

Who Is This Melchisedec? #22

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Shall we pray? Heavenly Father we realize that for centuries people have been saying that You are here and we know that You have always been here in a certain particular way because the apostle Paul said, "In Him we live and move, and have our very being." That You have made all things and by You all things are maintained--and then Lord by the Pillar of Fire You are with Israel though You had to leave them; and then after the birth of the New Testament Church You are with the saints by filling them, giving them a portion of Your Spirit. But we know at the end time there was to be, and is, and has been, an appearing of Your Presence Lord in the Pillar of Fire which we know was vindicated.

And Lord, here we are at this hour and we are not yet truly solemn and sober, and believing concerning that Lord, "That all things are possible now that You are present." And we know that the "All things possible," Lord, are what You've laid down in Your Word because we have not been given the right Lord to ask of You those things which You have not set forth in Your Word.

So we pray this morning You'll encourage our hearts somehow. We don't know how You're going to do it; how You'll bring forth the Word, whatever Lord, but encourage our hearts in such a way to exalt Your Presence Lord and exult in it, O God, and to be very serious and sober concerning it and the Word of truth, Lord, that is come forth in this hour.

So Father, we just ask You now to help us bring our thoughts together and say those things, Lord, though they be deep, might be deep and profound, we don't know; that's according to what You give us, but may they be easily understood. In all things therefore and the remainder of this service we commit ourselves to you, trusting that You will help us. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen. You may be seated.

Now, we're right up to about number twenty-two, I believe it is in, "Who Is This Melchisedec?" and just backgrounding a bit on the subject, "Who is this particular person?" Bro. Branham took for his reading in the book of Hebrews the 7th chapter.

- (1) For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;
- (2) To whom (That's Melchisedec.) also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;
- (3) Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, neither end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

Now we know that the understanding that the theologian, the scholars have of this particular portion of Scripture is that wherein it says, "Without father, without mother," it means

that this man did not have any genealogy that anybody could possibly trace. And then when it says, "Also having neither beginning of days nor end of life," it means that they don't know when He was born and when He died. And then because He had no children, no issue, because He was cut off evidently somehow, there is no record whatsoever of Him but evidently He was some kind of a priest unto the most high God, which is very strange because God had separated Himself to Abraham and Abraham to Himself so it is not logical to believe--though the theologians are very logical thinkers according to their own thinking. It is not Scriptural nor logical to believe that there would be a priest who could minister to Abraham, a priest of the most high God.

So, you understand what I'm saying? That God recognized Abraham and Abraham alone. So how could He have had a priest to minister to Abraham? It's ridiculous--couldn't have. So, when you look at this person as merely a human being, without a genealogy, without issue, a once and for all priest and then they have the nerve to go to the book of Hebrews, the rest of this here, (having studied Genesis) and call it a priesthood. That's more than I can figure because one priest does not constitute a priesthood because you're looking at a lineage and you're looking down the road.

So, Bro. Branham being a vindicated prophet, and we believe that he opened the Seven Seals and especially number seven under which were the Seven Thunders, categorically states: That this person Melchisedec was literally God in a human form. Now this maybe stumbles people but it isn't necessary to be stumbled on the grounds of Genesis 18, which follows Genesis 14, where Melchisedec appeared to Abraham. Now it says here in chapter 18, verse one.

- (1) And the LORD appeared unto him (Abraham) in the plains of Mamre: as Abraham sat in the tent door in the heat of the day;
- (2) And Abraham lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,
- (3) And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: (And so on.)

You'll find out in reading the rest of this that one of those men that--as Bro. Branham said, *Ate the flesh of the calf and drank the milk of the cow*--one of those men was actually called Elohim, and two of them were angels that went down to Sodom to deliver Lot and destroy that filthy city along with Gomorrah. For it says in the 14th verse after Abraham and this person had talked together about Abraham having a son by Sarah, which had been promised him by God, that Sarah laughed. She evidently didn't really recognize God though Abraham did, Elohim, and she laughed and [God] said:

- (13) Why did Sarah laugh?
- (14) Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed will I return...

Now what was the time appointed? When she would be changed back to a young lady and he to a young man because it's utterly ridiculous to think that God would have a ninety year

old woman have a baby. That's the utmost of stupidity. And it's utmost stupidity to believe that a Gentile King, Philistine King would want a ninety year old doughty grandma for a beautiful young wife.

Now I know the world's perverted today and we see that today. Sheez! Well when you see people, like Cher and the rest of them, marry at forty-five years old shacked up with twenty-three year olds I guess you figure grandma at ninety could grab an eighteen year old, I guess--I don't know. We're stupid today but that king wasn't stupid. He had his choice of the fairest in the land. So she was changed back to a young woman. We know that--Bro. Branham saw that, revealed that to us through the opening of the Seals.

Now, what we're looking at here then is the fact that God, when He so desired, took upon Himself some exterior form that people like you and me, Abraham and so on because we're human, could apprehend it. In other words, say now, "I can communicate and I'm beginning to understand there is something here." Then God would begin to communicate His Word to whomever He desired to communicate it.

Now, you'll notice if you carefully read the Scripture in the book of Genesis you will find that God was constantly appearing in some form to somebody. Maybe a Pillar of Fire, maybe a cloud, could be a whirlwind, mostly human factor is what He used.

Now when you get to the book of Exodus you'll find again that God is using a factor that He can communicate to man through, which in the case I'm speaking, is a Pillar of Fire in a bush as He attracted Moses. Then having attracted Moses, He sent Moses down to Egypt to deliver the children of Israel with tremendous signs and wonders which would convince Israel and the Egyptians that God had spoken to Moses and would do through Moses what God said He would do. Now that was the idea. But on top of that God literally appeared in a Pillar of Fire with great thunderings, and lightning and earthquakes from Mt. Sinai so they literally heard the voice of God and literally saw what God allowed them to see because no man can truly see God and live--it isn't necessary anyway.

Now Israel was so affrighted by that they said, "All right, we don't want to see God anymore. We don't want to hear God anymore. We believe in Abraham. We believe in Isaac. We believe in Jacob. We believe in you Moses. Why don't you go to God and say, 'Look God here's what You do if You don't mind doing it. You speak to Moses and then he'll speak to us.'" And God said, "That's exactly the way it's going to be from now on." God speaking in a prophet and through a prophet, and Paul speaking in the book of Hebrews tells us, "That God was in the prophets."

So therefore God was not so much anymore in a whirlwind. God was not so much anymore in a Pillar of Fire, but God was basically, and intrinsically in the prophet to speak to the people, he becoming God to the people but God reserving His rights to be in a Pillar of Fire, or a whirlwind, or a cloud, or a voice, whatever way He wanted to deal with the prophet who would then in turn deal with the people.

So, what I'm trying to bring to your attention here is the fact then that if Bro. Branham came on the scene as a vindicated prophet with, "THUS SAITH THE LORD,"--and here's what I don't understand about people like this Mr. Weaver writing a book on Bro. Branham and writing against him, and taking the word of some fellow in Germany who believed that Bro. Branham was in spiritism, and defiantly told the world that Bro. Branham was a mesmerizer, that he was maybe necromancer, a witch, or God knows what, and dare to defile the name of God to this extent; that William Branham used the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ and God backed it up. What kind of a God is that? I wouldn't give you two bits, or a needle in a haystack for a God like that! Because it shows He hasn't got any integrity.

Let me tell you something, this man Mr...I forget his name, I can't remember it so I won't try, but that man will perish in the Lake of Fire after having suffered for impugning God and making God a liar and making the devil a healer. People just don't want to believe God's Word.

So therefore a vindicated man, and that is a picture taken by a photographer, he didn't even know he was taking it. Checked out by George J. Lacey with every single conceivable type of expert analysis and said, "That is a picture of a supernatural being and the first one in history."

Now you can do what you want about it, but when a man comes in the Name of the Lord and the thing that he says comes to pass, God says, "That is the man you listen to." And I care for no German theologian. I care for no German period, theologian or not, or any Irishman, or anybody else, or any color that comes against the Word of the Living God.

So we're looking at a vindicated prophet who said, *That Melchisedec, without father, without mother, would have to have been a direct creation of God.* Not simply one without a genealogy, without descent. That tells you He didn't come from anybody and He didn't have any issue. So He was made like unto the Son of God as a perfect type. And I want to ask you a question: did Jesus Christ, when it comes to His conception, when it comes to His beginning, did He have a father called Joseph and a woman called Mary for His mother wherein Joseph supplied the sperm and Mary supplied the egg and brought forth a child? Now anybody that thinks that Mary supplied the egg is a complete fool. And anybody that thinks Joseph supplied the sperm is even a greater fool because you're dealing with a virgin birth.

And the virgin birth it means: "Without male intervention," and goes further than that; a woman cannot have a child by herself. She does not have the proper chromosomes, I think X chromosomes belongs to both male and female so by parthogenesis she might possibly have a baby girl which is impossible as far as we know, but she could never have a male child because woman don't have the chromosome. So then did Mary have an egg? No. Then what was she? She was an incubator. So now we have Jesus without a father and without a mother. We're speaking now in terms of a descent. The only father He could possibly have was a creatorial Father or a creator Father that could have produced that body.

So you see, if you don't understand Scripture you can get all mixed up. You could say, "Well this fellow here he just happened on the scene. Nobody has anything about him, nobody knows. We just let it go at that." When you go right into Scripture you begin to understand when

you've got a prophet to give you the keys and all the clues to it; you can find here that this One here which was the beginning of the priesthood, and there was no continuation, and He would have been the head of that priesthood; but you notice it says, "That Jesus became the head of that priesthood." Now how did He get it? Well we'll get into that later on if we've got time.

But in the meantime we're looking at the statement that Bro. Branham made, *This One here was literally God. God Himself, who made Himself a figure like unto a man. It was a human figure, that stood there and God Himself was that person.* Now you notice in plain English what we're telling you then: that Melchisedec is another name for God. And the name for God at this particular point and in this revelation is King of Righteousness, and King of Peace; and at the same time He was a priest ministering. So we see the perfect picture of Jesus in the flesh. The created egg and sperm from the very life of Almighty God Himself, being a King of Righteousness and a King of Peace and ministering, ministering from God to man.

Now you notice in here that this One offered the elements of the shed blood and the broken body. And Jesus Christ will offer again the elements of the shed blood and the broken body, He Himself to us, when He is King of Righteousness and King of Peace. Now that's what He's going to do. So you've got a beautiful reality here and you've got a beautiful reality in Christ. You've got a type here and you've got a fulfilment in Christ, what we are looking at.

Now, let's try to bring some more thoughts out here. We want to go back to the book of Hebrews again and we're going to look at chapter...let's see, let's look at chapter eleven and we're going to look at verses eight to ten.

- (8) By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.
- (9) By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:
- (10) For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Now, what Abraham was looking for, according to this Scripture, was a city that had foundations, whose builder and maker is God. But let's go back to Genesis the 12th chapter and here we find what God said to Abraham:

- (1) ...Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:
- (2) And I will make of thee a great nation,

Now you notice that the genesis, or the beginning, is in Abraham and not in his father. So therefore there is now a genealogy which Abraham himself was heir to a genealogy right back to Adam, right back to Adam through Seth, right on down the line, but God draws a line at the time of Abram's birth. And He said, "Now it's going to be numbered from you. It's no longer

numbered from Adam” although it still is by the way because you go plumb back to him. Remember Adam was a son of God. “But now it comes from Abraham.” He said:

- (2) I'll make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:
- (3) I'll bless them that bless thee, curse them that curse thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

So now we have Abraham here as the head of all the redeemed of all the earth whether they are going to be Jews, Gentiles, red, yellow, green, black, white, purple, who cares about color or nationality or anything else? It doesn't matter--he is the one.

- (4) So Abraham departed (He was Abram then)...and Abram was seventy-five years old, he went out of Haran.
- (5) Took his wife Sarai, took Lot his brother's son, all their substance; went into Canaan.
- (6) Passed through various areas right in there.

And then it says in verse eight:

- (8) He removed himself from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, (And that's the house of God.) having Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.
- (9) And then he began journeying.

Now, over here in the book of Acts, and I want to try to bring this together for you just...we're looking at Abraham now and he's the fellow that met Melchisedec, which was actually God in a human form. And here's the martyrdom of Steven in the book of Acts the 8th chapter...no I want the 7th chapter, I beg your pardon. And the 7th chapter, he is speaking of Abraham and Moses and the very genealogy of Israel. And it says here in the 8th verse.

- (8) And he gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so Abraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day, (and right on down, and down, and down.)

And he tells you of Abraham. Now watch, the 5th verse is the verse I was really looking for. You can take number four if you want.

- (4) Abraham dwelt in the land of the Chaldeans, (He went out of the land of the Chaldeans, dwelt in the land of Haran and he stayed there until his father died then he went elsewhere into Caanan.)

And notice now in verse five.

- (5) And he (God.) gave him none inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on (Though he set his foot on it.) yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when as yet he had no child.
- (6) And God spake on this wise, That his seed should sojourn in a strange land; (and so on).

Now, you'll notice that this is the book of Acts. We looked at the book of Genesis. We came to the book of Hebrews and we found that Abraham was looking for a city which has foundation, who's builder and maker is God and he was heir to a land, though he walked on it; he did not have the title to it and he could not claim it. So, in his peregrinations--that's his wanderings around--he was looking for a place to settle. A place that had foundations. A place from which he wouldn't be moving any longer. A place positively whose builder and maker was God. Now what city is it that has foundations, whose builder and maker is God? New Jerusalem--that's chapter twenty-one of the book of Revelation.

Now, why I'm saying all this is to bring you back to the 7th chapter of this King. Now:

- (1) This Melchizedek, king of Salem (That's peace.) and priest of the Most High God, (A priest-king.) met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings...

Now, this is the perfect type of the Lord Jesus Christ. See? God dwelling in flesh. God dwelling in a human being--and that's what we're looking at. Is God, as Bro. Branham said, *With skin on it*. It's not badger skins anymore, it's not goat skins of the tabernacle, it's a human skin. Just like God was in the prophets.

Now, God was in this Man. Now He is a king. Now let's look at the word king. To be a king you've got to have some type of a kingdom or you're not a king. See? You've got to have a kingdom. You've got to have that which pertains to a kingdom. So therefore as we look at this particular person here, He must have had a retinue. He must have had a city. He must have had something to match with His title which was king of Salem, king of Righteousness, Priest of the Most High God; because look, how are you going to be a priest to God if there isn't something there that concerns a priesthood?

Now you've got two kinds of priests. You've got a priest of God and from God that ministers to the people. Then you've got a priest of the people that ministers to God. In both cases you've got God and people and somebody between. All right, right here then you have got to settle, as Bro. Branham put it, you have got to find then, somebody that He's ministering from and somebody ministering to. Which we see right here; God took upon Himself a form whereby He was ministering to Abraham and you will notice that He ministered the bread and the wine which is symbolic of the crushed body, the broken body of the Lord Jesus Christ, the shed life and the shed blood. Now that's exactly what Jesus Christ did. He absolutely ministered to man. God ministering to man in the form of a man. Aaron in a man, which was a man, ministered for men unto God--he offered the blood. So that Jesus Christ fulfilled both of those roles.

Now, at the time I'm speaking of, because I was looking down the road a couple thousand years whatever it is, we are looking at a King who must have had a kingdom upon earth. Now this puts God, in my understanding from what Bro. Branham taught, into a very, very peculiar Light because people do not want to believe that God would do a thing like that.

Now listen to me, what's wrong with our thinking is; that we do not think like God and God does not think like us and He does exactly what He wants to do when He wants to do it. How in the world could you have anybody born with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb? Yet John the Baptist was. How in the world could you have a condition like this? And yet there was.

Now if you're going to accept this that this was a King, you are not going to get any historian, you will not get anybody to ever tell you that there is a king without a kingdom. Never has been, never will be because the king is the fellow that makes the kingdom not the kingdom make the fellow. Now if you'd understand that then you tell me who created God? God the great Creator is a King by virtue of the fact that He has a kingdom. Jesus is King by virtue of the fact that He has a kingdom. So therefore by virtue of the fact, there cannot be a kingdom of any description without a king. There's no way and I look at this and I see here where God came down to earth and did something which is absolutely tremendous, which would be the forerunning of the city which is going to come upon earth with the twelve foundations.

Now let's go back to the book...into Hebrews again. We're going to go to chapter thirteen at this time. Now let's read a little bit starting with verse eleven. It's not going to make too much sense but it will make sense.

- (11) For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp.

Now it tells you right there, there is a sacrifice made by the bodies of beasts for the sins of the people. The blood is taken and spilled upon an altar, the bodies are taken outside and burnt. That's one of the types of the sacrifices.

Now watch verse twelve:

- (12) Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate.

They took Him and hung Him...they hung Him on a cross outside of Jerusalem on Calvary's Hill, a place called Golgotha.

Now watch:

- (13) Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, (Go outside of the camp, go on out.) bearing his reproach.

Now notice:

(14) For here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come.

Now what are you looking at? I don't care where you look when you're looking at Jesus, you're looking at a city. That's right. When you look at Melchisedec who does not appear again until He appears in Jesus, which is God in the human form, where God literally comes down and inhabits a body. Not a body like this one He lived in, back in the days of Abraham--but a body wherein He deliberately by the Life of God moved out, and out of that moving out from the cells of the Spirit, there formed around that, the material of it, which was Spirit--formed an egg and a sperm; implanted in the womb of Mary that brought forth that child.

Now it says here, "You have no city, but you go on out to Him and you've got a city." And that's exactly what Abraham did. He moved out to get a city, we move out to get a city. Now I'm trying to show you something here that's important. Whether you have believed or not by reading your Bible there is a tremendous importance in believing in the New Jerusalem. Oh I know you say, "Bro. Vaile, I tell you what, if I could just be the sweetest, humblest Christian and if I could be this and that, you know what I'd do? I'd forfeit that city." You...listen, you shut your mouth. You are so stupid it's to be sickening--and I'm right with you. How can you say contrary to the Word of God, the shed Blood of Jesus Christ, said purchased all this. How can you not identify yourself?

Let me read some more Scripture here to show you what happened back in Genesis is real. That God did have a city! He did have a King! He did have a Priest that ministered from Him to us! And it doesn't change. Now I'm going to tell you something, people are so heavenly minded they're no earthly good. That's right--too heavenly minded. Look in the mirror anytime you want and if you've got what God gave you, you think you got from God something, you'll say, "I'm a child of God, a son of God, I don't care what I look like or anybody else looks like." You've got to say what God said about you and you've got to look beyond your own image. They couldn't look beyond the sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ and see that He was that Melchisedec. He was that King of Righteousness. He was that King of Peace. He was that One that ministered. Sitting here this morning do we really realize it too.

Now let's go a little further and read something else here. In the 12th chapter of the book of Hebrews Paul is speaking of suffering with Christ and I'm going to go into that for another whole message which I don't have time right at this point. I've left it for down the road. And he warns us that there isn't one single solitary son that isn't corrected by the Father. Whether you're physical son born in the flesh or whether you're spiritual son born of God.

Now listen: what is the first thing that correction depends upon? Correction depends upon a rule that was not adhered too because it wasn't known, and broken consequently and wasn't known. There can be no correction until first of all there is a standard. If there is no standard there is no correction. I've said hundreds of times, I suppose I've said it hundreds of times even to you people here; that if there's no answer there's no problem. See? There's no problem. There can't be. Think it over--there can't be, it's impossible. Another thing is there's never anything lost, it's only misplaced. We have a wrong philosophy.

Now, correction--do you think for one minute if a father said to his child, "Now look, we're going to show you how to saw a piece of wood. Now your eye isn't straight like it should be with practice but your hand and your eye will come together eventually. In the meantime we have a thing here called a square and we have a ruler. Now the best thing to do before we cut is to see that the end of the 2x4 is perfectly square or it's not going to work. So now we put the square at the end of the 2x4 and we can see there's maybe fifteen degrees out. This is what fifteen degrees is. We mark it. Fortunately we've got a saw here, we don't even have to use our eye on it we just put it against the square because it's square already and we pull the saw through." You've got a radial saw you pull it through. Say, "Now the end is square."

"Now here's what you do, you be sure that this 2x4 is plumb up against this square here, this buttress here, because if it's off, the saw is going to hit it, you could get cut. The board, the 2x4 come up and knock your head off and if by luck it doesn't do any of those things it's going to be crooked because you've got to follow the rules." Now the kid's a kind of a smarty pants and he doesn't follow the rules and he gets knocked on the head with the 2x4 and the dad says, "Well that's bad enough. I won't have to correct you because I think you've done got corrected."

Well the boy said...and he said, "Now son, look all these marks down here this signifies zero number of inches. This is one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, that's one foot. It goes into twenty-four inches, two foot, thirty-six and up here it's an eight foot length. Now however you want to cut that, all you've got to do is put that 2x4 right there and you hold it right there because the saw hasn't touched it. By the time you get where the saw is, you simply put your finger there and press it, run the saw through, you've got a perfect cut." And the kid's kind of cockeyed because he's too fast. He goes down here and he puts it one inch short. Well the father's got to correct him.

I'm trying to bring out something to show you here: there's no such thing, because correction, unless there's something there in the first place, and the correcting of any child of God is to know the revealed Word of God and to act...first of all to believe it and then to act upon. Now if that kid had really believed his dad he'd have been very meticulous. In fact he would have been so close he would have wiggled the thing back and forth. Dad say, "Now look son, don't get nervous it isn't all that hard. Just take it easy and just push it right up there." Now if a kid's real smart by the time his dad's through teaching him, now this is just woodwork, he will have picked up a lot of things on his own. Now you can't do that with the Word of God. You can't take from, you can't add to It.

Now I'm going to show you something here. See we're looking at a correction. Now God has a Word all laid down here, a Word that is perfectly correct, that was given to us under the apostle Paul. But in the very first church age men and women began to leave the Word until right today we have marriages and divorces, churches messed up, people's lives messed up, everything completely out of cater, everything out of balance, everything bad so that now God did not have in this time a measuring rod for people to measure by. That's why the prophet said they could get by in all those church ages under the law of the sacrifice for ignorance. Now, in Jesus' day and Paul's day, there was no sacrifice for ignorance. Why? Because they knew. Later on the sacrifice for ignorance had to come in.

Now, William Branham comes on the scene as the vindicated prophet with the perfect Word of God. I want to ask you a question: then is there a sacrifice for ignorance? The answer is no. The minute you come head on with the Word of Almighty God there is no more sacrifice. Now God had to correct this Word before He could do anything about putting a judgement upon us.

Now, after reading--and I'm not going to go through this whole thing--after reading the heros of faith in chapter eleven we get into the picture of Jesus suffering outside the gate. We see Him living the entire Word of God, therefore dying for you and for me because that's living the Word of God, to die. Then it's put upon you and me to believe what was accomplished by the Lord Jesus Christ and what was revealed to us by the prophets as Paul said, "My gospel."

Okay, now let's keep moving. And he says, now he said, "I tell you what." He said:

[Heb 12]

- (13) (You people live such lives that people cannot be lead astray.)
- (14) (Live in peace, be holy without blame.)
- (15) (Looking unto Jesus at all times...)
- (16) Unless there be a fornicator or profane person like Essau,

Now we know that fornication and profanity is not the sexual thing and the physically immoral thing, it's a type of the spiritual. Now he said, "You be very careful you do not get involved by going and leaving the standard that God laid down."

Now Bro. Branham laid that right on the line for us. This world is judged by one Christ Jesus. He said, *The Judge is here. The world was already condemned, we're standing before the White Throne right now, it's been all laid out.*

Now we'll get back to Melchisedec, we're coming to Him in that city--don't worry. Now it says here that this fellow Essau positively, when it was too late, wanted to get what was rejected. You know the foolish virgin come and they come too late and they want to get the oil and there's only one place where the oil is and that's in the Word that they rejected.

Do you mind...well I wonder, can I stop for awhile and give you a little interjection here, something to think about? We're going to come back then to where they reject...the foolish virgin rejected at this point right here.

Bro. Branham said, *There's a squeeze coming down.* It's over the Trinitarian doctrine which resolves itself in water baptism, Father, Son and Holy Ghost--right? Just a minute; how many people are baptized in this world in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ or Jesus' Name? Hundreds and hundreds of thousands. Are all those people foolish virgin? The answer is no. You know as well as I do they're not. Then what kind of a squeeze is coming down? If they're in organization, the Catholic church could well go back to it's foundations when they baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. You get what I'm talking about now? Then the pressure may not be just that you're baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let's read something in 2 Timothy here. Paul says here in 2 Timothy the 2nd chapter, verse eight.

- (8) Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel:
- (9) Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, even unto bonds; but the word of the Lord is not bound.

Where would you and I suffer? Because we believe that William Branham was a vindicated prophet from God. And the Catholic church claims that for it's Pope. Now what if the Pope has got to go back and say, "Hey, we blew it. We never should have changed our water baptism." You can let a lot of people right in there but you'd never let the group of people in that take the Word restored in this hour--can't do it. So that squeeze is going to be much tougher squeeze than we think it is, much more devious, much more problematic. I just want to let you know this morning, there's things we can look at every now on this squeeze coming up, which will come.

Now it says here:

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- (17) ...When He would have inherited the blessings,

See he was rejected. Now remember the virgins come, now remember there's a group of virgins that come to Jesus and they said, "Lord open the door to us." And He said, "I used to know you as my wife but I don't know you as my wife anymore." They're rejected. Now let's read on. I've said all this to come to this.

- (18) For you are not come to the mount that might be touched, that burned with fire, nor blackness, and darkness, and tempest,
- (19) And the sound of a trumpet, the voice of words; which voice that they heard entreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:
- (20) For they could not endure that which was commanded,

See? What was commanded? The Word of God laid out, the plumb line. Isn't it wonderful to have instructions, the kind of instructions that you know if you follow them you couldn't go wrong? The 119 Psalms speaks of that, the Bible speaks of that. "What shall I set before thee young men?" The Word of God, they'll never go wrong. What about the young women? The Word of God, they'll never go wrong. What about the old men? The Word of God, they'll never go wrong. [end on side one] There's no way to ever go wrong with the Word of God as long as you follow it.

Now see:

- (19) And the sound of trumpet, ...they entreated (and said, "Don't...we don't want to hear from God anymore. It's too terrible to think of hearing from God, let's hear through a man.")

That sealed it in. Now watch.

(22) But you are come to Mount Sion,

Now look it, over here we read it.

[Heb 13]

(14) We have no continuing city, but we seek one.

How are you going to get it? You're going to go outside the camp where Jesus is. In the Seventh Church Age, He's outside the church and He doesn't go into the church. You've got to go out. They put Him out. And they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh. How can they crucify to themselves the son of God afresh unless He does something, so radical, because He was a radical, not a hippie, just a radical. He was so radical from the status quo they said, "Get rid of Him." Then what's God going to do at the end time through a prophet and through a people that's so radical they've got to get rid of them? "No continuing city."

All right now, here it says here, "God having given His Word and it's not a Word that passes away, because that glory faded." And remember Israel had a great glory--it faded. But the glory in this hour does not fade. So you're going plumb to a city with foundations from whatever God does at this time. Now that's what I'm driving at with Melchisedec because in this age God ministers one more time to the people. Now let me prove it to you, let's keep reading.

(22) You are not come to Mt. Zion but...you are come to the mount Sion,
(Not to Mt. Sinai.) unto the city of the Living God, the heavenly
Jerusalem, (Which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.)
to an innumerable company of messengers,

(23) To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, (That's Christ's
own church. The firstborn from amongst the dead, the first
Resurrection. That's His own church.) which is written in Heaven and
to God the Judge of all,

Do you realize what he's saying? Since the Seals are open, since we see the full revelation, the manifestation and Presence of Christ; you are right now right in face of the New Jerusalem, right in face of the Lamb upon the throne, right in face of the Judge that says, "Either come in or get out." Now look it people, I'm not leading you to believe something ten thousand years down the road--I'm trying to get you to see right now and you know it. I'm not a preacher looking down the road, looking back. I'm a preacher looking now, and if you think I'm not that kind of a preacher get yourself another one because I stand here and tell you I am, and I can prove it by my sermons that I follow the prophet right to the letter. No looking back, no looking forward, looking right now.

Now:

(23) To the general assembly of the church of the first born,

In other words, you're facing right now the Resurrection and with it you're facing the assembling together of every single New Testament and Old Testament Bride. That's right, and before you can come on down here in the Millennium remember, the 144,000 got to be disposed of because they come up as a part of the first Resurrection and they serve the Bride as eunuchs in the chamber, but not just one thousand years but millions of years.

(23) ...And to the spirits of just men made perfect,

Now, what have you got here? You have got the resurrected first born and you've got the first born standing here that don't die. And so justified your spirit doesn't leave you. This body you were born with and dropped from your mother's womb had a spirit right here ready to enliven that little body which contained a soul. But it's not the soul that gives the body the spark of life--it's that spirit. See?

Now when you die that spirit leaves first and goes wherever God wants to put it because it was allowed of God and came from God but is not the spirit of God. The book of Ecclesiastes, "The spirit goes back to God who gave it." Jesus said, "Into Thy hands I commend My Spirit," but His soul went down into Hades, the body went a third place--He was split three ways. Now I'm telling you right here, it tells you here, "And to the spirits of just men made perfect." Come to a complete conclusion of child training that God gets everything out of you that He wants to get out of you, having put everything in you that He wants to put in you.

Now here's where your standing is: Bro. Branham said, I wish I had it with me I could read it to you right now "Spoken Word Is The Original Seed" and he said, *There's a super, super, super race approaching unto Christ right now the Headstone*. And the Headstone is here in the form of the Holy Spirit. And perfection has come because we have the perfect revealed Word of God and it's not do this, and don't do that or the other thing, it tells you the Word of God. What does that perfect Word tell you? Let me read it to you over here in the book of Ephesians in case you've got your own ideas. This will tell you what the Message is if you want to know the Message. You say, "Bro. Branham what is your Message?" I'll tell you what his message is right here. Paul speaking to the church. Eph 1:17.

(16) We cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;

(17) That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

And it tells you right there, there is an absolute revelation of God Himself in this hour and one of those revelations under the Seventh Seal is concerning Melchisedec. And people go along and say, "Well this fellow Branham, boy did he lay a hard boiled egg. Stupid, stupid, stupid, that shows you what those guys are that get gifts from God and can't handle it. They get high minded and heady. Now if they were theologians like us." You bunch of dirty dogs. Why should I talk about a dog--there's worse than dogs. Oh yes, full of their rotten criticism. Say, "Bro. Branham made a great mistake. He opened the Seals and brought out this junk about Melchisedec." If you understand what I understand this morning you'll see something to it the

theologian will never see. I'm striving for reality. I know it hangs there and the more I talk about it the more I'm going to get it.

I was a school teacher for a little while. Any school teacher knows the first law of Pedagogy is repetition--I don't care who you are. If you're not a good repeater you'll never make a good teacher. You don't repeat the same thing like an old saw going ding, ding, ding or something but you repeat it many different ways--this way, that way. You teach a thing fourteen different ways, fifteen, twenty times if you have to but you get it across. Bro. Branham told the truth what it was here. Now here it is, the revelation of Him.

(18) The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of his calling,

Do you realize that means it's going to put you back before eternity, before a beginning? That's going to begin to probe the depths of God? You show me a theologian do it--they can't even tell you what this means. I read all the books. Every time I go to a Bible store, I tell you, I pick up the first and see what he's got to say about Ephesians 1:17-18. Some will tell you it's the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Some got enough brains to know to tell you, "Well the Spirit will reveal something." Now what we should do is get all those books and if the theologians are living, phone them and write them and say:

"Now tell me kind sir, who's He going to reveal it to?"
"Well I hate to, you know, act proud--could be just me."

Who's going to believe him See?

(18) The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of his calling, what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

"What the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints." See? What are those things there. Now notice, when you get that far and only when you get that far, and until you get that far, to the absolute revelation, you will never get to the next step which is the Resurrection and the third step is the Rapture. You won't get it. Now, let's keep reading.

[Heb 12]

(23) ...the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect.

All right, now remember you're looking at the Judge. You're looking at Matthew chapter twenty-five, the ten virgins--the five wise and the five foolish. And the cry went out, "Behold the Bridegroom, come out to meet Him." They all went out. Now five had oil in their containers. Now what is the container of the Holy Ghost? The Word. So therefore the Word was wrong in five and it was right in the other five because God will not put the Holy Ghost upon a Word that is not properly revealed.

Now you know that as well as I do. Let's prove it. Back in the days of Moses there was a man he went out on the Sabbath. He picked up a bunch of sticks to fry his dinner. They said, "Well now Moses, there's something in the Word that you brought us about this man here. According to the Word that you brought us no man is supposed to work on a Sabbath." And this man was working on a Sabbath. So they put him in quarantine. After the quarantine, during the quarantine Moses went before God and he said, "Lord, what about this man." And God said, "Stone him with stones that he die, he defiled the camp." So they took him out and killed him--capital punishment. They all had a hand in it because they all threw stones.

Now you say, "That's pretty tough." It is pretty tough. I'm trying to draw you a picture here. That man did not have the revelation of the Word. Only one man didn't have it, the rest of them did have it. How that one man messed out and everybody else had it is more than I know. That's wonderful, you'd think there would have been a bunch of them. We thank God there's only one.

Now what we're looking at here then at this end time and bringing to your attention is the fact that the wise virgin have the Word of God with the proper revelation because the Spirit is in It. The Spirit of God is not in a triune baptism. The Spirit of God is not in a Trinitarian god. The Spirit of God is not in an organization. The Spirit of God is in only one place and that is that Word which is properly revealed--and the wise virgins had it.

Now, after they consorted with Him and the tryst had taken place, the great Marriage Supper was about to be entered into, the other five came too late. Sure--they died, is what actually happened. They'll come up with the second Resurrection. See? They're virgins--they're not out there as a non virgin, they're not out there serpent seed, they're virgins. They come up but they come up too late. They are never in the Wedding Supper and they're never part of the Bride and their glory is outside and they can only bring it to the gates. See?

Let's keep reading here now because this is what we're looking at.

(24) And to Jesus, (You're coming right to Jesus now. Now He's...you're coming right to the first begotten of the dead, Christ is the head and here He is down here.) Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

In other words, what you're looking at right now is the plumb full effects of the Blood. And the plumb and full effects of the Blood is not simply to be, to make you a Christian, to make you a better person, to make you a loving individual, but it is to make you believe the Word of God and identify with it according to revelation, not your own mind. So a lot of people that come along and say, "Well you know, bless God, I'd just be a fine Christian and just really show the glory of God." I've done this myself and been very stupid. I'll be honest with you. "Lord if I could glorify Your Name."

Now you might even think Bro. Branham said that, but you better be careful what you think he said because he had to say what Paul said. See? You could say, "Well Lord God if I could just be pleasing to you, I would gladly forfeit my life." Apostle Paul didn't say that. He

said, "I could give my life if possible for my brethren's sake." He didn't say, "I'd be cast into hell for them." That would be stupid. And the apostle Paul said, "If there be no resurrection and in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable." You know why there's a bunch of stupid, miserable Christians? For that very reason. They will not identify with what God said.

I'm asking you this morning: can you identify with Melchisedec, King of Peace and King of Righteousness? God Himself in the form of either a man, or something, would be a man. Extending to a people His own mercy and grace and ministering to people. "For the Son of Man came not to be ministered unto but to minister to." So if the days of the Son of Man have appeared on earth again then God is ministering to His people.

Oh you get the latter rainers, they think they know this but they don't. Pentecost missed it a million miles because they think they're going to be some form of the Melchisedec priesthood, some big falldirah. If you want to be a real Melchisedec start doing things for people. Start getting up in the morning thinking not what you want done for you but what you'd like to do for somebody else. Start thinking like Paul the apostle said concerning those that work, you don't work just because the boss is around, you work when he's not around. You don't take his time testifying on the job, you spend your own time or some other time testifying, you give dollar for dollar.

I don't care what the world does brother/sister, we're Christians and you pick up the cross and you suffer. You identify yourself with the one that was rejected. I'm identified with William Branham by the grace of Almighty God because they sure hate him. Now they're really pulling him to pieces. Well let them do it. That's fine by me. If they do it to us we'll just have the strength to take it--don't worry.

Now listen, it says, right at this time, confronting the whole panorama that God laid out from eternity to eternity, he said:

(25) (Now look) See that you refuse not Him that speaketh.

When did Jesus Christ, or when did God, I don't care how you put it, when did God ever close His mouth and say, "My lips are sealed, I will talk no more." Where do you find it? It puts Him in the present tense. It puts Him in continuity of Him that speaketh.

(25) ...For if they escape not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall we not escape, if we turn away from him, (Not that speaketh.) but the One from heaven.

I want to ask you a question; according to the book of Revelation what happened in Rev 10:1? A mighty messenger, not angel, a messenger came down with a rainbow over His head. And there's only One got the rainbow and that's God--the One seated on the throne. The One in Revelation five became the One in Revelation 10:1.

Now it says, He comes down. It says back there when He was in the form of Jesus Christ:

(26) Whose voice then shook the earth:

It did. It shook it upon Mt. Sinai, it brought a great earthquake around the world when Jesus gave up the Ghost and cried to God--a great earthquake came. Now:

(26) But hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but heaven also.

(27) And this Word, (Which means when He speaks this final time.) Yet once more, signifies the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made,

Now I'm going to tell you something right there, I think Bro. Branham put that into the hands of man, man made doctrine but I'm going to go a little further. I'm going to put it right into the hands of God that made everything around here. And I tell you, everything is going to get shaken down, every human being, every building, all the soil, everything. It's going to get shaken plumb down and dissolved and the only ones that miss it, and only things that miss it are the ones standing right in this present hour before Melchisedec, the priest--God ministering. Before the Judge--Judge always comes with Son of Man. Before the very presence of the Holy city right at the White Throne.

I don't understand people, how they can talk and how they can say things when they realize you're right in the presence of God and the White Throne. You know something? This generation here doesn't have to have its words brought up like other generations thousands of years back, they take their words right with them and you and I do too. It's a good thing we've got Christ on our side, brother/sister.

(27) Yet once more, ...the things which cannot be shaken remain.

That's right. The only hope, my brother/sister, is what? That which has the ability to listen to the Word alone remains unshaken. How much Word do you listen to? How much are you interested in? How much do you talk Word? I'm a fine one to answer these questions, to ask them. We all stand naked before God today, but remember Malachi does not fail. "There was a people that talked often one to another and the Lord heard them," and they weren't talking to God, they were talking to each other. And they must have been talking about something that pleased God, because He said, "These are my jewels." And those were the only people that understood righteousness from wickedness; those who served God and those who didn't. They were the wise virgins. See? Standing right here, not shaken down.

Spirits justified--that tricky spirit that plays in your mind through your body, would deceive your soul and deceive your very ways. Bro. Branham said, *I'll tell you how to get the victory over that fellow. You just plug every channel of your mind with this Word.* You say, "Do you mean to tell me." I don't mean to tell you nothing, it's been vindicated. The Message of the prophet is the only thing you can plug your mind with and I can plug my mind with and get anywhere.

Isn't it nice to know your standing where Abraham stood. Oh he stood in the very presence of God in the form of human man--God ministering to Abraham and there was a miniature city there. It didn't have foundation like yours and mine have but it was a type, a type of Jesus Christ Himself ministering through a prophet--there the Pillar of Fire, standing right there. The days of the Son of Man back on earth. God's Word ministering to a people that said, "Hey I'm going to tell you something, everything gets shaken down but you. Everybody gets shook up but you." And He said, "When I come in that cloud of angels," why He said, "you can enter into your rest, relax. The dye is cast, I've made My judgement." Yes. "Into Thy presence I come," they sing. Hogwash. We're in His Presence. That's right--Abraham didn't know it for awhile. God appeared--it wasn't Abraham appearing, God appeared.

Now listen to the twenty-eighth verse then I'm going to close.

(28) Wherefore we receive a kingdom which cannot be moved,

Are you ready to receive a kingdom? You've always wanted one. Some people want to be king so they can lord it over somebody. I'm with Bro. Branham, what kind of a spirit is in people that want to take over anybody? I simply don't understand...I am not a true pastor anymore than a pastor who teaches is a true teacher but he'll teach. I teach but I can also pastor but I'm not a pastor like a real pastor is, anymore than he's a teacher like I'm a teacher. He can't do it. He can't handle the Scripture. It's a gift, it doesn't come by my mind. It comes absolutely by a gift.

Everything I'm saying I sat there knowing there'd be strangers in our group this morning that I've got to preach to, try to give them some insight, we're looking at. In fifteen minutes I have to go through one hour and a half and it all comes together. Look it, as a pastor...a teacher doing a pastoral work, I can't understand that there could be people who say, "I believe this Message," and split homes and destroy lives and do everything under God's high heaven except I know this one thing, "Where the sons of God were the devil came," and ever since then his devils are still appearing. Well I just say this one thing: if you're being harassed and you're being bothered by preachers; I'm going to say this one thing to you, you'd better get your eyes off them and get it onto Melchisedec today.

(28) Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, (and we cannot be moved.)

Now listen to me, if there's two things that can't be moved and one is a kingdom and the other is you and I, and neither one can be moved, then we're going to go on together. I'm not getting out of the way and it's not getting out of the way; and we're both controlled by the One that's doing it all. How then can you be disassociated from the fact of New Jerusalem of which Abraham wanted, and every son of Abraham wants, everybody wants it? Now, it can't be moved.

(28) ...Let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

(29) For our God is a consuming fire.

The same fire that you see there that brought illumination, brother/sister. You know what it was to Egypt? Darkness. The same One that brought warmth brings death.

Now, we've got a few minutes left? Okay, we're going to hit the book of Galatians then I'll close for sure. This came to my mind because it was in my mind as I sat there so I'm going to bring it to you now. The book of Galatians, I think it's around the 4th chapter somewhere there, I'm not positive--yes. The 4th chapter, now verse nineteen.

- (19) My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,
- (20) I desire to be present with you now, and to change my voice; for I stand in doubt of you.

Now this church here loved the apostle Paul until they said, "We'll give you our very eyes, the shirt off of our back. Whatever you say Paul goes." Some smart guy came right around behind Paul, turned the whole bunch around. I wonder if I could put a smart guy in this pulpit and see where you people end up at? I'm not being mean to you, I'm just wondering. I've seen them do it. Get a smooth talker, "Oh such love just drips like honeycomb," and just turn the people's hearts for the, "love, love, love." And the guy is as phoney as a three dollar bill--couldn't preach the truth if he tried. I want to look at that--love is corrective. Yes sir, I'm not hurting anybody's feelings. If I hurt your feelings I'm sorry about that, I didn't mean to. I think you're just being petty, is all. Nobody's feelings should be hurt this morning.

Now he said:

- (21) Tell me, you that desire to be under the law, do you not hear the law?
- (22) For it's written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman.

All right, we've got two women involved here bringing forth sons.

- (23) But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh;

Christ wasn't and Isaac as a type wasn't either because his parents couldn't have any kids. It was not a thing of the flesh. They tried the flesh, every old which way, it didn't work out. Ever since they were a couple of young kids they wanted to have a boy or a girl, it didn't matter just give them some children--especially a boy of course and a few girls thrown in would be all right; but give me that boy to carry on the father's name, the father's traditions and the whole thing. He said, "No way." See, that wasn't after the flesh. The flesh couldn't produce it. God had to perform a miracle, but it had to come by flesh but not by their will, it was the will of God. In fact, Sarah laughed. She said, "Forget it." So you see what we're talking about? He had two sons, one by a bondwoman. One is born after the flesh, one by a promise. That's right, absolutely by a promise.

- (24) Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar.

Now in other words, Moses spoke...Paul spoke of this in Hebrews. "You are not come, he said, to Mt. Sinai where the bondage is. You are come to New Jerusalem where the freedom is." Now just a minute now, you say, "Just a minute now, the point is I am God's free man. I am not in bondage." Oh yes you are, you're in bondage to Christ the Word but that makes you free from everything else.

Now if you want to fool around with some other ideas and think you can make it this Message with it I've got news for you, you're just kidding yourself. You wait and see, I'm not telling you a lie. I'm telling you the truth, you're going to see very shortly because time can't go on the way it's going on with these AIDS and all. Did you get the last Reader's Digest and read the poor little boy, the little Mormon boy that got AIDS because of blood transfusion, a hemophiliac? Then some of you might think you can fool around in adultery? Sure as you're alive you'll end up dead with the rest of them. Mosquitoes will soon carry it--don't worry.

You've only got one hope. There's only one hope. "Ten thousand fall at the right hand, shall not come nigh thee you. The Lord God is your refuge." How are you going to have the Lord God refuge and to turn the Word down? How are you going turn down him that speak it, the One that came down? How are you going to turn Him down, the Word of God vindicated?

How many got in the ark--tell me? Seven. Now you kids listen to me, not one in the ark was a baby or a child, they were all adults. Say, "Are you trying to scare me?" I'm trying to let you know one thing, it's a time for adulthood, where every child can understand anything. Better get right with God and keep his life right with God because the prophet said, *There's no Rapture until every child, every child of God is brought in and child trained.* And the child training can be fifteen minutes, or twenty minutes, or overnight; I don't know what it's going to be. But I want you to know one thing: that ark is a type somehow. God will take care of our children but I'm telling you children this: you listen to your parents, and you obey your parents, and love this Word, and don't think you're so smart.

Now come on, prove me wrong. Eight people, eight people, all adults. God looks upon every single one in this hour as a mature Christian. You can be eight years old, you can be ten years old, you can be seven years old, but for your age you can be absolutely mature in Christ; because you've taken a perfect Message, a perfect Word of God. And you listen, your parents won't lead you astray--they're not in the business. You'll be an adult before God. He's not speaking to kids in this late hour, little tiny children; sure He is because you're just chronologically you're six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen years of age maybe, but you've got a Message which is an adult message. That's why there's no Sunday school and all that clap trap and balderdash and garbage. You sit right here with your parents, you listen, you be good kids. I love you, you're good kids, I know you are. I'm more proud of these kids than anything I'm proud of in this life.

Now there's an allegory here about these two kids that were born. Two covenants; the one from Mt. Sinai, which is bondage, which is human government, man's government. It's where God made a priesthood finally, where He had men to intervene for men and serve God through men but New Jerusalem has its own priesthood where God Himself serves mankind.

That's right. It's New Jerusalem, Jesus on the throne, and before we call God has answered. Rivers flowing, fruit growing, God in His kingdom everything is right.

(26) Jerusalem which is above is free, and that's our mother.

Our lineage, our life, our all in all is from Almighty God.

(27) For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.

(28) But we brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.

In other words, there's millions out there that don't belong to God. There's millions out there that are going to miss the Holy City. Do you know why? They're not looking for it. They're looking for a wrong Rapture. They're looking for a wrong condition of Rapture, looking for everything wrong. They're looking for a great this, a great that. They're not identifying with the Word of the hour. Listen my brother/sister, I don't care how much we say we identify with Jesus Christ, with the Lord of Glory and all these things--if we don't identify with the Word of the hour where are we? For many years people have tried to identify with this Word of this hour, they haven't been able to.

The Seventh Day Adventist, I was just a tiny little kid four years old or five, about...what was I? Four years old. I remember it well, they said the very night that Christ was going to come and they were all going to go. They went up to the top of the hills where...I don't know, but the next morning the sun came up--they were all there. They tried to make [Dowly-?] Elijah. He said, "I am." He wasn't. But does that mean there won't be a real Elijah? There won't be a real Appearing? There won't be a real Rapture? Certainly there will be.

Now we're not saying, "Hey, join this church." You couldn't join this church if you tried. There's no church here to join. I'm not interested and thank God you're not; you shouldn't be, if you are you're not knowing what I'm preaching this morning. This is where people say, "Look, what is this about God anyway?" I'm trying to tell you. Since the first time in two thousand years, since the time of the apostle Paul, we have had a complete repeat of Scripture in a miniature form, literally from the book of Genesis right to the present hour where the book of Revelation is open in complete view. The Thunders under the Seals have come forth and the Word of God has identified a people. We're identified now in the very Presence of God, the Judge, White Throne, New Jerusalem, Resurrection--you name it. The identification is here for all has devolved upon us. Can't you see brother/sister, that's perfection, that means conclusion? You don't identify with anything less anymore.

Now look, we're going to close but please understand what I'm saying. Until you and I receive this Word and close every channel in our minds, in our souls, and bring in obedience to the Word of God our spirits; we never will know the reality of the revelation which we have received from the prophet. And it is this constant receiving of the Word, and the constant application to our minds--because it's by the renewing of the mind, the transfiguration comes;

the great battle, the battle I mentioned of the eagle last Wednesday or whenever it was brought up. This is what we're looking at.

And my stand has been for the last eight years amongst you: if the Word of God doesn't do it it's not going to be done. I cannot discipline myself and make it happen. I cannot discipline you and make it happen. See? The discipline lies in one channel only which, I must feed that inner man by the Word of God and so must you, and that is what's going to bring forth the transfiguration. The Life within the Word. That's what the foolish virgin did not have. They never had the Holy Ghost and the Word--they had a wrong Word. We have a true vindicated Word. The Holy Ghost must fill that Word and respond to it and if that Word of God is in our minds it'll be in our hearts and the Holy Spirit will take that Word and bring it to life in a human vessel. That's what It did with Jesus. There's no difference. Bro. Branham traced Melchisedec all the way down.

So here we stand today with a vindicated Word, a Word of Almighty God and the power of God, brother/sister, ready to strike it and bring forth them out of the grave, and they without us cannot be made perfect, and they are perfect.

What are you looking for? To be like them, that's the guarantee. That's the guarantee of this hour and I thrill this morning the best I can thrill and I'm just not thrilled as much as I should be--I'm telling you the honest truth. But I'll tell you, I've got this faith that this Word here is going to bring forth in me and bring forth in you what we're talking about today. We're not being here as a social club. We have a lot of fun together. We love each other, we enjoy each other but I tell you the sobriety of this church lies in the fact we believe in a Word that is **The** Word of God that has Life in Itself, then that Word in us having Life in Itself will bring forth that Word. That's right.

Let's rise and be dismissed. Gracious Heavenly Father, we know this morning Lord there are people here, and we're all here together, and I could name myself and every single one that needs this great revelation, Lord, of this Word quickened to us. And we thank You Lord It's been quickened to the extent that we know that this is the revealed Word of Almighty God because You stood behind It when the man said, *THUS SAITH THE LORD*, what he said came to pass and You said, "When you see that man, you listen to him," and that's what we've done. That's all I've done Lord all these years since I began to realize this was the one to listen to, that he had something to say and I appreciate that so much and the people here are the same accord.

And we're very, very appreciative Lord, and we're appreciative of the fact that It's in Your Presence we stand today because You are that One that came down. That has never failed to speak somehow; always speaking through a Word for the hour and now at the end time doing this tremendous thing.

And I look upon it Lord and I realize, what in the world could we possibly want more? Where could we come to You Father and say, "Do something else?" In fact as I look at it Lord I'm of this opinion, I know that I'm wrong when I even talk to You this way, but there are some things that You did by the prophet that as far as I'm concerned I wouldn't even need to be done, yet other people would need it done so that takes care of that. What You did in his life in various

instances, what I saw was enough for me and what You did in his life for so many others is more than enough for all of us. Just the witness of a sincere person who has any creditability at all would be enough to say, "Yes I saw that done, I know it was done." For everybody in town to rejoice a little woman could go with one Word that He had discerned her spirit, looked into her soul and her heart and she said, "Come and see a man that told me the things I did," and the whole city turned out--that was enough.

So Lord, here we are this morning in this very condition here, You've more than done everything we need. We couldn't possibly come to You and say, "Now Lord do this, because we need this done." It's the same Lord with healing, it's the same with everything. What could we come Lord after a vindicated Message? How could we possibly desire anything other than to say, "Lord, be it unto me according to Your Word." I believe it, the Message for healing, the Message for every deliverance, the Message for every type of complex; whatever that is I don't know, we've all got them Lord, some crazy thing that we let bug us is what it amounts to I suppose.

I don't know Lord but I know these things that when I look at this Message here and realize what we've come to, right to the Eternal City, right to God, right to the Resurrection, right to reaching out and shake Bro. Branham's hand pretty soon, daddy Bosworth, all those great saints of God. Lord, see Wesley come up in his day and finally see Paul. O God, what an earth shaking event that's going to be and realize we're the ones that are going to see it because we see what You bought upon Calvary for us, see everything that You...was planned in You before the foundation of the earth and now we've got a glimpse of it.

Father I pray there won't be one person here this morning turns it down, not one. We know that them coming to any altar, which we don't have anyway, is not the answer. We know the answer is, Lord, to receive You without putting one speck of faith in one step or one raising of one hand or anything at all, but in the heart looking to you now for a changed life. To get out of here when that trumpet sounds, taken up to a Wedding Supper. To be ministered to by God Himself right to the Holy City and through Eternity. What a tremendous thing to see Lord and to realize what You've done in this hour.

Bless each one in Divine Presence. I pray, go with us, O God, heal the sick amongst us Lord, help us to pray more for one another and be very, very concerned Lord, very, very concerned Lord. We by now, we believe that baby's been brought forth for Mary Allison, Lord, we pray Lord that if there's something wrong with that baby that by Your Hand right now You'd touch that child, O God, and reverse every process. Give the doctor what he needs if he needs something Lord and if something has to come from You Lord we can see that too. You know what I've seen Father in my own ministry--there's nothing impossible Lord, nothing, wouldn't matter what that child was like, there's nothing impossible. So Father, we commend them to You and each one of us. Now to the King Eternal, Immortal, Invisible, the only wise God be all power, honor, and glory through Jesus Christ our blessed Saviour. Amen.

The Lord bless you. "Take the Name of Jesus with you."