# The Holy Spirit in Ephesians # 2

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Shall we pray. Heavenly Father, again we want to praise and thank You for Your love toward us that You also shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit to give us the desire toward You, even Your desire toward us making it a marriage, a real spiritual union. And we're happy today that what has been supplied by You to us, we are very grateful for it, Lord, and offer it back to You, so that we will be of one accord, one heart, one mind, one bread indissoluble. We look to You, Father, for Your blessing upon this Word, the help which we need from heaven, and we pray You'll glorify Your Name by doing so for us in Jesus' Name we pray. Amen. You may be seated.

## [Local announcements made]

1. Let's go into the message and last Sunday we were in the Book of Ephesians and we are again today. And as we were closing off the message, we were noting that Ephesians 1:13-14 was not only the token or guarantee of our physical resurrection, but that the same Holy Spirit at the same time made us members of a Bride body according to 1 Corinthians 12, which was according to predestination by foreknowledge. Now, you understand exactly what I mean by that, that It tells us here in the Book of Ephesians that we were chosen in Him according to God's Own choosing, and before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and before Him without blame. That was the fact of each individual was to have that particular status, and that was predestinated to him, so it means there's not one that's not going to have it that's in that foreknowledge.

Also, you will notice that this was according to the good pleasure of His will, it does not have anything to do with us except as being the receptacles and the part of the manifestation, the foreknowledge. It was to the praise of the glory of His grace which showed that this people would be a fallen people, who would be redeemed back, that that redemption would be through the Blood. And once more that was according to grace, that you have nothing to do with it, you are a recipient therefore of it all, and this shows the wisdom and the prudence of God that abounds toward us, that overflows toward us.

And also Paul tells us that we have been privileged to be made privy to this which God has ordained from before the foundation of the world that we know it. And we are assured that in the dispensation of the fullness of times God will gather together in one all things in Christ. In other words, which came by that redemption, the foreknowledge which are in heaven and earth even at this time and the future to come. Because this was written two thousand years ago.

2. In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, and we were predestinated to it again. And you will notice that this is the counsel according to His Own will. [Eph 1:11]

And everything you will notice here is by foreknowledge exactly as God wanted it. And we have not been pawns as many people think, but we have been purposely and purposefully sit there not as pawns, but as vessels unto His glory and His grace.

So then, he tells us that God is doing all this according to His will. And every single time It tells you that we are adding to God, because it's to the praise of the glory of His grace. And this addition is not something we can do in the materialistic, but it is something that lies in the spiritual that we are here and in love, God is working out His mercy and all these wonderful attributes in us; and it's literally adding to God, because as Bro. Branham shows it gives God the ability to show forth His attributes, as Irenaeus said, "God being a Savior [it was] necessary to predestinate a sinner to give God a reason and purpose of being."

3. Then it says in tapering off this great heavenly view of eternities in a resume, in capsulated form, he said, "that we should be to the praises of His glory who first hoped in Him." [Eph 1:12] And you'll notice in there, "in whom we hoped." In other words, we became a part of this earnest expectation of God.

Now remember, God has His Own expectation. God has His Own faith. So we are invited to enter into the expectation and the faith of God. Have the faith of God, which simply means that you are invited to partake of It. Even as It says, "Be ye perfect," is not something that you're supposed to do and accomplish, it's something that you say, "Thank you Lord, for doing it for me." And you are a recipient of grace by being gracious. But most people are not gracious. They fall in the same trap as the devil, they're so lifted up with pride. Most people don't realize the Bible said, "By reason of pride Satan fell." They think of something else.

It was by reason of pride that Eve fell. She thought she was getting somewhere beyond Adam. Oh yes, she was very lifted up. And the Eve today, which is the church is still lifted up. The genuine Eve of course understands her position.

And then It says, [Ephesians 1:]

- (13) In whom (you) trust, (hoped) after that (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 (or the down payment, of the token) of (your) redemption of (your body...)

Which means, you will therefore be entirely redeemed, and in the three folder, or the triune portion of you which is body, soul and spirit.

4. All right, so then we saw also with this, that there was a placing of the Bride as to particular members into a body, or a group which would be called 'the body of the Lord Jesus Christ'. Which later on would be identified as 'the Bride of the Lord Jesus Christ'. Which later on would be identified as 'the New Jerusalem'.

So, there was what we saw a predestination within a predestination. We saw an unfolding. The same as Elohim is the great unfolder of Himself, and He started way back there with the understanding, "In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, and the Word was God." [Jn 1:1] Starting the great unfolding, so there was an unfolding and is an unfolding for six thousand years, and we're coming now to the end of the unfolding, which lies in the great drama of human's being redeemed upon earth. Which will soon take its faith faced to the redeemed, which will inhabit the earth for one thousand years. Which will then progress further as the Bride sits with the Groom, it passed the honeymoon into the Throne. And there will be the Judgment. From there it will be the moving up, and the catching up into the eternal heavens while there's a

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new heaven and an earth made. Then we come back to that, and we begin to become a part of the New Jerusalem which is a further unfolding.

So, there's predestination within predestination, within predestination. The same as Elohim is within Elohim, within Elohim. And we see It unfolding here, the Judge and all these things which is so fantastic and we know that we're a part of It, because we are as it were, little Messiah-ettes which puts us in a position of being little Elohim's, little Word, little Logos' and so on. Very little. But just the same, It is there. Because, there's that is so truly said that a thimble full of ocean water is just the same as the vast oceans themselves. So we in our uniqueness have the uniqueness of Almighty God. All right, so we see this Bride body being made up according to 1 Corinthians 12.

5. Now, we will go into Ephesians 4: 4-16, which is what we are speaking from the Spirit of God in the Book of Ephesians as well as we read in 1 Corinthians 12:4-11, which 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 we will read first. Then we'll go back, because it's better I do it this way.

All right, beginning then at verse 4.

- (4) Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.
- (5) ...there are differences [of] administrations, but the same Lord.
- (6) ...there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

Now, this tells you that there is nothing completely stereotyped within the things of God. Because God chooses to do how he wishes to do with what is his to do with. See? And that's why John the Baptist could have the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb and you and I don't get it that way. See? That's why God can do what He wants. He can have the Jews under the Fifth Seal, having denied the Lord Jesus Christ.

You know, people sure batted their eyes when the Church Age Book came out. And that was in the second resurrection, there'd be those coming up according to Matthew 25, and according to various Scriptures that Bro. Branham gave us that would enter into eternal life. And right away it causeed everybody to raise eyebrows. Becky went to her dad and said, "Well, daddy can anybody go to heaven without being born again?"

He said, "No, who said so?"

Well said, "Lee Vayle said so."

6. That's not what the book said. I quoted the prophet and nobody was getting it. Now look it, it's time to let your own thinking go, and understand this is the program of God. God has it all made up for His honor and for His glory. But we are allowed to share in it. "That we should be to His praise." [Eph 1:12] And what higher function would that be to know that the aspirations of man have been completely met once for all and will never deviate? What more do you want? For God's sake, answer me. What more do you want? You're sitting here this morning crying your hearts, are looking out somewhere across the vast field of eternity, and you said, "Oh God, somewhere, somehow." You've already got it in the embryo form, in the potential form today, being formed out around us and people wonder what's going on.

Don't understand Elohim. Don't understand changes. Only sitting here this morning understand for the first time what it means that no man can call Jesus 'Lord', but by the Holy Ghost. And that's exactly right, you can't understand Lord from Lord.

- 7. I'll read It to you, just to show you how these things form in the mind, and how they form in the heart. Yeah listen, Peter speaking at Pentecost, he said here: [Acts 2:]
  - (33) Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which (you) now see and hear.
  - (34) For David (himself was) not ascended (to) the heavens: but he saith himself, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,
  - (35) Until I make thy foes thy footstool.
  - (36) Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made (that) same Jesus, whom (you) crucified, both Lord and Christ.

The Bible says, "God made Him Lord and Christ." That puts Him on the same level with Almighty God. That puts Him there where He said, "You call me master and Lord, and so you do well." [Jn 13:13] Which means 'teacher', and master just like it means in the Bible, 'Elohim', or 'Jehovah', It's the same One; showing that great privilege, and if you don't understand the Word, you'll make two gods, you'll make three gods.

You'll end up like a preacher saying, "Lee, God preaches two gods."

"I don't preach two gods!" Let me tell you, "God hath made Him both Lord and Christ." Let's understand the Scripture. We're not fooling. The churches down the road can fool, but not this Church! I'm not obligated down the road. I'm obligated here.

Now listen, God revealing Himself. God showing Himself, bringing the whole thing out. That's why when you understand this by the Holy Ghost, you understand you're Bride. You're Mrs. Jesus, that's not Mrs. William Branham. Mrs. Jesus is a composite membership, washed in the Blood of the Lamb, full of the Holy Ghost. Putting aside childish things and growing up with Almighty God. Exercising not a privilege unto some dominion, but unto Him, Who has all dominion, all honor and glory Whose Kingdom is here, and now for the King of glory is here.

Oh yeah, you bet He is. Before that great I Am ever had one Logos as it were, one formation go out of Him, that same One is here. Veiled in a Pillar of Fire, maybe hidden to your eyes and mine. But the prophet said, "I tell you by vision He is here." When was He here this way? He's always been here, but not in this way. There again, they failed to understand the Holy Spirit coming up. That's their business, not mine. I'm just called to do the teaching.

- 8. Now, let's go over here and see this in Ephesians 4:4-16.
  - (4) There is one body, and one Spirit, even as (you're) called in one hope of your calling;
  - (5) One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

Now, and:

(6) One God and Father of all,... (Then Who's the Lord there? The Lord Jesus Christ?)

Unless you've got a revelation you can't get it. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." [Eph 1:3] And they say, "That's God!"

That is not God! God cannot be born! God cannot die! But He can do it in a unique and particular way. No man can figure out, but when you understand it and begin to see that Lamb from behind the Throne, coming and taking the Book from out of the hands of Revelation 5:1, ripping the Seals off, placing It back, Revelation 5:1 coming down. Revelation 10:1, the Lamb crawling on the Throne and telling you and me, the Voice coming down, telling it, "I have set upon my Father's Throne overcome." You bet He said, "I'll let you come and sit on my Throne with Me now." Never could happen in this hour, the unveiling of the Mighty God, Elohim in our midst. There is: "One Lord, one faith, one baptism." There's not one baptism to reborn. One baptism get put in the body. One baptism in the Bride. It's one baptism, period, whereby you are born again. Which the born again experience is what starts you into the series of predestinations until you're Bride and sit with Him. Yep.

- 9. Not only down here in the Millennium, but on the Throne at the White Throne. And then beneath His Throne there in New Jerusalem to the praise of the glory of His grace, you'll understand it's grace and so will I at that time. And:
  - (6) One God and Father of all, who is above all, through all, and in you all. (Which lets you know there's one Creator. Yep.)
  - (7) But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.
  - (8) Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, gave gifts unto men.
  - (9) Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?
  - (10) He that descended is the same that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all (in all.)

Now, you know that wasn't the body of Jesus Christ, except in a certain way, the Pillar of Fire, we know that's God coming back. The same One that was here. Hebrews 13:8, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever." He came back. And notice what He did in this coming back.

- (11) ...he gave some, apostles; some, prophets; some, evangelists; some, pastors and (some) teachers;
- (12) ...(to perfect) the saints,...
- 10. Now, we never did finish in 1 Corinthians 12, but that's alright, we'll go back to It. ...?... Now, these manifestations, they're there, people don't understand how God moves through a body, and all the various ways God manifests Himself, the different understandings, but it's all God.

Now, verse 12.

- (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) ...by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Gentiles, bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.
- (14) For the body is not one member, but many.

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Then he goes on to tell you why you must never, ever get away from that correct and wonderful understanding.

- 11. Now, with that we're going to go to Romans 12:3-8. It says:
  - (3) For I say, through the grace given unto me, every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think (see, there's pride again. Pride and reasoning coming in,) to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. (Nobody's unique, except Christ.)
  - (4) For as we have many members in one body, all members have not the same office:
  - (5) So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

Now listen, isolationism is wrong. I've stuck my neck out in this church on the grounds of Word and love. Are you following me people? I'm looking you all in the eye this morning, because some of you you're not. I've stuck my neck out. You resolve your differences. I don't have time for this deacon, that deacon, or this song leader, that song leader, this in the pew, or that in the pew, nor God has time to be embroiled in little foolish things. Little petty things. No time. If I can treat everyone as brothers and sisters, love all of you; I've done my best to set an example, then you get your example and your houses in order. High time. That's right, we're getting out of here. Somebody's getting out of here. I'm getting out of here by the grace of God, because I'm tired, tired, tired of nonsense. Oh, I want to bust out of anything, but let's get it over with.

Dogmatism doesn't work, the Spirit of God works. "You live in the Spirit, walk in the Spirit." [Gal 5:25] So we ought to lay down our lives for each other. See? I'm not a very good example, but neither am I a rotten example. See?

12. All these things we taught about, we must understand. Now listen: members of one another. If we can afford to hurt one another, then let's get knives like the Roman Catholic's and slash ourselves. Come on. Bring in the dried peas. Gravel out there. Chad, get us some gravel, I'll get them walking, put them in their shoes, let them walk gravel in shoes. ...?... that. See?

Get everything out. Out of every heart. There's too much at stake. There's far too much at stake. Somebody wants something, let him have it. And there's misunderstandings, go the extra mile. I've paid prices you don't know a thing about. Now, that's right.

You say, "Well Lee, there's one thing about you, you're sharp tempered."

You bet I am, find me another fault. Yeah, I'm quick. I'm not fussing at anybody, just let you know. Members of one another. See? Don't have the same office, but they got the same care.

- (6) Having then gifts differing according to grace that is given to us, (Now notice, the grace is given. Every office carries the grace that you can bear it through.) prophecy, (will) prophesy according to the proportion of faith;
- (7) ...ministry, wait on our (ministry:) (teaching), on teaching;

- (8) ...he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.
- 13. Now, we notice carefully here. And this... everything I'm saying thrown in, even on the tangential is relevant to this Message. And don't think it's not. It's relevant, otherwise I wouldn't bring it in.

Now notice, Romans 12:6-7. If you prophesy you have that proportion of faith or don't prophesy. This is not something people work up in Pentecostal meetings where the anointing is over the preacher and over the congregation, where they feel they can get whooped up and zero in, this is something you have. And I've stood there not whumped up about anything, and suddenly know as sure as you're sitting here, and I'm standing out and open my mouth and I talk: came right to pass, or shut up, it's predictive. That's right. If you have a gift of prophecy you have the faith for it.

All right listen, it's the same thing in every gift, if there's a ministry you will have the faith for it and it will be on target. If you're in teaching, it'll be on target. If you're in exhortation, it'll be on target. If you're giving, it'll be on target. If you're ruling, it'll be on target. If you're showing mercy, it'll be on target. There isn't one who doesn't have faith, and faith is a revelation. That's the way my body is.

14. There is an innate intelligence within the body that has a common and a mutual direction wherein every member is a part of it. Then therefore, the major thought of every congregation should be pulling together for unity if it means I go down, or my family goes down, or my pride goes down or anything else goes down.

I'm beginning to understand what Bro. Branham said, "If it skins you, get it out in the open and get it out of the way." And I feel more and more that way. "Let love therefore be without hypocrisy." [Rom 12:9] It's not covering over with words, or self justification. Self justification is not worth a hoot. Self correction is worth a billion dollars. We're justified through the Lord Jesus Christ. We're also corrected by the same One.

15. All right, we notice carefully here by adding together Ephesians 4:4-16, and Romans 12:3-8. With 1 Corinthians 12:4-11, wherein prophecy is mentioned and also teaching. We find that the Bride possesses many gifts which are in her through men which gifts work and all are somehow gifted, though the evidence may not appear, or be supernatural as to phenomenon.

Now, I'm going to go over that you'll understand what I'm saying. These gifts are possessed in the Bride. Some local, which is never a Bride, it's a church. No way. There is no way any church is going to have pure Bride. It could have pure wise virgin and foolish virgin. There could be not one person missing in a congregation. And there could be everybody miss, the preacher on down. Now, let's not misunderstand ourselves. Let's not be fearful. Let's just face the issue.

I find when you face the issue, that's when things begin to fall into line. So we face the issue. This will not necessarily be a local church, though it will apply to a degree to a local church. As Bro. Branham said, "All nine gifts which are supernatural manifestation, (so on, 1 Corinthians 12,) could be in the church." But you wouldn't have everyone of the five-fold ministry. Wouldn't have every one of the others.

16. So all right, we're looking at this thing. We're looking at the fact that they're the Bride possesses many gifts. The church possesses many gifts which are in her through men in which the

gifts are working which is through the people. Every woman, man and child that's truly born again and have that.

All right, now all are somehow gifted by God. When I say somehow gifted I'm with Irenaeus. Irenaeus said, "There's hundreds of gifts in the body of Christ." Because when you begin to **use** Romans here, where do you find any place else in Scripture or ministry" "He that ministereth, wait in his ministry. He that exhorts, wait on exhortation. He that gives with simplicity. He that rules with diligence. He that shows mercy with cheerfulness." [Rom 12:7-8] That opens the door to hundreds.

That opens the door to the Scripture that says, "If you live in the Spirit, walk in the Spirit." [Gal 5:25] Let there be a manifestation.

17. All right, all of It will not appear to be supernatural as per phenomenal manifestation, because the manifestation will not necessarily be called phenomenal, it'll be just natural. And if the church ever understood the gifts so called in 1 Corinthians 12, which are those nine paramount ones; which you all know, starting with tongues, ending up with miracles. You would find that it would be very natural amongst us, and there would not be any tremendous, what you might say, deference [courtesy] accorded to it, because you know from whence it comes. And the deference is back on God. That would take away from the membership feeling, "Oh my, look at me."

Oh listen, just one time any woman ever is known to speak tongues and somebody standing there understands that tongue from his own native ability by learning, and somebody over there interprets that tongue and it's right. Oh, you watch those two people puff-up in pride. Why, a toad full of buck-shot wouldn't look half that good. Quoting the prophet William Branham, so I'm on safe ground.

But notice, a great disparity between 1 Corinthians 12, and Ephesians 4. Now let's read Ephesians 4, and begin to understand there's a tremendous difference with what the Holy Spirit Himself, Elohim, is doing in a Bride. There's a tremendous difference. Now, let's watch it.

- 18. Ephesians 4: and we're now reading verse 7.
  - (7) But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of (God).

All right, (just hold your finger there) and let me read in Romans 12 again.

(3) For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

You'll see that there are two things mentioned there: there are 'faith' and 'grace'. So therefore through grace God gave it, and by grace we receive it, and through faith it is manifested. Because when you deal in faith my brother, my sister, it is not you doing it, it is you believing that God is going to do it through you. Or in you in this particular case.

All right, we're reading: this common denominator is in the whole Bride, the whole church. And this seems, as I read over here, and It is in Romans 12:3, the same sentiment, something in there that is common in Its measure of application and performance. I hope you caught that, because I'm weighing my words.

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Now, however the value, the reason, are different, because they're two sets of values, and two sets of reasons. And the placing of one by the same Holy Spirit that places everybody. I'm talking now of the application of principles, not the overall picture of gifts, but what is found in Ephesians as in contradistinction to what is set forth in Corinthians. So I read It.

# 19. Now: [Ephesians 4:]

(11) ...he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; some, evangelists; some, pastors (some,) teachers;

That's not tongues, interpretation and prophecy, and faith, and healing, and miracle, and so on. No, it's not. This is different. Now, notice what they are for: they are to bring the Bride to perfection:

- (12) For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:
- (13) Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:
- (14) That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;
- (15) But (holding) the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:
- (16) From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth...

Now, this is the verse where Bro. Branham said, "The Holy Spirit comes up through the body." He tells you It comes down from Headship, comes up from the...in the church back again to Headship. I don't know if you see that. It's not hard. It's not hard brother/sister. Well, we'll take a little time. If we don't get out of here, well, we'll get out of here if I quit in the middle of it. Well, we already got it nicely lined up here.

20. All right, look: [Bro. Vaye illustrates on a board] Here we have here Almighty God. Let's put Him up here in a circle. Under here we're going to put a pyramid (like so) everything that was in the Lord Jesus Christ, Who is really back here behind the Throne. Everything that was in here [circle] when He was down here in a human body, you'll notice God is now sending down through the Word by the Holy Spirit.

Now, every Age there is a measure, one measure. The next and the next, and the next, and the next, till you get to seven. And at seven It runs out. There's no more Holy Spirit. There's no more Word, It's over. Then what if you're back to this what It was.

Now then, what was poured in to empty this, (see?) where is It now? It's all back here. See? What It's done is come up through the body. Notice, came down, down, came up, up, up. Because when It's all poured in there's nothing left. There's no more coming down. So, that's how you have Him coming up through a body. For that's how you have Him coming down. It's not difficult to understand, because the Word of God does not get poured into a junk heap. It doesn't get left somewhere. It's just a measure of the Word. And because of Him in letter form, manifested through the conduit of Word in a physical form by the Spirit, It's still God. Now It's back. Why?

Because man's out. God takes His man but not the spirit. You understand what I'm saying? So, now you're back to Headship.

## 21. All right, now:

(16) ...the whole body fitly joined together...(effectually) working in the measure, every part, (makes) increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

Now, It tells you right there then in the predestination of God the Bride is going to go a certain way, period. I don't care what anybody says. Wise virgin. The foolish are going to go a certain way, period. And the further economy of God, the reprobates are going to go a certain way.

Now, the Jews which are not foolish virgins or wise, their days are over, they will go a certain way, and God will bring the whole thing together. And there is no miss and nothing which is remiss here.

## 22. Now notice: Ephesians 4:11.

(11) ...apostles; prophets; evangelists; pastors, teachers;

This is a five -fold ministry that helps bring the Bride to perfection whereas 1 Corinthians 12, can bring both confusion and damnation. Okay, sit up and take notice. I'm sorry, but this is the way it is.

You say, "Just a minute..."

Don't just a minute me. I've got the Word of God and what the Holy Spirit is doing. I've got the Word, and what the Holy Spirit is doing in the Church. I've got the Word on where you look primarily for the out-working of the Holy Spirit to in-work you, to get you there in that Bride. And you're going to get It through a five-fold ministry. And we'll talk about where Paul fits in. There's a part and yet beyond it after a little while.

But, over here we find some things in 1 Corinthians 14. Now my thesis was this: One outpouring, or rather, not outpouring, but one placing in a Bride membership-wise and what's contingent upon that can bring confusion and damnation.

We begin to read in 1 Corinthians 14:1.

- (1) Follow after (love), desire spiritual gifts, rather that (you) may prophesy.
- (2) ...he that speaketh in an unknown tongue(s) (speaks) not unto men, but unto God: for no man (understands) him; howbeit in the spirit he (speaks) mysteries.

Now, that means that nobody understands him, unless it just happens that somebody's there that understands the language. And that could happen. In that case it's prophecy.

- (3) ...he that (prophesies) speaketh unto edification, exhortation, and comfort.
- (4) He that (speaks) in unknown tongue (edifies) himself; he that (prophesies edifies) the church. (Hopefully, if it's prophecy. And if it's real prophecy it will.)

(5) I would that (you) all spake with tongues rather (you) prophesied: for greater is he that (prophesies) than he that (speaks) with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive (edification.)

Now, then what is the object of anybody having any gift in the church? These gifts here, though they can lead you astray under wrong management and bring about wrong things, are not meant to, they will in their measure complimentarily, and supplementarily add to the five-fold, because It says right here, "The Church will be edified." But the edification is a different kind of edification, with a different status. It will never bring you to the doctrine. Can't do it. Can lead you plumb off it.

# 23. Well, let's keep reading:

- (5) I would that ye all spake with tongues, rather (you) prophesied: for greater is he that (prophesies) than he that (speaks) with tongues, except he interpret, the church may receive edifying.
- (6) Now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you, except I shall speak to you either by revelation, or by knowledge, or by prophesying, or by doctrine?

Now, he's telling you about edification, and that's the gist of the whole thing. The Holy Spirit gives you your justification, your rebirth, your sealing and positioning, and in there you will grow. Now, watch it. He said, "Except I come by a revelation (that's apokalupsis) by knowledge, or by prophesying, or by doctrine." Now, they're all in there. You notice where the emphasis lies.

- (7) ...even things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a distinction in the sounds, how shall (we know) what is piped or harped?
- (8) For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?
- (9) So likewise, except (you) utter by the tongue words easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken? for (you) shall speak into the air.
- (10) There are, may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, none without signification.
- (11) Therefore if I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be unto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh shall be a barbarian unto me.
- (12) Even so ye, forasmuch as ye are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church.

Now, Pentecost never knew this. And ninety percent don't know this, or they wouldn't infringe upon the right of a five-fold ministry through interjecting this. They keep it where it belongs.

I say, "Hey foot, start thinking for me. Hey foot, you're down there in the ground can see all these things, now foot, I tell you what you do, 'you direct me'."

"Aw," he said, "Shut up stupid jerk, what are your eyes and brains for?"

That's exactly what my body would say. My body wouldn't tolerate this hogwash that's called spirituality ...?...

Now, my feet certainly can edify. Just stub my toe on a rock. Ah ha, I learn in a hurry, don't stub your toe on a rock. You know what's there. Learn a little bit too late, but you learn anyway. So that's the way it is. The toe against the eye, something like this is here.

# 24. Now, look for the edifying.

- (13) Wherefore let him that speaketh in an unknown tongue pray that he may interpret.
- (14) For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit (prays), understanding is unfruitful.
- (15) What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: sing with the spirit, sing with the understanding also.
- (16) Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest?

Now, you can say see that this is not without merit. It is with merit if it's kept within the confines of God placed it. See?

- (17) For thou verily givest thanks well, but the other is not edified.
- (18) I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all:
- (19) Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, by my voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue.

So therefore, in the church this should not be going on. No way. The five-fold ministry runs the church. This has to do with something else. That's why for years and years people have believed in a isolated believer's meeting the way Bro. Branham wanted it put in order, but they wouldn't listen to it. "Oh," they said, "Oh no, we can't do that, because see we like all this glory and honor we get by being out here in the audience." That's what it amounted to.

- 25. No, it's not all bad, I'll get into that. [Bro. Vayle skips verse 20]
  - (21) In the law it is written, With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord.
  - (22) Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.

Now, he tells you right here that tongues can be in certain instances a sign against the unbeliever. Now:

- (23) If therefore the whole church come together (in) one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in those that are unlearned, or unbelievers, will not say (you're) mad?
- (24) ...if all prophesy, there come in one that believeth not, or one unlearned, he is convinced of all, he is judged of all:

- (25) ...thus (speaks the heart) are made manifest; (you'll fall) down on his face (and) worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth. (Now, that's a church with a thing in operation.)
- (26) How is it then, brethren? when (you) come together, (and) hath a psalm, a doctrine, a tongue, a revelation, an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

26. Now, when they came together they had that, and that would have been fine, but it was out of order. It took the place evidently of a five-fold minister, or got in its way. Now:

- (27) If any man speak in an unknown tongue, let it be by two, or three, and that by course; and let one interpret.
- (28) ...if there be no interpreter, let him keep silence in the church; let him speak to himself, and to God.
- (29) Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.

What kind of service would that be, if that wasn't strictly a believer's meeting?

- (30) If any thing be revealed to another (sits)by, let the first hold his peace.
- (31) ...ye may prophesy one by one, (you) all may learn, and all be comforted.
- (32) And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.

Notice that right there. You can turn it on, you can turn it off. And it is by the measure of grace. And these people evidently know something that people today don't know. See? Bro. Branham tried to get us to that place, and we wouldn't do it, so therefore we had to bypass it.

You think maybe one reason we've been wandering all these years, because the church never went with Bro. Branham in that little room and got things straightened out?

Remember, when Israel never faced the task of entering in by faith they wandered for forty years. Now, we got a Pentecostal voodooism almost. Pardon the expression, but you know what I'm talking about, a never-never land that's amongst us. And amongst many people, and it shouldn't be there.

#### 27. Now:

- (33) For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches the saints.
- (34) Let women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted them to speak; commanded to be under (law) obedience as also saith the law.
- (35) And if (they'll) learn any thing, ask their husbands at home: it is a shame for women to speak in the church.
- (36) What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?
- (37) If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.

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Now, here's a man evidently is above the whole church. He is a virtual pope. A virtual vicar of Jesus Christ, we'll prove that he is. This man here stood just the same as God stands. And he said, "To raise your voice against me, is to raise your voice against God. To disobey me, is to disobey God. To not hear me, is to not hear God. To hear me and to believe and to obey me is God."

What are you going to do with something like that? It's returned to the land. He said, "Did the Word of God come out of you, or came to you only?"

Now, he said, "If you think you're a prophet, or spiritual, born again, or actual prophet, you must acknowledge that the things that I write, nobody else, write unto you are the commandments of God." Because he's the apostle and teacher of the Gentiles.

(38) But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant.

He said right here. He said, "You're just simply ignorant, spiritual things if you don't believe." He said:

- (39) Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, forbid not to speak with tongues.
- (40) Let all things be done decently and in order.

28. Now, I said, that these gifts here could bring condemnation and confusion just the same as a false five-fold ministry. Because there's definitely a false five-fold. There are false shepherds, and pastors. There are false prophets. There are false apostles. There are false teachers. There are...what more do you want? They're all...in Old Testament, they're all there. See. Apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors, evangelists. False evangelists, preach another gospel. Their children are the wrong seed, serpent seed. Bastards to the Word of God. Show everything in the Book. Everything, but they can't stay with the Word, because they're not Word born. No way. They're false, off the Word. You know them by their fruits. What kind of fruits are you going to talk about? Word-fruits. See?

Verse 21, listen to It. [Matthew 7:]

- (21) Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
- (22) Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? (That's exactly what you're supposed to do, but not them,) in thy name cast out devils? (They're supposed to do that,) and in thy name done many wonderful works? (They're supposed to do that.)
- (23) (And He'll say, "Depart from me, I never knew you.")

29. Why? Because they went off the one thing that really counted. A Word that comes from a preordained people that have a predestination beyond the other preordained. See? People don't want authority, where there's always somebody trying to grab it. Better just sit back and don't any.

Why do you think I've been the way I've been all these years? Has any man challenged me that I was not the logical man to step forward after Bro. Branham's death, I'll call him a liar right in his teeth because he knows it. And I step forward for nobody, and I'll step forward for nobody. I step back. That's what you're supposed to do.

If he is going to get preeminence and he doesn't share it, he delegates though, he delegates authority. When God made Him both Lord and Christ, He looked down and said, "I'm going to

have a ministry. I'm going to have a Bride. I'm going to everyone equally predestinated within the basic predestination." There isn't one without the measure of grace, and the measure of faith which is proper for them. There's not one that's a member of each other, they're alright in there, but listen, there's a gradation. Just like the body has. He said, "Just like I have." God, Jesus Christ, Bride, man, woman, children. There's a gradation.

- 30. All right, we read It. Matthew 24:24, look at that again.
  - (24) For there shall arise false Christs, (even lying) prophets, (false anointed, untrue to the Word,) signs and wonders; (and at the end time greater than ever. They'll) deceive the very elect (if it were possible, they won't.)
  - (25) Behold, I have told you before. (Where abouts? Over Matthew 15.)

Now listen, notice also that the gifts in 1 Corinthians 12, can evidently take the people off the Word, when used in a wrong manner as we read in 1 Corinthians 14:32-40. Now, people always want something when it comes to God, they're not content to deal with God as God sets forth dealings with God. That's why Pentecost beat themselves to death with gifts. They never could take the Word, they never will take the Word, they got to get out.

- 31. All right, now listen: [1 Corinthians 14:32] It says:
  - (32) And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. (That's not Paul, and William Branham, that's ordinary five-fold ministry prophets.)
  - (33) For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.

So, nobody could say, "Well God made me do it." And it turns out a fiasco, or a confusion.

- (34) Let (the) women keep silence in the churches: it is not permitted unto them to speak; commanded to be under obedience as (says) the law.
- (35) ...if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: shame for women to speak in the church.

#### Now listen:

(36) What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?

You that have a five-fold ministry and a whole bunch of gifts, now the answer is no. Never came to the church, and out of the church. Pardon me, never came out of the church. It came only to the church.

- 32. Now, what we see here which we just read, in no wise, and nowhere, is it like Ephesians 4:12-16. Now watch what he says over here. In one place there's confusion. In one place there's trouble, but over here there isn't. Now, in reading 12.
  - (12) For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry,...

Now this is setting offices in the church, members with gifts. The same as over here, members with gifts. But notice the difference: this perfects the church, works the ministry:

(12) ...(edifies) the body of Christ:

- (13) ...(brings us) in the unity of faith, (even) the knowledge of the Son of God, (to) a perfect man, the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:
- (14) ...no more... tossed to and fro, (no more) carried about , (no more fooled any longer, it's all over.)

They couldn't fool you if they tried. You couldn't get led astray if somebody tried. If you hadn't got it within or without outside of you, in other words, you're sealed in, lock, stock and barrel at a certain time. A certain time at the end-time when I showed you everything up here is poured into here. [taps on the board] And when it's poured in here finally comes back here, it's formed the perfect man. The finished man, the corporate body. The mystical union. Headship is here. See? How in the world you going to get messed up under those conditions?

- 33. Now, let's go back to 1 Corinthians 12:27-30.
  - (27) Now (we) are the body of Christ, and members in particular.
  - (28) And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers,...

Then he stops numbering, the fourth would be evangelists, the fifth would be pastor. Then sixth by permission, elders, and seven by permission, deacons, because there's got to be seven. But they're allowed to make up the seven, but that's where the church can go haywire. (Because It says, exhor...we'll deal with that in a minute.) Now, then:

- (28) ...after that miracles, (not numbered) then gifts of healings, (not numbered, then) helps, governments, diversities of tongues... (and so on.) That's the lowest one on the totem pole.)
- (29) Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? (do) all (work) miracles?
- (30) (Do) all (have) gifts of healing?... (No sir.)

But they're going to be somewhere in the Bride. Somewhere in the church. There's going to be true, there's going to be false. And there's going to be those that don't know how to use the things of God correctly.

- 34. All right, now from I have read we see the damage that can be done by one set of gifts in contradistinction to the other set. So therefore we're going to read now from page 104 and question 47 in the Question and Answer book. [08-23-64] And the question comes:
- [55] Brother Branham, can Satan use the gift of tongues or prophecy in a person who has the Holy Ghost?

Now, that's exactly what we've got to find out. Because I want to know what's going on here. You want to know what's going on. You just can't believe that God's done something that's going to go haywire, well anything that God does can go haywire for a time being. That's for true, because that's what redemption is about, but this...we're watching something different here.

Now he said:

That's a good one isn't it? Yes, sir. It must be watched very, very closely. If you'll notice in 1 Corinthians 14:29, you want to put it down? (All right.) ...we

find out that any gift in the church has got to be judged first. See? You have to watch, 'cause evil spirits slip in.

All right, that's why Bro. Branham said, "Before you can even have a proper getting together for the gifts to be in the separate room, you've got to have discerning of spirits." He said so, I didn't. He said so, because the Bible said so. I agree a hundred percent with it.

Because remember, the rain falls on the just and the unjust.

There could be people in there, phony as a three dollar bill and anointed by the same spirit. And then the spirit of the enemy can walk right in amongst them. Then where are you at? You better have something on your side, because that said, the gifts will put you right down the drain. You'll end up under judgment. Not rightness, but judgment. See? Now:

The same rain that was sent to ripen the wheat also ripens the weeds: the same water.

35. And I'm going to tell you something brother/sister, I've looked at those old weeds and they tell me the tare look so much like the wheat until it gets bigger. And I learned something the other day, I began pulling the little... the flowers aside that spread themselves out, and I see the weeds in there. So I nipped the weeds, I pulled the weeds right out, and they come out nice and easy too. Usually they do, because the soil is moist and nice in there. Then there comes a time though when those weeds can't fool you, and they can't fool themselves, because then they got to push right up past the plant. Just what Satan did. See? Unmitigated, rather, unwitting authority taken by some, and somehow others take authority which they want to take. "So I got a gift haven't I?" See?

Now, ripen by the same water. How many knows that? Now, that ought to clear the serpent's seed to you then, how this son come. I'm trying to pick it out here to get it before my time runs out...

[56] God has a law. Now, on this, this law the spirit of Life you have to watch, because Satan slips in.

Why does he say that in <u>Serpent Seed</u>? Because that's where Satan slipped in. He had a life, and he got the life into people through an animal. So, how much spiritual smarts is the guy that's off on these things. He's not spiritual smart at all. Something wrong with him. Because the minute he hears the truth he'd want to line up and get his life right.

#### 36. Now:

And Paul, when something was revealed to somebody, it had to have at least two or three judges before it could be told before the church. I might bring this out. See, I don't think my Brother's here tonight, somebody made fun of somebody leaving the Tabernacle, went down to Brother Junior Jackson's for a church. And said, "They went down amongst the 'dead birds.'" Aren't you ashamed to make a remark like that? whoever who you are, if you're my children in Christ, I'm ashamed of you. Don't do a thing like that. Junior Jackson is my brother. Don Ruddell is my brother. Well, the reason of it, because when I set the church here in a certain order, when I come back, to see if I could get the manifestation of the gifts, half of them pulled away from it.

Now, the reason they said amongst the dead birds, is because Junior didn't put his church in order, and everybody that wanted to talk on the floor and not talk according to the Word of God and

set themselves in order went down to Junior's where they could stay in disorder. Now, that's the long and short of it.

## 37. Now:

Because when you would start to speak, or preach, or something, It was getting in such a place that you could hardly preach 'less there was somebody spoke in tongues, somebody interpreting, somebody give the interpretation; and half of it never even come to pass.

[57] Now, ...?... speaking in tongues. I believe in interpretation, but it must be something directly to the church, not, "The Lord is coming soon," or something --which is all right. But, "Don't use vain repetitions," Jesus said, "as heathens do." It must be something like, "Go, and tell Brother So-and-so something he done..."

...tell Sister So-and-so, when a certain thing she did the other day, transgressed the law of her husband--the vow to her husband. Make her make this right, or the Holy Spirit cut her off." There you've got THUS SAITH THE LORD.

Now, in other words you can see when it comes to the gifts being used right, you have a tremendous force within the church. But if they're not used right, it's just blah! It's just blah. See?

Now, that brings sin in. And when we got a church like it was when Ananias and Sapphira come in. (In other words, that's what we need to get to.) Then we got a church that stands solid. "Oh, Brother Branham..." One guy, I told him that; said, "Well, you put us too much on the spot." I said, "Ain't I on the spot up there to strangers I never seen in my life?

- 38. Now, Bro. Branham was using a tremendous gift as a prophet, and he said, "My gift is on the spot, and so is yours, they're equal in that respect. And if you're not willing with your faith and your grace to stand up for a test, then why do you look at me?" Now he said, "I do, so take a good look and fall in line." Well, that's pretty good preaching. Of course they didn't take it that way, that certain people. No. "I've got faith and confidence in my God who sent me to do this and never one time has it ever been wrong, and never will be as long as it's God." That's right. See what he said to the people. Okay:
- [58] Now speaking in tongues and things like that... I believe that those tongues and people that got them gifts, if they're real genuine Christians and interested in it, they'll meet themselves together, and give the tongues and interpretations and see what they can do to further the Kingdom of God. They got a ministry of their own, but it don't belong here in the middle of the audience where the sinners are being dealt with and so forth. The Bible said, "They'll say you're unlearned." Sometimes they get so irreverent with it and so forth... Now our gang hadn't, I let them go along for awhile. And I said, "Watch it." Now, I told the brethren (There's witnesses here know this), "Let it alone. After while we'll find out whether it's of God or not. If it cannot stand chastisement, then it's a bastard child."

What's a bastard child? The mingling of two lives of which are not supposed to be united. Were an Israelite man married a Gentile or a heathen woman. Or a woman of Israel took a wrong man. No way. Neither can you take the things of God and unite them with the things of the enemy.

So he tells you right there that there is something come in here where that child, that thing in the midst is a hybridization. It's of God only in the extent that Eve could say, "I've gotten a man from the Lord." [Gen 4:1] A law laid down, but *something is all scrupled up* as Bro. Branham said.

That's exactly what the Bible said. And when the chastisement come, what happened? Did I tell you that long ago? Ask the pastor here. He said, "What about this and that?" I said, "Just let it alone. They're babies. We can't judge it, but watch when it really comes to pin down to the Word."

And the Word was what? Take It to the room, and under advisement and I'll go with you. They would not go with him. I'm going to tell you another thing...I'll ask you a question rather: Had they gone with him from that point on? Figure that one out.

*Now, Brother Junior Jackson had a right to disagree with that.* 

39. Disagree with what? Putting the Church Order in according to the Word, and bringing forth a bastard child. He can have it, he's welcome to it. You say, "That's not nice preaching." I never said it was nice preaching, but it's good preaching. Cauterization sometimes is very good. I won't add to that remark.

The people all want to speak with tongues and things in the audience. That's *Junior's trouble*; (Notice the word 'trouble',) *that's up to him*.(Said, that's where he going to get a problem.)

- [59] But Junior Jackson believes this Message as the rest any of us does. He's one of us. And it's not a "dead bird" to go there. Junior Jackson is a man of God that I love with all my heart. And is not here tonight, so I can really pour it on the way I want to. And Don Ruddell... I don't think... (Well Don never did have that in his church,) they got church of their own. (He mentions certain names, brethren like...) the rest of them don't have to believe just like I do;
- 40. Well, let's find out, let's find out. [1 Corinthians 14:]
  - (36) What came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?

If any man thinks that he's beyond what I have to say, he's a good Christian brother, fine, he's saying the truth, hallelujah." Is that what Paul said? Neither William Branham.

(Now look,) if I went to table and Junior got apple pie and I got cherry pie. Brother, we're both eating pie; we'll agree to that. We both preach the same Gospel.

Reverend Bob Brown had a good statement about Jesus giving the sop to Judas. He said, according to Josephus the host always dipped the bread into the wine and gave it to the choice customers. Take it from there.

[60] You know, Peter and Paul had differences, not in their doctrines, the way Peter was behaving himself.

I accept that. Never separated them. I want to ask a question: What happened to Paul and Barnabas?

41. You say, "Bro. Vayle, you argue with the prophet?"

I'm not arguing the prophet. I'm just bringing up what he knows. We've talked many times. I know what he's saying, so do you. He wants one and not the other, period. And he excuses in love

the men who don't go along. They're brethren, that's fine walk off. They'll walk off from you, don't worry about it.

... we're going to have differences, not differences... I disagree with the Assemblies of God. I disagree with their systems, there's a many Assembly of God man that's a precious brother. I disagree with the oneness doctrine, many precious brethren there. I disagree with the Baptists, Presbyterians their systems, but in there, there's genuine Christians. Somehow or another this afternoon I picked up a telegram. I missed it. A brother, a Baptist preacher, said he would--been seeking for a long time to come to a place--or get to a place where men respected God instead of respecting one another. A precious brother said to this Baptist, "I'll take you to such a place." He was longing to get here: a Baptist. You see, they're scattered everywhere. I wouldn't agree with their system, but I certainly love the party. So don't say that about the brethren. Now in here, these gifts have got to be watched. Have to watch it. Satan can impersonate any gift. Look at the Beatles, (they said, "Healings occurs amongst us.")

Look, let's face it, excitement can give way to faith any day of the week. Psychology proves it. And you can whomp up any crowd through excitement to come to faith where you get believing in God, no matter what's going on, and you can be healed. But brother/sister, this is different what we're talking about. Now, we laid the two things out to hope that you can see this.

42. Now, I want to go into this to try to bring out something. Now, the question comes: why was it that certain times Bro. Branham condoned what went on in a meeting? Such as a recent book published, I forget the name, in there you'll find where Bro. Branham explains to the people, the Full Gospel Business meeting, that a message in tongues was given. And at the same time, two people rose to their feet and said two different things.

And he said, "Look," he said, "one was interpretation, the other was a prophecy."

Now, concerning also the utterances that come forth, he did say this, (as you know we read it,) he said, "It should be predicted." But in his own case when he heard himself speaking in tongues the interpretation was: "A Rock in a Weary Land." So, you got to put all these things together and just watch them. Another time he said, "I do not believe its interpretation, or prophecy, it is merely anointed speaking." You can tell it doesn't belong in the Church. He also said, "If there's any place it just might happen, it would be at the end of a service when it's all over." That means, just before they say, "Good night, God bless you." But not at the altar call.

That's why the woman who was going to...every single time had her message reserved, she already had prepared to give to Bro. Branham. Was already sitting there for it, just when the altar call came on, he said, "Woman, shut up and sit down." See?

43. Now, the question may arise: were the portions at one time that Bro. Branham allowed, because he had to allow it. Do you understand? He said he had to leave it, it's there.

What about that time? Well, the nicest compliment I can say is this: "Yes, I believe it was an utterance from God. I believe that what was said concerning William Branham that not necessarily eulogized him, but pointed him out to the people as to who he was in his ministry, and to what was forth coming, I believe was legitimate in most cases and was anointed utterance, neither interpretation nor prophecy."

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And I believe it was there for the specific purpose that one day it's going to come back to them that they said it and then denied it. "For by your words you're justified, and by your words you're condemned." [Mt 12:37]

What we see here in the one set of gifts that are predestinated in contradistinction to the other set, we find are not to be compared with each other. For one has an ability that the other does not have in bringing to the Church to where it is supposed to be free from confusion, and a strict alignment with Almighty God Who is the Word.

- 44. Now, let's see what Paul saw here, (And I hope this is not a long hot Sunday, but I don't know.) 1 Corinthians 14:35.
  - (35) ...if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at (the) home: (it's) a shame for women to speak in the church.

Now, women can speak in tongues and prophesy and everything else, see, but they got to do it under the strict order of headship in the separate meeting.

(37) If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.

Now, we've got right here that the Word of the Lord comes from one person to everybody else, which is exactly how It came to Paul for the Gentiles.

- 1 Corinthians 14:14.
  - (14) For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit...(prays, the rest is unfruitful. I'll pray in the tongues, I'll pray in the spirit and so on, and understanding right down the line.)

And the purpose is verse 17,

(17) (He) verily givest thanks, the other is not edified.

Show me where there is something in Ephesians 4 that doesn't edify. There is something here that is questionable that might not edify that might do the opposite. So you see, you can't compare them. There's got to be an absolute.

- 1 Corinthians 14:10.
  - (10) There are, it may be, many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification.

Verse 8.

- (8) ...the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare to battle? (Remember, at the end-time a trumpet sounds.)
- 45. All right, with that we go to Revelation 1:12.
  - (12) (John) turned to see the voice...

Bro. Branham said, "He turned to see if it was scriptural.

In Revelation 2: 2.

(2) ...and tried them (that) say (they are) apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars: (They threw the Word right back in their faces when they didn't say what Paul said.)

With It, we go to 1 Corinthians 4:14-17.

- (14) I write not these things to shame you, my beloved sons I warn you.
- (15) For though (you) have ten thousand instructers in Christ, yet (you've got) not many fathers: for (I alone) in Christ Jesus (I've) begotten you through the gospel.
- (16) Wherefore I beseech you, (to) be followers of me. (Alright.)
- (17) For this cause have I sent unto you Timotheus, who is my beloved son, faithful in the Lord, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which (are) in Christ, as I teach every where in every church.

Now, he said, "I have taught Timothy exactly what he ought to know, and you listen to him, that's as good a listening to me."

- 46. Now, let's go to 1 Timothy 2:7.
  - (7) Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and (truth).

Here's a preacher, an apostle, a prophet, a teacher. The whole gamut.

Now notice: here then is a very great warning that he brings forth to us as I read in 1 Corinthians 14:36-37.

- (36) (Did) the word of God (come) out from you? or (did) it (come to) you only?
- (37) ...(and if you're) spiritual, (you'll) acknowledge that (what I say is the Word of God.)

Now, this brings us to what I mentioned over here in the Book of Romans 12. "Ministry, wait on your ministering. Teaching on teaching, exhorting on exhorting, ruling on ruling." [verses 7,8]

That's a ministry that lines with the Word. Not necessarily those brethren are part of the five-fold ministry. Some of those could absolutely qualify as elders which are deacons apt to teach.

Now, you will notice that they are in the same category as those who use gifts. As the gifts can lead people astray, ministers can lead people astray if they don't know the Word.

Now, if those with gifts, as in 1 Corinthians 12 will not line up to judgment as proper judging in that room, the church could go astray. And if a person gets into a pulpit, (I don't care if it's me or anybody else here,) and that pulpit is wide open because it's a pulpit, you don't need to believe for one minute that this pulpit is going to have absolute truth. There's only one absolute truth, and that's how the prophet brought it. And everything has got to be reconciled.

47. Now, this brings me to a fact and to a thought. You people think I'm above judgment, you're absolutely wrong. This church is not set in order here to make me a pope or dictator, that sure sounds like it. And that's to protect me as a person, because I'm sick and tired of people butting their noses in. That's all. People trying to take over, which give them an inch, they'll take a mile. See? And this happens on occasions and...I have just safeguarded myself.

But, understand this: I have never said, and you know why I have never said that I'm infallible. I am not a prophet. I am not an authority. I believe that I am right, but you've got every right to come and talk with me. And you notice I am open to be talked to, and any man in this pulpit can be

talked to. In plain English, if somebody else is here in this pulpit outside of me, which can certainly be, Bro. Evans is the odd time, but not very often. Other men can come in. You have every right to question that person and say, "Did I understand you right? What were you aiming at?" See?

Not letting it go as though you were doing somebody a favor. Now, it wasn't hard for somebody the other day, (was it Norman or Brian that spoke up when I got 'Cain', instead of 'Abel'. Well, if you're that fast on the trigger, you better be fast enough on the other. I'm not insulting you, I'm very happy that you brought. I was just catching...well, I hadn't caught that one, but I caught others. In other times just before a slip of the tongue. Bro. Branham keeps on saying Moses wrote four books. He leaves out Leviticus one time, maybe something else another time. I thought there were five. Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy. He left out Leviticus. I caught him more than once.

48. I said to him one day, "Bro. Branham, you're getting as bad as me."

He said, "What do you mean?"

"Well," I said, "I left out this book, you left out that book." I said, "Join the club." That's a slip of the tongue.

He said, "Seven hundred," instead of seven thousand. Then the people tried to make something out of it.

If there is something there, check it out, a slip of the tongue or anything else. Now, certainly there are times I can't explain myself too perfectly. It wasn't until this morning I understood, "No man can call Him Lord, except by the Holy Ghost." Nobody understands it. I've aimed at it, I've even believed It, but to see It; that's why when He was in flesh He was Lord to the glory of God the Father, and God indwelt Him. Sure, He made Him both Lord and Christ at that time. There in the incarnation He's Lord and Christ again in a combined form, but right now He's Lord Jesus Christ. You get mixed up if you want for your friends and relatives, or your church friends go ahead.

You say, I'm a hard hitter up here, I care less. I got to answer to God and I'm on the line this morning brother/ sister. I was on the line last Sunday. I'm not off this Word one iota as far as I know. If I am you've got to come and tell me, but don't sit back for anybody or anything. That's why everything is judged.

Now, Bro. Branham said, "A prophet is not judged." How can you judge a prophet?

You say, "What prophet?"

Not a five-fold minister prophet you better believe that. But a ...?... prophet of William Branham stature, and Paul could not be judged, no way, shape and form.

49. All right now, let's go back to Ephesians again. And begin to see the magnitude of this, and the magnanimity of Almighty God. Now he said, "This ministry that is set in the Church brings it to perfection."

But watch, now watch carefully: [Ephesians 4:]

(17) This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that (you) henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of mind,

Now, come on, come on, the Church brought to a perfection by a ministry. A perfect Bride, "I have espoused you to Christ, but (he said,) I've got some feelings about you girl, you're fooling around like Eve did. Oh, you think you know something on your own. You think you can walk

apart from me that has espoused you. Why (he said,) you Galatians, you'd have given your eyes for me at one time, now (he said,) you take my eyes." Yeah!

"Oh hail great Paul." Phffft on Paul! Give him the old raspberry.

"Oh great William Branham. Ha, nuts to him, false doctrine."

"Oh lovely Jesus, chuck Him out!"

"Bring on the miracles, hallelujah, but don't ever explain them. We'll do the explaining."

Fap! That's like me earning the money you spending, and drop dead. Drop dead. I'll spend my own money. Putting God on the spot for Satan, forget it. Yeah, they couldn't take it.

- 50. Now listen: Walk not in the vanity, vain, proud:
  - (18) Having the understanding darkened, (now, we're talking in Ephesians 1:17-19, we'll get to that later.) alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Do you understand what I'm saying here? You don't, because it's not grabbing you. It's not grabbing you. Nothing outside of this Message has Life! This is the conduit of the Holy Ghost!

You say, "I have life down here."

You don't have life down here. Tell me why Paul said it, or William Branham? Couple of fathead egoists.

My spending my time up here and around the country when I get someplace and putting my neck on the block all around, literally around the world for a couple of dupes? Fap! I've got enough trouble with my own mistakes, without taking on theirs. William Branham was no big mouth. He was a mouth, the mouth of God. A mouth to the Bride.

(18) ...understanding darkened, alienated from the life of God... (They wouldn't know Him if they saw Him,) ...because of the blindness of (the) heart:

The Day Star hadn't risen, but It's risen now. Jesus said, "Are you blind?"

They said, "We see."

He said, "Now, you said, 'you see', you're blind, (He said,) you're finished, goodbye. If you'd have stood around and watched those works and say, 'hey, are they going someplace?'

51. I don't know. Oh, they stood back, right now I knew a guy from Canada, (because that's where I'm from,) and he knew all about the gifts right now, oh yeah, he could tell you. Such falderal [nonsense] and hogwash about. He said, "God gives severally to every person." And he said, "You see, several means 'more than one', but not many more, so that would be about three."

The word 'several' in the Greek and the Hebrew means 'individually'. Like the king's several house. His individual little house. So, here's a man that doesn't even know English, trying to tell you the Bible is supposed to mean. They ran with what Bro. Branham had and didn't know what to say about it.

## 52. Now listen:

(19) Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. (Sounds pretty rough, doesn't it?)

You say, "Bro. Vayle, I believe when that happens we're going right back from before the flood, that's Romans 1." That's exactly what it is honey.

- (20) But (so, you've) not learned (of) Christ; (Listen:)
- (21) If so be that (you've) heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus (Christ):

When did you hear Him? When did you see Him? And the prophet stood there. When Paul stood there. See, I'm telling you something brother, we don't even begin to appreciate the sobriety of this hour. I don't and you don't. That's why I just haul off and hit you a while ago, because I can speak right from my heart. I'm in this thing deeper than anybody.

Before he died, I knew him and this Message like nobody did. Since he died it could be anybody beat me to the race track on that one. I don't...half as well as most the people ever, even people sitting in the pews. Now, I'm going to tell you one thing: the sobriety is lacking everywhere. The solemnity is everywhere, they don't understand THIS and THAT photographed [pointing to the pictures on the wall] brought into view before us. Proving Who is here, and I don't care if He's been here for six thousand years, or six million years, [said very loudly] He's here in a way He hasn't been here before. Always looking back and looking forward, never knowing what God is doing. But that's different. Now, it says, "You heard him and you've been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus Christ our Lord."

53. Let me read you something the prophet said. Let me read it for you, because I want to read it, because it's good for us and because it's good for me.

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[114] ...it seems to be so hard... You see? Not the Son of man Himself, but the seventh angel, the seventh messenger, is revealing to the public the Son of man, because it's left the shuck... (The wheat's out here. They're the only ones sees the Bride.)

Listen:

[115] Notice the very day when this messenger, not when he starts on the, but when he begins to declare his Message. See? The First Pull, healing; Second Pull, prophesying; Third Pull, the opening of the Word, the mysteries revealed. No more... There's no more higher order to reveal the Word than prophets. And the only way the prophet can be indicated is by the Word. And remember the Third Pull was the opening of the Seven Seals to reveal the hidden Truth that's been sealed in the Word. Do you see it? It is then, in that day when this thing is to take place that Jannes and Jambres, impersonators, will appear again, just like they did when Moses appeared with the original Word to say it; they appear to impersonate it. Just exactly right. Now, that's what Matthew 24:24 is all about. (You see it? What's He do? He reveals the Son of man.)

Now, here we are at this hour.

54. Okay, with all this in mind we wish to examine if we can the utterance. We have examined with this already, and if we let it go at this point the utterances that came forth in Bro. Branham's meetings, and that is this: genuine gifts can be used when the devil slips in, and even a genuine gift does not necessarily have to be used. In other words, it could be completely the devil himself as when Jesus was down there at the tombs of Gadara (I believe it was) when the devil began

screaming, "We know Who you are, Jesus of Nazareth. Have You come to torment us?" [Matthew 8:28-29]

As the little girl with the spirit of divination said, "These are servants of the Most High God." [Acts 16:16-17]

Now listen, they told the truth. Could it have been in Bro. Branham's meetings there's somebody came in there devil possessed as the day is long and said, "This is the great prophet William Branham." I don't know if that happened, but I'm going to ask you a question: where did the Mormons get their revelation that William Branham would be the forerunner?

55. How come that man...now, this is not against the man, I'm not saying this is not of God, and I'm not saying the Mormon's didn't have a true spirit on them at that time too. They could be anointed too, and false. But I'm just saying is it possible?

You see, I just want you to know from the Scriptures certain things can come up and you don't say, "Well, this is God," until you judge it and know. And if you can't judge it and can't know it, then you just draw back and say, "Well hey, I'm not going to take that unless there's something in there that makes me to take it, because in here I've got enough from William Branham."

But remember, a woman came to William Branham one day, and Bro. Branham heard the big buzz, that big blow-fly buzzing around a bottle and that was an evil spirit. And she said, "You're born under a sign." And remember, in Pentecost this could be real.

The man came, he said, "What's the commotion?" He said, "I don't want anything Bro. Branham, I just want to ask a question."

He said, "What is it sir?"

He said, "How do you spell your name? With an 'h' at the end?"

He said, "Yes."

He said, "Here's a piece of paper you might be interested in." He said, "Many, many years ago, it was said, just before the Second Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, William Branham prophet of God will come up and down these coasts in America." He said, "I just wanted to know if your name was "h-a-m?"

Now listen, there are absolute genuine messages that came in William Branham's meetings, but that's not the real thing, the real thing is the Word. The real thing is...and here's the real thing about it: in those Messages you'll notice they had to testify to the man.

Now, then when It's turned on, what happens? They'll meet It at the Day of Judgment! Why? They got to fill up the cup of iniquity. And the final cup is "crucifying to themselves the Son of God." [Heb 6:6] And it's the Son of God, Holy Spirit, revealing the Son of man through a prophet. The Pillar of Fire is not He Son of man.

William Branham, prophet, said, "I am not the Son of man, It's in the form of the Holy Spirit. It's that Spirit moving in me to bring It to you." And there It is, Appearing to the Gentiles. [points to the picture of the Pillar of Fire]

56. All right, now this was allowed as a witness. Let's go ahead and read over here in Matthew 12. I don't have to read It, you know about it. This is where they said He's the devil. This is where they said it's not a devil, this is just fine. And He said, "Okay, by your words you're justified, and by your words you're not." [Mt 12:37]

Now then, if these gifts were used scripturally there would have been utterances in believer's meetings testifying to the prophet as it did at the West Coast. Now you say, "That might have been on the floor." It might have been, but had there been meetings put in order as Bro. Branham, we would have found a deeper testimony and a greater amount of the spiritual power we were looking for, rather than catastrophe which we ran across so many times.

57. All right, the third thing I want to deal with and our time is all but gone. I've dealt with this time after time and that's Ephesians 1:17-21, beginning with verse 15, he said:

- (15) ...after I heard your (love and your) faith, (your sincerity, all these things)...
- (16) (I do not) cease not to give thanks for you, (mentioning) you in my prayers;
- (17) ...the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
- (18) The eyes of your (heart) being enlightened;...

Right over there, enlightenment at a time to bring on the Resurrection, to bring us to perfection, a conclusion is taking us there. And here It is right here the third time.

Now, he said, [Question and Answers 08-23-64] He said:

[49] (Am I,) or the Pillar of Fire the Son of man?" No. The Pillar of Fire is the Anointing.

He's telling you something. The Pillar of Fire is not God per se, but It has everything to do with God. Anointing, a smearing, an unguent [an ointment] whereby we make a contact, a manifestation, a moving of the Spirit of God.

...Now, that Pillar of Fire is the Logos that went out of God, the Logos, is actually the attribute of the Fullness of God. When God become into a form to where It could be seen, That form was the anointing of the great Spirit that went forth, (In other words, that the moving out of It into a form that could be seen,) condescending, coming down, God, the Father, the Logos that was up over Israel.

[50] He was holy, could not bear sin. Had to be a blood offering right in Eden. Then that Logos become flesh and dwelt among us,...

What's he telling us? God took on a different form. Another anointing. "Art Thou the Christ? Art Thou the Anointed? Art Thou that Anointing of God?"

"Yes I am. I'm the manifestation. I am here. He's that sees me has seen the Father."

"Didn't you see the Pillar of Fire?"

"Yeah!"

"That was the Father."

"Yeah!"

"Look at Me, I'm It!"

What more do you want? Oh brother, what do they want? They want to kill Him. Sure.

...and where this Logos dwelt in a human body, which was a Sacrifice... (Sacrifice, you can't sacrifice Pillar of Fire. Can't sacrifice rock, wind, and water won't do it. There's no blood.) When man was made in the image of God... Then God came down in the image of man to redeem man; and that brought man and God together. Heavens and earth hugged and kissed each other; God and man embraced each other as Fatherhood and Sonship...

Now watch it, "I and My Father are one. He that has seen Me, has seen the Father." Not two, there's one. Why? Because Logos! See?

58. Now listen: "In the beginning was the Logos, [Jn 1:1] and the Logos became flesh." [Jn 1:14] It wasn't flesh in the beginning. It was the thing back there, the manifestation. How He became visible. How He began doing things. It was all in there. Now:

...Logos became flesh and dwelled among us. Jesus said, "I came from God, and I go to God." Is that right?

So, It had to be if It became flesh. "In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God, and the Word was God." What else could It be? What would He have said?

"Well," he said, "I really didn't come from God. It's a big joke."

"Why," he said, "If I don't let people know I'm the Son of God, I'm a liar like everybody else is out here." [Jn 8:55]

So, He had to tell them. "I came from God and I go to God." Is that right? Certainly!

After His death, burial, resurrection, and ascension, when the body was taken up to set at the right hand of God... (Now notice, It said the body taken up.) Now, I don't mean God's got a right hand; God's spirit. At the "right hand" means "in power and authority of God." And in that Name everything in heaven is named after It and subject to It. Everything in earth is named after It and subject to It, a Name above all names, Jesus Christ. (Made Him both Lord and Christ.) Now, this Logos that was in Him, which was the Spirit of God, the Anointing, through the sanctifying grace of the Blood, brought many sons to God, which is anointed with this same Logos.

That is a fantastic statement of theology brother/sister, a little Kentucky hillbilly, fap! He had them all backed off the mat except Paul. It would have been a draw. Same God. Same One that brought the Word reveal It.

59. [51] Now, on the day of Pentecost It come down, that Pillar of Fire, broke apart like that, and tongues of fire set upon each of them, not their tongues, but tongues of fire set upon each of them, an elected, selected group, identified group by this Pillar of Fire, showing that God had separated Himself into man. Do you get it? God, the Logos, separating Himself into men; God, not in one person, He's in His Church universal. That's the reason Jesus said, "The works that I do shall you more..." Now, I know the King James version says, "greater," but the great right translation, "more than this you'll do." God was bottled and confined in one Man, Jesus Christ. Now bottled and confined in the whole universal Church of the living God.

You say, "Ah, ha, ha, there it is."

I beg your pardon, Scripture has compound meanings. One place Bro. Branham puts this "greater works" all in the church by multiplicity. And the next time turns around and puts It right at himself. Compound meaning, because of a compound difference in time.

Just like, "In that day they'll know that I am in the Father, you in Me, and I in you." Three places, at Pentecost, in this hour, and the White Throne. And I think one more time he said too, when the Pillar of Fire is above the Throne. We're up there one more time I think, I think it's four times.

So, here you are, right away you see you can sit there and because you're like me, you want to be so precise and so exact. Have I really caught [makes a noise] what's he's saying, [repeats same noise] "there's something out there."

He said, "them both, I've brought my son out of Egypt, I brought my son out of Egypt." [Hosea 11:1] One was Jacob, one was Jesus. And Jacob never got out of Egypt, he was dead. He brought all the kids of Jacob up out of Egypt. So now you've got a compound within a compound. So, he's telling you something here.

## 60. Now listen:

Right now, while God is here speaking with us in our hearts, He's in Africa; He's in Europe;

Where? In the heart! Is that in my heart? No! (A modicum, a microcosm.) He's over my head? No! Is He dealing face to face with me? No! What's in my heart? And if It's in here, whatever is out there I'm going to have the illumination in my heart when the Day Star's to rise, and the prophet's here, I'm going to get taken out of here. Because I'm coming more and more from the negative which is a film to the positive. Dull black old muddy film. Get the proper thing on it, the proper workings, the proper chemicals so to speak, the proper graces, and you come forth as a thing of beauty. Take it and go Umm, um.(?) Oh boy, what a beautiful picture. Don't try that now though. Let God do that.

## 61. All right, now listen. Now watch:

Now, after His death, burial, and ascension, and coming of the Holy Spirit, Paul on his road down--which was Saul--to Damascus, he was struck down by a Pillar of Fire, the Logos.

Now, already Pentecost had taken place. Everybody getting something in the heart. Now, this fellow gets a face to face encounter. Not the same thing. Not the same thing, period. I'm sorry, same God, same person, but not the same thing. No way, shape and form. See, that's why Paul could boast in Christ.

And that Jew would've never called that Pillar of Fire, "Lord," unless he knew It was the same Logos that his people followed through the wilderness. See? Now, that was not the Son of man; that was the Logos.

Certainly, it's not the Son of man. It's not even manifesting at that time, Son of man. You're looking at Son of God, the ministry. Why? Because He's making sons. You go back to Son of man, that's personal. We're Son of man, we're son of a man, Son of ...?... You're looking a different office. A different thing entirely. Same God.

62. [52] Now, we say this with reverence, and love, and respect. See? As Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever... (Heb 13:8 is now not Mark 16.)

It's not, "Behold, I'm with you always. I'm filling each one with the Holy Ghost." That is not that. This is another meaning. And this meaning is what? Let's find out.

...same as...and forever, also that in the last days, as it was before Lot's time, or Lot's time in Sodom, so shall it be in the day that the Son of man reveals Himself again, revealing Himself.

When did He reveal Himself? "You'll desire to see one of the days the Son of man again, but you won't see It, it's down the road." [Lk 17:22] So, He's right back doing it again. "He who has seen Me has seen the Father." [Jn 14:9] "I and the Father are one." [Jn 10:30] This is the whole thing. Here It is, here It is, here It is. Come ye, come ye, this is It. Back doing it again. Who to? The Gentiles. That's Hebrews 13:8. "Come on, come on out..." Oh listen, it's alright. I don't expect too big of a reaction. Really, I taught you that way.

Oh, I hope it's in your heart brother/sister, because if you're not seeing what I'm seeing, I'm not going to give you private lessons. Get the tape and go over and over, until something begins to happen to you. I can't do anything for you, but I'll tell you, God can. See?

## 63. Now:

...so shall it be in the last day the Son of man reveals Himself again, revealing Himself. Now, in this last day the Logos that was upon Jesus, (that's human being) which He has become from that back to the Pillar of Fire again (what's that? Not the body that Jesus, Jehovah. Jehovah that was in the body,) has descended down on the earth, now (I was going to say something, (wouldn't make a difference anyway,) but I got to watch for the sake of the tape (and so on.) People wouldn't believe it, but I'll admit that)--but has come down for, like an investigating judgment that goes on. (Saucers, saucers, flying saucers so to speak.) Now, this great Pillar of Fire that's absolutely identified even by scientific cameras, (There It is, there It is,) [Pointing to the two pictures on the wall] that's here on the earth today...

Where was It before? Get ...?..., "The Lord shall descend with a Shout." [I Th 4:16]The Lord Himself shall descend with a Shout. The Lord Himself. That's the Lord Himself, not the Lord that God had made Lord and Christ, but the Lord Himself that made Jesus Lord and Christ. He descends with the Voice. With a Shout, has a prophet to tell us the Seals, and the Message. "My Message," said William Branham. The man and the Message are one gathered unto Christ through the prophets by the Word. It couldn't do it in any other time but this time. So, there It is.

#### 64. Now:

...this lens won't take psychology." (You've heard him say that.)

[53] Then watch the works of It. (What? The Pillar of Fire that came down, Elohim.) It, among us, proves that Jesus, the same Jesus that once lived in Palestine, the same Spirit that was upon Him has come up through a Body...

How else? For two thousand years the One that was filling us, (see?) come down now, this coming up, proves It's the same One. Headship. Don't let It boggle your mind, just let it trickle and percolate around there. It's taken me seventeen, eighteen years, don't feel bad if it takes you thirty seven, you're not going to have that long. I should know better and get through this a whole lot quicker, but I'm not that smart, so fine. God uses exactly what you are, and who you are, and how you are. So that's the way it is. See? All right:

...come up through a Body until It's come back to Headship again, which He's coming soon to claim the Body...

One is already here. Another is coming. Oh, brother/sister, I want to tell you something though, without the Holy Ghost you don't know the first thing I'm saying, I can tell you right now. You don't know the first thing I'm saying, you better get the Holy Ghost brother/sister, if you're a child of God, you're missing something. You're not going to get what I'm going to get. You're going to say, "Oh Vayle, he got two gods. He got this, he got that."

Yeah, Vayle's got the Holy Ghost, he's got the real God, and he's going in the Rapture. You do what you want.

You say, "Well Bro. Vayle, you look at yourself."

I looked at myself, and I puked. I gave up everything that I had right there. Threw up my boots. I don't look anymore.

"You should take a look."

Why should I? Looking at me ain't going to do no good. If the church was under law and they looked at themselves and died, and they're under a law, do you think I'm going to go back to law? Drop dead! You do what you want. But that's one thing this pulpit stands for, nobody is going to tell me what do and what to say up here. So, I don't care what you think about me, that's your tough luck. And it's my tough luck to a degree too, I should smarten up, be nicer, but I don't know if that's in the cards or not.

65. ...which He's coming soon to claim the Body. Amen. The Head's coming to the Body.

The Head is coming to a Body. We're not a spirit body. We're physical. The physical is not here. It's a spiritual union. The prophet explained it all. What more do people want?

"Oh, we don't believe He came down."

Well, the Bible said, He came down! The prophet said, "Which is up?" Don't answer that question. I think a lot of people are walking right on their flat heads myself, you want to know the truth. Well, he said, "Which is up?" Nobody can prove which is up, which is down.

You know what? He said it for a reason. So the Spirit coming up, or coming down, what does it matter about your word, if you know that He is here, and you know what is going on. Now, for all you know what is going on, He baptizes people, then you forgot the prophet said *it runs out*. Then what are you doing here if Its run out?

You say, "I don't It has." You're right, but what if It has? Now what do you do if you were here and It does run out? Where do you go? These are things that people that believe this Message (so called) will not answer the question. I want it answered.

66. Now listen:

The Head's come the Body. You get it? That will be the Son of God, the Son of man, the Son of David, the I AM, the Rose of Sharon, the Lily of the Valley, the Morning Star. (Everything of Almighty God, essentially Who and what He is poured into a Body.)

Now, that One, the Body is coming down. And when that Spirit that's in our midst becomes incarnate to us we'll crown Him King of kings, and Lord of lords, because you can't crown a spirit. And the Roman Catholic church pretends it's Bride and they crown the husband. And they said, "Well, the pope is the husband." Well, I'm glad they got him. I think they deserve him, and the Protestant's deserve one just like him, or the same thing, I'm not interested.

67. Just like the pyramid the Enoch built. We find in that pyramid, never did get the headstone on. Why? The Headstone is yet to come. Seven steps. What's he talking about? He's talking about a pyramid which is physical.

Three times in the Book of Ephesians. Three times the foreordained, predestinated moving of the Holy Spirit brought forth in a predestination, a predestinated Church of people who He uniquely cleansed through the Blood set aside perfectly through the Holy Spirit marking them for the ages to come for His plan. At the same time, set them in a body uniquely equipped with gifts whereby that Church may be brought to a perfection under the ministry of Almighty God. And they, like their Elohim parent, changing, changing, moving on, because what was in His genes must be manifested in ours.

We have a bad mix up the day we got animal as well as human, that's the whole rotten mess. But let me tell you brother/sister, when these bodies are changed, "hallelujah." There isn't one bit of gene that's wrong, even in the physical, although praise be to God at this moment, I believe through the redemption of the Blood, the Baptism with the Holy Ghost our souls and our spirits don't have one gene that is not of God. It's just that we happen to have that little life mixture in there that's the 'podunk'. [small and insignificant town] That's the bad one, because remember, God's got to give us the Spirit that's allowed, but not necessarily His Spirit which is not, but there's something in there moving, moving.

68. We already have a soul, that is true. The Spirit of God must come upon that. So we are an admixture, we still got a problem, but when that day comes when we're completely reborn as to the flesh, which we're in process now by the grace of God the Word is forming around ourselves, this Word Life, It surely is, there's no two ways about it. It's going to be proven one of these days, because someone is going to get out of here. If we don't, somebody will. I'm with the prophet a hundred percent on that, I'm looking for It. And brother/sister, when that's done you won't have one bit of trouble from that time on. Yep, from that time on there won't be one thing that's remiss. It's all gone completely back, and within the perfect predestination of God.

Now, under the Blood, through the Baptism with the Holy Ghost at this end-time we have been declared, "You are perfect, you're at rest, the righteous Bride of Jesus Christ." Do what you want with It, brother/sister, and I would caution you and tell you this: believe It with all your heart, because you might think you're not, but you just might be. And there be some of us who think we are, and we might not be. But the point is this: there's not one of us knows. But God knows. He, remember, has the 'key'.

And the prophet warned us, he said, "*Abraham*," he said, "*was a silver dollar*." He said, "*He was a silver dollar*, (he said,) *poor old Lot was just one of those coppers*." But he said, "*Thank God for the coppers*." And so therefore, there may be coppers in the coffers of God, and there may be

silver dollars. That's the way it is. But you know, God is more than able to work for us and to bring us forth.

69. So, I hope you understand now. Something's that may puzzle you and you may wonder about. Don't get carried away, learn to stand back and watch, look at both sides carefully, take the Word of Almighty God. If something is going awry, or you think it is, don't be afraid to say, "Hey, let's look at this thing and bring it out."

Remember, you don't do me a favor, you don't do anybody a favor by not asking the questions you need to know. And I'm not going to for one minute stand here and fool myself and let you get away with thinking you understand everything I say, because I don't even understand some things myself, but I've got to say them. I may never understand some things. That's right. I may never understand some things until we're over there. And maybe even then, it'll be reigned in mystery. I don't know, but there's certain things I believe that I cannot explain. There's certain things that I can say, but I cannot say them in the way that I can nail them down and say, "Hey, listen to me, it's one, two, three, four, here it is." I can't do it.

Because you see, faith is an intrinsic quality. Faith believes in what cannot be seen. Faith is a revelation. It's not easy, but thank God it is easy. Because you see, once you believe and you believe right, it doesn't matter what you believe as long as you believe right. You got it made. Uh? See.

70. So, that's why Bro. Branham said, "Only Believe. So, how many this morning understand the sermon?" They raised their hands up everywhere.

Mede said, "Bill, I couldn't raise my hand." Said, "I wish I could have." Mede said, "He began to cry."

And he said, "Only believe, only believe."

He went out one time after saying the same thing, he turned to Billy Paul, he said, "See all those hands raised," he said, "not that many understood what I was saying." You know he said, "How many understand?" (Not believe, but how many understand, that was the word. Maybe I got that wrong.) "How many understand what I was saying?"

And then he said to Mede, "Only believe." And to Billy Paul he said, "Not that many understood." And I think the sermon was: "The Anointed Ones at the End Time."

And you know, I knew that I understood that sermon. Because he had already talked with me, that's what turned me around to make me know what we know today. But I will say this, as you heard me say it before, I just thought I knew. I just thought I knew, yes, but I didn't know as I know now.

And brother/sister, we're all coming on to a place...and let's get this understood: there's no way that you and I can see Him face to face through the revelation of this hour, because the unveiling has gone on, is going on right now. And the illumination in our heart, it's a heart condition, it's a love affair, it's a spiritual union. There is not one of us who born again does not know Him better than we ever knew Him. And there's something that is there that wasn't there before, not on the grounds that it wasn't there in a form, but it's in a higher form then it ever was.

71. For as Luther came out of the Catholic's, it was the glory. As Wesley left the Lutherans, that was the glory. As Pentecost moved on what about today? He's here. This glory shall never fade.

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Why? Because He cannot fade. See? This is that hour that Adam could stretch forth his hand, just stand right there.

"Adam, you blew it."

"Well, all I did was sell the whole human race into bondage, and murder, and corruption, and filth, and sorrow, and pain, lost, lost, and undone."

"Adam, stretch forth your hand to the Tree of Life."

Come on, get your thinking on brother/sisters. It's not in your hands, it's in God's hand. It's not how nice you are, it's a good thing it's not how nice I am. For the Rapture's over, I can tell you that right now. Everybody's missed It. It's what He said. Sure, we ought to be nice people, kind, considerate. Sure, don't, don't...because I get up here and I, you know, use a scatter gun. Don't worry too much. I look you in the eye and I say I want certain things done, it's up to you to do them. I'm not going to come to your doors and beat on your door and tell you to do certain things. I've laid it out here before, but old Lee Vayle is going to stand back and watch. Lee Vayle is going to know things. Just like old Bill Branham knew things, I'm not a prophet. You ought to stand back and watch.

72. You see, I stuck my neck out. And when I stuck my neck out, that road began to take two fork, ...?... take a fork on it. I've done it twice in two years. I'm not scaring anybody. I'm just letting you know brother/sister. I'm not up here fooling, I'm not, God is my Judge. I'm the worst maybe character under God's high heaven. No right being up here as a person, but I'm not ashamed of my words, I'm not afraid for my words. I believe what I've said is the truth. I don't know that I've said the truth, I believe it is. But if I come to a place where I feel that I've led you off, I'll come right around and tell you. I wouldn't have to tell you this morning what I discovered in my heart and what the truth a certain Scripture is. I'd go down the road rejoicing and say, "I know something more than the people do."

There isn't one thing I've ever kept back from you. I just want you to know that. Nothing the same way on the tapes. I know people get upset, because my language is very, very rude, and I admit it's very rude. And I wish rude only meant uncultured in the sense that it wasn't polished. My language can be abject. (That's a very good word.) And I should reject my abject language, but I get so carried away at times, all I can do is just thinking these hard, hard words, you just fling them out there, because you get plumb disgusted.

But, I tell you what that disgust comes from. It doesn't come half as much from the people you think that I fuss at, as it comes within me, because I know He is so wonderful and so pure and so marvelous, and the closer I get to look, it's the rottener and the lousiest I feel, until if I thought that hell would hide me and dissolve me, I'd sooner go there now than wait for a Rapture. But I don't have a thing to do with it. And He'll see us through, you bet He will.

Let's rise at this time: [Some announcements made]

Heavenly Father, we thank you for what You are, the God of all grace and mercy. And when it's the God of all grace and all mercy we know then that that is exactly true. And therefore, if we have any grace and any mercy then it must come from You, or it is remiss, it is a false grace and a false mercy. And if we have any love in these things, because it's shed abroad in our heart by the Holy Ghost. If we have something other than that and put in place, and if that also then is a frivolous thing and is vanity.

And so, Lord, we would sure like to come to that place that Bro. Branham spoke of, to get plumb out of the way, to be completely sealed in. So that with all of this, these virtues and this which lies in You, Lord, and we weeding all these things out of us with Your help, O God, because we ain't getting anywhere by ourselves.

If we can get something, Lord, and work this thing out, so that You would be where the prophet said, then it's God in the vessel. Like the stature, he called it a statue, which it would be, of God. Lord, this statue of a perfect man, which is in a stature, manifesting, we want it, Lord. You know what I'm saying, and the prophet said it. And we're reconciled, Lord, to the understanding and the faith and the expectation of it. And the outworking of it, Lord, is in Your hands and we know also the prophet said there was things that we were allowed to be in touch with, because we would be in that program with You. There'd be certain things we'd be doing, like getting out of the way, and weeding things out and even doing things that would necessarily take the skin off of us to make things right somehow, just get things all guided up and get them right.

Now, Lord, we know that these things are there. And we know that this does put a chill within us in many areas, knowing say, "well, oh my goodness me." What we would do under this consideration, we knowing, Lord, that always under the consideration of Your Word, there always has been a throne of mercy and not judgment. And this is where we know that there is something for us.

So, help us, Lord God, from this moment on, to be as we have never been before in Your Presence. And help us, Lord, now in any way, shape and form. And we know that You will help us, Lord. We might go a step further in saying, put us under such a complete burden, like the prophet was in a tube that we would have to find ourselves in some kind of a tube also. Not like his necessarily, but some kind of a tube, Lord, where we would come to the place where we just literally be caused to flow into this that we're supposed to be into by way of the purging, and that which You want us to do, Lord. Because we know that You're doing everything, and You will not fail to do everything, but we could lack and miss some thing's rather than have the abundant entrance.

And so, Father, we pray that we'll not be at all dissuaded from doing everything we possibly should do under Your Light, because we know that we'll make it anyway. But we want the other. And so we pray, Father, that You will help us in this respect, and we'll give You the honor and the glory because we ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

'The Lord richly bless you.'