

Thoughts on Two Souls

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Gracious Heavenly Father, we're very grateful to be in Your Presence this morning, Lord, there's nothing like It on heaven or earth, Lord, at this time. This is a complete new record of where you are leading a Bride out into the Promised Land of immortality, all other records of leading out, stand still in the face of It and so this is the great time in history, perhaps of eternity we would fight to believe so, Lord. We do not know what plans in Your great mind for other things, but we certainly are knowledgeable concerning that this is the high moment of this plan, and we are thankful for it, Lord, that we're a part of it. That You've have not left us in darkness. We are not of that category, Lord, who look back, who look forward, but we are of those who look on what is Present and we are so grateful, Lord, it's wonderful beyond words.

We thank You for it. We know it's just of You, it's of grace, it's nothing that we have done, or have in ourselves whatsoever, but it is marvelous and we appreciate it so much. May our hearts by solemnized and truly receptive, because of this, Your great Name. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

[Local announcements made]

1. Now, before we go into the message I mentioned the other day that (last Wednesday) that there was some thoughts came to me that I wanted to talk to you about, and one is very personal. Back in 1966 I was preaching in Don Ruddle's church as I mentioned to you, and I was going along preaching and I heard myself say concerning Bro. Branham and his ministry: "you weren't looking at a man, you were looking at God."

I want to repeat that, so you'll know exactly what I said I heard myself say in the voice that I'm using now without one thought of premeditation I was listening to myself speak as the people were: "you were not looking at a man, you were looking at God."

Now, as I told you that I was completely overcome by it, so without a sense of balance I quickly threw my own thoughts in. What it was, it was God in the man. Which in a way is exactly true, but it never came to me until the other day, (two or three days ago) perhaps Wednesday as I was sitting in my office, I suddenly went over those words that came, "you were not looking at..." And I said, "that must be the key, 'looking at'."

2. So, I went to my Greek concordance and I found the word 'looking at' means 'to scrutinize to give careful examination'. And I realized as I sat in those meetings that when I saw Bro. Branham it didn't mean a thing to me. Bro. Branham wasn't in the picture. Everything that... my whole attention, all awareness was watching for God. So, I suddenly realized what I said sixteen years ago. And I realized what we were all seeing was not a man. I wasn't interested in the man. I was interested in Who the man stood for, and why the man was there. And everything was centered, completely focused on 'where is He, what's He doing'? I wasn't looking at a man, and I'm still not looking at a man. I'm still looking at God, and I saw God.

And a tragic thing is that a man called Tommy Osborne, and don't think I'm running him down, because I'm not. If you carefully read, or hear the memorial message whereof Tommy

Osborne played a leading part, you'll find that Tommy said it exactly right. It's a pity that he thought maybe God evaporated, or that was all there was to it. There wasn't, because after the Shout comes the Voice. After the Voice comes the Trumpet, and He does all three in descending, and we will see Him. Who is not at this point visible to the naked eye, of Whom Bro. Branham said, *"You do not see Him with your naked eye, but I tell you by vision He is here."* So, for the first time now, sixteen years, the mystery is cleared up.

3. All right. We now go into the next thought, wherein I wanted to tell you why the 'Two Soul' doctrine is built upon an error, rather than solid truth, though I am not fussing at them.

Bro. Branham says in 'Question and Answers', (157 page 676) of the Church Conduct.

"Please explain the difference between the spirit and the soul."

[57] *Well, now that's a hard one. But the first thing you are, a triune being, (Tri means three, right? Not four, not two, three,) just like Father, Son, and Holy Ghost is three titles going to one Person, which is Jesus Christ. You're soul, body, spirit. But it takes those three to make you.*

Now, he's not saying there's a Father, Son and Holy Ghost in one person as three personalities, he's talking about the complexity of it being one, yet with three distinctions. While we're one in a tri-unity. You're soul, you are. Not y-o-u-r, but y-o-u-r-e.

You're soul, body and spirit, but it takes those three to make you. With just one of them, you're not you. (With not two of them, and there's not four either.) It takes the three to make you. Like the other day, I said, "This is my hand; this is my finger; this is my nose; this is my eyes; but who's me?" Who is the me that this belongs to? It's what's on the inside of me; that's the intelligence. If these eyes, if these hands, if this body stood here just as it is today, yet I could... My body could be here, but me could be gone, what I am. What--whoever I am inside of me has gone on. Now that's the part--that part of you is the spirit.

Now, here's where you've got to watch it. He's distinguishing between the physical and the spiritual of which the body is the physical. You are what? Body, soul, spirit. What two parts of you then are spirit? Soul and spirit. So the spirit part, he is not saying is your spirit. And we're putting the soul over here. He is telling you that you are made of three parts to which comprise the 'me'. The 'me' of which is visible by physical attributes to the onlooker.

Now, my body could be here, but me gone. What, whoever I am inside of me is gone. That's the part that is the spirit.

4. Now he said:

The soul is the nature of that spirit...

Now here's where they don't understand language. He doesn't say you're two parts with two different natures. He said, *"you're three parts."* But, breaking it down into essence, there's a physical and a spiritual of which the 'true me' is spirit and soul. And there's a particular part of you that is not the nature, but causes the nature. Okay, now watch:

*The soul is the nature of that spirit, that when the Holy Ghost comes upon you,
It does not do nothing... You... It changes or converts your spirit to a different
soul...*

Now, he's not talking about your spirit becoming a soul, your soul becoming a spirit. Keep that in mind, he's talking in the contradistinction of a physical and a spiritual, of which the spiritual has two parts, soul and spirit, and he's telling you what gives the nature to that man that's in there, that manifested a body. And he said, *"It's the responsibility, or the soul that is the thing you got to look at if something is going to change something."*

Now:

*It does not do nothing... You... It changes or converts your spirit to a different
soul. And that soul is a different nature... (now notice:) And that soul is a
different nature on that spirit.*

[58] *So the soul is the nature of the spirit...*

You follow what I'm saying? Don't get mixed up with this hogwash they got preaching out there. Because Bro. Branham's language you have to understand.

5. Now, let me show you carefully in: Trying to do God a Service Without His Will. Bro. Branham in the pulpit said that Balaam was a true prophet. Now, you're not going to get Lee Vayle sitting there know what the prophet means. And Moses is standing there and he's going to call Balaam a true prophet when Moses was the true prophet. I'm not stupid and I don't consider you're stupid.

I went to Bro. Branham and I said, "Bro. Branham I want to ask you a question." I said, "Moses and Balaam were both standing there, (I said,) was Balaam a true prophet, or was Moses a true prophet?"

He said, *"Moses was the true prophet."*

I said, "But you said the other day Balaam was a true prophet." I said, "Is it not so that you meant that Balaam was truly a prophet?" I said, "They both can't be true, but they were both truly prophets."

You noticed from that time on he said, *"Balaam was truly a prophet."*

I'm not trying to instruct the prophet. But I want you to know something, you don't go out half-cocked with false doctrine by just trying to put your finger on something when the prophet said, *"You are a tri-unity."* And the nature of a thing is not opposite from the thing making it two.

[Bro. Vayle mentions a several names in the congregation that have certain university degrees]

6. Now, I'm not running anybody else down mentioning these names, I'm just letting you know we're not here as bunch of fools. But you know as well as I do, that's not solid brass as far as I know. [Bro. Vayle taps on a brass object making it ring] That's got a nature, but the nature is not the brass. Everything in this world has a nature to it. Has attributes, as distinguishing factors, whereby you can tell what it is and make a qualification. But the attribute of the 'rose' and the nature of the rose itself, the rose has a nature. [ringing the brass object again] Now, let's get that flat.

So, Bro. Branham was not saying that soul is in nature. He is telling you where this man inside gets his nature. He's a spirit being, and the nature unqualify(?) comes from the soul. Now, if you want then the nature of that person changed, you've got to change the soul.

Now, if there never was anything such thing as a black rose and there never was, until what, thirty five, forty years ago. How did they get a black rose? Now they didn't get rid of the rose. They began working within the framework of the rose. And by the way: did you know that the apple is from the rose family? Well it is. I'm not much of a botanist, but I know that much, because I read it. Now that tells me something. I can work on a rose and produce a rose-apple which I don't think they did, but they've got them. Smell like a rose, taste like a rose, they're delicious.

You've got to work on something to get that emanation, that thing coming out different. Now, that's what he's saying here. You follow what I'm saying? (I'll give time to ask questions if you want, don't worry.) If I'm wrong on this nature bit, you smart guys tell me. You won't convince me though. [laughter]

7. Look, I've got a suit here, solid polyester. And I've got suits at home that are solid wool, and their natures are different though they both clothe my body. You say what you want. Attributes are different.

Now, there's an Attributor and a Nature-maker, but you don't do anymore than use nature to qualify. And you don't qualify if there's something there that can't be qualified, or nothing to be qualified. Is that understood? Look, I'm ain't smart enough to get into all this junk here, but this ain't junk really.

8. Now listen:

[58] *First you were mean, and evil, and hatred, and malicious, and striving; now you're loving, sweet, kind, and... See the difference? It's your nature. I'll call it that. (Now listen,) It's your soul that's been changed. The old soul died, and the new soul which is the new nature was borned into you...*

Now, he's putting the two together, nature and soul. So there's something happens within your soul. You then have a new soul. Yep, if something happens.

Oh, look it, come on: I've got this rose, it's red. I start working on what's in that rose, and I got a black rose. And this is the thing inside changed? And this is the nature changed? So, it's got to get down into the soul. Then it works through the spirit which is animus which is life. This in turn works through the flesh. So then they say, "Doesn't that person have a nice spirit?" Got a nice soul. See? Now:

The old soul died, and the new soul which is the new nature was borned into you. Your brain is not your intelligence; it's your spirit that's in you is your intelligence. (Now, he's putting the brain and the spirit together, intelligence.) Your brain is a bunch of matter and cells and so forth; it has no intelligence in itself. If it did, then as long as it laid there, whether you was dead or alive, it would still operate. (That's right.)

Now, he's going to the determiner of action, which is this life in me. The spirit that animates me.

See? But it's not--it's not your brain; it is your spirit inside of you. And your soul is the nature of that spirit... (He's telling you what is in your soul goes into your spirit, goes out here.)

Now, what's happened with the 'Two Soul Doctrine', they tried to make it simply natures. You can't do it, because that's not what he's saying. See?

9. Now, Bro. Branham categorically said what is wrong with the false anointing is because we're a tri-unity, we have a soul, a spirit, and a body. And everybody thought it was body, soul, spirit, when it's body, spirit and soul. Though the Holy Spirit can fall upon a man's spirit, not in the soul. See? Now, what's this about the soul dying? Did he say, "annihilated?" The soul already is dead. It's separated.

What is in that soul? The soul contains the seed, and has a place in the heart. It has been proven I guess statistically many, many times. I don't know, because I wasn't there when it was done. But they say as soon as the person dies, the instant you weigh them the body is less. I don't know. I'm told that by pretty good authority. But I don't believe too many authorities, because people lie to prove a point, and they'll even lie about God to prove a point. And I'm not interested in telling one lie about God to prove a point. Because if God can't take care of Himself, don't ask Lee Vayle to do it. I'm expecting Him to take care of me.

I figure His truth will take care of me, without me making some kind of a lie. But I understand that is supposed to be true. Why they have people lying on scales just to weigh them as soon as they die, how do they know they're dead and anything else? I understand I don't think the breath would be that much going out of your body. Maybe it does, I don't know. But to claim that something happens, who knows. I wouldn't argue the point. All I know is that we are a tri-unity. We have a body which is the case, the shell. We have a spirit, and a soul inside which makes a spirit man. That spirit man acts through into his flesh according to what is in your soul. So therefore, if there is a place, in there for the Word, there is a gene in there, a germ in there, that Word would unite to it. And consequently that old soul is dead, because it's not that soul anymore, but you are that person, you're born again.

10. Now, if you're truly born again you'll notice every revealed Word you'll say "amen" to. Yep. And then coming out of the life that you're living here will come what that Word says, so that your love is no more a love of dissimulation, which is hypocrisy, some philio-love that you palm off as the agape-love, but it's going to be that which is lined with the Word. As John said, "If you want to know the message of love in the beginning..." (He put it in the switcheroo as a negative, you got to go back where Bro. Branham took us to the Garden almost exclusively, though just this side of it, the Book of Genesis.) "not as Cain who slew his brother, and wherefore slew he him, because his deeds were evil."

He was off the Word. And any Word, any deed off the Word is an evil deed. Now, let's get this understood brother/sister this morning. (Oh man, I ain't going to get to preaching, I'm going to let you go early, I don't feel like talking about the Judge today. I can see that's gone down the drain. It's okay, because my mind is going in other direction.) But look, this is what the prophet taught us, "Doing God a service apart from His will." This is where Cain hit the skids.

"Thou hast offered right. (See?) Yet, if thou hast not rightly divided, sin lieth at the door." [Gen 4:7] There's a sin offering to cover it. What does it mean? I acknowledge my mistake. Now I've got to do the right thing. And what did he [Cain] do? He offered a scriptural offering out of place. How can you have a first-fruit offering which signifies a resurrection unless you die?

Okay: how am I going to pick the book up unless I drop it? [Bro. Vayle demonstrates] I dropped it. That's death. I pick it up, that's resurrection. Hold it! I've got a handkerchief here. Okay, drop a book and handkerchief. The book is my body. I pick up a handkerchief, is that resurrection? Hogwash! That's replacement. Now pick up the book. I got a resurrection.

11. All right, we go back to Cain. We'll go back here and read in the Book of 1 John 3. Every chapter in the Bible and every verse was put in position by a nice little priest in France who rode his horse around, and he knew the whole Bible was in one big chunk like a big block of ice, and it's easier to handle ice cubes than a whole block of ice than try to take a chip off, you know. Or to put the needles into a pin-cushion instead of into a hay-stack, so he said, "I'll divide It into little places. And of course he got a lot of places wrong. But he did a good job. I'm not going to fault the guy. Somebody should have done it. I don't know if he had the Holy Ghost or not, but God was in it anyway to a place where we got the Bible. So at least we can say, "Hey, it's over here, it's over here." I can't even do that good as you well know. And so, maybe you don't do any better either, so that takes care of that. [laughter] When you wallow in my age, you just give up. I've had more mental blocks this last little while than nothing. Well, I call a spade a horse, see almost. Just hoping that the horse will come along to see and dig where I'm supposed to dig.

12. Okay, 1 John 3.

(1) Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that
we should be called the sons of God: (Now that tells you the Father
is love, that you're called sons of God. In other words,
acknowledge.) therefore the world knoweth us not, because
it knew (not him.)

Now, I going to tell you flat. This is between you and God. You're not going to get anything from the world on this one, so you might as well realize it's ...?... So, if you think you're going to out there a prove to the world you're a son of God, you're a jerk. Sorry, I've got to talk this way that gets you lubricated, lets you know, hey, you know, you're not fooling anymore. You're just plumb sitting there like a bunch of Trinitarian, backslidden Pentecostals, God knows what you are. Which I don't say you are. I'm just saying, look, hey, come on, you've got to...who do you think you are? Jesus said, "Look," He said, "If they treated me and you know Who I am, and how I've always been right, why (He said,) what treatment do you think you're going to get when you identify with Me?"

"Call yourself a Christian you so and so, and so and so." [said several times more mockingly] And say, "I don't call myself a Christian.... when I ...?... so and so, and so..." Of course you're all wrong and they're alright. ...?... Come on, God calls you that but nobody else does. Well, that's nice. They don't know Him.

(2) Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear
(it's never been made, absolutely manifested through the
characteristics that are present to prove validity,) what we shall
be: but we know that, when he shall appear, (absolutely
with the characteristics of proved validity; no
hypocrite, proves the character who he is,) we shall be like
him; for we shall see him as he is.

Now, that's a pretty heavy statement. Now you can toss it around, (you know) think little thoughts so you can get right down to what it's in. It says there's coming a time when you're

going to be manifested exactly who you are, and it's going to take the same time that He manifests God, exactly Who He is, and you're going to see It. And when you see It you will be changed, the metamorphosis will begin to take place. One hodge-podge message you're going to get this morning, because my thoughts are roaming. Okay?

13. Let's go back to 2 Corinthians 3: (while you keep your hand there in John,) because I want to touch this, because I can never touch It enough. All right, verse 6.

- (6) Who also hath made us able ministers of the new (covenant); not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life. (That means Word without life in It. It's just a letter.)

That's why what Luther had doesn't do today. If you think it does, look where the Lutheran church is and tell me they got something going for them. That's why Methodism is finished. If you tell me that Methodism's has got it there's something wrong with you. They've no more got it than Catholicism, either Greek or Roman. No used kidding yourself, it's gone, it's down the drain. You can tell how rotten it is when the Roman Catholic church deliberately would justify a Kennedy, or anybody else with the money. No sir, it won't work! Spend billions of dollars, you'll never pray yourself out of hell once you get there. The system is a money-racket system and don't think the Protestant's aren't just the very same, because they say, "You put your name on our church book you've got it made too." Tell me where the Protestant's differ one bit from the Roman Catholic's? The only thing is: that when they get a pope in there, he's there for life, and the Protestant's if they don't like the guy they elect on the same grounds they elect a pope they boot him out. Tell me one difference between a Protestant and Catholic? There's no difference. It's all the same stuff.

14. All right. "The letter," [verse 6] the spirit has moved out. There's no life in it. It's simply head-knowledge. See? Now, if there's any life in it, would go from the head to the heart. There's nothing to get down there. See? All right:

- (7) But if the ministration of death, written and engraven in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which glory was to be done away:
- (8) How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious? (In other words, no comparison.)

Now watch: there was no life in that which was engraved in stone. All it could do is condemn. So if it was full of life it wouldn't have done any good. What's God's living Word to stone, with animals? Won't work. It's for man. Now, here's what man's going to have: Now, down to verse 13.

- (13) (But) not as Moses, which put a vail over his face, the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to the end of that which is abolished:
- (14) But their minds were blinded:...

The first thing that Satan did, was blind Eve's mind. And the thing that Eve did was to blind her husband's mind. Satan has blinded the mind of the church and the church has blinded the minds of the people. Okay:

(14) ...their minds (are) blinded; until this day remaineth the same veil untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which veil is done away in Christ.

(15) But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the veil is upon their heart.

(16) Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the veil shall be taken away.

Now, what veil? The Old Testament ...?... is gone. See? The veil's got to be taken off the mind in order to see the Old Testament was fulfilled in Christ, the law until John. The grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. They don't see Hebrews 1:1-3.

14. Now, when it'll turn to the Lord, the veil is going to disappear. Now It says:

(17) ...the Lord is that Spirit: (the very God of the heavens, universes is a Spirit,) and where the Spirit of the Lord is, (where God is in Spirit form) there is liberty. (There is a freedom.)

A freedom from what? The veil. See? No taking away, unless the veil takes it away.

(18) ...we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of (Christ.)

Now remember, Christ is the exact copy or image of God. He is the out-roying of God. And we become the same out-roying through the Spirit that dwells in the Word that we receive, and It's in a ministry. Now, Paul says, "I've got that ministry." The same apostle said to those Corinthians. Why he said, "Listen, did the Word of God come to you, or did It come out of you?" [1 Cor 14:36] He said, "I brought you the Word, and if anybody else says one thing contrary, he's cursed and you're cursed with him." [Gal 1:8] And he said the bride became a prostitute by changing what he preached. She left the right Jesus, the right gospel, the right Spirit. Her understanding went.

Why did it go? Because somebody began placing a veil upon the mind. And what was that veil? It was a lie. Now, not only can you have the Word changed, but you can change also, (not just the Word, but the placing of the Word and that makes it a lie. That happened to Cain. Cain offered an excellent sacrifice. Abel was more excellent. They were both from the Bible, but one was according to revelation.

Now, both of those in there, per se, side by side until somebody said something about it, until somebody did something about it, they were both the unadulterated Word of Almighty God. And both of them contained the Life of God in its proper sequence. Because the life would go from the sacrifice to the first-fruit. Right! It's exactly what it's all about. He died, and He rose.

15. Now, the minute either one was misplaced, the sacrifice was null and void, and the first-fruit was null and void. You no more have the blood on you than nothing, and you'll no more be in that First Resurrection than nothing. I don't care what anybody says, that's the Bible.

Now, Paul says, "I'm the one that's got this ministry."

Somebody comes along and said, "Now, just a minute Paul, you shut your big fat trap. I want you to know, hallelujah, bless God, glory to Jesus." Talk in some tongues, do a little toe-dance,

swing the hip around, the hair fly...that's got to be a woman preacher doing this. And say, "Paul, I'm going to tell you, you old woman hater I want to tell you something: You don't need to tell me about you having that ministry, because I got the word, hallelujah."

Well, hallelujah, she's a liar. And the woman's the church. The church does not have that ministry, per se, Paul had it. And the church has it when Paul releases it in the hour for which it stands. Now Paul released it, but he stood right back and he said, "If God permit." [Heb 6:3] And John said, "Beloved, now are we those sons and it'll be manifest when He is manifest and the change comes on." [1 Jn 3:2] But when is He manifest?

16. Now, It says right here that this image of God, that God wants you in is you looking in that Word and seeing It. And he's not talking to the dead, he's talking to the living, it's metamorphosis. The dead do not go through a metamorphosis per se, although they do. It's the living that go through a true metamorphosis. Because when you talk about metamorphosis you're talking about a body change. And the body change and metamorphosis demands the consistency of a life from the time of a birth into the larva into the pupa stage to the chrysalis, to the butterfly coming out. (I don't know if my biology is quite right there, but I think it's fairly close. If I got the pupa mixed up with the larva you'll understand you smart fellows. I don't know. I think the larva chomps and chomps, becomes the pupa, and the pupa becomes the chrysalis and what have you.) He comes out the butterfly. And the moth has the cocoon, is that right? The butterfly has the chrysalis, the moth has the cocoon. I don't know.

17. But, what I'm trying to show you, the continuity. Resurrection is not a continuity per se, although there's a continuity there. Because he drops his body, goes to his spirit body, comes back with his spirit body, picks up this body. But in the mean time this [body] can go to gasses, and in the true metamorphosis it doesn't go to a gas. Goes to a change. So Paul is talking about the metamorphosis. And he said, "I have that ministry."

"You got to be kidding? You got to be kidding?"

I don't find any trouble. I got the guts to say to people, "You're going to be changed once you hear this Message."

Oh, I know, I get people very angry, because these same people run around the world, they can't say that. Oh, they could if they wanted to, and I know the change they're going to get, it's going to be going down. Not because Lee Vayle says so, but this Word. I'm standing with this Word here. I don't care what anybody says, I'm not going to back away. Because the hour of revelation, there is a ministry and I showed you last Wednesday night: that I don't care how full of the Holy Ghost you are, it aborts. It aborts. Otherwise, why did He say, "Except I send Elijah the prophet, I burn it." [Mal 4:5-6]

You can't tell me, see, brother/sister. I don't care what anybody says, the Word of God is the Word of God, and everybody wants to second guess God, see. Now, you can't second guess Him, you listen to Him. And Paul said here: "I'm going to tell you something you people: you look back to the time when God stood with Moses face to face, and what a glory it was. Oh, it was fancy, you talk about a display. [Bro. Vayle searches for the correct wording] Partaking, that's a little better still, now we've got her. Okay. You talk about display. Mountain on fire. Thunder, lightening. Everything quaking. A voice thundering. Trumpets blasting. That was the law. That didn't happen when Jesus was dying. Nothing like that happened.

18. Now, when the Spirit comes back, He comes back for the purpose of consummating the plan of God, which is to bring the sinner back through revelation, preeminence of God and immortality. And the sinner's involved in every single one of them.

Now, Paul is giving the revelation. John gave the revelation. But when you deal with immortality, there's only one place it can happen. "Behold, I show you a mystery we shall not all sleep, but at the tail end there's going to be a few that'll stand right here and they won't die." [1 Cor 15:51-52]

19. Now, here is the secret: a ministry, now here's where I'm not set for the defense of Lee Vayle, but for the defense of the Word of God. This can't happen without a prophet! Once a prophetic word is loosed... now listen, Bro. Branham said, *"Under that Seventh Seal Satan doesn't know. If he got a hold of It, he would do great damage. But when he doesn't know, he can't stop It."* And when Bro. Branham preached those sermons, he actually placed immortality within the reach of the people through a Word ministry, and the devil can't do a thing about it.

I don't care what anybody says. "Now you may feel Bro. Vayle, he interferes in my life, and he might do something." Come on now, what are you, a bunch of wet-noodles? I didn't think we even had an Italian here. [laughter] Wet-noodle? Come on. Nothing against Italians. I'm just kidding. It's not ethnic at all. What is this stuff anyway?

20. Listen: there comes a time when it's too late. He took them into the ark and He slammed the door. It was all over. Seven days they waited, except for maybe a little lamp that had oil in it. Seven days waited. But I'm going to tell you something, that flood came.

Now, you're not going to stop this at the right hour. And what Paul said here, "We have this ministry. We have received mercy, so we faint not." [2 Cor 4:1]

In other words, I stand with Paul. I have never known the grace and the mercy of God that I know it at this hour. And that's got nothing to do with legalism. You say, "My dear wife is in obedience to me. She is, but I wish she was better still..." [laughter] That's just to give you a little laugh. "...and my kids, oh, my lovely children..."

Disobedient, not obedient. I wish I could stand up here. Hogwash I do. Because I'm going to tell you if my wife and my kids were perfect, you're looking at the old man that ain't. Because I made them that way.

The husband has more to do with his wife, than she's got to do with him if he's got half an ounce of something. That's right. How come Eve was walking alone in the Garden? Where was Adam? Just a question. Mercy, yep.

Well, now they're even telling about Bro. Branham; ten preachers and Bro. Harold says at least ten preachers are gone by in the last several years and said, "You know Bro. Branham made a mistake." Because, it's sure he made one mistake when he made me his friend. Anything else new? [laughter]

Oh yeah, another guy he cannot discern, but he wants to. So he said, "Do you know when Bro. Branham first started to discern he made a lot of mistakes?" Now the guys that believe him that opens the door to those who want to practice gifts.

21. They don't know what we're talking about here brother/sister. Paul said: [2 Corinthians 4:]

(1) ...seeing we have this ministry, (we faint not, because we got mercy.)]

Now, here's what Paul commended himself to, which I wish these guys could. By the grace of God I hope I can to a fairly good degree. But don't think I've said this morning, Lee Vayle says he's got this down pat, because Lee Vayle doesn't have this down pat. He's got a modicum of the desperate and wicked in him too. I should say 'the desperado', never mind the desperate. The desperado, the arsonist, the felon.

Paul said, "We have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the Word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of truth, commending ourselves to every man's conscious in the sight of God." And he said, "If any of our gospel's hid..." This which he's preaching which could bring about a resurrection on the grounds that this goes to the Shout of the Bride. He said:

(3) If our gospel is hid, It's hid to them that are lost.

That lets you know there's no way you're going to miss this if you're part of It. If you're Bride there's no way you're going to miss it.

People think, (you know) "Oh how can I go so far and miss it?"

22. The point is this: How can you help but make it? See?

(4) In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, (but you're a believer,) lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, shine unto them.

Now, that's what he's talking about, the forming of this image is through the pure unadulterated Word. Now, the point is: did we have a prophet at the end time who proved it, or didn't we? Now, that's the beautiful part of it.

You say, "Well, Bro. Vayle, I don't understand it."

That's great! I don't understand that organ there either, it's electronic. And if it was a wind-organ, I still wouldn't understand it. I got to sit there and say, "Just a minute, where's middle 'C'? The C before the two black keys, or is after the black keys, or is before the three black keys, where is C? And if I find C, I'd say, "Well now I can work from C both ways." I can work C,D,E,F,G. Don't go to H, because it's H and I,J, and K aren't in there, and you work back to be an A. See, you've got an octave. I don't know anything about it to amount to a hill of beans, but all there. It's all there. No used trying to change it, no used fooling with it, because I'm not going to do it.

23. All right. This glorious gospel which we have was brought to us, and that's why he said, "Say It the way I said it." Now:

(5) For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

As Bro. Branham categorically, his gift did not work for himself. Nor does anybody in the church have a gift that works for itself, or themselves. That's why we don't have tongues, interpretation and things in our midst in the little room. Because people go in and they say, "Well, this is something I'm going to have. This is something I'm going to do."

Well, you missed it. No used bother going in. You've done foul your nest up right now and all the eggs you laid. Like my stinking chickens back home, they just...they'll never hatch. You've done messed all your eggs. Now, come on, let's face it... Look, we don't play school anymore. This is exactly what it is.

You got to go in there [little room] knowing you're the servant to somebody. Knowing that you're stuck. You've got to be just as dedicated, every person in this pew as I have been to my calling to literally face starvation out there, except God put food on the table to help me. And make a decision where you stand there where your body crawls, and until you get there, forget it! I hate to be rough on you, but you've had it easy all your lives. I'm talking to young people here. Your parents are very nice to you. They've given you lots of goodies. And they help you out even to this hour. What have you ever sacrificed, what have you ever been in a pinch in your life?

You're good Pentecostal fodder this morning. Until you get out there and suffer for Christ. I don't say quit your jobs. But where's your character come from? If there's not some suffering it's something going on. And some pinch, and some sacrifice. Come on! I bet some... I don't want to be rough, but I bet some of you never go beyond the tithe if you go that far. What do you know about a pinch? All right, I've been pinched I think more than any of you. Maybe all of you put together, and I don't even know what a pinch is. I'll ...?... before God, I'll be honest with you, I don't know what a pinch is. I look back, and I've had it really very nice.

24. All right, here, "servants." [verse 5] You can't get someone to lift their eyebrows nowadays. You just suggest something, can't lift an eyebrow. [laughter] I don't say I'm exactly preaching in the Spirit of God. It might be Lee Vayle's spirit. But I ain't going to quit it. [laughter] Now that I got rolling. But, there's a squeeze coming on down the road brother/sister, what's it going to be like? I don't know. I pray daily, "O God, I don't want to face another depression." I've been through one in the thirties. I'm not kidding you. I kid you not. When you've lost a good job, I couldn't even have one then. I've got the best in the world being a servant. It's what it is. So, hope it does you some good. Well get some real pastoral messages going one of these days when I start really moving in that area.

25. Now listen:

(5) ...we preach not ourselves... (we're servants.)

"Sure, I'm a servant, I serve myself bless God, hallelujah. I, me, and mine, everything is fine."

Hey, that's what the devil says. God didn't say that.

All right, now:

(5) ...we preach...Christ (He's our Lord. We're servants.)

Now, that's why I'm telling you that so many times the people want to see something happen in a church, and there's nothing happening. See? Because the servant attitude has gone down the drain. They want gifts and things. I get so tired of this Pentecostal gift stuff in the church. Put it in the room where it belongs, and make sure the people that go in there that's got the right attitude. If they've got the right attitude believe me there will never be a lack of anything. Never, never, never, there can be gifts all around the place proliferated. But people won't pay that price. It is become a curiosity thing. See? With Pentecost it is become a social thing. A status thing. Now, he that is greatest of all, is servant to all. There's where...that's why Jesus was the great One.

(6) ...God, commanded the light to shine out of darkness, shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

(7) ...we have this treasure in earthen vessels, the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

(8) We are troubled on every side, (and so on, and so on.)

Now, what you see here we're looking at, this ministry which comes through the Word.

26. Now, we're going back to 1 John [3:] It says:

(2) Beloved, now are we the sons of God... (and there's got to be an Appearing.)

Listen, there's got to be more than an Appearing. There's got to be a manifestation as to Who that One is irrefutably proven, so there's no way to have a counterfeit. Now, they don't want to go back to the Word of God with the prophet. See, it's got to be Word, Word, Word. Just exactly what Bro. Branham said, *"Jesus came according to the Scripture, but not according to their interpretation."* And this is the very same thing here, and when you use this word 'phaneroo' in the Greek it means 'to manifest in its true character', because anything can manifest, but it can be a hypocrite manifesting.

Now, Jesus came according to the Word. And this One here Appearing at the end time must be a hundred percent according to the Word, and the Appearing must demonstrate positively through the same signs that He is that One, so that they know that the words of a man will not do what the words of that man does. There's got to be a super-connection between him and God that nobody else has got. Otherwise, then it becomes a ministry of everybody's got to throw their hat in the ring. Now, you can't do that. Because this is to prove One individual, which is Him, Who is Holy Spirit, which is He, which is Holy Spirit.

Now, It says,

(3) ...every (one) that hath this hope in him(self) purifies himself, even as he is pure.

All right, now "even as he is pure." Let's go and say, "Even as he is pure; the righteous One without one little bit of sin." Hogwash! If I could do that, I don't need to see Him to get my change. Because how are you going to stop me getting immortal, if I'm as pure as He is? He can't be talking about character. He's talking about Logos! You don't think it is?

27. We look at 1 John 1: here:

- (1) That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, looked upon, our hands have handled, the Word of life;
- (2) (For the life was manifested, (that's phaneroo, completely made visible as the true character) and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;)

Now, you try to show that without a human carcass of that Jesus standing here. Now, he's talking about that One. "Every man that hath this hope purifies himself, even as he is pure." [1Jn 3:3] How are you going to purify ourselves to be like Him? You'd have to be born like Him. And there's no way that you're going to be born like him, because He had a created egg and cell from the Attribute. The attributes reduced down to sperm and an egg. Put them under a microscope, brought forth ...?... How are you going to do it? There's only one way. You got to be so thoroughly identified with Him, that you're one with Him. That's all. It's identification process.

How am I going to purify myself, except I identify with through that Word? And say "amen" to every Word, because He is the Word, He's the Logos. "Whosoever committed sin transgresses the law." [1 Jn 3:4] All right: For sin is a transgression. The word is 'lawlessness'. For that which is sin operates apart from the Word of God. It tells you flat: you don't believe It, that's exactly what Cain did.

"Why," you say, "just a minute, he had the Word of God."

Didn't have the revelation on It. The Word of God without revelation is not the Word of God. The life, there's no life in it. There's no life in it. There wasn't any life. That's why Cain couldn't get anywhere. And that's why Abel killing a lamb got everywhere. Yeah. One man's shed blood which signifies life ceasing and he got life. The other man signifies the life's there and he dies. See?

28. The revelation, is what puts the life, activated the life. The revelation of shed blood activated the man's life. Gave him entree to God. Gave him access. We know He's manifested to take away our sins. In Him is no sin.

[1 John 3:]

- (6) Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: (That's abiding in the Word.)
whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither (knows) him.

Now, where do you get that from? Why would you have a High Priest interceding? Wouldn't make sense. You could preach a sinner's perfection here; become a Methodist, or a Nazarene. That's what two souls is, it's an extension of this hour of a legalistic attitude. But they're smart, the Methodist he'll plumb flat lie, or try to live a better life than the Nazarene, but these guys come along and say, "Well, you didn't do it."

"Well," I say, "who in the world did do it?" [laughter] Well if you didn't? But if you get me mad I just stand there with a baseball bat and conk each one of you and I say, "Well, I didn't do it." The cop come by and you're lying on the floor, (you know) with your head split open and say, "I didn't do it." [laughter]

"Oh, who did it?"

"I got no idea, but I didn't." [more laughter]

Oh come on, what is this nonsense people preach, you see?

- (7) Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. (Now, you keep that in mind, that one right there.)
- (8) He that committeth sin is of the devil; the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. (Which was what? Sin from the beginning, which was not doing righteousness.)
- (9) Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.
- (10) In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

29. Now watch, that love bit is thrown in there. And when it gets thrown in there it throws everybody out in the world out here thinking, "Hey, he changed the subject, this is the real thing." It is, but watch it:

- (11) For this is the message (you) heard from the beginning, we should love one another.

Now, that goes with the last part of verse 10. Now watch, verse 12 goes right back up to the 9. Right into 10 actually.

- (10) In this the children of God are manifest, the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God...

Now, put It down here:

- (12) Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

Now what was it? The Word of God mis-divided and improperly executed. Now talk about love. Who had the love? Abel had the love. Who had the hatred? The one that was off the Word. What did it end up at? Murder. Now you're getting to the key of the whole thing.

30. Now, It says up here: [1 John 3:]

- (2) Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and...when he shall appear, (when He shall absolutely stand in our midst conformed to the word that was spoken concerning Him. You know that's He that's standing there, whether you see Him or not.)

That's the One that you watch. How? Because He will minister the Word. But what's He supposed to do? He's supposed to come down and open the Seals. "But how do I know that's the One?" Because the great ministry that only Jesus Christ Himself had on earth is repeated in the flesh. It tell you **right** that in the Book of Acts. It tells you right there in Matthew 12. We've been all through this thing.

But no, people would sooner come along and they would say, "Well, here It is right here: "This is the message from the beginning, we should love one another, and not as Cain, slew his brother." [1 Jn 3:11-12]

"And you see, the thing was that terrible thing that showed that Cain had no love was killing his brother." That's a lie from the pit of hell. The terrible thing that Cain showed Cain had no love, was the very fact he didn't divide the Word.

"Now, I'm not making this legalist, and say I got the Word."

Now, hold it, if you've got the Word there's going to be love toward God come out. The real love. You won't be able to kill your brother or anybody else. Now, why does the church always hate the Bride? Because it mis-divides the Word. Now, why is there hatred being spread amongst us? I supposed I'll get accused that more than anybody else. Well because of mis-dividing the Word.

And I just want to ask you one question: who started the fight? I didn't. But let me tell you one thing: Cain started the fight. You bet your life he did. It took God to stand up for Abel, Abel though dead.

31. I'm going to tell you something: there's going to be a Bride taken out of here one of these days, standing with the Word that the prophet taught was from John here. That he said, "One day He has got to be manifest and that is in such a way that there is positively is no chance of deceit." Otherwise, the Word would be handled deceitfully.

And It says, "If you say in the desert, don't go there. If he's in the secret conclave, don't go there." [Mt 24:26] He tells you what it's going to be like. Let's you know. "Behold I send you Elijah the prophet." [Mal 4:5] Now people don't want that. See?

Now: [1 John 3:]

(11) ...this is the message that (you) heard from the beginning...

Now, what message you heard from the beginning? Just the one on love? Hold it! No! The message from the beginning was Satan came in the Garden, transformed into an angel of light, and said to Eve the bride, "Honey dear, let me assure you that what He said, He will not do." Take it all the way back, don't just talk to me about love. If we're going to talk about this 'phileo' junk and your love and my love, which accuses and excuses, let's talk about the real love. The real love is doing the Word of God period, based upon a revelation. Righteousness is doing the Word of God based on a revelation. I'm talking about a righteous act.

32. Now, let's go back to Malachi. He says here in chapter 3, at the time the Lord is making up His jewels they'll be mine. And It says in verse 18,

(18) Then shall (you) return...

Now, that belongs in chapter 4, turning the hearts of the children back to the fathers. And when you turn you can discern, which is to judge correctly. Not between the righteous and the wicked, but between righteousness and wickedness, them that serve God and them that don't.

All right, here's a person with a legitimate gift of tongues, the person might even receive the Holy Ghost, but now he's full and he's got a gift. And the person is taught wrong, comes into a meeting of Bro. Branham's, and every single time Bro. Branham starts to have a climax on the Word of God where the imperishable Word is being sown, and the Word of God is going forth, what happens? The person gets up and starts screaming in tongues and everything else to draw attention away from Life of God. All right.

That's an unrighteous act. I don't care if anybody said, "Well, just a minute now, that person had a genuine gift, and I know that person." You don't know that person well enough. You know that person according to flesh in your church doctrine and your own preferences, but you don't know him according to the Word of God. Blinded the eyes entirely. Pentecostal's full of it. That's why this hassle is going on right today over the Presence. Because the man that's making the biggest stink of all and causing most of the trouble running around the world, he wants it right in his churches. He's opened the church for a spurious [not genuine] revelation. No wonder he can't get it. See?

33. Now, what would you people add to this meeting this afternoon by talking in tongues? I was talking to this young kid I go to in Dayton. He gave me some information the other day, that we have apostles, and he mentioned that the church is a hundred and fifty years old.

My ears picked up like the ...?... old fox is right now at the sound of a chicken out there in the run. [laughter] I said, "Do tell." He got me excited. Hundred and fifty years old? I got to know about this. And so he couldn't get the book of history, but he got me his magazine, a hundred and

fifty year old magazine, the history of it. And they go back to the Irvingites. They even have the illustrious Sir John Henry Drummond. Tremendous preacher in their ranks. And you go back and their church is built exclusively on tongues, interpretations, and prophecy. Thought they don't have it anymore, because they've got the same old Baptist theology, "we don't need it anymore."

And I said, "Son, let me tell you in these conditions we need prophecy more than ever. " Of course, I didn't tip my hand just too much what I was saying. But he knows I believe in a prophet. See?

A hundred and fifty years the word came forth, that this was the end-time ministry. End-time in a hundred and fifty years? Holy mackerel Andy, [term used in Amos & Andy radio show in the '40's and 50's] you and I might have ten thousand years to go. I said, "What about your prophets?" Oh they had a prophet. I read some of his prophecy's. "If you get gat you're going to get saved if we don't starve tomorrow." It must have mean, "because we had food today will last over the next generation." You talk about junk. Double talk. See? World's full of it.

34. This manifestation at the end-time is categorically that which takes place under a prophet with God there, and at that time It says, "That Bride will know righteousness from wickedness, will know who serves God and who doesn't."

But the people today want to close their eyes and they say, "Bro. Vayle, you're too tough, we've got to close our eyes, hallelujah, everybody's in Jesus." Well, sweet little Eve, she went trippy, trippy toe once through this sweet little Garden of Eden, and brother/sister, she did not eat her husband and family out of a life in a garden. She did worse than that.

And Satan came by and he said, "What a beautiful little creature you are Eve."

And she said, "I thought you'd like it."

"Oh," he said, "yes," and he said, "I believe that your countenance so sweet and so serene and beautiful," but he said, "I really believe that you are the most intelligent in the world." That's right, because she was the only woman. [laughter] But she fell for it, lock, stock and barrel. By the time he got finished, he had entirely got her to this place of this love bit where the Word didn't matter.

Now look, I'll preach until I'm black and blue in the face, and that might not be too hard to do as long as God gives me breath. I trust by the grace of God I will never confuse the love that He speaks of in this Word with my own imagination and my own desires, though I'm very fallible and could do it. Because we look at even our own family; and I'm not fussing at families now, I'm just telling you, blood's pretty thick.

35. I'm a Canadian by birth you see. Well no, I pleaded with people in Canada and I said, "Listen, I'm a Canadian by birth, don't you dare listen to me on the grounds that I'm a Canadian." I said, "There's only one way to listen: and that's to listen by this word here."

And I was trying to show them what a man of another nationality in Europe would do to them, and they wouldn't listen. And they're still as bogged down in the cesspool that is contrary to this Word as you'll ever get a people. But I'll tell you one thing: you go in to talk about love as his ...?..., you got him.

The devil said, "Now Eve, I just want to tell you something: look, this business of the Word being so correct, my dear, God loves you, and I love you. I wouldn't want to see a beautiful girl like you go down. Oh no. Come on now, we're [I'm] not going to lie to you." But he did. See?

Now, we're looking at this love here. Not love, not as Cain, (see?) going to the beginning with that Word, that real love always was centered on that Word. No place else. See? Now then, see, if you've got that real love, and you can't get gifts in that room, don't put them out here, find out why they're not in that room. Meet the test of the Word. And if they still don't come, fine. But when Bro. Branham got through with this Message, we know the difference today between "those who serve God, and those who don't serve God, and what is righteous and what is wicked." [Mal 3:18] And as I said a while ago, the people want to come by every time and they try to make you think, 'well hey, this fellow's doing a great thing, it's a wonderful thing, you got to have love."

Now look it: we're not supposed to despise the person, we're not supposed to hurt the person, but the Bible warns to withdraw from that kind of stuff.

36. All right, we're talking about the two souls, and I had to bring a lot of stuff in here which maybe I didn't have to bring in, but I let my mind go, so I just let my mind go. And when I let it go, I just let it go.

All right, he said: [Question and Answers 10-45-61]

[58] *...you're intelligent... Your brain is a bunch of matter and cells and so forth; it has no intelligence in itself. If it did, then as long as it laid there..(he said,) it would still operate. (But you see,) it's not your brain; it's your spirit in you. And your soul is the nature of that spirit. That's the soul of the spirit that controls...(Now, he doesn't say, "the nature." Now he said,) "that's the soul of the spirit." (And he's talking about the spirit man. And he said,) "that soul is their controls." ...and the spirit controls the body....*

Now, He said, "You must be born again, and the rebirth takes place in the soul." [Jn 3:3] Then if you've got a rebirth in that soul, what happens, it's your nature that changes so literally the old soul's gone. Just like my body if it goes to dust. God does not bring this same body back, He recreates it. So with the soul, we're new creation. See, the Holy Spirit's down in there now. And the motivating factor's of life are completely changed. Because now the life that was in the Word is in the soul, then if that life that was in the Word is in the soul, the soul will then feed on the Word and begin to produce the Word up into the spirit-man that works through the flesh. That's why there's not hatred. But let me tell you flat: as I said the other day, Moses was confronted by God, and God said, "Stand aside son, I'm going to blot them all out, and I'll take you, because I can trust you and make a nation of you."

And he [Moses] said, "If you blot them out, You blot me out."

37. But one day, some men rose up and they said, "Step aside Moses. Don't think for one minute you've got it all. Don't think for one minute you're a leader. Don't think you've got a certain gift. I want to tell you, we're just as holy as you are, and we've got gifts too, step aside."

And Moses no longer said, "Lord, I'm stepping aside."

See, all the time he stood with that Word and nobody challenged him. But the minute the Word was challenged, he said, "God, if they die the death common to men, (he said,) I don't even have a ministry." [Numbers 16:29]

And God said, "That's right, Moses, if you step aside and watch..."

And I'm going to tell you something brother/sister, it's come to the place today and I'm not vindictive, but I'll tell you, I stand with what I believe. And you do what you want with what I'm

saying, that the people that are doing despite (not to what I preach, because I could be off this Word myself,) but those that do despite to this Word, will not die a death common to men. They'll die in the great tribulation. Now, you put that down, because that's the truth. They will not die a death common. In other words, this generation will not run out with people just dying and dying. There's going to be plague after plague, and cataclysm after cataclysm. [great upheaval] Great, and one sixth of the earth will go at one time. Bam! like that, one sixth. They'll rock and roll and reel, and they'll be burnt to a crisp with the sun out of control. One place they'll burn, the next place they'll freeze. And the fire of God will wipe the whole thing off. They will not die a death common to men. They will die death of judgment.

Now, it tells you right here. Now he says here: *"This brain that's in you, not your brain, it's a spirit."*

38. So, what is man? He's a tri-unity. He's got a body, and within the body are two parts that make up the spiritual part. And the two parts and the spiritual parts, the soul is the thing that causes the animus [hostility] the spirit to move through your flesh. So therefore, you must be born again.

"And he that loses his soul for my sake, shall find it. And he that keepeth his soul, shall lose it." [Mt 16:25]

Now, Bro. Branham did a little drama for the kids. Remember that one? Rich man Lazarus I think it was. I want you to get that sermon and you go into it. And you're going to find that Bro. Branham without knowing one word of the Greek hit it perfectly, because in the Greek, it says, "he that seeketh to save his life, (that's the English) shall lose it." That word in the Greek is 'solas-sukay'. "He that seeketh to save his soul shall lose it." In other words, he wants to use it for himself. "But he that loses his soul to God, gives his soul to God, shall keep it." Now the other guy will go to the Lake of Fire and be destroyed.

39. All right, I hope you understand two soul doctrine now, though I know you never got into it the way I did, and I never even got into it very deep, but it's all around through Ohio here. It started with Rev. Paul Jones, and he has become the great promulgator of it. It's gone plumb right around the world, and I have so many people that believe it that I didn't think would believe it. And I'm utterly appalled that they don't understand English. Because tri-unity is tri-unity. That means 'three'. See?

Now, Bro. Branham didn't say you got a brand new soul as our God gave you a new soul, he's telling you here what happened. So when you get born again, you don't have that same old soul. That soul is dead as far as it being that soul. Just like this body of mine, it goes down, dies, comes up, it's the same Lee Vayle. What is it? It's the transformation in those cells. God takes those cells, and those cells no longer are procreated within themselves, but they do become flesh and bone. But different flesh and bone. And it's not a replacement. See?

I've got a replacement temporarily if I die. I go to my spirit body reserved in heaven for me. And I only live in it until I come back and pick up my physical. See? Tri-unity. The spiritual part is soul and spirit. The physical part is body. The body cannot be redeemed, except through death and a resurrection until this very last hour that we saw over here in Corinthians.

40. All right, now, that soul and that spirit, here they are living in this carcass. Judgment is coming. What happens? The soul gets reborn and the minute the soul is reborn the man inside which is a spirit being begins acting through his flesh different. Now, he doesn't act perfect, because that hour has not come. So how are you going to be perfect? You're going to be perfect through the Blood.

How are you going to be righteous as He is righteous? You are going to be born as Spirit of God, and you're going to be thoroughly identified with Him. You're going to be a part of that Word.

Now remember, He was all the Word, you're just a part. You just have a modicum the same as I do. And notice what you'll do: you won't go off that Word. You won't have some kind of stupid love that based upon some phileo thing. See? Cain didn't even have phileo love and killed his brother.

41. All right. There's one thing else in here that I want to talk about and I'm going to let you go.

All right, polygamy. The people, the same people that teach two souls teach polygamy. And they say, "God put us under the covenant of polygamy." Now, that's not so, that we have a contract for polygamy. Which is: a lot of wives for one man. The same people say categorically, "If your wife dies, and you marry, you now have two wives." The same people say, "If you're divorced, that wife is your wife and therefore now you're a polygamist."

So therefore, they prove to the people who want to be polygamist and want to be off the Word, that polygamy is extant. [existing] Though Bro. Branham categorically said, *"Hollywood marriage and divorce is a thousand times worse than polygamy, though we know that's wrong."* He said, *"Polygamy is a thousand times better than Hollywood's marriage and divorce,"* is what he really said, but we know it is wrong.

42. Now, let's find out what the prophet said about this business. [Questions and Answers 10-15-61]

[62] Now, Brother Branham, I was married to a woman that had been married before. We divorced, and she has been married twice since. The Bible states that if we desire to marry--if we desire to marry, to turn to the first wife. Now, could I turn to her who has been married before or could I be free? (Bro. Branham reads [from Matthew 5:] *"Whosoever puts away his wife and marries another, saving the cause of fornications... commits adultery:(and so on.)"*)

What I want to read here: the man says,

"Am I free?" Let me read it again. "I was married to a woman that had never been married before. We divorced, and she has been married twice (I suppose this person has remained single.) The Bible states that if we desire to marry to turn to... first again." No, sir.(No way. Go with) the Levitical law. You go back to that woman, she's somebody else's property.

[63] *You've defiled and made yourself worse off than ever. No, you should not take a wife back who's been married to somebody else. Now, "Could I turn to her who has been married before or should I be stay free?" You are free. Stay free. Yeah, you don't go back again. No. She's married to somebody else; (see, because she's been married. She's not free to marry and you're not free.) That's right. Don't... That defiles. You understand. If we had a little more time, I'd like to get into that. But just for your question, my brother, whoever you are. No, sir. Don't you go back and take that woman when she's been married two or three times since she married you. That's wrong.*

Now, they would try to take that and say, "Well, hey, that woman still that man's wife. Bro. Branham said, "No way." No way. No, you've got fallacious [misleading] doctrine. The answer's always here in the Word if we just run across It.

I married a couple here not long ago that'd been married, they divorced and went away, an old couple. That was Brother and Sister Puckett; that's exactly who it was. They just couldn't get along and had a little spat between them; they divorced. She lived just as true and single as she could be, and he lived the same way. And after while, they seen how silly they were, (so when you get fussing around your wife, and so just remember, you're pretty silly. And then when she makes up you become 'silly putty'. [loud laughter]

43. I found this one thing: that you know... my wife and I have had squabbles. I'm the worse one. She's very seldom. She bugs me, but I admit it, it's my own fault ninety nine out of a hundred. And I'll say, "Well, I won't even talk, I won't do this and that." You got to talk sometimes. [loud laughter] Even just say, "The soup's too hot." Usually it's too cold. She can't make hot soup hot enough for me. And you know, you just waste a lot of time being jackasses. So after quite a few years I learned, well, what she'd already learned way ahead of me. [Bro. Vayle chuckles] I won't tell what happened. I got so mad years ago that I walked out of the house and didn't know if I'd ever come back. It was my fault, I started it, but she ended it. [chuckles again] I was going to end that. But she said, "Quit acting like a kid." I realized she was right. Marrying these nurses, you know, they... even got doctor's orders all the time. [laughter] No, but this is a word to the wise. There's no sense in carrying anything on. End it abruptly and get back to where you were, because they're going to get back anyway. Now, you say,

...they seen how silly they (were doing that.) And so they wanted to be married. I said, "Sure. "That's all right, that's what you should be." Well, they was married all the time. They never had been divorced; just give them papers to live together as husband and wife; that's all...

So, what did the divorce paper's do? Nothing. You know, it requires a law of papers. I realize that. But he's trying to tell you that this here: look, even if they didn't have the paper, God didn't say, get a piece of paper. Marriage to God is marriage. And he didn't say just get a piece of paper to separate. That's from God too. In other words, He has got to be in everything. So a little bit of paper said you're separated. Little bit of paper said put it together. He said, "*That's ridiculous,*" he said, "*They were married, they had a marriage, and they should have stayed together.*"

44. So, I don't know how much help you've got this morning, maybe none. That's too bad if you didn't. Come back another time, and I'll see what I can do for you. But I wanted to bring you this, because look, I am appalled, and maybe I've got no right to be appalled, but I've been home so much of the time, I had not realized the magnitude of what has come out of the two souls, which I don't even care about. Look, if three or four soul's okay by me as long as they've got it. But when you start talking polygamy to young men there's one place they'll go, and that's to somebody else's room when they belong with one wife. And I'll fight it at the drop of a hat, and I want you to know that, that there is no place the prophet taught that polygamy was the order of the day. And prove it by the fact: "Well, I was married and my wife died and I got another wife, so I got wives." No way. Or my wife and I divorced. "So now you see, I've got two wives." No way. She's gone, she's gone, she's gone. It's asunder, it's over.

45. Now you may have to account somewhere down the line, that's God's business and your business. But you can't build the doctrine for the sake of polygamy which will incite people. And I got it right on tape what the man said. He looked down and he mentioned a man's name and Paul Jones can say what he wants. Now you may not feel good of me mentioning names, but I don't

care if you feel good or not. Because I'm telling you flat, I have got the tapes and he preaches polygamist doctrine and he looked at a man called Skags(?) And he said, "Bro. Skags wouldn't you like to have a couple of sixteen year olds running around home?" Now, tell me what for? To wash the other wife's baby diapers? To cook the meals? Sex! The very thing that Bro. Branham said caused it all, and this man is fomenting. [to instigate, discord, rebellion]

Now, let me tell you people here: I know you have no ideas along that line, but if anybody even talked you could just shut your mouth, I don't want to hear one word, you're wrong, you're wrong. Out! Have nothing to do with him. And so Skags(?), I'd imagine his wife would have killed him if she said that he said something else.

He said, "No Bro. Jones, he said I'm satisfied with my wife." And Bro. Jones very beautifully said he was satisfied with his wife. I won't add anything to that. [laughter]

Did they lie? I don't know. I don't know. But I want to tell you, that sin is in the world more than ever. Keep clean from all that stuff. I don't understand it. Before God I don't understand all about marriage and divorce. I don't understand about a lot of things, but I know something is very hideous behind it, or the prophet would not of hit it the way he hid it.

46. So, you've got the two doctrines the best I could tell you to tell you why they're radically wrong. It's right from the very start of the interpretation, the whole doctrine falls flat. They both fall flat.

Now, there is a polygamy which is true, which is God is polygamist in the sense that He gave Christ the Bride of many members. But as David had five hundred wives constituted one wife, we believe that, we stand for it, but I'm not going to put myself with God. I could say honestly, and I know you can say the men standing here with me, I know you're gentlemen, that you're men of God and I know you're happy with your wives, the ones you've got, you don't have roving eyes, you're looking around and that's the way it should be. It's the way it should be. Just be loyal and make up your mind to be a better husband than ever. I make up my mind, and I don't have much of a mind to make up, I guess, and I ...?... much better. But I'll say for the glory of God if there's any glory in it, my wife and I have a better marriage then we've ever had. And I appreciate her more than I ever did. So, that's the way it should be. Now, that's the two doctrines that I discussed and we'll get into the other things more later on. Let's bow our heads in prayer.

Kind heavenly Father, we look to You now in Jesus' Name for Your benefits and blessing upon us. I know the people here already knew these things we talked about, but, O God, so many times we just have to nail things down, over and over again, lest we let them slip and Satan can come in so easily. Lord, You know that I'm not talking to these people to take advantage over them, to make them think that I'm somebody, got all the answers which I don't have. I'd let them know I had problems with some of these things, don't see them too clear. But know, Lord, that You have spoken to my heart which I did go to You concerning the matter. And You said, "Leave it alone, it is the wrong doctrine." And here I finally see after all these years, maybe fourteen solid years, whatever it is. I see the answer right here, the way I knew it had to be from what the prophet said, I just never run across it. But I thank You for the answer. They help, and I know, Lord, the people's hearts also will stand with the answer, and so there's no way the people can talk, they just even walk away.

Lord, I don't believe we're to engage ourselves in useless confrontations, because if we could have a dozen wives what would it matter. And if we had a dozen souls what would it matter. If one

of us wasn't born again somewhere to the right one wasn't born again. If there wasn't that eternal life, what would it matter?

And so, Lord, we just don't want to waste our time with extraneous matters, we believe now we see exactly what he was saying, and therefore what You were saying and we thank You for it. Which is very grateful that we can settle hearts and our minds and know these things.

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