

# The Way of a True Prophet # 5

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Shall we pray: Heavenly Father, we're indeed privileged people to be gathered here tonight in Your Presence, knowing the things of God, knowing the hour in which we live, the deep secrets of Almighty God having been revealed to us. We're very grateful, Lord, that that is ours, and that is a portion of the end-time, and bringing about all the things of God to come back to this earth, and we're very grateful for that.

Be with us now as we continue to bring to and look at that which we believe the vindicated prophet brought us, because you answered back to him, Lord, and we're satisfied. Therefore, we have the truth, we thank You for it, in Jesus' Name, Amen. You may be seated.

1. Now, this again is the fifth message on 'The Way of a True Prophet'. And we were on page 27 at the top pretty well when we finished the last time. And just for a little bit of a re-cap, to sort of refresh us, we want to say that this sermon is actually all about Bro. Branham as it is a description of the way of a true prophet. And we believe that Bro. Branham was a true prophet by reason of vindication. And specifically Deuteronomy 18 with 'Thus Saith the Lord'.

Now, there's certain major earmarks that he brought out concerning the way of a true prophet, and one of the major earmarks of a true prophet subsequent to authentication is that his ministry comes at a time of literal apostasy, or in depth backsliding, so that he is judgmental in his approach.

2. Now, we want to sort of look at that, and that is you'll notice that God does not come on the scene, except in a time of crisis. And every single time it was literally a time of crisis outside of the beginning in the Garden of Eden, where fellowship was broken. And you'll notice that it's at a time of idolatry, apostasy, or backsliding that God sends this prophet in order to help the people who will come under His Election, who have already come under It, and then to condemn that which is wrong.

And you'll notice in doing it, he makes the Elect aware of what is right, so that they will discontinue from the path of evil. So, that's important to understand that. And when he does come then, because it's at this particular period of time, emotions will run very high. Because, Bro. Branham said that this prophet is going to call a spade a spade, he's going to scream out against all these things, he's going to go straight to the Word, and It will cause them a great deal of hatred.

3. So, you find that in Matthew 23:29.

(29) Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because (you) build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,

Now, notice what He's based that statement on.

- (30) And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.

Now, that's exactly what the Roman Catholic's said if pope John XXIII had been the pope instead of Leo [X] with Tetzel there never would have break in the church. So therefore the Catholic church will reap all the blood of all the martyrs. And by the way, I've got 'Smucker's Glorious Martyred' finally in my possession. You can get copies if you want it. So, I've had it... Bro. Ungren gave it to me, so you'll be able to see what the other books have written. How terrible the Roman Catholic church stands, and will stand in the judgment. There is no hope, because they're condemned, and we know the Presence of God. The same One that said this in the human form, is saying it now in the Spiritual form.

- (31) Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that (you) are the children of them which killed the prophets.

4. Now, you'll notice right in there, the children of them that killed the prophets set up a blood line. Set up a seed line. And so therefore, we know who they are. They go back to their father the devil as It says in John 8, they knew he was a murderer and a liar from the beginning. And you know as well as I do, that the devil never killed anybody. That was Cain. So, therefore you can see the manifestation of Satan in the seed. That was Satan's seed.

- (32) Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers.

- (33) (You) serpents, (you) generation of vipers, how can (you) escape the damnation of hell? (That's the old serpent again.)

- (34) Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: (Notice, prophets, and wise men and scribes) and some (you'll) kill and crucify; some (you'll) scourge in your synagogues, and persecute from city to city:

That's exactly what they do today. They'll frame you, they'll rob you, do everything under God's high heaven, until you acquiesce. The Pentecostal church has a tacit understanding that if a preacher gets into some kind of sin, or some kind of a mess, and then of course if he repents, they move him to another State, and everything is fine. Well, he's going to hell just the same, no doubt the whole organization with him. What's geography got to do with it? If geography improved anybody, let's go where the geography improves us. And every time you go where the geography is suppose to improve you, back to the Garden of Eden, you got a bigger hell-hole than ever. Which is why Los Angeles and Miami and those places are such hell-holes, because the climate is beautiful, everybody runs there. And who gets there fustess with the mostess? The devil and his crowd. So much for geography. Fap! Oh my God, have pity on us. Never get fooled by that junk.

5. (34) ... and persecute city to city:

- (35) That upon you may come...(Now listen,) upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel... (that fell upon Jerusalem.)

The same thing is said in the Book of Revelation, that's going to...the blood of all the martyrs is found in Rome, Yes sir, right today.

(35) ...the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom (you) slew between the temple and the altar.

(36) Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation.

Now, you notice how he says here, then:

(37) ...Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and (stone those that) are sent (to you), how often would I have gathered thy children...

How? By the prophets. So therefore, our gathering together unto the Lord Jesus Christ is by a prophet, That's the Word of God! I don't care what anybody says! Who cares a bunch of (phfft!) out there. If people don't like my language, send the tapes back. That's right. Send them back. Nobody has to take them in the first place. In fact I could stop it tonight. He said it. And why don't they believe it? Don't believe nothing. Couldn't keep straight, because they couldn't hide behind a corkscrew themselves. Their thinking is delirium-tremens based upon the drunkenness of the wine of their imagination, stimulated verbosity of hell, knowing they are going to be judged by their own words. I don't care how tough I get up here, as long as I stay with the Word.

6. If I stay with this Word and don't tell you one lie, and get as tough and hang just as tough as possible and make God give me a back bone like a saw-log when the pressure comes down, it'll come down, don't worry. Easy to say things now, there'll be grace down the road just the same. Said: "I would have gathered your children, by the prophets you wouldn't do it."

Do you think people are going to believe Seven Angels came down? The Holy Ghost in the form of Seven Angels? [points to the picture of the Cloud] Seven Theophonic forms, God in a manifestation came down? Prophet goes right to the Bible; ha, these guys believe any sour thing under God's high earth. Prophet checked it out. They'd believe any old junk. My heavens.

7. God gathering His children, said:

(38) Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. (Desolate!)

When the religion of Israel fell, it fell. It'll never come back. I'll get in Malachi later on and show you what's going to happen, although you already know it. Now he said, "You're left desolate."

Now, he said:

(38) Behold, your house is left...desolate.

(39) ...I say unto you, (You'll) not see me henceforth, till (you) say,  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. (Christ revealed in this hour. They haven't cried, "blessed is He," yet, but they're going to cry.)

8. Now, the hatred I said is intensified, so we're going to go back to the third paragraph on page 26 to get caught up.

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[48] *A lot of people say it's good to be a prophet. It is, if you're ready to sell out everything to the world and stay with God and with His Word.*

*No, we wouldn't receive him by no means, our denominations today. We certainly wouldn't have nothing to do with Amos.*

*Listen to him blast it! He said, "The very God that you claim to believe in, He'll destroy you."*

Now listen, get this flat brother/sister, then faith isn't worth a plug nickel outside of a genuine revelation. Now, where are you going to go saying I believe God (and we're talking now concerning dispensational eternal truths, not a little healing;) or God get me out of a lion's den? Or God get me out of a fiery furnace? Or God get me out of a mess? Or God help me because I'm broke? We're not talking about that. We're talking about the fact that He said, "You have made void the doctrine of God by a tradition." [Mark 7:13]

You say, "Oh, doctrine doesn't matter."

Doesn't it matter? Come on! I get so sick and tired of people that say they believe this Message go every old each way. ...?... listen, boil it down where boiled owl is a cooking hen. Just trying to boil owl sometime for cooking hen. [laughter] You're talking indigestion. And you'll get indigestion on this too.

9. Now listen:

*"The very God that you claim to believe in, He'll destroy you."*

Now, what kind of faith have they got? They sure got the wrong kind of faith somewhere. Now, they know He's there. Israel knows the history right now. And they still go way back to Moses. Why don't they go back to God for a change? Moses didn't work. They're back in the homeland, Moses still hasn't worked. They're still looking for something. That something will come when they say, "Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord." [Mt 23:39]

Now he said, *"He'll destroy you."*

Now, that's a fine reward for people sticking up for God. Then the sticking up wasn't for God, because God is not unrighteous to forget your labor of love. And we're going to show you they ain't got love either. So, where's their faith? And I say, "I'm going to pin this down." You've got faith tonight if you believe this Message. You've got a genuine revelation brought by a prophet. You have genuine faith. Because you see, Elijah came at the time of apostasy. They were doing the same thing.

Now, he said, "We're going to turn the hearts of the father's to the children." [Mal 4:6] Where did he get the children's heart? The whole thing is going to be right now. How was it done? It was done through a manifestation that this was indeed God.

I say, "Well, just a minute, Bro. Branham proved this was indeed God, hallelujah, then we all got God." No, you ain't got God! Because you ain't got this God!

Because, this God said, "Repent and be baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ." [Act's 2:38] And you're all Trinitarians. Where's your faith? The way of a true prophet. Not going to pull his punches. Let me tell you, if he brings forth kids, they're not going to pull their punches.

Now, they're not going to approximate daddy, come on. Are you kidding? (Phfft!) If we could all approximate daddy we'd have a lot of daddies running around. What kind of a family would that be? (Ho-yi-yoy-yi-yoy) Sons. Sons.

10. How would they receive that [points to the picture of the Pillar of Fire] the very God you say you believe in? You don't believe Him, He's going to destroy you.

*The very God that Pentecost believes in, (that's Pentecostal folk) from the very immoral acts and things that they're doing and permitting to be done, that very God will bring judgment upon those organizations. That's exactly what Amos said to them. (See, everything outside the true church. Nothing outside this Message comes to life.)*

*"Oh," they said, "we got Abraham. We got this. We got the law; we got priests; we got prophets."*

*Oh, brother, them eyes narrowed as he looked upon them and blast that Word into them. Yes, sir.*

[49] *Sure they wouldn't receive him. No, sir. He said, "They'll destroy them with your man-made doctrines." (Now, that's where it starts.) That's what he'd tell you today.*

That's what William Branham told them. Then what's the preachers going to tell them? What are you going to tell them? Where's your witness? End-time evangelism. So, "If I tell there's one God it'll start an argument." Then start an argument! Uh? Oh come on, what's the matter? Certainly that's the way to do it. Start an argument and laugh at them. Go to a hen party and scream like an eagle. [laughter] Invade the chicken run. Ain't going to like you.

And quote them, and say, "What are you going to do with the Scripture that says, 'Jesus is a man'." [1 Tim 2:5] Now, you can't have your cake and eat it. I'd like to see a half-dog, half-moose sometime. I don't know if I would or not. They don't know theology.

11. *He said, "The very God that your building churches to (perhaps millions), your very shrines you're building to Jehovah, that you claim that you love, (now we got to love, faith, hope and love. Hope is an earnest trust. Earnest expectation.)*

Now, you got a phony faith, Now you got a phony love, so you've got a phony expectation. Now, I didn't write this, I'm reading it. But you see I've been preaching this. Of course the tapes are out, now it's going to get all the flack, but I haven't preached the last sermon yet. And I'll want some answers. I know I get mine from God, I got no problem, because I believe the prophet.

He said,

*...that you claim that you love, that very God will destroy you; because you're rejecting His Word."*

Now, there's supposed to be a love affair going on here. Now, they claim they got the 'agape' love, (yeah) and the agape love is towards your brother's too, because that word 'agape' just means 'a highest' that's all. The Word God is not in it. See? Turn right around and use the same word on the world, that's where they put It.

12. Now then, if that love is wrong toward God, how can it be right toward man? Now, you can have some kind of watered down phileo love, or you have agape peripheral love, a thorough misunderstanding. But you see, there's a prophet involved here; and that prophet is saying something. He said, "You're talking about the God I'm talking about, you don't even know Him."

So, you just think you're talking about Him. You got a God of your imagination. You're off on everything. You claim you love Him, there's ...?... If that's the way it is, how come He's going to destroy you?

You say, you got faith in Him, how come He's going to destroy you? Now, that's some kind of a God to be linked up with, and this is a marriage of a love affair. He said, *"I'll tell you what, you don't believe in Him, you don't love Him, you don't trust in Him. You say that you do, but you don't."* Well certainly, they got a plethora of gods, not one God.

Now, he said, *"He's going to destroy you."*

"Why?"

Now listen, *"because you're rejecting His Word."* So therefore, rejection of Word there is no faith. There is not hope. There is no love as far as God is concerned. Oh, I know, people say there is. Oh, you do what you want. I disagree. I disagree a hundred percent. So, if I'm wrong, I'm wrong.

You say, "Well, you're pretty off-handed about it."

Well, I'm just convinced, because I've seen too much. Let me tell you something brother/sister: if the Word of God can end up garbage, it's not the Word of God. If the Word of God produces garbage, it is not the Word of God. Don't tell me It is. It's when they get off the Word. It was getting off the Word that produced the bastard seed that turned Eve into a prostitute. It was getting off the Word that caused the curse. And the same Bible turns right around and said, "You love."

Not as Cain. Oh no, don't get that kind of love. "Oh, he loved God, (he said) here it is, the Bible, I got the sacrifice. Oh I have faith in God."

What kind of faith did he have when God came on the scene and said, "You're wrong?"

"Oh, get out of here, I hate you. You know, I'll get that skunk Abel."

Oh, come on, got the same thing right here. [raps on the pulpit] (I don't know what kind of... let's go home.) Ain't no use fooling any of us, it's all over. Best thing you can do is just go home, look out the window. Go to work of course to get the food. The money to get the food to eat.

13 You know what? I'm going to tell you something, get this flat. You say, "Bro. Vayle, what's going on?" (Never mind my notes) What comes to my mind, I preach. Because, I've been thinking about these things.

I'm going to tell you what's going on: Peter said, "The people say nothing is changed since the father's fell asleep." [2 Pet 3:4] They don't know that God is holding the world, and what? In store for judgment. Now, that's the entire cosmos system. That is the godless, the word of the ungodly, He is going to purge the earth, the church, the Jews.

Now, what is wrong? Let's go back to type, He said, "Listen, time is up, the four hundred years have expired, but, the cup of the Amorites is not full." [Gen 15:16] Now, He said, "They don't realize the earth is held in store, it's stored right here, there it sits like it's in a warehouse. And nothing can happen until everything that is supposed to be in that warehouse is in there."

14. Now, I'm going to draw a little lesson to you right now: sin hasn't run its course. It's beginning to run its course. When a woman at a church playing a piano, (a divorcee, so some of you men sitting here) will sleep with young men; I've been telling you all along the apostle Paul

said, "One of the big signs was sex." Illicit sex. And this congregation could blow higher than a kite with illicit sex too. And don't think it couldn't, because every church's got three kinds of believers. I'm not trying to hurt anybody's feeling. But listen, these tapes go around the country, and I'm going to preach God's truth as I see it.

And there's going to be more and more con-artists, which means go right down the road to conning and religion too, a farce, and there'd be people falling right into the trap of sin, and there'd be lies. And we're just getting to the place where this is going to keep growing, and I could be a con-artist right up here and lying in your teeth. Funny thing, I sure preach the Word though. I could be a phony to lead people astray. I don't believe I am. I try to be honest.

15. Let me tell you brother/sister, it's beginning to snowball. And you're going to find more and more, and more people who just can't tell the truth. Who will not live the contented sexual lives they are supposed to have if they're married, or refrain if they're not married. Or get married! If you're supposed to get married. Or people who cannot be honest.

Oh, thousands excuses, let me tell you, here's the Word of God says, He's watching it snowball. And when it's through snowballing and it's wrapped up, see, because the fan is in the hand already. Yeah! He's pronounced the Bride spotless virgin. She cannot add to her righteousness if she tried, because He is here, her Advocate, her All in all, to present her at the Great Re-Incarnation. But, the world is snowballing and that's what Bro. Branham came as a faithful prophet of the end-time, a way of a true prophet, and he stood up there and condemned them.

Stood right out there and blasted the thing. Yeah. He said, "The very God that you in America say you worship is going to destroy you." Now, if he didn't say that, William Branham was not a true prophet, he was a phony. And if I don't say it, I'm a phony preacher. And if you don't say it, you are phony believers. Phony as three dollar bills. I haven't seen one yet, except somebody sent me one for a joke. It was a joke.

The church can't walk with God brother/sister, because they rejected His Word. The church disagrees with the prophet, thereby disagreeing with God. Only the Bride agrees with God, because she agrees with the prophet.

16. Now, let's understand this: the Scripture categorically says, Matthew 5:48, "Be ye perfect, even as you Father in heaven is perfect."

He said, "*Now God commanded it to be so, then God made a way.*"

And people said, "Just get to the original Greek."

It doesn't say you got to do something about it, It says, "You accept what God made a way for you to be perfect." And that's exactly what the prophet said.

Now, you got the same thing here. You got a prophet coming. He made a way. The way of a true prophet of this hour.

It's the same *today*. *The very God that America claims to serve will bring judgment upon the nation and destroy it. I hope that gets so deep that you'll never wiggle out of it.* (He said, I quit praying [for America] in 1956, right?) *The very One that you claim that you love and with your own man-made dogmas, and immoral life, and decay that you got in you,*

away from the Word  
SAITH THE LORD. Nothing

of God will destroy you someday. That's *THUS*  
else left for them.

Now, this is William Branham's own witness that he is a true prophet of God, not like Balaam, because Balaam was going to bless them. Why he was going to say to Moabites, "Why sure, you can take over, you're fine." Why he had the sacrifices, read them for yourself. He acknowledged the coming of the Son, the rams that were sacrificed. Knowledge, all those things, but he was wrong. A dry rot had come in.

17. Now listen, he said:

*Line up with the of Word, preach it to them, cross the nation, tell them the Truth; (that's his ministry) the ministers fuss and scream and carry on; and the men is condemned; the organizations turn you out. Women shake their heads and won't let their hair grow out for nothing, wear clothes just exactly the same year after year. That's like pouring water on a duck's back. "Then you claim to love God?" (Now, he's admitting you see, that he's God's prophet right there.)*

Now, what does It say in John 15:24. He said:

(24) If I had not done among them the works which none other man did,  
(they'd) not sin:...

Now, you show me where anybody ever did the works of William Branham? I want to see it. Anybody can talk. Anybody can talk. Anybody can take what Bro. Branham said and twist it as though he said something that they thought that he was saying when he wasn't.

And Jesus said, "But now, (he said) they've got no cloak for their sin." He said:

(24) ...(because) they (have) both seen and (both) hated both me and my Father.

Now remember, He spoke as the Prophet. "Are you that Prophet?"

"Yes, I am that Prophet!"

"Are You the Seed of the woman?"

"One and the same thing, yes I am." If you do not believe that I am, which is Jehovah, you'll die in your sins."

18. Now:

*"Then you claim to love God?"*

*Jesus said, "You've taken your traditions and made the commandments of God of non-effect." That's the way of a true prophet. See? It's not a easy way.*

[50] *It's not what everybody thinks it could be, jump up-and-down, scream, everybody pat you on the shoulder; then that's a sign you're not a true prophet. That's one of the very signs you haven't got what you're talking about. (When everybody says, "hey, everything is fine." Getting to something some man said about him later on now.)*



*When did they ever pat him on the back less they had an axe to grind?*

*Why'd he turn around and condemn them? (Now remember, Satan flatters,  
but God doesn't.) Couldn't pat Amos on the back; couldn't pat Elijah on  
the back; couldn't stand for that stuff. No, sir. He told them the*

*God's Truth.*

*we can't line up*

*with the Spirit there?*

*And if heaven is so great and where we're going to, then if  
with little bitty petty things, how we going to line*

*You've got to line with the Word.*

19. Now, he's telling you, the thing that is in the future is so great, that if you can't start down here where a Word is given under vindication, you're never going to make the big move you talk about. People always talk about the great things to come. But remember, the Word of the Lord was: "precept upon precept, line upon line, here a little, there a little," [Isa 28:10] and they were stumbled and caught and completely destroyed. They couldn't take the little things. Couldn't take anything.

Now, he said:

*You got to line with the Word...that's the way of the true prophet. Though it  
tears him to pieces to say it,...*

Now, a lot of people think, "hey, that guy up there he's just running off at the mouth. He takes a lot of fun and whamming things like that." Oh, no, no, no sir, not at all. Not at all. You say a lot of things when you're preaching, when you're up here you simply know that the thoughts got to run in continuity. With the proper expression, the proper emotions, the whole thing. And you know jolly well if it's under condemnation. There's condemnation, nothing you can do about it. But, then you get to one side, you watch how it hits you.

*...tears you to pieces... That's right. But that's the way.*

*He'd blast it. Oh, my, You know what he said to them? (He said,) The tumult, if  
you notice here. He said, "That tumult it's not in your government; it's in you."*

*(In other words, the unrest. That which perturbs, see, the ferment.) "Tumults  
in the church, your form of godliness, that's what caused the trouble."*

20. Now, you get that people back. Let's find out you get them back. Second Thessalonians 1: preached this many a time.

(7) And to you who are troubled rest with us, (relax, when?) when the  
Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,  
(seven of them.) [points to the picture of the Cloud]

(8) In (flames of) fire (bringing vindication...)

Which vindication is judgment! Because, God pronounces a Bride's righteous ...?... going to die. See? All right, that's going to bring a rest. That's going to bring revelation under the Seven Seals, because that is the Seven Seal right there. [points to the picture of the Pillar of Fire]

21. Okay:

*"The tumults in your form of godliness, that's what caused the trouble." See?*

*The reason (now listen,) communism's sweeping the land, it's not because  
of communism; (itself, that is, it's doing it) it's because of the church; it's  
because of the people.*

So they tried to get Bro. Alphonse for eighteen hundred dollars. He said, "I was allowed these deductions legally, I stand on my rights." He paid eighteen hundred dollars, went to the bank and borrowed the money then fought them. Finally wrote him and they said, "will you consider it a nasty letter? they sent fourteen hundred back. They still got him for four hundred. But, business after business has been broken up there by the tax system. That's their IRS, IRS here, the publicans [tax collectors] do what they want. But, I'm going to tell you, there's a righteous day coming brother/ sister. Now, just wait. Just wait.

22. But, what does he say, right here he said, "Here it is."

*A man, a preacher in the pulpit, that'll stand there and be called Doctor,  
Reverend, and ask him, "Did the Bible speak baptism in the Name of Lord  
Jesus Christ, or Father, Son, and Holy Ghost?" He'll laugh in your face  
and take, "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." And then call yourself a  
child of God... Women knowing that the Bible condemns  
them to do certain things, and bob their hair, and act like the  
world, wear immoral clothes and things like that, they'll constantly do  
it anyhow, speak in tongues, and jump up-and-down, and shout, and  
have old ladies' societies and sewing circles, and send missionaries  
to the field. (What kind of missionaries? Ha, oh brother.)*

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I said, "Sister consider, isn't it a strange thing, here's a farmer, and we've got farmer's here, (...?... my Bro. Evans goes to the biggest farmer which doesn't mean too much in the sense that he's not a thousands and thousands of acres) wouldn't it be great if Bro. Evans said to his kids, "Now children, my wife, will you pray that I will get some labors out here to get my crop in."

They'd say, "Daddy, you just gone crazy." God's Book is a funny book. God's Book is a peculiar Book. He didn't say, "Anybody send." He said, "You pray that the Lord will send." Your very strange kind of farmer. Right? Yeah. People got funny ideas. Better get their ideas lined up with the Word of God. See?

The church was praying, that said, "Separate me Saul and Barnabas." Praying that's what did it. Some didn't pray hard enough I guess. Barnabas sort of fell by the wayside.

24. Now, listen here, he said:

*It's become a stench in the sight of God. THUS SAITH THE LORD He'll  
destroy the whole thing.* (That's the prophet speaking, 'Thus Saith the Lord'.

Your missionary societies and all these things are condemned. You're advocating your own plans by little things that are, like tongues and interpretation and little manifestations. (Sure, going down the drain.)

*It's not a easy thing, but that's the way of a true prophet: blast it out there  
and say it whether it hurts or not.*

*John was a true prophet. He said, "The axe is laid to the root of the tree."  
That's the way of them.*

Don't you realize the axe was laid to the root of the tree of Israel? They can't rise anymore under the law. Nothing, but nothing will turn until they say, "Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord," [Mt 23:39] and he stands there exposing Himself. It's exactly right.

25. Now, we've got a prophet right today...before I talk about that, let's go back to Matthew 12. The Scripture says concerning the end-time that He'll come as the Holy Spirit to the Gentiles.

(20) (The) bruised reed he (won't) break, (the) smoking flax he (won't) quench,...

That's exactly right. He comes right at this moment, and He said, "I'm going to retrieve, I'm going to bring a reprieve, I'm going to rescue the whole thing." Now, He didn't with Israel, He knocked it right off, except for the few election. But, when this runs out, (see?) the times He stands here in our midst, he doesn't raise his voice in the streets. He doesn't incite to riot, none of those things. But then, He said, "When I'm through, when the bruised reed is not broken, the smoking flax is not quenched, (he said) at that time when I'm here with Elijah, (He said,) I will destroy root and branch." That's right. The axe has been laid to the root again. The Gentiles will never rise.

26. As Bro. Branham said, "*Show me an organization that ever came back.*" It can't come back. Haw, fiddle-sticks. The only day it will come back, it won't be an organization, the redeemed will come back standing on this earth. Luther, Wesley. Wesley wasn't dumb. He said, "I'm not afraid the name of Methodist will ever depart from the face of the earth." But he said, "I'm afraid that the Holy Spirit will." And he spoke in terms of a dove. When it's left, all is left is a little manure heap; visible signs that the dove was there. What visible signs that the dove is here? The

Word has been turned literally to every table full of vomit. Yes, the Dove was here, and the Dove flew.

And if this Message could organize, It would turn to the same wiggle-tails that Bro. Branham spoke of.

[52] *Sure, the trouble's in her: sing like angels, dance like devils out here, dancing, carrying on, card playing, race tracks. Pentecostals going to the places of amusement, picture show's crowded with them. Every place, any kind of old play or anything else, right down there-- races, everything, call an themselves Christians, go up and shout, speak in tongues, take feet washing, communion... "as a dog goes to its vomit," the prophet said, "so do they." If that thing was of the world and had to be kicked out of it, why do you return back to it again? Right.*

27. *Out on the streets twisting, they call it, rock-and-roll, bobbing hair, wearing shorts (Oh, my.), call themselves Christians... Could you ever... No, I better not say it. That's why I condemn them. If I'm going to stay with the Word, if this Word comes to me, I stay with this Word. This is what comes to me, the Word: Condemn it. Claims to be led by the Holy Ghost and do such things...*

He's talking about them, they claim to be lead. Claim to believe the Word and do those things.

*Could you imagine a woman being led of the Holy Spirit let her hair be bobbed, when the very Holy Ghost condemns it? Then what kind of a Person is the Holy Ghost? Could you imagine?*

[53] *Could you imagine a preacher stand in the pulpit and any man challenge him to show him one place that was ever baptized using the titles of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and laugh in your face, and call you a fanatic by baptizing in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and say he's led by the Spirit, and say he's got the Holy Ghost? Would the Holy Ghost deny His own Word? No, sir. Do you see? I hope you get it.*

*(He said:) The next blowup may get me, (now his gun went off, you see,) but until it does, I'm going to be standing right there with the Word. When I meet you yonder at the judgment, I'm going to be standing right by that Word; and that's what I believe to be the Truth. No, you don't do things like that and then have the Holy Ghost.*

28. Now remember, the gun did explode of course, and remember then the vision he had, the great explosion, he thought his life was taken. The ministering angel, then of course he was killed in a car wreck.

*A minister's wife one time, setting up there with a dress on; a horrible looking thing. You say, "You ain't got no rights." I have got a right; that's the Word. Preach It all. You bypass those things, a lot of sissified preachers, because they haven't got the audacity... Maybe they haven't even been called to preach in the first place.*

Then what about a preacher stand up and say, "Well, these things don't matter." See, he's got no call.

*But a true servant of God will stay right with that Word.*

He's got to be in that same mold as the prophet somewhere down the line. Now, he's not a judgment preacher, that's a prophet, but he's got to stay with a Judging Word. So you understand that.

29. Now, *that's right. Minister's wife setting there all squeezed up in a dress with earrings hanging on, and makeup, and short bobbed hair, when God condemns the whole thing as filth. And then saying you got the Holy*

*Ghost?*

[54] *I was preaching here in Phoenix, not long ago, on something like that; minister's wife, setting on the pulpit (I guess behind the pulpit) with one of these boyish bobbed hair all kinked up, and a dress that she couldn't even keep her underneath skirts from shining.*

(Here they got shining here they got shining, but it's shinning. You know he called shinny up, you know, creeps up, that's the word you use, when your skirts and petticoat begin to creep up leaving you exposed. So he's saying shinning up, creeping up see.)

*...couldn't get down over her knees, about four or five inches above her knees sitting up there.), jumping up-and-down leading songs. I blasted it just as hard as I could. 'Course he won't invite me back. I don't expect him to, he knows right from wrong. When I stand at the judgment, it's not on my hands anymore.*

30. Let's go to Ezekiel 3:17-21, and just find out about that. This is very interesting this Book of Ezekiel. All right, and It says here:

(17) Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

(18) When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; his blood will I require at (your) hand.

(19) ...if (you) warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

(20) Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumbling-block before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine

not be  
hand.

- (21) Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

Now, that tells you right there, here's a fine man, but there comes a juncture, he's wrong. Vindicated prophet, God in the form of a Pillar of Fire, Holy Ghost stands right here and condemns what that man believes. If he doesn't turn to the truth, he's gone. Every organization is dead. Every organization is dead. Spiritual death has set in, it is over. We are just waiting for rigor-mortis. Brother/sister, that's an awful thing to look for. The church as vegetated.

As Bro. Branham said, *"there's nothing left in the soil."* He said, *"If your body gets weak, what about your brain? it turns to mush."* What about the church out there? Full of insanity. It's a pity.

31. *A man, so-called teacher (which I don't say he isn't) made a remark the other day before some of my friends at a certain city I'd been into. You know the brother. And this brother come in; he said...*

*They said, "We had Brother Branham here once" (a certain city out west).*

*...this man said, "Oh, Brother Branham's a good man (He knew better than to throw anything on the character.),"*

Now, right there I'm going to say, that Bro. Branham had a character a lot like the Lord Jesus Christ. He could turn his cheek, everything else, just like in the judgment. He could do things that nobody else would do. Just like the apostle Peter said, all agreed, that we were set forth in a way that nobody else was set forth, so was William Branham. Don't try to be a prophet. Don't try to be like him, aspiring yes, to follow closely, do your best, but don't ever think you'll be a William Branham. Because, William Branham was in a tube, a straight-jacket.

There isn't one man sitting here, that couldn't have smoked, but William Branham couldn't. There isn't one man here that couldn't commit adultery, William Branham couldn't. And when he stood before God his claim was, *"I never committed adultery."* This young kid saying that. You can understand today a young kids might say that at age twelve, thirteen, back in his day it was different. Back in our day, different. See, where a system is? See, where the church is? Don't blame the government. The church can run the government any day of the week, and it's going to one of these days.

32. Church called young Bobby Kennedy's bluff. He investigated the professors, the teachers see if they were commies, [communist] that was fine. But when they said we'll investigate the pulpit, they said, "oh, you're dead." The vote's gone. The Methodist church called his bluff. They're the worse of the works. You know why? Because they're legalists. They don't even need Jesus Christ. They got it way figured out, just abstain from rum. Get with the triple A's ...?... Two A's, triples A's an American Association of Automobiles. Same difference, they got the wrong gas. And no spark anyway.

*(He knew better than to show off on the character.)," said, "Brother Branham, but don't you listen to his tapes, they'll get you confused."*

*...there happened to be one of my friends standing there, "Just a minute, sir.*

*(he said) I was confused until I heard the tapes." And that's the difference.*

*Said, "I couldn't understand how a holy God would put up with such things as that, as you all do." (See, the man rebuked him.)*

[55] Same person, another one with him, stood at a certain place not long ago,  
"Brother Branham is a prophet; he can discern things and things like"; but,  
don't listen to his doctrine, because he's not right." (That happened right  
here in Ohio, in Chautauqua.)

See, what a paradox is there. There's the expert, there's the Authority. [points to the picture of the Pillar of Fire] They say, "Well, don't listen to him when he explains. Don't listen to him tell why he's got this ministry. Don't let him tell what it's all about."

Oh brother, can you imagine people going to a stock-broker's meeting and acting like that? Better have some good replies. No, shows what it is.

33. Now:

*I'm no prophet, but if the Word of God is true, It comes to the prophet.*  
(Then he ought to be a prophet.) *The Word of the Lord comes to the prophet.*

If he isn't a prophet, why does he say, 'Thus Saith the Lord' and God back It up? That doesn't happen to anybody but a prophet. Why he's not a prophet ...?... and say, "I'm not a prophet with you guys, that's fine, I'm a prophet for these people. These folk believe me. So I'm a prophet. To you folk, forget it, I'm no prophet."

Sure, he's a judgment. He's a Judge, right there. [points to the picture of the Cloud] or it's all gone.

*They were the ones who interpreted the Word. It doesn't even make sense. (The way they're talking, see?) Just to hide behind some petty denomination...*  
*One of these days they'll break, and mold, and perish in hell, but the Word of God will endure forever. Upon that Rock, I build my hopes forever, upon Word of God. Let everything else sink. If I lose every friend, everything my friendship's in Christ. (For:)*

34. *My hopes is built on nothing less*  
*Than Jesus' Blood and righteousness;*  
*When all around my soul gives way,*  
*Then He then is all my hope and stay.*

[56] *That gun exploded the other day, and I saw... I thought I was dead. Had a peaceful feeling, I looked around; thought, "Well, this is it." What good would a denomination do me then? What good would a organization do then? I'd have to stand yonder at the fiery judgments of God to be judged by this Word.*

Now, he's telling you right now then the Judging Word is in effect. It wasn't before. It wasn't before. It was only potential, today it's different. See, mercy giving way to judgment. Seat of mercy, Seat of judgment. Not fourteen different things, fifteen thousand miles off. One God, one Seat. Evidently that's how it goes. And to us, he was the judge, the jury, the attorney, the whole thing, and he said, "You're scot-free, it's all back on the devil, you're the righteous Bride, you never did it in the first place." Judgment has been pronounced.

35. You say, "Who's going to carry it out?" We're going to get carried out. That's what He's here for. Third thing He does, takes us up. My people, you know, people get so ignorant. You know,

listen, I'm going to tell you get this flat brother/sister, the parallelism of Scripture, blessing, cursing, blessing cursing, blessing cursing, blessing, cursing; there isn't one time a curse comes but what there is a blessing. And there's not one time a blessing comes, but there's a curse. I'm on the blessing side, not the curse side. Puts you on the positive.

So, every time you hear these negative things, you sit right here and say "hallelujah," you're the cat eating the cream. You see why? Because there's a separator, and the poor old farmer doesn't know that he's got the spout for the cream down in the cat dish. [laughter] The cat's sitting there eating cream. Praise God. Now, you people just got to smarten up, see, I hope you are. Yes, I've told you the truth. People don't understand the Bible.

They say, "Here's a blessing."

"Oh, my God, [makes a nervous sound] what's going to happen? I just think of blessing."

Aw shut up!! If you're a nut, don't make God a nut. Listen, stand up and be counted at least. Give God the glory. Sure.

36. Now, he said,

*Though I may had to scorch, and bend, and twist, and pull people apart;  
(He said, "Though I had to go through all these contortions liking all these  
things pulling people apart.) but I'm hoping to get a genuine kernel out of  
there of the Word of God, and there build a soul for eternity. That's  
right.  
child. Let God put it in His hands and build it to an obedient*

In other words, when he gets the Word out, God takes that Word in the people, and the people then begin to form around that Word. The Word of the hour.

*How could, how could a man led of the Holy Ghost do such a thing as that,  
or a woman with the Holy Ghost do such things as that? No, He's holy; and  
if His Life's in you, you are the same, You'll be just like Him.*

Now, what's he talking about? Getting off the Word of God, joining organizations and living by the creeds and dogmas and proving it by what you are. See?

37. Now, you'll be like Him. You say, "I'll be just like him, how?" Well, we're in process. We're in process. That's another one of those promises.

*Israel, like us, thought because they were prospering and their alliance  
they had with others, that that was God's okay upon them. Now, you know,  
we think that today.*

[57] *I talked to some men here not long ago in a hotel a few days ago, big men  
in the religious realms. And they said, "God proves that He's with us. Why,  
we grew last year, Brother Branham (I forget how many), hundreds," like  
that. (That's ecumenism.)*

*I said, "That's not one bit of approval." That's right. (Now listen to his  
barb.) Prostitution increased last year about thirty per cent. [laughter]*

Love that man, boy we're sure brothers under the skin on that one. And you know what he said in one place too? Homosexuality increased thirty percent in one year too. And you know what homosexuality is? "Men with men doing that which is unseemly." [Rom 1:27] Which



means, men getting their heads together outside the Word and creating literal homosexual bastards if there was such a thing. How can two men bring forth a baby? How can two women? But, they're doing it right in the churches. (Phew) My Lord, you talk about test-tube babies and transplants and God knows what, that's exactly right. Shows what it is.

*Does that show God was with prostitution? (Thirty percent increase.) That argument's no good. No, you can't do it. No, sir. God stands with His Word. Any other man will stand with His Word, if he's honest. All right.*

And that's when It says, "Many more are the children of the desolate, than she that hath a husband," so forget it. [Isa 54:1]

38. All right:

*They thought they had an alliance...*

The Bible speaks of an alliance, and we've covered ourselves up with falsehoods, and therefore will escape the storm. You won't escape it.

*Now, here we'll get to that in just a minute on the governmental affairs. Our nation has turned down the Word of God like Israel did. They turned down the Word of God, and their people, their priests, and prophets, and so forth are prophesying good to them... (like, "millions now living will never die." Ha, ha, billions living are going to die. And I wasn't laughing as a joke it was a derision.) What can we do but prophesy wrong, because it's contrary to the Word.*

Now, he's telling you, anything that comes out which is like an omen, a prophecy has got to be wrong, because they're off the Word. And you see, that spirit that's in them collaborating with that Word has got to produce a falsehood. Absolutely.

*She's doomed, our great, beloved nation based upon our experience of our forefathers, then they got to get back to what they had (if they are going to be right.)*

*Sure, Israel was a great nation. Look at their forefathers, but God didn't spare them. That old baldheaded prophet...*

39. Now notice, all the time it's a baldheaded prophet. Okay, skinny legs, William Branham, he's talking about himself all the time. Which is fine. He's going to get all his hair base, he's got it all back now in the principle.

*That old baldheaded prophet throwing the Word to them, and it happened just exactly the way he said.*

[58] *Read your history here and find out if it's not right. It come to pass just exactly the way he said it.*

*And he condemned them, and yet them standing there, those holy priests with holy garments, sprinkling this, and wouldn't move a hand this way or that way, because it was something this way, or tradition, or something. Jesus said, "You're of your father, the devil, and his works you'll do."*

Now listen, they were not living in abject sin. They wanted good and decent morals. They wanted the people right. As Bro. Branham said, *"You do not go to church to become an evil person, you go there to become a better person,"* and we believe that. *"But, if you're off the Word, it's Satan's kingdom."* See, that's the thing we're looking at.

40. Now remember, Bro. Branham said, *"When the pure unadulterated truly revealed Word is here, that's the Kingdom of God."* Brother, It's here.

I know, people just don't believe these things. Look, I do. I don't know ...?... he said. "Well why, I can't help myself." I believe what I preached all these years is going to come back. And if I know the Bible, it's going to come back a million times better than you and I thought it. Because that's the grace of God. Now:

*...they took Him, condemned Him, hanged Him on a tree, and killed Him.*

*That's exactly right. God raised Him up again. Yes, sir.*

*No, they would not believe Amos today, not at all. And today we have made an alliance. We got what we call today... We think it's God's okay because that's their organizations, we're increasing...everything's going the way it is; we think that's God's okay upon it. You know, they joined up, I believe, about two or three more million Protestants; and Catholic that went several million more. See? They think that's God's approval those being Catholic. Protestant thinks it's God's approval them being Protestants. It's nonsense, it's cannon fodder; it's atomic ashes; it's the wrath of God being built up to explode. That's exactly right.*

So, Pentecost added... how many did Bro. Branham add to Pentecost? Three quarter million for cannon fodder. What's going to happen? The best they could come is foolish virgin. You say, "My, does it happen that way?" Yes, it happens that way. Yes sir. They went right with the flood tides of the sleeping.

And remember, when Bro. Branham cast that little hook...the little fish, the bait, a fish came by and all it was is like skin stretched over the bait, What's the big fish? Little old Bride out there. Catch a Bride.

41. Now, if he's not a prophet, then how come he says:

*Now you listen to me; I'll tell you the Word of the Lord. Amen.*

[59] *Look at us. Look at the world today, look at our nation. We're joined in with the U.N. What's in it? A bunch of the ungodly. And we with the audacity not even to let prayer being offered before our sessions comes in. Did I just not read here, "How can two walk together unless they be agreed?"* (Now, that's back in 1946, that Bro. Branham, the Angel came in 1948, United Nation I guess came together.) *God doeth nothing unless He reveals it to His servants the prophets. How can two walk 'less they be agreed, when we got Mohammedan, Buddha, atheists, ungodly, selfish, everything else in the U.N. You think--you think God could dwell in something like that?*

Now, you see, the world is looking for a union and they're walking in their light, their own light which is darkness.

*"Well," you say that, "well, we're in alliance with them. We got all the western protection." They had all the nations around them in protection, but that prophet said, "God will destroy you; the very God that you serve will destroy you for your foolishness." He's saying the same thing this morning.*

42. *He'd bawl from the White House plumb down to the poor farm. (That's the riches to the poorest.) He sure would. He'd blast them with the Word of God. He certainly would. That's the way of a true prophet. (Now, what about the ministers?)*

[60] *"Look at us, the churches. Oh, we're the great holy Roman Catholic church."*

*Spoke in the Bible as a whore.*

*"We are the patriarchs of the fathers, the Protestant churches all united together, called the World Council of churches."*

*Prostitutes of the whore, said the Bible. Exactly right. (Boy, they sure liked him for that one. Very popular.)*

*... all the churches going together. Mr. Collins, a friend of mine (down in Arizona), Elmer, I said, "Well, I guess you're going to some fine little Methodist church."*

*Aw, he said, "I got out of that when they joined world council of churches."*

*I said, "God bless you. You're nearing the Kingdom, brother."*

*Yes, sir. Dogma, depending upon the association with men...man-made doctrine, leaving the Word of the God. What we need is a prophet today to blast that Word in there. That's it exactly. Yeah.*

*They take safety among themselves. "Oh, we join... We, Pentecostals? Sure, we joined the World Council of Churches, (now, he calls himself Pentecostal there,) because in there we have fellowship. We'll win them over."*

Now, when Dr. Bell, (Billy Graham's father-in-law) in 'Christianity Today' wrote up that the Pentecostal's have joined the Council of Churches, they vehemently denied it and demanded an apology. Dr. Bell never apologized. He had nothing to apologize for. They said, "We're just observers." Are they, with du Plessis heading the thing up? Not the Pentecostal's, Mr. Pentecost bringing them in? The man that was so happy when Bro. Branham died, he said, "That one who condemned, he's condemned, judged others, he's judged himself."

43. Mr. du Plessis thought the wrath of God smeared William Branham across the road. Then it was the wrath of God that took His beloved Saints and fed them to lions and manure upon the dung heap. It was the wrath of God that put them in bags with rattle snakes and threw them in the water. It was the wrath of God then that ripped up the women with babies and fed them to hogs. Mr. du Plessis needs his head examined, never mind his heart. We know what's in it. Because, "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." [Mt 12:34] But you think he'd have more brains than that. You'd think anybody would. It's not necessarily judgment my brother, my sister, because even Elisha died with a sickness, where was he was sick.[2 Kg 13:14] Be very careful. Yep.

*Like a woman going to a barroom to get drunk with her husband to win him to God. More like the husband going with the wife these days, to the barroom to get drunk to win her to God. Nonsense. Stay off the devil's ground.*

[61] *When anything denies that Word, I'm against it. And that makes me against every organization, because it's against the Word. It ought to make every believer feel that way.*

*"Well...but remember, we've got..."*

*I say... I got a big piece in the paper, someone sent me from Arizona, how this patriarch So-and-so the other day said, "Pope John the 22nd (or whatever they call him) fine man...the only man that ever talked on uniting the churches, Catholics and Protestants together." Said, "It might not come in our days, but the next fifteen or twenty years it'll be here." (That was said in '62, fifteen will make '77, twenty will make '82. What's happened?)*

44. *I thought, "Boy, you being a patriarch, you're prophesying and don't know it." (Like Caiaphas, you see.)*

*"It's later than we think," the guy that wrote it to me wrote it on top the page. It's later than we think. He'd been listening to tapes too. Yes, sir. He said, "It's later than we think." Said, "Brother Branham, didn't you say this years ago?"*

*"Sure." Yes, sir. It's coming to pass, it's the Word of the Lord; it has to. Sure.*

*Yeah, they say, "Well, this holy patriarch, don't you think he ought to know something more than that?"*

*No, sir. If he denies God's Word, and look in It like that, he can't. I don't care how many popes, prophets, and whatever that you got among you. If you're off the Word, they're off of the Word. That's right.*

45. Norman Grubb, (now, that man's world famous) he can talk about love, winning souls to Christ. Submitting yourselves to God. Abasing yourself. Denying yourself, until you come right down to it, and say, "I'm drained, God can fill me. Yes, this is it." Norman Grubb, you're so right. When the Ecumenical movement came on, he said, "This is of God, the greatest thing to happen to Christianity." How much Holy Ghost did Norman Grubb have?

I'm not going to answer that question as though I miss-judged him. But I'm going to tell you brother/sister, there's something phony in Denmark, and it's not necessarily the 'Edam' cheese they ship out of there either. Something wrong when Norman Grubb can stand and make a crack like that. Say, "Well, maybe God will forgive him." Maybe God does forgive him, I don't know. Maybe he's raised up to say those things. To get off the scene and fool the people. But, he spoke out of his heart, I don't know. Could be another age. But, I'll tell you, let a man rise up today, you better believe he'd be out. Unity, they're getting. Is that mingling the seed? Sure, in the sense of the word.

46. [62] *How could God ever bless such a thing as long as they deny the very Word of God? How can He bless anything besides His Word? (Why, He stands*

behind His Word to perform It, that's all He does.) *Something that's*  
*contrary to His Word, how can He not deny It? (What's contrary to*  
*His Word?) How can you bless a cancer that's eating you up? How*  
*could you bless a live electric wire you're holding on, you say,*  
*"Oh, hold me up and burn me up"?* It would be insane. *How can God*  
*bless anything that's against His Word?* So get back to the  
*Word. You bunch of preachers, like hound dogs, what's the*  
*matter with you? (That was a nice little crack.) You go out here and sell*  
*your birthrights for a mess of pottage to ride around in some Cadillac, or*  
*something, some big, high mansion somewhere, million dollar church, all*  
*those things like that, and sell out your birthrights, and are ashamed and*  
*afraid to preach the Word of God to your congregations. Say,*  
*aren't you ashamed of yourself? ...call yourself a servant,*  
*prophet of God, selling your birthrights a mess to the world? What will*  
*you hatch out? The same as Esau did. What a disgrace.*

47. Esau was always a thorn in the side. Ishmael same thing.

[63] *Oh, no, a holy God that watches over His Word to vindicate, It could not*  
*bless something that's against Him, His Word. (Now, listen. I know I'm*  
*running just a little bit late, and I may be choking you to death; but look,*  
*I want to ask you something.) How could a holy God, Who spoke*  
*His Word and said, "Now, both heavens and earth will pass away, but*  
*That shall not pass away, not one word of It." Now, how can He take*  
*something that's contrary to It and bless it? How could He do*  
*it? Look. He proves Himself; He vindicates His Word. He says what's*  
*right, not by membership. (Now, he give an illustration that's*  
*from Old Testament now to this age.)*

*Look at Moab. Moab had His Word too: Moab. Israel had His Word, Moab*  
*had a form of godliness with His Word. Offered seven sacrifices, clean,*  
*bullocks, seven altars, perfect number, perfect sacrifice. Then besides that*  
*he took seven rams, speaking that they believed in the coming of*  
*the Son of God, offered them up there with their high archbishop.*

[64] *All their dignitaries, all their priests high priests, everything else stood*  
*around with their kings, and presidents, whatever more, offered this, just*  
*as religiously as they could be, against Israel. And there was Israel down*  
*there, a little bunch of renegades, looked like. But what was with*  
*Israel? God was in their campaign. He was proving*  
*Himself, that He was with them.*

48. Now remember, their campaign was going to the promised land. And remember, Bro.  
 Branham speaks of a healing campaign. And he speaks of a campaign that Joshua was carrying  
 on. We're on a campaign the same way. Pillar of Fire and a prophet, the Word, and we're in a  
 campaign.

Now, the great healing was to indicate a Message. So the Message then is literally what the  
 campaign is all about. Because no Message, you're not going to go there. So, now we're in a land  
 of promise in a special day of grace where Word has taken over. And I still say, too many people

that say they believe this Message are sitting on a fence and there's no fence to sit on, they're flat on the ground and don't know it. And they think they can jump. I got word for you: how many people can sit on your butts now and do a jump? Go ahead! Ain't going to do it. I think I speak kind of rough and vulgar, but I mean to. I'm going to lay it right on the line.

Now, if you're sitting on a fence, you can jump. But, there's not a fence. See, when you turn a corner, he didn't say, "I'm going to walk on a fence and turn a corner." You turn directions. And when you turn a corner you can't look back where you come from. Then, why do people murmur? They want...they're repining. They want to go back. Something's wrong. See? So, they had this campaign.

49. *No matter how many patriarchs they have had, popes, or whatevermore,  
God cannot be with them until He proves Himself with them.*

Now, we're talking about a special campaign, we're going in. We're on our way, Exodus. Got to prove Himself. How is He going to prove Himself? God to have prophet. "Oh, God don't need no prophet, hallelujah, He got me." Oh boy. [laughter] See, I know he's got you, just where He wants you too, like He had Pharaoh. Oh brother. Pastor Pharaoh.

*And as long as they're off of His Word and denying His Word, how can  
He be with them? No signs of the living God amongst them...*

You say, "Just a minute now. There's a sign amongst us. we got Mark 16."

Mark 16, is not Hebrews 13:8. Uh-uh, no way shape and form. Oh no. No siree. You're dealing with gifts. You're dealing with things that God does. Hebrews 13:8 is God, the intrinsic, essential God, and how He is in His ways. That's Hebrews 13:8. Not somebody's plumbed up ideas. That's the thing we learned in 'The Rising of the Sun'. Compound meaning. I love what I learned under Bro. Branham, what the Holy Ghost teaches. He never finds us...never a jot or tittle out, I believe that. I believe we're running right the race brother/sister. And I believe there will be grace at the end of the road. Oh yes, I believe that.

50. *How can God be amongst the U.N., when two can't walk without they agree?  
Now, look it here. There's the Church of Christ, so-called, joined up with the  
Pentecost's. The Pentecost's say they believe in speaking in tongues; they  
believe in the evidence of the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues.  
They say they believe in this, and the other; they believe in signs and  
wonders. Church of Christ laughs and said, "You bunch of  
ignoramuses; that was in the days gone by."*

[65] *How can two walk together 'less they be agreed? They just join together. What  
are they doing? Seeking safety with one another. Away with such stuff.*

Now remember, when God said, "Israel, if you go down to Egypt to get their horses and you get their armaments, (He said,) I'll curse you." They're gone. This whole bunch is gone. See? Seeking safety, away with that stuff.

*My safety's in Christ and in His Word, for His Word is Himself. That's right.*

*No signs of the living God, not at all. That's what Jesus said, "If I do not make  
the Word manifest, then don't believe It. If God doesn't speak and prophesy  
through Me, and say through Me, and do through Me just what Messiah is  
supposed to do, then don't you believe Me."*

They didn't know what Messiah was supposed to do. They thought He was going to move a great big army and take over. Now, what if everybody's all mixed up on the Appearing and the Coming? They miss It! Plain simply miss It! Crucify! Then they died for it. Because that's history. That's the cycle. That's the Alpha and Omega. Can't get away from It. See?

*Then a guy says that he is a prophet sent from God and deny the Word?*

*God be merciful to such stuff. How can God ever do so?*

51. Well, this fellow [Kenneth] Hagan calls himself a prophet. I don't doubt that he is. I don't doubt that at all. I heard there's two kinds though. You take your pick. I didn't say a thing, I just said, "you take your pick."

*Let me ask this now. I don't know when I'll speak to you again; that'd be up to God. I'm just laying in food like He told me in that vision that time, putting it in the barrels.*

Remember it's on tapes. Not in the church. This church doesn't have anything stored up here. Fap! This is the stored up food right here. What I'm trying to do is cut It down and make you understand It all the more. Get your zeal more intensified.

*You...ask me, "How could Amos foresee what was going to happen to them?" Why, it looked good. Look. Now, look here. Look close, 'cause this is all on tape and it goes worldwide. See?*

[66] *Look here. (In that day of Amos,) there was Israel, they had their seminaries and were in better shape than they ever had been. Nobody bothering them. (At peace) ...their own religion. Nobody said, "You can't worship*

*Jehovah."*

*"Go ahead," said the heathen nations, "worship. We got an agreement, so go ahead."*

You take the Roman Catholic church for years has had dialogue's with the Buddhists' and all the rest. Didn't he go to Tibet and have a great time with the fellow over there, many spiritual laws? Oh, why certainly, their father, the devil gave him a good time. Watermelon stew. Absolutely. You know what happens with watermelon when you stew it? [laughter] Go ahead, just like eating frozen cucumbers in the Spring. Rotten fruit.

52. *That prophet saw through that. See? So would a prophet see through it today. "Go ahead." (Go ahead and join them, no problem.)*

*Israel said, "Well, let's eat, drink, and be merry." They got a bunch together and made them some creeds, organizations, denominations, and things, fixed it all up; women just lived in luxury and sin out there, carried around in cabarets and everything else, half-dressed, little silk-look skirts on. (I think he's trying to let you know they're see through.) If you ever saw some of them --their history of those days, how they looked, oh, almost one-third as bad as they do today.*

Most people didn't catch that. They thought he said, "we were one third as bad as they were." He said, *"they are one third as bad as we are."* You'd be surprised what your tuned ears can trick you into. "Oh, I think I hear." Yeah. Ha, ha, ha, man that's something isn't?

*Not quite though, 'cause they couldn't. Yeah, and how they did and carried  
on like that, and the kings, and the priests, and everything else... Jesus said,  
"You devour widows' houses, you hypocrites." He said it. And all these  
things they were doing... That prophet standing there looking down upon  
that nation like that, no wonder his heart was tore out of him. Yes, sir.*

53. In other words, you've got to understand here that William Branham didn't have a great bunch of joy saying things like this. He wasn't carried away with his own verbosity and zeal. It killed him. It might not at the moment, but it would kill him later on.

[67] *Now, you say, "How did he know what was going to happen? How could  
he foresee it? How?" It all looked good. Why, they got plenty to eat; plenty  
to wear; (see, Laodicea,) big churches; prospering: money sowed  
everywhere. Luxury, dances in the street, immorality, everything else  
going on, everything going fine, just like America today. Television's full  
of dirty jokes, (ho, he should be here today) half-stripped women,  
(half stripped? Fap,)*

Baby's born with more on than woman today. [laughter] Because they deliberately expose themselves. Little kid can't do anything about it, men do the same, but they have front on don't worry.

*Everything you see is just muck and sin. Don't have to look at a television;  
just open your eyes, look anywhere. Girls, boys, men, women, smoking,  
drinking, them Jezebels calling themselves Christians, filthy devils, calling  
themselves Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterian, Catholic, and Pentecostals.  
(One place he called them "witch doctors") No wonder it narrowed his  
eyes ...he looked. That's right.*

*All looks good. How can you save it, if we're going to... "Look...we got a  
million more. Our buildings, our churches fine, so new. Well, we got so much  
money, we don't know what to do with it. We just build the best places in  
the nation. Biggest churches there it is, we own them; still got plenty of  
money. Don't you think God's blessed us?"*

*No. You're off of His Word.*

*"And, Brother Branham, you mean God's going to destroy this?"*

*...every one of them.*

*"How do you know?"*

*Amos, how did he know?*

[68] *Just like a doctor diagnosing a case.*

See, that's law. Diagnosis is his law. The churches are under law, creeds and dogmas. Do this, do this, do this. See, join us, join us, join us. You don't do that with Christ. Let Me come in, let Me come in, see?

54. All right:

*When he finds the disease...he knows what to do; he knows what that  
patient's got. He knows how far it's advanced, he knows what's going*



*to happen. And that's the way with a prophet, a true prophet. When he  
 sees... I don't care what you're doing... When he sees sin  
 advancing, it's a eating cancer; (cancer eating up you see)  
 and it's in such an advance in the Pentecostals and the rest of  
 them, it can't come back. (That's Pentecost can't come  
 back, the cancer's there, it ain't going away.) It's at an  
 advanced stage. They're going to perish.*

*That's how Amos could diagnose the case. He diagnosed it by the Word  
 of God. That's how a true prophet diagnoses a case... says to women,  
 "Don't you ever try to go to judgment with bobbed hair when you know  
 better." (Go to judgment.)*

"Well," you say, "Bro. Branham didn't you say in the vision everybody had long hair?" This judgment, [points to the picture of the Pillar of Fire] Judge. Shamed in His Presence, they haven't got enough brains to be shamed in His Presence.

What does the word 'ashamed' mean? Means 'they're naked'. Means 'they're in adultery'. See, big mess.

*Says to the men, rest of you, you preachers, denying the Word, having  
 a form of godliness, joining organizations to dodge the issue when  
 you know better (say, "my church says so.") ...you look at the same  
 Word the true prophets looked at. And diagnosis the case said,  
 "Death, separation."*

*Just like a doctor, he knows the case. He knows the symptoms he's got.*

[69] *Look at this nation. When you say, "Pentecostal done?" (Are they done?)  
 When they'll put--won't even let you come to church, 'cause you preach to  
 women about their bobbed hair, and the Bible condemns it... Afraid you'll  
 say something about it. (See then, that's love. "Oh, we love the*

*Lord and love the people, we wouldn't say a word about  
 that.")*

55. You know, they are so stupid they think the apostle Paul said, "Now listen, women are not to cut their hair. There's something about the thing here about women, and it's got to do with their hair. Now, you watch, and you see you're right, but, if you don't have that idea in your church, it's okay, you do what you want."

Is that what the apostle Paul would say? And people try to explain that to me. And say, "Well, you see, it says right here, if you don't agree."

Now, hold it, hold it, hold it. There's a sign on the street says "no U-turn." And you make a U-turn. And the cop hauls you in.

And the judge says, "Well," he said, "there's a sign there, but we don't pay any attention to that (he said) you're free." The guy's crazy. He lets you get away with a misdemeanor, and lost the city fifty dollars. Could have fined you. No, they don't do things like that brother/sister..

*Here the other day, when I was making up some campaigns on the west  
 coast, and Bro. Borders brought them together, a bunch of ministers (oh,  
 maybe forty or fifty...had a great meeting); they said, "Mr. Borders, I*

want  
the

to ask you something." Said, "Is it true that Brother Branham uses  
Name of the Lord Jesus Christ to baptize?"

*Mr. Borders, a very dignified gentleman (as you know,) said, "Sirs, Brother  
Branham, when on a campaign--he doesn't preach; just goes ahead prays  
for sick. That's about what he does."*

And they said, "That's not what I asked you...Does he..." (said, they had  
the tapes; so they knew.) "Does he baptize in the Name of Jesus Christ?"

[70] "Yes, in his own church. That's the only place he baptizes, in his own  
church."

*He said, "That's it; that's all I wanted to know. We don't want him. We  
don't want that heresy amongst our people."*

56. And they can have short skirts, adultery, deacon run off with the preacher's wife, niece, or anything else. Organist, pianist all indulging in sin, sex. Yeah. Come on people, wake up, I'm not...Listen, can you read between the lines that I know things that you don't know going around the country? Oh, will you smarten up and take my word, and get out of this junk if you're in it. Get out, if it's the last thing you do. Start changing your lives and smartening up. I'm telling you as a friend and knowing what I'm talking about. It's everywhere, it's everywhere. It's plumb out of control, and it's going to get worse and worse. It's going to lull to sleep those that are caught in their stinking sins, and it's going to have an effect upon those who are even in the Election if they don't realize what is going on. Why this is the way it is. It's held in store for judgment. He's already come as our Judge, get it.

There's a three purges that's got to go on, and it's held in store. Don't you know they're ripening, and we're ripening? What do you expect?

You say, "Well, my daughter."

I'm sorry for your daughter. Smarten up.

"Well, my son, my wife, my husband, my father, my mother this, that."

I'm sorry. Why do you think I preach this way? You think we don't have kids? What's that got to do with it? What's that got to do with it? You want to stand for them? You better have something stand for you and me, and know these things going on.

57. Two hundred thousand spirits loosed in the Euphrates to kill off the Jews. Spirit of antichrist amongst us. Every way shape and form. The Bible's laid it all out, it's filling up. See?

No, turn him down, "we don't want that heresy."

*...the other day when my good friend Ed Daulton got a letter from the  
Baptist church; he said, "We excommunicate you from the Baptist fellowship,  
because you have joined in the heresy of being baptized in Jesus' Name."*

What's a heresy? Heresy means 'some opinion'. So they said, "Paul, you've got an opinion, we have the truth." They say, "William Branham got an opinion, we have the truth."

Oh, why don't you prove it. I told you awhile ago, preached time after time, nobody can prove anything. There's a great day coming, hallelujah. There's a great day coming you're going to find faith as vindicated. Okay, oh sure:

*I like to stand with Paul, "In what the world calls heresy, that's the way I worship God, 'cause it's His Word." Yes, sir. (Now, the world called it heresy, but God called it truth.)*

*Oh, sure the doctor diagnoses the case; he sees where it is. A true prophet diagnoses a case by the Word. He what? A doctor diagnoses his case by the symptoms. Is that right? He looks at the symptoms, and he sees what's the matter with the patient. He sees how far it's advanced and say,*

*"There's nothing can be done." A true prophet takes the Word of God and diagnoses the cases, throws the medicine into it, and the people throws it back in his face.*

58. Now, that's what William Branham said. He said, *"I hold your noses and I force it down your throat, you spit right back in my face."* That's one of the last Messages he preached in 1965, December, [**corrected**] about two weeks before he died. Nothing could be done.

*What's going to happen? Perish, that's all. Pleasure loving, world-streaked bunch of so-called hypocrisy... But that's the way of a true prophet. Oh, my.*

[71] *He sees the diseases. He sees that they'd got away from the Word. Saw the Word, knew the results, what was coming. Saw the luxury they was living in; saw the women the way they were acting. He saw the way the priests were doing, how they got away from the true worship of God and things like that. He had to--he had the answer; he said, "That God that you claim you'll serve will destroy you."*

Now, a little while ago I mentioned about the fact that he's talking about the ecumenical movement, talking about the world, the church, the whole thing messed up. And at the time that Israel was in captivity in Babylon, and every time they got in a mess amongst the heathen, the priest married wrong women. They married Gentiles which mingled the seed. And that's exactly what's happened day after day. People invariably choose a wrong seed to marry to, and therefore, they cannot produce Christ, there's no way. There's only one way that this thing can be right and that is to be married to the true seed. And that's to be really born again through the Spirit of the Lord Jesus Christ and you'll have no evidence outside of a Word. It's the Word. And this Word in this hour has been vindicated.

59. Now, he says here: He said he saw this whole thing, he knew it was wrong, he had the answer. What was the answer? That God, that you claim, you serve, will destroy you.

*"Why?"*

*"You haven't kept the commandments."*

You didn't do it. And when I chose you of all people America, chose this nation, he said, *"you didn't do it."*

He said, *"It's all over and so therefore, I have got to tell you as a true prophet of God, I come at a time of apostasy the same as all the others. A time of heresy, a time of idolatry; a time where judgment's come, and I'm sorry it tears my heart out, but I got to tell you 'you're finished'."*

And they said, *"Ha, ha, ha, look at our crowds. Look at our blessings. Look at what's going on. We're winning the world for Jesus, hallelujah! Oh, you stupid judge, sit down."*

And when he died, they said, "Well, he was a bit of a problem, because he had so much, but hallelujah, we're vindicated."

Take it your way, I got it my way. Let's rise.

Heavenly Father, we're very grateful for Your love, mercy, Your compassion. How You've helped us, Lord, to see the way of a true prophet. We know the world doesn't go along with this. All they see is a man blowing his own horn. A man that had his ministry, a great ministry. The ministry was too big, so he got too big, for the raiment You gave him. That's all they can see, Lord, but we see 'Thus Saith the Lord.

We don't see the miracles anymore, we don't see the sign that points to what was to be pointed to, we see Thee revealed, the Son of man revealed, we see Luke 17:22-30. We see It all down in there. We see the ravages on the other hand of Matthew 25, in there where the condition is with the false prophets, we see these things, Lord.

And we rejoice to know that there was something in our hearts that which was, and can only be a seed that made us to believe and understand, and to hear a Voice that we could believe; which told us all about the judgment, but told us all about the grace. The same two mountains once more, blessing and cursing, and we are now Mount Zion, part of the heavenly Jerusalem. We have heard the final Voice of the last hour. We believe our God is a Consuming Fire. We know that, our God is, and we shall reign and live with Him a thousand years.

Lord, we really rejoice in that, and we know it has nothing to do with us per se within ourselves, it is because of You, it is Your foreknowledge, Your election, Your predestination, we see It and we know that You love us and nothing will separate us, nothing whatever. And whatever comes, Lord, I know that within ourselves we're not ready. It's so easy now to talk what it'll be, if this is in the green what it'll be in the dry, understand that, Lord, but understand that You're God.

And if we're right in our witness, our motivation is right. And something in us far beyond us naturally this same thing, You, the same God, same Life whatever we're dealing with now. Can't maybe express it exactly perfectly, It is going to rise up in that day, It will not fail. There will not be one lost, there will not be a failure. For You said in that hour You didn't lose any save Judas, and he was already lost, the son of perdition.

So, Father, we know that having loved Your Own to the end, You love us all the way through, that You are here now, as You stood the breech there, You'll stand it again. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. May we be more sober, more serious than ever before. Help us, O God, we know that is no fault of Yours, it lies on our own fault; where all things that You set are ready. We praise You for it tonight, Lord, we cannot thank You enough.

Be with each one as we go. Bring us back again to Your house Lord, in the coming memorial to Your Resurrection. Let It be a time of fellowship and blessing in our God, in our Savior unto Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen and Amen.

That's the Name we carry. We're married, but also we ought to bear It worthily which we have every not only obligation, we have every right and we have every ability to Him that loved us. Amen.

'Take the Name of Jesus with you'.

