

Stewardship #4

The Schematic of Worship

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Heavenly Father, we acknowledge Your Presence, and hopefully as days go by, even moments, Lord, that Presence will mean more and more to us, not only in our acknowledgment, but in our reverence and walking softly before the Lord. We realize that that is one thing from the Old Testament that we have learned, that You Yourself had said even concerning kings that were disobedient and very tremendous in their power for evil, when they listened even to a word or so, you would say, "They're walking softly before me."

We want to walk very softly before You, Lord, not because we are in an extension of evil, but we're in a very evil time and a very wonderful time of Your Presence that You have sanctified all these things by Your very Presence here, Lord, by Your Word, by Your holy power. And we're asking You to help us to walk softly before You, to be very gracious and kind in all things, remembering that we are before Your face. You are looking down upon us in favor.

Therefore, the same favor, Father, may we extend toward others and walk in that light, and that light of love, and that love of light, to be acknowledged by You Lord, and perhaps even by others, that we are the dear children of God. Help us to that extent this morning. We give You glory. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

You may be seated.

1. Now last night, as in two previous messages, we were going into "Stewardship." We discussed the word 'servant', which actually means a 'bond slave', and then, we discussed the thought of stewardship, which actually is an office. And when you are in a particular office, you are given supplies by God Himself, because we're dealing with the spiritual understanding; because Jesus was using the parable on stewardship to impress upon the people that, when they were given something to work with, they were given first of all divine favor by God, when He said, "Israel of all nations, you're the only one that I chose, and I called you." And then He gave them the opportunity to be stewards, and many times over.

2. Now you'll notice that Abraham was a very, very faithful steward. But he certainly did go wrong in the sense of the same thing that happened in the garden. As Eve subjected herself and subdued herself to the beast and brought forth Cain--the serpent seed line, even so Abraham listened to Sarah. And he took this little Egyptian girl, and very foolishly got her pregnant, and she brought forth, then, Ishmael. And that's always been a thorn in the side of the true children of God. You'll notice how Ishmael began then to mock his younger half brother, Isaac, and put him at naught, just the same as, no doubt, Cain would knock around Abel. Before they were mature men, because he's a great big husky guy. And you've seen how that animals play. They don't think much of it. The great big animal, you know, going to go whap to the little tiny animal. It's all just fun you know, but it isn't much fun to the guy that's getting whapped around.

And so Sarah, too late, realized what a terrible mess she'd made by letting her husband get this child by another woman, when actually she was the woman predestinated to bring forth the child. And, because she was getting way up there past age, she couldn't believe it.

"Well, it's impossible, impossible, impossible."

And she just wiped the whole thing out of her mind and bringing something else in her mind, she brought this condition which you have right today in Palestine, where the Arabs are – and they recognize they're Semites, and when people talk about anti-Semitism, you come against an Arab, you're just as anti-Semitic as you come against a Jew. Because you take that line right down from Shem right to Abraham, right on through.

3 And so anyway, we find that this sacred charge that God gave Abraham to have a child by Sarah, he blew it, and she blew it. Now you notice what came out of it. There came out of it complete disaster. And you got the disaster right today. When God gave Israel a charge, and He helped them in that charge, whereby He allowed Balaam to come on the scene and bring temptation before Israel to see by the temptation who would fall for it, and who wouldn't fall for it. Well right away, a large number of men fell instantly for adultery with the inhabitants of the land, as they went through. And they were also cousins remember, way back, because they were children of Lot by his two daughters. And so they worshipped God properly in a limited sense of the word, and they even had a gifted man there with an office of a prophet.

4. Now that was allowed by God. It was even spoken of by God to the extent of a foreordination in that particular area. And they actually were seducing the children of Israel. But I say that was a trap that God allowed in order to clear them out of the element that should not go into the Promised Land. Then, when they were going into the Promised Land, with that number all taken away, and everybody that was over the age of twenty as they came out of Egypt, they were all taken out of the way, foolish virgin, everyone--taken out of the way.

Now He said, "You go in there, with the charge of destroying every single person in there. Because, if you don't destroy every one of them, they are going to be thorns in your side and in your eyes. You're going to cohabit with them, you're going to raise up children that do not have the proper bloodlines."

5. Now remember, at this time God could have bred Israel right back to a true human race. Now don't tell me it can't be done, because it can be done. You can do it with animals; and man's animal. But what did they do? Right away they used their reasoning, and they ran into folly. So the Gibeonites came by, and they circumnavigated the land, and they came from a direction, having gone all the way around, to fool Israel that they weren't... I don't know what the directions were, but let's say they lived in the north. They chased all the way around to the south, then came up behind, to pretend they were way, way down from the south somewhere, when they were right around the corner in the north. And they didn't inquire of the Lord.

So what happened? You got Israel now becomes penetrated by filth, serpent seed, and you find Israel now, after just two kings, David and his son--and his son was a mess. Now David messed up a lot, but he wasn't like his son. What happened? What they did, they had a sacred charge. They had a sacred office. They were stewards to the grace of Almighty God, being those that were given the Word.

6. Now remember, you know that God spoke through Moses and said, "When the people see, you people who have the Word of God..." Now that was the key. "Oh, no people have the wisdom; no people have what you have, because you have the Word of God."

Today they say, "We have the Word of God," and we do. And they look at us and say, "Who do you think you are anyway?"

Oh, you mention the pure Word of God: "Forget it, we got Jesus, hallelujah!"

Oh, no you don't! Oh, no you don't. He's only the high priest to a very select few, even as Aaron was a high priest only to Israel and nobody else! And He stands there with condemnation. Right today

He's come and condemned the whole world--there in a Pillar of Fire--and God stood right there. Condemned the whole world through the mouth of a prophet.

7. You see what you're looking at. You're looking at two things that are the most important things in all the world. Number one: stewardship. Number two: sowing and reaping. And until the church understands these two things, you will never understand the Word of God, where it is coming from, from God Himself, and the principles, which lie within God Himself, that He extends toward us, and gives us the Word of explanation, and puts us in the path of righteousness. We, who came from Him, now go back to Him, and this time not born only with nothing, naked, we return dressed in the beautiful garments I spoke of in my little preamble here in your greeting, rewards, and a glorious entrance into the Kingdom. We have a charge and we have the endowment and the endowment.

8. Now never forget what I've been teaching over here in Ephesians. I got to pick it up right here. And likely chapter 3; I'm not sure. Yeah, Eph 3:20.

(20) Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh (within) us,

Now not a transliteration of this, but an actual true--not even a revelation now--just an actual true interpretation from the Greek is this: that you haven't got a clue to what God can do in and through you, as you let Him use the power or the endowments and the endowment that God put there! In other words, like Bro. Branham had a greater ministry than Jesus Christ, because he knew how to get out of the way! He knew how to step aside. Say, "*God, let You handle it, and You handle it through me.*" You hear what I said? "*God You handle it, but You handle it through me.*"

9. Remember, one day they... I didn't cover this last night, (It's in my notes.) because it would have taken about two solid hours of preaching, or longer. In there you will notice that God, in the Exodus of Israel into Palestine, and having not even gotten there yet, on the road, the people began (Moses began, and his father-in-law helped him.) to murmur at the fact that Moses' load was too big to carry. And so the father-in-law suggested that Moses delegate some of the authority to many people who were able to handle the necessities that were in the camp to be dealt with, in a judicial and proper manner, because they were men of proper understanding and experience.

And so Moses thought that was a pretty good idea, to get the load off of him. So he went to the Lord, and the Lord said, "Fine." And he took seventy men, and he took the spirit off of Moses and put it upon seventy men. And yet the spirit upon Moses, which had dedicated him to that office, which was prophet, the law-giver, the judge, God to the people, the patriarch, the one in supreme control, God working and moving through him, which you know by studying your Scripture, especially in the Book of Exodus, right on through Numbers (mostly Exodus and Numbers, not so much in Leviticus, a certain amount in Deuteronomy)... [] God was moving through this man who was God to the people. And according to Deuteronomy 18, that's exactly the way it is. And that's exactly the way it was, and [it's exactly the way it] is at this very minute.

10. Well, all right. That was an office that Moses had from God. Now, when it came to the high priest, God used Moses to dedicate that man, and he smeared him with oil, showing that there is a type of an anointing, which is not the Anointer Himself. It was Moses who was anointed with the Anointer. It is the prophet who is anointed with the Holy Ghost and God Himself in the prophet. But these other men also have an anointing from God, which are offices, and they are gifts. But remember, the Gift is not the Giver. And that's where Pentecost and everybody gets all messed up but a few people like us. I realize that Baptists and Presbyterians, the Fundamentalists understand that also, but they don't understand with us what we understand. We go right back to the source and through the Word of God.

11. All right now. These men, upon whom the spirit came, were from various tribes, evidently. And you will find in Numbers 16:

- (1) Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, (now there's a Levite, there's a preacher. There's a part of the priesthood, part of a ministry.) and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, (now Reuben was the first son, and there's no priesthood in that particular area.)

But see what I'm looking at here: these are men of high repute. They're princes, and they're two hundred and fifty. They were famous. They're men of renown. They're men to be looked upon with great respect, because they're somebody having accomplished something. And they look very good, because they are 'be's' (b-e's) in contrast to the 'wann-a-be's'. Now these are wann-a-be's in contrast to 'the be', which is Moses. Now remember, Satan was a wann-a-be, in contrast to Jesus, Who was 'the be'. Right? And 'the be', Jesus, never, ever, had any difficulty with the great I Am, (huh?) Who's the 'big Be' (B-e, not B-double e).

Now these are a bunch of wann-a-be's. And they got a bunch of wann-a-be's behind them. Now the whole world is full of wannabe's, and you'll notice that that's a coin that's term, made in Hollywood, a phrase, by Hollywood. Right? It's in your papers, they're wannabe's. Not ...?... that's the Japanese. This is a wannabe, a man that wants to be what he isn't. He'd like to be there.

12. Now these people rose up against Moses, and they said, "Moses, you take too much upon you. I want you to know this, bud: we prophesy, we've got gifts. Don't you doubt for one minute we don't have gifts; that we do. And we are important. And we're just as important as you are."

Now previous to this a lot of people were prophesying. And some came to Moses and said, "Moses, don't you realize that these people are prophesying? We look to you, and we believe that you've got it all, and these people have nothing."

He said, "Don't you ever dare say that." He said, "They do have something. And would God everybody prophesied."

See, that's what Paul said. "Would that you all spoke in tongues; would that you all prophesied." There's nothing against it! But put it where it belongs! It is merely a gift of the Holy Ghost.

13. Now when you talk about a genuine prophet of God, a Word prophet, he is the gift of God to the church, the Bride, whatever you want to call it. When you talk about a genuine five-fold ministry, they, those men, are gifts. When you talk about laity, when it comes to elder, deacon, the rest, they have gifts, but they are not gifts to the church.

And these men were not gifts to the church. They were merely gifted. And they rose up, and they said, "Moses, we will not take it."

And Moses for the first time got angry. And I mean he was very angry. He wasn't sulking to God as he sulked before: "Lord am I able to bear all these people? Oh man, this is too tough, I've got it too hard!" Moses got on his high horse, and he said, "God listen to me. If these men are right, that means I'm wrong. And if I'm right, they're wrong. And now it's time for judgment--the showdown." And he stood before the whole crowd, and he said, "If these men die a natural death, I am not of God."

And the Bible said, "Stand back." And the earth opened and swallowed them, all their tents and their families, and fire came up.

14. And that's your Great Tribulation. You've got a repeat coming on. And I'm going to tell you, brother/sister. You and I can take a stand for God as we've never taken a stand before. If we are wrong, we will die a natural death. If we're wrong. We'll die in the Great Tribulation or somewhere. But if we are right, somebody's going to be standing right here, on the day, the Tribulation, just before it sets in, there's going to be a resurrection and a Bride taken out of here. The rest are going to die those common deaths of fire, flood, destruction, disease, and everything else.

15. So all right. We're looking at this thought, then, of stewardship and sowing and reaping. They literally go hand in hand. And there's nothing you can do about it, because that's the way it is. The only trouble is, as we showed you last night... Here is number one: Almighty God up there, above it all. There is nobody there but God. You can't even use the word 'space'. You can't use the word 'time'. You can't talk of materials. You can talk of nothing except God. And it's said that He is in darkness, clothed in darkness, which means there's nothing there to see anyway, if you could see it. And there He is, inscrutable.

Now there was nothing there but God. Remember, there isn't one atom, let alone a molecule, let alone a substance, let alone anything. There is nothing but God, Who is Spirit. And God wasn't created. God was. And there's nothing you can do about it; nothing you can think about it. It boggles the mind. He was, He is, and He will be. Eternal.

16. God, then, brought forth the Son. Now this could be the original statement, "Let there be light," but I doubt very much if it is. He gave birth right here to this Son, because Bro. Branham said, "*A light formed.*" Now, to form something, you've got to have something there to form it of. It's got to be something. And Bro. Branham also said, "*God gave birth to Himself,*" which I don't think really he meant God gave birth to Himself, but God Himself gave birth, (Though I can look at it in both ways!) because God is not God, unless there is somebody there to worship Him; because God is an object of worship.

So, the minute, then, that the Son came forth, God (Spirit, rather) gave birth to God Himself! Because He wasn't God until that time. You see what I'm saying? So, no matter how Bro. Branham said it, it doesn't make any difference. The sense and the truth is still there. Absolutely. There is no problem with it.

17. So now this Son comes forth right here. Now the Son is the One by Whom God created all things. Now Jehovah Witness[es] come very close and closer than any Trinitarian or Jesus-Only person I know of. In my books they make more sense; put it this way. They're a hundred, million, million miles off. They take Revelation 3:14, the beginning of the creation of God, and they say that God created Jesus. He did not. He birthed Him. They say God created Jesus, and He became the agent of creation. Now the term 'agent of creation' I accept as correct. But the creation of the Son is a lie from the pit of hell, and is worthy of the devil. [It is] very unworthy of God, because it makes God a liar.

God birthed this One right here, and this is a part of God, and it's a substantial part of God, and so substantial that, you and I and every child of God born on this earth was in Him, so that, then, this One here was to become the fullness of the Godhead bodily, so that anything and everything that ever came forth from God in a bodily form had to come through Him. And we were in Him. And what was in Him was, then, placed in Adam and, consequently, in Eve.

18. Now, at this particular time, whenever that was, He created Satan. And Satan was called the Son of the Morning, which is dawn: d-a-w-n. And when you begin talking about morning or dawn, you are talking about time periods. As one person correctly said, "Time is that part of eternity that is measured by the roll or turn of a planet." And that's very correct, because it is. And so, we have now time is come into being with this creation here and whatever He had, up there, before He allowed Satan to be made.

19. Now we know by the Book of Ezekiel, that Satan was [] called Lucifer. And remember, Ezekiel 28 is a picture of Isaiah 14. So you just take Isaiah 14, multiply by two, and you got the two chapters that you need. And It says in here, then:

(12) Take up a lamentation... Thou sealest up the sum.

In other words this is the summation. And when you talk about a summation you say, "This is the whole thing." You're looking at here as the whole thing: the fullness of Godhead bodily. Now you're looking over here as another whole thing, as this one summed it all up, this one sums it up. You follow me? You got twins. Only one is a child of God and one is a created being, and a spirit being at that. And he's called Lucifer. And that has to do with light. That's where you get the old song that said in the First World War, you light up a Lucifer, you strike a match. That's a light. Lux Lucas, that's Latin.

All right. I [won't be going] into it. I haven't got enough notes on that anyway.

(12) Thou sealest up the sum, of wisdom.

You are the sum and the substance, you are the apex, you are literally all of it, everything there is in you at this particular thing we're talking about. That's why Bro. Branham said that Eve sold out God for wisdom. Now there's two kinds of wisdom. We can maybe talk about it.

(12) ...perfect in beauty. (Which he was most certainly was.)

And when we talk about that perfection, (perfect in beauty) we know that 'beauty' means 'brightness'. He's decked out. He's in splendor. He's got an office that actually was not intended to be or, at that point, was not in opposition to and in rivalry with the Son of God. It was truly complementary. And he was to be truly complementary to Jesus.

20. Now at that time of the worship, when there were angels, archangels, cherub, and the whole panoply, the whole heavens, at that point filled, they were worshipping, and Satan... The word 'anointing' comes from the very same word that you would get the anointing upon the high priest and the anointing upon the Son of God. It's a root word, meaning that there is something from the beginning, both of which have an element, but this one has the true and the fullness, and this has a part. Now remember then, that part here must be complementary to this! It has to be, or worship is off of balance! Then, if this ever becomes in rivalry with this... You follow me? Or, [if] this ever aggrandizes itself to a place wherein it tries to usurp, or even thinks in terms of what lies in this as to a duplication, then this becomes concretely adverse to Almighty God, and becomes sinful! In other words the word [is] 'iniquity'. "Thou was perfect in all thy ways till iniquity was found in thee," means he came against the Word of God, which we see here as the plan of God! Because the Word of God is the plan of God, coming right from God concerning Himself, concerning everything in His Kingdom, concerning you and me. And that's all you're dealing with.

21. And remember, when you deal back here, and you deal down here from the Garden of Eden, when you start dealing there, you are dealing with religion, you are dealing with the worship of God, you are not dealing with economics, you are not dealing with politics, you are not dealing with government, you are dealing with theocracy! You understand what I'm saying? Well come on, let's get that flat. Because I want you to know democracy is of the devil. You say, "Bro. Vayle I prefer democracy." So do I. But it's still of the devil.

And, if you think our democracy is not going to end up as bad or worse than Russia, you are insane this morning. Because Bro. Branham absolutely said, "*There are atomic bombs headed for America.*" He even said Jeffersonville, the Dupont plant. Don't worry, Jeff's going to get it, because the Pillar of Fire was there. So was Houston, because the Pillar of Fire was there. And Washington will sure get it, because the Pillar of Fire was there. He spoke at a breakfast. There'll be about six bombs hit America.

Don't worry; it will take them all out. That's just a rough guess on my part, six of them. Shouldn't take any more than that, maybe three would do the job even.

22. So all right, we have down here then, from here on we have, right from the top, we have a system of theocracy, whereby God has set up the worship of Almighty God. And we know that it went haywire. It went astray. But there's coming a time when every knee is going to bow, and every tongue is going to confess--that's Jews, and Gentiles, and everybody--that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father. In other words the glory of God, the full assessment of God, the full demonstration, the full panoply, everything that's of God, that was to be made visible, is made to be coherent, is made to mean something. [It] all comes right down. And that's what we know to be true, because Alpha is Omega, and Omega ends with the Lamb on the throne, the Bride around the throne, the 144,000, the foolish virgin outside, and the Lamb on the throne. Above Him is the Pillar of Fire, Elohim Himself! True? Exactly true.

23. Now we are looking at this picture here where Satan is not really co-equal, only in an office, but not inside. See? Not inside. He is not a born one. This One is the born One. This is the created one. But look at the position He gave him. He gave him literally the ability to be in the Kingdom of God, and to exist with what he had from the beginning. And all he had to do was to just stick to that Word. The minute he bent the Word... The minute he bent the Word...

Now listen, if you can bend light... And people can bend light. They can [do] it with mirrors; they can deflect it. But the minute that you really can bend light, you are in very grave trouble. Because light travels in straight lines. Far as I know it did. When I studied it, it did. Guess it still does. And you can see what you can do by way of mirrors, how the light [is] even traveling. I can take a mirror that's right up here, and if I stick my nose over here, I can see what's in the sink, (If I'm washing my face, or something,) and yet the sink itself is not visible. See, light is a very tremendous wonderful thing by the way it comes straight, bounce[s] up, and [has] that an angle of deflection. And you can work scientific principles and everything else by the laws of physics, which come from light.

But anyway, all he had to do was walk in that light. Like the apostle Paul said, "If you live in the light, walk in the light." See? If you live in the spirit, walk in the spirit. Paul said, "If you live in the Spirit, see you walk in the Spirit," and John said, "Walk in the light as He is in the light." One used light and one used Spirit.

24. So therefore, when you talk about light, you can talk about Spirit. It's the same thing as you can say, Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." That's not what He really said. He said, "I am the way, the reality, and the life." And truth is reality. A lie is not reality. And the minute that you bend the truth, the minute you take and add to it, or take from it, and you twist it, then it is not real! See?

As Bro. Branham said, "*The church lives in a glare. It should live in the glow. It should live in the direct light of Almighty God.*" You know? That's what the earth was made for, everything about the earth, to have this direct light. Now we don't live in the past. We live in the direct light of Almighty God at this period. That's why you can't put a new patch on an old garment, and things like that. See? Okay.

25. This up here then is from creation. And he had everything in his control--everything just exactly right the way it should be. And remember now, because he was here and here in worship! Do you follow me now? Worship, worship, worship, worship. They were in balance. And this one had to be complementary to this One. There was no other way except complementary, because he was not equal! Now Satan is a created being. Let's go back here to Hebrews.

Now [in] the Book of Hebrews we're going to read about Jesus. Yeah. In chapter 2:5:

- (5) For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak.

Now the point is then, this One here was the One that Eve should have brought forth, because to no angel, and to nobody but Jesus, was the world to come to be brought into subjection. Is that right? It has to be, because this is the Word of God and it doesn't change! I don't care when it was written! Fifty million years before, fifty million years past! It is still the Word of God that cannot change. He was meant to be that One! Huh? So don't you get all messed up with Genesis. I tell you something. You believe the prophet. You just believe him, and God will teach you the truth. Like I'm going to show you this morning exactly why Bro. Branham said (I could be wrong, but I don't believe I am.) why Jesus was Michael. You want to know? Well I'll tell you, just hold your hats on.

26. Now It says right here. And I'm not trying to be dramatic. I'm just telling you: I know the Word of God. That's all. And I stand on it. And, if you don't like it, I'll go someplace else any day of the week. Or I can shut my mouth and stay home; never talk again. Doesn't matter. See, I'm not lukewarm about this thing. I'm either hot or cold, and believe me, my sermons melt ice; don't worry. I can get people so hot sitting in their seats, their ears begin to steam. Doesn't bother me at all.

- (5) For unto (which) the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, (that's the ages, the systems.)
- (6) But (unto) a certain place (he said), What is man, that thou art mindful of him? the son of man, (you) visit him?
- (7) Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crowndest him with glory and honor, and didst set him over the works of thy hands:

Now that's ordinary man to begin with, also speaking of Jesus. And also speaking of ordinary man, the angels don't have this control; man is to have it! Because the fullness of the Godhead bodily comes through Jesus! And we're talking about bodily, right? Well come on. You don't find animals reigning over the earth. No.

27. (8) Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him.

But whom? 1 Corinthians 15 tells you, God Himself. And God Himself right now is putting everything under the feet of Jesus, bringing the church into perfect submission! Which is the same root word of the word 'shout', the Keleusma! He came down with the Message to put us under the feet of Jesus! That takes you to the Holy City! New Jerusalem! The feet of Jesus is here at the foot of the throne, and we're under it! Oh hallelujah, that's worth shouting about.

- (8) But now we see not yet all things put under him.
- (9) But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death.

Now up here he was above the angels! So now he's got to come down, leave that estate to come on down here--in the human race. So he's made a little lower.

- (9) ...for the suffering of death.

So now you and I, in the economy of God at this time, have a lower stature than the angels which did not fall. But you wait till the Resurrection! We'll judge angels. [We'll] take on a stature, the stature of Jesus Christ, the Son of God risen from the dead, whom we know is the Son of man.

- (9) We see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels [for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man. (That word 'man' should be in italics; it's for every 'son'. He didn't taste death for Cain and the serpent seed. Come on.)
- (10) For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through suffering. (It tells you that God is doing this. And He's doing it through the Son.)
- (11) For both he that sanctifieth and (them that) are sanctified are all of one:

That's Jesus put apart in this office, and we for whom He was put apart in that office, are all of one, which means God is our Father! I drew it all down here for you. Bling, bling, bing, bing, right down. There's your line.

28. You were in your father. Natural election. You tell that to these people that believe in predestination, they will not agree with you. They make it some mystical, little farcical thing. They will not admit the truth that the male is given a charge by God, that he is an officer of God, that he is a steward of God, to bring forth children with the woman. And they've defiled it! And they're going to die for it.

And I've not touched my subject yet; I'm just getting warmed up. There's three or four to go. See? You got a sacred trust. You don't just have a passion. I've not touched it yet. That's another subject, but you can see it's going to get hot before it's over. We all get condemned in this, but don't worry. Thank God there's a way out. But there'd better be a stopping of the crime against God that's been going on.

29. (11) For he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one (source):
for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,

What he did for us wipes the record so clear that we didn't do it in the first place. That's justification. Justified by faith. And what is faith? Faith is a revelation. The true revelation of reality. The garment that's pure.

- (12) Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.

So It tells you right here that this One here was above all the angels. Then He came to our stature, lower, to suffer death for us, we who came to the flesh becoming lower than angels, to suffer adverse conditions in order to mature us, and give us the character we have need of to reign and rule over even angels, and the very tremendously extensive, limitless borders that God has out there for us. Because if you think right now with the scientific mind what we can do with atoms, and we can do with this, and that, and the other thing, what can we do as dear children of God, allowed a liberty? Where you can know the name of every single animal, every single bird, every butterfly, everything that ever was? And have dominion through the Spirit of God moving and reigning in people's lives, over the tremendous Kingdom of Almighty God here upon earth.

30. So all right. Now let's just take a look at those angels for a minute. Now the Bible distinctly tells us that angels left their first estate. And I read you from Dr. Weiss. [] [The] idea [there] is that they left the office that God gave them. They left the place is what it really was said. They left the place that God gave them. And so, therefore, in leaving their place, they were leaving an office. Now they weren't leaving sonship at all. They were leaving office. The devil defiled his office. He never lost his sonship; he never had sonship. None of these here have anything to do with sonship. But remember, they are the servants of God, bond slaves by creation, and these are bond slaves by birth, because you can't get away

from God if you tried, if you are a part of God! So you see, you're a slave in the sense of the fact that you cannot ever get away from God!

31. The next thing is, we found out about these bond slaves. A slave if he loved his master, he'd have the awl put to his ear, a little hole made there, signifying from now on, he listens to his boss, and there's nobody else he listens to, "I'm my master's," and that's the way it is. And that's organization has done that. We in turn have done the other thing. We have put our ears to the doorframe and the awl, and we've heard the prophet's voice, the sword of God has punctured our ear, and we can hear nothing but the Word!

32. When you talk about Rapture, what do you think I think of? Jesus does all three in descending. He's the Shout, and the Voice, and the Trumpet. What is the Shout? What is the Voice? What is the Trumpet? I've got it all down pat.

You say, "Talk about the Seals."

So I know all about the Seals. What is the Seventh Seal? Rev 10:1-7. What about this? What about taking the Word, eating it, and go before kings?

"Is that you, Bro. Branham?"

"No, that's the Word."

And the Word's gone out around the world, and It continues to go. This is the true Gospel. And of course, going to the world, God's not going to feed it to all the unregenerates, although they run across it. This is sheep food!

"The sheep hear My Voice! If any man hear My Voice!" Any man! Why, it's got to be a sheep! It's got to be a shepherd! Like unto Him! William Branham stood there hearing the voice, opened the door, and we, in turn then, heard the voice, as it came down to us, which as Joe Branham has put in the books, "The Voice of God," which is certainly true. It is the voice of God. But you know, people can use that terminology and simply pride themselves. "Well we have a prophet, we have the voice of God." Well that's great. Tell me what the voice is all about. Tell me what He told you. Tell me what it's done for you. Tell me what it's going to do for you. [End of side one of the audio tape.]

33. Now let's just check these angels for a little bit here, and remember, as we say, they left their first estate. They just went away. They weren't satisfied with that. They tried to make themselves something, due to their office, [t]hat they weren't! In other words they tried to make themselves bigger than what they were! See? Satan fell by reason of his beauty. He fell by reason of the fact of his splendor, [the] attraction the office gave him, the position that God gave him. He fell because he had that. He wasn't happy to be just what he was. He wanted to be somebody else, to be somebody greater, to be something he wasn't.

What do you think happened at the time of Moses, when they rose up against Moses? They weren't happy just to prophesy. They weren't happy just to take a place there. No, they weren't happy. They wanted to start putting their two bits in. They wanted to show that they had something. When Jesus came on the scene it was the same thing. When Paul came on the scene, the same thing. Luther came on the scene, every messenger of God's had the same thing to fight about, and to fight over. To stand with the Word of the living God, while people all around them wanted to be somebody or to make them somebody foolish, like they tried to make, what do you call him, Luther, something he wasn't. And somebody came and said, "My spirit tells me," he said something about "you're Christ incarnate or something."

And Luther said, “And my spirit smacks your spirit in the snout.” He couldn’t stand such asininity. The braying of an ass. Let me tell you something, the cry of the lion isn’t the braying of an ass. That’s Aesop’s Fable. All right.

34. Listen. The Word of God [] says, these angels left their first estate. Listen. What kind of a job did these angels have? What was their real position?

Well let’s go over here to Ps 91:10-12. And here It says:

- (10) There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
- (11) For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.
- (12) (For) they shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.
- (13) Thou shalt tread upon the (lion’s den and so on.)

This is a promise where God has angels to help us in life. And this Word has never ceased. Why do you think people like Billy Graham wrote a book on angels? Why do you think the newsstands are full of articles now, “I saw an angel; an angel did this; an angel came and did that...” Every magazine you... Not every one, but a whole bunch of them. They’re blaring across the headlines, “Angels, angels, angels.” Angels were meant for the people of God--God’s sons and daughters here upon earth.

35. Over here look, in Luke 1. And I wonder if anybody can say this doesn’t happen anymore. In Lk 1:11 It says:

- (11) And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord (that’s Zacharias) standing on the right side of the altar of incense. (verse 13:)
- (13) The angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: (And then, over here also in 28, concerning Mary:)
- (28) And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou art highly favored, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou...
- (29) When she saw (that angel), she was troubled (and she wondered)...
- (30) The angel said, Fear not, Mary: (And the angel said all about what was going to happen. And then verse 35:)
- (11) The angel answered her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee,

Angels. What about the fact over here in Acts 8:26?

- (26) And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south...

And then, over here in Acts 10:3, and it says:

- (3) (And) he saw in a vision evidently (in) the ninth hour of the day (he saw) an angel of God coming to him, (And then again in verse 7:)
- (7) And when the angel which spake unto Cornelius was departed...

So the angel came to Cornelius. Angels actually can make an appearance. And evidently they're supposed to. A lot of people claim angels come, and there's a lot hogwash, they're nothing but devils. Because these angels can be here on earth at the same time those were kicked out of heaven. Angels, the Bible said, are held unto the Day of Judgment. They're wicked. Devils that inhabited the man of Gadhera. And they knew the name of Jesus. "Why do you come to torment us before our time? We recognize You, the Son of God." The angels have certain charges over us.

36. But also notice in Matthew 19. Now we use that for dedication all the time. Jesus said:

(11) Suffer (the) little children, to come unto me: (and forbid them not,) for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

And then, [in] the [same] chapter, "Their angels behold my Father's face, which is in heaven." So therefore... And it also said, "Anyone that disturbs or causes these to fall, they were better millstone hanged about their necks than to do this very thing."

37. So, we find here that there are actually angels that do have control, and do have charge. And we are evidently not in touch with them as we might be, or they may be more in touch with us. We don't know. That's hard to understand. It may be that many times that you and I would have had accidents in our homes and cars, would have had bad things happen to us, but angelic help was there to help us at that time.

Now I don't believe that the papers I read, where they say, "An angel came and healed me."

Now I'm not going to say that was not of God. I don't know. I know healing is of God. I can't answer. The questions that aren't in the Bible, I'm not familiar with.

I only know that angels actually had a ministry. And that ministry started up here with that great archangel who spread his wings across the mercy seat, who was up there in charge of worship according to God. And he was absolutely complementary, because of his office, to Jesus Christ. This was positive, and that would be negative. Everything has a positive/negative charge. You can't get away from it. This whole life is built around the tree of the knowledge of good and evil--positive/negative. You can't get away from it. God alone knows good, and God knows evil. God creates adversity, God creates good. And we have to acknowledge that through our lives. Okay.

38. This here, then, was complementary. And I keep using the word 'complementary', and I keep taking you back to these men at the time of Moses, who had offices, and they were anointed to that office. Now they weren't anointed to the priesthood. They weren't anointed to the five-fold ministry. But they did have an anointing of the Holy Ghost. In other words the same Holy Ghost that positively was a part of him, and anointed him, gave him that Word, gave him everything he had to have from Almighty God, wherein there was nothing more that he needed. These people here were merely gifted. And you'll notice that everything here was complementary, and there was a balance held.

39. Now, have you caught what I'm telling you? William Branham said, "*The gifts of the Holy Ghost are complementary to the minister of the pastor.*" The pastor is a five-fold minister. The deacons and elders are not. They desire an office, and they can have that office given to them, and they'll be endowed by Almighty God, and their virtuous character proves that they're worthy of that very thing.

The [elders] can even have tithes for their service. That's the elders [], not deacons, because they are apt to teach. Now Bro. Branham did make a change when he wanted his deacons apt to teach. I don't know just why. That's Bro. Branham's business. But he did try to put the church in order by gifts. And he said, "*They are complementary to the ministry of the five-fold, or the pastor.*"

And that's exactly what you see here. They are to be complementary. But the very minute he wanted to take over as the Word, when He [Jesus] was the Word! He [Lucifer—Satan] was never a part of the Word. He [Jesus] was a part of the Word! This man was not a result of the Word; He was the Word! This was a result of the Word! All things created and maintained by the Word. Satan got out of his realm.

40. So we find today, as these devils have come down, and the truth have come down... There has always been over here the negative. And that negative started in the first age when they got off the Word. And you can see it in the Galatian church. The only church you don't see off the Word is the Ephesian church. And the Ephesian church did get off the Word after Paul was gone, because John wrote about it. And they had left their first love. Now when you leave your first love, you're actually leaving God. You're leaving the Holy Ghost behind, because He is love. God is love.

41. Now the Galatian church, as I said... Tell you the truth of the Ephesian church, because every Message was given to every single church: one, two, three, four, five, six, seven. All seven Messages were given to age number one, two, three, four, five, six, seven. Because that whole seed lies in there. And the Galatian church is what Paul said. He said, "Why have you turned against the Word?"

In the Book of Acts he withstood Peter. He said, "Who did sin, you or God?" He said, "You ate with the Gentiles. You thought it was fine. Now you come here and you withdraw yourself. You who opened the door to the Gentiles, you have become a lousy hypocrite, because Peter that's exactly what you are. You are a hypocrite. Now you want this man circumcised. You want to put upon him a burden you yourselves couldn't have." Now he said, "Christ has made you free, and you're trying to give a burden to these people. What are you talking about? You are a hypocrite Peter! I don't care if you are full of the Holy Ghost. I don't care if you did open the door to the Gentiles. I'm telling you now, you are a hypocrite!"

Oh, boy, that will put smoke in your ears, wouldn't it? You bet. You think they didn't have it hot and heavy? You bet your life they had it hot and heavy.

"Well, Bro. Paul, I walk in love. Yes, you know. You shouldn't stand up with the Word, you should just stand with Jesus, heh, heh, heh, heh."

Don't turn my stomach. You can't even get your prayers answered when you turn away from the Word of God. A woman cutting her hair cannot have her prayers answered. If she does, she will have leanness of soul, as she never had before. And she can get it. And she'll account to God for every single thing He gave her, because she just took part of that Word. And what she did take was not for her in the first place.

42. So here now, what do we find the devil? We find the devil, "How art thou fallen?" The perverter. The one who has to go to animals. Would you find an angel of God that stayed true to God up there, creation, do you think any one of those would inhabit an animal? Like those devils did that inhabited the pigs. The pigs had more brains than the people did, because they ran down to the sea and drowned.

Do you know that animals can see spirits and see them? Dogs and cats, they'll growl and spit? And what about the time that Bro. Branham cast that devil out of that girl, and the screen door--bang, bang, lickety, bang, bang--and the guy saw that devil rise up, and he hid his head under the mattress or something? That was an angel--fallen angel.

43. "How art thou fallen, O Lucifer, son of the morning?" And what is he now? He's not up here complementary to what you'd call the brother. The positive. What's he down doing now? He's the accuser of the brethren. And day and night he wanders the earth, like the Book of Job, and he goes before God, and God says, "Where have you been today, now Satan?"

"Well," he said, "I've been wandering around the earth."

“Well,” He said, “did you observe my servant Job?” He said, “None like him.”

“Oh,” he said, “Don’t give me that stuff.” He said, “Sure, anybody can love you, and anybody [can be] faithful.” He said, “You build a hedge around the guy. You’ve given him vast, you’ve given him a good wife, you’ve given him kids, and you’ve given him wealth. You’ve given him a healthy body. He’s got everything. My God, if anybody doesn’t worship you,” said Satan, “and be thankful, he’s worse than I am. But,” he said, “I’ll tell you what to do. Why don’t you stretch forth your finger and just take away everything the man’s got, and he’ll curse You to the face.”

And God said, “Don’t give me that stuff. I know Job better than that.” He said, “Take what he’s got.”

So he took everything he had. Then he took his family. And Satan still said, “Well,” he said, “Come on, a skin for a skin. All that a man hath he’d give for his life.”

You know a lawyer tried to bring it up to a judge one time in a court? He was defending this man that killed a fellow. “Why,” he said, “Judge, the Bible distinctly says, ‘a skin for a skin, an eye for an eye. All that a man hath would he give for his life.’”

The judge said, “Just a minute, I know the Bible. The devil said that, not God.” He said, “Forget it.” [That] judge knew the Bible.

So God said, “Well, you can touch him, but you can’t take his life.”

The accuser of the brethren. The defiler. The perverter of the Word.

Notice how he perverted the Word to God there? Turned it right around. And you’ll notice how that God says, “You do it. I won’t do it. I’ll let you have your way.” The accuser of the brethren.

44. Notice how they fell down there. And notice today, as we have come all the way down, you’ve always had the positive, and you’ve had the negative. And notice, out of darkness came light, because God was there! This light began to shine, the reality. Coming all down here through human structure, and human form. These are merely creations. They can’t multiply themselves. They can’t do it. They’re there. Many are bound in chains, because they’re too dangerous, waiting for judgment. Others have been loosed upon the earth here. I think Bro. Branham, he agreed with Milton, roughly one-third. He put that there.

45. Now as we look at this here, this now, as always, is the center of worship. Worship, worship, worship. Government is there, but government was not there in the beginning, except of God, by God, and for God. We had a part in it, way back there; we didn’t know it. That’s all right. Just leave that be.

So we have, then, the whole schematic, which is religion. Which is worship. And you will find there is no place where there isn’t some kind of a worship. And you will find that today there are still very, very, very few atheists. Even the pope, now he’s got the Catholics believing in it, and the stupid Protestants, and the rest of them. “It’s okay to believe in evolution, as long as you believe in the original divine spark. Oh, sure, we can’t discard evolution, but we can’t discard God.” They are not atheists.

46. Now you might have a few agnostics, and you do have. And they’ll honestly say, “Well, I don’t know if there is a God or not.”

But what you’re going to have is the majority who always will be gnostic--they [that] have a different and superior revelation apart from vindication! When Bro. Branham was vindicated... And God was vindicated over in India, before the Muslims, and the Hindus, and the Christians, and you name it, roughly 500,000, when God gave that blind man brand new eyes. Do you think for one minute they changed? Not for one second. Most of them thought God was incarnated, their God, incarnated in William Branham, and they’d have torn him to bits and torn all the clothes off, if the police hadn’t

rescued him. They're not agnostics, and they're not atheists. They're gnostics! And Satan is a gnostic! The devils believe in God, and they're all trembling.

47. Now, what I'm trying to show you is: the whole church government, the whole world is made up of sons of the living God, wise and foolish virgins. And over here, you have all of these that come into the beast mentality and the beast outlook of life. And they are descendants from Cain and his father, the beast. And they've intermingled with these over here, because they could not reproduce of themselves. They had to produce through this (the beast).

And that way they built up, which was not strictly a hybrid, but it was a hybrid plus. Because every time one of these moved in here, and would take two women out of here, this one person, and then that one would take out, pretty soon you had, even though you had the genes of the beast race in the flesh, you had this coming over here.

So you have a religious bunch. And remember, Cain was not irreligious; he was religious. Remember the beast was religious. They are all Gnostics! Do you see why the whole world ends up under religion?

Well, you've been sitting here thinking, "Well, this person here, he's a heathen. He's got this god here. And this one's got an idol over here. And this one's got this over here. And this one's got a philosophy." They are every one gnostics! Every one. Russia tried atheism; it didn't work. It never did work, and it never will, because people are not atheistic. I doubt if one percent, as Bro. Branham quoted, (And it's true.) there weren't four percent of the Russians that were atheists. Not even four percent. And that's a pretty wide margin.

As one person said, "There's no atheist in a foxhole."

In other words, when you get the pinch really come down on you, you're going to call for some kind of a help, and believe me, it won't be necessarily your mother and your father, because they might be too far off.

So we have over here then, we have gnosticism. And what happened in the early church that brought Ephesus down? Was gnosticism. That's why Iraneus wrote volumes on gnosticism. And it's the stupidest thing in the world, all he had to do was do what I do, just call it a superior inferior mental revelation from the devil. That's all.

48. Notice, this started as complementary to reality. Because it did contain some of the reality, which was a God-appointed, written of, not predestinated like you and me, but written of in the books, concerning all this here and these people here. And you can't deny that these people have offices. And you can't deny that they're not anointed to them. And you can't deny the Holy Ghost is not operating somehow through them. But you can deny, on the strength of the Word of Almighty God, that they are [] sons of God. They are not born-again. They are creatures of the destiny of the beast, and they have gifts, which are complementary.

And the church in here has gifts, which are complementary. And they're complementary to reality. Because your five-fold ministry here, and those ordained of God, starting with the prophet on down, in here, they are actual gifts to the church. And in the congregation are all those gifts in Romans 12: the gift of giving, the gift of forgiving, the gift of cheerfulness, the gift of this... God knows there's hundreds. Iraneus said, and over here you've got that which is complementary. And so over here you'll find the majority of these people who are forgiving, and they're happy in doing it.

49. Well come on. Let's go to Romans 12. This is too good a portion that I should not quote It exactly, because I'm not a good quoter at all. It says here:

- (11) Having gifts (then) differing according to the grace that is given us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;
- (12) Or ministry, wait on our ministering: (and what's that? That's just serving people, I guess, and being good and nice and kind and hospitable, and welcoming, a good spirit, openness, come on. Hey, we just take it face value. Of course, I could add to that.) or he that teacheth, on teaching;

Hey? A woman called herself a teacher in Bro. Branham's church. Ha, ha, ha, ha, ha!

- (13) He that exhorteth, on exhortation: (Maybe there's exhorters amongst us. who knows?) he that giveth, with simplicity; (Now you've got a partner, you that give. Her name's simplicity; you're married to her. You that like to give, you got a sweet little honeymoon right there, honey going for you. Her name is simplicity.) he that ruleth, with diligence;

In other words, in the church, you put that above your own life. So you have a vocation, which is what God has given you by the Holy Ghost, as your position as a member in the Bride of Christ, which is just as important as the five-fold ministry in the office in which you're operating. Because there's no big ones amongst us. Bro. Branham said, *"There's no great ones, holy pope, and holy father. The great One is here."* We're all leveled in the Presence of God. We're all bond slaves. But all of us have been given different offices, and the measure of faith to go with it. In other words, what we've got works, and as we step aside and let God use it within us, it becomes tremendous! Overflowing! Beautiful! Full of grace and glory.

- (8) He that (shows) mercy, with cheerfulness.

Now, here's your crowd, right here over here. Oh, they show mercy, always forgive, always show love, always do this, always do that, the Word? Forget the Word. "Hey, we're all one in Jesus, hallelujah." Yeah. That's why you can have the true gifts in the church, will complement every single thing here. Over here, will lead you plumb to hell. And stand before God in that day, and going to say, "Oh, we cast out devils!"

And He say, "No doubt about it. You had a real gift of casting out devils."

"Oh, we healed the sick!"

"No doubt about it. You had a genuine gift of healing. Absolutely, no problem right there."

"Oh, we prophesied!"

"Right on the line, you sure did just like Balaam. Depart from Me, I never knew you, because you've listened to a false prophet!"

Who was the original false prophet? Tell me. Who was the original prophet up here? That's the one right there you're looking at. See? When you talk about manifestation, God's the original prophet. But when you come right here, this fellow here is way off the line.

Now you've got churches say, "Well, we can prophesy."

And they do. Silly little things from the floor. Ridiculous. Nobody pays any attention. It's a puffed up thing going on. Bro. Branham said, *"Put it in a room and judge it. Don't even have the gifts operating unless you got a man who can discern spirits and see what spirits upon that person and all."*

50. Well, you know the only way I could discern spirits? And I'll just tell you flat. I'll say, "Just a minute. What's Deuteronomy 18 all about? What's Deuteronomy 13 all about? Explain to me Mal 4:1-6. Check over here in Acts 3:20, give me some soap [dope?] on it. Carefully delineate upon 1 Th 4:16. What do you do there with Rev 10:1-7, in contrast to Rev 4:5?" I can give you a test, see whether you're of God or not. And I'll discern your spirit by the Word. Because I can tell where it's coming from, just like you can tell mine. Because it's got to line with the prophet. It's got to be a super imposition of the Word of God upon everything in the church, or it fails the test of the discerning of spirits.

Now, that discerning of spirits Bro. Branham had (discernment) identified the thoughts and intents of people's hearts. He could do it, too. And now with the Word of God, we with experience can do the same thing, though we don't go around trying to tell you, "Oh you've got this thing wrong, and that thing wrong. You've done this. You've done this." Forget it. Just the Word check is all that you need. Like the First Church Age had. [They would say,] "You're false. Come on, you got a wrong spirit. Get out of here. You're not saying what the prophet said. You're saying what you're bending and twisting around."

51. Talk about the Presence, that God Himself here--and there's His picture, Bro. Branham said that we have His picture. How come you people can't find that in your computer? For God's sake, William Branham said it; we have His picture! I want to know! And forget your computers, get your heart lined up with the Word of Almighty God, and know what the prophet really taught. There is His picture! Say, "I don't believe it." [E-20 "God In His People" 02-27-50]

Who cares what you believe? I'm a dying man. Eighty-two years of age. My eyesight's gone. I'm like the last chapter of the Book of Ecclesiastes. When the grinders are low, it means your teeth are worn out. It talks about you're dull of hearing. The keepers of the temple--That's your knees--are giving way. Talks about the grasshopper. The old saying is, "If a grasshopper lit on his shoulder, he'd fall over." The almond tree budding, the hair is white.

52. They said, "Remember now thy creator, in the days youth, lest the evil days draw nigh, and you say I've got no pleasure in them." I can look back on the years of serving God; I've got pleasure in that. If I've seen one thing done, I've got pleasure in that. Whether I'm ready to go or not, I'm ready to go whether I know it or not. And I'm going. With a Word test, and that's all that I've got, because I've not seen God. That's a picture. And that's just a reflection. That's all it is; just a reflection. But I've got a Word. Bro. Branham said, "*That conduit is the Word. It's full of the Holy Ghost,*" and Word upon Word; and you and I can get more and more filled.

But in this last day, at the end of time, they're going to come and say, "Lord, we cast out devils."

He'll say, "I never knew you." He said, "You weren't one of these. You were doing this over here, because you had an office. You had a gift."

But let me tell you something: a gift is only a gift by a giver! You didn't have the Giver! If you didn't have representation here, from here to here, you don't have it here! And, if you have it here, the sheep hear the voice! And the voice of God is in the prophet! And just before New Jerusalem, He speaks--that One from heaven speaks again--and He can only speak on earth through a prophet. Hebrews 12. Right. See, there's your picture. There's your Word test. There's whether you got something from God, or you're of God or not. Not because I say so. I'm talking about a vindicated prophet, not vindicated Lee Vayle. He's got no vindication. Let's get that down flat.

53. So all right. Let's go to the Book of James. "Thou sealest up the sum of wisdom." This great wisdom that Satan had. Okay. In chapter 3, he said:

(1) My brethren, be not many (teachers).

Not masters, teachers. But you see a teacher becomes a master. They talk about the... What do the philosophers talk?

"I was taught by the master. I was taught by the master. We believe in the ascended masters. Jesus was an ascended master. You notice Moses was an ascended master. And ...?... was too, and Buddha, yeah, yeah, yeah. And Mohammed, yeah, ascended masters."

Descended masters, those guys. They came from hell and are going back to hell. Hindu. You know what they call philosophy here in America? Theosophy? It's eastern baloney cut western style. That's all it is. You know what baloney's made of? The cheap cuts that you wouldn't dare eat, that you put Lysol and junk in to kill the bugs, and little taste, a little smoke to make it taste, you eat that stuff. Lungs and hide and ...?... and dirty gizzards, and guts.

54. You notice you can buy eggs in Krogers? They're stamped with a little mark on them, and they say, "These chickens have not been fed animal products." You know the wisdom of this world is funny. When they get a thing right, it jives with the Bible. But they don't believe the Bible. Didn't Bro. Branham say, "*Don't eat eggs*"? Why? I believe you get natural, good, raw eggs, and I think he ate them till he died. I'm not positive. And I think Meda said he had custard, little custard, even after the word came out, "Don't eat eggs. Don't live in the valley. Don't eat meat unless you eat a little wild meat, and not too much of that." What about the meat? It's full of hormones. You tell me why one little group of people that produce hormones can destroy nations of people by injecting the animals with hormones. Tell me. And you got politicians that know it. You know who's running it? This old boy right up here. He owns the kingdoms of this world. He's got control. Jesus never denied him.

55. And here's James. And he talks about the tongue.

- (6) The tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: among our members, defile(s) the whole body, set(s) on fire the course of nature; and (it's the) fire of hell.

[What's] the fire of hell got to do with it? My tongue is all right. There's nothing wrong with my tongue that's stupid. No, it's not stupid. What he's telling you this: a tongue of a prophet is where the Word is. It's not in his mind, and it's no place else; it's simply in his tongue. And your Word that we get, and my Word we get in the prophet never came from our mind; it's in our tongue. It's in the mind, sure, because we listen. But the point is: it comes from that tongue. And, if you don't have the Word of God, you got a tongue that sets the world on fire, because that tongue forms words within your mouth.

And remember, the Word of God distinctly said that hell was made for the devil and his angels. So therefore, this guy has a tongue that's not of God. He's got a tongue that's of the devil. You just can't read this and say, "Well, this man curses God, and this man says nice things, and this and this," and you divide it. I'm going to show it to you. You got to get right down to what Jesus said. And he said, "The tongue can no man tame. It's unruly; full of deadly poison."

Oh is it now? That's not what the Bible teaches. That's not what Jesus taught.

He said, "Out of the heart proceedeth adulteries" and murders and everything else. [He] didn't say it was the tongue. You've got to go beyond... This guy here is a phony and a fraud, if you don't understand what's going on. This is why Luther called this the "straw [Book] of the] Bible. Works. James to him was a kind of an idiot. Not really, but kind of. He had no use for him. He didn't understand what this man was bringing out.

Like as I said the other day, I'm not here with a gospel of morals. I don't defend morals. I'm not set for the defense of morals. I'm set for the defense of the Gospel, because, if you've got the Gospel, you will have morals! But you don't have morals and then get the Gospel, because I can prove by Scripture

you can have all the morals in the world and go to hell! Let love be without hypocrisy! I can be a perfect hypocrite with my love, and I'll fool you right down the path of hell. Come on; let's get some things straight for once in our lives. Huh? Okay.

56. Now watch:

(11) Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter?

Now It's telling you. Then in the tongue is a source. It's not the tongue. It's the source. Now let's read further.

(12) Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs?

Now, where is he quoting from? Tell me what chapter in Matthew is he quoting from, from Jesus. Now come on, somebody. Now don't just look at me, tell me. Matthew 7. And what did Jesus say? He said, "Brambles and figs." Fruit as against tare. Life as against death. Bitter as against sweet. Cursing as against praising. All depends on who your teacher is, because he said here, "Brethren, be not many teachers." Who are you listening to, God or the devil? And your tongue will tell you! And don't try to be a hypocrite with me; because you say one time the Word of God, the next time the word of the devil. I've got you nailed! Now that's Lee Vayle's understanding from what Bro. Branham taught, and what the rest of the Word God teaches.

57. () (Can a fountain yield fresh water and salt water? Now watch,)

() Who is a wise man endued with knowledge among you?

Hah. For heaven's sake. So I'm going to call a confab. And say, "Well here's Bro. John, and here's Bro. Pete," and Bro. Joe's missing this morning; he's over there preaching in Columbus. I'll get some more of you nice people here, and I'll say, "Let's have a confab. And let's begin to understand this here. Now, let's get some knowledge amongst us."

Hah! If it's not a vindicated prophet giving me my knowledge, you can have it with bells on, bread and butter, ice cream and a cherry. And you can die with it. I'm not interested. I'll take a soda cracker and branch water with William Branham and the Word of God any day.

So the tongue is only symptomatic, as smoking, and cursing, and stealing, and adultery, and everything else is. It's your unbelief. And who is your teacher? Who is your teacher? Didn't God say, "Jesus"? Didn't He say, "I will send the Holy Ghost, and He will teach you"? And how does the Holy Ghost teach anybody? By indwelling the prophet.

58. And didn't Paul tell every prophet, the five-fold, and every minister and every person, "If you are born again or a prophet, you've got some gift that's complementary, you've got anything to do with what I'm dealing with and with what you pretend you're dealing with, you will acknowledge, you'll superimpose every single thing I say upon everything you say, and everything you do to see if you line up with what I am telling you, because I am vindicated from God, and I am here for God, and of God, and by God, and you better believe it. You listen to me, you're listening to God."

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

"Oh Bro. Vayle, I don't know that's going too far."

It's not going far enough for me, bless God, I'll just be honest with you. What I'm trying to tell you, I don't believe it near enough, and I just don't have it absorbed enough, and I just don't have enough. Oh my, I wish I had that right down all the way down. [Bro. Vayle checks on time remaining.]

59. Now he said here:

(13) Who is (the) wise man endued...

Well, there's only one. He's got the Holy Ghost; he's a prophet of God.

(14) But if you have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, (And what was that? That's the Corinthian church. Bitter envy and strife.)

() This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, (and is by your senses, and is therefore) devilish.

() For (while there is) envying and strife, (and) confusion... (And Bro. Branham said the gifts brought confusion, because they weren't in order.)

() But the wisdom (which) is from above is pure, (And what is pure? The Word of God, chemically and tried. Perfect. It's) peaceable, (brings you peace. It's) easy to be entreated, (Hey, the Word says so, I like it, I want it.) full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, without hypocrisy.

Ha ha! My love is genuine, because I've got the Word of God. How can you not love each other with a genuine love, you that love this Word? Come on brother/sister, here's the truth before you this morning. There's your line all the way down. There's your hypocrisy. There's your offices. There's the Holy Ghost manifesting there, through gifts and all. And proving there is a God, as the Scripture said, "He gave gifts to the people," and he said, "He gave the other gifts to the congregation to prove the Lord dwelt among them." And in this hour when God is down here dwelling, you've got all this in full force. But you can't teach the Pentecostal, you can't teach anybody else.

60. I give up teaching. Well, I won't be quite so sober. I remember the day I was with Jack Bell. I'd preached hard. I'd preached long like these last two services. And a young man came up after service, and he said, "Bro. Vayle, I've got a question."

I said, "Who hasn't? Let's go and eat."

And Jack looked at me, and his jaw fell open. Then he began to laugh like crazy, because he saw the point. Let's go and eat, and I'll answer your question while I'm eating.

I'm not going to talk and answer questions while we eat. We're going to go eat shortly. But I'm just saying, it's time to eat natural food. I hope you've got enough this morning in the sense that it's gelled in your thoughts and consciousness as to what it's all about.

And that's why there's coming an antichrist and a world worship system. It's already here. It's already in order. One day the judgment of God is going to be executed, because it's already past.

Let's rise and be dismissed.

Heavenly Father, again we thank You for the time of fellowship we've had with You and Your people here. We enjoy it so wonderfully Lord, because it is so good. May we not be found guilty, Lord, of any grandstanding, or emoting, or those things Lord that are so common with pulpits, and common in life. But may it get down to the reality, the truth, the real substance which we know is the only thing to get to, and that is the Word, Lord, that You gave, vindicated to us; and thereby we know You, and we know that You know us, and thereby we know that we have these things that are contracted in the

testament, the covenant of God through Jesus Christ, to us, and for our benefit. And they are ours, not only sealed by Blood, but definitely brought into a manifestation through the living Christ who rose for us, and now intercedes and mediates in our behalf. Unto Him be glory in the church. Unto You by Him, O God, be glory in the church through us.

And may it come through us, Lord, if it came through nobody else, which we don't believe that is true, we believe it's coming through many, but may it be here Lord, the full assurance of faith, coming in and through us for Your glory, and for Your honor, equipping your saints for the battle ahead Lord, equipping us all, knowing that there is a path that every Christian foot must tread upon, and that is that Word of faith in that outline that you have given us. Help us, Lord, to recognize it, to cherish, to love it above everything else, and put it first in our lives.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be all power, honor, and glory through Jesus Christ our blessed Savior. Amen

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