



In Chains of Love

1 Let us pray,

Our Heavenly Father, itâ€™s only too truthful that all things are possible, even those things that are far beyond our wildest imaginations; now that Youâ€™re here. Knowing that when You lead the hosts of Israel walking around the walls of Jericho, that the walls simply fell down flat; reserving one little spot for the little Elect Seed, Rahab, and her little family huddled in there. Even proven by archaeologists that thatâ€™s exactly what happened, the walls did go down flat except for that one place, showing that all nature and science indicates that You are the true living God. And in this hour, Lord, we know also by the same evidence that You manifested in the physical. That You are here amongst us; that You did come down to lead us this hour into the great Millennium, to days which are beyond.

Father, we just pray that we might really appreciate that and give You honor and glory. Help us Lord, as we study this morning the very things weâ€™re praying about, Lord. Not just deeply impress them upon our minds, though we need to have that, but may it be a part of our very lives, right down in our souls, and emanating from that soul, the life of the Spirit coming forth; to be living epistles read and known of all men, and those epistles to show forth Christ. For truly Lord, we are epistles, read and known of all men. But we donâ€™t really know if people can really know Christ, by our lives. Help us to have those lives, Lord; so transformed that men cannot make a mistake, except they be men of violence and of the wrong order entirely. Grant Your blessing upon us this morning, weâ€™ll be careful to give You the praise. In Jesusâ€™ Name, Amen. You may be seated.

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Now, of course weâ€™re still into the message that Bro. Branham delivered back in â€™63, on Christ is the Mystery of God Revealed. And of course we understand by using his sermons we are pretty well falling in line with what everybody else has done through the ages.

The time of Luther they took what Luther said, pretty well verbatim, and they taught from it; the same with Wesley and into Pentecost, went through the same. Well, weâ€™re a departure, of course, in that we believe that God sent a prophet in the last hour; as the Book of Hebrews tells us that God will speak once more from heaven, and also, from the Book of Revelation where the Thunders (which John saw upon earth) had to be revealed. And of course thereâ€™s no Bible student but understands that someone has to do that. And of course, many people would love to feel that they had done it. Even Dowie back in his day felt that he was Elijah which was to come.

3 But in spite of all the various men who came and have gone and were not Elijah, there has to be one. And we believe, of course, that we understand who that man was. And of course, thatâ€™s up for argument, many people will not see that. And youâ€™ll understand more of that as we go into this portion of the message that Bro. Branham preached on Christ is, the mystery of God revealed.

Now, from the title of this message alone, that is, Christ is the Mystery of God Revealed it is evident that the Messiah, which is Christ, came to fully reveal God to us, so that God would be made known to us, and His great purpose, or purposes, fulfilled for us and in us. Now that is exactly true, because He did not come just to manifest God, nature can manifest God. What does it tell you? What does it do for you? â€œWell, it does a lot. It tells a lot. But it doesnâ€™t get the real revelation

of God because the trouble with nature, as I've said so many times; nature can be wonderfully beautiful and wonderfully cruel.

4 I think I told you, I'm not sure, it couldn't have been Browning, but it was someone else back there, an English poet, who used to love to go out on the lake. It was simply beautiful, it was marvelous, and he wrote a poem of this very beautiful lake, of how lovely it was. But one day a friend of his out boating; a storm came up suddenly and the man was drowned. Then he wrote a very foreboding poem concerning that lake. So you can't tell from nature.

The God that sent beautiful sunshine and almost perfect weather say around Vancouver Island, British Columbia, sent a hurricane down here, you know, the east coast; wipe us pretty well all out. And you say well, who does that? Well God is behind nature, creating it, but remember, there are forces of evil. Now the devil takes the things of God and he perverts them, he uses them wrong; and man takes the things of God, and he uses them wrong. So you cannot simply tell God by nature. Nor can you tell about His purposes, without some definitive revelation by God Himself.

So, when we say the title of this Message, it is evident that Messiah, or the Christ, came to fully reveal God to us. True. "He that has seen me has seen the Father." [John 1:9] So that God would be made known to us, "Have ye known me so long and have not known the Father?" And His great purpose, or purposes; why did He come, why did He do it? Fulfilled for us and then in us. So, are you following? All right.

5 Now, before Christ came in the flesh, and by his Blood redeemed us, every type and shadow pointed to Him. And He, fulfilling every Word concerning Himself. That was in the type and shadow. Now, the Holy Scripture given by the Spirit of God, (as this Spirit indwelt the prophets) spoke and wrote of Jesus the Christ. So, you've got an Old Testament here that's full of types and shadows and full of a tremendous amount of material, all pointing to Jesus Christ. So let's just read a little bit about that in Hebrews, to get our understanding perfectly lined up.

Hebrews 1:1-2

(1) God, who in many parts and in many manners (In many parts and many ways, many manners.) spoke in time past unto the fathers in the prophets,

So, you can see here that God was all the time speaking in the prophets, up unto the time of Jesus Christ; when God Himself became the great Prophet, by procuring for Himself a body through the Virgin Mary, in whom this God dwelt.

(2) Hath in these last days spoken unto us, (not by His Son but in Son, that's in the office of sonship) whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

6 In other words, He became a son through this form of a mask, (or the costume for the drama) and He manifested Himself very very perfectly. Now we go to 1 Peter to get the other understanding; and it says:

1 Peter 1:10-12

(10) Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you:

Now, it tells you God was in the prophets, prophesying. Now, It tells you these prophets themselves, many times, did not understand what was going on through them.

(11) Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.

Now, the Psalms are full of it and so are Isaiah, and other books: Zechariahâ€™almost every single Book, starting with Genesis; as a type or a shadow, or a distinct statement concerning Christ and His redemptive work, through suffering upon Calvary, and rising in a Resurrection and sitting at the right hand of the Majesty on High, in order to be a Mediator and Intercessor. So, you can see here that the Spirit of God witnessed positively in the prophets what was going to be â€œ then God Himself came and fulfilled it â€œ which explained or interpreted what the prophets wrote and made it available to us.

7 Now, this great advent of God, (weâ€™re talking about 2000 years ago) dwelling amongst men in the form of a man, (thatâ€™s God dwelling amongst men in the form of a man) so that He could bring to pass His great purposes, did not end the fulfillment of His eternal purposes at that time only, but opened a further door to even greater revelation and greater fulfillment. Now you see, here again weâ€™re looking at something that most people cannot look at; and that is they cannot believe that there is a true unfolding, continuing, and greater revelation. They simply feel that, well what we know, and what we feel we have known back there, is fine.

But you know, if theyâ€™d only look at history, they would find absolutely that the church went into decline; and as Bro. Branham said, â€œLiterally went into the graveyard of theology,â€• (and the world also) through the Dark Ages of the Roman Catholic Church. But under Luther began to come back, and then it began to come back even more under Wesley, and even more under Pentecost.

8 Now then, many people argued against Pentecost, but their argument has been fallacious because theyâ€™re all accepting Pentecostals. How can you put down the most viral, vital, group in the world? You canâ€™t do it. And the churches have been inundated from their hierarchy down, in the speaking of tongues and the gifts of the Holy Ghost. Until, you yourself know neo-Pentecostals, which are Roman Catholic, which have kissed the popeâ€™s ring; say a prayer to the Virgin Mary and speak in tonguesâ€™genuine giftsâ€™and raise the sick as Father Oâ€™Conner did up there in Notre Dame; and his cohort with him. When two young men were stricken down by a car on the campus grounds, (one was killed; the otherâ€™s legs were broken; he lay there mangled) they laid hands on him and prayed. And the boy, (like my elbow here, letâ€™s say) heâ€™s lying here like this, prone, and suddenly, with his heels as a fulcrum, (with no knee-bending and no help) rose up straight as a die, and walked off. The other boy rose up from the dead.

And still, will claim the popeâ€™s headship; speak to the Virgin Mary, claim intercessory power with the saints, (which is entirely idolatry) not realizing that Judas himself was anointed by God to raise the dead by a genuine gift, and he himself was a devil. Now if thatâ€™s strange theology, Iâ€™m sorry for you, you just donâ€™t know your Bibles. But itâ€™s about time you did. Just time you did. And realize what you came out of. You see? All right, so there is an unfolding revelation, which weâ€™re going to read here, and weâ€™ll take you to it and show you, (because believe me, Iâ€™m not fooling) see, we can take everything by Scripture and show you.

9 All right, now bear this in mind to see this point. The first half of the First Resurrection is over. What Iâ€™m saying is this, the Old Testament saints have had their Resurrection; Abel, right on down. See? Okay. And John the Baptist would be included in that. All right? Theyâ€™ve had it; they have resurrected bodies, (but they are not back on earth in the Millennium) they have reaped from His Coming what was theirs, and theyâ€™ll be placed there. See? So from Pentecost on, there has been increasing revelation to this very hour and in this very hour. And thatâ€™s true. The revelation became greater at Pentecost, though it faded, went down; itâ€™s got to come back, because â€œI will restore saith the Lord.â€• And restoration is guaranteed in Acts the third chapter. You canâ€™t

get away from it. See?

Now, we look back to the days of his flesh as the Old Testament looked forward to it. In other words, enabled to see what God had procured for us, and from that point get the unfolding revelation that was set forth. You see? Because, look it letâ€™s face it, thereâ€™s got to be revelation in this hour, because we believe weâ€™re approaching the hour of the Resurrection; because Israelâ€™s back in her homeland.

10 All right, the purpose of God is still being fulfilled. See? That portion was fulfilled back there to that date; and when Jesus rose he brought them out of the ground with him.

But thereâ€™s another half of the First Resurrection coming up. And besides that, thereâ€™s immortality to be gained by a few people who wonâ€™t die; which is unheard of. Never happened in history, John says so; but itâ€™s about to happen. And today we expect to see the purpose of God finalized as to our redemption, when that Spirit that is amongst us is made incarnate to us, and we crown Him King of kings and Lord of lords.

11 Now, in the last portion of the message, we saw Bro. Branham dealing with the revelation of Jesus Christ on the basis of predestination. That only the predestinated Seed will receive a predestinated revelation. Now thatâ€™s hated. Thatâ€™s hated. Thatâ€™s one thing Luther believed a hundred percent. And it went to seed. The people carried it too far; they became Antinomianist, which means â€˜you donâ€™t need a means of salvationâ€™.

Youâ€™re like a hard-shelled Baptist and Iâ€™ve got nothing against them theyâ€™re great people. But they say we have a hope. If youâ€™re going to be right, if youâ€™re going to be part of the Kingdom, a part of the planting, you are going to get there regardless of anything you do, or have to do. Now thatâ€™s true, but itâ€™s not all the way true. Thatâ€™s fatalism. You canâ€™t work that, see? Man must accept the means. And there must be the definitive rebirth, you must be born again. See? Predestination does not obviate the rebirth, it embraces the rebirth. Well that what itâ€™s all about; being placed there. See? All right.

12 Now, weâ€™re going to go to page 50, and Iâ€™ll read paragraph 2 concerning what I just said; that Bro. Branham said, concerning this revelation that we are looking at; a tremendous revelation. He said you cannot receive it unless youâ€™re predestinated to receive it. Now that makes a lot of sense, because going through the ages God was building a Church from the foundation to the top. They had to be predestinated to those levels. Thatâ€™s just logical, because God is using human instrumentality. Weâ€™re people being born into the Kingdom, that make this pyramid, that makes this Church, that makes this Body, this Bride of the Lord Jesus Christ. Now, speaking of this predestination:

[50-1] Thatâ€™s the only way youâ€™ll know Him today, (By revelation.) only way youâ€™ll get the threefold revelation of God is for the Holy Ghost...

Then he stops there. And he could have said itâ€™s for the Holy Ghost to give it to you, or he could just tell you the truth. Because he could sayâ€˜which is the truthâ€™God gives it to me and I give it to you.

13 Now, I know people donâ€™t like that. Personally I donâ€™t much care what people like. Letâ€™s go to the Scripture. I like the Scripture, because this is the whole thought we have in mind, Acts 13 now, looking way down the road, he said this at Pentecost. He says it now, thatâ€™s right after Pentecost; Paul in about AD 45 concerning Jesus:

Acts 13:39-41

(39) And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses.

(40) Beware therefore, lest that come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets; (Now beware, it comes upon you. It doesn't say it has come upon you, it's a future tense, so it applies to us to.)

(41) Behold, you despisers, and wonder, and perish: (They turned down Christ.) for I work a work in your days, a work which you shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you. (Now what man can declare anything from God? It's got to be a prophet.)

14 So, he said, "If there's a prophet comes on the scene, you better watch it." Now, Gentiles don't believe in prophets. Now that's why the majority of five billion Gentiles are going to die. They'll burn upon earth like chaff and stubble, and there's no way out. See, they don't believe it.

Matthew 23:34

(34) ...behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes (Well, you say, "Well, He doesn't do it anymore.")

Who says he doesn't do it anymore? I'd like one person to answer my challenge: show me one place in the Bible where God says I will not have a Gentile prophet. And I can show you you're not even a Gentile; you're too dumb to be a Gentile even. And the Jews wouldn't take you; I don't know where you'll stand. It's too pitiful.

Where are you going to put Enoch? He was a prophet. Where are you going to put Noah? He was a prophet. You say, "Well, he's neither Jew nor Gentile." That's for all you know, he's human race. And, "He hath made him one in Christ, having broken down the middle wall of partition" [Ephesians 2:14] by death and resurrection; Jew and Gentile. So the man says you can't have a Gentile prophet.

What's he talking about? "If you can have Gentile false prophets, you can have a Gentile true prophet; or there's no such thing as a false prophet. There's something wrong with men's reasoning, they're blackened. But you see they can't take it, because they are not predestinated.

[50-1] God giving a three-fold revelation, and the only way it can ever be, (That's to you.) is that you're predestinated to see it. (Now that's both the prophet and the people. We'll see that to.) If it doesn't, you'll never see it. If you're not predestinated to see it, you'll never see it, "cause that Light can flash and you'll go away and make fun of it and explain it away by some intellectual conception when the very God Himself is manifesting Himself and proving it.

15 Now right today, the Gentile world that's fundamental believes in an Appearing, and they call the appearing the Rapture. That's when He appears. That's a lie. Now let's get that flat, I got Bible for it. I'm teaching over and over because let's face it, repetition never hurt you. It does you good; because until you know repetition and understand, you can't get on fire. Unless you got fuel, you cannot get on fire. I said, unless you got fuel you can't get on fire, and the fuel is the Word of God dynamized by the Holy Ghost. You got your own little ping-ping-ping, but you haven't got the whirl of dynamics. There's a difference.

(2) Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it hath not ever yet come into existence) what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear (And that word "appear", means to manifest Himself undeniably, that that is the Christ.)

You wait until we go a little farther, find out what "undeniable" is.

(2) "when he shall manifest Himself undeniably in His true character, (When He'll do that) we shall be like him; because we're going to see him as he is.

16 In other words, you've got to see Him first by revelation to get your change. Then you go up and see Him. But everybody says we're going to get our change, and then we're going to see Him. I got news for you, John does not say that. It says when He shall Appear. That means to be made visible, completely manifest in His true character. That's the time you're going to be like him. "When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory." [Colossians 3:4] And the word "then" does not mean "subsequent," it means contingent with. No appearing of life? "You don't get glorified.

Well, how do you know He appears? I'd like to know. How do you know? There's got to be some Word on it. How does He Appear to the Gentiles? Let's go to Mathew. I sell a hard case up here, I know I do. My voice and my answer won't convince anybody. If you're not meant to see it you won't see it; but I'll tell you one thing, I'll meet you on Judgment Day. Not that I want to do that for one minute. I'm not interested. I have no axe to grind. It's just the truth. Now listen:

Mathew 12:15-19

(15) But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, and he healed them all;

(16) And charged them that they should not make him known:

(17) That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

(18) Behold my servant, whom I have chosen...

Now, Isaiah said more than one thing. He said, "They're going to turn him down flat, they'll be blind and they can't even see Him." So you better remember when you're reading this; Isaiah didn't just say this:

(18) Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my spirit upon him,...

17 He didn't just say that. He said, "They're going to be blind, that they can't see, and they're going to kill the flesh; the very God in human flesh that they worship." So put that in there. If you saw my head up here, that's just part of me. Wouldn't it be great if I was just head, suspended? Well, I'll take it down here, make a joke of it. That's a form of a bust, laugh about it. Go all the way to the ground; head to toe. Why just look at this one part here when there are other parts? "Get the whole picture.

(18) ...and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles. (When did he do it? He never went and did it. Then he's got to do it.)

(19) He shall not strive, nor cry...

Strive nor cry. Did he do that back in Israel? “He sure did. Did he raise his voice in the street? “He sure did. Did he break the bruised reed? He sure did. Did he quench the smoking flax? “He sure did; but He doesn’t do this to the Gentiles. Show me where the Gentiles had a rod to stand on and light going out; for two thousand years, and now the rod is broken, and the smoking flax, showing the oil is all but gone, and the Scripture said, “Don’t you dare touch that oil and that wine, that little bit that’s left.”

18 So, he’s got to come to the Gentiles and do this. How is he going to do it? If he doesn’t raise his voice nor strive, how is he going to do it? He’s got to do it by the Holy Ghost, in somebody else’s to the Gentiles; but people turn this down, “Oh that was back!” Listen, that was not back there! This is Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever; and for a certain hour. That’s exactly what it is.

You do what you want with it. You tell me the answer if this isn’t it. I’ve read your theologians. Watch them hum-and-haw on these verses. Watch them hum-and-haw on Ephesians 1:17. Watch them fantasize when it comes to Revelation 10:1-7, Luke 17:30. Even Billy Graham knows the Word’s never been restored. Now he’s a tired old man. He’s younger than I am. All right, let’s keep reading:

[50-1] If you’re not predestinated to see it, you’ll never see it, ‘cause that Light can flash and you’ll go away and make fun of it and explain it away by some intellectual conception when the very God Himself is manifesting Himself and proving it. (Let’s go to John 8 this is very interesting)

John 8: 38, 43-44

(38) I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and you do that which you have seen with your father. (A complete disclaimer of ownership. Jesus said, “God is my Father, in a way He’s nobody else’s father; and your father’s the devil.”) Now watch:

(43) Why do you not understand my speech? Even because you cannot hear my word.

(44) You are of your father the devil, and the pleasures of your father you’ll do. He was a murderer from the beginning! (You show me one time the devil murdered anybody; you can’t do it. The beginning murderer was Cain.)

19 Where did Cain come from? If Adam was his father, then God’s a liar, because the genealogy should have gone through Cain, being the elder. Abel would have been the genealogy; he was killed. So who sired Cain? “The serpent did, being so close to human being, the seed could mingle; the Jews themselves understood that. Listen; read with me, you’ll understand that. The Jews understood that” now listen to what the Jews said:

John 8:39-41

(39) They answered and said, Abraham is our father. Jesus said If you were Abraham’s children, you would do the works of Abraham.

(40) But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham.

(41) You do the deeds of your father. Then they said to him, We be not born of fornication; (What was the act of fornication?)

20 Even the serpentâ€”because though she was Adamâ€™s wife, he had not yet touched her sexuallyâ€”she was his ordained wife, but not physically, where union takes place. You go to a court of law and try to insist this is my wife and you havenâ€™t touched her sexually, theyâ€™ll annul your marriage certificate. You havenâ€™t got a marriage. So where did fornication come in? â€”Right in the garden. If they could trace themselves to Abraham, from there on the genealogy categorically said you are a son of Adam; which was a son of God. â€œAnd as in Adam all died, even in Christ all are made alive.â€• [1Corinthians 15:22]

They said, â€œWeâ€™re not born of fornication.â€•

They understood serpentâ€™s seed. The Talmud tells you that. Eve copulated with the serpent and brought forth Cain. Gentiles donâ€™t know so much; might hear a good rabbi once in a while. Do you good instead of your fundamentally dead people that are so-called Protestants or God knows what, are Christians.

(42) Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, youâ€™d would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.

21 Now, I want to tell you something here brother/sister. Listen very carefully now. Those Pharisees were of their father the devil, and the spirit they had, was the spirit of the enemy.

And the spirit of the enemy, the devilâ€™s spirit, made claim to Jesus Christ. They made claim to Jesus Christ, because they said,

â€œYou are mad, a Samaritan, and you have a devil.â€•

When they saw the very works of God and heard the Word of God they said, â€œThat is the devil.â€• They themselvesâ€”of the devilâ€”said that is the devil. Do you understand what Iâ€™m saying? You donâ€™t. You think youâ€™re getting it. Oh, you are getting it, but youâ€™re not getting it deep enough, because youâ€™re not thinking far enough ahead or I would have caught it.

22 You better start thinking of yourself right now, and people round about you, that say, â€œI believe what you believe.â€• Better examine yourselves this morning. Where do you stand in the faith? Weâ€™ll touch that. Iâ€™m not afraid to touch it, because it borders right down to this Church and what we stand for.

They say, â€œOh, you people, we donâ€™t deny what you claim in the doctrine, but youâ€™ve got a bad spirit.â€• (Letâ€™s check that bad spirit out shortly.) Weâ€™re going to get to it in a little while. We go to page 52 now, heâ€™s talking about predestination. The prophet predestinated. The people predestinated to get a revelation from God. He speaks of John the Baptist again.

And you know that John the Baptist was the predestinated seed, because the book of Isaiah said so, and the book of Malachi said so, and the angel came and said so, (and you have to admit it) that he was predestinated. And youâ€™ve got to admit one more thing about John the Baptistâ€”he got what nobody else gotâ€”which was the baptism with the Holy Ghost before he was born. And thatâ€™ll let you know that God can do anything; anytime He wants, anyway He wants it, and we ought to shut up and listen to find out if it is of God.

You say, â€œWell, thatâ€™s a devil, thatâ€™s a devil, thatâ€™s a devil.â€•

23 Is that a fact? “You may be of the devil; witnessing to God, like the Scribes and Pharisees, and trace your church membership, and your genealogy, and what you think you believe” time to be very, very cautious. You say, “Brother Vayle, I’m old.” I don’t care, I’m old too. I’ve been a lot more places than anybody here has ever been, spiritually speaking, to see and know these things. I’ve read the books and the whole bit. A person’s got to be careful.

Now listen, talking of John the Baptist, God said to John the Baptist:

[54-1] “Go on out there, and when you see this One, (the Messiah) there’ll be a sign coming from heaven like a Light; (The Holy Spirit in the form of a dove.) come down. That’ll be Him when you see Him.” (Now, God had to tell the prophet so the prophet could tell the people. When has God ever changed?)

24 The mystery Book of Revelation, indicating the Seals, and the Thunders; somebody’s got to come and do it. You can’t leave it to happenstance” you’ve got to leave it to God. How does God do things? Moses learned His ways, but Israel saw His works. They saw the works of Jesus Christ; never learned the ways. They were cursed.

What about this generation, if we’re in this proper generation?

He then goes to the apostle Paul. The apostle Paul had God reveal Himself to him, he was another predestinated Seed. Paul mentions that himself. Now you notice that Bro. Branham says concerning Paul. He might have said, when he was out to destroy the Christians:

[52-4] “If I get a hold of that bunch, I’ll tear them to pieces, because I’m Dr. Saul. I come up under Gamaliel. (Then he interjects) I come from the Moody Bible Institute or some other institute. In other words I’m a scholar. I know what I’m talking about. I’ll tear that bunch of holy-rollers to pieces.

Now notice, all the time religion rises against religion; and this is the study of religion and spirituality. Religion is pseudo-spirituality. Christianity, if it’s true Christianity” is the true spirituality.

25 All right. What do you think the Catholics did to those Protestant martyrs? Sixty eight million and that’s just maybe some of them, not all of them. That’s just some. They wiped out whole cities. What was it? “They wiped out a bunch of Huguenots on St Valentine’s Eve; and people still remain Catholics, knowing that. That knowledge ought to turn every Catholic into a Protestant, protesting their own Catholic church and cleaning it up. Not a token cleaning up, but a real cleaning up; because you see, the spirit goes to a certain word. If you’ve got a wrong word, you’ve got a wrong spirit. Right.

God will never anoint anything but the true mechanics, and if we’re wrong here this morning, we’re not going to see the light of the First Resurrection; let’s just be honest brother/sister.

Be honest like William Branham was. If we’re not Bride there’s a Bride out there somewhere, we’re just not it, I’m sorry, we’re struggling. At least we’ve got enough on the ball that at the White Throne Judgment, He’ll say, “Well at least you saw something, so you can come over here,” or, “You won’t have to be there so long.”

Now that’s not purgatory, that’s annihilation I’m talking of. So don’t get that in your hat that I’m thinking for one minute of purgatory; you’re going to want to be cleansed?” no way, shape, or form. See?

[52-4] I'm a scholar. I know what I'm talking about. I'll tear that bunch of holy-rollers to pieces. And I tell you, great holy father, (That's a high priest.) you just give me the permission to go down there, and I'll arrest every one of them noise makers down there. All this divine healing stuff, we'll stop it. (You think they won't? Don't want to?)

26 Look it, your AMA even wants to stop a naturopath from practicing, and they're determined to take over the chiropractors. How? "By getting therapists in their office to learn adjustments. The DO's [Osteopaths] fell, now the chiropractors will be out if the doctors can have their way. And the FDA we'll see that you get poison instead of fresh foods and vegetables. They're going to irradiate your food now to where there's no life, it'll destroy you. They don't have to put the thing on the labels even, so that's fine.

And yet, if I killed a man I'd get thrown in jail or they'd stretch my neck for it. But as long as you're licensed by the government or the church, it's okay; because the church controls the government now. Don't think it doesn't; they could rise up tomorrow and throw this government out just like that. Don't think the church can't do it, because it can, brother/sister. It'll be doing it pretty soon one of these days.

[52-4] So Paul put it (The high priest's credentials.) in his pocket and said, "I'm on my way down that road." And that day, my, about 11 o'clock in the day, a Light shone in his face, and he fell to the earth. (Now what did that Light say? What if that Light had said nothing; just Wham?)

27 Wooh, I got struck by lightning! Who did that anyway? So somebody says, "Why, you see, Paul, you've got high blood pressure. And if your blood rises suddenly, wham, you see sparks before your eyes, it's like a bloom, and plunk, and you're out. And we didn't see any light. And you heard a voice? Well, hardening the arteries does that, old boy. No problem." But the Voice identified Himself and said,

"I'm Jehovah Savior," or Paul would not have known.

When Moses saw the burning bush, he would not have known, see? Prophet's got to know first. So someone's going to open the Book of Revelation. He's got to know first. He's got to be predestinated; then you and I would have to be predestinated.

Now, if William Branham wasn't that one, there'll be one coming, [in which case] we're not predestinated, and he was not predestinated; just foreknown, spoken of. And somebody else is going to be, [predestinated] you better to believe it; because that's the way God does it. That's the way God does it, you got to abide by it. We can't tell God what to do, you see?

28 Now, Paul was struck down. He was stricken by the Holy Spirit. God. St. Augustine, (Not much of a saint, more of a haint, let's face it. He had his concubine; he should have married her. Hard thing, he revoked his son he had by her, to stay with the church. The church should have kicked him out.) He's the one that said, "Paul was raging against God, so God struck him down and subdued him. Ought not the church therefore, do the same to the heretics that rage against her?"

When did they get rid of that spirit? Why do you think my landlord blew his stack? Married to a Catholic woman, (him an old backslidden Nazarene, whatever he was, if he ever was that) when he saw the scenes from Vietnam and the priests egging the people on, he was livid with rage. You think that spirit's left him? And you think that spirit's not in the Protestants? Let's find out if that spirit's amongst us, (the Protestants and Catholics both) let's read some Scripture,

letâ€™s go to:

Revelation 13:11-17

(11) And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; he had two horns like a lamb, spake as a dragon. (See, two horns, political and ecclesiastical)

(12) And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causes the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

29 Now what was that? â€œThat was the great papal Roman Empire, the papal situation, the way the Roman Empire came back under the pope, under the papal dogma.

(13) And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

(14) And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

(15) And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. (What do you think of that?)

30 Thatâ€™s your great, last-time, ecumenical church. And then people talk of a great revival where millions are going to come into Christ. How can they lie about the Word of God? It said few are going to come in. As it was in the days of Noah; eight people! And they claim there were five billion people on the earth at that time; statistically, yes, I read it fifty years ago. The statisticians said there would be five billion on earth, at the time of Noah. A lot more space too, though. Weâ€™ve only got one sixth the land they had; weâ€™ve got it worse.

More pollution, more anything, more AIDS coming, more help to get you out of here; sexual sins, brother/sister, absolutely type idolatryâ€”the wrong lover. They donâ€™t love God, the Word. They donâ€™t love Him. They love everything else. And so therefore they will fall more and more into sexual sins, and theyâ€™re not going to stop. Theyâ€™re going to do their best to find a way to get around it so they can go right ahead. You think those homos are going to stop? Well, it scared a few of them but theyâ€™ll be right back, donâ€™t worry.

31 Once you get overpowered by those spirits, youâ€™re not going to shake them; no way, shape and form. Theyâ€™ll go somewhere and theyâ€™ll be worse deceived. Worst thing of all is if they stop messing with each other and they start messing with the heterosexuals. Well, the bisexuals come in on it, and you got the heterosexuals, theyâ€™ll be picked up next; spread like wildfire. You understand what Iâ€™m talking about? â€œBecause youâ€™re not going to stop this spirit. Itâ€™s going to work itself out sexually somewhere, somehow.

Itâ€™s claimed they got social disease, the first syphilitic disease; syphilis from animals, where men used them. The Bible speaks of that. Cease from natural use. You think itâ€™s not going to sweep the world? Youâ€™ve got another guess coming. Itâ€™s already here. You think theyâ€™re not covering up figures? They always have covered up figures. Show me when the government hasnâ€™t lied. Itâ€™s always lied; always will lie. Thereâ€™s no way out. The only honest people are going to be those that are truly born again. They may find it hard to speak out. Now listen:

(16) And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in

their right hand, or their foreheads:

(17) That no man might buy or sell, (Thereâ€™s that same spirit.) save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

32 Now, it tells you right there. Now thatâ€™s the same spirit. You join us or youâ€™ll die. Weâ€™ve got all the food, weâ€™ve got this, weâ€™ve got that, are you going to join us to live? Do you want to live? Now, weâ€™re lovely people; if you want to commit suicide thatâ€™s your problem. But you could come with us. But youâ€™re cut off. Okay. Now, talking about Paul, a predestinated seed, why did this happen:

[53-1] He was a predestinated Seed. God said, â€œI have chosen him. And Iâ€™m going to show him what great things heâ€™ll suffer for My Nameâ€™s sake. Iâ€™ll send him to the Gentiles and disgrace him in every way that they can be heâ€™ll be disgraced, but heâ€™ll bear My Name.â€• (Now, havenâ€™t the prophets all suffered?)

Mathew 23:34

(34) ...behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them you shall kill and crucify; (Didnâ€™t say they had to; already done this, some of you shall kill and crucify.) and some of them youâ€™ll scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city: (For judgment to fall.)

33 Doesnâ€™t it say in the Book of Revelation judgments going to fall on the great whore and her harlot daughters? Bible says so. Okay. What if we have a prophet in this hour then; will he suffer? â€œHe certainly will. What about the people of God? â€œThereâ€™ll be a measure of suffering there to. What about Elijah, if he comes? â€œSame thing. God said he would.

[53-1] Paul went down there till he got all of his ecclesiastical stuff cut off of him, down at the backside of the desert...(Prophets always get away by themselves.)

They donâ€™t go with the crowd, they canâ€™t. Thereâ€™s no way. The theology cannot come from schools, thereâ€™s no way. Well listen, if their theology could come from a school then God would have to be the Head of that school for sure; having demonstrated He was the Head. Then anybody that didnâ€™t go there ought to die, and should die. God never dealt with anybody in a school, and never will.

34 Moses is the great prophet whose name is linked with the Lamb in the Book of Revelation. He did not go to a school, he had to go to the backside of the desert for forty solid years and be there until everything was knocked out of him. Paul had to do the same thing. He said, â€œAll my high learning I call dung.â€• Manure; exactly what it was. What a horrible thing. Now, letâ€™s get into this:

[53-1] â€œIâ€™d down at the backside of the desert for three years and a half, down there in Arabia, until he learned the Word and the Word became he, and he became a prisoner. (Now watch) he learned the Word and the Word became heâ€™! (In other words, the man and the Message was one.)

His life was that Word and the word was his life. He was imbued, with a living doctrine. And Christ is that Word. Now:

[53-1] ...And he become a prisoner. (Now watch) Here he came back in chains of love. All my seminary experience is gone. Iâ€™m a prisoner of Jesus Christ. Amen. Philemon my brother, Iâ€™m a prisoner of Jesus Christ. (He wrote that to Philemon see.) I can only speak and say what

He tells me. (Every prophet agrees with that.)

[53-3] God needs prisoners today that will prison themselves to His will, to His Word. That's what Paul was, (A prisoner to the Word.) No matter how much doctrinal intellectually he had learned, he had to know God by revelation. Yes sir. The intellectual went all the way out of the business then when revelation came; which "Upon this Rock the Church is built." (Here he came back; he came back in chains of love. Now, Love of what?)

35 Love of what; he's a prisoner of what? Hey? Now to whom was he a prisoner? "To the One that says, "I Am Jehovah." What was he imprisoned to? "The Message that God gave him. Now the prophet says, "He's here in chains of love." All right, let's go to Hebrews. It says here concerning Jesus:

Hebrews 1: 9

(9) Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. (Now this was the One with the perfect love for righteousness and the perfect hatred for iniquity.)

36 You cannot understand God unless you understand love and hatred and know what it's all about. And the hatred is not what you think it is. But you've got to know what iniquity is. And I've taught it many, many times. We go to:

1 John 3:11-12

(11) And this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. (And remember, the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost. See?) Now:

(12) Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one...(Tells you right there, who was the wicked one.)

Adam was not the wicked one. God was not the wicked one. Who was the wicked one? "The serpent was the wicked one; so close to a man; in fact, far more beautiful than Adam. Taller, that's where the giants came from, not angels having intercourse. How can angels have intercourse? Fallen devils can make people have intercourse every vile way under God's high heaven; even blame it onto God. "Angels procreating, hogwash! "Spirit, ejaculating sperm, Phhbfft! "Monks and monasteries, fooling nuns and stupid women. Take all that tripe to the Bible and call it God? "Don't be fascinated by these stupid books you read. Okay:

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

37 The evil work was not killing his brother; the evil work preceded the killing of his brother. It was an evil work; an iniquitous work. Abel's work was righteous. You understand? Now, let's go back here to:

Genesis 4:6-7

(6) ...the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

(7) If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, the sin (offering) lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

And the Septuagint says, (And the Greek had a very literal translation.) "If thou doest well,

shalt thou not be accepted? Thou hast rightly offered, but thou hast not rightly divided.â€•

And the Scripture in Timothy says youâ€™ve got to divide the Word of God correctly, and thatâ€™s whatâ€™s entirely wrong. People donâ€™t know what the Bible says, and theyâ€™re trying to figure it themselves, not waiting for God to send the man thatâ€™s ordained to figure itâ€”not figure it, but to be in the figuration of Godâ€”to tell you what God means.

Luther had it partly right, Wesley, Pentecostals, every age has had it partly right. Right to the Catholic Church; they (certain people) had it partly rightâ€”but at the end-time thereâ€™s got to be a restoration.

And people blind their eyes, say, â€œOh I just donâ€™t believe that.â€•

Then donâ€™t believe it! You donâ€™t have to believe anything; nobodyâ€™s going to force you. Weâ€™ll talk about that later on. Nobodyâ€™s going to force anybody. All right, listen. What then was the righteous act of Abel? â€”The righteous act was by divine revelation, the blood must be shed. That was the Word. The divine revelation placed the first fruit after the blood offering.

38 You offer first fruit when youâ€™re righteous enough to do it; to give back to God something. When youâ€™ve been baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ and filled with the Holy Ghost, now you can begin to offer back to God something which you cannot do before. And the blood is not efficacious unless you are baptized with the Holy Ghost. Itâ€™s not that itâ€™s not efficacious per-se, but to you itâ€™s not. Let me read it to you:

Hebrews 10:14-15.

(14) For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. (Thatâ€™s by the Blood, making you perfectly separated.)

(15) Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us:...

Which tells you: if the Blood has been applied, and youâ€™re perfectly set apart by the Blood and baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christâ€”the Holy Ghost will fall upon youâ€”thatâ€™s exactly what it did in the Book of Acts.

And donâ€™t change it to somebodyâ€™s dogmas and creeds. See? Itâ€™ll be without sensation, without some sign; but youâ€™ll know when you begin to believe this Word and this Word begins to work in you.

39 The Word working in you mightily is what God wants; because the Word and the Spirit are now together. You are a conduit of the whole thing, and the Word in you, is the conduit of the Life that comes from God. You get the conduit of the Word, see, you get the conduit which is the Wordâ€”energized by the Life of the Holy Ghost in youâ€”as a conduit for the whole thing. Youâ€™ll represent Jesus Christ, provided you learn to get out of the way. Thatâ€™s the biggest gift of all. Do you really want to know that? So there you are.

40 Now, letâ€™s go to Hebrews, I read it to you; let me read it again so you get the picture; because I donâ€™t want you to lose the picture. Itâ€™s too important. It says concerning Jesus the Christ Himself:

Hebrews 1:8-9

(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. (Notice what the testimony)â€”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; there-fore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness...(You got two gods like this, sort of speaking their minds.)

41 The LORD said to my Lord, showing the supreme power thatâ€™s vested in the Son through Almighty God. Now he said, â€œThou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity.â€• What did God love? â€”God loved the revelation of His Word, which people believed and abided in. And what did He hate? â€”The revelation given; and people turning it down, and going their own way.

Now, I want to read something on predestination. Letâ€™s go back to:

Romans 9:9-14

(9) For this is the word of promise, At this time will I come, and Sara shall have a son.

(10) And not only this; but when Rebecca also had conceived by one, even by our father Isaac;

(11) For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;

(12) It was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger.

(13) As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

(14) What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? God forbid. (Now hold it right there and go to Romans 1, letâ€™s put it together)

Romans 1:16-21

(16) For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

(17) For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

(18) For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold (down) the truth in unrighteousness;

(19) Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them;

42 In other words, thereâ€™s something in there thatâ€™s going to make a discernment; theyâ€™ve got the ability to look out there and know if itâ€™s God or not, if they want to get down to issues on it. In other words, this is a natural thing.

(20) For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: (So what is it?)

(21) Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God...(Now notice, it says they knew Him.)

So, they must have had a manifestation presented to them that was beyond nature, and beyond creation, because you cannot know God from creation; all you know there is a God—but what kind of a god? Like somebody at midnight bangs on your door, and it’s pitch-dark out there; and you’re stupid enough to open the door, and suddenly you can’t see the person. Is it an enemy or a friend? Somebody there—you know somebody there—who’s got to make himself visible, “Oh, thank God, it’s you, Phew, I was a fool to open the door.” That’s the way God is. He’s got to give a sign; something’s got to happen. See? People don’t believe that. That’s the Bible. It’s the Word of the living God. Now:

(21) “but became vain in their reasonings, and their foolish heart was darkened.

43 So you know over here where it says: “What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God?” The answer is no; because God had plainly laid it out before everybody. As Paul said, “This was not done in the corner.”

When you’ve got a man like William Branham, wherein thirty thousand people were saved at one time in South Africa, and they took truck loads and truck loads of wheelchairs and crutches and sticks and what have you, (prostheses of various kinds) down the main street; seven truck loads. A ministry; know. Where he could stand back and say “I guarantee.” What nobody could guarantee. And then all the churches stood back.

44 I’m going to say one thing, if that wasn’t God in evidence, it sure came close. And what will it be when He does come into evidence? Greater than ever and they’ll turn it down worse; because it seems they could take the piddly-little things, the inconsequential—those that prove nothing but a man’s intellect.

“Hogwash on your intellects” Phaap!

Your so-called smart men are usually insane to begin with. Kids out of the crib that can do mathematics at the age of four usually end up cripples. God does not choose many mighty, not many brainy, not many anything. It doesn’t mean He chooses idiots and empties insane institutions to get His converts either. [Bro. Vayle mumbles beebledy-babbledy] God doesn’t pick that up. He excuses it. But the un-complex can see things. That’s the Christian.

Romans 9:14-17

(14) ...Is there unrighteousness with God?... (In other words, does God Himself depart from His own Word?)

Does God now officiate and do things opposite to His Word? “Certainly not, He’s the same yesterday, today, and forever,” but people will not trace it through the Bible. No, they won’t.

(15) For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

(16) So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.

(17) For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth. (Now you tell me that Pharaoh did not have an opportunity when he saw the works of God and his own magicians fail.)

45 You show me where Israel didn't have the opportunity when Elijah stood there with the four hundred prophets of Baal, and called their hand and killed the whole bunch of them. Showed the power of God, and they still turned to idolatry. You show me Jesus Christ. He failed too. Stood right there in the presence of those men that knew Moses, and knew the Word of God, they said, "He's got a devil." Why? "Because he didn't agree."

You know, disagreement is the most horrible thing in this world, brother/sister. It's the first step of hate. In fact, disagreement and hate are kindred. One comes from the other. Whether the first or the other, I'm not quite sure. Now that doesn't mean to agree with folly, to line up with folly. It doesn't mean to take a false word. I'm talking about those disagreements in people's life, where they simply can't say,

"Well, you see it your way and I'll see it my way."

46 But they're not going to do it. Abel was killed because of a disagreement that went to hate "over what?" "God. You know what? It'll split families. It'll destroy brother and sister, father and mother, husband and wife. We've seen it too often. Mustn't be, but it is."

John 17:4

(4) I have glorified thee on the earth: (How?) I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. (What was the work? It was the Word of God that God had outlined for him.)

So Paul was as a predestinated Seed in the footsteps of Jesus Christ. He hated iniquity. He could not stand what was against the Gospel. But he didn't murder anybody from that time on. He had a spirit of compassion and understanding; a spirit to win people. He was winsome, [charming; winning; engaging] not loathsome anymore. He was loathsome, when he thought he was winsome. Oh, that's that perverted kind of love. Now, let's look at this again:

[53-3] Here he come back in chains of love, (Love of what; love of the person? "Love of the Word.)

47 Now Bro. Branham says here, "God needs prisoners today who will imprison themselves to His will, to His Word." So where does love come from? "It's got to come from that Word. It's got to spring from that Word. First of all, the love of God absolutely cannot be placed outside of the Word. Now you know what I'm talking about. He said, "If Abraham was your father, you'd love me."

"You'd know that God was my Father." But they hated him because they had a different word. Now if they'd had His Word, they'd have loved Him, they'd have loved the Father, and they'd have loved each other. Now they had all kinds of love outside of that, but it didn't cut with God. It was iniquity.

Now, I don't care how far a man gets in sin, how deep. And I don't care how rabid the person is, to be a real whirlwind of terrible, atrocious, living. That person could show some love, some kindness (We call love, we call kindness.) That's good, I'm all for it. But we're not talking about that this morning; we're talking about the Love of God shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost. How can you love God and hate that Word that's been delivered; proven by God to be the Word for this hour?

48 Now, go back in your own minds again. Why did Cain hate Abel? "Over the same Word; misunderstood, misinterpreted. And you know what? He loved his own interpretation so much, he could kill for it. And notice he was the first liar, after his father. His father the serpent lied. Then he

lied.

When God said, "Where is your brother."

He said, "How do I know? Well, he said, "that jerk just runs around all the time with those crazy revelations. He's out there somewhere, I guess."

"Oh yes. I know," said God, "His blood is crying right now, do you think you fooled me?"

Listen; dare to say that in the face of God?

Do you understand me people this morning, what I'm saying? You read your Bibles, you look at this, you hear me preach, but it goes over your head; it doesn't become real to you. This is a real warfare you're in. And you better get ready for it. Paul was set for the defense of the gospel. He needs prisoners of love, loving the Logos, which is literally God Himself expressed.

49 And God is Spirit with only two major attributes: Omnipotence and Omniscience. And that covers everything; everything, everything, and doesn't leave one thing out. Because if you've got the ability to do it and you know what you want done, that's everything. God, being spirit, could do it. And He manifested all that in the form of Jesus Christ, who brought the revealed Word; told the people all about Himself, what was going on. He said, "I've got to die."

And they said, "No, no, we don't accept the death of anybody for the nation. We offer lambs and goats, because God forbade that we give our children to the fire and shed blood and all."

He said, "But hold it, here's something different."

"Oh," they said, "We don't care about that, that's a mystical something. Who knows, who knows, who knows. This is what we believe. Oh I know Elijah's got to come, but you know. That doesn't mean much. We got Jesus, hallelujah."

50 Who said you did? Make him a liar and claim you got him? "I'll dwell on that till I die. Either I killed or get out of here by some kind of a stroke, one of the two; who knows. Notice, the revelation and Christ are one; and the revelation is as strong as a rock. It's unyielding. Let's go to the Book of Acts. All right:

Acts 15:1-29

(1) And certain men which came down from Judaea taught the brethren, and said, Except you be circumcised after the manner of Moses, you cannot be saved. (Who said so? Well, they said so. Who are they? I'd like to know. False prophets, false apostles.)

(2) When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.

They withstood the very man that had the authority " Paul.

Because he said, "If any man is a prophet or thinks himself to be; or spiritual, full of the Holy Ghost, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of God."

A vindicated prophet. He said he was.

(3) And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.

(4) And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them.

(5) But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying...

Now notice, they were make-believers, part-way believers. They're going to flap their big! œl'm a big Pharisee. Well I came from this school, I came from that school, I'm a PhD. Listen, I tell you, I believe this William Branham a prophet of God, too. But I'll tell you what it's all about. I got my PhD. Sure I know that too. It just means that stuff Paul called manure"just piled higher and deeper"that's all. That's your brains. That's where they are. Come out of the brains.

(5) ...which believed, saying that it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.

51 You tell me they understood anything of grace? Hogwash! They claimed to be believers in the Pentecostal hour, of the fresh falling of the Holy Spirit, the endowed and endued apostles, and stood up and sneered about it. And you think we're not going to have that amongst us? Listen, if you think we're in for a rosy time, and we will not be rent by the outside and inside; I'm going to tell you something, you haven't been hearing me preach. You're nice people, but there's something wrong with you. You got cotton in your ears or something. What have you been feeding on? Hah. Come on, brother/sister, if you're not hated somewhere"not a mark"you can't be worth anything. Oh come on. Let's look at the problems:

(7) And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren, you know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.

(8) And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us;

(9) And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.

(10) Now therefore why tempt you God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

(11) But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

(12) Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

(13) And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men and brethren, hearken unto me:

(14) Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his namesake.

(15) And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,

(16) After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down...(Now whoâ€™s going to build the tabernacle? Not after all the Gentiles come in, thatâ€™s not it. Itâ€™s being built now.) ...and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up: (Heâ€™s turned to the Gentiles. Weâ€™ve got King David. Sure.)

(17) That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.

(18) Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world. (Now, they kept on talking here.)

(19) Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles are turned to God:

(20) But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornication, and from things strangled, and from blood.

52 Now, Iâ€™d like you find out exactly where the Bible said the Gentiles are to abstain from things strangled, or from blood.

But they said, â€œThatâ€™s the way it is.â€•

Now thereâ€™s the danger of preachers getting together right there. The minute they start adding, theyâ€™ll add. Now just hold that, see, Iâ€™m not through yet. No, no, not by a jug full. All right:

(21) For Moses of old time in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath day.

(22) Then pleased it the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren:

(23) And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia:

(Now Iâ€™m not saying itâ€™s bad, to abstain from that, Iâ€™m just saying watch what people do.)

(24) Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, (Went out from us, have troubled you with words) subverting your souls,

(Notice subverting your souls. Notice how they said it) saying, Ye must be circumcised, to keep the law: to whom we gave no such commandment:

They said, â€œWe didnâ€™t give any. They went out from us and we didnâ€™t send them out to tell that.â€• I wonder if they had any business sending anybody out, outside of the Holy Ghost.

Now, Iâ€™m not saying the Holy Ghost wasnâ€™t there helping to send people out, but Iâ€™m letting you know the trouble came in at the very first. And if you read history you will find that in the

First Church age, (before the apostles had even died off) I don't know if it's true, but according to history they were fighting over infant baptism.

53 We've got a problem when it comes to the Word. Oh yes, one Word on, one word off. Now I'm laying it out where the prophet laid it out, to you to help you understand. It's dangerous.

(25) It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved (brothers) Barnabas and Paul,

(26) Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(27) We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell you the same things by mouth.

(28) For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

Now, I don't know how they got the mind of the Holy Ghost but it's very possible they did. But it's very possible, (we'll show you) there could be some, but not perfect in the mind of Christ. Now watch.

(29) That you abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

54 Now that's not much to put upon a people. But now let's go a little further. Let's go to Galatians the 2nd chapter and we'll read there. Paul is speaking and He said:

Galatians 2:1-14

(1) Then fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.

(2) And I went up by revelation, and spoke to them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.

(3) But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:

(4) And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, (Now Paul's telling the story that happened) who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:

Now, you see, fourteen years after Paul received the revelation he went to Jerusalem and a bunch of Judaizers were already mixed with the people. In other words, they reverted back to their old religion. The same as this bunch that are called Branhamites will go back to Pentecost. And I got my mind blown yesterday, when a man phoned me and told me a certain brother I esteem very very highly, has put church order out of his church. Speak in tongues, on the floor, and everything else. It's not supposed to be. That's mayhem, that's havoc.

So, where are they going? "They're right back to Pentecost; but not Pentecost as in the Pentecost of God.

(4) And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, (Now notice, false brethren. So there's true brethren and false brethren.) who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus that they might bring us back into bondage: (The Church Age book goes into

that very thoroughly.)

(5) To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour;

55 Well, what were they subject to? â€œChains of Love â€œ the Word of God. How could you dare to say you loved anybody with the love of God, unless you were right in that Word? Now I know thereâ€™s motivation, brother/sister, I understand that perfectly. Weâ€™re not talking strictly in the lines of mechanical; weâ€™re talking in lines of the mechanical thatâ€™s really of God. Godâ€™s obligated to use that as a conduit of the Holy Ghost; and then you as its super-outlet, because whatâ€™s in your soul comes through your spirit and dominates your flesh. So we know where the Word is. Now youâ€™ve got to be subject to the Word inwardly and in obedience, too.

Well what good is inward subjugation if youâ€™ve got the wrong mechanics? Do you follow what I am saying? Itâ€™s so hard for people to understand it; they think I donâ€™t believe in love. Look I believe in mushy-love â€œ almost prostituted-love â€œ just get loving â€œ for Godâ€™s sake. Do something nice. Weâ€™re talking concerning a reality, where the wrong division blows it, and puts a spirit on you that makes you misunderstand entirely. But weâ€™re not talking to just nice people, and people that need to be nice.

56 Say, â€œI love God, I worship, I do this.â€• And then kill. And theyâ€™re coming to it. You think theyâ€™re not? Theyâ€™re coming to it brother/sister. Theyâ€™re coming to it because itâ€™s the Pentecostals has brought in ecumenism. Theyâ€™re all speaking in tongues. Iâ€™ve nothing against those brothers. God bless them, itâ€™s fine by me what they do; just donâ€™t do it around me. Theyâ€™ll close up churches like ours, donâ€™t worry. They may have to close us up first. I donâ€™t know. God will give us strength I suppose, somehow. Now:

(6) But of these who seemed to be somewhat, whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me:

God accepteth no manâ€™s person: (How do you like them apples? Do you think Paul wasnâ€™t a rough customer?) for they who seemed to be somewhat in conference added nothing to me:

(7) But contrariwise, when they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision was committed unto me, as the gospel of the circumcision was unto Peter; (That simply means, he went to the Jews and stayed with them, though the door was open to the Gentiles. Paul left the Jews and went to the Gentiles, period.)

(8) For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles: (He explains what I just said. Good thing I read the Bible. Now you know what Iâ€™m talking about.)

(9) And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, (Who seemed to be pillars?) perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.

(10) Only they would that we should remember the poor; (Now this time, they donâ€™t say about the blood and the strangling and all those things, do they?)â€!which I also was forward to do.

(11) But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face,

57 Aw Paul, you blew it. You dared to stand up to your brother. What a horrible spirit youâ€™ve got. Now I know a little bit about Paul, because Iâ€™ve had double barrels of that; by letter, by telephone, by innuendo, by everything else. I have a spirit of hell because I dare to believe in what I

preach here. And if I would say I am wrong and youâ€™re right, Iâ€™d have a spirit of God; but they can lie, and say everything they want, and they got a nice spirit.

Is that so? Now the gloves are off, eh? And theyâ€™ve been off for a long timeâ€™because Iâ€™m not backing up; because I want to ask one question. Who Appeared and when, and why? Thatâ€™s what we preach here. Well then, you figure from there, brother/sister. They believe what we believe exactly? Then what spirit is motivating them to make the claims and what they say? Iâ€™d like to know.

Just because somebody thinks heâ€™s as nice as Jesus Christ doesnâ€™t necessarily mean that I think heâ€™s that way. Just because some of you men think youâ€™re Godâ€™s gift to women doesnâ€™t mean your wife thinks that, and vice versa. I hope nobody here fits that description, because thatâ€™s worse than fornication; thatâ€™s adultery.

(11) â€œI withstood Peter to the face, because he was to be blamed.

(12) For before that certain came from James, (Now listen) he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, (That bunch came down.) he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

58 Like, he denied the Cross, see? Iâ€™m not mad at Peter, Iâ€™m just telling you, come on here; weâ€™re all human beings, brothers. Weâ€™ll do far worse than this. But I want you to know thereâ€™s something here. Somebodyâ€™s got to have back-bone; somebodyâ€™s got to get to a place. And I donâ€™t think it was just William Branham. I think you and I must come someplace too.

(13) And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.

That was the end of Barnabas. Paul said, â€œI canâ€™t stand a quitter,â€• he said, â€œJohn Mark quit.â€• He said, â€œYou quit.â€• He said, â€œForget it.â€• How can two walk together except they be agreed? Iâ€™ve got a quote on that. [Oneness P:62, 62-0211]

â€œCan a man who believes in all the Word of God have unity with them who just believe part of the Word of God? God wants separators.â€•

Oh Paul, you had it right there, boy.

(14) But when I saw that they walked not uprightly (Remember, Jesus was anointed above all men because he loved uprightness.) according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why do you compel the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?

59 Now, hereâ€™s a man that went back on the revelation, temporarily. John went back on his revelation temporarily, he said, â€œAre you really the Christ?â€•

There can be ups and downs, and swings of moods amongst us; thatâ€™s right. I donâ€™t deny thatâ€™but thereâ€™s got to be a tie-post somewhere. Letâ€™s go to 1 Corinthians. Okay, now hereâ€™s what Paul said when he talks about idolatry and the eating of things sacrificed to idols:

1 Corinthians 10:14-33

(14) Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.

(15) I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say.

(16) The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? (In other words, you go through a formula. You go through a ceremony. You go through a rite that means something. You do the same with idols.)

(17) For we being many are one bread, and one body: we are all partakers of that one bread.

(18) Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar?

(19) What say I then? that the idol is anything, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is anything? (No. The idol doesn't exist, there's no gods there. There's no sacrifice there.)

(20) But I say, the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that you should have fellowship with devils.

(21) You cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: you cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.

(22) Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? are we stronger than he?

60 There were some people doing things that were absolutely an abomination, as the Roman Catholic Church does right now. Their whole setup is wrong, and the Protestants in the same boat. Now watch:

(23) All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but all things edify not.

(24) Let no man seek his own, but every man another's...

(25) Whatever is sold in the shambles, that eat, asking no question for conscience sake:

In other words, in the butcher's shop where they'd take the sacrificed animals, (That were offered to gods.) they'd cut them up and sell them. Don't ask questions for conscience sake just buy the meat and eat it. You say, Hey, did Paul talk like that?

What do you think he's saying?

(26) For the earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof. (So you bless it in Jesus name and claim it for God, because you don't know.)

(27) If any of them that believe not bid you to a feast, and ye be disposed to go; whatsoever is set before you, eat, asking no question for conscience sake. (Don't bug yourself over those things.)

(28) ...if any man say unto you, This is offered in sacrifice unto idols, eat not for his sake that shewed it, and for conscience sake: for the earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof: (In other words, if they prostitute it, then you leave it.)

61 So I can't eat that because my brother doesn't understand, all the more conforming to a Word, to save somebody's conscience, to help him; but in this hour you're full grown.

Even Paul had to rebuke the Hebrews, "You're still children, you ought to be teachers."

Ought to have men right now, come right behind me in this pulpit, (and I'm not talking about Bro. Klassen) I'm talking about you men. You won't get the chance unless I let you have it, though, because this is my pulpit. Come right behind me and be able to teach the very things I'm teaching with an understanding that people can understand. You go out there and tell others. Whether you've been taught right or wrong, you should be able to do that. Because you wouldn't be here if you didn't believe that I was right. See?

(29) Conscience, I say, not thine own, but of the other: for why is my liberty judged of another man's conscience?

"Well, just do it because you want to be, you know, nice and kind." You see, that's real love right there. Sacrifice which you know you can do. That's bearing and forbearing. Not that you have to but you go ahead and do it, that's the extra mile; turning the cheek, those things.

(30) For if I by grace be a partaker, why am I evil spoken of for that for which I give thanks?

I don't care who it was offered to. Offer it to devils all you want. I buy it down here, and I take it home, bless it in the Name of the Lord, because God gave it. The devil didn't give it, the devil just prostitutes it. And I take it home and cook it and eat it. They didn't say that at the conference in Jerusalem.

62 I want to ask you a question. Who had the mind of God? "Several men; or one man? There's your picture right there; the man that breaks it down and shows you; shows you not to be skittish, and not how to outsmart anything. But shows you how the Word within the framework always works out. Get it outside; you've got a bunch of perversion; every time.

(31) Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

(32) Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God:

(33) Even as I please all men in all things, not seeking mine own profit, but the profit of many, that they may be saved.

Well, how could you come and kow-tow to just anybody (What they believe.) and back away all the time, and get anybody saved?

They'd say, "Well that bird there, he isn't convinced in his own mind, of what he's got. Phaap!"

"I'm more convinced in my own mind than he is in his, so who needs his?" No, brother/sister. We're not here to lay eggs "rotten eggs especially, no hen can bring out. Let's take a look at what 1 Peter says, you'll get the picture. Now it says here:

1 Peter 1:22.

(22) Seeing you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that you love one another with a pure heart fervently:

63 Now, it tells you right there you've obeyed the truth. What truth? "The truth of the revealed Word in that hour when you got baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and full of the Holy Ghost. Now with that you have the unfeigned love of brethren and you love fervently. Why?"

â€œYouâ€™re born again; not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible. Thereâ€™s a corruptible seed you can be born of.

And youâ€™ll have every evidence that youâ€™ve got reality. Looks like the real love, the real joy, the real peace, the real everything; but it canâ€™t be if itâ€™s a wrong word, brother/sister, understand.

You get a mule and a horse, breeding together; theyâ€™ll show the hybrid qualities every single time. Bro. Branham said,

â€œWeâ€™re thoroughbreds, weâ€™ve got one line, coming from God.â€•

64 Listen, incorruptible, by the Word of God which lives and abides forever. Which Word lives and abides forever? â€œThe true, revealed, unadulterated Word of Almighty God. Listen, the church is built upon that, brother/sister. And sheâ€™s rock-hard. She doesnâ€™t deviate one little split second from it. Oh, we move a little bit here and there, because the revelation gets more complete. We move back more and more into dead center.

One of these days thereâ€™s going to be a Bride that knows the Word of God; knows who she is and what her place is, as weâ€™ve tried to teach here, as the prophet taught usâ€™vindicated by Godâ€™thereâ€™s going to be a Bride. And I say again, if weâ€™re not Bride thereâ€™s a Bride out there somewhere brother/sisterâ€™so tread gently and softlyâ€™but as you do, stay with that Word; because if you deviate, it shows that something is missing somewhere.

Look it, they hated Paul for one thing. Not the way he lived, although that had a bit to do with it because he didnâ€™t wash pans and pots and things like that, you know what I mean, sacrifice live animals.

But they couldnâ€™t stand his teaching.

And Jesus said, â€œWhich of you convinces me wrong in one work? Tell me one work.â€• And they said, â€œOh it isnâ€™t your works. Will you just shut up and listen to us, and youâ€™d fit right in the picture.â€• And he said, â€œI canâ€™t do it, because the very works indicate that what I speak is from the One whoâ€™s speaking to me. Itâ€™s proving to you, if youâ€™d have known Moses and Abraham, youâ€™d have known me.â€• And they said, â€œYouâ€™ve got to have a devil, because weâ€™re Abrahamâ€™s children.â€•

65 They were of the devil themselves, and they branded Jesus of the devil. Couldnâ€™t even tell their own spirit. You talk about deception and the razorâ€™s-edge in the last days; the two spirits, brother/sister, letâ€™s understand. Iâ€™m not trying to pull anybody down; Iâ€™m trying to show you something. Lies in a little gift of teaching, doesnâ€™t lie in me as a person or my life.

Iâ€™ve never claimed anything before anybody, but I stand just where I standâ€™on that Word. Thatâ€™s where it goes. Thy Word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Why? - Because thereâ€™s a life coming out of it. And itâ€™s not what people tell you that life is. Itâ€™s what This says it is. You watch. You watch. Thereâ€™ll be a Bride that gets out of here by the grace of God.

Letâ€™s rise,

Heavenly Father, always taking so much time, but we know, Lord, that what have weâ€™ve got in eternity; time, time, time and times. And we donâ€™t take enough time even now, coming together to study your Word, word by word. Say it too fast, people canâ€™t get it. Say it too hard at

times, it shocks people. I don't like that too much. It'd be nicer if we could just take maybe twenty-five minutes on each little word. Trace it through kindly, with a dozen and one illustrations, but Lord, I don't think we can do better than going into Your Word like we've tried to do this morning, Scripture by Scripture, even chapter by chapter. And it's Your Word, Lord, we read.

I trust that It was opened to us this morning by Your Spirit, helping us oh God, to know where we stand. This is the last hour. Judgment's in the land Lord. So much, oh God, so much, Lord, how could we know it all? "But we can know what we're supposed to know. How could we live it all? "By your Spirit, as Paul said, "I've been crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ lives in me." It's going to take your faith Lord, to do it, as Paul said it took.

So help us this morning, to learn to get out of the way, be absolutely bound over and sold over to you, Lord; whatever that Word wants. We want to know the revelation and we want to live it, moment by moment. Oh God, as the prophet so solemnly said back there in the Old Testament and in the New also, quoting,

"That our breath is in Your hands, (and) In You we live and move and have our being." As another one said, "There's one step betwixt me and death."

There isn't anybody here but could step off a curb and get hit by a bus or something and get killed; wouldn't matter, one step in the wrong direction and fall off a cliff, just one step, Lord. We realize these things, Father. And we need to be more serious, sober, about the Word which has been revealed in this hour. Not to make it a toy or a plaything or something mental, somewhere that it gives us some kind of preeminence.

But God, if it doesn't give You all the preeminence, then surely then we know there is something that just isn't the Holy Spirit, or at least not in the measure of His free will in our lives, as it ought to be. So forgive us, oh God; we humbly plead. All of us this morning, in our hearts, in our minds, Lord, we ask You to forgive us of every single sin. And help us now to walk in righteousness, dividing the Word; and to enjoy this life, Lord, in a spirit of relaxation and peace and goodness.

Knowing Lord, that you never made us in vain, Lord, you didn't make us here to be in the thralldom of the enemy, and under the power of darkness. But you made us to be Sons of God, and joint-heirs with Jesus Christ. And Lord, you never said that was just for the Millennium, you said it started here.

Liberate your people I pray this morning oh God, to really know righteousness from unrighteousness; him who serves God and him who doesn't. To really know the difference between them, Lord, and then walk in that Light as You're in the Light; having fellowship one with another and the Blood of Jesus Christ cleansing us. Father that's what it's all about in my mind and if I'm wrong, then I don't know; I just can't understand anything much about anything if I'm wrong there, and I don't know that the people would either, Lord.

I know we've been yearning and yearning for this freedom oh God; this restoration Lord, this getting back to Eden. In the fallen state, we're reaching forth our hands toward immortality and then it's all got to be restored, Lord; because creation's waiting for it, oh God. Father we know that.

Just give us Lord, more humility, more grace this morning; at least we might say help us to get rid of that which hinders Your love, Your faith, Your grace, Your renewing. Help us Lord, to just realize they're all dead and gone. And renew us as You've never renewed us before. And we'll give You the praise, the honor and glory, because we ask it in Jesus Name,

