fully conversant Lord with the truth that we see here, so that we see that Jesus did it all, all to Him we owe; sin left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow. And though that was true, that was good, that still didn't do it all, until this end time when He came back here in the form of the Holy Ghost as a Judge, and said, "Little Bride, you're exonerated, you're the righteous, sinless, perfect Bride, you didn't even do it."

Lord we realize that that's a statement of the White Throne, that goes even beyond us to the place where there is no condemnation and which are in Christ Jesus. It is something Lord that we cannot think of our own, how could we ever believe it? As the prophet said, how could a wretched man ever believe it? He couldn't do it. But Lord this afternoon we accept it in the Name of Jesus Christ, authenticated to us by a vindicated prophet, and by Your grace Lord we'll never turn from it, by Your grace Lord, not ours, but Your grace and Your strength, and it will become meat and drink to our souls Lord and real and real, until the mechanic is so endued by the spiritual, just like that body Adam there, You breathed in the life, living moving son of God.

Help us this afternoon Lord, every one of us be in that blessed shape, in Jesus' Name, we pray.
Amen.