

Why He Is Here (Present) # 2

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Let's just remain standing for prayer, gracious Eternal God, we are very grateful to be allowed to be in Your Presence this evening, Lord, knowing that although all the world stands in Your Presence, there are those who do not understand the special privilege that has been extended that You are here in a way You have not been here for two thousand years. And in such a way that makes us to rejoice knowing that what You have come to do, You are going to fulfill that purpose in and through Yourself, and in the believers at this hour.

Now, Father, we just pray that You will help to recognize Your Presence this moment, be very conscious in the study of Your Word of the reality of that Word being fulfilled at this moment. That we are transformed by the renewing of our minds, knowing that that is the way that Your Word has declared that It is going to be. We accept that tonight, Lord, we do not accept with it with reservation, we accept It absolutely and totally that this is what You are setting forth in Your Word, and what You are setting forth in Yourself at this moment, and setting forth in us so that we are one as we have never one before. We appreciate that, we commend ourselves to Your grace in Jesus' Name. Amen. You may be seated.

1. Now, as I promised Sunday morning I would repeat the message in a different way, in order that you may by the process of repetition find it easier to understand what we have been saying for some time. Now, I'm leading into many reasons as to 'Why He is Here', but we're going back to the thought of Isaiah foretelling His Appearing. And in speaking of the ministering Presence of Jesus in the form of the Holy Spirit in this hour, Bro. Branham used three portions of Scripture in the New Testament and one in the Old to show that.

Now, I'm going to repeat again, (or repeat) what I just said. And that is in speaking of the ministering Presence of Jesus in the form of the Holy Spirit. Bro. Branham used three New Testament Scripture and one Old. Now, we must understand what we mean when we speak of the ministering Presence of Jesus in the form of the Holy Spirit.

In other words, Jesus is here, but not in the form of flesh, but as the Holy Spirit Himself, (or Itself) and He is ministering identically in the Spirit as He ministered through the flesh, and in the flesh of the Lord Jesus Christ. And He is doing it this hour in the sense that there has been predicated in Scripture an hour when He would actually do this. So, the prophet told us that this same One Who was in the flesh and did those things, which we recognize to be set forth especially in the Gospels was here in the form of the Spirit to do the identical thing that He did when He was here on earth.

2. Now, you saw that in many meetings, or you saw the two films, (or at least I hope you did) and you heard many, many tapes where Bro. Branham said, *"We'll ask Him to come, we don't know if He will come, we'll ask Him to come."* And then he'd say, *"He's here."* And then he would say, *"If Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever, then He will do in the Spirit what He did when He was here in the flesh."*

Now, I want you to notice that Bro. Branham used the term, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever." [Heb 13:8] Now, that term is not the same as the one found in the Book of Revelation over here, (and I'll just swing to It quickly) chapter 1:[18] where John sees this One, and this One says, "I am he that liveth and was dead, behold I am alive and forever more."

3. Now, You can hardly make that Hebrews 13:8, because if He is the same yesterday, today and forever, then this could not be the physical flesh, One speaking, because He is not the same today as He was when He was here on earth. Because that One that was here on earth was a human being Who was flesh and blood, but today is not flesh and blood. He has a glorified body. The same yesterday, today and forever refers to the One Who indwelt Him. Such as Bro. Branham mentioned that God took the form of a man when He came on earth as Melchizedek, and there He Appeared to Abraham.

And such illustrations also he gave us concerning the Presence of Almighty God in various forms. And he said that Jesus when it came to Jesus, the incarnation of God it was simply God changing His mask. I don't think that you can actually get a better definition than what Bro. Branham gave in Philippians 2, when he was teaching on that very subject. It was perhaps the most concise he ever taught. Verse 5.

- (5) Let this mind be in you, which also in Christ Jesus.
- (6) Who, being in the form of God, thought it not (a prize) to be (grasped and retained) to be equal with God:
- (7) But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

Now, Bro. Branham mentioned that this is the same One from the beginning, Elohim Who simply changed His mask. In other words, the veil whereby He veiled Himself was also the means of expressing Himself. So, Bro. Branham spoke of the ministering Presence of Jesus, and he called It in the form of the Holy Spirit, and he called It for this hour.

4. Now, taking from the prophet's Message, 'Doing God a Service', he said, *"Today He's standing amongst us, in the Person of the Holy Spirit."* Now, we must understand that this is where I'm getting flack. And the flack is coming from many quarters, because they don't know what I am saying, they don't know what the prophet said.

Now, at Pentecost he came and divided Himself. Not amongst the people, but into the people, and amongst only in the sense that each one had a portion. Do you realize...now look it...we've got enough people here that are brothers and sisters. We got Don and Brad, (they're brothers) we're got Sis. Evans here with her three kids, they're sisters and brothers. We've got... (who else we got) we got the Evans, the Graham kids, and we got the Klassen kids, (which we appreciate seeing) and your sisters and brothers. And each one of you is a part of your father and mother. Or what else are you? Nah, you're not your father and mother. You're you. But the life in your father is in you.

5. Now, this is what we're talking about here. He's standing amongst us. The One that germitized, or spermatized the seed back to God Himself, is here. That's not Pentecost. That's not the baptism with the Holy Ghost. That's the Church being sealed in itself. The Head has come. The Capstone has come. Today He's standing amongst us. Who? Jesus in the Person of the Holy Spirit.

Now, Who is Jesus? Don't get, don't get all flustered about the word 'Jesus', it's Jehovah Savior. Before this One Who was a man and He was and Elected predestinated man, (Peter calls him 'Elected') see, He went through the same thing you and I went through, except we didn't have a theophonic body, therefore we cannot remember anything, but He did. That One...now, we're not talking in terms of the flesh, we're talking now to understand there's Jehovah Savior, is Jehovah Redeemer, and He said, "Beside Me, there is none other." He's talking about it very, very bluntly.

6. Now, what we're saying today He's standing amongst us in the Person of the Holy Spirit. The same One that indwelt the physical flesh of Jesus is standing amongst us coming into His Church. making Himself known.

'Shalom': [64-01-12]

[67] *Don't be weary, Jesus is here... He is here today manifesting Himself, doing the same things He did then, just the same doing the very same things. (And is amongst us today. He showed Himself here with us, and proved and vindicated His Word.)*

Now, I say a lot of people don't understand, that they say, "He's been with us two thousand years, so what?" So what? We're not talking about the fact that by the Holy Spirit, He inseminated people for two thousand years. We're talking about the great Inseminator Himself being here. We're talking about the Creator being here.

'Super Sign': [62-06-24]

[66] *There will be a Bride just as certain as I'm standing in this pulpit; there will be a bride that's washed in the Blood of that Lamb. And that Lamb will be living amongst them, showing super signs of His resurrection, after two thousand years the same thing He did when He was here on earth.*

Now, he's telling you absolutely what it's all about. The same One Who was in Jordan, became the temple of the all that there was of God the fullness of the Godhead indwelt Him bodily. Now, the One that indwelt Him, which is the Holy Spirit in His entirety is in the midst of the Church. Now, you understand therefore what we're talking about. We're talking about that One Whose Presence is with us identified by a ministry in this hour, which is as which is it is supposed to be. But, people are ignorant of it.

7. All right, we're going to go to the four passages of Scripture that Bro. Branham used concerning the One Who is here, Who dwelt in the physical form of Jesus Christ. Matthew 24:32-40.

(32) Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender,
(puts) forth leaves, (you) know that summer is nigh:

(33) So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near,
even at the doors.

(34) Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these
things be fulfilled. (Now, that's what He enumerated previous to
this, to be fulfilled.)

(35) Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

- (36) But of that day and hour knoweth no man, not the angels of heaven,
but my Father only.
- (37) But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the (presence) of the Son
of man be.
- (38) For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and
drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe
entered into the ark,
- (39) And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall
also the (presence) of the Son of man be.
- (40) Then shall two be in the field; one shall be taken, the other left.

8. We go to Luke 17:22, which is where Bro. Branham quoted more extensively.

- (22) And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when (you) shall
desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and shall not see it.

Now notice, He's telling them what they're going to desire. Just like He said to Adam, He said, "You're going to leave her for Me." He said, "You're going to desire." Now, there's no way that this could be true, unless they would desire. Otherwise, Jesus was even a rotten fortune teller, because He would have missed it. He's literally prophesying.

- (23) And they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after...nor
follow...
- (24) For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part (of) heaven,
shineth unto the other part under heaven; so shall also the Son of
man be in his day.
- (25) But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation.

Now notice, He said categorically, "The Son of man will have a day that someone longs for. But you're not going to get it, (He said) this side of the resurrection." The Son of man has got to go through the Son of man ministry, he's got to die, and then there's got to come a time when the Son of man ministry comes again, because He said so. In 1953, Daddy Bosworth pulled my coat tails in West Palm Beach, and he said, "Bro. Vayle, I prayed for forty years for the ministry of Jesus Christ to return to this earth, and there It is in that man." And pointed to William Branham. So, Jesus wasn't a fortune teller after all, and a bum one at that. He was God that made that prophecy.

9. Now:

- (26) And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the
Son of man. (Now, there's a period of time determined in each case.)
- (27) They (ate), they drank, they married wives, (gave) in marriage, until
the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed
them all.
- (28) Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they (ate), they drank, they
bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

(29) But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and
brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.

(30) Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.

Apokalupsis, the curtain drawn back when He comes in to the position of His Own
revelation. Now, Bro. Branham used that.

10. Now, turn to John 4:14, and in there we see used some more Scripture. He used It time after
time, after time. Now, this is the woman at the well.

(14) But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never
thirst; the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water
springing up (to) everlasting life.

(15) The woman (said,) give me this water, that I (come) neither hither to
draw. (She didn't understand what He was saying.)

(16) Jesus (said,) Go, call (your) husband, ...

(17) The woman said, I (haven't got a) husband. (And) Jesus said (that's
exactly right, you don't have a) husband:

(18) (You've lived with) five men already and the sixth one you've got
right now isn't your) husband (either.)

(19) The woman (said) Sir, I perceive (you are) a prophet.

Now, she didn't say, "Now you listen, you fat nose busy body..." [laughter]

11. We got a sister in Tucson, her brother is Swedish, as she is Swedish, in Sweden it's popular
for the girls to bring home her boyfriend and they shack up upstairs Friday night until Monday
morning until they go back to school, (wherever they're going) and the parents bring up the tray
and the cookies and all, knowing they're shacking up. Yeah, no wonder Europe is gone to hell,
don't waste your breath and your prayers. So, this fellow stood against it, his wife got mad
because he didn't want the boyfriend in the house messing with his daughter. So, the woman had
her son beat the man up and throw him out. She's shacking up. But at least she had enough sense
to admit it. You talk about morals. The world is not immoral any longer, it is amoral, it has no
morals.

(19) (She said, I see you're) a prophet.

So, she wants a little religious argument here to go on. That's the way everybody talks about
religion, a little argument.

12. So, anyway He says in verse 23,

(23) ...the hour (comes) and now is, when the true worshippers shall
worship the Father in spirit and in truth: the Father seeketh such to
worship him.

(24) God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit
and in truth.

(25) The woman (said), I know that Messiah (comes), which is called
Christ: ...

You see, literally, I know when Messiah comes, see that which is called Christ, that's a reparation, because the word 'Messiah' is Jewish, or Hebrew, and Christos is the same word. Every time you see the word 'Christ' it means 'Messiah'. It's a pity that we didn't translate the Bible that way to keep It in continuity. (See?)

(25) (We know when) Messias cometh, (which is Messiah, that's what it's saying, He's going to) tell us all things.

(26) (And He said, I am that one. See?)

(29) (And the woman said,) Come, see a man, (that) told me all things that ever I did: ...

13. Now, He went back to Genesis 18:9-15, where He speaks concerning Sarah, "Where is Sarah thy wife?"

And Abraham said, "She's in the tent behind me."

And He said, "At this time now she in this year she'll be having the promised son."

And Sarah laughed.

Now, Bro. Branham putting it all together in his typing, which is perfectly true and scriptural. As it was in the days of Sodom, God appeared to Abraham to announce the Son coming in flesh, the promised Son the Royal Seed which is Christ, and Isaac was a type of It.

Now, reading her heart in the tent, was what Bro. Branham did take from the Book of John when Jesus read the woman's heart and knew exactly where her trouble lay, the woman at the well. And the same Spirit did the same thing in the ministry, or the life of Bro. Branham.

So, putting these Scriptures together, Bro. Branham not erroneously, but categorically correctly, taught through the Scriptures and into type that there would come a time when the same Spirit that indwelt Jesus would come back to this earth and prove that He was the same Spirit by doing the same thing I identically as was done in Scripture, where the Scripture brings it out.

14. Now, to get to our own statement, or to get to Bro. Branham's own statement concerning what I have just brought to your attention; he said: *"And do the Saints go through the great tribulation? The Son of man has already come from glory, and is revealing Himself for the past few years to His church in mercy, showing His great Presence doing the same things He did when He was here on earth."*

Now he said, *"The past few years, two thousand years are not a past few years."* He said that in 1957, (or 8, I forget which.) *"For the past few years, (he said) the Son of man has already come from glory."*

Now, he was not saying that Jesus the physical Person was here. (See?) He explained that over there in the Book of Matthew, people coming and saying, "Lo, here is Christ, and lo, there is Christ."

He said, *"Now look it, nobody will say, 'Lo, here is Jesus the man'. Why (he said) they would be too stupid say that, and they're not stupid. But, (he said) Christ means the Anointed One."*

So, they're talking of the Holy Spirit. And they're saying, "Come over here where the Holy Spirit is." And you can't do that. (See?) The Holy Spirit is just wherever He is. Wherever He wants to be. And He is in the singular as that which is defined and limited.

15. You know, so many people think that God is unlimited. He is in His attributes unlimited, as to the extent of His abilities to the point of His wisdom. For God cannot do anything apart from His wisdom. (See?) The power is always dictated to by the wisdom. The Son of man has already come from glory. The Holy Spirit is here revealing Himself. His great Presence doing the same things He did when He was here on earth to the past few years. Revealing Himself like He did to Abraham before the destruction in the form of a man. God in the form of a man chose a lot of people. They don't like God in the form of a man.

You know, I guess that's pretty much, (you know) understandable from the view point of "Thou shalt have no other God before me." You'll have no graven image. You can't make flesh your arm. You can't make a man a great thing. And right away people then go so far to the right, the pendulum swings plumb right out of orbit. Just hold it, "God in many parts in many ways spake in times past unto the fathers in the prophet." [Heb 1:1]

16. God was in the prophets. How much of God? Who'd like to be the theologian and answer that one? Well, just say, "God was in the prophet." Each prophet that came along, God was in him. "Well, (you say) how was that?"

Well, you could go so far as to say, "Well, that portion of the Word which was Spirit filled for that hour was living in the prophet." And you could say that was God in the prophet. That's fine by me, say what you want, that's okay.

But, what if there was like the time when Moses entered into the Pillar of Fire, and the Pillar of Fire into the Moses. How much of God was there? Well, did God say from the burning bush, "Hey, I'm a part me is here. You see, you can't conjecture. The best you can do is take it at a face value and say, "Well, look, all It says here that God was in the prophets, that settles it, then God's in the prophets. If God wants to get into the prophets that takes care of it." (See?)

17. All right, that's what I'm talking about here now, God was in the form of a man back there in the days of Abraham, and He Appeared there. Now, he said, *"He has come now in mercy revealing Himself to the Church. The next time He reveals Himself it'll be in judgment on the world and nations that forgot God."*

Now, He is categorically taken the Scripture and he has shown that according to Scripture absolutely there has to be a Presence of God on this earth, and It is associated with that One Who was here in flesh.

Now, the Scripture distinctly says that concerning Jesus that, "He was the fullness of the Godhead bodily." [Col 2:9] You can't get around it. Again, you come to the River Jordan where the Dove came down as a Dove of Fire and went into Him and stayed within Him. And God said, "This is My beloved Son in Whom I am pleased to dwell." [Mt 3:17] Again the Scripture says, "Hath these last day spoken unto us in the Son, Whom He has appointed heir of all things, by Whom He made the worlds." [Heb 1:2] Jesus Himself said, "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father." [Jn 14:9] "I and My Father are one." [Jn 10:30]

18. Now, it is that One that is Spirit that Bro. Branham was talking about. And I have given you the Scripture, I've given you what he said, and it cannot be gain said, except by those who like to argue. All right, we believe the prophet. But we realize that though these Scriptures are sufficient to prove the point as to His Presence in this hour, Bro. Branham did not as far as I know use the prophetic Scripture of Isaiah 61:1-2, that give the point blank doctrine of His Presence and Appearing as found in the Old Testament.

Now, before we read Isaiah 61:1-2, we're going to go to Luke 4:16-21, because that's what Jesus did.

- (16) And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.
- (17) And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,
- (18) The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; (without which spirit there would be no preaching) he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, (but without that spirit, doing the work, there wouldn't be any brokenhearted taken care of, he sent me) to preach deliverance to the captives, (the recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, (because, and only because of the Spirit of God, because without that nothing would happen.)
- (19) (And) to preach the acceptable year of the Lord.
- (20) And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And (all) eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.
- (21) And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

All right, watch the definitive statement of verse 21. "This day, (this day) is this Scripture fulfilled in your ears." A certain day, a certain Scripture, or the certain word made alive for that day.

19. Now, what part of Isaiah was He reading from? Or what part of Isaiah lived for that day? What part was made flesh? Let's go back to Isaiah 61:1-2a.

- (1) The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;
- (2) To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, ...

Now, that's the Scripture that that day was made alive. Was made flesh. Was fulfilled in their ears. In other words, you have heard the reading. It didn't say It was fulfilled in their eyes. It didn't say it was consummated. It said, "You are hearing the Scripture of this hour that will be fulfilled in this hour." (See?)

20. All right, notice where God cut off that Scripture, for that day, leaving the rest of the Scripture for another day.

All right, let's read It again: "For that day the Spirit of the Lord was upon Jesus Christ, (because God had a purpose, and God is a Spirit) this One was anointed to preach the good

tidings, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, the opening of the prison to them that are blind, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord." That's it! The rest of the Scripture which was for another day was of course that which continued in verse 2 and over in verse 3.

Now, we notice that, and with our noticing, we must never forget the emphasis that I've already placed in the first phrase of verse 1, chapter 61. "The Spirit of God Himself is upon Me." He was anointed by a Spirit.

21. Now, categorically that is Deuteronomy 18:17-19.

- (17) And the LORD said unto me, They have well spoken (what they've) spoken.
- (18) I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and (I'll) put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all I shall command him.
- (19) And (it'll) come to pass, whosoever will not (hear) my words (that) he shall speak in my name, I will require it of (them).

22. Now, we go to Psalms 105:9-15.

- (9) Which covenant he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac;
- (10) And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an (lasting) covenant:
- (11) Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance:
- (12) When they were but a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.
- (13) When they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to another people;
- (14) He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reprov'd kings for their sakes;
- (15) Saying, Touch not mine anointed, (and who are the anointed? The prophets) do my prophets no harm.

Who's He talking about? Abraham. Abraham who went down and because he was a prophet, and even though he got into hot water, God absolutely refused that man to be touched, and refused anybody to even lay a charge against him. And He said, "Don't you dare lay a finger on my anointed." The anointed was the prophet.

23. Let's go now to Hebrews 1: and we'll read it all the way. 1-9. Now, watch what it says here:

- (1) God, who (in many parts in many ways) spake in time past unto the fathers (in) the prophets,
- (2) Hath in these last days spoken unto us (in) Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

Now, listen to this one:

- (3) Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:
- (4) Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.
- (5) For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?
- (6) And again, when he bringeth in the (first born) into the world, he saith, And all the angels of God worship him. (Now notice, there's nothing wrong to worshipping Jesus.)
- (7) And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire.
- (8) But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.
- (9) Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

Placing Jesus with the prophets, and He's the great Prophet of all the prophets.

24. Now, let's just sow a little further, we're going to go to Luke 24:15-21.

- (15) And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.
- (16) But their eyes were holden they should not know him.
- (17) And he said..., What manner of communications are these that (you) have one to another, as (you) walk, and are (so) sad?
- (18) And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, (answered and) said..., (Are you) a stranger in Jerusalem, and (have) not known the things (that have) come to pass there in these days?
- (19) And he said..., What things? ...they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:
- (20) And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and crucified him.
- (21) (And) we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: beside all this, today is the third day since these things were done.
- (22) Yea, certain women also of our company made us astonished, (when they were at the sepulchre; (and so on.)

25. Now, let's go to Acts 10:34-38.

- (34) Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that
God is no respecter of persons:
- (35) But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness,
is accepted with him.
- (36) The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace
by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:)
- (37) That word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judaea,
and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached;
- (38) How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost...who went
about doing good, healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God
was with him.

Now, you notice what I'm drawing to your attention here, that this One is the Prophet, the great Prophet Redeemer raised up according to Scripture. So therefore, He was anointed as a Prophet to reveal the Word of the hour, and the confirmed, that He has the right to do it, and prove also that He was Redeemer by the great ministry that He had.

26. Now notice, what this One did according to the Scripture. He stood there and He proclaimed. (See?) "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, and I have become a Proclaimer." Now, to proclaim is 'to encounter whether accidentally or in a hostile manner'. It may be, you may be looking for someone to start a fight and accost him, or maybe you're simply walking down the street and you see him. It may be simply mean the merging of friends, the merging of enemies, it doesn't matter. It means to literally encounter. That's exactly what you come up with to begin with in the thought.

So, the idea here is accosting a person met. It doesn't mean two ships passing in the dark, it literally means to accost. It means a confrontation, it means an encounter. It means to call out, to address by name. It is widely used to mean called, preached, cry, or pronounce. Thus, we have this proclaimer personally accosting people. A messenger of God accosting the people with an ominous sentence.

27. And that sentence we read over there in the Book of Deuteronomy, "I will put My Words in his mouth, and he shall speak unto them all that I command him, and whoever listens not, I will require it of him." [Deut 18:18]

Now, you see what you're looking at. You're looking at the fact of a prophet. The work of the Redeemer came later. The prophet prophesied concerning the Redeemer. He was the Prophet Redeemer. So, He told them, He accosted them, He encountered them, He met them, He called them by name, He declared, it was something that could not be avoided or superficially written off.

Notice, Mark 12:37, (just the last part ... I want to read.)

- (37) ...And the common people heard him gladly.

28. Let's go to Matthew 27:24-25.

- (24) When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a
tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the

multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person:
see ye to it.

Why? Because He had confrontation with the Pharisees and the Israelites all down the line. There was constant confrontations and name calling. (See?) It was hostile. In one place there was peace, with the other there was hostility on both sides. That's why he cleaned the temple. Notice in verse 25.

(25) Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on
our children.

Notice, confrontation. (See?)

29. Now, it wasn't the act of redemption, it was what He said that got him in hot water. Jesus was never in hot water over what He did, except maybe when he cleaned the temple out. They picked up stones one day to stone him, He said, "For what good deed do you stone me?"

And they said, "For no good deed, but you being a man you're blaspheming, you've made yourself God." (See?) As the Prophet is where he got in trouble.

So, we see Jesus of Nazareth the Anointed Prophet, the Son of man. Listen, with the spirit of wisdom and revelation confront the church to bring them in to reveal to it, its hour of visitation and their destiny. Now, what quote does that sound like, I'm taking from Bro. Branham?

30. 'Daniel's Seventieth Week'. [61-08-06] (Do you want me to read it to you? Now come on, you can't be that dull of hearing.) I've been drilling you so long on these things, you just got to know him like I do. Otherwise, we're going to have a lot more sessions. Okay Bro. Branham said:

[36] *The Spirit of wisdom comes into the church to make known to the church
by the revelation of the Holy Spirit--bringing the church in and revealing
what day that we're living in. Just the same as Gabriel come to Daniel, the
Holy Spirit comes to the church in the last days to reveal these great,
deep, secret things.* Did He do it, or did He not? The same One did it. (See?)

Now, the mystery of God begins in flesh. The mystery of God, beginning in flesh. And His ministry proved it.

31. He proved exactly Who He was, and what He said as in John 5:17-19.

(17) (And) Jesus answered (and said), My Father worketh hitherto, and
I work.

In other words, He's been previously carrying on, and I'm carrying on the same.

(18) Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only
had broken the sabbath, but said that God was his Father, making
himself equal with God.

Now, how can God be His Father, and Him be equal? On the grounds of inheritance, the first born automatically owns one half of what His Father has. (See?)

(19) Then answered Jesus and said unto them, (Truly, truly), I say unto
you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father
do: for what things whatsoever he doeth, these also doeth the Son
likewise.

32. John 14:7-12.

- (7) If (you) had known me, (you) should have known my Father also:
and from henceforth (you) know him, and have seen him.
- (8) Philip (said), Lord, (show) us the Father, and it sufficeth us.
- (9) (And) Jesus (said,) Have I been so long time with you, and (you
haven't) known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the
Father;...

And that's exactly right. Why? Because He was the attributes of the fullness of the Godhead bodily. And attributes are what you see. You don't see what's behind the attributes, you see the attribute. When you see a horse, you don't see a horse. And when horse dies, you don't see a horse leave horse. But when you do see that carcass, you do see horse. Certainly, because you're seeing the attributes. An attribute is what? Well, attributes are actually those components which come out of whatsoever lies in there, in order to define. Otherwise, there'd be no definition anywhere. (See?) Attributes are what certain things you attribute to a certain thing. Like animal kingdom's got four legs. Not all animals, but most animals have. (I suppose the majority of them, unless there's more species the slippery kind. I don't know. Seven has a slippery kind, got two legs.

And 7-14.

- (9) ...he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; ...
- (10) Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me?
the words I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father
that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

Now, He tells you right here He only says what the Father tells Him to say, and what the Father tells Him that...He does what the Father says to do, because It's that Father in Him.

- (11) Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or believe
me for the very works' sake.
- (12) (Truly,) I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do
shall he do also; and (more) than these shall he do; because I go (to)
my Father.

He said that in the singular. That there was coming a time when another man would have a ministry that would even be greater than the scope of His ministry.

33. What He, and what we've read here was Isaiah 61:1 to the first part of verse 2. So, we go back. Here's the first confrontation, or proclamation.

- (1) The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath
anointed me to preach (the) good tidings unto the meek; he hath
sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the
captives, the opening of the prison to them that are bound;
- (2) To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, ...

Now then, Isaiah 61:1-2 was read into revelation and manifestation, or the mechanics of Isaiah 61:1-2a, were dynamized. No longer just a word, reality. Now, the reality started as an embryo and it grew full fledged. And that's where people missed William Branham's ministry.

They didn't realize it started as an embryo, but it's growing full fledged. See, it keeps going, coming more and more into the Church. That means positivity our flesh is becoming more and more Word. Because when you receive the Word of God, you become the Word of God in your flesh. Quote, William Branham prophet of God and vindicated.

34. You sit here and say, "Well, I don't believe that." You don't have to believe anything. I believe it, it's happening to me. You can say what you want, I know where I'm going. I know what I'm talking about. This is not some parroting, or some hollow-word I'm giving you, this is the light that I stand before you in what God has done for me and in me. And it's in the inner man, in the atoms. It's not a hollow chant. If I was here with some hollow word, I'd pass the plate five and six times a night, and get all the money out of it. I'd beat you down and take you over. Not once have I asked you for your money. Not once have I beat you down. Not once have I come to you for anything. I've come here for one reason, to preach that almighty Word of God which changes men. And there are people sitting right here tonight who know that they've been changed. (See?) It's not something that's a pipe dream. It's no pipe dream, it's a reality. (See?) Absolutely.

Now, it started as an embryo coming more and more into the Church. And just as there was one body of singular, that had the fullness of the Godhead manifesting as an individual through it, so the Bride today has the fullness of the Godhead in her midst, and He will manifest through her until the dead come out of the ground. And she herself is absolutely changed, "bone of his bone, flesh of his flesh," [Eph 5:30] every member in the right position.

35. Now notice, and go back to Luke 4:20, (the first part of It)

(20) And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down...

Now listen, He closed the Book and gave It back to the administrator from whose hand he took it. From Isaiah 61:1-2a. The Book was closed, or sealed up and put back in the hands of the administrator. The Book was sealed. He closed It. It was finished, until a certain time that Book had to stay closed. It has to remain that way, until it is time for Isaiah 61:2b-3. Now, likely He closed It, put It back in the hands of the administrator.

36. Now, let's go on to [Isaiah] 62:b.

[Isaiah 61:1]

- (1) The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because (He) hath anointed me...
- (2) To proclaim (not the acceptable year of the Lord) ... (see?) That part was sealed to a certain hour, and sealed out to a certain hour, the accept the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort (them) that mourn;
- (3) To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, (and) oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

You see? Now you understand what we're saying. That Book has to remain sealed. There's several sealings in the Bible, closings in the Bible.

37. Now, let's go to Revelation 10: and let's look at 6-7.

(6) And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven,
and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that
therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that time
(should be) no longer:

(7) But in the days of the voice of the seventh (messenger), when he shall
begin to sound, the mystery of God should be (perfected and concluded),
as (God) hath declared (the good news of the gospel) to his
servants the prophets.

In other words, the acceptable of the Lord is over! The Book is closed, sealed until that time. But at that time when the day of grace closes out, the Bible is once more opened. That's the day of the vengeance and the Rapture, and beauty for ashes, the beautiful Bride walking on the ashes of the wicked. They're not giving you a pipe-dream.

38. Let's go to Revelation 5:1-4.

(1) And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book
written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals. (A
manuscript completely covered.)

(2) And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is
worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?

(3) And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was
able to open the book, neither to look thereon.

(4) And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and
to read the book, neither to look thereon.

All right, back there it took a man to open the Book. How? Anybody can open a book. As Bro. Branham said made clear one time said, *"God, anybody's hand can open this Book, but only the Spirit of God can open It to the hearts of men."* He opened the Book for a certain period of time known as grace. And He closed It. That Book cannot be open until the day of grace closes out.

Now, here is that Book. Notice: He took the Book out of the hand of the administrator and He put It back into the hand of the administrator, once He had finished His job in that particular area.

39. Now, let's go to Daniel 12: (I don't have to read it.) You know It anyway, It tells you there, "Daniel, seal It up until the time of the end! Until practically to the last three and one half years of the great tribulation." Let's go back and read It, we've got time, if you haven't got time, too bad, just make time. All right:

(1) ...at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth
for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble,
such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time:

and
shall be found
to a book.)

at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that
written in the book. (Now notice, you're right back

- (2) And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some
to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.
- (3) And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament;
and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.
- (4) But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the
time of the end: ...

What's he talking about? That time right there. When it's all over. The time of the end. Time
runs out. End time.

- (4) ...many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.
 - (5) Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on
this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side...
 - (6) And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters
of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?
 - (7) And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters
of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto
heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever (there) shall be for a
time, times, and a half; (that's the three and a half years of
tribulation) when he shall have accomplished to
of the holy people, all these things
- great
scatter the power
shall be finished.

Notice, He's talking about a finishing. (See?)

40. All right, the day of grace has to finish for the Gentiles. (See?) And when that grace runs out,
that's the time the Seals are opened, the Book is open. That's the time the rest of the Scripture
we're reading has got to come to pass. It has been sealed up and stopped from coming to pass.
See, that's why there couldn't be a Rapture in the First Church Age. There's no way there could
have been. Every ingredient was there, but grace hadn't run out. It wasn't time.

All right, just look at this thing again.

- (5) Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on
this side of the bank of the river, and the other on (other bank.)
- (6) And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters
of the river, ...

Now, he didn't see three people, he saw two. One had moved from land to water. And a
mighty Messenger came down and put one foot on land, and one on sea. (See?)

41. All right, the whole thing is being fulfilled. Verse 8.

- (8) And I heard, (and) understood not: said I, O my Lord, what shall
be the end of these things (be?)

- (9) And he said, Go (your) way, Daniel: for the words are closed up
and sealed till the (end of) time.

Now, it's not sealed until the end time we're going to be in heaven and God tells you everything. He's telling you it's sealed to the period. (See?)

Now listen, the law was until John, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ, there's a period in there. There's an interim period at the end time too, as grace begins to run out and the fullness of the Gentiles is over; and the time for God to turn to Israel. And that's the time when there's no more Gentile Bride coming in, and the last ones are being child trained. And you'll never know it, there's no way you'll tell, they'll be having altar calls. The Spirit of God will be moving, because It's on the false ones, and they're absolutely anointed. And they'll be saying, "You're wonderful, you're Bride, you're hallelujah, and nothing to it. Ain't nothing to a bunch of hogwash and lies from the pit of hell.

- (10) Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; the wicked shall
do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise
shall understand.

Now, there's your wise and foolish and your wicked. There's your separation.

- (11) And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and...
(so on.)

- (12) ...he that waiteth...(and down the line.)

42. Now, let's go to Revelation 10:1-7 again. See, how the Bible all dovetails and adds up.

- (1) ...I saw another mighty (messenger) come down from heaven,
clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, his face
was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:
- (2) And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot
upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth,

Now, the Book that was placed in the hands closed, is opened and comes on down. Now notice: He had His foot on land and sea.

- (3) ...cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth:... (It doesn't say
a lion roared, It says 'as when a lion roareth'.)

All right, let's get this flat. What was the first beast loosed? Lion. What's this? An eagle. In other words, It doesn't say if the lion roaring, It says, "as when a lion roars," in other words, the eagle comes with the identical message that the lion had. But this time it's revelation. Why? Because it's not set to run around the world and produce another calf and another man. It's over! It's spiral time up in the heavenlies. Now, the crows can't get it.

43. I had my old buddy Joe Raczovi there in St. Catharine's, he phoned me the other day. And he said, "You know Bro. Vayle, (he said) I watch them crows." He said, "You know Bro. Vayle when a crow get in a whirlwind he go up and then suddenly he just drop like a hunk of lead, he can't take it." [laughter] Old Joe ain't no dumb bunny, even if he is a Hungarian.

All right,

- (3) ...as when a lion roareth...seven thunders uttered their voices.
(Where were those thunders? They were on earth.)

Now, the Book was sealed up, the Word was stopped and It had to stop, ...and it had to stop... because the Spirit of God stopped it. The Spirit of God that gave It, stopped it and explained It. And He said, "You don't go any further." Now, watch It:

- (4) And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about
to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying..., Seal up those
things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.

Now, that's God speaking from heaven, though He said, "This is to happen on earth." And the Book was sealed on earth, and He closed It. Now notice, I've been talking about a man anointed with the Holy Ghost. Jesus is a man! Because God can't be born! God can't die! I've never heard such asininity in my life, thinking that Jesus was God, then God killed Himself. Then who raised Him? Do you think for one minute if God died the devil wouldn't take over and stay taken over? God can't die. God can't be born. No way. When God indwelt Him, He was a hundred percent God. And don't think for one minute He is not your Lord, because God has made Him both Lord and Christ. He is the Messiah. He is the raised One. He is the One we worship, and we can pray in His Name. And all power in heaven and earth stands behind Him. He's like Joseph, with Pharaoh behind him. Whatever He said went, because He couldn't say anything, except what the Father said. (See?)

44. All right, we understand what we're looking at here now then. Okay, read a little further.

- (5) And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth
lifted up his hand to heaven,
(6) And swore by him... (and so on.)
(7) But in the days of the voice of the seventh (messenger), ...

What's going to happen? The Thunders will be loosed from the sealed Book. (See?) Because it was the bringing of the Book down that brought the Thunders. And the unsealing allowed the Thunders to come forth. God speaking! All right, notice he tells you how it's going to be done.

- (7) ...in the days of the voice of the (Seventh Church Age Messenger)
when he shall begin to sound, (blow upon His Trumpet) the mystery
of God should be finished, (perfected, concluded, closed off. You
can't add, and you can't take,) as (God) hath (revealed the
good news of the Gospel by) his servants the prophets.

In other words, this Prophet concludes all prophets. So, no matter whatever prophet comes after Him, it is nothing but a continuation of that very thing that's happening in this very hour. (See?)

45. Okay, Revelation 22, now we're talking about the Anointed One. We're talking about the great Prophet, Who is also the Redeemer. Revelation 22:8.

- (8) ... I fell down to worship before the feet of the (messenger that)
shewed me these things.
(9) (And he said, don't do it) I am (of) thy fellowservant, and of thy
brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this
book: worship God.

- (10) And he (said,) Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

Now listen, at this time the Book is open. At this time chapter 5 of Revelation 5-10 which we'll soon read had taken place. Now listen:

- (11) He that is unjust, (is) unjust still: he (that's) filthy, (is) filthy still: he (that's) righteous, (is) righteous still: (It tells you, He's separating the wheat from the tares. He's separating them.) he that is holy, (is) holy still.
- (12) ...behold, I come quickly; my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.
- (13) I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.
- (14) Blessed are they that do his commandments, (hogwash, Blessed are they that wash their robes) that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

46. Now, it tells you right there that these people positively are immortal. And at the time that they are immortal and they are caught away, they comprise New Jerusalem. And the demarcation at that time, because these are the living, and the rest down there are living.

- (15) (And all the rest are nothing but) dogs, (that's male prostitutes) whoremongers, murderers, idolaters, (who that) loveth and maketh a lie.

The foolish virgin's dead. They're gone. There's only two groups of people living. Old and New Testament Bride, and those down here that are going to die when the Bride comes back and destroys them. Filth, nothing but filth. The serpent seed of the ages.

All right,

- (16) I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify, (I sent my messenger to testify) these things in the churches...

Now notice, that this One is saying, "I have sent a messenger, that messenger is a prophet. Right here. Now, you can't change it, and it's in the first person. So therefore, whatever prophet this is actually has the Words of God in his mouth. The same as Balaam said, "I can say neither good nor bad of my mind." And he was just a prophet, not the genuine.

- (17) ...the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. (And so on...)

47. Let's get back to Revelation 5:5. Now, ... here's where the Book was and they couldn't open It, because they couldn't find anybody. (Verse 5)

- (5) And one of the elders (said,) Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

Now notice, the emblem of Judah is a lion, and kings come out of Judah. So, what is He? The Word turned loose.

(6) And (behold), and, lo, in the midst of the throne and the four beasts,
in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having
seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God
sent forth into all the earth.

Now, that Seventh Church Age messenger with the Word of God. He has It all within him. Now, it's all been expended, time's run out. The Gospel has run out. And at that time, He came and took the Book and opened It. Now, there's only one thing left, you got to carry on His ministry. And what is that ministry? Proclaiming judgment.

Now, we noticed Who closed the Book. It was that Lamb that closed the Book. Because His works had changed now from Redeemer, of giving His life in a sacrifice to administering the effect of his death. That is Mediator, and Intercessor. So, when that's over, Seals are off the book, just waiting there for the temple to fill with smoke and judgment.

48. Now, Who closed the Book? That Lamb closed the Book. Now notice where the Book was, the Administrator in the hands of God. Notice now Who takes the Book. The Lamb retakes the Book. Notice Who proclaims and here is where the fundamentalists make an error. The fundamentalists does not know that the same One in the same manner announces. Now, how does He announce? "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me." [Isa 61:1a] (See?) You understand what I'm trying to tell you?

Don't be mixed up with the fundamental guy that says, "Hey, everything we're talking about is Jesus, the Spirit of the Lord is upon Jesus, that does it. The Spirit of God was upon many men." It's been upon many men, prophets, the Spirit of God right today is falling upon any flesh. Wicked, not so wicked. Righteous, the Spirit of God upon all flesh. But, when it comes to a specific purpose, a specific area what's going to happen?

49. Now, let's keep watching: the fundamentalist do not understand this. It is a Spirit upon a man, It is the Jesus Logos Who Appears and announces. Now, let's watch carefully how I'm trying to put this together for you, so you'll see Acts 3 as you've never seen It before in such clarity.

Now, you should have seen It the last Sunday, but I want you to see some more here. Now listen: Peter has just said, "That you have killed the Lord Jesus Christ. God has raised Him, this has been done according to the prophets." Verse 18.

(18) But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of
all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.

Now noticed, He fulfilled that and did it in order to make good His prophecy. "I'm here, anointed of God to initiate all these things." And the prophecy would have been null and void except for His death and Resurrection. Now watch:

(19) Repent (you) therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be
blotted out, (period, now) when the times of refreshing shall come
from the presence of the Lord.

Now, Jesus said, "He that has seen me, has seen the Father." [Jn 14:9] Now, It tells you this, that whatever appears at this time is God. That which is visible to the eye is the Presence. Now, Jesus categorically said, "If I had not done the works that no other man did, they'd not sin, but now they both seen and hated both me and my Father." [Jn 15:14]

Now, It tells you that whatever comes from the Presence of the Lord is going to bring a time of refreshing worldwide. William Branham's miracle ministry. Which was the repeat ministry of Jesus Christ by the Spirit in a human being according to John 14:12, come into being, "greater works than these, more than these shall you do, because I got to my Father." (See?)

And remember, Jesus in a multitude, or a group, healed every single person, and there's no record of anybody outside of Jesus and William Branham of every person being healed in a meeting. Not one miss.

50. Now watch:

(20) And he shall send Jesus Christ, which was (appointed)... (But hold it, He can't come until...)

(21) (Because) the heaven must receive (him) until (there's a restoration) of all things...spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets...

Now watch:

(22) For Moses truly said unto the fathers, (the) prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him (you'll) hear in all things (whatever) he shall say unto you.

Now, He is going to say something, now watch:

(23) (It'll) come to pass, that every soul, will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

All right, now: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...in order to proclaim." [Isa 61:1a-2a]

God was in the prophets speaking. (See?) Scripture came not by the will of man, but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." [2 Pet 1:21] Balaam said, "I can say neither good of my own mind, I can only say what He tells me." [Num 24:13] And Jeremiah said, "His Word was all together in my tongue." Again, God said, "I put My Word in your mouth." [Jer 5:14]

51. Now, what I want you to understand is this: that Jesus Christ without that anointing would not have been a prophet. So therefore, the man is not it, it's God Who is It. And when you get to God, you get to Elohim, which is Spirit. (Now you understand what I am saying?) The Word of the prophet is the Word of God. The Word of God comes to the prophet. And God does not speak outside of a prophet. Now, God was in the prophet for the fullness of God was in the Son to make Him that Redeemer.

Now, when He was here on earth in a human body, that anointing on Him making Him a Prophet said, "This is for a certain period, and the Book was sealed. The Book was stopped in Its tracks until It expired.

Now, He said the same One said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...in order to proclaim the day of the vengeance of our God." [Isa 61:1a-2a] Now, I'm asking you a question: What's the difference between William Branham and Jesus Christ if It comes to the Holy Spirit saying a certain thing? And here's where people rebel right now, they can't take It. They can't take It. There comes a day when they'll show their colors every single time. They cannot accept God in human form. They can't do it.

52. I could name you names right now, but there's really not much point. They simply can't understand when Jesus said, "Did he not call them God's unto whom the Word of the Lord came? Then why do you make so much of it if I call myself the Son of God, which I am, because I am standing here as the Prophet." Remember, Jesus was the Prophet. And remember, God is His Own Prophet.

In the burning bush, He talked to Moses. Then He got into Moses, and He talked through Moses. All right, I ask you a question: Was that God with Moses any different than the One that was in Jesus the Christ? No way. Moses was not redeemer.

53. All right, now here we come right to the issue, and we are not going to duck it. We're going to look right at it in the Book of Isaiah 61, and we're going to read It.

- (1) The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because (He has) anointed me...
- (2) To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, (that's over, to proclaim) the day of vengeance of our God; (and) to comfort (them) that mourn;

Now, Who did it? Jesus as the man, no way! No way. Now, here's where they can't follow Bro. Branham. He kept repeating.

54. Let's go back to John 5 again. Let's begin to understand some things here, and get ourselves grounded as to whether we know something, or don't know something. All right, verse 19.

- (19) Jesus (answered) and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, (doeth also) the Son likewise.

Now, the point is this: We go to John 14, He'll clear it up a little bit more. And in John 14, he says here:

- (10) Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. (Now, you understand that it was God in Him both speaking and doing.)

All right, the Spirit of the Lord God is on a man that the Lord God may announce. That the Lord God may announce what? The day of grace! The same Spirit of announcement is upon a man, to announce the day of judgment. Now, what's so tough about that? Are you still back in Pentecost? Then you've got to batting your eyes around.

Now, I told you these meetings, one day I teach you on Sunday, then we go over the coals on Wednesday. But, you're still not getting it. And it's hard to get, because you can't shake the thought of, "oh, I might have a graven image. I might make a man God. I might do this, I might do that." Oh, you might do anything, you might blow your brains out tonight, and do yourself and the world a treat. [laughter] (That wasn't nice, was it?) [more laughter] I said that on purpose. You might also go home and buy your wife some nice pretty present or something too. Or, do the dishes for her. The wife might bake you a nice cake, or give you a sweet kiss, instead of a sour smile. [laughter] Don't you women always go around thinking that Bro. Branham just said something for the men to knock the devil out of you, by giving you kisses and roses and nice

candy. Maybe, you could, (you know) maybe you could knock the devil out of your husband by giving him some kisses and some nice things when you meet him at the door too.

55. All right, proclaim. See, I'm trying to get you to understand this: Who is doing the proclaiming? Who is doing the proclaiming? He said, "It's the Father in me doing the talking." Now, let's prove it. Jesus one day said, "All that the Father giveth me will come unto me." [Jn 6:37] (See?) They're going to come.

The Father answered back, "And I will raise him up at the last day." Because it's not the Son that raises the dead. It's God that raises the dead. The Bible says so.

All right, now let's go over this again: "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me. I am anointed to do some talking. And I'm not going to say anything of my own mind, I'm going to talk, but It's God in me doing the talking."

Do you know that Bro. Branham had a tape, and the words you got... (I forget the name of the tape, my memory's no good, but I got it at home) ... where right on that tape, his voice says, "This is not your brother William Branham speaking, this is the Lord Jesus Christ."

"Oh, horrors, that's spiritism." Isn't it strange the devil can do everything and God can do nothing? [laughter] He must have died. The devil died, I guess He must have died. (See?)

56. All right, notice Who proclaims... we're reading in Acts again we've brought to your attention. [Acts 3:] Now:

(22) ...A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall (you'll) hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.

All right listen, the thing is this: Who is doing the talking? You say, "That man is doing the talking." (Uh?) No, He is and He isn't.

We go to 1 Thessalonians 4:16, I want you to get this, to understand the best you can the hour in which you live. And It says here:

(16) For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, ...

In the Greek that is not the voice of the Lord descending. Then who is it? Well you know, only one person can talk for God and that's a prophet, and God is in the prophet. And God is doing the talking. Now He's using a channel, He's speaking through somebody. He's in control. He doesn't speak of his own mind, and he's got something that stands behind him as "Thus saith the Lord", to indicate and to vindicate it is God doing It, because the words of a man can't do It. And if the words of a man can't do that, then what Voice is talking? It's God talking, because He's using a man. He said He'd use a man.

All right, now at the end time when the Book is open there has got to be a confrontation. So, what have we got? We got the confrontation of this hour, where the Spirit of God is here Present. And when God is Present there has to be a prophet present. That's right. When God does anything or God speaks there has to be a prophet. That's the law laid down.

57. All right listen, we go to Hebrews 12:18. Now you all know this there's no two ways that you can get around it. And It says here;

- (18) For (you're) not come unto the (mountain) that might be touched,
and burned with fire... (and so on. The voice of trumpet, a beast
hit it, they would kill it.)
- (22) But (you're) come unto mount Sion, unto the city of the living
God, heavenly Jerusalem, company of angels,
- (23) ...general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written
in heaven, to God the Judge of all, the spirits of just men made
perfect,
- (24) ...to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, to the blood of sprinkling,
that speaketh better things than that of Abel.
- (25) See that (you) refuse not him that speaketh... (All right, who is
doing the speaking?) For if they escaped not who refused him that
spake on earth, much more shall (we) not...if we turn away from
him (that's) from heaven:

Now, Who's from heaven? Mighty Messenger came down. Who was He? God Himself.
[Revelation] 10:1, 10:7, prophet. (See?) All the time you've got to understand that.

58. Now watch: the fundamentalists put Isaiah 61:2b to 3, which is what we've read.

- (2) ...the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; (and
so on.)

To mean Matthew 24:27, 36-43. Now, let's take a look at It. (Take you right over here to
Matthew 24) Now watch how they put It. Now, they say, "Here it is:"

- (27) For as lightning (shineth) cometh out of the east, and shineth (unto
one part) unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
(That's not coming, It's Presence.)

And they've got a blinding light coming absolutely in destruction. (36-43)

- (36) But that day (now) no man, (knows), not the angels of heaven, (only)
my Father.
- (37) But as (it was in) the days of Noe, so shall also the coming of the Son
of man (going to) be.

That word is 'Presence'. He's already there. But they make It coming, He's going to come.
(See?) Once more they make it as a catastrophic thing. They make that the same as Revelation
chapter 19. Let's take a look at It, because that's what It's got to be. When He comes back, we
come back with Him.

59. Now, Revelation 19: beginning at verse 11.

- (11) And I saw heaven opened, ...behold a white horse; and he that sat
upon him was called Faithful and True, righteousness (doth) he
judge and make war.
- (12) (And) His eyes were as flame of fire, head (had) many crowns;
(He's been crowned, you see, at the Wedding Supper) he had a name
no man knew, but he himself.

(13) ...he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: his name is called
The Word of God.

(14) ...the armies (that) followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine
linen, (that's the Bride)...

(15) ...out of his mouth (goes) a sharp (two-edge) sword...

That's when we come back with Him, eye-ball the antichrist and his bunch, and they become ashes under our feet. And actual confrontation.

Now, here is what the fundamentalist says. The fundamentalist says that is the announcements, or the day of the vengeance. But, they forget there's an announcement, a proclamation. Now, I know that when we bombed Nagasaki and Hiroshima I understand they sent a little pamphlet around the town, dropped a few or something. But don't worry there wasn't any letters and a great big announcement made that we're got the atomic bomb, and I'll tell you, I'm going to show you how it works and everything else. And...we'll demonstrate, you come out over here and see, we're going to drop one on you. They just blasted.

60. Now listen, when you've got an announcement, a proclamation, a confrontation, that is not the blast. That's the confrontation. Now, you see the Spirit of God was upon Jesus to make the announcement concerning grace of which He's Redeemer. But, He's not Redeemer anymore, and grace has run out. Now, who's the Spirit upon? That's your question. It's got to be a prophet. (See?) And the One that was in Jesus, (which is the Holy Ghost) is the same One that's here right today. And He is here at this minute, and He was there making confrontation through William Branham who preached on 'The Trial'; the 'Indictment'; 'Flashing Red Light of Warning'; 'The Countdown'.

Time after time he showed the people that there could be no doubt, it's incontrovertible evidence, that He Who indwelt Christ our Redeemer is here. And you cannot have God amongst men without a prophet. Just won't work, because God's got to have a prophet to make any announcements. That's why Jesus was the Prophet. Then He went from the Prophet to being the Redeemer.

Now, He's no longer Prophet. Why? Because somebody's got to prophesy about Him. Somebody got to let us know that the hour is approaching when there's going to be flesh appear back on this earth, which is the flesh of the Lord Jesus Christ.

61. Now, the fundamentalists make this all very secretive and very sudden concerning this destruction, and the Bride returning for the Millennium. And if this is so, what do you make of Revelation 6:12-17.

Let's just take a look at that. This is under the Sixth Seal:

(12) And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was
a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair,
and the moon became as blood;

(13) And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth
her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

(14) And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and
every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

(15) And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the
chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every
free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the

- mountains;
- (16) And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:
- (17) For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Now, it tells you right there, they knew it would come. They knew it was coming. Sure, they're mixed up, and they think, that because Jesus was involved, and He will come back reeking destruction on this earth with the Bride, as He comes down. They fail to see that there is a proclamation, of the day of the vengeance of our God.

62. Now, let's go back to

Isaiah 61: Now:

- (2) ...to comfort all that mourn;

It's not just a proclamation of the day of vengeance. Not just a prophet on the scene saying the day of grace is run out. The One that closed the Book has opened the Book and the Holy Spirit is here to finish It off. He didn't...that's not all. He's here to comfort them that mourn. (See?)

- (3) To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, ...

All right, what's turned to ashes? Bread on our mouths turned to ashes. Now, you've got the Word of God to feast on. You're not feasting anymore on just the Word, you're feasting on Reality. Bro. Branham said, *"The words of a man can't do this."* He said, *"You're feeding on the Body Word of the Lord Jesus Christ."* (You see?)

- (3) ...garment(s) of praise for the spirit of heaviness; ...

What suddenly happened? We know grace and love and understanding we've never known it before.

- (3) ... (and they're) called (the) trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD...

There's a new crop of trees planted. They're called the immortal Trees. Do you realize you're going to leave this earth immortal? Just think of that for a minute. Absolutely immortal. How do you think you're going to fit in? You won't. That's why we're going to get out of here. (See?) That's exactly what's happening.

- (3) ... that he might be glorified. (It tells you that, right down the very end.)

And It says here: [Isaiah 61:]

- (10) (And) I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride (adorns) herself with jewels.

63. Now, let's go back to the Book of Malachi [4:] (the last Book in the Bible, Old Testament.) Now, you all know what I'm going to go into.

- (1) For, ...the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be (as) stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.
- (2) But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with (immortality) in his wings; ...

Now, where do you get immortal? Down here. Then where is the rising of the Son of man? Here! (See?) The ministry, the ministry begins here, a prophetic ministry of the Word that says, "Time has run out, immortality has set in. I don't care about the judgment of the wicked, the day of the vengeance of our God." ... There's no vengeance coming to me. (See?) Now what's happened?

64. Over here in the Book of 2 Thessalonians 1:7, (then I'm going to let you go now, the time's run out.) It says:

- (7) And to you who are troubled rest with us, (rest when? relax when?) when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed (the apokalupsis) from heaven with his mighty (messengers,)
- (8) In flaming fire taking vengeance...

You say, "Ah, ha." Ah, ha, ha you! Because the word 'vengeance' does not mean what you think it does. It means 'that which precedes from justice'.

The widow came to the unjust judge, and she said, "Avenge me oh judge, avenge me, avenge me, this man has got my land." [Lk 18:3]

And the judge looked down he's an unjust judge and he said, "Hogwash, you ain't got a cause woman get out of here."

"Well, (she said) you don't think I have, but I have." So, she kept coming back and coming back, and coming back, and coming back.

And the Bible said, "You think he's going to avenge her? You think he's going to get her justice, because she really deserves it?" Because, (you know) he's kind, sympathetic judge and all that? No! She is going to keep coming back until she gets it. So, she is going to get that which proceeds out of justice. "Avenge me, give me my property back. Give me what's mine."

65. Now, It tells you here, when He comes with those seven Angels, that which proceeds out of justice, a just God hearing the cry. And He comes down to see if it's all together like it looks like. Is the cup of Sodom and Gomorrah finished? Are the Sodomites in the land? My God, you talk about sodomy. It's affecting families of a preacher friend of mine. Married a lovely girl, thought she was fine. She turned out to be a lesbian. Family busting up. How many preachers have got kids that are homosexuals and God knows what? (See?)

That which proceeds out of justice. What was it? The cup was full. God came down in the form of a man, stood right there with the Elect and said, "Ah, ha, Sodom and Gomorrah is finished. This is the hour for the Son to appear in flesh." So, Sodom burned, then the tribulation, then the Son came on the scene. Came on a purified earth. Yes sir! We're looking at that today brother/sister, make no doubt about it.

66. Now, it looks to me like the world knows quite a bit about destruction, and they sure do. But they know nothing of His Coming to a Bride. Even before the whole world burns as It says in Hebrews 6.

Let's take a look at Hebrews 6. Now, I'm not trying to grind an axe, or pick a fight with anybody, but I just want you to know something's in Scripture. I'm not standing up here as some half-baked idiot. Now It says:

- (1) Therefore, leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; (this evidently, this doesn't do it) not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,

Now look, you can't beat that in this hour if the hour of perfection hasn't arrived. Because you better be repenting. You better stop your dead works. You better have faith toward God.

Now, It says, "Leave it alone." Now, does that mean throw it away? No! It means, 'this won't work anymore'.

- (2) Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

67. Now listen: when this perfection comes, the resurrection isn't even in it. You see why I've been telling you all along I can't die? I could die, but I'm not concerned, because I'm going to live. You understand what I'm saying, people here? Because I've had my belly full of these out here running around, can't make up their minds, what to fight the Word of Almighty God. You understand what I'm saying? That's what these meetings are all about. I may shout at you or we'll get worse than that. We'll take a table here and I'll be talking to women eyeballing you, women like that eyeball the men and you'll answer me back. You won't be sitting here looking at your babies and this and that, and snorting around as though you've got some kind of a cold or pea-brain. I'm lowering the boom tonight. You understand what I'm saying?

It says, "You leave this..." [raps on the pulpit] Yeah, leave it!

"Oh, (you say) Bro. Vayle, I can't."

Then go on beat it, you got no place here. You're wasting my time. You're just a pain in the neck. You'll be shooting your mouth off to hurt people. You'd be trying to cut my feet off. Then I'll kill you. I said that with a snarl, and I mean it, because the gloves are off.

68. Bro. Branham said, "*The day came, this was the day to take the gloves off.*"

- (1) Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go (to) perfection; ...

And you can't, if you keep looking back at what was. Like the Lutheran's and the Methodist's, and the Pentecostal's. He's here, and the gates of hell are against it! You're not going to die. What do you care about a resurrection? I've been telling you, this is the first time the revelation me, what I've been talking about. Because I'm not serving a fool, I'm serving the Living God. It's no longer a Word my brother/sister's it's Reality.

And you look at old Lee Vayle, you say, "I can't understand, because he's the worse of the worse." That's how God's got you fooled. God said He would send strong delusion. I'm about the strongest delusion God could ever send on anybody. Oh, there's a million preachers nicer and

sweeter, but they'll take you to hell. And I'm pointing you to Christ tonight. I've never pointed you to Lee Vayle. No way, shape and form I've pointed you to myself, and I'll stand on the record, because I've brought all the tapes that's being taped right now. I've never told you a lie. And I'm telling you the truth tonight.

69. There comes a time when it's all over. Grace is finished. [raps on the pulpit] The wicked are separated from the holy. The foolish from the wise. He is here doing it. His fan is in His hand. He's thoroughly purging His floor, He's gathering His wheat in the garner ready to burn up the chaff. You understand me tonight what I'm saying? He's here!

"Oh, I'm sick and tired of His Presence." Are you? Be my guest. Maybe there's a reason for it. (See?) I'm not. Oh no, you don't know what He's done for me this year, this is my roughest year. But you don't know what He's done for me.

"Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretched like me."

One letter in the mail just flows. Yeah! He loves me. Yeah. Think He wouldn't? Foundations, repentance toward faith. Your faith toward God won't do it. No! There's millions right now got faith they're going to make the Rapture. They're going to die. They're not going to make It, they're going to die. Bro. Branham said, *"That was the lie."* The lie was, 'you shall not die'. That was the lie in the Garden, that's the lie now. That's the lie that got them out of the Garden, that's the lie that's going to keep them out of the Garden. They'll never get back.

70. Doctrine of baptism. You can be baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and you can go to hell. But you can't be baptized in Jesus' Name and make the Bride, It's 'Lord Jesus Christ'. And if you're in doubt, you better not smart off and just think maybe you're okay. Because you ain't okay. Because the prophet said, *"Thus saith the Lord."*

That's a serious charge to lay. And a resurrection of the dead, I'm not interested, because I'm not going to die. But, I could die tomorrow morning, tonight, what's the difference? I'm trying to tell you something: it's the hour of immortality.

When Abraham stood there on his last legs, (so to speak) and Sarah maybe more quivering and quavering the he was, and God stood there in human flesh and He said, "This is that hour." And they had to be changed to bring him back. (Yeah)

They said to Bro. Branham, "What does it mean that which is perfect is come?"

"Why, (he said) who is perfect but God, and what is God but the Word, and by His Divine grace we believe they have the perfect revelation of His Word for this hour." (Yeah)

And he stood there, and I'll never forget the night he stood there weeping in 1965 in November down at Jack Moore's Thanksgiving Convention, and he said, *"I don't know why He's healed me now, but I'm healed."* But he died in that condition. But, there was a land beyond the river, he's perfectly healed. And God has told me, and I'll not take it back for anybody that I'll have that sweet spirit.

Oh, you say, "Cruddy old Vayle?" Yeah, you're looking at a man who's going to have it. (Yeah) Oh yeah. Sweet with honey in the rock, yeah. Oh yeah. I know what I'm talking about. You don't think so, I'm telling you the truth. Sit there, be skeptical. It doesn't bother me any. No.

71. I'm going to tell you something: somebody's got to be sitting in that Throne with Him. I'm going to be there, by the grace of Almighty God. By a Word that hasn't failed. No, now He told

me. I could be dead tomorrow and I'll have it. I have it on that side or this side, the planting of the Lord, trees. A new growth right out of the ground. We'll watch those dead come forth.

And He says here, "And of eternal judgment." In other words, you stop looking! Yeah, there's no place to run. Listen, there's nothing to run from, and there's nothing to run to. (Yeah) Because He's here. Don't go looking around here, He's over here, It's over here, It's over here. Come to my church, come to my convention. Oh no, no, no, no, He's here. And if you don't see Him here, you never see Him anyplace else.

72. Now listen, and He said, "It's impossible for those once enlightened, all this is over, enlightenments are finished. (Yeah) You know why? I'll tell you why: "For as the lightening cometh out of the east and shineth even out unto the west as it came from Jerusalem and has ended up in America, even the Presence of Him is. In Him was Life, and the Life was the Light of men, and the Light shone in darkness."

And It says here, "Once for all enlightened, (there's no more light) tasted the heavenly gift, partake of the Holy Ghost. Taste the good Word of God, they shall fall plumb away." [Heb 6:4-5]

Why? Because they didn't go to perfection. They said, "He's not here." Or they said, "Well, so what?" Oh, they said, "I've heard too much."

"They crucified to themselves the Son of God afresh, they put him to an open shame." [Heb 6:6]

73. I want to read you something: "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it never come into existence what we shall be, we know He shall appear." [1 Jn 3:2] Now, that word 'appear' means 'to be absolutely in its true character'.

When you talk about Colossians, "when Christ Who is our life shall appear," means He appears in His true character exactly Who He is. (See?) God Himself. Because that Life, "God was in Christ," the Bible says.

"When He shall appear in His true character, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." [1 Jn 3:2]

Now listen, let's get this straight. Now, don't fool with yourself and fool with me. The fundamentalist says, "This has to do when you're caught up to see Him."

My Bible says, "You've got to see Him to get your change, because you cannot be caught up until you get your change." Now, how do you get your change? By looking at Him. How do you see Him? Through hearing, a revelation.

74. Now, we're going to start a fan club, it's going to be called 'The Jesus Fan Club'. It's time we had one. He's the Head and He's here, nobody pays any attention. The gates of hell squawk against it. And as long as you don't kick somebody in the groin they're happy if Christ gets smacked in the teeth. Throw in innuendoes, it doesn't matter.

Listen, "They that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and thought upon His Name." [Mal. 4:16]

Next Sunday I'm going to go into the repeat, (change my notes) on Christ Appearing to the Gentiles as He Appeared to Israel. I preached that some time ago, but only preached it once, and therefore you missed it. There isn't one of you here can answer me three questions on it.

First of all, let's make a test: What chapter did I take It from? Anybody tell me? Now, there you are. Matthew 12. What Old Testament Book does It refer to? Isaiah. Well, looks like they need re-preaching, eh Lloyd? [laughter] I appreciate Lloyd, (you know) the reason I call on him is because I know he went to Bro. Evans after last Sunday's message when he knew I was going to re-preach this. And said, "I'm going to get the tape and study up and I'll be (you know) believe it was to catch up with me." It changes so much Lloyd, I can't keep up with myself. So, don't...

"And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serves him. Then shall you return... [Mal 4:17-18] Now, the only way to return is through Elijah the prophet. Restoration. "And you shall return or actually judge between righteousness and wickedness."

75. Now, I got to let you go home, but I can't stop reading. Once my mind starts moving, [laughter] I can't get out of gear. Once I get in gear I'm sorry. "Now, so then, because you're lukewarm, neither hot or cold, I'll spue you out of my mouth, because you say I'm rich increased with goods and need of nothing, and knowest not you're wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked." [Rev 3:16-17]

Here's what they're saying, "I'm rich, I'm increased in goods, I don't need a thing."

"I preach it, I say it," and He said, "You've got nothing at all."

And the rest stand back and they say, "Who needs it, I've got Him."

I don't need to worry about riches, I've got Him. I don't need to worry about nakedness, I've got Him.

76. Let me read something in John, he's the man that wrote the Revelation. "And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He shall appear, (show Himself in His true character exactly who and what He is) we may have confidence..." [1 Jn 2:28] And not be found fornicating and caught in the very act, to that word shamed is literally means 'the sexual act'. Naked, and won't cover their shame. The Laodicean church is guilty of idolatry. The cruelest rottenest idolatry, making a harlot their god, and a harlot system.

And He said here at His Presence, "I don't want one of you caught in the sin." Caught in your fornication of your creeds, your doctrines, your false gods, your this or that.

Oh brother/sister, can't you see tonight that which is perfect is come. Can't you see that That One Who made the announcement concerning Himself and closed the Book has opened the Book and the day of vengeance is here? It's just the same as when they open the pit and the plagues came out. It's the same as when they opened the vials and the plagues came out. The opened Book has loosed the day of the vengeance of our God. But at the same time, at the same time it comforts them that mourn. And in His Presence, His unveiling, It says, "You're blameless." You're blameless.

You talk about the goodness of God, the redemption, I'm telling you, I have never known His goodness as I know it today. I've never know the love in my heart toward Him. I've never know His love toward me. I've never known none of these things. And I knew as I preached all these years, there's nobody could tell it. There's only one person could tell it, and that would have to be me within myself. You can't tell by looking at me. And I'm going to tell you, no living man but me, caught the look on the prophet's face. I'll be honest with you. You tell me.

77. You say, "Bro. Vayle, you're boasting." No, I'm just telling you some facts, let's get this straight. You're not fooling with an idiot up here. You're not. Because I'm going to meet myself going down that road. I'm going to meet a lot of people. You know why? Because He's here making a confrontation. He's making an announcement. Who's doing It? The Holy Spirit is doing It through a prophet. He has done It. And He said, "This is that hour."

All right, the prophet said categorically that He's here. He took the Scripture, I never knew any place where he took the direct Scripture that I've taken tonight. I'm not saying that he didn't. I know that he was smart enough and led by God that he could have done it. Because the same man that saw in Malachi 4 the ministry of Elijah was cut in two pieces, one at the time of Christ and one at this time.

And I said, "Bro. Branham, how did you know?"

And he said, *"Only because He told me Lee, is the only reason I knew."*

And I know tonight that Bro. Branham did know the Scripture I brought to your attention. I have no doubt, but place he mentioned it. But because so many people do not understand or have not understood that there was a literal absolute Scripture from the Old Testament. I sat one day, and I asked the Lord, said, "Lord, what about it?" And it was the clearest thing in the world to turn to Luke and then to turn to the Book of Isaiah. And see that the proclamation was in two parts. (See?) And the proclamation has come.

What made John what he was? Spirit. What made Jesus what He was? Spirit. See, let's get back to the original. Let's get back to God all the way. And when you see that, you begin to understand more of what God is doing and how... Well the Lord bless you.

78. But, if you've got any doubts about what I'm talking about, I don't think I'll have to repeat this next Sunday. I'm going to go on to Him Appearing to the Gentiles and going into an in-depth study, that the best I can, then Wednesday follow through. But, I tell you what you do, if you've got any problems, just write them down on a piece of paper hand them in, let me see what I can do for you. I admit that many, many times, and you know my method of teaching, I have to start some place and work, because I know I'm going a certain direction. I am not a prophet. The Word of the Lord does not come to Lee Vayle. You better believe it. There's no way. There's no way, I'm not gifted, I'm not a prophet. No way. But, I do teach. And I teach the Scripture relative, once a prophet opens it, I do have the ability to go to Scripture, which is a gift that God places within the church.

Now, so if you don't understand certain things, you have your privilege of asking a question, or waiting to see what develops. Now, I don't care which way you go. If you want to ask a question, write it down, and if I already know the answer, I will tell you. If it comes to the place of the true definitive, if it is not in the true definitive I can only say, look, this is as far as I see. But remember, the prophet was the true definitive. And he said what he did in flesh, which was through the same Holy Spirit, (there's only one) He is now doing here in the Holy Spirit and telling what He is doing through a prophet. Now, that much we know. We've come to the definitive.

79. So, I trust you understand where we are tonight and why we say the things that we say. Why we understand, the way we understand, and how our hope has become so exciting to us, through the revelation of God which has given us the stimulation concerning the things of the Lord. Which I have never had in my wildest moments in Pentecost or any other place.

Today, It has come to the place as the prophet said as far as I can see, It's coming more and more into It where It has nothing to do how you feel, or what your emotions are; or what the conditions are. It has nothing to do with it. One thing, He is here, and He is doing It. Do you believe tonight you're getting a change? Certainly. Starts in the atoms in the inside. Starts right up here in the mind. The last moving part was the eyeball. (Right?) What is above the eye does not move, it's the mind. There lies the spirit. Spirit and mind go together. That Word begins moving in the realm of the mind. The Spirit of God begins moving and moving. And that Spirit of God taking it down within the very vessel, and God says, "I want you to talk about it. I want you to talk about it. And as you talk about it, it goes back in your ears. And as Scripture says, "A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his lips, and by the increase thereby shall he be filled." [Prov. 18:20] Life and death are in the power of the tongue. Which way are you going tonight? It's laid out before you brother/sister. Let's rise. Talk all night get us nowhere, believing does.

Heavenly Father, we're grateful again for Your Presence amongst us. The Reality that You are here, You are not a God that is a far off. People, Lord, sing, 'Heaven is a far off place', that's not so. The word heavenly we know, Lord, simply means 'an elevated place', an important place, a high place. God is the High God right here in the highest place. O Lord, that I might give You glory that You are worthy of. That I might flow down like water before You, Lord, O God, that that might be it.

I know sometime, Lord, that it's going to occur. Sometime, Lord, in the very near future, standing here, or going over there; that wonderful sweet Spirit will be in the Church, will be in each one of us, Bride members. O what healings, what wonderful virtuous glorious things will be in that Bride. How marvelous, how marvelous for the day coming.

Lord, we're very grateful that we can believe You for people to get saved. We're very grateful, Lord, we can believe for You tonight, and people get full of the Holy Spirit. People get healed. People get help. We're very grateful, but we know this is the hour when none of those things are what's going to get us in the Resurrection. It's You, Yourself standing here perfection has come. And You are quickening Yourself within us, forming this flesh into the same flesh of Him that You raised from the dead, having shed that Blood for our justification, loosed that Life upon us. We don't understand all these things, Lord, but we're so glad, we're so glad they happened. We're so glad we were taught by someone who was indwelt by You, that You could speak through, and he could speak to us, and we could know then our communication was of God. And right tonight, Lord, we know that we have this wonderful place in Your Presence tonight. We're grateful for that, Lord, we thank You for it.

Father, God, we know the night is far spent, the day is breaking, now that new day is breaking. Lord, as we look at conditions and ourselves we're so grateful that none of it devolves upon us, It's You, Lord, or nothing, and yet, Lord, there's a hunger in our hearts to be more Christ like, to be more devoted, more sincere, more sober. And we know that that's legitimate. That is legitimate thing tonight, Lord, that the prophet himself bemoaned, he said, "*They're just not serious enough.*" He's Here and they stand in His Presence chewing gum and talking, and laughing and being foolish. And we understand that, Lord. We know that, we know there's got to be more sobriety. And we got faith for that too, Lord, You're just not leaving anything undone. We know that.

You made Sarah suddenly very sober, and we know that in Your books we're not one wit behind anybody else, You're the same yesterday, today and forever. You're the God overall, and

that's the thing we just stand with tonight, and we're so happy, Lord, You're going to sober us right down, O blessed be the Name of the Lord. It's just going to be, everything's gone but You, and that's all we have eyes for.

My beloved is mine, and I am the beloved's, and, Father, that's what we're looking at tonight. Bless each one, Lord. O God, just bless each one, with the revelation of the Presence. Never, never, never get enough but, Lord, I just...just no way. No way, Father, no way. Help me to talk more with the Saints of God about it. Help us to really open our mouths with the Word that the prophet gave us. And he said, "Say what I say." Knowing he was saying what God said. Knowing the effect It would have upon us.

So, we're appreciate of that, Lord, heal the sick amongst us. We know there's physical problems, we know there's spiritual problems, financial problems, but Lord, one of these days they're all going to be gone anyway. But, you never said we couldn't have help tonight. You never put that great Resurrection, Rapture, Your Presence right here and then said, "Now you just don't get a thing until that day." You never said that. You said, "I'm the same yesterday, today and forever." And all down through the records and You've been just marvelous doing things for Your people, and we just appreciate that tonight, Lord. We're not serious enough, there again so helpless. We believe You've heard us tonight, Lord. We know You've heard us, and You've said if we ask according to Your will, You're Word then we know we have the petition.

So, we thank You for helping us tonight, each and every one. And now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be all power and honor and glory through Jesus Christ our blessed Savior. Amen.

The Lord bless you. We just go singing 'Take the Name of Jesus with you'.