

The Holy Spirit in Ephesians # 1

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Shall we pray. Heavenly Father we're again a privileged people to know we have freedom and strength that come together, a place that You've provided for us, Lord, to worship You in Spirit and in truth, to acknowledge Your greatness, Your Name. And all that, Lord, which adheres to it, and to also walk in the Light and to walk in the Spirit we praise You for that.

We thank You, Lord, that You are here in a way that you have not been here previously, except through type. And now at the end-time You are here in that way of fulfillment of becoming and us also becoming and moving on into eternity. We thank You for that, Lord, that You are here doing that thing and it is a matter of grace in according to Your purpose that You have given us this assurance, this understanding, Lord, this participation, this privilege, although these things, Lord, are of You. And we thank You for them.

We pray now, Lord, You'll help us in the study of Your Word that we may know those things that are surely true and right as so that can not only believe, but we can do also be in the obedience of faith which is so important in this hour. Bless each one, Lord, make us one in Thee. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen. You may be seated.

[Local announcements are made]

1. ...Book of Ephesians, and you'll noticed I mentioned there are three times that the Holy Spirit is mentioned, and each time is actually different. There's very much concerning the Holy Spirit that people do not know. And of course one thing they do not know and nobody gives credit to, because they have no way of knowing, (they could guess at, but not know) except under the Seventh Seal that Hebrews 13:8, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever," comes into a full revelation and manifestation in the Bride, especially in the Bride but in the world, where Bro. Branham said it's absolutely known and you'd have to be neurotic if you didn't get it and understand it. Which is true. And many, many quotes which we're going to start going into one day, but not this morning.

2. Now, we'll start reading in Ephesians 1:3.

(3) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath
blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

(4) According...

Now, you'll notice that the blessings are only in accordance to what follows. And you will see that the blessings would be without purpose unless there was something for the blessing. Now, watch it:

(3) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ (Now, high
praise in honor and glory be to Him and our Lord Jesus Christ) who
hath blessed us... (made us happy and prosperous. And also God is
prospered in this respect. God is added to in this respect.)

Now, you understand that. Now, the ladies are awfully nice. You men once in a while you're very sharp, but the ladies are nice. Say, "Bro. Vayle that's a nice suit, you look handsome."

I say, "Wonderful, I appreciate you."

I've been added to. Right? "Well, where were you added?" Well, come and measure me, head, no I want you to see God can be added to. See? God can be enriched. Yet He says, "Whoever did anything for me, that I didn't do first?"

"What are you going to do, give Me this gold?"

He said, "Look, I made all these." He said, "Out of My way."

But He said, "You worship in spirit and truth, you watch, you'll add to Me."

3. So, you see what I'm trying to show you is Bro. Branham is perfectly correct reiterating what Irenaeus said, "God being a Savior..." Or God being what He was. As Bro. Branham put it, *"God having these attributes it was necessary that God formulate a plan whereby the attributes would be manifested."*

And Irenaeus said it, "God being a Savior, it was necessary that God predestinate a sinner in order to give God a reason and purpose of being."

So, enriched maybe, God in glorified and blessed, and added to, and exalted and our Lord Jesus Christ Who has in turn enriched us, (you see) and blessed us with all spiritual blessings and places:

- (4) According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world...

Now, you'll notice that everything in God has to have some type of 'a deep calling to a Deep.' So if God hath not made something out here to call back, then how would He have possibly done anything? This is how we understand that when God gives the Word to the Bride, the faithful wife ministers back to the husband, and the lavishness of God comes upon her. Now, you begin to understand some things? Now, this is strictly beautiful to see these things as a prophet taught us. And remember, the great ones of the Ages have taught the same thing. It only happened that Bro. Branham was given the tremendous fulfilling, and fulfilled revelation that devolves upon us.

4. Now, he says here:

- (4) According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world...

Now, you'll notice in there, when he says, "foundation of the world," of necessity you are understanding a materialistic concept that God is bringing about. And he said, "I want you to know that you were before all of these things in the realm of the materialistic." So therefore, when he says that, he is saying what Bro. Branham said, *"Before God had a fish with fins, he had to have water to swim in."*

Now then, the plan was the fish was there already in the plan superseding the pond of water. So you see, there's a balance there, what God's great plan here.

Now:

- (4) ...that we should be...without blame before him...

Now, that's what God Almighty purposed, and this being the purpose before the foundation of the world, no matter what could possibly arise the Bride is going to be without blame. Now you see, that's something that we teach here, and we bring you into 1 Corinthians 1:7-8, which, I'll just take a look there. Look, I'm going to try to go too far today, and I don't care when we get finished. I'm not talking about the hour, today, I mean the subject wrong. I mean call it quits after today.

(7) So that (you) come behind in no gift; waiting for the (apokalupsis) of our Lord Jesus Christ:

(8) Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that (you) may be blameless in the day of (the) Lord... (See, now that's what we're looking at.)

Now, here is what we see here, that the purpose of God which was purposed in Him, we being the recipient's of It, in order to receive of His grace and manifest it and return it to Him so that it comes back upon us enlarged, it comes to the place of the constant enlargement that Bro. Branham spoke of, Luther, Wesley, Pentecost, and now a glory that shall not fail that we stand blameless and acknowledge the Presence and the blamelessness of the individual.

5. Now: [Ephesians 1:]

(5) (In love:) Having predestinated us (to) the adoption (or the placing) of children by Jesus Christ to himself...

Now, you'll notice in here that evidently something has gone not necessarily awry, but something has been interjected. Now what is the interjection? The interjection is the solemn thought, that before the foundation of the world you were this way, and in the plan to be holy and without blame. So therefore, from the foundation of the world something came in. What came in? Man was put into a physical body of the earth, and became a part of a mundane system, physically, though the spirit never did.

Now, he says in here: The plan is, that something is going to go swinging off. But he said, "Don't you worry..."

(5) ...according to the good pleasure of his will, (you will be placed.)

(6) To the praise of the glory of his grace... (Now, where did grace come in?)

Now, over here, It doesn't mention grace. It said: [Ephesians 1:]

(3) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

Now, you tell me where Jesus Christ needed grace? Where does God need grace? "Well," you say, "He might need grace to look at us." That's perfectly true, but that's not really the answer. That's not really the answer. It's men that require the grace.

6. So, you're seeing in something here now that says the God knew when this which was put into manifestation in the realm of the physical, it would require grace. And it would not only require grace, it would require redemption. So therefore, man never could fall in the primal state of the spirit. He had to be put into the physical. And it was the physical that died, and it was the spiritual that endured a separation which also is a death.

So, now he says here, there's going to be a redemption through the Blood. It would take a Blood offering in order to bring us to the position of the adoption of sons, which would be according to the riches of His grace.

So therefore, when you speak of Blood, you speak of grace. And notice, the primary, a thesis, is on the Blood, "the forgiveness of sins according to the riches of His grace which is by redemption of Blood." So therefore, we exalt the Blood knowing that in blood lies grace.

7. Now, somebody says, "Well, I believe it was a great act of grace that God should give you the Holy Ghost." Well, that's very good, I won't argue, but I think you're off track. I think you're off track because it is the Blood that cleanses the vessel and sets him prepared and allowed to receive the Holy Ghost. Because if it weren't for the sacrifice you never could, because that's what you see in Galatians, where he mentions, "Cursed is he that hangeth upon a tree. That the blessing of God might come upon the Gentiles that we through faith might receive the Holy Spirit." [Gal 3:13-14]

So, you can see there it took the Blood to put the person in a place of bringing him to the adoption, or the placing. Now, there's a whole lot of people out here that say, "I believe in the Son. I believe in the Blood."

Well, you prove you're a son of God. How are you going to prove it? There's one proof, if you've thoroughly repented and as a child of God you will, you will receive the Holy Ghost. And then if you do receive the Holy Ghost there's certain evidential matters that come up and make you to know that you have received the Holy Ghost, although it will be contradicted by many people. That hasn't got a thing to do with it.

8. Now notice:

(8) Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;

Now, when it comes to the Blood, the philosophers, the theologians, the heathens, the scoffers hate the Blood. They can't stand It. Modern theology and higher criticism gave way after Luther under the face of a man to a bloodless religion. That's exactly right. And under a bloodless religion there is no Holy Ghost. I don't care what anybody says. There's no way.

None of these men received the Holy Ghost, they spoke like angels and they were devils from hell. That's right. The Fosdick's and the whole bunch. And I don't feel the least condemned in condemning them, because they're condemned by their own words. And when those words are blatantly spread around the world I've got every right to speak against them, because that's my job. And I don't care how smart the Weatherhead's and the Whitehead's are and the rest of them, and they're names of great preachers. And I wouldn't care if it was a Spurgeon. The minute that you begin to deny the Blood of Jesus Christ and take away redemption, you have destroyed the very precept and plan of all grace.

And then man says, "Well, why should you teach people that they're sinners and those little kids?" Little kids know they're sinners, don't have to be taught it. Just like that stinking hypocrite in the pulpit knows it, but he's a seducer from the pits of hell. What happened?

The degeneracy that came in from Luther, (you see,) under the face of a man, existing also going further and further under the face of a man, finally comes to the place that under the face of a man at the rejection of the Eagle. They now take and pervert the very sacred things of God which are gifts. So, that even a person full of the Holy Ghost can be tricked by the devil into

using a gift wrong. (Oh, we'll go into that later.)

9. Now: It says, [Ephesians 1:]

- (7) In whom we have redemption... (and so on.)
- (8) Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
- (9) Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he purposed in himself:

Now, It says here that God did not simply do this. That God made Paul and the Bride privy to what He did. Paul did not know what God did. The apostle's did not know what God was doing. It took God in the form of the Holy Spirit, after God in the form of a man shed the required blood to atone, to come back and make them privy to what He had done. He made known "the will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself."

Now notice, the knowledge imparted is also according to sovereignty. Many people can't see a thing, and they're not going to see a thing, because that's up to God. "For this cause, have I raised thee up." [Rom 9:7]

10. Now watch:

- (10) That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ...

Now, if they weren't in there in the beginning, in the original manifestation of God coming forth Himself, creating the aura around Him in order to progress in creation, if it wasn't in there, in the family understanding it'll never be in the end.

As Bro. Branham said, *"If you didn't have representation [there,] then you don't have it now."*

"Oh," somebody says, "that's a very bleak place, a picture."

That's God's business. A lot of people don't want to understand it. They say, "Well, if that's the case, I'll throw my hands up and I'll hate God." You already do hate Him. Go on, finish it. I know people don't like this kind of preaching. I care less about who likes it. If I go to hell, I'll go to hell as the most honest person I can be to get there when it comes to this Word. This is what he said right here. This is something that's ordained.

11. Now:

- (10) ...which are in heaven, and on earth;...

In other words, the harmony that was lost through a creation is going to be reconciled to the perfections of God. That's why you and I don't know one thing about the Millennium, and can't know one thing about a glorified body. Oh, we get so happy, because we feel good. Oh then the devil's brothers and sisters they...in terrible pain. And the great preacher man came by and in the Name of Jesus laid on hands, and now they feel so great. That ain't nothing to how you're going to feel! You haven't got a clue as to how you're going to feel, but you're going to feel. And you're going to feel with the feeling's of Almighty God. Today they've been so ruined. What will it be like to just go back and be Adam again, and Eve again?

"Well, I don't think we would like that."

We'd go through the whole ball of wax again. People say, I'd like to start over again. You'd be a bigger fool than ever. You know why? Because you'd try to make up for the opportunities

you could have sinned, and had a lot of fun doing it and didn't do it. [some chuckling] Sure it's right.

I've read where a certain philosopher said, "The biggest sin (he said,) is the sin you didn't sin when you could have sinned and you'd have a lot of fun doing it." Even Reader's Digest caught that, in the last Digest.

12. All right. You're going to back then to the Oneness in a manifestation. You see, listen: I don't care what manifestation God took on, that manifestation lay there as a perfection in a complete unity and oneness with God. So therefore, we as the microcosm individual Logos, because that's what it is, will have our unique oneness and a perfection from the beginning.

Now listen, It says,

(11) In whom also we have obtained an inheritance,...

Now, there's something beyond this life that isn't here now. "I don't know what all's going to ...?....," you say, "I believe there'll be a vineyard."

I believe there will be too.

"I believe there will be a fig tree."

Sure, if you like figs, they'll be there.

"Oh," you say, "I prefer cracking walnuts."

Oh, you'll get your share of walnuts. That's right. Now you might not get some walnuts that are hybridized. You get the good kind that aren't. I don't know about pecans whether they're original or not, I suppose they were. If they weren't they won't be there. I don't care how much you like pecans you'll like something else of course. See?

Now, It says,

(11) (There's something other coming in the form of) inheritance being
predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things
after the counsel of his own will:

Now, that tells you something, that if you aren't predestinated to it. In other words, that you take the right form at the right time, you'll hate it.

13. Now listen: Let's get this flat, I don't care what your drunken relatives, (if you've got drunken relatives) your whore mongering associates, or your lovely circumspect, you know, couldn't even pronounce the word pea's that's about the smallest little vegetable, [some chuckling] because they're so prim and so proper if they're not predestinated to the Millennium, (although they think they are) they'd hate it. Just like they hate this Word now. If you're not predestinated.

Listen: if I'm wrong teaching His Presence in a wrong way and you believe just like me, we were predestinated to It. And if we believe it exactly right, we're predestinated to It. Because It says so. Oh, people don't like Bro. Branham's teaching, I do. It's not, you know, not that I got some special claim on it, it isn't that at all. That's what it is. I've looked hard and fast at these things here before I met Bro. Branham. Before we talked I had a look at these things hard and fast, and I realized there was such a thing as one God. I couldn't understand it. I don't claim that I know too much it now. I understood sovereignty. Had to preach It. It was there. What are you going to do with it? Oh, hypnotize yourself into believing something different, and then God will stand behind that? Haw!

We make an organ to play on, and I say, "Well, (you know) that's quite an organ, ah, does it give out heat? Going to make a nice fireplace?"

"Oh," you say, "Bro. Vayle, "don't expect me to be stupid. I made that organ to play as an organ,"

Then, don't expect God to be stupid. I've got some kind of idiot up there brother/sister, he'd have to be if he thought like a man. We're not dealing with a God that changes His mind. We're dealing with "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever." And when you deal with that subject you are not going into Mark 16. You're going back to Elohim, the Alpha and Omega precept. And healing is not an Alpha, Omega precept per se, it's an adjunct. It's a minor. You get with this others you're getting to the precepts.

14. All right, now listen: you were predestinated to this inheritance. There isn't one thing you were not predestinated to. In other words, God's Blueprint contains sons and the challenge of the completed Blueprint was to bring all the resources of God concerning redemption into play. And that required a predestination which means a termination that is already known, precluded, and cannot be changed.

That's why people make me laugh about the laboratories, they're getting excited again Peter was telling me over evolution, produce one real mutation and watch it develop and bring long life. Find one out there in nature, but let them produce a mutation that they produced. All hell will break loose out there. You watch and see. The government's right in curbing the laboratories and curbing this stuff going on. You bet it is. You move around one bug, watch what happens. He set the bounds. You bring in that starling from England; you bring in a snail; bring in a water hyacinth; start pouring heat in your rivers, and watch what happens. Man is helpless, and he stands smart as though he knew something. Man knows nothing. That's proven from the day that Adam walked off with Eve from the Presence of Almighty God. When God gave him all nature to work with. Six thousand years of destruction, and God says, "I'm going to bring it back, and I'm going to do far more on top of it."

Where have you ever seen a City fifteen hundred miles high, and fifteen hundred miles at the base all terraced up? "Oh," they say, "a hanging Gardens of Babylon."

I say, "Hang the Gardens of Babylon! I'm not interested."

I've seen the Alps, they're pretty. I've seen the beautiful mountains in Canada, they're nice. I've done a little bit of traveling, maybe I don't think more than anybody sitting here, or a much as some of you. But I'll tell you one thing: ain't nothing to what I'm going to see and be a part of. And you'll all be a part of this too, because there's no place where God says He destroys it. "But He'll destroy those that destroy the earth." [Rev 11:18]

15. All right, now listen: It says all this is done, the whole gamut, the whole thing. It's already in the works. Now wouldn't it be strange, now wouldn't it be strange all these things in here and Paul says, [Ephesians 1:]

- (8) Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
- (9) Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he (pleasured) in himself: (That we should be privy to that and don't know it.)

Then somebody said, "What is this business of a Word in season? What is this business of a Word at the end? All things continue as they were."

What continues? Their sin of unbelief! That's what continues. The work of righteousness has been wrapped up when the prophet stood there. This One here in the Cloud, the Mighty Judge, said, *"Little Bride, you didn't do it at all, you're absolutely blameless, a virtuous spotless, a pure Bride of the spotless Son of Almighty God. He became you, that you might become Him."*

And the world stands back and says, "Well, you know, all things continue." And they don't know what's continued. The sin of unbelief! The Ark was already boarded up. The skylight pulled down. God shut the door and they stood around. Moses couldn't bring Israel to the Promised Land out of Egypt for one simple reason, the four hundred years were up. But the cup of iniquity wasn't filled yet. The unbelief wasn't poured in yet. See?

And I warn you people and tell you, and say what's going on? I'll not have to stand in the judgment for this church brother/sister. I've laid it on the line, you do what you want. You do what you want any day you want. I stand back and watch. Yep. My conscious is absolutely clear, having preached the Word of God. I've laid out to you what Paul the apostle said. Then if I stand here and fall into the trap myself, you'll not have a chance to rise against me in the Judgment, you'll say, "Well, at least I'll say this for Vayle, he told us, and I'll listen, and I took my warning."

That's right. People don't want to believe the hand of Almighty God working these things out according to His purpose. They're being worked out. And when they're shown they're worked out people turned them down flat. Now:

- (12) That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. (Who had hope in Him. Put the hope in Him, the earnest expectation.)

16. Now, Paul is telling them that there was a group from the beginning who entered into this which all families in heaven and earth will have a part of, but were not privy to the revelation as it is now known. I'm going to prove that to you.

Paul the apostle said, [Ephesians 3:]

- (1) For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,
- (2) If (you've) heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:
- (3) How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,
- (4) Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)
- (5) Which in other (generations) was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;
- (6) That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:
- (7) Whereof I was made a minister, (and he says in here:) according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual

working of his power. (So, there we have the same thing at this end-time.)

17. Now, It says: [Ephesians 1:]

- (13) In whom (you) also (hoped), after (you) heard the word of truth,
the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that (you) believed,
(you) were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,
- (14) Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the
purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

Now, It tells you right here that as Blood was required in order to place you there, there is an interim period wherein after the Blood is shed, the Holy Spirit is given as your guarantee that you will be in a position to be in the inheritance.

In other words, what has been predestinated you are predestinated to It, the same as a fish is predestinated in the water. Oh I know, the goof-balls try to tell you the fish came out of the water and became a bird and all. That's fine, I can tell where they're going. [laughter] Going right back to it. You've opened your mouth, that's right. Haven't got one bit of evidence. Stand in the face of the evidence of Almighty God, they laugh at it, because they couldn't dissect it. Oh, they'll be dissected. Body, soul, spirit, the Bible says so. He'll separate them. They want it, that's what they're going to get. Well of course they're predestinated to it.

18. Now, we are predestinated physically on the basis of a primal spiritual foreknowledge which was not simply foreknowledge, but in itself was also a concept brought to materiality. Now, that's like a Philadelphia lawyer, but it ain't. It just simply saying, a man had a blueprint, and what he did with his pencil by way of his mind; transferring that onto a piece of paper and he went ahead and built it. And that's exactly what I'm saying about God.

And when the man built the house like the great architect Wright who went to Japan, he said, "I'll tell you how we'll build houses over here in order to escape the devastation of earthquakes." He built the house from a knowledge, a blueprint and a material that was suitable to the environment.

Now God's got a new environment coming up. And from the very concept of His mind He had us thoroughly adapted to every environment. So right at this point we're more than conquerors through Jesus Christ if we want to let Him lead our lives and guide us. The trouble is, we don't have enough confidence in Him. That's always was the trouble. That's what real sin is, is unbelief. Not having confidence in God. That's where Eve blew it. She had more confidence in the material concept than God put in the Garden. And when she put confidence in the material concept, then the material concept had to betray her. Because the material concept will always betray you, because "things are not made of that which does appear." [Heb 11:3] Neither the shape of the thing, the materiality, nor the complexity of the working within and without. Because God said, "I can make stones rise up and cry out." [Lk 19:40]

19. And any man puts his fate in materiality is shot. That's what Eve did. That's why man sunk so low as to make beast and creatures, and four footed things of God. That's why Catholics and even crazy Protestant's, they'll get that crazy don't worry. Now, they got a statue of "Madonna", begins to trickle down tears. "Oh aah, that's God!" That's God? My foot. That's God allowing it,

bringing delusion. The Lourdes, the shrine of Lourdes and those things. You think Mary can do those things? Mary no more does those things than nothing.

"Oh," you say, "just a minute that's Catholic."

What about the Protestant's, they've got a whole lot of gifts in their churches that are misused and therefore It says, "I never knew you, you worker of Satan." [Lk 13:27]

What did the beast do? He took the material concept and adapted it. You got the same thing right now. The church will take a manifestation and adapt it. They won't put it in church order. (We'll get to that a little later on I hope. Not today by the grace of God, there's no way we're going to get there. And I care less.)

20. Now listen, It says right here: that all of this great plan that was in a nutshell drawn before us. Where God has promised that which He puts into His environment, He's going to bring both of them back to a far greater concept, so that, "eye hath not seen, nor ear heard." [1 Cor 2:9] And you've got yourself just a bare inkling from Scripture.

Now, he said, "I'm going to tell you something, this is all yours, because you're predestinated to It. You are the sons who's names came in the will." He said, "I'm giving you them this. They're taking it over, the inheritance.

Bro. Branham said, *"this is the son. His name is just as good on the check as mine is."* He's proven, you've got this right here. *"Now,"* he said, *alright, there's coming a day when this goes into manifestation."* And the consummation of whether you're in that or not, depends not on the Blood that was shed, or you're full of the Holy Ghost or not. Because you see, the Blood was shed, and by It he bought everybody and everything.

I like what my old buddy Ralf Barner said over here in Romans 14:7. He said,

- (7) ...none liveth to himself, and (none) dieth to himself.
- (8) For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.
- (9) For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living.

And he said, "There you are, (he said,) God bought it all. He owns the sinner, He owns the saint."

"Well," he said, "Is not this the work of my hand? Cannot I do what I want?"

You say, "Just a minute, that work of the hand is out there."

Hogwash! He just spoke that, the work of his hand was man when He took him out of the dust, formed him. Does what He wants. He paid a Blood price, but you got to be born again. You got to be full of the Holy Ghost.

Now, It says here, that, "You were sealed."

Now It says here: "You hoped, you had an earnest expectation when you heard the truth."

What truth? What Paul was made privy to.

21. Now, in the early church they went around saying, "Well, I like what Peter was made privy to. I think John. I think Apollos, I think this, I think that."

He said, "I'm going to tell you something, (he said,) you've got a lot of teachers, but you got one Father." Peter didn't belong to the Gentiles, but he opened the door. Paul opened the door to the Gentiles. I mean, Paul preached to the Gentiles, after the door was opened. Became the living messenger. He's the one that God set in there. And Paul said, "Did the Word of God come out of you, or did it come unto you only?" He said, "It came unto you, you better listen then. You will have to acknowledge, (he said,) you think you're full of the Holy Ghost? He thinks you've got a prophet in your midst, he said, "acknowledge what I say is the commandment of God." [1 Cor 14:36-37]

Oh, I've heard many a man try to tell me what they got from God, there's some prophesied some little thing. Sure they prophesy some little thing. That made them some big thing to come against Bro. Branham. I could have put them under the table with my prophecies, and I know I can prove come to pass. Visions and things that came right on the dot. Make them look like they didn't have a thing. What voice (sort of) spoke to me and said, "If you've ever heard and listen to a man, that's the man you listen to."

Why didn't the voice say, "Hey boy, you've got something too. Get in there kid and chuck."

The voice I heard is: "Shut up and sit down." The voice I heard is: "When was he ever wrong?" "When did he make a mistake?" Something a whole lot different brother/sister.

Paul said, "I'm going to tell you something," he said, "I'm privy to this."

22. Look what he said over here in 1 Corinthians 2. He said,

- (1) And I, brethren, I came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom,
(among my PhD, and my DD and all and all that sort of baloney,) declaring unto you the testimony of God.
- (2) I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

Oh, what would that do? That would bring on the Holy Ghost. You say, "Bro. Paul, should you have done this, should you have done that?"

"No," he said, "I did what I'm supposed to do. I preached Him crucified."

Let a man get washed in the Blood, watch the Holy Ghost fill him. People get so worried whether you get the Holy Ghost or not.

"How can the Holy Ghost not come in if you've been sanctified through the Blood, tell me? Predestinated, such nonsense."

Make rigmoral idea, got to tarry and fast and this and that, and the other thing. Get yourself out there somewhere where you get plumb out of the will of Almighty God. Where It says, "God not out in the desert, don't go out there to try to get the Holy Ghost. Don't go in some secret chamber, close the door, this, that."

A.A. Allen did, I'm sorry for the guy. Died a drunkard as far as I know. Turned against the prophet of God. Oh, he didn't even understand predestination. I'd like to tangle, have him tangle me this morning, or something like that. One of these smart fellows say, "just tell me what I mean." And you tell me what I mean. Then he rewrote the Bible. You'd have to rewrite the Bible to get away from this.

23. Now he said here: [1 Corinthians 2:]

- (3) I was with you in fear and much trembling.
- (4) And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power.
- (5) That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but the power of God. (Alpha is Omega. Now the prophet's got to come and do the same thing.)

Why? Because the church is so far away that God's outside the church standing and saying, "Behold I stand at the door and knock." [Rev 3:20]

And they said, "Who's there?"

He said, "Me and Elijah." [laughter]

Didn't like that. Didn't like that, brother/sister. They didn't like it. No, they didn't want that. That's what He said in Malachi. Can't change Scripture brother/sister. Can't change Scripture. No, if He's come down, He's got to have Elijah. I don't care what you say, Pillar of Fire never stood up in midair somewhere. Had to have a prophet. If it did stand in midair It had to call a prophet. People say what they want. Not around here they don't. I say what I want, and I want to say what God says. And if I need correcting, I need be corrected. That's a thing we've got a church here that should be on its toes by now. If I make a slip of a speech or something, tell me about it.

- (6) Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect:...
(those initiated.)

Most people haven't even had their initiation, haven't joined the club. No, they haven't been washed in the Blood and filled with the Holy Ghost. There's no way. Paul said, "You know, (he said,) I'm talking about, (he said,) you got the Holy Ghost, at least some of you do."

24. They had three kinds of believers back there in those days. They had one poor young fellow he thought he was God's gift to women, so he was messing around with his father's young wife. I don't say that he didn't have the Holy Ghost, because he did. But he was taught wrong, the church didn't take a stand. And I bet the church didn't have healings either, or hardly anything else. Sin is sin brother/sister, let's face it, I don't care who's doing what.

I'm a little appalled these days because whatever talks to me wants me to quit doing everything that's not right. Not saying you can do it, go ahead. Let's understand it. Like I've often said to you young people, you going to get married don't you come near me if you mess your marriage up, because the church will put you out right now, because you know better. I will not fool anymore. We're down to the end of the rope. Paul knew these things.

25. Okay, let's get back to the Book of Ephesians. (I want to just throw everything in when I think about it, don't worry about me. I'm preaching what the Word, my thoughts are clear. I'll get back to six hours before it's over.)

It's the earnest of our inheritance. It's the down payment, it's the token. It's a guarantee. Listen, God did something on top of something. First of all, He shed the Blood.

Now he said, alright: "Repent and be Baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ." That's your job. You do those two things, the next thing is what? God adds. God never takes away, God always adds.

He seals a person into redemption.

Places them in the Bride of Christ: (we'll talk about that later.)

And ministers gift: (talk about that later.)

Puts in position: (talk about that later. I want to see where God didn't add.)

You say, "I thought Bro. Vayle, God took away." A lot of those things fell away. It wasn't their hour. It wasn't their hour, no way shape and form. Christ was beginning to form from the feet. Right. The Bride from the feet up to Headship, and makes a different thing.

26. All right, now Paul is speaking here of the fact to how you get in, or what is requisite to be born again, which is full of the Holy Ghost. Now, what does he say God's got in mind that all this inheritance goes to? All of these things. [Ephesians 1:]

- (10) That in the dispensation of the fulness of times (plural) he (will) gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and on earth; even in him:

So, It tells you that already according to the apostle Paul the family is already part in heaven. (That's right.) And part of it up there, even as there is part of the Saint's resurrected who can never, never fall, or just waiting for the new environment. They've got a new one, but that's not the one they're going to have eternally. There's two more coming up. One on the Millennium, one for it down the road. There are also those angels who didn't fall, and they will never fall. And the heavens have been purified by Blood. So the heavens are now opened, wide open as is the earth for its complete change, which it will go into in the future as God begins to determine what lies in the future universes.

But already, this thing is in operation, and at the fullness of time He is going to gather together in one, all things in Christ. And he tells you what obtains until the fullness of the times. The Baptism with the Holy Ghost. And it guarantee's it to you.

Now therefore, God did nothing else than that. You know your guarantee. Now, I'm talking about God doing nothing else to you, because that's what you need. Then, whatever other thing God will do is already contingent to and a part of This. Because you see, you're already guaranteed you're going to be back there.

27. Now notice, the "purchased possession". What is the purchased possession? The purchased possession is a people and a future universe. Now, I know people will say, "the angels have nothing to do with Blood." I disagree with that. Though they cannot be redeemed, everything has to do with the Blood that brought her redemption. That God could turn around and bring back to the original unity that lay in God Himself.

Now listen: purity of concept returns from impurity of concept, to purity of concept. Because the declaration has been given, you are the 'pure spotless Bride'. Look at yourself, how spotless. My green thumb is a dirty thumb. So is yours. Look at your bodies. How sincere are you? How fool proof? How above? Maybe not very far, but the verdict has been given.

You say, "What do you mean?"

I explained it to you. That we should be holy, and without blame before Him, and it's under predestination. That's where the Appearing is before. Now, if we believe we had a vindicated prophet, we'd believe the Judge is here. And Bro. Branham categorically brought the Judge in. I can even give you a quote where he said, "*The King of Glory is here.*" All in all is here.

But people not understanding Elohim becoming, they say, "Oh, what is this Presence all about?" It's all about what I'm talking about. See?

28. Back to God's utterance. Where was it said before what a prophet said? It wasn't the hour. But the hour is now. Why? Because it's inheritance hour. Joshua takes them in to the Promised Land, divide the inheritance. This is a day of grace, a promise land, that's why you've got to hear Abraham's covenant of grace in these tapes. I preached what Bro. Branham said. I preached years what he said. Take a tape out and prove it word for word, I preached what he said.

What was in type is no longer in type. It's here. People say, "Oh, I can't see It." You bet you can't see It. You're back there with Gehazi, your eyes are closed. Back in the servant class. The master doesn't reveal to the servant, he reveals to friends. And this is the hour of friendship. "Abraham my friend, shall I not reveal to him the thing I'm going to do?" The whole thing lines up before us in this hour.

So therefore, we know the hour of the inheritance is here! The going into the Marriage Supper. The coming into the Millennium. And listen, it's a foregone conclusion in the mind of God, and what God thinks He does. It's the most foolish thing I ever heard in my life, where people can't understand sovereignty of God based upon omniscience and omnipotence. Mixing Bro. Branham up as though... and Bro. Branham thoroughly explained, he said, *"I won't use the word predestination, I'll use the word foreknowledge."* And they all grinned.

29. Okay, chuckle-head, this is a piano. [pointing to something] Are you happy now? Insanity! Neurotic insanity. They're neurotic, because they can't stand the truth.

A woman I knew over there in Spencerville, oh my, she was a great Christian was she? She didn't know split-beans from buttermilk. And that's a pretty invidious [give offence] comparison. She wouldn't know nothing. She wanted herself and her kids in a dreamland.

I lost my cool with one guy one day. I said, "He's the kind of a guy that someone needs to meet in the back alley someday." She almost went to pieces. Let me tell you something brother/sister, God meets many a guy in a back alley and flattens him. That's right.

When you find sin doesn't pay, you finally quit it. You have your senses exercised unto righteous. Like the kid, you whomp him on the rear end until his senses are exercised to righteousness. [laughter] I'm not for beating kids and you know it. Can't train them that way, it takes more than that.

The people don't understand the omniscience with omnipotence, then how could God not bring it to pass? Well they say, "God knew it all, and didn't do a thing about it!" Then how could He know it was going to come to pass? That's where you make the Creator less than the creature. Because even a 'hooty-owl' knows more than that.

30. Ever think a snow-white Arctic owl would go to the Sahara desert? Hogwash! He goes where the snow is. Then they want God to act like He's a hooty-owl, out of His mind or something. Come on. It tells you right here in the Word what's it's all about.

30. It tells you right here: [Ephesians 1:]

(14) ... (this) earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

It's going on right now. Why? Because It said, "The fullness of times."

You say, "Then Bro. Vayle, when does this run out?" It say, it runs out in the fullness of times. Well, Paul was made privy to it.

Peter says, "The time of the Appearing of Jesus Christ and His coming kingdom, a prophet will reveal the same as a prophet gives." Which means: God puts a Word in his mouth.

William Branham said, "*I knew not these things*," when he preached the Seals.

And people say, "Well, he knew not those things. Isn't that quaint." (Ha, ha, ha, ha.)

Prophet was standing there who got the Word of God in his mouth, the same as the Man that gave it. The same as God gave the revelation to Jesus Christ Who passed It on to John, and John wrote It down. William Branham came on the scene and took It Word by Word not knowing, in fact he confessed he would have made a terrible mistake, except the Holy Spirit swept into the room. One of the seven Angels. One of the seven Spirits before the Throne. Swept in, and brought the truth to the opening of the First Seal.

31. There He was, right there in perfect manifestation, God. Stepped off the Throne and the seven eyes, the seven Spirits came right down here and people don't understand and say, "William Branham." Act as though he wasn't in contact with Someone that gives us faith and all these things that we have added to our virtues, added to everything until He Himself stands here. Having come up through a body, same One said He came up through a body take Headship, said He came down to take Headship. What's up and what's down? The prophet asked you the question. And it brings the thought, He's here, and He's doing what He never did before. Everything was in the type before, now is a fulfillment.

Listen: I've crossed over Jordan as far as I'm concerned. The theological seminaries and all those things are gone from my mind, this is what's real. Sure.

Now, he says here: "This is given to the time of these seasons and it runs out." Now, this is the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. Now, what does this Baptism with the Holy Ghost do per se, and that's the question being asked like, "Well, what does His Presence do for the individual?" What does this mean to you? Well, number one: It's the rebirth.

32. Let's go over here to John 3. Jesus is speaking to Nicodemus. And to Nicodemus He says:

(5) ...Verily, verily, I say unto (you)...

When Nicodemus saw the miracles he got carried away and he said, "Lord," he said, "Rabbi, we know you're a teacher sent from God, because nobody can do the miracles you do, except God be with him." [verse 2]

Now he said, "If God be with you, that constitutes you a prophet, now tell me why are you here? What have you heard from God?" Nicodemus, good old boy, kind of secret believer, but he came out in the open later on. No doubt about it. Just like old Zacchaeus had to come down out of the tree.

And Jesus said:

(5) Jesus (said, truly, truly,) I say unto (you), Except a man be born (again,) he cannot (see) the kingdom of God...

Now, that's the Word that God gave to Nicodemus. All the miracles, and all the miracles that Nicodemus saw which literally shook the world. Said, "What is this all about? Something inside of

me is telling me that I ought to listen to You? You've got something. What is it? What is it that You're trying to tell me?"

- (5) (He said,) Except a man be born (again,) he cannot (see) the kingdom of God....

"What did You say?"

He said, "I blew it." Not for Nicodemus, but I blew it for the rest.

They say, "What's this hogwash about born again?"

33. Say, "Let's get this here you Jesus boy, when you get born again, you get born into us. That's them Gentiles out there. And anybody wanting to come in, they come into us. Now You're telling us we got to be born again, when it's they who must be born into us." Because they understood rebirth. Because you see, if you came in as a Gentile you had to be baptized. You went down a dead Gentle, you came up a living Jew, so to speak. That's what this is about too in a way.

- (4) Nicodemus (said,) How can a man be born when he is old? (See, he was thrown on this one.) can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?
- (5) Jesus (said, Truly, truly,) I say unto (you), Except a man be born (again) (born) of water and Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.
- (6) That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.
- (7) Marvel not that I said (to) thee, (You) must be born again.
- (8) (The spirit breatheth where he willeth and you hear the sound of his voice,) but (You can't) tell (where he comes from, or where he's going:) so is every one born of the Spirit.

You're not born of wind, you're born of Spirit. So the word 'wind' shouldn't be in there, though it's 'numa'.

- (9) Nicodemus said, How can these things be?
- (10) (And) Jesus said, (You're) a master of Israel, and (don't you know) these things?

He said, "Why are you stumbled?" See?

The same as He said, "You hypocrites, you discern the face of the skies and you know what is extant." Now, He said, "You people read your Bibles, you know about the prophets, you are Israel, and you notice a certain thing that keeps happening, happening, happening, therefore you are liable.

34. Now, Jesus said to Nicodemus, "You know these things, you understand the birth. You understand the rebirth, and I'm telling you what I am here for is to present you with the rebirth."

Now, John the Baptist has already said, "His fan is in his hands thoroughly purging his floor, and gather the wheat in the garner, and baptize you with the Holy Ghost and fire." [Mt 3:11-12] He said, "That's the One that God said who's going to come and baptize with the Holy Ghost." That's the One right there. [points to the Pillar of Fire picture]

And He said, "I am here as the fulfillment to the Word of Almighty God. I am here as the One that John the Baptist witnessed to, and I want you to know that you must be born again." Now, this is exactly what we're looking at in the Book of Ephesians.

35. Now, let's go to the Book of Acts 1:6, and It says there:

- (6) When they therefore were come together, asked of him, saying,
Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?
- (7) And he said, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons,...

I don't care how much they knew about it, they would never experientially know it. But you know as well as I do that there comes a time, there has to come a time when the Holy Ghost ceases to fall. There'll be no more born again, and therefore then the kingdom must be set upon the earth. And He said, "The times and the seasons the Father's put in His Own authority, and you're going to have to wait for It and It's going to run out."

Now notice:

- (8) But (you'll) receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon
you: and (you'll) be witnesses...

You'll be witnesses till what? The coming kingdom of which you don't know the times or the seasons. Everything you preach, and everything [that] happens in your ministry down through the ages is to one end, sealed in by the Holy Spirit to receive what this is all about.

36. Now, then It says:

- (9) ...(They spoke) these things, a cloud received him out of their sight.

Now, on the day of Pentecost (It says in chapter 2) suddenly came a rushing mighty wind from heaven, mighty wind, filled all the house. There appeared cloven tongues like as a fire from a central cloud coming down upon each of them. They're all filled with the Holy Ghost.

Now, this is what Jesus was saying to Nicodemus. This is exactly what happened at Pentecost. What was it? The entering into the Kingdom. The seeing and becoming a part of It. Now, there'll be people who see It, but cannot become a part of It, because the seeing is strictly material and they cannot understand the spiritual behind the material. And let me tell you something: If somebody is not there to tell you whether you're a prophet or not, you're not going to know either. You're not, you can't. You can't do it. I don't care what anybody says.

37. First Corinthians 2:11 tells you that, make no mistake about it.

- (11) For what man (knows) the things of a man, save the spirit of man?
even so the things of God (knows) no man, but the Spirit of God.
- (12) Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which
is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of
God.

And there's a warning:

- (13) Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom
(teaches),...

In other words, the theology of every hour is a strange tongue to the make-believer and unbeliever. It's a known tongue only to those that are the Elect.

(13) ...which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

They'll begin to grasp It. The rest stand back and they run with it, do despite to it, but they can never line up, because there's no revelation. And Paul the apostle says, "My revelation that I gave to you was one wherein I never got it through my own perceptions and neither will you. When I get it, it will be the perceptions of God, and unless you've got the Holy Ghost there's no way you'll get it." The only thing a sinner can get actually is the gospel which leads him to redemption, that's all. Talks about the Blood. He won't know the first thing about the Holy Spirit and the things of God. There's no way he can know them. Now he could study them all he wants, but they'll be completely dead until the hour of his repentance, baptism and the Holy Spirit begins working in him to understand the things of God, because he'll carry them wrong every time.

It says:

(14) ...the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God:

Yet it's going to be the inner man. It's going to be the reborn one. The one that has been renewed and replaced, preparatory for the physical to come into being down there at the end of the ages.

38. All right, this Baptism with the Holy Ghost, what does It do? Makes you part of the Kingdom. It joins you to the Lord. "For he that is joined to the Lord is one Spirit." [1 Cor 6:17] "By one Spirit we are all made to drink into one body in one cup." [1 Cor 12:13] It quickens us from death into life.

In other words, it's what Jesus said, an absolute new-birth. As the baby leaves the womb, where the element (now let's get it) where the element of the womb will kill a born baby, because the baby is in water. As soon as that baby is born you take that same water and pour it down the baby's lungs it dies. You then try to give a creature, that's what happened to Eve, gave her the wrong thing, she immediately had separation. A death sets in.

So therefore, when a person is born again spiritually, it is entirely a brand new environment for a brand new person. You cannot live under those other conditions. That's why I said a while ago the other Sunday, two people do the same sin: one a legalist, oh he loves his sin, yes sir, she loves it. They even justify themselves by talking in tongues and they're in adultery. Oh sure, that's done. They'll go in any stretch of the imagination, any step to prove their rotten legalistic view point and they'll say, "Jesus, I believe You're there." Pleading the Blood. In some cases, it's true it would. Keep on doing and doing it.

39. "Eternal security is ...?..." (Phfft!) What's the difference? "I'm secure." Neither one's got anything. No way. No way, because look, it's the same environment, the same thing. See? How can a person used to tell lies, and keep up lies, he's got to be condemned if he tells them. Why, some people lie as fast as a horse can trot. They feel happy they told a lie. I knew a kid that way. There's people that way, they just love their lies. I'm not saying God can't get a hold of them.

I'm telling you new birth here brother/sister, signifies that you being born again, there is no way that you cannot know that the environment is changing and you're getting ready for a new environment. It's no way, because the Holy Ghost does it, all three. You're sealed in physical. Every little cell in your body has been touch by the Holy Ghost from the very hair of your head to the toe nails of your feet, finger nails on your fingers. There's no part that hasn't been touch by the Holy Spirit and that's going to come back in the Resurrection. Absolutely guaranteed.

So, here you are, you're born again to that end. You're born again, so you're dead indeed unto sin, that environment, but alive unto Almighty God. You will have trouble with your flesh, but you won't have the trouble you had before. There's no way. Something wrong with a guy that's got the same troubles, or worse. He's not living up to the expectations of God, or what God said, there's something somewhere. And I'm not putting the onus on him in the sense of a...something he's got to work out all by himself. There's something in there brother/sister, that's just too real, or a man is not just fouled up with that stuff. See? That's why Paul said, "How can we continue in sin, seeing we've been made alive in Christ Jesus our Lord?"

40. All right, the Holy Spirit here in Ephesians has given Paul a revelation concerning Paul himself, and the predestinated Bride of the Lord Jesus Christ as pertaining to God's plan of redemption for her; God's indissoluble union in His plan and in His Bride. And He said, "That cement is the Baptism with the Holy Ghost."

Paul himself had to be baptized with the Holy Ghost. And he said, "Listen to me, I'm going to tell you something: if you're not born again, the same way I was born again, in order for God to come to me and give a revelation, there is no way I can come to you and give you a revelation." You're not going to get it."

So therefore, he lays it out here very, very simply, and what he's telling you here is that the Holy Spirit in every capacity deals in a revelatory capacity with every other capacity that he's joined in. And if you don't have the Holy Spirit, you're going to miss the whole thing. I don't care what... Bro. Branham brought it out, he said, "*The tares get there, they get the sun, they get the rain, they're rejoicing, hallelujah, glory to God.*"

They get manifold manifest blessings, that's exactly right. Because they forget that God has predestinated an environment, or an milieu; in which He operates at this point in a fallen environment, and a fallen milieu, which does not under any consideration have anything to do with the spirituality as though it could be non functioning, or in any way brought down to any degradation.

Who, can add to God? The very fact that your spirit and mine get joined to Him, makes ours the Spirit of God, and ours no longer counts. Just like the bleach that the drop of blood, the tub of bleach the drop of blood is dropped into. It goes back to original elements. And then if we go back to original elements through the Blood and the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, we go back to the original concept of God. And then we are nothing more nor less than Logos Itself, which is a precept, a concept put into a form. See? Forming a Logos, because the Bride forms a body, that's Logos, I don't care what you say. Not on par with His, but just the same we're in there. We appreciate that Now, this Holy Spirit therefore is given to the end that we be redeemed back to Almighty God.

All right, and He is given to the end of the times that God wants to unite and start bringing to pass the eternities. That why Bro. Branham said, "*Time has blended with eternity.*" Though time has not run out, and does not run out until after the Millennium; and the Great White Throne, and those things that are inherent therein.

41. Okay, now: We want to go to 1 Corinthians 12, here again we are going to review some things on the Holy Spirit that we absolutely know. We'll begin with first of all with verse 12 which I've already quoted in measure.

(12) For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

(13) For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, bond or free; been all made to drink into one (body.)

Now notice, in there, It tells you that your rebirth did something else. It didn't only place you in the Kingdom, in the new environment which you were predestinated to, but you were predestinated to a predestination within a predestination.

Now, Bro. Branham explained election and foreknowledge and predestination when he brought up the Bride, the foolish virgin and the wise virgin, he said it's the same piece of cloth. There is no difference, but one is cut to a pattern. So therefore, you have a predestination within a predestination. The same as God within God has all of these facets and faculties and manifestations which he brings to our attention. So therefore, we have here now brought before us that we comprise a body. And that body of course is a Bride.

42. Now, you say, "How do you know?" Well, that's a good question to ask how I know. I know by the Word of God, which I'll bring to your attention. He's talking to the Corinthian Church and he says here in 2 Corinthians 11:

(2) ...I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

Okay, so she's a virgin that has been espoused to Christ, and a spouse is a wife.

43. Let's go to Ephesians 5, It said:

(22) Wives, submit yourselves (to) your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

(23) ...husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

(24) Therefore (let) church is subject unto Christ, the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.

(25) Husbands, love your wives, as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; (and so on.)

And It tells you in here:

(27) That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

(28) So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. (and so on.)

It said:

(30) ...we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

So, there we have the Bride of Jesus Christ which is New Jerusalem. And outside of New Jerusalem there's millions and billions of people for all we know. And they'll bring their glory in. And remember, there is the Bride. So now, he's talking about a Bride. "This Bride," he said, "by one Spirit are you all baptized into one body." [1 Cor 12:23]

44. Now, let us understand something: God follows nature in continuity as a type, because nature follows God as a reality. Understand what I'm saying? All right, God being God, He puts things out here that can reveal Him to us in a measure.

Okay, there is in nature a genetic pattern. Now, it is very strange that a thing called 'life' which is invisible, which cannot be measured but can be perceived through various ways, but that's all. There's nothing you can do about it.

All right, you take a sperm and an egg. Sperm, fifteen thousand go across the diameter of one hair. That's how small the male sperm is. The egg is much larger, but it would take hundreds of thousands of those I guess, to come into view. Takes a high powered microscope to see them too. In there, there is life. Now, you get those two together in the proper environment under the right conditions of chemistry, and the strangest things happen, the genetic coding goes into play, and begins to form certain things that's going to produce a baby. So that when a baby's born, it has everything, even hair. Where did it come from?

45. All right, what I'm trying to tell you then, a life produced a body from material. Alright, then everything that was going to be in the body as a pattern, liver, kidney, eyes, nose, throat, hands, so on, millions of cells and blood plasma cells, millions and millions, and trillions was already there. And when it had the right material it manifested.

Now, God planed a Bride, a Church, and it was all in the life in Him. Now then, when He produced us to be members of this special predestination within predestination, which was the Bride for the Son, see, what did He do? He had to make her in His mind and then in substance how she would fit perfectly here, so then when she was put into it, she was already a part being put into it. Do you follow me? Predestination.

Now, let's read It. "The body is not one member but many." [1 Cor 12:12] "If the foot shall say because I am not the hand, I am not of the body as therefore not of the body." [1 Cor 12:15] Now, here's a lot of people that didn't have any understanding of this thing. They didn't even know the first thing about predestination, evidently. They didn't understand what you and I know, that there is a spiritual election and a physical election. Now, you're getting from the spirit to the physical, but God couldn't work with this to the praise, the glory, His grace and bring it to where He wanted it outside of it coming here.

46. So, He takes raw unbelievers, raw wild sheep, raw untamed wheat, not goats and not tares. (I beg your pardon, you never heard me say that.) He takes fallen sons that are already in an elected predestinated form of fallen humanity. And when they're born again they strangely are completely compatible to be a part of this physical. This is a type of Solomon's temple, where in there wasn't one hammer and nail lifted, everything was cut and pre-cut, and you'll notice today for the first time there's mass pre-cut buildings for the first time. History shows where we're at. It's all coming together.

So, this was all prearranged and foreordained, that every member born again predestinated to rebirth was predestinated to the rebirth to be this Body, which in turn will be Bride. Where her glory can only be outshone not by the Son, but by the Lamb and the Pillar of Fire. Now, I know you might have thought I was going to say sun, you're fooled on that, it's s-o-n that out-shines her. And a strange thing is I believe she'll shine just like Him. As the song writer said, "In His glory we'll shine."

47. Now, [1 Corinthians 12:]

(17) If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? (And so on.)

Now, are we all one member.

(19) And if we're all one member, where were the body?

(20) ...now many members, yet one body.

(21) ...the eye cannot say (to) the hand, I have no need of (you): nor
the feet, I (got) no need of you.

Now, you'll notice in there even he that speaks of less honorable members which in turn are not:

(23) ...less honourable, (but) upon these we bestow abundant honour;
and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness.

(24) For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body
together, given more abundant honour to that part which lacked.

Which he's telling you here, there's no schism in the church, this is how the church can be subject to the pastor and the pastor's subject to the church and not violate one of the concepts of God. That you've got a lot of people in this Message want to make the church so subservient to the preacher that they just walk on him. It's no way. The pastor is subject to the church and the church is subject to the pastor, and yet he is the authority in the church, but he's subject. And that just doesn't mean a vote gets him in and a vote gets him out. That means he listens, holds hands and helps people. Takes up for the people. Doesn't try to feather his nest and sit there like a big (you know,) mogul sitting on top of the pyramid.

48. Now, I want to leave that a second. I want to go back here now and I want to read concerning the membership that each one fits in there in his own particular place so that without him, or her, there would not be a Bride. And everyone is necessary.

Now, let's go back to the first part of [1 Corinthians]12:

(1) Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you
ignorant.

Now, this is different again. This is different again. These foreknown people that Bro. Branham said had a natural election, he crossed a great, great grandmother, great, great grandfather, in fact he crossed you all the way down from Adam and Eve, and through some of the serpent's gunk, though you're not serpent seed, the flesh is there, all messed in. See, can't corrupt the Seed. Oh ho no, that Seed come on, I don't care if that Seed's in a manure ball. Oh they had manure heads so what do you expect. Didn't hurt the seed any. I want to tell you one thing brother/sister, you plant a pumpkin seed in a barrel of even juicy cow manure, make pretty good pumpkins, just give it a chance. I don't care how manure heap you are, God get a hold of you, God get a hold of me brother, there's nothing God can't do.

People just got to realize it, time to get off the manure heap. You get off the manure heap by getting rid of the manure head. When you got a manure head you got a nose full of manure, because that's what you smell, you don't mind it. You can't smell the heavenly breezes that came to us. Too bad. That's all right, that's part of the Message, so don't feel bad.

49. All right. We had a predestination here, physical, spiritual coming right down. Now, notice what here there's something else given. And this also is another predestination within a predestination, within a predestination.

Let's read It. [1 Corinthians 12:]

- (1) ... I (wouldn't) have you ignorant (concerning spiritual gifts my brethren. The spiritual, the Charismatic's.)
- (2) (You) know that (you) were (dumb) Gentiles, (you Gentiles) carried away these dumb idols, even as (you) were led.
- (3) Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God (called) Jesus accursed: and no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

And you can go two ways on that one. You never call Him accursed. He died for sins. And He was cursed for our sins. But there's no way of Jesus being cursed per se. No, you got to get back what this is all about. Now, "within himself there was nothing that yet without sin," the Bible says.

You cannot call Him Lord, except by the Holy Ghost. And you know, the same thing brother/sister, you know right today people are all mixed up, "The Lord said to my Lord sit down on the right hand." [Mk 12:36]

"Well, Bro. Vayle you see, there's three gods."

Well, Bro. Vayle, there ain't three gods. The best you can do is have two of them, there ain't two. "For God hath made this Jesus that you crucified both Lord and Christ." [Acts 2:36] So therefore, the Lord Himself, which One shall descend with a Shout? Which Lord we'll meet in the air?

When Jesus wanted to stump the people in His day, He pulled that one. "Why," He said, "David in spirit called Him Lord." Then He said, "Whose Son is He?"

And they said, "We really don't know."

And now the same thing is pulled. The same God doing the same thing. "The Lord Himself descends from heaven with a Voice, the archangel, and we which are alive remain caught up to meet the Lord in the air." [1 Th 4:17] Which Lord came down? Which One stayed up there?

Well I'll tell you, Bro. Branham told you. He said, *"He ripped the seals off the Book, and He handed the Book back to the One on the Throne, then He climbed upon His Father's Throne."*

And the same prophet said, he said, *"The same One that was on (the fifth chapter) sitting on the Throne came down with the Book in Revelation 10:1."* Then you tell me He's not here?

You say, "What's He do for the individual?"

He's going to take me home, honey. I'm an individual, baby.

[Bro. Vayle comments on the time. Tape ends]