

The Christian and Civil Government #1

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Let us pray. Heavenly Father, again we are grateful to know that we can talk about it, we can sing about it we know it's in the Word that You are here, last day visitation. We're very, very grateful that You in the form of the Holy Spirit, in Sonship, but through the Pillar of Fire, giving us a prophet, having given us a prophet, the Word leading us into the Millennium after the wedding supper in the air. Lord, we're thankful that these are ongoing now and we are aware of it. But, Lord, we are not yet to the point of the sincerity and sobriety we ought to be, not ripened to that particular understanding, Lord, we're still perhaps, trying to ripen up in virtues and graces and fruit and all those things which we know are admirable.

Lord, we know that there can be all of that in this world. There can be gifts even; there can be a running commentary in people's lives as though it were absolutely formed after the life of Jesus Christ, patterned right down to the last little iota. We know they can be a hundred percent wrong because they turned down and crucified themselves the Son of God afresh. We know that Lord, if we don't know then what do we know? We know that, Lord, we believe with all of our hearts. And so, we are very grateful this morning Father, that we can stand in that position, we don't have to flinch, we don't have to draw back ...?... It's not incumbent upon us due to anything whatsoever but to believe and stand steadfast in the revealed faith which we have in this hour, which the prophet has promised us, even taking this Message for healing going far beyond, because it is restoration.

So, Father this morning we know that all things have been opened to us and as we talk about certain things in Your Word Lord, may it be opened to us in such a way that we'll only be too glad to adhere to it deep within our souls and then our actions come forth, manifesting what lies within us. We shall give You the praise, in Jesus' Name, Amen. You may be seated.

1. It's certainly fine to be here, with you this morning and I want to take a little subject this morning that we've covered to a degree before when we took the series on priorities, over there in Quincy, and it's called The Christian and Civil Government. And I don't pretend to have the last word on it and answer every question but I believe it's my obligation to bring this message to you this morning in order to give you proper light and understanding, as I believe it is in this hour.

Now, concerning then the Christian and civil law or civil government, I wish to say to begin with, unless a person is a regular Robinson Crusoe, he's on an isle all by himself with nobody else, he will have too, you and I will have to contend with relationships. Now, even if you're on an island all by yourself you'd have to contend with your own relationship, because you can talk to yourself, think within yourself, agree with yourself and disagree with yourself. You can love yourself and hate yourself, but now when it comes to more than one person then you can see it's multiplied. So not, I wouldn't say even Robinson Crusoe was free, but you'd have to be on an isle with Robinson Crusoe to get away from contending with somebody other than yourself.

2. Now, there's positively no way that even two people can avoid conflicting with each other and have a conflict of some sort. Now, there's a lot of good marriages and that's wonderful, but there's always a conflict even if it's the taste of certain food or the room temperature or how many covers you want to pile on your bed. There's conflict, I don't care who it is there positively is conflict. Now, Cain went so far as to kill Abel over a religious difference, that's where his conflict went. And there never has been and never will be two mortals who think as one, desire as one and act as one.

3. Now, Adam and Eve proved that because at one time Adam and Eve were one, in a spirit form, and then God began to move from creation to formation where He formed a body that they both were separately endowed with. He in the masculine body and she in the feminine. And we know that they loved each other with a love perhaps that no one ever had outside of those two people and their innocence in the Garden of Eden. And yet you will notice there was a conflict where she chose the word of the serpent, or Satan, over the word of Adam who had the Word of God. Now Eve did not have the Word of God, it was Adam who had the Word of God and relayed it to her. Now you see there was a conflict there, even in the realm of what we would call perfection.

Now there's only one example in all eternity where one physical being was in absolute harmony in every respect, with another being. I never said physical being, I said physical first then I said being. There has only been one example in all eternal history, where one physical being was ever in absolute harmony with another being. Now, no man has ever attained to that and never will actually, from what we're talking about. And that was the man Christ Jesus, as he says in the Book of John, "I and my Father are one. What I see the Father do, that I do and what I hear the Father say, that is what I say." The reason they were one, of course, was because Jesus was the Lord from Heaven.

4. Now, that makes a big difference right there, Adam was not, and the studies of theology, I know the theologian always talks the federal headship. He talks of the federal headship of Adam and the federal headship of Jesus Christ and both have separate kingdoms, they are separate entities and they have separate ways. For as in Adam, "But in Adam all died even so in Christ all are made alive." So, therefore we see here the reason they were one is because Jesus was that Lord from Heaven. So much was he God that his body was a part of God or so much was the body God that it was a part of God. Which means the fullness, physically, of the Godhead attributes or the Godhead attributes were in a physical form.

Now look, I know that sounds mysterious to some of you and you have never heard anything like this in your life. That's all right. If you stick around long enough you'll get used to it and you'll understand terminology. Now, I don't expect to explain this too much but if you understand what I showed you, facts and figures of science, what lies in the human genes, you can well see how God can take His life, create an egg and a sperm and through human instrumentality of Mary, being like a physical factory or an incubator, bring forth, literally a manifestation of pure God in human form. Now, it's not as hard as you think, if you let your thinking go, but if you want to be stereotype then all right, it'll be a little difficult. But, all right, you're able to bend because the Holy Spirit can help you.

5. Now, until our mortal bodies change to immortal, we will always be at variance with true oneness or unity amongst ourselves and here is a very surprising note, I will read to you from Revelations 22, and I'm hung up on it, I've got to admit it.

- (1) And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.
- (2) In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the (gentiles.)
- (3) And there shall be no more curse:...

Now, why did they need healing? Bro. Branham said, "*That was giving peace.*" You ask me? Don't bother, I haven't got the answer. But it's there, and so therefore, there will be a harmony but as I say, I cannot answer you as to what extent harmony is going to be except it's going to be a harmony, we know nothing else, and it'll be perfect and it'll take care of everything. But, I wanted you to notice this, that the conflicts of ego, the community of men, it is rough, there's always problems. There are always problems. Now, it is this individual ego that every person has that causes both God and man to put community restraints upon people or the population would be decimated by murdering Cain's, wolves devouring the sheep.

6. Indeed fratricide, which is the killing of the brother that took place by Cain, fratricide has progressed all the way to genocide. That is killing out the roots, taking away a whole nation or a whole tribe, a whole people. It is indeed fratricide has progressed all the way to genocide as men inflict their wills upon others. And if they can't make them do it they say they'll kill them. And soon the antichrist will impose his will on the entire inhabited earth and destroy all those who disagree with him, if he possibly can.

Thus, we see God has laid down laws that man is required to obey and on top of that, men have laid down laws that they expect to be obeyed. All these laws are regulatory and you understand they are trying to regulate the ego or the moral precept within man or perceptive, a life within man. That's where Bro. Branham said, "*Animals don't have souls.*" Now, if you want to argue, they say, "Well go ahead, say they got a soul but they don't have a soul as far as I am concerned, but if they have a soul it is another kind of soul, it's sure not like mine." Because an animal cannot be immoral, he cannot do it, he hasn't got a reasoning process. That's why man has a living soul, has an inner soul.

7. Now, if a beast has got a soul or some kind of soul, who gives a rip, he hasn't got an inner soul. He hasn't got soul as we know soul. See, it's just another attempt for people to get messed up. And so I try to explain all these things, somebody comes to you and says this or that, well just brush it off. So, the animal doesn't have a soul, see? But man has a soul and that soul, you see, that's why it's got to be born again, because there's a corruption lies within there and that corruption that lies within there can be animated by the spirit and come through the human body. Then you see, the human body is such a marvelous vehicle that it can go from one extreme to the other, which would be murder to loving and kindness, niceness, all those things in there. They could all be there, but they got to be, there's always some regulatory principle laid down by God and men. It's to the inner man we're looking at it now.

8. So, thus we see God has laid down laws, man's laid down laws and God and man both expect those laws to be obeyed, because they're legislated upon man. Now, God knew His laws were necessary or every man would be a law unto himself. Now, there you see you got to watch. Why did God give people laws? Well, because every man, because of the ego, because of his soul,

starting right from the very Garden of Eden and going to the first two children, twins, man has always wanted his own way. The creature comfort way of life and then throw into that the ego of lust and pride, all those things in there.

God knew His laws were necessary or every man would be a law unto himself. Men feel their laws are necessary. Most laws come from community legislation, not the singular. And what I am saying is this: that you may have a despot rise up and force laws upon you but most laws, such as in America, which is called the democratic principle, those laws come from the legislative bodies which are made by many people which are supposed to reflect what the community itself knows is necessary in order to be competent, and not just competent but to be morally competent.

9. Now, all right. In every case, every law of God was meant for the true good of the people and when obeyed brings forth good and suppresses evil. In other words, it makes things nice, eliminates the not nice. In a country like ours, men make laws that they feel are right and good, but in many cases they are not because of the greed and self adulation. And I speak of greed and self adulation because why do you think the doctors have organized? "Oh, because, Bro. Vayle they're dedicated men, they've taken the Hippo..." you mean hypercritic, not Hippocratic Oath, they've taken an oath whereby they swear they will do this and that. You mean they cuss.

I think doctors are fine, I believe they're of God, but so was Adam and Eve of God, so what did that get you? I am not denigrating anything just telling the truth. Why did they organize? To protect you and me? Ah, that's on the surface, what's underneath? Let the government bring on social medicine and watch how those doctors operate. They forget the taxpayer's money and money from men of repute and renowned, our great merchants have put billions of dollars into their education. That's right. There's not one person here educating the college, let me tell you right to your faces. I don't care who you are and you're good friends of mine and I love you. You're a rip off on the community when you want to look at it.

10. So, don't talk about this fellow and that fellow getting into somebody else's pocket, you got in your pockets too, the same as I did and every kid here, you got in some taxpayers pocket. Now you see, I say that's perfectly all right. You're not sinners any more then I am. But you see, a lot of these, the things of man don't come from the purity of God. Now, don't get upset and defy the things of this world because I am not finished I am just starting. See, I can get my nature riled up too when I see what's going on out here. I can tell you one thing, you're never going to socialize medicine, or it's ever going to be truly socialized except for the Tree of Life giving off healing for the nations. And the leaves that they yield of it, they do eat.

But I just want you to see here that the next thing above greed is self adulation. "Why, look who we are." Well, who are you? Well, who are you? Two and a half bucks worth of dirt, maybe it's up to four eighty now. But it's going down because interest is going down. So, you're not worth quite so much and yet you're worth enough internally for God to die for you in the form of Jesus Christ and shed a Blood that contained eternal life. But, if its greed and self adulation that lies within the soul, that causes these laws to be passed and the legislators know they're passed wrong, then you got to have the judiciary try to explain it. Can't do it, because if the legislators are corrupt it's going to take a corrupt lawyer to explain it. Now where are you? I got two sets of corruptions. Then you get an honest, a real honest lawyer and a real honest judge you watch how they'll fight, but they'll be put down. Oh you got it right here in Ohio according to the papers, the fight between the supreme justice and the other men. So, what are you looking for? Now, I'm just telling you how things are.

11. One of God's laws, meant to be pure and good, are pure and good will bring forth good, as one law says, "Honor your Father and Mother, you'll have good health and long life." The devil tries to then rope you on it, why don't you say, "Hey Mr. Devil you back off, I've got God's Word." But man's laws are not in that category yet they are expected to be good and bring forth good and to be obeyed or they wouldn't be processed by our legislative assemblies. From what we have just set forth it is evident then that there are two governments and two sets of laws in force. Right?

Two governments and two sets of laws in force, number one is God's government, number two is man's government. Thus there are two kingdoms, not nations, two kingdoms, because there are two headships. One is the headship of God; one is the headship of man. These two kingdoms are world orders and I want you to understand what I am saying, they are world orders. Now let it sink in, because my language is perfectly correct. They are two world orders. One: God is over the kingdom of God, it is God's world. Number two: man is over the kingdom of man, it is man's world. One is the world of the godly or of God, the other is the world of the ungodly or of Satan. This is set forth in Scripture which I'll now read to you.

12. The Scripture I will read is in 2 Pet 2:5 so we understand, if I can finally find it for you. All right,

(5) And spared not the old world, but saved Noah...

"Spared not the old world, but saved Noah." He's talking about men because Noah's name is being saved but the other is not saved. Do you follow me?

(5) ...a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;

Not water on earth, it didn't hurt the earth one bit, it did it good. It took all the corruption that was laid up there. Remember, the earth was corrupt, Gen 6:19. I don't know let me go back and find it for you, Gen 6:19 or something in there, maybe it's 6:11, who knows. It's [Gen 6:]11

(11) The earth was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.

It was not the corruption of the earth that caused God to put water on the earth, ...?... a major factor; it was the people who were filled with violence. Now, what brought about the violence? Now listen carefully. What brought about the violence? It was because the earth was corrupted, full of pesticides, full of poison, full of chemicals that our chemists have made that our greedy industrialists have made that people have not reckoned with and that brings on violence. Take a kid off of sugar and all the junk that you feed him, he'll settle right down. Take people off this junk, the schizophrenics will settle down. You've got an earth that's full of violence. Why? Because of corruption.

13. Now, people would not be violent without corruption and corruption is bred by greed and pride. Remember, the devil fell by pride. It was Cain's pride that killed Abel and he was brawnier, because his dad was a beast and the gene's were there, muscular, strong, powerful. And you've got a serpent race right today; look at the size of people. The human body, perfectly beautiful, should be around ...?... now this might startle you, about 5' 8". Right? Let's go back and find out from the article and things. I learned that as a kid, where you been? You say, "Your education was faulty." Don't you kid yourself; it's been pretty good, in that respect.

All right listen. He saved the world of God through saving Noah. Remember, the earth is merely something to stand on and live on, that was made for man, the earth is a jewel and the Garden of Eden was a super jewel and man and woman was put in there. All these things were made for man, so He destroyed the world of the ungodly. And listen, Noah was the only generically perfect physical man of that hour. His wife was not, his son's were not and their wives were not. He was the only true human being, that's why you got election. And it's more wonderful to think about, birth of God brings to pass through natural election and even talk about a virgin birth, because if God can do anything He could have a million virgin births and think nothing of it. Just create sperm and egg and put them in a mother's womb, just like they do invitro and things like that now and then transfer them.

Oh, everything is beautiful in types, you just can't blink your eye and not have a glorious type appear before you. I mean, open your eye and look around, everything is beautiful in this hour, there is nothing that is not fulfilled. And we are fulfilled, and you might not think so, and people think, they think we're empty or gross but hallelujah. Who cares what they think? If we are in the thoughts of God and have His Word and come by way of regeneration as He specified in these things here, then we have not a problem.

14. Now you see, that was the world of the ungodly, it was people. So, therefore there is an ungodly kingdom and it is right here on earth. Now, "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son" [Jn 3:16] and yet we know that begotten son was given for His own. He never gave him for serpent seed, He never gave him for reprobates for wolves. He never gave him for the hog and the dog. Oh, you legalists that you think that when He said, "The sow returns to the wallow," that here you were a sow for a sheep for awhile and now you are a sheep go back and turned into a sow. Well, you're, what are you? You belong to Darwin, spiritually speaking. Go and sit at his table, don't come around mine, I got nothing for you. No sir, hog always was a hog and always will be a hog.

He's talking about a moral reform, the same was Peter that set that forth, that had the same Holy Ghost that Jesus had when he categorically made that law and set it down before him. Certainly, you never gather grapes from brambles, it can't be done. And so we see that "God so loved the world he gave his only begotten son," shed His Blood for His own. "As in Adam all died, even so in Christ are all made alive," and there cannot be one person in Adam made alive until the blood was shed. So, all right, He did it.

15. Now, that word 'cosmos' means an order, an order. So there is the order of man, of Satan, of the world and there is the order of God, there are two kingdoms right here on the earth at this particular time, absolutely. And those two kingdoms exist one with the other. We go to Matthew 13, now I know you are already way ahead of me, thinking of it already, 24-30.

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

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

Now, how are you going to have any man get up into heaven there and sow something? It's on earth, like the thunders weren't in heaven, they were on earth. "Then bring them down to earth." They were brought down to earth, no problem.

- (26) And when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

Now, when did those tares really appear? They really showed up in the end time. That's why they have to, that's when they really show up. Well, so does their ripe grain really show up too. They got planted way back there but this is the hour of a peculiar, particular manifestation.

16. Let's watch it:

- (27) So the servants of the householder came and said, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in (your) field? from whence did come (these weeds), these tares?
- (28) He said, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?
- (29) (And) he said, (No); lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up the wheat also,
- (30) Let them both grow until the harvest: and the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

Okay [Mt 13]:36-43

- (36) Then Jesus sent the multitude away, went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare (that is tell us, you know, to explain, "Tell us now in very clear words, let us know perfectly about this,") parable of the tares of the field.
- (37) He answered and said, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; (Notice Son of man, what about Son of man today, takes you right to Hebrew 6:)
- (38) The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked...

Cain was of that wicked one. People don't want to believe in a physical serpent seed but you'd better believe it or there is no such thing as a physical seed of God. "It's all spiritual, Hallelujah." Hogwash! There's none of my Hallelujah's going with that nonsense. I want, listen, I am in a physical form right now and I hate it. I used to like it at one time because it didn't cause me any trouble. The older you get, the worse off you are and the more trouble it causes you. Not the kind of trouble you young people have, I went through that too. Wait until you get to my age and have these other troubles, oh brother, you ain't got a care in the world, you just think you have. But you know what? I want to come back in a new body.

17. (39) The enemy sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; (if that's right, it's curtain's for both sides) and the reapers are the angels (messengers).

- (40) (And) As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.
- (41) The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;
- (42) And cast them into a furnace of fire: and there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. (right here on earth is where this happens.)
- (43) Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

When's that going to be? After the Wedding Supper, come on right back here and a purged earth. Now there's your two kingdoms, one kingdom Jesus died for and though he could have affected salvation for all men, men will not accept it, because it's not in them to receive it, you see? All right. Now, though they exist together and the one has nothing to do with the other, both are under divine sovereignty. Remember.

18. Let's go to Daniel 4. Now this is very important because this is an end time Book, 34-37.

- (34) And at the end of his days Nebuchadnezzar lifted up his eyes (Remember old King Neuchadenezzar?) mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation:
- (35) And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and who can stay his hand, or say unto him, (Why doest thou this?)

There you are. Also, the Bible tells us, most clearly, "He makes the wrath of man to praise him, the remainder of wrath he does destroy", or "restrain." He also says concerning... "Blessed is the man who thou chooses and causes to approach unto thy throne." It doesn't say they do it on their own. So God in His sovereignty is over both of these kingdoms and a permissive will. He allows these things to go on temporarily, until one day He calls a halt, which of course is what He calls a ripening of the harvest.

19. Okay, now listen carefully. Though the world cosmos, the world order or world system of the ungodly, is not a part of the cosmos of God, that is the real kingdom of God, they are not a part of it, it is absolutely under the divine authority of the cosmos of God and will be judged according to the very same Word given to the kingdom of God, because God only has one Word or God has only one Word.

Now, I'm trying to tell you there the two kingdoms are here, intermingled. You don't pull up one without the other; they are separated through divine judgment. See. The process of death keep taking them off. At one time there will be a final step of death of the saint; they will all get out of here except a few standing here that will be made immortal. Then God's judgment will come upon the entire earth and there won't be anybody left after that, after the 144,000 Jews are taken, they'll

be nobody left. It'll be a complete annihilation so to speak, but yet not annihilation as finality, just a complete obliteration for the time being.

20. Now, let's go on, I made this statement, "That the world cosmos or world system, the world order of the ungodly is not a part of the world order of God or of God's world" They are here temporarily and as they are, they are under the divine authority. In other words, they are still responsible to God and things must run according to God for He says, "He makes the wrath of man to praise him, the remainder of wrath he does restrain." And Nebuchadnezzar knew, by divine revelation, having been thoroughly converted unto Christ, and remember that's Jehovah, back in the spirit form there, the same one being Messiah and physical, absolutely said, "I know that God reigns in the armies of the heaven and the earth." And he was the great man of that day, the head of gold of all ages and he said he do's what he doeth or does what he wants, in the affairs of men.

So, men may go their way denying God and thinking they are this and thinking they are that and God's running the whole show regardless He'll bring it all right around. And you watch and see; now they think we're crazy. Well, fine, I enjoy my little insanity, I hope they enjoy theirs as much as I'm enjoying mine and will enjoy mine.

21. All right. We're looking at Acts 17 and-- we don't have to read it all. Paul, here, is on Mars' Hill and he absolutely says, "Now, you people," Well, look it here, he says in that verse 21. [26]

- (26) Made of one blood all nations of men to dwell upon all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; (See?)
- (27) That they (might) seek the Lord, if happily they might feel after him, (doesn't say they all will just some of them will) and find him, though he be not far from every one of (you:)
- (28) For in him we live, and move, and have our very being;...

Sinners and all, now they're not in Christ born again, they're just telling you where it all comes from and who's controlling it. All things were made by Him and all things consist, which means they're maintained by Him, God never took His hand off of anything at any one moment. People say, "Well God, what did I tell you. He just put everything in order and then Jesus died and God just stands back," Oh hogwash, God just stands back. Don't ever talk to me like that or give me any thought from anybody of that nonsense. You think that God is stupid? Now you're stupid and I am stupid, but God isn't stupid, God never took His hands off. He even told the prophet, "Our thoughts speak louder in heaven than our words on earth do." And you try to tell me God's just stood back like some kind of machine or computer. I've got news for you, the old songwriter's right, he said, "He lives and moves within my heart."

22. Now, he said here, going on:

- (29) Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, (God's production not necessarily His generated children) we ought not to think (of) the Godhead is like silver and gold, or stone, (or) graven art in man's (image.)

- (30) And times of this ignorance God winked at; but now command(ed) all men every where to repent:
- (31) Because he hath appointed (the) day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness (now that's cosmos and cosmos but mostly man's cosmos) (that) he has ordained; in righteousness by that man who he hath ordained, whereof he has given assurance unto all men, in that he has raised him from the dead.

It tells you right there that God is making the whole system, everything absolutely responsible to Him and He's going to judge it. Otherwise, why would He obliterate that which is productive toward Him? Now just ask yourself the question, let us find the legalist people and let's find the Armenian and Calvinistic people who tow the line and deny the very Word that has been manifested in this hour. Why will they be destroyed? The answer is right there and you know it.

23. All right. Now listen to this, we go to John 18 and we read verse 36

- (36) Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, and I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

He tells you right there, He said, "My kingdom is not on this earth at this particular time, I will not be here to run and rule it but don't worry, I am going to come back and take it." Don't worry, that kingdom would never bring him back upon earth if his kingdom weren't here right now but it's in the perverted form, because he's running and ruling, it's just the same. Well, how can he say, "His eye is on the sparrow"? As the songwriter said, "God sees every sparrow fall." Don't think He doesn't, He feeds the sparrows, clothes the lily. That is why you and I shouldn't be occupied so much with feeding the birds as feeding God's people and taking care of the indigents and those that really qualify for it, not the unqualified but those that qualify.

24. Now let's go to the intercessory of prayer or John's prayer in John 17. I am going to read a lot of Scripture here because I'm getting, I'll be getting into the heart of what I want to bring you. It'll be Wednesday night before I finish so we'll just close off whenever we get there. All right. The 9th verse.

- (9) I pray for them: I pray not for the world,...

Well, I thought he just died, was going to die for the world, what kind of nonsense is this? Two worlds, two worlds, two orders, two orders. Now, I hope you're thinking, you're not thinking so I'll tell you how to think. Didn't I tell you something about 1Corinthians 15? That He's doing some subduing right now, which is bringing into order, which the word 'subdue' comes from the word 'kelusma' which is 'a shout'. Huh? Are you thinking, oh you could be by now if you are dear children of the Lord and friends of mine because I've been teaching here a long time and your mind should be clicking just like that. Huh? I'm not bawling you out, I'm just telling you, be on your toes. Let your thinking go, we're into a subject this morning; let your thinking go follow right along. That's nice, appreciate it, you're following me, I appreciate that very much.

25. He said,

- (9) I pray for them, I pray not for the world (I pray for my own order, I pray don't pray for Satan's order) but for them which thou hast given me (Did He ever give any serpent seed to Christ? Hah, come on. He said,); they are thine.
- (10) And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.
- (11) And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, (What world? This out here, physical and mixed amongst all these people out here. The Word is supposed to shine its lights out.) and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name. (Well, what is His name? Father, Son and Holy Ghost? You've got to be kidding. He said, "I came in my Father's name." What name was it? Emmanuel, God with it, Jesus, Jehovah Saviour, See.) ...
- (12) ... I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, save the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.
- (13) And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

Now who is He talking to, the wheat amongst the tares. Oh listen, when the time is just right, you watch those tares multiply. Oy, oy, oy. Has anybody ever seen one of these natural gardens that they don't use pesticides and inorganic fertilizer on, you ever seen those? Anybody ever... Gene have you ever been around them? Ever notice how it is that amongst the good fruit oh the weeds are so luscious, they are way up here, and you should see the bundles of seed just shoom, back in an ordinary place, oh they struggle but they get along beautifully. But there you see, they get the same water, the same sunlight, the same fertilizer and boy with that fish oil that they bring in and those good organic fertilizers, just so wonderful and you can, here is the turnips in there and the beets in there and the radishes and the strawberries and everything else boy, but you ought to see those weeds. Man. That's what John saw at the end time, the beautiful church system, corrupt rotten bunch of weeds.

26. Poor old fruit down in there, but it's full of the goodies. Both having the same goodies, but you see what it was one was food for God's table, so to speak, and the other was of the wicked one sure. You just go out some time, I had the privilege of seeing that, man, my jaws almost dropped my eyes opened up, what in the world is with this guy anyway? And I thought, "Well, why doesn't that bird pull those big weeds out?" Listen, those weeds went down so far and all scattered out like this spread out like this. You know, you got two kinds of root, a tap root and another root. I forget what it is, it doesn't matter, but anyway, they'll spread out there, you give them a jerk. You watch where your spuds and your turnips and your beets and your radishes go, shoom, they're gone with the wind. "So what do I do?" Just pour it on, leave them be. Have no truck or tree. See; just go through the Word unscathed. Just realize who you are and where you're from. Okay, that's just a thought thrown in there.

27. All right.

- (13) And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

Now notice, I want you to watch here, there's a world within a world and He's speaking to His world in the world. See, you are in the world but not of the world but you are in that world, His world to be manifested here one day when the other's gone. In the meantime the only manifestation you have of being in His world, is properly indicated by Bro. Branham and vindicated by God is believing the Word for the hour. Because if you want verger, growth, so called dynamics, so called fruit, I'll tell you one thing, I'd settle to be a weed any day if that did it because boy have they got it, but they don't have it. Not what I want, I want that real fruit of God, which is that Word.

Because, you see, they can never be anything but weed but one day, our mortal frame can change, theirs can't. A dog is a dog is a dog. And you cross breed him until you get back to the dogs of the Inca's which were purple and without any hair and it's been done right today, they've got him right now but he's still a dog. But you try to do that with human beings, you can finally end up like the commies wanted a tea colored race. Black and red and white and yellow. Is that enough of them? Brown, there you are. What is it, black, brown, red, yellow. That's four, thank heavens, that can be destruction not five which is grace. Get a tea colored people; forget it, they're still people. And the more ...?... the rottener they get. You know why? Because the first one born was manipulated. Huh! Serpent seed, mankind, yeah.

28. Now, I think you're in a good mood now, your getting to understand this message. Now He said,

- (13) I come to thee and these things I speak in the world, (right here He aid, now) that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

What was His joy? I have done the will of my Father, I have kept them in my name, I am not going to lose anybody or anything, no sir. Now, He said, "I want them to know that." Right.

- (14) I have given them thy word; and the world hate(s) them (oh yes, that's what Abel did and Cain killed him), because they are not of the world, (because I am not of the world) ...
- (15) I pray not that thou should take them out of the world, but thou shouldest keep them from the evil (one) (while they are in the world.)
- (16) They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- (17) Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. (What is the difference between weeds and tares? Truth.)
- (18) As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them nto the world.
- (19) And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. (What is that? He said, "I've lived the Word, given them the Word, now they've got the same thing.")
- (20) Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

29. Why? Because their Word is his Word which is God's word. There's vicarage again. See?

(21) That's they all may be one...

That's why this church is built the way it is and will remain this way and it's up to you and me as a congregation, as a part of it, to live as a family of God and see it produce or go down the drain. Now, you've got your choice. I'm not hard, not at all, I'm in a good mood, I feel relaxed, happy in the Lord, as much as I can, you know me and I want you to face up to it. Now, it may be difficult for some because you've already got your mind set; now we're going to unset your mind. Yeah, that's the thing to do, unset your minds and bring them to Christ.

Okay. He said,

(21) (We) all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee,

Of course, He's going to take this simplistic rebirth by the Holy Spirit, that is the life of this Word that is given in this hour, to do this within us, and He'll do it to all of us, just got to just, lay in the presence of that Son, lie in the presence of that Son, it'll come. Now,

(21) They may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

(22) And the glory which you gave me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

30. Now what was that glory? Well, it must have been the glory in the fact that he was allowed a human body to come down and demonstrate Almighty God. And that same privilege which made him the assessment of God, God manifested, we can have the same thing. Now listen, the world will not accept it. Don't you give a care about that, the world cannot accept it, the theologian cannot accept it. God accepts it and you yourselves, amongst yourselves, all of us amongst ourselves must accept it. See. This is where family comes in and you got to learn more trust. What if I was doing things kind of behind your back, but you were watching me because I was real open and you misunderstood me and it's been done and it will be done and I'm a pretty prime target for that.

Now, what about the day when it proves that I was working for your good and trying to help you? Now, I'm not speaking of myself right now. Ah ha, caught you right over a barrel. Now what if that was going on in some of you folk's lives? Oh, this message goes out on tapes, so maybe I'm not talking to you, maybe I am. Where you going to be down the road? What about you young people and your parents, just think about that. When did they ever try to hurt you? Because they wanted to keep you from sin?

31. Let me tell you something. You've heard of oh what's his name, not Joel McRae but the other one, the good singer. Ah, anyway, his wife, you know, Sheila, she's very clever. She could imitate Zsa Zsa Gabor, pretty woman, nice looking daughters. You know, I'm just as big a nut as anybody else; I can enjoy a little entertainment. I want to tell you something, when she got on that broadcast on TV and let the people of the world know it came out to the fact that her daughters could literally be prostitutes, it was okay by her. And I don't mean taking money for it, although they're fools not too, if you're going to sell yourself for a kiss or something, you might as well get the fifty dollars or a hundred that goes with it, if you're a virgin you might get the thousand bucks or better. I'm going to lay it down on the line and just tell you flat but I'll tell you what, that

woman, I wouldn't be in her shoes for billions of worlds on judgment day, what she'll pay and she'll pay for every sin of her daughters, the mess they're in.

I'm talking about you kids now; you think your parents are tough on you? They want to help you to gear down, to live right and all, hold it. They haven't legislated laws to hurt you. Restraint, restraint, my brother my sister does not hurt anybody; it is the lack of restraint, because the humans being though born of God is an animal. Oh we'll get to this, oh yes, yes, yes, yes, yes, we've got time to get to it too, we'll take the full hour and a half likely.

32. All right, listen: [End of side one of tape]

(23) I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one;

And that's true, there's only one headship in this church, that's the Word, it's not Lee Vayle. And you know why I consistently throw things back on you, I want you to recognize that it's the Word that does it. Now, I've got friends here, I believe that are willing to die for me and I think I'd be willing to die for them. In fact, if it weren't for the love of the people here, and of course, I have the ministry, I consider the ministry that goes around and visit places in the world, I think that's fine. But I'm going to tell you one thing, I stand with Bro. Branham, ain't no place like home. I don't care where I go and I don't care if it's just a few people, there's nothing like it here. And, there is a love and there is a oneness that we must go into and that oneness and that love must have a headship in the Word of God, that I must have, you must have, you must obey and I must obey. See, that's all there is too it.

We've got to come to it, we have already come to it, now we must display it as Bro. Branham said, "*The token must be displayed.*" You just hold it in your hand.

You say, "Well, I've got a token."

What good is you standing there and the train's coming and you say, "I've got the fare, I've got the fare, I've got the fare."

"Well, where are you supposed to be?"

"Oh, I'm supposed to be way up at this next stop."

"Well, jump on the train."

"Oh well, I've got the fare," and you step ...?... and the train goes by. Try it, make use of it. Sure, we can do that; sure we can do that, absolutely.

33. All right, he said here,

(24) Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am;

Now they couldn't go for a while. And the New Testament Bride can't be there. Old Testament Bride can be there, not New Testament, not until the second part of the first resurrection. But, there's a promise there, we're going to be just where He is. That's when Bro. Branham got up there in a vision, beyond the curtain of time, they said, "You can't see Him." Well certainly not, how could he and this Word of God be fulfilled? My, you show me one jot and one tittle that's going to fall.

- (24) ...where I may be, that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world
- (25) O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.

And that's enough right there. Oh, we often think we have got to know God simply in the realm of a theological discourse and this and that.

Listen, if you know the man that God sent, you know God. You stand right there, Tommy Osborne had that right down pat, I would to God he'd gone all the way, maybe he will, I'm not his judge.

- (25) ...I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.
- (26) And I have declared unto them (lived, manifested, laid it out there, proved it, showed it declared it in thy name...)

34. In other words, the name of God is actually the Word manifested and revealed. "Right," you say, "That's God." If you didn't know anything more than to say, "Lord God, whoever you are, whatever you are, the God of William Branham, I'm talking to you." You've got it made right there. But you're way beyond that, you're way beyond that. Your ... nobody is Elijah right now saying, "Lord God of Elijah, where's the Lord God of Elijah?" That was good for that day, oh, He knew all about it. But, I tell you, it's been indentified now, you know Him.

- (26) I have declared thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou loved me may be in them, and I in them.

35. All right, now listen. Having read this far and gone as far as we have gone, let us see if the Bride is subject to the world cosmos of human government as is the world cosmos subject to the God cosmos or the Word of Almighty God. And to address ourselves with that question, it's good to see that the apostle who revealed the two governments, which is Peter, had the faith. So, we go to 1 Peter 2 and we read the whole chapter, verses 1-25, all right. It says,

- (1) Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and evil speakings,
- (2) As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:
- (3) If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is good.
- (4) To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, (see, that's election.)
- (5) Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifice, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.
- (6) Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him

shall not be confounded. (There is coming a day when it's the headstone, which is now, see, but not physical.)

- (7) Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, (Well listen, to the Word. See?) the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, (In spite of everything, nobody can stop Jesus coming back, appearing in this hour and taking over physically in the flesh, nobody's going to do it because that's ordained.)
- (8) And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to those which stumble at the word, (You tell me how many people stumble at Jesus Christ or God? They don't, it's the Word, of Him and about Him the Word preached) whereunto also they were appointed.

36. Now look it, that's just a fact, the name 'Jesus' means 'Jehovah Savior'. So, therefore when Paul or anybody talked to Jesus, oh they said, "The Jews could say, Hallelujah, that's Jehovah Savior, That's exactly right, that's what he is. He's our savior." They said, "Now, hold it. When did he give you the Word about it?" Ready to kill him and they would kill him. Oh sure, that's the way it is, why'd you think they killed the prophets? Come on. Word. See?

- (8) ...whereunto they were appointed. (These disobedient were appointed, it didn't say they were elected like you and I, they're appointed.)
- (9) But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into this marvellous light;
- (10) Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now obtained mercy.
- (11) Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;
- (12) Having your (behaviour) honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, glorify God in the day of visitation.
- (13) Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme;
- (14) ...unto governors, (like ...?...) as unto them, (He's alright,) as unto them... (You want to tell me about Rhodes?)

What does it say? Oh you ought to write your own Bible. Well, I wouldn't help you but I would be interested in knowing what you can get away with, because I've got a lot of feelings sometimes about these things, really do. I know we get pretty steamed up, because I told you, the laws of men are not laws of God, they are based upon I, but they pervert them when they do it and you've got a lobbyist in there. They just passed the bill now that will help us reduce the deficit and get the budget balanced. But do you think they are going to do it? No way, there is lots of loopholes. And, they'll take it to the Supreme Court and they'll find somebody that'll annihilate

that. I hope they don't, I hope they don't but who knows, I'm not a prophet but I wouldn't be surprised and if they do it won't do any good anyway, we're not going to balance that budget and get out of trouble. No, the money's going to keep going down, it's started on down now and everybody's happy because it means better things ahead, does it? What if this were the big tumble? I don't know, I'm just wondering but you got to wonder sometime, [Bro.Vayle chuckles] you know, "How they going to be?"

38. It says, now, [2 Peter 2:]

- (13) Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme;
- (14) Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well. (See, restraint, restraint, all of this spells restraint.)
- (15) For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:
- (16) As free, and not using your liberty as a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servant of God.
- (17) Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king.
- (18) Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward. (In other words, they are haughty and they're rough.)
- (19) For this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.
- (20) For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, (not obeying the law) you take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, you take it patiently, that is acceptable with God.
- (21) For hereunto even we were called: because (Jesus) Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:
- (22) Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:
- (23) Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; committed himself to him that judgeth righteously:
- (24) Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye are healed.
- (25) For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

39. Okay, now, thinking of this here, which we've just read, we're going to look at this chapter, pretty well in its entirety but, we're going to look at who it's addressed too. Now, who are these words on secular government, civil government, addressed? All right. We read in verse 9, 10 and the first part of 11, [2 Peter 2:]

- (9) But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that you should show forth the praises of him (under His Word and His government) who hath called you out of darkness (out of the world) into this marvellous light;
- (10) Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy. (You mean I obtain mercy under this human law? Oh, don't worry about it.)
- (11) Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims,

Who's He talking to? Us, the Bride of every single age. Now, these Bride members are the Bride only through Jesus Christ our blessed Lord. And, you can see that over here in verses, well what are they? The beginning of, well, you can take verse 1.

- 40. (1) Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,
- (2) As newborn babes, (Who are we? Newborn babes, born again, Jn 3:16) desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

You take the simple things and begin growing. There's where your baby fat is, then you got to get the heavier Word that puts on your muscle and you begin exercising. Now, I surely hope we're all passed the baby fat, you know, the cobbling and the knee bouncing and all that sort of stuff. We must, all of us, come to the place of maturity and if I can't make it then I'd get out of here and you go on, get somebody else. And if you can't make it, you stick around until you make it but I'm telling you, you know that we've got to understand a lot of things here.

All right.

- (4) To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,
- (5) You also, as lively stones, are built up to a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. (Now it tells you who you are.)

41. All right, let's go to 1 Peter about that, in the 1st paragraph [chapter] and see what he says in verse 22-25, which precedes these verses.

- (22) Seeing you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that you love one another with a pure heart fervently: (red hot.)

- (23) Being born again, not of corruptible seed, (Out there with the tares, your own home made religion, your own conscience, your own ideas but the unadulterated pure revealed word and vindicated Word of Almighty God), but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which lives and abides for ever.
- (24) For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass wither(s,) the flower thereof fades away:
- (25) But the word of the Lord endures for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

Now, that should read in tares again. Now here, look at these lovely, lovely, lovely, luscious looking tares? Hey, has anybody ever seen wild oats, outside of me and my wife? Wild oats? Good. Wild oats looks just like tame oats and there's certain times of the year it looks better. It's greener, it's nicer, oh it looks great, nothing in it. Feed your horses, why they'd die, there's nothing for them. See? Now look at the tares out there. Oh they look beautiful, great. Oh, they got great fruit, sure, they don't want that. It looks very great, why? They've got a certain seed. We're born of the uncorrupted seed that lives forever. Now, at the time that they both mature, what happens? God bundles the tares and burns them and He bundles up the Bride and she lives forever. Now, what is it? He went forth sowing the seed.

42. Now what seed have you got in your heart today, denominational seed? Your own thinking, your own ideas or do you know you've got a vindicated Word? Now people scoff at the vindicated Word, they think, "Oh well you know, since Jesus died, if he really did, and if he rose again, which we don't know he did and went back to heaven, it's been going on and on and on and who knows." "Oh," they say, "We don't have prophets." Who said so? The Bible said we do.

Now, where's your preacher today, he's a liar. I don't care if you always said, "My preacher's nice, he's nicer than me." I don't care how nice is nicer than me, I'm not a liar. And liars are usually the nicest people in the world; they're so nice they got to lie. Because their lives are lies, they're seducers. Sure, I've got no use for liars. Then you've got the bluff guy that lies and you don't believe him, he hits you in the mouth. It's all right; they can do what they want. Bride member's, ...?... through Jesus Christ our Lord, born again by the Word of God, they chose the Word of God, not corrupted. You notice what it says here, "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, which is the Word of God." What is the Word of God? Not the corrupted Word of God, yeah, the uncorrupted which is the true revealed Word of God. What is truly revealed? Who brought it? A prophet. Then get a prophet and tell us all about it. Go on. No Mary Baker Eddy's and Joe Smith. Not even Dr. Spurgeon, they're good but that's not good enough, not in this hour.

43. All right. Peter states that these people have a transparent inner motivation that is apart from carnal motivation. Look in verse 1.

- (1) Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

Now, this is not what they're going to be acting on. They're going to be motivated by something else which is spiritual. What is it?

- (2) As newborn babes, desir(ing) the sincere milk of the word, that you may grow thereby:

Now, these people are going to stand with the Word. See? Now, notice their spiritual problems are no less then the temptations of all mankind.

44. Let's go to verse 11, the 2nd part.

- (11) ...abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; (Who abstains.)

- (11) [First part] Dearly beloved (born again) strangers to the world, pilgrims (trying to get out of here.)

Watch it. Put aside your malice, put aside your guile, put aside hypocrisy, put aside envies, put aside evil speakings.

In other words, don't join the parliament of man, keep out of politics, unless you know what you're doing and you're really led of God. Listen, these politicians are all claiming to be born again and the popes speaks with tongues and now they all the politicians running to talk with the pope. And they're the ones that, "Oh, all church and state stay apart. Oh church and state stay apart. Oh my the constitution." And they-- deceivers, mockers, liars, who is? These fine born again men? These fine born again men that tell you what Bro. Branham didn't say, *"He said you don't send the missionary offering you take care of your own people."*

They want to give all of our money away, back there, the bankers did. How can Brazil get, what is it? Thirty billion, a hundred and thirty, a hundred and thirty billion dollars. So the farmer goes bankrupt, maybe some of them did ask for it but a whole lot didn't ask for it. Who did it? Who are these men, what were they? They were malicious, didn't ...?... admit that he ruined the farmer to get the money back for the banks? Who knows one thing about the Federal Reserve System? What I learned years ago, fifty years ago, when I got into all that stuff that I don't have too much respect for because it makes you a racist and a Jew baiter and a hater. They'll tell you, make your hair stand on end. As a kid, I could have been in politics. Thank God I was just a little bit too young or I'd have been in government, youngest man in history. Sure.

45. They told the truth, banks create money. They take your ten thousand dollars and somebody says, "I want to borrow that, I know a man brought in ten thousand and I want to borrow that." They say, "Certainly." And what do they do? They write it on a piece of paper and put on this over here, "This man can draw ten thousand dollars in checks." Then write maybe a hundred more guys on the same ten thousand dollars. Study and find out. You say, "What am I supposed to do?" Live right with it kid, hang in there.

Oh the weeds, they're all around and they're mighty big and luscious. Oh, David got all fussed up one day he said, "Those unrighteous birds, they flourish out the green bay tree everything they do is profit. They're healthy as ticks, feeding on my lovely sheep out there." "Oh," he said, "Why doesn't something happen to them?" One day God took him alone like He took Job and He took Moses, took him into a little inner chamber a little quietness and he saw the end of the wicked and he said, "Oh my," he said, "oh my, my" he said, "my, my. I tell you what," he said, "If I could just be a doorkeeper in the house of the Lord," he said, "I'll stay away from them tents of the wicked." Yeah, see, David smartened up in one big hurry. Oh, may God smarten us up too. Brother/sister, we need it, I may speak facetiously at times, although I'm light I'm not inside, I'm

very sincere and somber concerning these things, because I've been all through them. You don't go through fifty years for nothing, brother/sister. Don't ever let anybody tell you, unless you are completely ridiculous.

46. Now listen, I am going to tell you,

- (11) Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against your soul;

You've got the same problems, but their commission is to show the cosmos, the order of God, that that character from Him is within us in verse 12

- (12) Having your (behaviour) honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers...

"Oh, those stupid people believe in serpent seed." They should have killed that man that said that. Bro. Branham was hardly cold in the ground, he wasn't cold in the ground, he was cold over in the morgue. No time at all the women rose up because the Church Age book got in people's hands and they read about serpent seed. It's a good thing it was in his name and not mine or I'd of been tarred and feathered. They couldn't do a thing for him because he was dead. And they said, "A man to write a book like that, we hear he's dead." But they were ready to take him and put him in prison and literally destroy him. Women did it. And not one word was said that a great big four footed beast went plump, plump, plump and grabbed her and raped her. She was charmed to be seduced and men are stupid and women are still stupid, because they won't open up in their minds to truth without knowing where truth lies and then watch the perverted ways of mankind. There's no glory in being a fool brother/sister.

47. Even the Jews were fooled when they took the Talmud. And I had a young half Jew and half Gentile boy said, "Doesn't the Bible say, Reverend Vayle, it's better to spill your seed in the belly of a whore then to spill it on the ground?" And I said, "Oh brother, let me see son, I never read that."

"Oh I know, it's the Talmud that said it."

Young men, I got news for you, that's a lie from the pit of hell.

I saw a man in a restaurant... night and didn't prod my friends in the restaurant and say, "There's a candidate for AIDS," but I could smell it. It's easy to get AIDS with the very thing that I've got. It went into fungi in my blood. There's a fork in the road, it goes to one type of cancer and from that to AIDS. You won't catch it by coming near me because I don't have it, but every one of you is susceptible.

You're not human beings anymore, you're vegetables, so to speak, almost you're animal. You weren't meant for the bugs to eat on you but we're all corrupted. One day we are going to step into incorruptibility so hold your peace and role with the punches brother/sister, and begin to love like brethren. The gift of suspicion is not in order today, it's at a disorder. I trust we have discernment and not suspicion. Most people that have the gift of discernment, it's really suspicion. It's not discernment.

45. The 11th verse I read, "Dearly Beloved, having the same passions..." absolutely. To show forth the cosmos and the position of God, they call us evil doers but just keep on doing good that one

day, in the day of visitation, God will glorify you. See? Now, listen that what we're talking about brother/sister is only for the Bride, that's submission. And, that submission, I have already given you the clue too, is in 1Corinthians 15, where it says at the time of His Presence of His Coming, that Presence, there goes a process of subjection where God, Himself, is here working in a Bride to bring you into compatibility of the Word, which will manifest certain aspects of morality. And we're talking about the laws of two kingdoms.

And, the law of God is the Word of God. Wherein His commandments are His enablements. If God said through Jesus, "Be you perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." And Bro. Branham said, "*If God gave a command for He must make a way for it.*" And he did through the Blood, "For the Blood of Jesus Christ scatters sin until there'll be no evidence." Then how can you call a man a sinner? That doesn't mean you grow roots around here living in sin, and say, "Well praise that's eternal security of the Baptist and the Presbyterian." It's the hogwash of man. If you've got eternal security you won't be rooting around for sex and filth and lying and stealing and everything else and defrauding. But, if you should do it, you'll be condemned mightily. There'll be no rest in your soul till it's dealt with by Almighty God. Certainly.

49. Now listen, they are strictly commanded to live under the two sets of laws, strictly commanded to live under two sets of laws. For as it tells you to submit to the Word of God and live under it, it says "Submit yourself to every ordinance, every ordinance, of man, for the Lord's sake." Every law that man put in there. "That doesn't sound good." I'm sorry it doesn't sound good but it is good. Serpent seed didn't sound too good, no evidence concerning the baptism of Israel. "No sensations, no this no that, that doesn't sound good."

A lot of things don't sound good. I've got to die, it doesn't sound good. I hate it. I've learned to get away from coffee, ice cream and all that stuff that's no good. At least I get some health in my body. Don't tell me you can't walk past Baskin Robbins. Don't tell me you can't lose the sweet tooth. Look at Bro. Pallberg, could have died with that infection in his teeth. Where did he get that infection? I don't know, but he got it. He sure suffered with it. Beats the gallbladder trouble, I'm telling on him. Beats smartening up and he can get rid of the coffee. Might get rid of a lot of other things, like get rid of his gallbladder and there's no Bible for that. Oh, a lot of things aren't pleasant. No, they're not pleasant, for the sake of the Lord.

50. Now listen,

(13) ...whether it be to the king, as supreme;

(14) Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.

It has come to the place where nobody is praising anybody for good anymore. Evil is held up, the Bible speaks of it. The day will come when they'll kill you thinking they're doing God a service and righteousness is the reputed evil and evil is reputed righteous. And everybody's so messed up with illicit thoughts, and I'm hitting a little bit on sex but don't think I'm carried away, I just want to get these things across to you. Because that's the element of this world, young boys dealing in inordinate passion, because it's inordinate. And girls, they're even worse then the boys. Don't tell me, I know what I'm talking about, I'm not seventy one years of age for nothing.

It's got to be the place where sex between husband and wife is as though it was or a dirty thing and Bro. Branham said, "*That is a righteous act.*" A righteous act, I doubt there is one person here

who understands that and has felt it. I doubt it that any male understands that's and feels it and God said so through a prophet. But keep it righteous. Marry when the time comes. Be honest before God. You've been messing around? Clear your skirts, stay content with your wife, get down on your knees and pray, instead of fussing with each other. Best thing I ever learned is to pray with my wife.

51. Where you standing? You fuss with the laws of man don't even obey the laws of God? And I'm just like you. "But we're going to get there, Honey." You bet we're going to get there. I've got a faith in God, He'll get us there and you're not going to get us there as a bunch of unredeemed skunks. Redeemed lambs, led by doves. But let's get the record straight, you young people and get it straight, I'm not riding herd on anybody, but I watch and I watch and I know. You get right with God. Righteous act. I got news for you, when I hit marriage and divorce you'll find out something; not ready for it yet. It'll blow your mind because your mind's a million miles away from truth, same as everybody else's.

There wasn't one table when the prophet came, that wasn't full of vomit. There wasn't one mystery, one thread of the Word of God that had many threads opening up, that wasn't fully polluted, because the root had been polluted. Every fruit, listen you're going to eat spuds that are full of poison. In Main, and every place they put poison in the ground, systemically goes into the plant and gets into the plant and the leaf and the bug eats it, bites it and he shudders and he falls dead. You don't think it gets in the tuber? Somebody's nuts, there isn't any intelligence in the plant, as far as I know that's smart that cooperates with any chemist or any guy that's greedy for money. I don't about God cooperating and turning nature around for some guy that wants to make a name for himself or be greedy for money. I don't know. Any more than the guy that was in the-- what did they call that, I can't remember, my memory's not too good but he took the plane up and bombed Hiroshima. Once that thing left the bomb bay, brother there's no calling it back, he got out of there scat. I know in the 'Enola Gay' they call it, I don't know. I'll get names later on but I'm not up for names today, I'm up for the Word of God anyway.

52. The attitude towards man's cosmos is the same as towards God's cosmos, 16-18. All right listen. Let's read it then.

(16) As free, not using your liberty for a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servants of God.

How many people would like to disobey the laws of man and the laws of God and say, "I've got a liberty"? Now, you think that's Pentecostal, it is too but it's everywhere. Where do you think they got it? You think Pentecostal people brought something new in the thing. Oh, come on now, ain't nothing new under the sun. They just put a twist to it. How many ways can you tie a rope? Same old rope. And they draw sinners with a card rope. Certainly brother/sister, don't be fooled by this. Listen, be free and freedom is always doing what is right. When a man has done what is right, it doesn't matter if they burn him at the stake or anything else; take away all that he's got. It doesn't matter once he gets right, it doesn't matter.

(17) Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.

Hey, why didn't that guy with an ounce of brains say, "Fear God first"? Let me tell you one thing, if you didn't fear God first, you wouldn't do the rest of it.

- (18) Servants, be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle but also to the froward.

You know the guy that wants to boss you around, he's the boss and he's takes advantage. You say, "I'm going to let that ...?... I don't care if he is my boss." You don't? Maybe there's something wrong with you. I know there's something wrong with me because I didn't like it either.

53. Now, we got some men here that are supervisors, we've got Gene and Joel and we've got Joe also and we've got Lee Vayle and we've got Pete. Now I ain't much along side you guys, you're the brass. Bill's a foreman. I am sure they love you. They can't wait to see him, "Oh, we're so glad you got here." And I know the way Gene is, I know from his background, he'll be nice but he'll be demanding because he demands himself. And I understand, well I think that Joe's a little bit quicker on the trigger then Gene is because of his background. Weren't you a Baptist or something? Oh yeah, an old Mennonite or Amish type of guy, ...?... along side of you and me because we've got a lot of that in us.

I'm not going to talk about Joe, he's just, he's a different act, he knows how to handle the rough and tough and all the rest, you know. And you could tell Pete's when he's up here on the pulpit he comes forth and he comes right back. I just keep boring in you, I haven't enough brains to pull back. A lot of you guys are getting good, they want to make Dave a supervisor. We've got enough guys around here to almost set the world on fire, supervisory. But do they just love you coming in? Oh come on, you know, you know that there is a distrust there right away because you can go to the King Pin.

Oh, I forgot Lloyd, he's a bit of a boss, kind of a straw boss, very little straw, very little boss, but he's in there, you know. He's like me; we got no boss's at all. But you get the picture I'm trying to paint for you. All right, let's apply it right down today. Well where are we? It's not manly to stand up there and slug it out. Only manly if it's a spiritual precept. Let me tell you, one day a fellow quit his job and he phoned Bro. Branham and said, "Bro. Branham, I want you to pray for me."

He said, *"What's the matter son, what's the matter?"*

"Well," he said, "I quit my job."

"Well," he said, *"why did you quit your job?"*

"I'll tell you why," he said, "I just cannot go against my conscience any longer."

He said, *"What do you mean?"*

"Well," he said, "I am the man here who is quality control and I set everything up for customers that come in and I say 'Look it, you will get this much in your rugs, you will get this much of this and this much of that and this much of this and this much of that, in that quantity in that shape and in that form.'" And he said, "When I get out of there and I charge them a certain price and it's a good price, it's a good profit." And the boss says, "Hey now, we'll just change that to this, this, this and this". And he said, "He makes it inferior and they can't tell."

He said, *"Go get your job back. They'll answer to God; they did it, not you."*

55. Now, what if you've got a supervisor who works under a supervisor and you don't like the man that tells you to do what you're doing. It isn't the fellow's fault. Look, if everybody here, I was just kidding Lloyd there because he does have a little supervisory job which would be the lowest in the sense of power of a clout. But he's got to work so close to his boss or I miss my guess it's pitiful. Now Gene will have more latitude, because he has more experience he's worked up in the ranks, higher echelon and knows the ropes so therefore he will confer less.

Now Brian Kocourek a very bright boy. Now Brian's a buyer, what happened to him? Why he showed him he was so good in no time at all, I guess within the week, the main boss said, at the plant, "Look, you don't report to anybody but me" And when you report to top dog, you become a top dog; they're grooming you for something, right? Absolutely, you go through all the channels. Now, the big shot from Japan comes over and he meets Brian. "Oh, Mr. Kocourek," he said, "We've been hearing good things about you in Japan." That's the next step; groom him in Japan, if everything goes right. What's the next step? He becomes authoritative universally, wherever Fuji Tech is. I don't know how many are going to love him? I hope he has better luck than what has happened... to other places. [Bro. Vayle chuckles]

56. Now, what does it say to Christians? Honor the straw boss. You say, "It doesn't say that." It sure does because I'm saying it and that's what it says here in the jungle language of America. Sure, [1 Peter 2:]

(18) Be subject to your masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also the froward.

In other words, those that are a little bit tough on you, you knuckle under. Why? There'll be promotion there, it doesn't say knuckle under in a way that's bad. No, no, no, no, nobody wants that. Now of course, if somebody tells you that you've got to go peddle beer and stuff as part of your job, I think I would just kindly decline it and get something else. But I'm talking like where this other man was right in a big organization. You see, he had done his job, he didn't stand there by the looms and by the producers and say, "Now this, this, this." But when it was done, they came back and he made a test and he said, "That's not it." But he didn't do it, there's a difference there. You go to war. Bro. Branham was not against going to war, he's not a conscientious objector, but he admired the man that was and he said, "*Be the best one.*" Why? Because if the nation made you do it, you didn't do it.

Now, see what we're talking about here. There are times, you've got to understand the Word, but there is the definitive understanding that you are in obedience to civil authority. Now a lot of people don't want it. Like a guy driving his car at seventy miles per hour and he says, "When I get in that car," he's says, "I'm not under law, I'm under grace." It's good for a joke but I'm going to tell you something, Bro. Branham said, "*A man doing that is guilty of murder and should be taken off the road and put in prison for twenty five years.*" And you know Bro. Branham was killed by a drunken driver. Bro. Branham was doing the speed limit which was allowed, the speedometer locked right in at that point.

57. Now, we've got to understand these things brother/sister because this is the Bible, I'm just preaching what I see here in the Word of God. Now, look at here in 16-18. I read it to you, but now watch we go back to verses 1-3. [1 Peter 2:]

- (1) Wherefore laying aside all malice, (don't get mad) all guile, (you haven't got some wrong motive in mind) all hypocrisies, (you're very sincere, your not envious.)

How many people get envious of the boss? Now, I'm the last guy anybody should be jealous of but believe me, I've been a target. You know, my language could be flawless and beautiful, my manner suave, because you know how it was, I'm born under a certain tree with a certain spoon in my mouth, which was, you know, kind of a hogwash spoon, a bologna spoon. I eat a lot of scrambled egg, you know, in bologna dishes and you know, ...?... to spread it and I could at one time. Make no mistake about it, in spite of everything there was certainly this thing that people didn't like because I was able to be near some of the greatest men of God living. I don't say it rubbed off so don't say I'm saying it rubbed off, but I had the privilege.

You'd be surprised how many people don't like that which doesn't bother me any, because I don't mind where they go and what they do, really, just as long as they leave me alone. But there again now, you see, I'm not talking facetiously, I'm not talking foolishly but there's an error in what I'm saying because I've got to be nice to them if they're not nice to me. I've got to be kind and generous and I try to be too, because Paul said, "As much as lies within you, be at peace with all men." And a lot lies in us through the grace of God. And now we see right here,

- (2) As newborn babes...

Little kids are the sweetest things in the world. I love little kids and everybody loves little kids, almost everybody, and little puppy dogs and everything little and tiny. Why? Because they're so innocent, their so sweet, as newborn babes. Now, can a newborn babe have malice? No, he's just got it there in a seed form, doesn't get big enough, but in the meantime no malice, no guile. Now, let me tell you, little kids can sure spot people too.

58. Now, our first child, a little girl, she was easy to get along with. She loved everybody that loved her except one woman and she wouldn't go near that woman, she got near her to pick her up she wanted to grab her hair and just scream. That woman hated kids and would never have children. How did that little kid know it? Don't ask me; she ain't that smart right now, I'll tell you that. I never was that smart.

- (2) Newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that you may grow thereby.

In other words, you're always hankering to come on and come on with the sweet nature of Christ. Now, the moral law is laid out completely in verses 19-20. [1 Peter 2:]

- (19) For this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.

Now, that's the moral issue. Are we willing to suffer and do what God said even though we don't like it? And the answer should be, "Yes."

- (20) For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye (should) take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God.

Now listen, we are all in the same boat, we say, "I'll only take so much and that's it." And, the minute that you say that and I say it, God puts you right where your mouth was. And, if you want

to suffer, open your mouth brother/sister. The trouble, I said it many years ago, with us is we got fat lips and thin ears when we ought to have fat ears and thin lips. But you just say, "I won't take it." You just voice, "Well if that's it, I'll quit." And what you find out if you'd better not quit? Now, you've got to eat crow, ah huh, goodie-goodie gumdrops. But no you won't you'll quit anyway and you'll make a fool of yourself and your family and everybody else because you've got too much pride.

59. Now, what kind of a Christian are you? What kind am I? Now, let me look at it. What kind am I? I'm going to point one finger out there and five back toward me or whatever it is. Oh, brother/sister, listen let's get, face this things on the moral laws of the nation never mind the moral laws of God. But the moral laws of God and the spirit of God's involved in our attitudes towards these things. Now, look it, we haven't been taught this, we haven't been brought up in this atmosphere. The closest thing is the Amish and Mennonite spirit and it's wrong. And yet, it's right. There it is, there's your false anointed again brother/sister, you get a beautiful fruit in a wrong heart. You get the love of a Christian Scientist manifested out here. Bro. Branham said, *"They just work to the death they are just such wonderful people."* They're wrong. What about us and being right? How can we stand up and say that we're right with the revealed Word of God and have all these things messed up? Just gear down, that's all, just gear down. As Bro. Branham once said, *"If it skins you alive, do it."* Get the thing right. Read the 20th verse. Well, I read the 20th verse,

(20) ...ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently?...

60. What is there if you put your hand in the meat grinder and you get your fingers cut off? "You got to be patient." Well, you deserved that. What if sometime an accident happened, not your fault, and your hand was cut off? Has your life soured? It could be but it doesn't need to be. I'm going to tell you something, I pray everyday for certain people that lie there, one in arthritis, and you know what, really? I don't understand how she can live. They had to wire her jaws open or they'd close and she'd never be able to have food again, maybe through the nasal passage or some hole in her throat. And she's still living and every little movement hurts her body and I don't understand I, but she can smile so sweetly and praise the Lord. I'd almost think the girl has an evil spirit, just make her sit there and grin kind of and feel nice about everything. It's not; it's the Spirit of God. Somehow, it's got to be.

Another girl, she almost lies in bedsores so much of the time, she got married in the condition, I think it's MS she had and she was going to have a baby. And you know something, I don't remember just how the baby died, but I'm sure it was the doctor's fault. It seems to me the case was the doctor's fault and then they sterilized her so she wouldn't have another just in case she might have. They took everything from her and she lies there with trust and faith in God. You and I sit and stand here with everything, I with a few aches and pains and my wife and I feel rotten at times and this thing kind of blows your mind, because this Candida gives off seventy nine different poisons in the blood stream and it could just drive you almost completely wacky and your temperatures and everything else goes haywire on you.

62. But you know I don't have anything along side those people. Nothing, nothing and some of us men can't even stand our wives to say one word. What kind of people are we anyway? And some of you are going to get married, what kind of husbands are you going to be? Woman are so nervous right now, man, you ain't got a chance at a happy marriage unless you settle right down. Some of you are pretty healthy so you jaw each other out and fight day and night, but you do it in

such a crazy way, you kiss and make up at night, that's great but it ain't great. Because don't tell me it's not hitting your nerves and messing you up. It's got to, there's no way out of the thing. And don't tell me, I'm like Dr. Menninger, he said, "Don't you tell me that people can be taught sin and get away with it, it runs along all your nerve lines. That's why you are the way you are."

That wasn't some stupid Freud, although Freud was right. All sin came from sex originally, but all sin is not motivated by sex in this hour. Every sin came out of it; it's not motivated by it. The constant misapplication of these lives of ours make us what we are and we're trying to get us out of it. We're trying to see there's laws laid down here, moral laws, the kingdom of God laws, that swing into the laws of men and the laws of men swing back toward God, because they're all put there to do us good. Now, we know men's lives don't always do us good but the principle is there and so we should respect it and so the moral law is there. And I read you this now in 20. And you want to read, Heb 12:3-7 it tells you everybody's got to suffer chastisement.

63. Everybody's got to have that pattern there. And this pattern is a pattern of Christ to get in His image, because it says down there in 21-25, "Even Christ was called - don't throw it off yet I'm going to quit - Christ suffered, leaving us an example and this example will bring us into His image" and if it's the hour of the image of immortality, this Bride will suffer. But she will be different from every other person out here in the world, not from the first church age Bride, no siree, they died as martyrs and what have you but she will have pressure and her pressure will come from the authority outside. And men say, "I won't take that authority." We have got to learn to live with that authority. I don't care what you're doing to us.

Now, I'm not finished but I'm finished today. That's 5 pages out of 8, we should get through Wednesday night ...?... just right. All right, the Lord, bless you. I hope you begin to see where we go. May God have mercy on us all, He already has had mercy may we accept it and accept His...

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