

# Seed of Discrepancy #28

*Obedience - Disobedience*

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Shall we pray. Heavenly Father, we welcome Your Spirit in our midst tonight, because You have a welcoming, sweet Spirit. You are forgiving, kind, and lovely, Lord, and we pray that we may have that spirit in our hearts, not just amongst us. ...and worship You and glorify Your great and holy Name, especially, Lord, through the ministry of the Word, which we know this is where You have manifested Yourself, declared Yourself and proven It is You Yourself Who is in our midst, even Your mighty Spirit, because You are Spirit. And one day, as the prophet said, *“When that Spirit that’s in our midst becomes incarnate to us, we’ll crown Him King of Kings and Lord of Lords.”*

And we thank You for that, that we have this opportunity, certain there’ll be some standing here who shall not taste death as far as we can really see the truth, Lord, at this time, that things are just about all run out, and there should be even people here, we know, different parts of the world, standing to see Your grace and Your glory in the final hours here upon this earth—man glorified here to be taken away to the Wedding Supper, and then brought back to his inheritance.

So, may we have Your grace and mercy shine upon us tonight, Lord, into our hearts, down into our souls, as we study the Word and see the truth of the hour, and be very serious in understanding, and walking in the Light as You are in the Light, having fellowship one with another, the blood of Jesus Christ, God’s Son, cleansing us from all sin. And we give You glory. In Jesus’ Name, we pray. Amen.

You may be seated.

1. Now we’re coming right along on this message. I guess there’s what? fifty pages or so, or forty/fifty some pages, and we’ve done very valiantly. We’ve got as far as page 12, and we seem to be kind of stuck there. But that’s certainly all right, because we want to take everything as slowly as we can and get as much good as we can out of the things that Bro. Branham says. It’s just the same as going into the Bible and finding you can never ever drain It of Its substance and Its meaning and the breadth of Its power in our lives.

2. Now we’re going to go back over our notes from the last time we were together here, in “The Seed of Discrepancy”. And Bro. Branham, in taking Matthew 13 on the mystery of the wheat and tares, lays out clearly that the tares are serpent seed that came into existence by Eve and the serpent, and the wheat are the seed of God through Eve and Adam. And science has proven that to be correct, for it is now scientifically known that the human race so-called, has one mother and two fathers, of which one father has sired over 99.90% or 99% of the people today on the face of the earth. And we know Bro. Branham cut that even smaller than that. It would be according to science 1/10th of 1%, but I think Bro. Branham went far beyond that. And in paragraph 65 on page 12, Bro. Branham calls the serpent seed children of disobedience. And that’s where we went last week, particularly to see what that word really meant and why that is used by the apostle Paul, which Bro. Branham himself used.

3. Now the word ‘disobedient’ or ‘disobedience’ or ‘disobedient’ we found was very worthy to look into. But before we went into the root words, into the Greek, we notice that It says “children of disobedience”. So therefore, disobedience is a person. And as a person, he is a father. So, we find the word ‘children of disobedience’ is actually not only a person, but the actual intrinsicity of the person, his very nature, and the children he sired, are those of actual disobedience.

4. Now, looking at the word 'disobedience', we find over here, we are looking at... Let's see, 1 Th 5:5, just to get a quick little look at that. It says:

- (5) Ye are the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

So now, you'll notice in there that the children of disobedience are also called the children of darkness, because you only have two groups of people: one the children of God and one the children of Satan. And then, of course, over in 1 Jn 1:7, we looked at that, and we found that It said:

- (7) But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ (God's) Son cleanseth us from all sin.

And you notice in there It says:

- (7) ... if we walk in the light, as he is in the light...

So, you have God Himself is all light; in Him is no darkness. And of course, then, His children are all light also, intrinsically as to the soul, but, of course, that soul is born into a physical body whereby we are tested. And we have the blood of Jesus Christ cleansing us as far as the flesh is concerned. Now it couldn't cleanse the spirit because if the spirit is a part of God, what would the blood of Jesus Christ be doing in trying to cleanse the Spirit of God? It wouldn't do that. It's a matter of fact that the Blood was shed because of the sins that were committed in the body.

5. And you'll notice in there positively, Paul himself, I think it is, mentions that all sin is without the body, and there is only one sin that is really against the body. In other words, you can pin it down. You can steal. Well, that doesn't mean too much. And you can murder somebody, and you can lie, and do cheat, and do everything else. But It says in there that sinning against the body comes by adultery.

And so, you can see right here, if you take that statement alone, you've got to go back to the Garden of Eden, and you'll see right there that it was adultery. It has to be, because the shedding of the Blood and the Holy Spirit coming is the guarantee of the Resurrection. And so, you'll find, then, as Bro. Branham said, "*You didn't do it in the first place.*"

So, you put these things together and you'll realize that, as John himself said, the apostle of love, that that which is born of God cannot sin. It's impossible; simply cannot do it. There's no way that that could be chargeable.

6. And also, over in 2 Thessalonians 2, just wanted you to see that these appellations here are giving you something to think about in the sense of the intrinsicity/essentiality of the sire and those that are sired. And so, if you're going to look at light, God is Light; He's going to have children of Light. And, as Satan is darkness, he's going to have children of darkness.

And so, all down the line you'll find that even with God, God is completely obedient to His Own Word; He stands behind His Word to perform It. And God is absolutely circumvented or bound by His Own Word.

You know, people have an idea that God is unbounded. That is the most foolish thing in all the world. God is bounded by His Own Godheadedness, and His Own Name that He gave Himself was El, El Elah, or Elohim, which originally means 'the strong One bound by an oath'. So, God is bound. He's bound by His Own Word. And then, if He's the Word, then His children are Word.

7. So, that's what I'm trying to show you here: When you look at the word 'children of disobedience', you say, "Disobedience is an act." No, disobedience is also a person. See, light is a noun; it's also a

person. Obedience is a person, not just a word, or a noun, or even an adjective. It doesn't matter what you're looking at.

You say, "You are all light," and you think, "Well, right away that's an adjective; it's describing you."

No, it's not describing you as though you were all light, as though you have something in there that, you know, you're sort of producing. It's not that at all. We're looking at intrinsicity; we're looking at species following species; we're looking at children following fathers. Okay?

8. So, that's what I wanted to bring out last week, and I think I did a fairly good job on it. But we want to look at it even closer tonight and not take so much time on it. Now, the word, then, in the Greek is 'disbelieving', 'obstinate', 'rebellious'—actually portrays one as 'apart or separated from the truth'. When confronted with it, he is in a state of denial and rejection and rebellion that leads to attempts to destroy the truth or turn it into a lie.

So, now I get that definition by looking at the Greek and by studying my Bible. And it's not hard to take everything I've said and take it right into Scripture. And you can take it right back to the beginning, and when you see the source, you know at the end time there's a multiplication of the source through progeny. God took Adam and Eve. Part was creation; part was not creation. The soul was not created. It was Holy Spirit Himself. And He said, "Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the earth."

9. Now, notice; the source was God placed in Jesus, because specifically the Bible says we are in him, which is Jesus. Now thirdly, you're into Adam. And Adam in the flesh with Eve became the parents of every single child of God. There's only one that's different; that's Jesus Christ, the righteous. And he was formed from God Himself. Bro. Branham talked about that light, and there was nothing there to form from, and form means you're taking something already there, or you can't form it. So, what was there was only God Himself and nothing could form from outside of God. And so, as Bro. Branham said, "*God gave birth.*" And Jesus himself said so. He said, "I came from God." That means to issue forth from God and 'birth' means 'to issue forth from'. And he said, "I am the way, the truth and the life. I am the light."

So, you see these actual words go deeper than merely a description. It's the real thing. And without the description you wouldn't understand the truth of the real thing. So, the definition there is not just startling. It is very, very well defined. All right.

10. This is not merely someone rejecting a philosophy. Ah, now that's a good one right there. Everybody talks about being right, but who's right? This is not someone rejecting a philosophy, but evidently one who has put aside or denied vindicated truth. That it is vindicated truth that has been rejected is evident, for there is no reason for a person to believe what someone purports to be a life and death matter, or the axiomatic principles of life, unless it is established by vindication to be so.

11. So, Joe Smith comes along, and says, "I met an angel." And he dug a hole in the ground, and he pulled out these plates.

As one fellow said, "My God, Lee, if an angel pulled those gold plates out, have you ever seen the Book of Mormon, and all those books that were supposed to be written?" He said, "It would take a wagon to load up the little thin plates and haul them to the temple."

Ha, Joe Smith and his stupid vision.

Now I don't doubt there was an angel. Paul said there could be angels bring you false gospel. You haven't got a leg to stand on. If the prophet was here, he'd have to admit everyone is dead! unless there's

one or two seed there. How many seed do you believe is amongst the Mohammedans and the Muslims right today, when they are children through Hagar, Ishmael? Oh, come on.

12. I mean, hey, let your thinking go. Don't be so confined with little thoughts here unless you might offend somebody. Ha! One fellow said, "If you haven't made mistakes, you never made anything."

And I say, "If you don't offend somebody, there's something wrong with you somewhere."

You say, "Well, Paul says not to offend."

When it comes to the Word of truth you will not necessarily of yourself offend anybody, but you will be offensive to them, because you are the truth. If He is the truth, we are the truth. If He is the light, we are the light. See?

Now, you can't carry everything too far. Like Bro. Branham said, "*Healing lies within you, but don't carry it too far.*" In other words, stay with the Word of God the way It is. So, let's stay with the Word of God the way It is. There would have to be some type of vindication there.

13. So, let's just take a look at these children of darkness here, these children of the devil, these children of disobedience. And we did look at that the other day, and we found in Ephesians 2, and we saw in Eph 2:2, It says:

- (2)      Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, (number one,) according to the prince of the power of the air, (number two,) the spirit that now worketh (number three, where?) in the children of disobedience...

So, these little monsters have a great effect upon us because, until we're born again, there's no difference between the sheep and the goat. But one is a sheep, and one is a goat. Now you've got to reduce that to sperm. When you reduce it to sperm, you've got to put it under a microscope and be a pretty smart guy, I suppose, who could figure out a sheep's sperm from a goat's sperm. But it can't be done. So, spermatically speaking, if that word is legitimate, then physically speaking, there ain't no difference. Even as the Scripture said, "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Fallen short.

14. So, he's saying here... Now, watch what I read to you. [Ephesians 2] Number one:

- (1)      (These) dead in trespasses and sins; (*hath he quickened,*)
- (2)      ...In time past ye walked according to the course of this world...

And the course of this world is the enemy of God!

Well, you say, "Good night. Everybody's doing it; what am I supposed to do? I'm stuck."

You're not stuck. Because if you're that eagle in the chicken pen, when the eagle screams, you'll rise; you'll get out of the chicken run.

- (2)      ...according to the prince of the power of the air...

So therefore, the flesh, which was prone to a certain course, is under the direct dominion of a very illegitimate, rotten individual. And he's called the prince of the power of the air.

- (2)      ...the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience...

So therefore, you were not a child of his, but you were like his children, and some far worse. Sure. All right. The children of disobedience, then, are rebellious, (Go back to the beginning.) know vindicated truth, (k-n-o-w vindicated truth) but oppose it and attempt to destroy it. Even turn it into a lie.

15. Now, you're following me, aren't you? Everything I've been saying, you can right click, click, click like this in your mind; you go right to Scripture. Right? Garden of Eden, back and forth... Right? Right? Not right? I'm going home. I've wasted all these years with you people here... You're really wonderful, lovely people, but my God, you're dumb. [Congregation chuckles.] Seriously speaking, you are leaving me out here on a limb. No. Is it right, though, you're really catching what I'm saying and your minds are clicking into where it should go? No? Well, I'm eighty-one years old, and I can't be here too much longer.

16. Colossians 3:6:

- (6) For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience.

But now, let's take a little peek over here in a hurry. I missed this one, but it struck my mind now. Did it strike your mind? All right. Now, listen carefully. I'm going to the Book of Hebrews. What chapter am I going to go to? Oh, you're quiet right now. Right? If I got a little bit of gossip going, you'd be talking your heads off with all this gossip, but I get to the Scripture, you get very, very quiet.

17. All right. Listen; let's go to Hebrews 6. He couldn't go to perfection. Paul said:

- (3) ...we'll do, if God permit. (And God didn't permit.)
- (4) For *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, (once for all enlightened.)

Now, that means you go right back to what Jude said: the faith, which was once for all delivered to the saints. Here we are at the end time. And who was the apostle? Paul. Was he over Peter, James, and John? By far. He was the great one. How do I know? Bro. Branham said so. Moses, Paul, William Branham. Huh? Okay, here's William Branham at the end time.

- (4) ...were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,
- (5) ...tasted the good word of God, ...the powers of the world to come,
- (6) (Having fallen) away, (we cannot) renew them to repentance; (no way,) seeing they (have crucified) to themselves (They can't crucify the Son of God. They crucify themselves, to themselves.) the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.
- (7) For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, (How often? Seven times.) and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God:
- (8) But that which beareth thorns and briers *is* rejected, and *is* nigh unto cursing; whose end *is* to be burned.
- (9) But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak.
- (10) For God *is* not unrighteous to forget your...labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

Now you've showed toward His Name in that you have ministered to the saints and do minister. And, if you love His Name at the end time, how thick are you going to be with God's people?

18. Every time I hear that people are going to build a house away from where the saints of God are, I begin to say, "Watch for trouble."

Now you say, "Well, I've got a job."

That job's a different thing entirely. I've noticed many times in this church the cut-off of that deep love and fellowship. I've noticed every now and then a lagging. Hey, you're the losers, honey. I'm not going to stand up with a whip or anything else. Ministering, loving that Name [referring back to verse 10]. Yep, that's it.

19. And so, we're looking over here, weren't we? Colossians 3:6. And It says:

- (6) For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience.

And they are all messed up with what?

- (5) ...fornication, (That's messing around, with wrong spirits and wrong word.) uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, ... covetousness, which is idolatry...

And the wrath of God comes upon them. So, this bunch here at the end time that are disobedient, the wrath of God's going to come upon them. But Paul said there's a group in there, he said, that aren't going to have the wrath come upon them. So, they are the children of light and obedient. Now, you notice that even the foolish virgin doesn't get it, because they're all dead. Who's left? Serpent seed.

20. All right. Now, this goes to 2 Peter, and you know that I use certain Scriptures all the time because there aren't any other Scriptures to use. These are the Scriptures for our hour. Why should I talk about what belonged to Luther's hour? Not that we don't. It's the same spirit coming up—and the revelation. [2 Peter 2]

- (1) But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

Now, these people right here, they're talking about Jesus having bought them and paid a sacrificial price, and they're denying him. Now, how are they going to do that unless there's some vindication around? I'd like to know.

So, you could read this Scripture and have a million ideas of your own. But pin it down to this church of this hour: William Branham vindicated prophet of God, on par with Moses and Paul! who speaks face to face with God!

Now, you can do what you want. If you can't raise your voice with me and rejoice and be just as adamant, there's something wrong with somebody. I wouldn't know where to turn. That means my thinking is gone; everything I ever had is gone. It has to stand the light of that scrutiny! And a bunch of Branhamites are getting more and more Pentecostal all the time. Okay?

21. Here it is. [2 Peter 2]

- (1) ...there were false prophets, ...there (will) be false teachers, (they're going to) bring in damnable heresies...

They're heretical. They worship God apart from absolute truth. They're absolutely in a worship form, and it's antichrist. They're of the devil.

- (1) ...damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them... (They don't even know that—the majority of them—but they're doing it.)

22. Now, with that we go over to 1 John 4.

- (1) Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false (spirits) are gone out into the world.

See? Many false spirits are gone out there. And over here also, It says in verse 5 and 6, same chapter:

- (5) They are of the world: therefore they speak of the world, and the world heareth them.

- (6) We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us...

So, now you've got two teachers on the scene, two different spirits. And one man absolutely stands up and says, "I have got the Spirit of God; if you listen to me, I know you've got the Spirit of God. If you don't listen to me, I know you don't have the Spirit of God."

"Shoom. Oh my, that's blasphemy."

Bro. Branham could say that. He did say it.

"Oh, horrors! Oh, my!"

Maybe I'll show you in a little while just what liars they are; show you where they're coming from.

"He that heareth me is born of God. He that doesn't hear doesn't even know God."

- (6) ...Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.

Who are you listening to? A philosopher? Some jughead? Some theologian? Some healer? Get with the vindicated man that got 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' and sit down and shut-up, and don't move one muscle of your brain, one thought, until you know you're in tune with that prophet.

23. Now, let's just go somewhere. What is the hour in which we live in the spirit? Revelation 3:14.

- (14) And unto the angel (the messenger, which is in) the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, (the finisher, the winder-up, the God of Truth, according to Isaiah,) the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

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

Now, the beginning of creation of God is God creating Himself in the form of human flesh, and it stops in this hour. After the hundred and forty-four thousand Jews are in, nobody else. That's it. No more flesh; no more coming down. Yeah. Now:

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

They said, "Who are you talking to? And who are you talking about?" Next thing He says,

(16) So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out...

They say, "Just a minute. You don't mean us."

Now, watch.

(17) Because thou sayest...

Listen to these liars. Listen to these perverts, these false teachers. Listen to them. Why, they say, "I am rich, increased with goods, and I don't need anything." Yeah. Now, who's lying? Whose children are they?

24. You sit there and say, "Well, Bro. Vayle, I've been a pretty good fellow."

Maybe like me, you prayed at your mother's knee, and then couldn't wait to go out and steal the gold out of somebody's teeth. Yeah.

Don't give me that stuff, brother/sister. Don't give me that stuff. Let me tell you something. I've told you before. I can preach out of my heart to you and kill every one of you. Do you know why? Because we're just alike; we're humans. You've got your good thoughts? I'll match them. You've got your lousy thoughts; you've got your fantasies? I'll match them.

"Oh, I never had any, Bro. Vayle."

Then you never did have anything. You're dead. You ain't even animal. Because I've seen my dogs in a state, go wuff, wuff, wuff, you know. He's dreaming, wuff, wuff, wuff, wuff. While he lie's on his back; I take a piece of meat and I just, inch by inch, and nudge it toward him, and he'll go sniff, sniff, wuff, wuff, wuff, wuff, ehh, and he's up like that. And you try to tell me in the light of a dog...? Huh?

25. (17) (Why, they said, we're) rich, increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, ...miserable, ...poor, and blind, and naked.

Who's lying? See, the Laodicean church is full of liars. They are children of disobedience on the grounds of a vindicated prophet. All Pentecost is built on is a bunch of tongues talkers. I know the history. I was one of them for years, and I know the history, read the books. And from the black Bro. Seymour in California, to Charles Parham, I believe, in Kansas, to Dr. Price, the genius, to Mrs. McPherson, the smartest actress, blaspheming, preacher woman you ever saw. Even Carrie Judd Montgomery and all of those. I know all their histories. Their history is experience without Word. And yet God made even Mrs. McPherson tell the truth because I read her sermon where the gifts of the spirit were restored. And that's what was restored, not the Word.

You know, you might want to challenge me. I was Pentecostal. I'm eighty-one years old. Get this flat: I was converted about sixteen years of age in a Pentecostal church. I've got a drop on every one of you. Since then, I've moseyed around as a Baptist, well, Presbyterian to begin with. I'm not proud of it. Liars.

26. Now, these corrupt, deliberately rebellious people are like their father the devil, who was deliberately rebellious! I want you to just think of his mentality. Here's a created being in the Presence of the great



Creator, Almighty God. And he said, "I will exalt myself above the heaven. I will be like the most High God. I will have worship. I will take over." And after the White Throne, when everybody is divided sheep from goats, (That's when the foolish virgins come up, they are the sheep, enter into eternal life.) all those billions out there, liars, devils, filthy spirits, human beings so-called, natural brute beasts, (Better still; the Bible calls them that.) they attacked the heavenly encampment as though they could win.

Now, just sit awhile tonight. Have you ever met people in your life that hate the truth? I ask you a question. If for fun, let's see a raise of hands. How many of you people really were in Pentecost in one time of your life? Yeah? So, that's a few. Yeah. I want to ask you a question. Were you loved by the people? They hated your guts.

27. Let's go back to my day when I was a kid. And the old story was always the same thing, regarding people speaking in tongues, and it sounded like they might be talking Chinese. So, they'd go get a Chinaman from one of the restaurants in Canada. Just about every restaurant was run by a Chinaman. You're getting them down here now; you're catching up to the Canadians. It's something, isn't it? Yeah. Lousy food, too.

So, they bring the Chinaman and say, "What are they doing?"

"Oh, he's speaking lousy, terrible words, cursing God."

Ha! Pbbt. Hogwash.

Go to Texas where the revival broke out, and they came with guns and tried to kill the people. Go to Poland, and I heard a minister that went to Poland, became a Pentecostal minister. They did their best to kill him. Go back to the days of Luther. They brought an army against him. Go back to the days of Wesley, and see what happened to them. And if you know the roots of Pentecost... And I wasn't in the actual roots, because they came in 1906, and I got saved, what about 1930. How do you think they loved us? They didn't; they hated us. But Jesus said, "They hated me without a cause, but they'll have reason to hate you; boy are you going to get it."

28. All right. Let's go a little further. There's another word for disobedient, and that does not mean what we're talking about. That word actually is the same word that's used over here concerning the testimony of the angel to Zacharias, the father of John the Baptist, who was yet to be conceived and born. And here's what he said about John the Baptist. Luke 1:16:

(16) And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.

(17) And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias...

Oh, look at that: a spirit right there. This fellow, he's with one of those spirits. But it's the spirit of Elijah; that's good.

(17) ...to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, (now even) the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a prepared people for the Lord.

Now, who are the people that are prepared that must be made ready? They're the disobedient ones! Right? Well, look at your Bibles. Luke 1:17.

(17) ...the hearts of the fathers to the children, (even) the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; (in order) to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

And who are those people? Disobedient. What does the word 'disobedient' mean? 'Unknowledgeable'. They got there through no fault of their own evidently. Nope. They are not willfully disobedient. They wouldn't know what to obey and how to obey if they met it in the morning. They just aren't with it. These are the children of God.

29. So therefore, "to make ready the prepared people," and that's Romans, the Book of Romans, the vessels prepared for glory, the vessels prepared for wrath. Right? Moses was a vessel prepared for glory, Pharaoh was a vessel prepared for wrath. Right? Bible says so. All right. These vessels that were prepared for glory weren't ready. Now, something's wrong. Where is it? They lack a revelation. They lack a knowledge.

Now, that's why John the Baptist as Elijah #3 had to come. And it's the same reason William Branham, Elijah #4, had to come. He never came to the children of disobedience; he came to the children of Him Who was obedient to His Own Word, in order to line them up to the Word!

So, if you're still one of those people who doesn't understand passive faith in contradiction to active faith, I got news for you: You're dead. You're not a child of God. You're out there. You're still trying to put something to it, and do something. You wait till you get to be my age. You'll find out what little you can do. And I'm in pretty good shape for the shape I'm in. Everybody says how great I look, of course, you know, flattery. Flattery will get you nowhere. Not interested.

30. Okay, let's go to Romans. And it's a good chapter. Oh, my. And it's verse 19 I've got down here. [Romans 5]

(19) For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

One knew the Word. Adam/Eve didn't deny the Word. They were grossly careless and allowed themselves to be inveigled ['enticed', 'seduced'] into a position which brought death and destruction. But nowhere does It say that Eve or Adam denied the Word. Eve got very careless. It might have been Adam's fault leaving her alone. I don't know. She got very careless with the Word. She didn't say, "There's no God; this isn't Word." But she let the Word get changed. And then, she got confronted by God, and then she tried to wiggle out of it, lie, and so did he. But you can't get rid of the Word of God that's been vindicated. There's no way you can do it.

31. Now, this word, as I've said here, 'disobedient'...and 'disobedience' means 'to neglect to hear'; 'to not take it seriously unto acceptance, unto obedience of life'. That that Word is pertinent to your life, grab it, hold onto It, and where you can, (And you can, and I can.) live It out.

Now, as Bro. Branham candidly said, "*Everybody couldn't be Jesus, everybody couldn't be Moses, everybody can't be Elijah, everybody can't be William Branham.*" That's why you've got Jn 14:12: "He that believeth will do greater works." Everybody wanted to pin that down to the church as a whole over two thousand years would do greater than Jesus did. That's wrong. It's one man. It mentioned the 'he', not the 'we', not the church 'it', not 'she' the church, but "he," a man. And Bro. Branham proved who it was, which was 'he' himself. 41:20

To me the one spells out rejection, the other does not reject and deny but neglects to hear in the sense that it's not taken seriously, perhaps even lightly. As Paul said to those in Timothy, "Neglect not the gift that is in thee." In other words there's a potential to let down the bars. My God, how often have we done that? I've done it so many times, it's pitiful.

32. As Bro. Branham said, "*You backslide a thousand times a day,*" which means you face the Word, which has been vindicated, and you know the truth, and you know that passive faith of yours in that truth. Then you begin veering aside a little bit; maybe you're going to accommodate somebody. Maybe it

means you're going to get more friends or get more money. Like these guys that, when they think you're a Christian, they talk about the Lord to sell you a heap of junk, and they lie to you.

33. I told you one time about our daughter: we went into a place, and she wanted to get a TV. I think that's before Bro. Branham died. Yes, I think that's thirty some years ago now, and she wanted a TV for her house. And she was with us at that time, I guess, and was going to be moving. And so the guy said, "Now, look; you just sign here, and we will not deliver this until you tell us to deliver it."

In other words, "It's not a contract that you're bound to, that you know, that you own the TV and all, but..." and he went on.

She came and told me. I said, "Carrell, you're a jackass." I said, "You sign that, that TV will be delivered here. That guy with his little fisher...fishhook. Don't put him down to me as some kind of a Christian. He's just a bigmouth that talks about Christianity to make money."

I maybe shouldn't have been so harsh. The next day the TV set arrived.

"Take it back."

Now, what kind of Christian was he? Just lying! See? Money, money, money. The desire of his heart was not the grace of God; it was money. Okay. Let's go on.

34. Now, notice how Paul uses the word 'disobedient' relative to himself in Acts 26:19. He said, "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision." In other words, he said, "I did not turn aside from the reality, even though God said, 'I'm going to make you suffer great things, but you will be a light to the Gentiles. You will be a light to the Light.'" Like John the Baptist, a light to the Light; William Branham, a light to the Light. Why? Because they were lights! *How are you going to be a part of the light and "not say 'Amen',"* as Bro. Branham said, *"to every Word."*

"Well, I don't go for Bro. Branham. We've got these gifts; we can..."

Oh, sure you've got gifts. That's all you do have is gifts.

Now, Acts 26:19, Paul said, "He wasn't disobedient to the heavenly vision," is based upon the fact that he had an absolute, authentic experience of being smitten to the ground, smitten blind, and he heard God identify Himself: Jehovah, not Jesus; Joshua, Jehovah Savior, "Who are you?"

"I'm Jehovah Savior."

That did it. That did it!

"Well, you know, if I'd have been there, I'd have had to have had some double proof."

You wouldn't have been there; don't worry. You wouldn't have been there. I wouldn't have been there. There's something that lights when light turns on the light, a little light in here. You know it.

35. Now, that obedience of Paul was based upon God appearing to him in the desert, down there in Arabia, somewhere, I guess it was, and based upon, also, Rom 15:15-21, where Paul speaks of his vindication, and in 1 Corinthians 2, where Paul further speaks of vindication. He said, "I never came here with words of wisdom and flattery and nice talk," he said, "and philosophies." In fact, Paul condemned philosophies. You'll find that in Timothy, I believe it is, 1 or 2 Timothy. I don't know which one. It's in there. He condemned them. They're mere philosophies, mere speculation, like we've got today.

We've got a bunch of Gnosticism amongst us from Gnostics: female Holy Ghost and God's got a consort, and this and that and the other thing. They can't believe that Bro. Branham said that *"The female*

*spirit in Eve and the male spirit in Adam; the sexual differences were merely for propagation.*” And what were they propagating? Life. God’s life. “Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve.” Where’s the female there? According to a big shot down there in Tennessee, I’m supposed to take this up. Well, maybe not take it up, but later on he figured I would claim it as my revelation and all. I haven’t gotten any revelation about female spirits. I don’t know; it just blows my mind that kind of trash. As far as I’m concerned it’s trash.

36. Now, thus, Bro. Branham on page 12, paragraph 65 points out that all seed of disobedience, all tares, all seed of discrepancy, are the children of Satan, the rebellious one, from the beginning, who, through the serpent, became the father of Cain by cohabiting with Eve, the neglectful one, (See?) that he’s the one who turned down the Word of Almighty God, and then, he turned it to a lie by his own interpretation. That’s what Satan did. That is how sin entered into the church. You can read that in Romans 5. The virgin church which neglects the truth, does not stress vindication, and Satan jumps in as in 2 Cor 11:2-3, another spirit, another god, another gospel, another Christ, another Jesus, until creeds and dogmas come forth and you have a mixed group with what is a minority. You see? There you have your wise and foolish virgins, and you have the believers, un-believers, and make-believers, the whole bit.

37. So, all right. If you want to read further, you can read Jude 3-25, which tells specifically what Paul said and preached in Acts 20, and, of course, we read a little bit in 2 Peter 2, and we found that these were people who positively rebelled against vindication.

Now, Paul had a taste of it when he said, “I hear you’re divided. There’s schisms among you, for some say, ‘I’m of Paul, I’m of Apollos, I’m of Peter’.”

Now, just a minute. If they said, “I’m of Paul and I’m of Peter,” that’s not bad. They’re both apostles. Now, it is bad that Paul had to set Peter straight. And Peter in his epistle admits that Paul is one hundred percent right, but he says things hard to understand, so watch, be careful. But who in the world is Apollos? He’s second generation. Now, how in the world do you inject the pure life of the first generation into the second generation? You don’t. There’s always tiddlywinks going on and messing around—always a little chicanery going on there.

38. So, you see, the foolish virgins in that church, which are not in the election of the wise virgin, the bride of the Lord Jesus Christ, they will fall for and neglect the truth. They will do it. And notice how the truth began to drift away, because by the time you’ve got three or four generations, you’ve got the church mixed up, wise and foolish, and in there the wolves came in. There’s no prophet there now; there’s no vindication. There’s just the fact they’ve got to rely and do the best they can, and God never let His little Bride down. They always will have what truth is available. And of course, at the end time the light became brighter under Luther, Wesley, and then, under Bro. Branham, the light came all the way back.

39. So, all right. We’re going to read again, and I know this is not to be... I don’t mean to be tedious, but reading in paragraph 65. [Seed of Discrepancy, 01/18/65]

[65] *Now, notice, as they did. Then, as the Bible said, and John spoke to his children, and said, “Little children, you have heard of the antichrist which was to come into the world,” and he said, “which is already in the world, and is working in the children of disobedience.”*

Not working in them. Disobedience. But he influences those that are disobedient children of God, because they get careless. Like I said to Bro. Branham: “Bro. Branham, I don’t get this long hair bit.” I said, “I’ve seen these Pentecostal gals...” And usually you saw them in Oneness and these very legal Apostolic faith bunch. And I’m going to tell you, just stay away from them. They’ve got the meanest spirit under high heaven, and the women are messy. They run their husbands, everything else. They ain’t fit to be called women.

You say, “Well, men aren’t fit to be called men.”

I wasn’t arguing about the men. I was talking about the women. Never saw messier ones in my life. Just mean as skunks. You see them all the time there.

40. Now we’re talking about these people here in the church. You’ve got those people in there that there’s no vindication anymore. What have they got left? They’ve got the Word that has been tampered with. They’ve got the Word that has been trifled with, in the sense that there is no real dedication to the truth. And you will find that these people let down the bars to the extent—because there is no vindication—they now begin to agree with themselves, forming organizations, that they can positively give you the Word of Almighty God, and they are in error, because there is no such thing from the first century as not being a breakdown of the actual truth of Jesus, the actual truth of the revealed Gospel, and the actual truth of the Holy Spirit: Who He is and what He does.

And so, now we have the people coming together, and in order to make themselves right, (because they do have a certain amount of light and a certain amount of life in that light) they now organize and say, “All right, we’ve come to the place where we have it. God knows we’ve got it; we’ve got the whole thing, and we’re going to stick with this all the way down the line.”

41. And so, as I say, they organize. And I have seen the power of organization myself and been so disillusioned with it, and so embittered by it, that it destroyed a great deal of my life. I’m not proud of that fact; I didn’t know what God was doing. He was getting me out of organization and keeping me out of it.

And every time I went near the thing, I found the same thing, until I finally broke loose and said, “Look, I’m not interested in any group or any groups whatsoever.” The only reason there’s any little group here, and a corporation, is because the law allows it, and we have certain privileges granted to us, and they do not contradict the Scripture and contravene them. We stay right within the Word of God. And you can do that, because the law, Peter says, is of God, and it’s a threat to the wicked, but it’s not a threat to those who would do right and be right.

42. So, we do very little to organize here. The little bit that I have, and Grace Gospel Ministries, the same thing. It is only set up for a matter of convenience according to the law, and it does not dictate to anybody; it doesn’t tell anybody anything; it doesn’t proposition anybody. It merely stands up here and says, “Look, we have a bit of property. We preach the Word of God the way we see the vindicated prophet did, and if you don’t want it, that’s fine by us. We don’t have a bit of a problem. But they went into organization.

43. So, all right. We were up in here. And we were talking about it, and it says:

[65] *Which was already in the world, and is working in the children of disobedience.*

And that spirit is in the church, and the children of disobedience are right there in the church. Now, you can be an obedient child in the sense that you’re right with your revelation, but you’re wrong in the fact of the way you walk. And now, also, it can be in the way of the fact in which those people allowed themselves... And I’m agreeable to the fact that I don’t believe they could really help it. I’m pitiful toward them, and I understand their dilemma, and I’ll tell you why: because Bro. Branham categorically said it was all right until this time.

44. You could go to the front and shake hands with the preacher, and say, “That’s it.” And if your heart was really right with God, your shaking hands didn’t bring you in, but the Spirit of God brought you in, but you could shake hands, and you could think that meant something to you. It was all right until this time that you could join a church. And you knew that joining the church did not make you born again,

but you knew there was a church in the Bible, and the Bible spoke of a church; it spoke of the great bride of the Lord Jesus Christ, and it talked of the heavenly church, which is New Jerusalem, and it talked about a local church, which is in the home of so and so.

So, you could say, "All right, I'm able to go there. I'm able to join it. I'm able to be in an organization."

You could do that. But you see what you were? You were neglectful, not of your own, even as the time of John the Baptist, you did not mean to be neglectful. You were seeking the truth. You went as best you could to the truth. You wanted to live the truth, but you didn't have it! But now, in this age, vindication comes!

45. Now, watch. There's a break in this age, the same as there was a break from Judaism at the time of Paul, after Jesus Christ was crucified and raised from the dead. And, if you got circumcised, you were lost. You made Christ to no avail if you said, "This I have got to have," because you added to it, and you went so far as to go to your flesh to do it. In the flesh there abides no good thing, whether you cut off the end of the penis, or you leave it all on or cut it all off, there isn't anything you can do. That's rough talking, but I'm nailing it right down. The minute you add one word, you're gone.

46. Now, the Bride will not do that. But, as the people were not ready to accept Jesus Christ, except for John the Baptist, neither are the people today ready to receive Jesus Christ, His Presence. I'm talking now about God, Elohim Himself. We can use the term interchangeably, but you've got to know how and when you use it. And we can talk all we want about Jesus coming back to this earth. There is no way he's going to bring a Bride back to this earth, there is no way there'll be a resurrection, there is no way there is going to be a Rapture, outside of that vindicated prophet. And they can say what they want, because Hebrews 6 denies it, and Revelation crucifies them, chapter 3.

47. So, there you stand right tonight. You have the deliberate children of disobedience, and they'll stand right there and defy, the same as Satan, and say, "No way. We're going to make it."

And there were those around William Branham, and they spent, I suppose as much time as I did, and they wanted to wine and dine him, and do this and do that. And it was all nothing but a little trifling mess. Full Gospel Businessmen, rich Pentecostals saying, "We're rich, increased in goods. Who needs William Branham? We've got Jesus, hallelujah! We speak in tongues; we've got the Holy Ghost. We've been saved!"

As I used to teach years ago, "saved by the Spirit of God." Wonderful! No.

"I've got the Spirit of Jesus Christ, two spirits. Hallelujah."

Taught by great men like the late Dr. McCrossen, one of the greatest Presbyterian theologians in the world, who worked with Dr. Price, who said, "Tongues was not the evidence," but he knew there was a baptism, and Bro. Branham said of the whole thing, and he said, "You are born again by the baptism with the Holy Ghost." And when I understood that perfectly, I go to my Scripture, and I find, "Because **you are seed!**" Not 'going to be seed', not 'made seed'. "You are seed." You are a child of God. You are a child of light. You are a part of God. God has sent His Spirit into your heart to seal you back.

48. They can't read the Bible. Here's the Bible. Give me the Bible. I can read the Bible. I'll tell you what's in it.

"Oh, you're boasting."

I'm not boasting. I knew the prophet. And I know the God of the prophet. And William Branham and Jesus Christ are no different from me and from you. No, nope. No, no. Not as to essentiality and intrinsicity, being a part of God, but in magnitude. William Branham is a drop in the ocean alongside of

Jesus, and you've got to look at us under a microscope compared to him, but we've got the same life. And I'm going to tell you, the little elephant, when it's born, may be one hundred pounds, and its momma, sixteen hundred pounds, and his daddy, twenty-four hundred pounds, but they're all three elephants. That's the way you and I are, compared to God. We don't even compare to God. Let's just compare to His Son Jesus Christ, the righteous. We're just infinitesimal. See? Okay.

49. [65] *Now, that was along about thirty years after the coming of the Holy Ghost. We find, when the Holy Ghost come, the real Seed, (yeah) the real Life-Giver to the Seed...*

So, the two things were there. One: the real seed was there, the real Life-Giver to the Seed was there, after the Resurrection. And He was still there through the baptism with the Holy Ghost to the people there.

[65] *...then...comes that discrepancy in again. And notice, on it went.*

[66] *And the real Word had been vindicated, (See, now Bro. Branham's getting back to it, and he's the prophet vindicated.) those prophets of old had vindicated the Word of God to be the Truth...*

See? I told you, these people were rebellious. The Word was vindicated; the Word's vindicated today.

"We don't want it; we're shuck of it. No, don't even come near me."

And they'll hate you, too. Burn you right up. Now:

[66] *If anybody ever read the Nicaea Council, or Pre-Nicaea Council, those fifteen days of bloody politics, when those bunch of Romans down there wanted to bring in and make a denomination out of that church, the prophet came in, wrapped in sheepskin, eating herbs, and stood for that Word! ...what did it do? It had to be like Cain, it had to be like Abel, one had to die. (Right? You see?) Certainly, it did. And the Word lost Its influence amongst the people...*

50. Now, just watch that phrase.

[66] *... And the Word lost Its influence among the people, and they all voted out the true Word and took in dogmas of discrepancy of the early Catholic church. They added a pope, ...a bishop, ...and this, and that, and the other. They took away the real true meaning of Peter, of Mary, and all the rest of it; and made idols, and made nothing but just a bunch of pagan ceremony out of so-called Christian religion. What was it? Seed of discrepancy! And organized, organized, for the first time on earth, a church. What was it? That seed of discrepancy which started sowing, something adding to and taking away.*

And from that time on, it went down and down until the Dark Ages, when you will find a few people in the Catholic Church were really servants of God. You saw Martin, Columba, and different ones in there, were great servants of God. And now, today, you have the love of money, nice churches and pensions, which started back there in Nicaea; you've got them today in orbit.

51. [67] *Who ever heard, in the Bible, not eating meat on Friday? Who ever heard, in the Bible, anything of sprinkling instead of baptizing by immersing? Who ever heard of those things, a "Hail, Mary" or something? Who ever heard of this rotten tommyrot of these Protestants, too? Pot can't call kettle greasy. Right! Just, guilty of the least is guilty of the whole! (And that's right, the truth. He that is guilty of one point of the*

law is guilty of all. Add one word, take away one word, you ruin the whole thing. It's no longer complete and perfect.) *Who ever heard of God dealing in an organization? Show me one time that one ever organized and...stayed alive.*

Now, you see, that's what they were doing in Acts 20, and that's what they were doing in Corinthians, the Corinthian church. "I'm of Paul. I'm of Apollos. I'm of Cephas. I'm of this. I'm of that. I've been baptized this way. I've been baptized that a-way." And they actually built on it.

And you can see the fallacy of the twentieth century, when they had a man one time, he was supposed to be tarrying for the Holy Ghost, and he was leaning over a bench, and the fellow wanting the Holy Spirit was facing toward him, and without meaning to he blew in the fellows face, and the guy began speaking in tongues.

He said, "There it is. You blow on them. They get the Holy Ghost."

And they called them the Holy Blowers. That's the truth.

52. I don't mind some things that were done, you know, like anointing with oil. You read the Psalm, It says, (talking about the anointing oil, the fellowship of the saints) the anointing oil is like the oil that flowed down the head of Aaron right to his beard and to his skirts. Well, you, no doubt, have heard of... And it's true. That it could really happen. You could say, "I'm going to anoint this person," take a whole jug of olive oil and pour it on them. You've got Scripture for it. But you don't have Scripture for it. It's just a little bit of oil and... It didn't say the elders to bring a gallon of oil. It just said come and anoint him with oil. Then, if you had faith and you didn't have any oil, it would still work. See?

53. [67] *They died immediately, and...did not rise again!* (Now here we're going to watch this one.) *It's time that something takes place, (A, B) it's time for God to move.*

Now, watch; you have two phrases in apposition. A is B. It's time that something takes place. What is the something to take place? It is time for God to move. Now, the prophet is saying that. All right. They are the same.

Now, is it time for God to move? Certainly. Israel is in the homeland. And when it's in the homeland, it's time for the Resurrection. Now I've proved that to you. But in case some of you haven't heard me prove it, I'll prove it again to you, so you'll know where we're coming from. Rom 11:15:

(15) For if the casting away of them *be* the reconciling of the world, what *shall be* the receiving of *them*, but life from the dead?

Israel isn't dead; it's blind! They're dead in their sins, but so is every Gentile! But the eyes of the Gentiles have been opened, and the eyes of Israel blind! A blind man is not a dead man! So, It tells you here, when God receives Israel back in the homeland, you are in the age when the Resurrection takes place! You are in the age when the Rapture takes place! So therefore, God is fixing to do something! Because Bro. Branham categorically said, "*If you want to know the time, watch Israel!*" Right? "*If you want to know the condition of the church, watch women.*" Right? All right, he said, "*It's time for something. It's time for God to move.*"

54. Now God has moved Israel back in the homeland. Now, what's He done with us? Let's find out what He's done here. And this is what people don't understand, because Bro. Branham categorically said the baptism with the Holy Ghost was temporary! All right. It says in verse 13: [Ephesians 1]

(13) In whom ye also *trusted*, after ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,



- (14) Which is the earnest of our inheritance until (and then no longer. Finished. Napoo. Over. Until) the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

What did Bro. Branham say Revelation 10 contained? The One that came down with the Book of Redemption open. So, all the names in the Book have been redeemed at this particular time, because He's still here with the Book. It's time for that One to descend. It's time for the dead to come out of the grave. It's time for the Rapture. Also what time is it? It's Ephesians time, as we've read here. What does It say?

- (15) Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints,
- (16) Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;
- (17) That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him.

Well, who possesses that? Nobody but the Holy Ghost, which is God Himself! Nobody! If God does not declare Himself, listen: even to His Son! How will His Son know? As Bro. Branham categorically said, *"The Son does not know the day or the hour; it's in the Father's hands, not in his."* The Son is a prophet. God is limited by His Words and Jesus is limited by the words that God gives him.

55. Now, where's your Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and all this other stuff? I feel really good. I could start screaming right now, but your chandeliers couldn't take me swinging, and Ralph said he'd follow me, but Ralph, they ain't going to hold us up. You know, they don't understand. They don't want to understand. What you and I love to feed on is vomit to them, what they love to feed on is vomit to us. I can't take any of those things any longer.

Listen, the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, that's what He is. The God of our Lord Jesus Christ. Who's the Lord Jesus Christ? The one born of a virgin in whom God descended and went into and stayed there until the Garden of Gethsemane and left him cold. Yeah.

"Oh, he's comatose; he's gone back to dust."

Oh, God. You know, really, it's such a terrible thing, I shouldn't even be derisive. Just forget the whole shmear and walk on.

56. Now, watch.

- (17) ...may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
- (18) The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,
- (19) And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,
- (20) Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead...

Ha! Resurrection. Yep. Voice. Shout, Voice, Trumpet; Message, Resurrection, Rapture. There it is, it's time. It's time. It's time. It's right here in the Bible. It says so, because It said that is going to be to us-ward, positively, when the baptism with the Holy Ghost gives out, when the last of the Bride has been sealed in, the Sealer Himself comes down as a Seal! I'll pray the Father He'll send the Holy Spirit.

Who sends the Holy Ghost? God does, the great Sealer Himself. The great Baptizer's here, and It's going to take us up in the Rapture, to the Wedding Supper, the same as Jesus rose and went to the heavens and stays there, until the Father puts everything under his feet, there's a resurrection takes place, there's a rapture takes place, God incarnates Himself, we crown Him King of Kings and Lord of Lords. That's what Bro. Branham said; that's what the Bible teaches.

(21) Far above principality, and might, and dominion, (and power,) and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

(22) ...put all *things* under his feet...

1 Corinthians 15, Elohim making all things subject to Jesus. That's Kelusma, the Shout, making subject, bringing it to order, bringing it to pass, the seal open, eternity, time melted, together.

57. Now, let's just think about it, and what my brother says.

[67] *You kill the influence amongst the people.*

Why didn't he say they killed it? Huh? Because they didn't. We did it. Thank God we came out of this murderous bunch. Killed the influence. Whose influence they killed back there? The prophet! Vindicated. And those prophets and people that knew the Word of God, and knew Mark 16, and could distinguish it from 1 Corinthians 2, and Romans 15, and several places in the New Testament, Book of Acts and so on, a vindicated 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' prophet, these people believed God. And, as the Pentecostals rightly by study pointed out, there never was an hour, an age on this earth, when there wasn't some speaking in tongues of some sort, some prophecy, some healing the sick, some miracles, that there wasn't a Bride endowed by God.

And then, the age of gifts came, and does come, according to Acts 2, right before the Great Tribulation. Now, that's 1906, and it's now 1996, uh-huh? And right. We haven't had the Great Tribulation yet. That was said way back there, so 1906-1996 is 90 solid years since the prophecy, given roughly 2000 years ago, maybe 1930/40 years. Maybe roughly, oh, year 37 that was prophesied. And in various other places also. See? Kill the influence.

58. So, as I told you over here in paragraph 66 to watch that thought. "*The Word lost its influence amongst the people.*" How? By turning away from the real valid revelation of the true Word of God by the carelessness of the people, who didn't realize what they were losing.

Now, listen to me! This happened under Paul! He said, "You've lost your virginity! You're already going into idolatry."

59. Now, remember; when David was young, he never had too much trouble. He stayed real regular good guy, he disobeyed knowing full well the truth of the Word of God. He was just a very carnal person, in spots. But look at Solomon! He knew the power of God, the temple filling with smoke and the priests couldn't minister, and his great prayers. He lifted his hand toward heaven, and God answered back. And when he got old, he went right into idolatry! Now I don't believe he was lost. Nope. He sure lost out with God as far as his life was concerned, and he caused Israel a lot of problems with his stupidity. But he did not really disbelieve God, but he got careless. He got careless like David, his father, with women, women, women, women. And women type the church. Therefore, women type organization. Why did Bro. Branham condemn the women voting? He did, too. Organization.

60. Now, let's face it: every single thing in this world has its types. I've been criticized for taking certain types. And I admit I can't prove it, but I can go to Scripture, and I can prove some really tough ones. One I've got in mind that would make some of the gals and men say, "Yeah, that's a bunch of you know what."

That's fine, say what they want. Yeah, I'm ready for the challenge, the showdown. You show me that this doesn't type. Even if God is seen in nature, you can see everything in human beings, and you're going to see it in the church. Never mind these guys that talk and are outside the church. I'm talking about the three kinds of believers now.

61. [67] *You kill the influence amongst the people.*

So, therefore the church today organized, with its discrepancies, which it believes above vindication, has actually killed the ministry of Bro. Branham. It was supposed to. How could they crucify Christ to themselves if they didn't? How could Bro. Branham say to me, that this certain man called him by name, *"It's men like him, so-and-so, that stops my true ministry from coming out."*

I never did believe that. I mean... Not that I didn't believe it, I said, "Bro. Branham how could you say it? How could anybody stop God?"

Suddenly one day, like a voice said, "And he did not many mighty miracles, because of their unbelief."

And I said, "Oh boy, that's it. I beg your pardon, Bro. Branham, you're a hundred percent right, as usual."

Even the Son of God couldn't work. How many times was Bro. Branham stopped by unbelief in people? How many times on a tape have you heard him say, *"I caught your thought. You're wrong"*? Huh? They went right on. Right?

"Oh, we're great Christians, hallelujah. We're..."

Just a minute, they're supposed to say that. Judas, anointed with the Holy Ghost and gifts to raise the dead, and heal the sick, he was supposed to do it. Pharaoh was raised up to do it.

62. This is one thing about predestination and sovereignty we have not yet arrived to in this church, and that's my fault, I haven't arrived to it, and maybe I never will. But I see predestination, sovereignty, more than I ever saw it, and do you know why I see it? Because I'm dying. I don't have any proof of anything. Nope. I'm believing this man here, all I can do. That's all I got. Everything I thought I once had, forget it. Judas did it; he did more than I ever did. Where does that leave me? Either I am or I ain't.

63. And there's only one way you and I can identify as children of God: He that heareth William Branham is of God.

"Well, John said that, not William Branham."

But I got news for you; William Branham had far more right to say it than John. John was merely a scribe when he saw the vision. William Branham was 'the prophet' with Moses and Paul.

"If that man be a prophet, I the Lord God, will appear to him in dreams and visions, but my servant Moses it is not so, to him I will appear apparently." In other words, "I will make myself visible to him in a figure." Moses, Paul, William Branham.

64. [67] *You kill the influence...*

[68] *Same thing has been done today. They kill the influence, "Oh, that bunch of holy-rollers, there's nothing to them." ...Why, it's discrepancy! Meet the Word face to face and see what It is, see...God interpret His Own Word.*

How can you do that? When you see God descend from the heavens and stand before groups of men and declare Himself as ever He did... And who stood before the people? William Branham.

And they said, "What's the difference? What did Jesus mean when he said, 'He that hath seen me hath seen the Father'?"

He said, "*You're looking at me, aren't you? Same thing.*"

"William Branham didn't descend from heaven."

Of course, he didn't descend from heaven. God did! And God was in the prophet.

65. So, when I saw William Branham, I wasn't looking at a man. I was looking at God.

You say, "Oh, Bro. Vayle, oooh."

Just leave me alone; just leave me alone. I've got more than you've got. Because you couldn't even tell it was God. Some of you bunch of holy-rollers said it was the devil.

Big shot Pentecostal down in West Palm Beach, he said, "William Branham," he said, "he's got a familiar spirit."

I can tell you one thing: his spirit wasn't too familiar to God, and with God.

66. I wish you would have been with me the times I was with Bro. Branham on that platform and around him. You'll never know unless you were there. There was something so different.

We'd go to these big meetings, my wife and I to the Full Gospel Businessmen. You know, they'd have these lights turned out, and the waiters with sparkling types of desserts coming in, sing "When the Saints Go Marching In", you know, and we see Oral Roberts there, maybe a thousand people or better, and he'd be walking the halls by himself, everybody hanging onto Bro. Branham like this.

You say, "Man that's a slap in the face, isn't it?"

Great Oral with his great tent, where is he today? Huh?

67. Oh, they sing, "I believe Jesus saves and his Blood washes whiter than snow." That's a lie from the pit of hell in the mouth of an unbeliever like those people that are false anointed and false vines, because the Blood avails nothing without the Word, because the Blood is merely a sign of the covenant, which is the Word, ratifying it.

You say, "I've got Jesus. I've got the Blood."

You're liars. You haven't got the Word. I'm sorry, but I've got to tell you the truth. Now foolish virgin, you can get away with it. I don't understand too much about them; they're the ones in-between. Now don't ask me to figure a lot of things out. I can't. I just believe what he said, and that's good enough.

68. [68] ...*God interprets His Own Word. God's able of these stones to raise up children to Abraham.*

Now the point is: who said that? John the Baptist. Right? Who said it? William Branham. Right? The question is: did God raise up children to Abraham out of stones? No! Of course not. Of course not. Do you think He's going to do it now? Of course not. Of course not. He's going to manifest His Own children in the adoption of which the nature part is in the Resurrection.

And right now we've got the most important part in history, because we as a group of people, will never, never, never, never, never, never, never leave this Word. They left it in Paul's day. They left the Word, but we will never leave It. You know why? We're a bunch of stupid sheep; we don't know where to go. We're like those disciples, "To whom shall we go? Thou alone has the words of eternal life."

He said, "Now you've got it."

How long I talk to Bro. Branham, four and half hours. I said, "Bro. Branham are you trying to tell me the baptism with the Holy Ghost is the rebirth?"

He said, "Now you've got it."

I said, "Oh brother." I said, "Hold it right there." No, I should have held it. But I was a believer. I said, "Okay, boss, you win. I believe it." That's when everything broke loose: seed, everything broke loose. I can say I believe Jesus saves and his Blood washes whiter than snow.

69. [69] Now, *the Word had been thoroughly vindicated by those early Christians, how God delivered them from everything, and diseases, and they had prophets, (Now, that's minor prophets, of course. You understand that.) and they spoke in tongues, interpreted, and gave messages that's proved to be exactly the truth every time. But in the face of all that vindicated Word...*

Now, Bro. Branham is using the vindicated Word, not that these men were vindicated, but they had a vindicated Word, which in turn manifested in them. And they didn't do it and say, "Now, look; I'm giving you people a sign here, and I'm going to show you that God does this and God does that."

70. Now Bosworth came the closest to it, when he knew that God never let him down with a radical mastoid, when the whole entire ear was taken out, the eardrum and all.

And he said, "Lee," he said, "Bro. Vayle, I just stand there chuckling, you know."

And you should see the old boy chuckle. Chuck, chuck, chuckle. God, he was a sight for sore eyes. Do you remember him, Frank [Proctor]? Daddy Bosworth? That was once? I thought maybe you were down there more.

But anyway, he would chuckle, and he would stand in the line, and after he gave the Gospel invitation, now he said, "Anybody here that's sick, especially you with a radical mastoid," and the interpreter tell him, the whole eardrum and all taken out. "You come up here first so we can show you what God will do."

And he said, "And I just stand there chuckling. I knew what God would do. He never failed. God put brand new eardrum and new bones in there."

Now, I like that. I never had that kind of faith. Oh man, I thought I had it pretty good in certain times, but I never had nothing like that. Never came close. I saw one radical mastoid, though, delivered. I knew he would be. Don't ask me how you know; you just know. There's no way you can describe it. You just know that's it.

71. Now he was saying here that these men had a living Word from a vindicated living Word, by God coming down from the heavens, (Right) indwelling His Son Jesus Christ in a way that He would in the future not indwell Paul, but would indwell him, and even speak face-to-face, and give him perfect recall to write a perfect Scripture. You know, that's fantastic when you realize what I just said.

[69] *...proved to be the truth every time. But in the face of all that vindicated Word, the people voted It out, and voted a denomination. That's the mother of all organizations.*

And we're going to stop right here. And believe me, brother/sister, the true Bride will not organize. But who is to say there will not be an organization follow this Message, which is no longer this Message—which is no longer this Message.

72. That's why you got to be so careful, even a small group like this. We don't extend ourselves, and just stay right with the Word. We don't send out anybody. We don't ordain people to go out. We help people all we can. We do what we can as Christians. We thank God we're able to do that. But to organize and set ourselves up and say, "Hey, we teach this and this is it," you'll never heard me say that, and you never will, because as far as I'm concerned, what I teach is it. But I don't want anybody else to believe it, unless on their own they see it.

73. Hey, I've had preachers say, and people say, "Bro. Vayle, all these years there's something been bugging me. When I heard your tapes, it came together, and thank God I know it now."

I love that. That's fine, because you see, they're working with God. They're not working with me. I never sent them a tape most of the time; I send tapes anyway. You won't get me sending tapes to preachers or anybody else, unless they want them. Congregation can't get it unless they steal it, or the preacher allows it. I won't do it. I'm not interested in Lee Vayle and his ministry. I'm interested in this Word here. That's all. And I've got to be faithful until death takes me. Until Jesus takes me. Not death. That's silly, death; I'm not going to die. When you leave here, your... Death is separation. Right? When you leave here, the separation is closer. Right? So, death is life. Yeah, but don't call black, white. This is different. When we die, it's no longer the death working in us due to sin, heredity, all those things. We're just crossing over.

All right. We are there tonight, and if I come back tomorrow morning, we just won't even read notes. We'll just carry right on, and we'll look now to... Oh, I guess I'll go to 1 Corinthians 11 to begin the service with the table of the Lord.

Let's pray.

Heavenly Father, as we approach Your table, and have finished the little dissertation on the Word that the prophet left us, which we can take right to the Bible and to history and see it all come out, and we know we're fallible, Lord, but You're able to keep us so we're infallible, not of ourselves, but of the grace and mercy extended to us through Your Own Person, the blessed Holy Spirit, helping us, seeing what the prophet said, hearing him, and know, thereby, we have the Spirit of Truth, and that's marvelous in our own way, own lives.

Help us now in the next little form of service we have here, that we do not dishonor the shed Blood and the broken body, nor the foot-washing, Lord, which should make us all the more united, knowing that to the widows, they had washed the saints' feet, showing that they were rendering a service. Showing that they were, not just rendering a service, but putting themselves in a position to be a servant, and we want to do that too, Lord, because we have not been brought on this earth to be served, but every child of God is brought on this earth to serve, even as Adam and Eve were to serve You and to serve the earth, to do these things. Help us now, Lord, to recognize that positive position we're taking tonight. And we'll give You glory, in Jesus' Name.

[Bro. Vayle goes into Communion and Foot-washing services from this point.]