

Seed of Discrepancy #29

Suffer the Tares to Grow

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Shall we pray. Heavenly Father, we welcome Your Presence by the Holy Spirit, which we know You are that One, and we covet Your valued, in fact, Your extreme, great knowledge, omniscience, tempered down to suite our present needs at this time, as You instruct us in the way of righteousness, the way of truth, which is Your way and no other man's way, no other way but Your way, Father. Help us to understand that which is convenient food for this due season, the right and proper food, the right administration of it, so in all things we might be truly one with You, as we are to be one with You, and are not only in the premise, but in truth itself, but we know that often that's not fully manifested because of the flesh in which we live.

So, help us, therefore, to put down the flesh by putting down the mind. May the mind be fully acquiescent to the truth that comes down deep within our souls and, then, comes forth in a life. That's what we desire, knowing there are certain standards and norms in this hour, spiritual norms especially, that we are to adhere to. So may we gladly do that, Lord, knowing that comes forth into righteous fruit, fruit unto righteousness, and the peaceable fruit of the spirit from the wisdom which is from above, Lord, that comes down, not that carnal wisdom, which is the world, so we would have ourselves insulated against all things, but the truth, Lord, and the life within the truth of this hour, knowing that someone has to come to that stage, and we pray it may be we ourselves in this day. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

You may be seated.

1. Now we're again into "The Seed of Discrepancy", and we come along quite slowly, but at least we do come along, and that's very good. Now last night we got down to getting back into the reading of Bro. Branham's Message, and we came into the... We were on paragraph 66 and went onto 67, and Bro. Branham, you'll notice, is switching back and forth in his dissertation, his preaching, as he always does, and he brings in, particularly, vindication.

And so, when he's talking about the seed of discrepancy, which he has been here, and we've been using many hours on it, and talking about Cain and Abel, talking about Jesus and Judas, and talking about the beginning of the seed of discrepancy in organization, rather... My, you know it was there before, it was there at the time of Paul in Acts 20. And it was there at the time of Paul in the Corinthian church in the first chapter of 1 Corinthians, even, where he talked about their division of loyalty, as though that there was a specific loyalty, an adherence to a certain person who brought the Word. So, they had a division. And Paul talks about that schism in 1 Corinthians 11 again: "There's divisions..." and he calls it heresies.

2. So, you can see that organization is solidly built upon certain people who are leaders, and they're leading in the wrong direction. Actually, if you want to put it down to a legitimate truth, it's that they are wolves in sheep's clothing. And back in those days, no doubt they had people adhering much more strongly to the virtues of Mark 16—which you'll notice that these signs follow them that believe. Those signs follow who that believes? Well, Paul said it out. He said, "If any man thinks himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, (That's full of the Holy Ghost.) let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you," not what Peter says, (though Peter's fine, John's fine, they're all fine. Nobody's going to argue.) but the Gentile Church is built solidly upon the apostle Paul's revelation and his teaching.

3. So, he said, "Therefore, if any man is a prophet," (That's part of the fivefold.) if any man is a true believer, true Christian, born again, so on, true seed, he will acknowledge that what Paul says is the

inevitable, inscrutable, invincible truth. And the reason I use those terms is because within the revelation that Paul gave, there are great mysteries. Nobody can come up, even the apostle Paul had to duck a certain issue. And he proposed it in a hypothetical manner, which wasn't truly hypothetical; it was actually there, when he brought out predestination. "For this cause have I raised up Pharaoh; for this cause have I raised up Moses." And then, the question comes, inevitably, "Who then can resist His Will?" Who is down here that's doing anything at all that actually has any influence upon God, or anything that you could do that would possibly have any relationship to God or give you some type of priority, give you some type of standing, give you some kind of an in. And it's blotted out. Everything is based upon foreknowledge, which is part of omniscience. And then, you have election. Then you have predestination, which is based upon omnipotence. And so, he said, "Well, who then," he said, "is thwarting the purpose of God..."

4. Let's go back here to where he says...so we get it right, because Paul puts it so perfectly. And he said: [Romans 9]

(19) Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will?

(20) Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus?

Now we know Irenaeus answered that question very well, and Bro. Branham took up with Irenaeus. "God being a Savior, it was necessary He predestinate a sinner who'd require salvation in order to give Himself a reason and purpose of being."

Now, right away you see, people want to take that out of the hands of God. It started with the devil, Satan. And he said, "I will be like the most High." In other words, "I'm going to be in position where I can predestinate, where I can run things, and I can have worship."

And you know, if you put that down to organization, you tell me that's not the same thing that's going on.

You say, "Bro. Vayle, these men that are bishops, these men that are elders, these men that are presbyters, these men that are chairmen, these men that are presidents, they don't have that."

Well, you see, you're all wet.

"Well, Bro. Vayle, I've seen them. They're kind, wonderful men."

So was the godly old priest that crucified Jesus.

5. Organization is of the devil. It's of the devil. You get a man or men come together, and they want to attract attention, they want to run things, they want to exalt themselves, and you got a bunch of weirdoes running around them, spiritual weirdoes, that are willing to adhere.

You know a real man of God, if that was around him, he'd bust them. He'd move out of the vicinity. He'd say, "If that's what you want, be my guest. I'm leaving."

You don't think I'd do that? Five seconds, I'd do it. Do you think Bro. Branham didn't shake them off? Pbbt. He said, "*There's ten thousand believe this Message.*" He said, "*I got to shake them off—too many. I got to tell them something that will bust them wide open. Throw them clean into unbelief.*"

You say, "My God."

Don't "my God." Go to your Bible. Organization is from the pit of hell. It's of the devil. See, it supersedes whatever God wanted.

So, we find Bro. Branham telling us this in how they got off. They got into sprinkling, saying Hail Mary's, everything else, he said, "*Where do you find it?*" And he agrees with the Word of God, if you're guilty in one point, you're guilty of all. You've broken the whole law of God because the chain is only as strong as its weakest link. And you file on that one link, there comes a time when the link separates and the whole thing is gone. You don't have a tie post; you don't have God; you don't have anything.

6. Now you can prate the Scripture and quote the Scripture and do anything you want, but you've done ruined her because you insinuated the spirit of man and the spirit of the devil into the Word of God. And when you insinuate that into the Word of God, it's no longer the Word of God.

You say, "Well, it sure is because we're quoting it."

Quoting it doesn't mean one thing. Quoting the Word of God doesn't mean one thing except condemnation. Don't think for one minute the devil didn't quote the Word of God. And I can prove it, because Judas was **the** devil incarnate, and he could quote the Word of God, go about healing the sick raising the dead. See? Guilty of the whole.

7. [Seed of Discrepancy, 01/18/65]

[67] ...Now *show me one time one ever organized and...stayed alive.*

What is organization? Organization is a man who uses a Scripture wrongfully to attract to himself believers and people.

You say, "How do you explain that?"

I just explained it by quoting in my own way Acts 20 and 2 Peter 2. They only have one reason to exist, and that's to bring the people to them, to have a show in their flesh, to sell them down the river, and everything looks good. And people are happy doing it. Armstrong, with his ridiculous message of British Israel combined with Seventh Day Adventism, had the people paying about seven kinds of tithes.

8. And you know, that's a wonderful type. Why? Because ten percent of America, upper echelon, owns seventy percent of all the wealth. And seventy percent of the people only got thirty percent (about) maybe even ten percent. A once-for-all tax of three percent across the board on all the people in America that got real money, would wipe out the national debt. Are they going to do it? No. No. Uh-uh. Everybody wants to be God. Everybody's heart is full of lust for money. That's what I said in my preface. Please never misunderstand when I talk about money. Never do it, or you're going to find trouble like you never knew you had trouble. Get your heart lined up with this Word. Let this Word permeate your consciousness. Humbly go before God, and seek that He'll fulfill His Word in you. That goes for every promise, goes for everything in the book. God cannot stand the high and the mighty; He brings them low. He exalts the low places, and the low places are made of lowly people.

9. They organized. The spirit was there. Before there was even a manifestation, they were already off the Word; they began to bypass It. That's the seed of discrepancy. Started right with Eve. She never said the Bible isn't true. She never said there isn't a God. She just let Satan meddle with the Word, and she said, "That sounds reasonable." She was gone right there. Gone right there. Bro. Branham taught us that, and we know that to be true.

10. Now, he also said here:

[67] Organizations *died...they never...rise again!* And he said at this hour *it is time that something takes place, which is, it's time for God to move.*

How do you know? Israel's a time piece; they're in the homeland. So, what's going to happen? There's going to be a Resurrection and a Rapture. What's to take place before the Resurrection? Ephesians

1:17-23: when the baptism with the Holy Ghost is running out, the Baptizer Himself is here, the Spirit, the revelation of God Himself. And only one person can give that revelation; that's God.

You say, "Well, Jesus could do it."

You're entirely wrong. You're entirely wrong. Jesus is not omniscient; he is not omnipotent; he's not God. He's the Son of God. And as a son, he had to learn obedience. And when he was in his supernatural theophonic form, the body of the Word, the body of the Spirit, no problem. Just hey, hey, great. He could stand right there with Lucifer, in the leading of the worship, in the form of Michael. Don't ask me how it's done, just believe it. The prophet said it. He's vindicated you know.

11. So, you say, "I don't think so."

You don't have a thought coming. You don't have a judgment coming. You sit there like good, little dummies, little Charlie McArthys on Edgar Bergen's knee. Just about all there is to it.

You say, "Well, who's Edgar Bergen?"

Bro. Branham. Somebody's got to be intelligent for these poor wooden dummies. Oh, what a difference are we from a tree? It comes out of the ground; we come out of the ground, right? A different seed. So, you've got to be quiet.

Paul said, "Nay, but who are you O man to reply against God?"

When you reply against God, it means you've got something in mind that God doesn't have in mind. And if you've got something in mind that God doesn't have in mind, you'll want to implement what you have in mind instead of what God has in mind. Is that right? Sure it is. Organization. Starts with these people off the Word. They want to make show in your flesh; they want to take you aside, yip, yip, yip, yip. How many folk ever had a preacher take you aside, yip, yip, yip, yip? Huh? Want to run you, control you. Don't come here for that kind of stuff, I'm not interested. My God, I can't even control my own life, why should I control yours? I've got a job being responsible for Lee Vayle. Why should I be responsible for you? I'll try to help you scripturally, but that's where it ends.

12. Now, he says here:

[67] *It's time for something, for God to move.*

Now, how is God going to move? What way is there for Him to move? Same way He always moves. By a prophet with the Word. And he said:

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

Why? You killed the influence of the knowledge of the time in which we live and what God is doing. What was God doing in this hour? Opening the Seals. So, by the time the Seals were opened to bring forth all the mysteries, and the last great mystery is the mystery of immortality. "Behold I show you a mystery, we shall not all sleep, we'll all be changed."

And Paul said what was going to happen; didn't say how it was going to happen. Something's got to bring it to pass. As Bro. Branham said, "*How's He going to do it? We don't know how He's going to do it, but He's going to do it.*" He'll do it all right, see?

13. [67] *But you kill the influence...*

They did it back there in Moses' day; they did it back there in Paul's day; they did it in Jesus' day; they did it to William Branham.

[68] *Same thing was done today. They kill the influence, say, "Oh, it's just a bunch of holy-rollers."*

So, when Bro. Branham talked about the fact of His Presence, He's already here. That's the Presence. And what does the Presence lead you to? To the Appearing. How can He appear, if He's not here? See, they got some stupid Houdini trick, and some stupid Gossamer idea spun by a spider from hell. Yeah. "Will you come into my parlor?" said the spider to the fly. He did. Do you know what happened? Spider bit him and sucked him dry.

14. Now, there's none of you haven't seen a spider web. What's it full of? Little dry insects. And if it's a big enough spider, it could be a mouse. Yeah. Sucked dry. Suck all the life out of you. Ooh, but that spider web is so pretty.

You know something? One preacher said this years ago. He said, "You go out in the yard, after morning, a beautiful night of heavy dew. And what happens you see those spider webs out there. They just glisten."

Ah, now when the dew of heaven comes down you can see the spider webs. But if the dew of heaven doesn't fall on you, you'll never see the spider webs, you just walk into the parlor said the spider to the fly. They walk in and they're destroyed. Sucked dry, completely destroyed. That's that seed out there that's of the wrong seed.

15. So, he said here, *"What about you Pentecostals? You went right back to it. You couldn't believe it. You couldn't believe the Judge is here. You couldn't believe that the blood of Jesus Christ, the actual crucifixion, is of no avail whatsoever outside of the Word because it was the Word broken and defiled that caused Jesus to come here in human flesh and die upon Calvary and shed His Blood."*

So, when you want to exalt the Blood, hallelujah. You want to exalt Jesus, hallelujah. You want to do it apart from the truly revealed Word of the hour, which has been revealed, (And nobody can deny it. That's vindication. There's a supernatural picture right there.) then you can talk about the Blood all you want. It doesn't do you one bit of good, except it condemns you.

It's just like we talked last night about taking the emblems. If you're off the Word, you're not full of the Holy Ghost. You have a wrong motivation; you're drinking condemnation. And every time you drink it, you get worse and worse and worse. But every time you come to church to hear the Word and pile Word upon Word, you get better and better and better and better, because you have more and more and more and more—more and more life. More and more life because you've got a conduit. And the beautiful thing, the conduit is hooked to God Himself. It's His Own conduit.

So, we're looking at something different than what the world looks at. The world wants to compromise; organization makes you compromise. And Paul, the Word he gave, was compromised, and Paul himself was compromised. He said, "That's right, discrepancy again."

16. Now, he said:

[72] *...as I said the other day, the first little husk...*

Well, I didn't read enough to you. I'll read here. All right he said... All right, now look.

[69] *The Word had been...vindicated by those early Christians, how God delivered them from everything, and diseases, and they had those prophets, (Of course, they're minor prophets, the five-fold.) and they spoke in tongues, interpreted, and gave messages that's proved to be exactly the truth every time.*

As I said a while ago, the vindicated Word gave them the right to believe this and see it happen. Because you see, signs follow the Word, but there are signs that the Word follows. And the sign that the Word follows is 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' and It comes to pass. And you, therefore, know that that person is legitimate, and he brings you the Word. Now you're entitled to your own signs. As Paul said they were abundant. And you'll notice that those signs followed even Moses' crowd—Korah, Dathan, and Abiram—who literally prophesied. They actually did. And because they prophesied, they got puffed up, as though they were the ones that brought the Word. As Paul said, "What, came the Word of God unto you? Or did It come out of you?" He said, "It came unto you; It didn't come out of you."

17. Now the Word came out of Moses, and It came unto these people, Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, and they got to prophesying. As the Word came out of Jesus, It got to Satan incarnate in Judas. And Judas prophesied. He healed the sick; he raised the dead. "Oh, I'm a great guy. Look at this wonderful Jesus. Hallelujah, hallelujah, look at him."

A million miles off the Word, he was. And Korah, Dathan, and Abiram were a million miles off the Word. They got their organization going. And it started with their families. And you know what happened? They and all their families got destroyed by the fire. The same thing's going to happen today.

18. Let me tell you something, the blood of Jesus is thicker than the blood that flows in your veins of your father and mother; you better watch it! Never taught my kids to listen to me and watch me because I believed something they were to believe in. Never taught them to separate themselves out of their dad. They're on their own.

You say, "Well, Bro. Vayle, look where they are."

You better watch your mouth and what you're saying. Shows you ain't got a clue. You're not here believing this Message because your parents; think it over. And your kids aren't here either. If they are, God pity them. Let them come to the light. Demand that they come to the light. It's a one-man path, a one-man confrontation. Don't ever be guilty of that sin. I talked a little bit about it last night. I'm expounding this morning. Don't ever be guilty.

19. What you sooner see? Your kids in heaven and you go to hell? Let me tell you something. Everybody stands on his own two feet in the judgment and before God. I don't care who you are, what you came from. Maybe your dad was the most wonderful man in the world. Forget it.

"My mother, the loveliest Christian."

Forget it.

"I was brought up right."

Forget it. Are you born again?

"I went to the altar."

Are you born again?

Old guy said that to me years ago. "Are you born again?"

He said, "I went to the altar."

I said, "I never asked you when you went to the altar. I said are you born again?"

He got almost ashen white. He wasn't born again, evidently. What do I care about an altar? Brother Branham said *"It's not an altar call; it's a water call."* How are you baptized? Unto whom?

20. When Paul came on the scene came on the scene and found them religious and a little inkling, he said, "Have you received the Holy Ghost?"

Why they said, "We don't even know about this Holy Ghost."

He said, "Unto what were you baptized? Who did the baptizing? What was the name?"

"Why," they said, "John the Baptist came by here," he didn't really, I don't think, but his followers did, his disciples.

He said, "John correctly baptized looking forward, but now you must be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ," and he told them the truth of John the Baptist's ministry, and they just followed right along. Baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, they all were full of the Holy Ghost.

I'm going to tell you something: if you truly repent, and you are baptized correctly, you will receive the Holy Ghost. You don't need laying on of hands; you don't need nothing. Why? You got God, His Own promise, His Own Word fulfilled. And the great apostle Paul knew it. Peter knew it. They all knew it. They had no problem with it right there. See? All right.

21. [69] Now...*they had prophets*, (They had signs following.) *But in the face of all that vindicated Word...*

In the face of all that vindicated Word. Now, let's watch this, what we're talking about. See, just very, very carefully we go to the Book of Hebrews, and Hebrews 2 we're going to read this just the way It is written and understand It just the way It is written.

Now, he said:

- (1) Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard...

Now, this is like a man talking, who himself was not there, but he heard things, and he's a witness to it. He heard the testimony of the reality.

- (2) For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;
- (3) How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*...

They came, and they said, "We're telling you exactly what this vindicated prophet of God, God truly manifest in the flesh, this the Messiah, this the Son of God, this One written in the Scripture, this One spoken of by Moses, here He is fully vindicated. We were with Him. We know what we are talking about, We saw it. We heard it, we know all about it. We're telling you."

- (3) How shall we escape...
- (4) God...bearing *them* witness, both with signs and...wonders, and divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own (Word)?

And It tells you right there that this is based upon 'THUS SAITH THE LORD', and the Word that followed bore witness to the people on the grounds that the Word was living, and the gift of healing, and all the gifts were in the church following the Word.

22. Now the point is: these things follow the Word. They do not come before the Word. They do not establish the Word. The Word has been established, and this comes forth. And so therefore the Pentecostals depending now upon gifts which are visible, which are manifested, which are in their midst, they say, "This proves we're okay."

It doesn't prove they're okay. It proves the original, vindicated Word was okay. But they're off of It. This is the fooler at the end time. You see?

You say, "Well, just a minute, Bro. Vayle. If that's the real evidence, the real understanding, that these gifts come out of the Word, they really do..."

That's right they do. You know why? Because the Bible said they would. And the Bible said there'd be false people with the wrong spirit doing it, the anointed ones at the end time, the son of perdition, the Judases, taking the power of Almighty God, that is available through manifested gifts, and they can produce every single thing a Christian can produce, and maybe even better, except they cannot give you that revealed truth. They can't do it. In other words, it's a Cain, it's a Judas, it's a Balaam, it's a Korah, it's a Dathan, it's an Abiram, and it's from the pit.

You show me one thing the devil can do, that he can do by himself. Nay, nay, nay, he must use the power that God gave him. He perverts it. All power is of God, period. **All** power. The power the devil has, the power that Joe Stalin had, the power that Hitler had. The power that the Prince of Wales had, stupid as he is, and his stupid wife. They can't even lift a finger without God being behind it. Neither can you. You can't make one breath. It's a clear case of prostitution. That's why prostitution is idolatry. That's the tag, the name we give it.

23. Now:

[69] *But in the face of all the vindicated Word, the people voted It out, (That's in Nicaea.) and voted a denomination.*

And what did denomination do? It joined itself with politics; made the state equal with God; gave the politicians a God-like stature. See why America's gone to hell with bells on? It's not going to save America. You know, the only thing could save America is God's atomic bomb, to wipe the earth out. You can't save natural brute beasts. I don't care how they prayed about God and how they talk about God,

And they talk about, "Oh, we should have prayer in the school." Why don't they put it back in the schools? They've got a majority? Oh no, there's a lobby out there. Yeah. There's the ADL, the Anti-Defamation League. Yeah. There's your union of lawyers. They're running things. The government is not by the people, of the people, and for the people. The government is by the lobby, of the lobby, and for the lobby. And the lobby has only one thing in mind, that's nasty power. And money is power; so therefore, the root of all evil is money, love of money.

"Well, I really don't love money. I love what money can do."

That's exactly right. Yeah. What a mess.

24. [70] *Both are fully matured now. (Off the Word.) They started seeding again. It died out, but...bloomed again in the days of Luther... (Wesley and so on.)*

[71] *It bloomed out. In the days of...Wesley, and those Anglicans, with all their eternal securities and everything had bound it up into a place to what's almost universalism...*

You know the hyper-Calvinism, which is the hard-shell Baptists, is almost universalism? The hard-shell Baptists says, "Nobody knows if he's saved or not till he stands in the judgment of God, but we have a hope we are." In other words, salvation without means? That's a lot of bunk. Not true at all.

25. The next thing the [one word unclear] says, "Everybody's saved. God's everywhere. Wave my arms, and God's in there. Breathe, breathe in God, breathe out hate," you know all that sort of raspberry. My Lord, have pity.

[72] *Finally, broke out the Pentecost, coming out of all of it. What happened then? They did run well. What did hinder you? You went right back to the same mud you come out of, went back to the same slop, ...back to discrepancy and to make an organization, you had to compromise on the Word.*

In other words, you had to neglect It. You had to neglect a certain little thing in here. Say, "Well, what if women do wear short skirts? That's no big deal. Hey, what's that..."

As one woman preacher said, "When you dress like George, I'll dress like Martha."

Oh, they thought it was so clever, hah, hah, hah, hah. Yeah.

"What's cut hair got to do with it?"

Like I was telling last night, and then kind of lost my place, which is the first time in years. I'm still pretty good at preaching. These women that don't cut their hair, that didn't cut their hair, already had uncut hair, before Bro. Branham, I said, "Man, they're so mean they could lick the jam off a doorknob."

He said, "*Lee, I didn't say it made them spiritual. It's a command of God.*"

26. So, you see, well, it really doesn't matter if they don't get spiritual; it's a command of God.

There's where discrepancy comes in.

"Well, it really doesn't matter, because we got the blood, and we got this and we got that."

If you don't have the Word, you don't have the Blood! The Blood condemns you! For this **is** the condemnation. In spite of the fact the Blood should take away condemnation, there is a condemnation, what is it? Light has come into the world, and men love darkness rather than light, because their deeds are evil. What deed is evil? Spiritually worshipping God apart from the Word!

27. "Hallelujah, I speak in tongues!"

I don't care if you speak in tongues, or you don't speak in tongues; it has nothing to do with it. Devils can speak in tongues.

If we had a Pentecostal meeting going here this morning, and I brought in people cursing and swearing in other languages, how many would know? If I brought in people here, and I said, "Look, you speak in tongues, receiving the Holy Ghost," and I brought in a German here...

Anybody understand German? Anybody? Anybody at all? Hah. Then I could fool you.

Don't just think, 'ach du lieber; das ist gut.' It's German, because 'Das ist not gut'. That's Lee Vayle, with the pigeon German.

Then let them speak a high class German. Let them quote from Knightsley or somebody, or Plato.

And you say, "Oh they're speaking in tongues. They could just receive the Holy Ghost."

Hogwash.

I say, "Brother/sister, ask you a question, you that speak in tongues. What is to happen in the last day to get the saints ready for the Rapture?"

And they'll hum and haw and tell you one million things except the fact that Elijah must come and restore.

They say, "Well, how is He going to come?"

"Oh, this and that and the other thing."

No, no, no, no. And do you think they'll believe me?

"I speak in tongues, hallelujah."

Oh, Paul said, "I speak with tongues more than the whole bunch of you put together." And he said, "It doesn't mean one thing as pertaining to anything unless it pertains to the framework of the Word from which it came out of, or I am just tinkling brass and a sounding cymbal, a bunch of hot air, and ginglygong-gongs."

28. No, I don't know who it was, but I appreciate it. They didn't put their name on it. They gave me some of these Aeolian chimes, these wind chimes, you know. So, I guess Mary got the idea we should put them up, and I think maybe Jim put them out. And you know a big wind came and blew them all away. Clang, clang, bang, bang, bang, clang, clang, wheep...They're gone.

I said, "Oh, Pentecostals." Clanging gongs.

29. You see they compromised the Word, they became careless, they became disobedient. They didn't deny it. They didn't deny it. They said, "Well, hey, I don't understand that over there in 1 Corinthians. The thing is, some say cut hair, and some say this, and some say that." And the Amish and the Mennonites got a little trick. They put the little thing on the woman's head. They've already got long hair. My God, they're taking castor oil to make the Epson salts work. Stupid!

If your hair's not cut, that's it! If you want to wear it in an Afro, that's your business. I wouldn't suggest it. I'd have all the black people coming down and knocking at your door. Leave them alone. They've got saints there; they got sinners there. We've got saints; we've got sinners. Hair doesn't have a thing to do with that part. But the thing is this, you cut your hair, it does because there's a Word against it. You wear men's clothes? There's a Word against it. And It's vindicated.

30. That's why Bro. Branham couldn't stand men going around like these golfers in shorts. Why? Because that's a woman's undergarment naturally pertaining to her. Of course, they alter it by putting a fly in front, or that. Now they don't even have that. So, what are men to do? They go to the men's store, and you'll see right there, they got their bikinis, just like... Before God, they've got them. If you don't believe me, I'll take you... If you're so dumb and stupid, I'll take you there and show you. They've got women's underclothes on. And they wear them out front.

Women had slacks, the zipper on the side, now they got them on front. Why does a woman have a zipper on the front for? You show me. She's not made that way; it doesn't pertain to her! She's not built that way. Man's not built a certain way. Man is a male. Why does he want to do it?

"Oh, well, it really doesn't matter."

31. Well, it does matter! See. There's where discrepancy comes in. You start on that little thing, Bro. Branham said, *"I'm not worried about the big things. It's the small things, and I fear for the Bride, because she's going to get careless with this Word and carried away."*

And what is that bride? She ain't Bride. She won't get careless with this Word. She'll look at. She's going to want it; she's going to try to live it. She's going to be right with it. She's not going to turn on anything that Bro. Branham said as a vindicated prophet. She simply won't do it.

What is she? She's that seed in there that endured for just a little while, and the heat came down, they said, *"This ain't what I want."*

And Bro. Branham said, *"A man goes down to the seashore, he throws his net in, and he brings in all this stuff, and there's crawdads there, and there's crabs, and there's lobsters, and there's some real fish, and the real fish he puts aside, and pretty soon those old crawdads out there, and those lobsters and crabs and things, they say, 'Well I don't know if I like this or not,' and they go right back to where they came from."*

32. So, whether you're a plant or a fish, you can compromise. That's of the devil. That's seed of discrepancy. That's organization...because organization: a million more in '94. No, that was a million more in '54. It's several million more. But who's got them? The Pentecostals got them. There's a riot amongst the Catholics right now, and the pope is very disconcerted. And he can't say too much, because he wants his lovely Protestant brothers baptized in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost to come on back to mother. But underneath he's fighting mad, and his bishops are fighting mad, and all the cardinals are fighting mad, because in South America they are turning from Catholicism, millions, to the Protestants, and they're no better! And who's getting them? Pentecostals!

Now, some of your high class Protestants, like Billy Graham and Pilo and these guys, they look at the Pentecostals, say, "Sniff," you know, got their nose up in the air about them. But you see, they can't say too much because the Pentecostals are getting far more by person to person in church to church than all this big stuff you hear about Billy Graham and Pilo and the rest of them. Come on; look at the figures! There's millions that are turned to Pentecostals. They never came under Billy Graham and these other guys! They came under Pentecostal preachers, speaking in tongues and demonstrating the power of God that follows the Word...and has to follow the Word because it's in the Bible!

33. Come on, I know the statistics; I read them. I told you, I got a gift that God gave me. I can pick up the right paper in a doctor's office, or any place else. I don't know how it happens, it just happens, and I get all I need to know in a few sentences. Why read all the stupid books, when I got a beautiful bunch from Bro. Branham's. Oh my, delicious, yum, yum. As Bro. Branham said, *"I'm feeding real good. You people that need physical food, I'm feeding real good."* Well, he needed physical food, too, but he didn't care what time it was.

34. Now, listen.

[72] *Every time God would send something new, they couldn't receive it.*

Well, how could they? Jesus himself said, *"You haven't got the right heart, the right place, or something in your heart to receive it."*

Let's go to Jn 3:22-26. See, I'm taking all my time on this sermon, because I don't care to preach another one. Why, we'll let this run for a whole year. Whether I'm just saying it or not, it's liable to happen, the way we're going. Jn 3:22, beginning.

(22) *After these things came Jesus and his disciples into the land of Judaea; and there he tarried with them, and baptized.*

(23) And John...was baptizing in AEnon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, and were baptized.

(24) For John was not yet cast into prison.

Well, that's good. He couldn't very well baptize in prison, unless he sprinkled, could he? So, how many people got sprinkled; they got sprinkled by prisoners, huh? Well, come on. If I was in prison, Paul, I could sprinkle you. But to immerse you fully in water, I've got to go somewhere where there's running water. Number one: baptism requires, usually, running water. That's the highest order. Number two: a lake. Number three: a pool. And if you're entirely bedridden, they used to take... This was in the first century, I understand, by reading what I read many years ago, they passed a basin of water under you and one on top of you, signifying that you wanted to comply, but there was no way. Now, of course, the real way would have been take them down there, and whether they died in the immersion or after the immersion, what's the difference? They're going to die anyway. Put them in.

35. I heard of a lady years ago, she's been baptized, because she was truly converted, as far as we know, this was many, many years ago – fifty, more than fifty years ago. And she was actually a very, very stout lady. And this man would have a great job baptizing her because of her girth, and plus the fact, when she got in the water she said, "You know, I got heart trouble."

"Oh brother, here's a nice candidate for sudden death in my arms under the water."

Well, he said, "Here goes, because that's the Word of God. I can't do anything but trust the Word of God. Should I let her die. What better death could she have than obeying God?"

Well, so he took all preliminaries, I think he had a man help him, then he lowered her in the water, she bounces back, perfectly healed.

Now, there's an invitation right there to water baptism. And the man that did it believed in one God. He was off on the Scripture because it wasn't his day to know the truth. He was a Jesus-Only. But that's acceptable, because you see they're on to something. And that seed had to grow to complete revelation. At the time of the harvest, when everything is exposed. And what is exposed at the time of the harvest? What is exposed at the time of the harvest? The **wheat**, that comes out of the chaff that's been exposed. And nobody knew that it wasn't death because the life had gone out of it. That's where we are today.

36. So, okay. Brother Branham said, [7] "*They couldn't receive it.*" I'm reading over here in John.

(25) Then there arose a question between *some* of John's disciples and the Jews about purifying.

(26) And they came to John and said..., Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Jordan, to whom thou barest witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all...come to him.

(27) (And) John...said, A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven.

He said, "Listen, you birds, forget it." He said, "Unless you're predestinated, forget it."

That's what he told them, flat, flat, flat. A man can receive nothing except it was given him from heaven to receive it. And he had to have it here to receive it, or it would be a question mark, it would be debilitating, it would be death, or as it is enlivening to immortality and eternal life in the New Jerusalem. If you haven't got it, you haven't got it.

37. (28) Ye yourselves bear me witness, ...I said, I am not the Christ, but...I am sent before him.

William Branham wasn't sent before him. William Branham was sent with him, meaning Elohim, and his Message foreran the actual coming of Jesus Christ in flesh, God having been reincarnated in Him, just before the Wedding Supper, at the time of the Rapture.

- (29) He that hath the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, (That's John.) which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy...is fulfilled.
- (30) He must increase, but I...decrease.
- (31) He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: (and) he that cometh from heaven is above all.
- (32) And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony.

Now, you've got two things in here: you've got the Son of God and you've got God Himself. And the Son of God is testifying, and John the Baptist is testifying to what was testified by the Son who testified of the Father, and the Father in Him was doing the testifying.

38. (33) (And) he that received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.

If you believe, therefore, which is based upon vindication, you know that you are true, and God is true, and the Word is true, and it's all truth. And then there's no light and no variableness and shadow of turning.

- (34) For he whom God...sent speaketh the words of God: (Ah hah. And) God giveth not the Spirit by measure...

In other words, there's not a little doling out of the Holy Ghost here. If you're one of the Word prophets and a special prophet vindicated by God, but not necessarily even a Word prophet, there's something bigger here than men think. They have a measure that's greater.

39. (35) The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.
- (36) He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abides on him.

Why? Do you think for one minute if Jesus came down and then gave a good story, and everybody believes it: God says, "Hey that's fine, come in, come in, come in, come in." No! Jesus never had a Word of his own. He had God's Word. And Satan doesn't have a word of his own. He perverts God's Word. Now he's got no power; he's got no word. The devil's got nothing. Correctly, as Bro. Branham said, "*He's a bluff!*" Oh God, how we get bluffed. We get bluffed by circumstances. Listen; let's go back a few years in our lives. Let's go back even a few days. What bugged you a few days ago? Is it bugging you now? Not likely. Then why bother? Put your heart and mind on the higher things. See?

40. Now, let's go to Jn 5:43, and Jn 5:43 says:

- (43) I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, you will receive him).

That's already happened and will continue to happen. John 14:17. And It says:

- (17) *Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not...*

Now, just a minute, how are they going to see him? They can't see him. They're actually atheists, although they think they're believers.

- (17) *...neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.*

Now the thing is, was Jesus the Holy Spirit? No! The Holy Spirit was in him. He wasn't the Holy Spirit. But everything they saw him do, it was the Holy Spirit doing it. He just merely named it and stood there while it happened. That's all.

41. So, Jn 16:14.

- (14) *He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.*

So, you got here positively when the Holy Spirit comes He'll thoroughly delineate, declare, and bring forth Jesus as exactly who he is, what he has done, where he's been, where he's going, what he's doing when he gets there. And they got him comatose, haven't they?

See? Listen. You don't need to be crazy to believe the Word of God. You've got to be sane. And the Word of God does not make you crazy. No. The Holy Spirit baptism brings you one with the Word, and if God is the Word and Jesus is the Word, then we are the Word. Then how can we do anything but say 'amen' to every word the prophet brings? Now it can be confusing. I'm not arguing this can't be confusing. But learn to give in! If something comes in, do what I did automatically. "When was he ever wrong?" So, that takes care of it. Then you go a little farther: "When was I ever right?" Now you've got it. Now you've got it. And that's the way it should be, because this man is God to the people.

42. [72] *Now, every time God would send something new, you couldn't receive it. That's right! Discrepancy again!*

Why couldn't they? Because of organization, the creeds and dogmas. The men who built something, and said, "This has got to be it, because we know we are of God." That's what they said to Jesus. "We know, but who are you? Some stupid mad Samaritan."

John said, "We **know** we are of God. Now I'm going to let you in on a little secret. You can know you're of God if you listen to me, because I am pointing out reality. I was with Jesus. I know the one that was vindicated. I was there. I can tell you the truth. I can give you thousands of times of it..."

43. Listen. Oh, the world would say, "Oh that's anecdotal, that's not scientific." Is that anecdotal? They don't even know about it. Huh? Eye of the camera caught it. That's scientific. That's not anecdotal.

Talked to our doctor the other day about a certain type of drug that Jim told me about that restores short-term memory. He didn't know a thing about it, so I told him. Well, he said, "That's anecdotal."

I said, "I know it's anecdotal in the sense that I'm telling you the story, and it was told to me, but there's evidence behind it that the man was vegetating, and he got his mind all back, until he died he was fine."

So, he looked up the word ... [sounds like 'menitop'—unable to locate through search] could only find it's a calcium blocker. "Well," he said, "I'll tell you what."

I said, “What is this that you want to give me? It’s in my wallet here. And what is your experience? What do you know about it? What success have you had?”

So, he told me.

“Well,” I said, “I don’t like the fact that it could damage my wife’s liver. She’s got enough trouble now.” I had to quit Plaquenil because it bothers my eyes, and that’s the best arthritic treatment I would ever know anybody could have, if you could stand it. It takes away your pain, stops those white little rascals proliferating, and chawing on your cartilage and ruining your joints and all. Now, if I could find something natural to do it, I’d be in human being’s heaven. Now, if you can’t take it, you can’t take it. Yet there’s nothing like it, when it comes to what it can do, if you can only take it.

So, we kind of hemmed and hawed, and he brought in his book to look it up. “Well,” he said, “Tell you what you do. You find out what the little thing inside the pill box says and you bring it to me, and we’ll talk about it.”

A very fair-minded man.

But you see, here’s the thing you’re looking at with this discrepancy bit. See. You can only go so far. You can go a long way with your reasoning; you can go a long way with your education; you can go a long way with a lot of things; but I’m going to tell you, the long road that you take will fall short and far shorter than any road that you take away from the Word of Almighty God.

44. Now he said:

[72] *... Discrepancy again! And, notice, as I said the other day, that first little... (Now, watch. This is good. We’re going to get to this, and then, we’ll close.) ...the first little husk that come forth from...*

Now he shouldn’t use the word ‘husk’, but he’s got his mind so fixed on the husk, which is the end time, that he swings to the husk. And he’s true in this respect. This goes to the husk, as the life. He always said before the first little shoot, so I’ll read it ‘little shoot’, to understand better.

[72] *The first little shoot that came forth from the root, comes up into the leaves... into the tassel, then back into the stalk again, and comes out. That little husk (Now we’re getting to the husk.) of wheat looks almost like the grain itself, and we thought it was, but when it opened up, there’s no grain there at all. It’s only a supporter for the grain to grow by, and it dies also, and the life goes right out of it...into the grain again.*

Now, what’s he telling you here? Look; these real true Christians, what do they have? They are reborn from whatever the truth of the light is of that hour, even if it’s infinitesimal. And what goes on is shaking the hand, going to the altar, joining the church—that’s okay. It means nothing! Because they are what they are by the grace of God. The true seed, and the Word hasn’t been restored.

So, what happens? Well, their kids go to Sunday school, just like yours and mine did—the older folk. And they learned all the beautiful things the parents learned from the preacher. And lo and behold, there are discrepancies. And the discrepancies cannot give them rebirth. So, here they are, either foolish virgin, or entirely serpent seed. I don’t know which, and I care less. I really don’t know. But you see how discrepancy grows, and it come in.

45. Now you have to have children born in this world, because that’s how God proliferates Himself! See. He put everything in His first Son, “You are My Only-begotten Son. This day have I begun My generations in you.”

So, they went down and they made Adam and Eve, part creation, part uncreated, which was a period of God, breathed in Adam the breath of lives, which was the soul! And Eve got a part of it. Because she has to have part of God, or she's not a child of God. How can you be a child without life? You're a corpse. It's a child's corpse. It's not really a child. To be a child it's got to breathe and live and move and take on substance, give off waste and so on...mature, so down the line.

46. So, here you are, you're like Israel. We're like Israel; we become carriers! Not that our children will actually be born again. We don't know that, but somebody's children get born again. Now, what will those children get? They will get that little spark, joining them back to God, the enlivening of God, the quickening of God, but they're still with some discrepancies. Finally, God sends a messenger. And that messenger is a reformer. He can't be Paul, original. He can't be restorer. He just reforms and brings a little more light on what was there. Now you go from justification, sanctification, baptism with the Holy Ghost, and you come to the end time of the Pentecostals, and they must be the last generation, which will be husk, and the life must come through them to the Bride, which is the wheat. Now, that's all there is to it. And that's a beautiful illustration. It's the strongest illustration that Bro. Branham ever used. And he used it through the church ages, and he used it everywhere he ever preached. And he's using it now.

47. [72] *...the life goes...back into the grain. Notice, so they called the churches that sowed... (Pentecost, this and that.)*

Now, let's take a look at this, so we get what we want to look at. Now, the pattern here of the wheat is the same pattern for the tares. Now, listen carefully, because here's where we got to study, and get this flat: the pattern for the wheat is the pattern for the tares. They are sown, they come up, and they pass successively until they come right back to the father who sired them.

Now, get a picture. Satan's church has a headship; the Bride church has a Headship. Satan's church has a ministry and a message. God's church has a ministry and a Message. And God's church, Elijah came with the Message to the church, which was utterly vindicated, and Satan came with his creeds and dogmas. And he was allowed to take what comes out of the Word, because that's all he can ever do, is take what comes out of the Word, because: he has no power himself; he has no life of himself; he has no word of himself; he has nothing of himself. All he can do is take what is there and pervert it. Right? So now, he's going to take the gifts and pervert them and tell the people, "Hey look, you've got everything here in the Pentecostal Age. William Branham is nothing more than God showing you what can happen if a man is dedicated to God and God listens and uses him."

48. And so, the big shot bigmouths like Lindsey and Duplessis, and all those big guys right here in Ohio, Listen, Ohioans, right here in Ohio, in Chataqua, they say, right down here, oh yes, right down here, right down in the area, Hamilton in there. Oh, you know where it is. And they said, "Listen, don't listen to Bro. Branham. He is a prophet when he discerns, but when it comes to the Word, he's way off." Yeah. Right in Ohio.

Yeah, where did the Republicans lose the match? Huh? When Ford lost out, got his trousers beaten off of him, right here in Ohio. Where's the fight going on now today, so Clinton can get back in? Right here in Ohio. It's recognized. Where did they call the prophet the mouthpiece of the devil, because if he's off on 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' then the devil's got power over God, using his name, and William Branham is the devil incarnate? Huh? Right here in Ohio. Right here in Ohio.

49. Where did God show Bro. Branham forth? In the Ohio River, just below Jeffersonville between Louisville. Where did he say there'd be a bomb fall? Right in Jeffersonville. He named Dupont; he was just being nice. What condition is Jeffersonville in today? What about Houston where the Pillar of Fire was photographed? What condition is Texas in? The Texans may blow and boast, but they're going to get bombs like they couldn't believe, too. They will find the least results where the prophet was the most. Show me one person came out of Windsor. Show me anything in Toledo; show me one thing around Cleveland, Tennessee. Show me something in Tucson.

Those that were thoroughly inured with the Word of Almighty God and had the true faith and revelation, the people that listened to them, they are the ones that are Bride. Not because they saw the prophet endorse this does it make them Bride. They could even be friends of the Bridegroom, foolish virgin. God knows. But you had better believe, they've got to be one with that Word.

50. Now, the tares grew up just exactly like the wheat. Now, let's just find out about that. We go to the Book of Matthew. And Matthew 3, we find brought to our attention these words, verse 1:

- (1) In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea,
- (2) And saying, Repent: (change your mind,) for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

In other words, you got to have one hundred percent change of mind if you're going to be a part of the Kingdom that is now ready to come into full manifestation. Now, remember; in our day we even taste the power of the world to come. We taste the Kingdom that is right here already, ready for manifestation, because heaven and all these things are only in a figure and in a dimension. They're all out here right now. And if we could break through, we'd see Bro. Branham and those of the Seventh Church Age. Yeah. Old Daddy Bosworth, and some of those great old saints. If we could break through another dimension, we'd see Paul's group. They're not all together. Seven comes up first, six, five, four, three, two, one, then in reverse, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, going up. Resurrection order is different from the Rapture order.

51. (3) ... (Now) this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
- (4) And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey.
- (5) Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all...round about Jordan,
- (6) And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.
- (7) But when he saw many of the Pharisses and Sadducees come to his baptism, ...O generation of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? (Who warned you about 70 AD?)

Now, they didn't know it was going to be 70 AD. They just knew it was going to happen. We had a prophet tell us what's coming. We know it's going to happen, thirty years, fifty. Who knows when it's going to happen. I don't know when it's going to happen. But you'd better believe it's coming.

52. (8) Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance:

In other words, you bring forth the fruit of your repentance, the change of your mind. And what is the fruit? It's the Word of the hour! Brother Branham said so!—from Matthew 7. Now he said, "If you're going to show me some fruit, bring me the Word!"

And they said, "We'll show you boy, we'll get your lousy head cut off because we ain't taking it. We've got the Word; we are the Word. Don't you say we're not children of God, because we can trace our lineage back to Abraham. And when you can go back to Abraham, of course, you go right back to Adam."

And you're crazier than an idiot because Genesis 12 kills that! "Thee have I chosen out of everybody, and the rest are gone! Who'd he say it to? Abraham.

You say, "Bro. Vayle, he didn't put it quite that way."

Well, how are you going to put it? Only one elect: Abraham. Only one elect wife: Sarah. What about Abraham's nephew? Foolish virgin. What about Hagar? Who gives a rip? Who cares? Egyptian. I don't think about her. Look at her son: like another Cain and Esau.

53. (7) ... O generation of vipers, (serpent seed, because a viper's a snake) who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?
- (8) Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance:
- (9) And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: or I say unto you, God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

Well, He never did. I don't care if God's able to do it; that's not the point! God can do anything, but He doesn't do anything! He doesn't say, "Well, little boy, I'm sorry for you, so I'll just change the capital of Ohio from Columbus to Saint Paris." Hah! Fap. God's not some genie out of a bottle! Sure God can do it! But He's not going to do it! Why? Because He already said what He's going to do.

54. Now, let's find out what He's going to do. Hey, whoa, we're sitting pretty now. You know why? Because God's got our ear. So they go to some stupid clairvoyant. "Tell me." They go to those that people mutter, "Tell me." You know, peep, peep, peep, peep, peep. Now that's some kind of a signal, but I don't get it. I'm not one of those peepers and mutterers kind of guys.

You guys that got beepers, what is your beeper good for? To make you aware something is there. To get your attention. So, you get these peepers, and mutterers, these clairvoyants, and spiritists, that are *imitations of true prophets*, (That's right. Bro. Branham said so.) get your ear. God have pity.

Paul said, "Many voice in the air. Which one do you listen to?"

55. Now, the miracles of 'THUS SAITH THE LORD' were to get our attention. Remember; I preached that sermon a few years ago in Toronto: "They Know Better"? Ha. Don't tell me, even the Catholic priests said, "When God does a miracle, a sign, He means 'Sit down, shut-up, and listen; I've got something to tell you.'"

And so, when the devil pulled a trick to Fatima over there, that God allowed, in Spain, what a little tiddlywink thing, against the Bible-produced prophet. Now, no doubt over there in Spain and Fatima, the sun did come down and do different things, I suppose. But what about the very time that Bro. Branham was baptizing in the river, when God came down, what happened in Rome? A blue sun appeared in Rome and blue is a bad color. Remember; Bro. Branham spoke to the blue light. At that time I believe Rome was entirely taken over by the devil. Yep. She's our mother; she's our prophetess; she's everything. And I believe the whole world, church world went right down the drain at that time, because Bro. Branham came on the scene.

56. Now God is not going to raise up stones, unless they're lively stones. That's a different connotation; we're going to connotations now. Now he's saying God could take these stones. Sure He could, but He's not going to! How will He do it?

"He'll take the stones and break them down and put them in a form of the earth that we came out of... feed the plants that feed the animals. We eat the plants; we eat the animals. The woman gets a sperm in

her womb, goes to her egg, and her chemical factory takes all these things up here, and now we've got a boy or girl."

Now He does that. Like Bro. Branham said, "*God took the water and took a short-cut. Instead of putting the grape seed in the ground, getting a grapevine, getting a grape, putting it through fermentation, He just said, 'Water become wine,' took a short-cut, that was it.*"

Now He didn't take a hunk of leather. He didn't take a horseshoe. He took water. Because water goes down in the soil, picks up the elements, goes to the grape, grape makes the juice, squeeze the juice, ferments, we've got wine. Took a short cut. Yeah.

57. God will take a short cut pretty soon when they raise up the earth. But you see, God couldn't do it, because it's not in the Word that God's going to do. See, people read this wrong. They get the old, Pentecostal, liberal idea, "Oh, God will do anything. God will do anything. God will do anything but lie."

What if God fools you? He doesn't lie, He just fools you. Huh? God shall send them strong delusion. He'll make them think they're in the Word, but they're not. Yeah. "Well, these signs follow me, Hallelujah, I'm part of the Word."

"Hallelujah, you're not." Maybe, I don't know. Could be Judas. See what I'm talking about?

58. Now: [Matthew 3:10]

- (10) And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: (It says one root brings all these Protestants out, the root is Catholicism. Yep.) therefore every tree which bringeth not...good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

Now you know that isn't true until the end time. Every time you see the word 'fire' you got to bring it where fire comes. That's at the end time—the burning of the earth and the Lake of Fire. So put it where it belongs. This is future. And it's got to be cut down before it's done, and the tares got to be bundled before it's done. So then, it's got to go through the processes of the time of cutting, bundling and burning and gathering to glory. There's a process. That's what Bro. Branham called *the events of the Rapture*. Then, when he preached it, he called it "The Rapture". He should have called it 'The Event's. Because they were events.

59. (11) I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: (to complete change of mind) but he that cometh after me is mightier than I...

In other words, water doesn't wash away your sins, though it can be symbolic. You die in the water, come up in life. The Holy Ghost confirms it. Then, from that time on, where you started to change your mind, get your mind lined up, there's a steady progression of the aligning of the mind, until it comes right back to the mind of Christ, which we have today, because the last thing above the eye is the mind that doesn't move. It simply absorbs through the ultimate sense, which is the eye and the ear. They're the senses. You see with your ears, you hear with your eyes; you see with your eyes, you hear with your ears. And that brings you to the revelation in your mind, brings you perfect repentance, and you bring forth fruit, and the fruit is: God listens, and He said, "Those people are talking what I said through William Branham." Now He said, "They're talking like every one of My Bride. They're Bride, hallelujah."

60. Then people don't like to talk about the Word. I think that is a little bit peculiar. I think that's peculiar. They don't like to think about the Word. Better to see a picture show or watch a tape or something else, you know. I'm not against these things, if you use them right. But merciful heavens, I think a lot of this church here, (And I think women are the worst offenders.) you use this thing until you're going to blow your minds. You're not going to get... You can't feed yourself with this stuff all the

time, from Hollywood and all this junk. Once in a while is okay, if something's decent. I might see one or two a month, something myself. I haven't been to a picture show for years. I just can't get interested. Do you know why? Because it's sham. It's imitation, and I can't stand it.

61. How many people drink coffee and like it? Come on, don't be... That's good. You do, right? Do you like this ersatz stuff? How many like it? I don't. Now, if I got real used to it, I'd like it. But I'm not a child of Hitler. That's the word 'ersatz' come from: imitation. Yuck. John brings me back some of the best stuff out of Germany. Thank God the Germans we know are not ersatz. They're not these knuckleheaded, skin-headed neo-Nazis. Neo-Nazi's! Neo... They ain't new Nazis. It's the same crud. William Branham didn't bring a new message. He brought the old Message, corrected. It's the original former rain that's now called the latter rain, because it's the latter time.

62. (11) I...baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier..., whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize with the Holy Ghost, and *with* fire:

(12) Whose fan *is* in his hand, ...thoroughly purge his floor, ...gather his wheat into the garner; ...burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

Now he tells you this ministry in a nutshell! Because as soon as Jesus come back, riding on the white horse, Revelation 19, and we with Him, the earth begins to burn. It's got to be purified. Temple worship sets in a thousand years, then the great White Throne, then the Lake of Fire, and then the whole thing goes up into smoke, as it were, brought back together again. Everything's done.

Now, what I'm showing you here is this. This is identical, what we're saying, to Matthew 13, that Bro. Branham preached his sermon on! Right? Well, you know it's right, because I'm telling you. I wouldn't lie to you.

63. Let's go to Matthew 13, and I'll prove it to you. So, Mt 13:24-30.

(24) Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which (had) sowed good seed in his field:

(25) ...but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

Now, is this what Bro. Branham took as a text? The context? It sure is. Right? Okay. Are you asleep on me? [Congregation indicates 'no'.] That's good. This is what he took, right? Okay.

(25) But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

Now he sowed tares amongst the wheat. Now, what was wheat? Adam and Eve. Two wheats make plural, right? Wheat. And their progeny, also wheat. Now, notice the tares get amongst them.

(27) So the servants of the householder came and said..., Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in your field? (Where do these tares come from?)

(28) (And) he said, An enemy (did it. And) the servants said, (Well, shall) we go and gather them up?

(29) (Oh, no, no. Because when you) gather up the tares (at this time, you could) root up...the wheat with them.

“And I’m not going to lose one wheat. We’ll just suffer the tares to grow. We’re not going to take a chance on the wheat. Never, never, never. They’re my special care. I don’t care if there is tares there. That’s not going to bother me. I don’t like them any more than you like them, but the point is: no, no, no, just leave them alone.”

64. (30) Let (them) grow together until the harvest: (Then you watch what we’ll do.) and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather...first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them...

It doesn’t say bind them in bundles ‘and’ burn them. It says “bind them into bundles ‘to’ burn them.” And the binding of the tares is what? The Roman Catholic harlot out of which all the prostitute daughters came, which are all Protestants. Every single one. There is no group, not even Pentecost, that did not come out of the harlot, because they all had the baptism in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, which is one hundred percent error. One hundred percent error. And the Jesus-Only thought they really had everything right when they made Jesus God and Jesus-Only, and they’re wrong. And you can’t convince them.

And all the Trinitarians in this Message, almost every single one ran to the Jesus-Only, and now they’re wrong! They’re doubly wrong! Would you be offended if I said there’s a great possibility they are more a two-fold child of hell? I don’t know if that’s true. But by the law of compound probability, and by the laws we have in mathematics, and what I read to you last night at the Lord’s Supper, they got worse and worse and worse, and further and further away from God. And Bro. Branham said *the branch that is furthest from the source*, (And that was that fourth age.) *was the furthest from light, and then it began coming back*. What a mess they’re in. See?

65. Gather the tares for the burning.

- (39) ...and the reapers are the (messengers. That’s true.)
- (40) As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be at the end of this world.
- (41) The Son of man shall send forth his (messengers), and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity...

Now he’s talking about the harvest and what will happen at the harvest. When the separation comes, the line is so cut and definitive, and the foolish virgin die, and the Bride is gone, there’s nothing left but the burning of the tares.

- (42) And shall cast them into a furnace...: there (will) be wailing and gnashing of teeth. (And Bro. Branham said that was the Great Tribulation.)
- (43) Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

That’s the Bride coming back here in the earth, Old and New Testament, to set up the millennial worship in the tabernacle.

66. Now, let’s go now to Malachi 4. And as I say, soon as I get this done, we can quit, because I want to get this to you.

- (1) For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, (Now all the proud: that’s Satan fell by reason of pride, and he did wickedly from that point on,) shall

be stubble: (stubble. What's stubble? Part of the chaff. What's left.)
and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts,
that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

Now, notice; It brings them down to one root and one branch. You don't have durum wheat and soft wheat and hard wheat and kamut wheat and spelt wheat and red bog and this and that, bearded wheat and non-bearded wheat any more. No, just wheat. And you don't have pigweed, and you don't have jimson, and you don't have this kind and that kind. Just one. There's one Bride. Everything else is out there in organization. The foolish virgins are killed. So, all you've got now is one root, with the one branch, which is Rome—under the pope, under the devil. We have our headship; they have theirs.

Our headship has appeared, but not physically! as though He were here with us, in glorified human flesh, which He's not. Our Headship is the proper headship because Jesus' headship is subject to another Headship, which is God: Bride, Christ, God. God obligated to put all things under the feet of Jesus, for what Jesus did for us. So, He's here; Elohim's here: Jehovah Elohim; Almighty God. The Son is on the Father's throne waiting for what God is doing, subjecting all things to Him.

67. Now, in the subjection you will notice, the separation now being complete, there is no problem for Jesus, and he'll be the incarnate body of God again, doing what God wants. And he said, "I can presently call for...", I think, "twelve legions of angels." (That's ten thousand times twelve.) "I can call for them, but I won't do it." And that day He can.

See, listen. Jesus didn't waste words; John didn't waste words. A lot of people got an idea that Jesus used vain words, and Paul used vain words, and John used vain words, and William Branham used vain words. Hogwash! They never used vain words. Vain words are those that cannot come to pass and will not come to pass, and it's vain, it's foolish, it's empty, it's ridiculous to have any faith in it, because your faith is gone! Merciful God, can't you see why we need a complete, beautiful revelation that's vindicated? Why sure you do. All right. "...root nor branch."

68. Now, remember; 1 Tim 6:10, the love of money is the root of all evil. The essentiality of man in this hour, the last church age in Revelation 3, "I'm rich. I'm increased in goods. I see. I've got it all. This is it. Hallelujah. Glory!"

"Ah, William Branham? Who's William Branham? Never heard of him."

Well, that's strange. He had 'THUS SAITH THE LORD'. You were wise men when Bro. Branham came on the scene. One of you even wrote a book saying 'a prophet sent from God'.

You know, he's going to eat those words? Why did you not listen? The tongue is a killer, for by your tongue, by your words, you're justified or condemned. Now, there's only one Word in your tongue and mine that cannot take condemnation: that's God's Word. Any other Word will take it. God's Word defiled and changed will do it. It will destroy you.

69. All right. James 5 is the story. "Go to you rich men, weep and howl. Your silver and gold is corrupted, because of your love of money. You ask in vain. You want money. You want these things to make your own lusts more benefited by them, whether it's just comfort living and nice things and this and that." But he said, "They're cankered; you've withheld the hire of the wage earner."

That's why, if you can be an entrepreneur, you should get on your own. That's where the money is now. The other guys... Look; with stocks costing, and the income... The cost is not commensurate with the income! It's crazy. Do you think I'd buy AT&T stock now—whatever is a good stock, so-called, the blue chip—for what I'd get back? Don't be nuts. I'd sooner start my own little shop like other people have done. Get my hands on twenty, thirty thousand dollars, and lend it out to people I know I can trust; if they turn out to be scallywags, just take their property. Huh? I talk hardboiled, see, I'm talking business.

You're not going to get anywhere today with these big CEOs and these guys. You know why? Because they're controlling money they didn't earn! Just like the devil had nothing to do with the power of God, and it was put in his trust, and he blew it! Ho, and he blew us with him. See?

70. I'm going to tell you something. Read Revelation 17 and 18, and you're going to find this crucial age of where money is the church and church is the money, and politics and lobby and Christianity and everything so-called is all one thing, and they're blown to smithereens; they're brought down to the dust. The people will stand back and say, "Oh God, look at this big thing is gone." They're going to say it two times, they're going to say it just before the pope takes over, and they're going to say it after, when Christ comes back. And they say, "Save us from the wrath to come." And they'll gnaw their tongues in pain and curse God. That will be all the Mohammedans and all the Jews and all the Protestants and all the Catholics, and all the Taoists and all the Buddhists and all the freethinkers and all the universalists; you name it. The animists and the non-animists; you name it. Gnostics and agnostics; you name it. Believers so-called, and what not. They'll be cursing their tongues and screaming at God.

And those that talk so much about Jesus, "Hallelujah, we love you. We don't need the prophet," they'll say, "Save us from the wrath to come, from that Lamb." Confusion! Utter despair! Not knowing where to turn! Just grasping at straws and screaming at everything like insane people, which they are—entirely devil possessed in the power of the devil. And the women that cut their hair will see these grasshoppers look like locusts and huge teeth and stingers, like great scorpions, and they're hallucinating. That's the Bible, brother/sister. I'm not telling you a bunch of hogwash; I'm telling you the truth.

71. Gold today.... Revelation 13, if you don't sell out to the devil, you'll have nothing. Now I'm telling you something: the pattern of the tares and the wheat are exact. Those that begin skirting the Word of God in the days of Paul, they came even to the Lord's Supper, and every time they came, it got worse and worse. And the people come to church, it gets worse and worse, and worse and worse, except for a little tiny element that keeps coming up. And the world gets worse and worse. And finally it produces the devil incarnate. The church by light gives back the Word of God, standing with the Word of God, because He is the Word. God is the Word. Oh, people don't like that. They can't believe it. I don't even know what it really means all the way, but I'm going to keep saying It, because It's the truth!

72. And I can show you Rhema and Logos are interchangeable in the Greek! And I can show you in the Book of Isaiah, He's called Jehovah-Elohim. That's not Jesus. That's God His Father. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who hath begotten us again unto a lively hope! and followed the process, not by silver and vain things, but by the precious blood of Jesus Christ, that the Holy Ghost could come in. There's my covenant.

73. Do you know that Jesus has a covenant with God? I'm not resting on Jesus' covenant with me. Don't be ridiculous. Do you think you are? How come you're resting on it? Why would you rest on it? "All that the Father gives you come to me, and him that cometh I will in no wise cast out. My Father is greater than I am and everybody, and I'm in His hand and you're in His hand." It's the covenant that he had with his father, which is the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ that Paul lived by, and I want to live by! That makes me a pure predestinationalist! That makes me a pure believer in sovereignty!

"I've got faith. Hallelujah. Oh, look at my smoke. I've got faith."

The devil says, "I got power; watch my smoke."

"Oh, hey, you do have something good. I'll buy that."

Yeah. Yeah, they did it in 312, or whenever the Nicaean Council was, they did it, when the devil came in. And Constantine had a convenient vision of an angel in white with a sword or something, and he said, "That's them there Christians, I'll just buy them. They're only worth a dime a bushel anyway. They think they're worth a lot, but I can get them for peanuts."

Do you think I'm sarcastic? Ha, ha, ha. Constantine... All he had to do was tell them, "I'll do this and I'll do that," and they fell like a bunch of tenpins.

74. So, all right. We're going to quit right now, where I've shown you, and I'm showing you, that the tares and the wheat come up the same way through the same processes, and one is bound for the burning, while the other is prepared for the Rapture, and it happens, just like the Bible says. And we've got vindication here. And that's the furthest you look down the road. We'll talk about that later.

So, all right. We have our morning gone, and we've got another paragraph finished. We've only got three hundred left to go. So, we have three hundred more sessions, perhaps. I don't know. Let's rise and be dismissed.

Gracious, eternal Father, we want to thank You for Your mercy and goodness that we have had demonstrated that, even by the fact that we can come together in a free time in a free land, as free as we are, we are freed by You, Lord, through the graciousness of Your entire ministry through Your Son, and down to us by the means that You have indicated and, then, vindicated a living prophet, who is a living Word of God manifested, bringing us the truth, and in It we see Jesus. And in It we see the Father. We see It all.

And we are part of that allness this morning, may we realize that as never before, and with strength that You give us, give back to You Your Word in Its unperturbed state, absolute clarity, knowing that when we speak saying what the prophet said, we are becoming the oracles of God; as Peter said, "If a man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God or the Word of God, or shut-up." And Father, I know that's true. And we certainly bandy too many thoughts and words around to be credible and to really give you glory, but from this time on may we be more judicious, and may we, as people have not facetiously said, but well said, "We have a set of teeth to guard our tongue, and we have two ears and one tongue. Therefore, we certainly ought to listen the more and say maybe not even half," but when it comes to Your ears that You give us, hearing and all, and seeing, then we can say it all. And we know, then, therefore, the tongue has been purified, and our hearts and minds are really set upon You, and we know we are one in a particular area, of which You have set forth in this hour, we are Word in our own measure according to this hour.

And, Father, we thank you for it, that You are getting us ready for the Rapture, which will soon take place, the Resurrection hour, which we know is here, and the tares are being bound for the burning, and we are getting ready for the garner. And we are already prepared, according to what we see, and we're just in a little process of waiting I suppose, 'as it was in the days of Noah'.

Help us to realize that and be content and happy and full of grace and full of glory, Lord, and full of energy and full of a spirit of optimism and dynamism, in Jesus Christ, our Lord, because we have seen the glory and the power in this hour, tasted of the good Word of God, the power of the world to come, and we know that we are not of those who are going to be here for the wrath, but getting away, because that is what You said. And It has nothing to do with our thinking about ourselves. It has nothing to do, Lord, by circumstances or any other thing, but It is "THUS SAITH THE LORD."

Help us to take those words and use them, and use them in such a way that, as You listen, and You are happy, and You know that our names are in the Book whereby it is constituted, those names, into the jewels of our God.

We thank you, Lord, for the people here, their sincerity, their love, and their love now blossoming one toward each other more, Lord, giving way to the spirit of God within them, growing up more and more, being more and more dried out to the things of the world, wheat ready for the garner.

Now, unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, even Jehovah-Elohim, be all power, honor, and glory, through Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and redeemer. Amen.

“Take the Name of Jesus with You.”