



Leadership

1 Heavenly Father, we know that when we sing "Jesus, You're here," we know it is the same as when Paul said, "Jesus," called You by name, knowing as Bro. Branham said, "The Same Pillar of Fire that came to Paul to bring the Word is here, revealing It, and has been," and as Paul said, "is now face to face," and It is, in reality. Perfection has come, standing before the Tree of Life and waiting to go into the Millennium, the further sanctification, the further worship, the further revelation, those things that have been reserved to us, we are now in their presence and they, in full view of us, by revelation, waiting to be entered into, knowing that a revelation has been given us in order that we can enter into it all.

May we be very encouraged this morning with that, Lord, and put away all negative thinking, any doubts whatsoever...realize we come to perfect faith...stand therein, Lord, until it has its perfect way and there comes forth then the Resurrection, the immortality, the Rapture, the Wedding Supper and the Coming Back, Lord, to start anew in this kingdom which you have already put up and prepared for us, Lord, in Your own essential way, Lord, and will one day bring it forth into the manifestation, which we're looking for.

We give You glory. In Jesus' Name. Amen. You may be seated.

Now we're into number fourteen of "Leadership" and as we continue our studies, I find that I cannot help believe that Bro. Branham preached every message as though it could be his last sermon, and not just something to edify or as fitting to the occasion as when it was a breakfast to the Full Gospel Businessmen. He simply addressed them on the principle of going there for a breakfast and then talking would be no more different from him going to Europe when he was commanded not to go, just to speak a couple of times. And the Angel of the Lord told him, direct from God, that he could not go unless it was actually a series of meetings, he had better remain at home. So there's no doubt in my mind that this message here was simply more than one that befitted the occasion or he was doing somebody a favor or simply wanted a place to preach.

2 It is also certain that he knew his days were numbered. He had spoken of that to people...he'd even made a mistake thinking he would be shot. Evidently in a vision he saw that his throat was open as with a bullet wound but it was a tracheotomy. And here it is, his last exhortation given to a Full Gospel Businessmen's meeting wherein the people could easily accept the works but not the Word. In fact it was coming to the place where now the works were not accepted because I think many people who came on the principle of wishing to have Bro. Branham discern were now finding that their own faith had to make the gift of healing operate and they were hoping that through discernment, which was really an encouragement to them, would go past the fact of encouragement but now be the implementation of their healing, even as when Bro. Branham said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD you're healed," but it wasn't so, and they would become very tired by his length dissertations and very tired of the fact that so many people, even though they were called, never received healing.

3 Yet it's strange that in Lima, when we had him there in 1957, that we don't know one person who was called out but was tremendously healed and many people were healed sitting in their seats, not having been called out. There were tremendous things that were done because we knew what to do--which was to cause the gift of healing to operate by teaching faith and bringing the people

together to the end that this might be received. And you know when you treat God hit-and-miss, He will treat you hit-and-miss. The Bible distinctly says that he that lightly...you know...looks at the Lord...lightly countenances Him, so God will lightly countenance that person. There's so many Scriptures that tell you there is a correct way, even mechanically; there is a wrong way.

4 But the people were getting more and more discouraged with Bro. Branham until really the only opening he had, because he would not join himself with one particular church and make them the great thing...or one organization, it was his in-between group--at one time called 'non-denominational,' called 'inter-denominational' because they embraced everybody. But then they took the Trinitarian aspect and contrary to their own doctrine, which was 'anybody full of the Holy Ghost spoke in tongues,' they immediately put out the Oneness people by declaring there was a Trinity.

So they did, in a measure, accept Bro. Branham according to work and discernment but as David Lindsey...and I think it was Gordon Lindsey, David DuPlissis, here in Ohio, back in Middletown, that Chataqua area, said, "All right. William Branham is fine to believe when he's discerning and praying, but when it comes to the Word, don't you believe him because he's doctrinally off."

This is the stupidest thing under God's creation but the point is: it is not simply stupid, so listen to me. It is not simply stupid so that you and I could make such a statement and simply walk off casually. You will go before the White Throne and you will go to hell. Now think it over. There's no Blood for you. So what are you going to do? Have your own little song and dance?

5 Now let's look at the picture: I'm not an evangelist--I'm a teacher. I'm not going to have an altar call. It's up to you to do what you want. They did what they wanted. The judgment prophet, where everything burns some time after he's finished, and we have a very casual attitude as though it really didn't matter. Yet the Roman Catholic Church could say...just an ordinary priest concerning a false, wicked sign by the enemy concerning Fatima, "Why don't you shut up and sit down? God wants to talk to you. The miracle itself is nothing...it's what God wants to tell you and deal with you."

6 I wonder what would have happened if Bro. Branham had gone to the Catholic Church. Is this why he said, concerning Jackie Kennedy, with her water head, her leading America...her husband a Roman Catholic, the final insult and blow to any light in America or America being any light whatsoever except to build an image to the beast, and he said, "Perhaps she'd have done differently if she had heard this message." Perhaps she would have. She didn't hear it to harden her heart but the Pentecostal women sat there with their husbands, their fickle, little, gigolo husbands...let their wives run rampant...they could not countenance true doctrine. Where are they today? You answer your question.

7 Is your love greater than God's love? Is your desire greater than God's desire? Is mine? I want to tell you one thing: you lightly respect God--He'll lightly respect you. In fact He won't respect you or me either. There's only one thing that God can respect and that's His Own God-ism, which cannot be defined in any way except by Words.

And here it is, the last exhortation given in a Full Gospel Businessmen's meeting wherein the people could easily accept the works, but not the Word. Also we know that this message is the omega message wherein God Himself is confronting us in human flesh, as when he confronted the rich, young ruler and offered to lead him to Eternal Life. Now that's up for grabs. What I mean is this: take it or leave it. Whoever heard of it? Why, "God in these last days has spoken in Son, Jesus Christ"...don't talk to be about anybody else.

8 Here was Elohim-Messiah-Prophet Himself and personally...repeat: personally, standing there

and offering this businessman Eternal Life Himself and this businessman denied God and it is done again, and it was done again that very night, and is still being done again, even as we might read over here in 2 Peter. And remember: 2 Peter is an end time...both Peters are end time books on the Second Coming, but 2 Peter is very judgmental. [2]:

(1) But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you.

9 Now this is the end time, and you'll notice the false prophets are dwindling...you don't see them. Where are the Osborns? Where are the Roberts? Where's hardly anybody? Oh, you have a few local men, like Swaggert and the rest of them...expose themselves--and they've been exposing themselves all right, not just spiritually, but physically. They are so corrupt and rotten...though how the people love them. You know? Like pastor, like people--all alike.

(1) ...False teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies... (Privily...privily...they've got their own understanding. They don't have any authority...there's no vindication...there's nothing but a mouth which is a sepulcher. They'll bring in damnable heresies. Heresies...that which is against the truth and will be condemned.) even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring unto themselves swift destruction.

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Now how can that be amongst people that believe in Blood washing? That takes in all the Catholics...this is not Muslims...this is not your Taoists, your Buddhists, Mohammeds, the rest of them...this is about Christians. They're denying the Present One, that's what they're doing, they're denying, and He's the One that bought them. They deny even Jesus upon the throne, they don't know where he is. To think that he's not mediator and intercessor and in communion with the Father is something so abysmal as to not only reject but to be horrified and stand in awe...yes, stand in awe...speechless, at those people that say such things, as they even have anything to do with God.

11 Do you realize that this Message with the greatest light has the greatest darkness? Where is the Lamb? He's on the throne, and through the Father has offered the invitation, "Overcome. Get ready." How do you get ready? How many remember what we read and went over just recently? How do you get ready? You get ready in the negative by never, ever saying what you came out of, having a thing to do with it, your mind a part of it, but now only that which is, and Bro. Branham said, "Say what I say." And if you're not doing that you're not getting ready.

"Oh, Bro. Vayle, I'm looking for some great mystery. Couldn't you call a prayer line and lay hands?"

I don't think that would do anything except condemn you and what you're doing. It doesn't come that way. These teachers go out there...they don't have a bit of vindication...the only teachers that do have any vindication are those that say what the prophet said and take it right through the Bible...bring it together for you.

12 Denying the Lord that bought them--positively deny him, yet all this time saying, "Oh, He bought me. I love Him. I believe in the shed Blood. Look at this...look at that. You people have no Spirit. Oh, my, my."

Because you're not jumping up and down yelling, you're criticized. I challenge any man living to come into this church and you sit here and see if he says everything according to this Word but you'll catch it. You'll be so busy jumping up and down, you wouldn't catch anything except what your neighbor breathing on you and get intestinal flu like he's got. That's hardly worth it.

13 I'm sarcastic on purpose, because you're better listening and keeping your mouth shut until you know what to say, because by your words, you're justified, and by your words, you're condemned. And you're not justified by what I ask you to say, and you're not condemned by what I tell you not to say. You're condemned on your own by what you say, as that inner person, and what you don't say, or you're justified. Is that sufficiently clear? Now I don't mean you go dead on me and not say, "Amen," or something...hey. But I'm going to tell you: I can tell by looking at you, you're not dead. I can tell it when the men are concentrating, and the women. You're not fooling me one little bit. And I can tell when the spirit begins to lift...it's just not the way it should be.

You see, my brother, my sister, I am not depending on you...I cannot be dependent on you. The sheep cannot depend....be dependent on...the sheep must depend on the pastor or the one that's helping them. Now if you don't want to eat, and some didn't, they just go elsewhere...that's fine. I'm especially glad that you're here this morning. I would add to that but just take it the way it is said.

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Now the Bible said, "It's going to bring upon us swift destruction." Are they suddenly going to be judged in their seats and running around and killed by a car? Oh, no, no. He's talking about the destruction of the great tribulation which we'll hit, and then the burning of the earth.

(2) And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

Now watch: evil is worshiping in vain, worshiping without credentials, going where you have no business to go--like Cain--and still trying to do it. Do you want to hold your finger there...if you do, it might be wise to go to 2 Thessalonians, the second chapter, the ninth verse:

15 (9) Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

(10) And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness...

16 Unrighteousness completely deceives them. What is part of that unrighteousness this morning? It is that 'tongues is the evidence of the baptism with the Holy Ghost' and 'you can talk with God' and 'you know you hear from God,' and "you feel that you've got something from God," and you don't take the guide book, and yet you go to the post office and you put a twenty-nine cent on a letter to go to Canada, they'll say, "Just a minute, you owe eleven cents more." Well, you try to send it to Europe, they say, "Twenty-one cents more."

You can't even send a letter in a stupid post office. Some little stupid greeting, some little stupid letter trying to finesse them, maybe. How do you think you're going to come before God in unrighteousness with a filthy act of worship, which means bypassing the sacrifice, which is Christ, when there's only one way to Him, which is by the Word? How are you going to do it? I like to ask my brethren these questions. Now they say I say, "Bro. Vayle doesn't teach pastoral sermons." You're getting a pastoral sermon this morning and very doctrinaire.

17 Pain is abounding and the people who fuss at Cain and call him 'that great deceiver,' the one who killed Abel, the type of Christ, the righteous Abel, the blood calling from the ground--they're doing the same thing right now: trampling under foot the Blood of the Covenant.

And It says:

(10) With all deceivableness of unrighteousness...

A worship that is razor blade close to reality because they didn't receive the vindicated Message which alone could point them to the truth. Now they worship in a lie and in an error. Now don't say this is wrong--this is right! or do me a favor and everybody that hears my voice on tape: spit on this Bible, rip it up. At least have the guts to defy God openly in sin than to pretend you're an obedient little sheep under the submission and love and presence of Christ in worship.

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Do you hear what I said?

â€œWell, Bro. Vayle, you ain't got no love.â€•

No, I ain't got no love, but I've got guts and I've got a sanctified spirit and a mind that looks at the Word the way it's written and doesn't try to figure it out to get around it. Well, don't think I wouldn't like to, but there's no percentage in it. This is where your suffering comes; this is where your denying comes; this is where the battle comes. If you think there's a battle over fornication and adultery...oh, how wrong you are. That's nothing compared to this, because honest to God, with a repentant heart, you can be forgiven for your adulteries and your fornication, but you can't be forgiven for this because this is a rebellion against God. And as the Scripture said, â€œIf a man sin against a man,â€• [1 Sam 2:25] and that's a man even raping or these other things going on, â€œthe judge can judge you, but if you sin against God, who will plead for you?â€• I want to know some answers. I've got all mine through vindication of a prophet, not me. Anything I thought I had...ha, ha, ha! I wouldn't even put cream and sugar on it and try to feed it to my dog. I'm talking about all those sensations and things...forget it.

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Now watch:

(10) ...Because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

They couldn't love it, they hated it. Remember Jesus said, â€œIf I had not done the works no other man did, they'd not sinned, but now they both hated me and my Father...if I hadn't done the works.â€• Yet those same people, they even denied divine healing of the Church of Christ, saying, â€œOh, but you're wrong. I love God.â€• And they can put on an act that'd make you cry...how sweet and how wonderful, and [you?]begin to say, â€œGod, do I have anything?â€•

And the Voice should come back, but will not come back, and say, â€œYou have the Word. Let all things conform around the Word because if it doesn't conform around the Word, then it is valueless.

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11) And for this God will send them strong delusion.

Strong delusion...they'll be sweeter than ever; they'll be nicer than ever. There'll be more healings, more tongues, more interpretation, more prophecy, more everything than ever...more everything. You see, I have no record that the Holy Spirit anointing leaves the world, just the Holy Spirit...in 2 Thessalonians, the second chapter.

But what did Paul say?

21 (13) We're bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved... (Now who are 'beloved' of the Lord? The Elect.) because God has from the beginning (That's right: in Jesus) chosen you to salvation (You're going to come through this period unscathed.) through sanctification of the Spirit, even belief of the truth.

There is no such thing as the Spirit of God sanctifying you outside of truth, because whatever sanctifying He does is simply an act of God on His part to put you in a place where the process can

now begin in earnest in the individuals by the Word.

22 And you can go to the beginning and there you see that God had two people set aside, Cain and Abel: one refused the Word completely; the other took the Word completely. One was completely sanctified through the processes of the Spirit and the truth, which was 'believe.' The other was simply sanctified by the Spirit, the same as Mr. Pharaoh was raised up by God. He did his job all right...a lot of people doing the same thing but they're a million miles off the Word, though they greatly claim to be in that Word.

They'll follow their ways and they'll be made merchandise of. First of all, they'll milk you by the Roberts and the Swaggerts and the rest of them. Then the Antichrist will milk you, and the devil. I just wonder if the devil's going to be laughing when he gets his destruction because he laughs at the people whom he has destroyed. It's a little thought, isn't it? Just let your mind go to the White Throne and the Lake of Fire...what is it like. Well these are things here we look at.

23 So here Bro. Branham is bringing us the omega of the alpha of this rich, young businessman to all these businessmen and, incidentally all the others, and here, as in that day, was Jehovah-Elohim-Messiah-Prophet Himself personally, very personally, standing there, and offering this businessman Eternal Life Himself, and he and they deny God, and what happens? It happens as in Hebrew 6: "They crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh," and they end up crucified.

24 Now as Israel came up through its seven church ages Bro. Branham said one day he would show to us--he never did. Israel had seven church ages. And they came up for God's Headship, even the hour of Messiah, so today the Gentile church has come through seven church ages and Headship is here--that is a categorical fact. It is believed more widespread than it used to be, but it is still entirely and more dogmatically in its entirety disbelieved in its truth. They don't have a clue to it.

25 The Headship is here according to the full revelation as described in Ephesians 1:17-18[1] where the Spirit comes into the Church to let the Church know the hour in which it is living and the deep, revealed secrets of Almighty God. This will bring it to the ministries that have come forth in flesh because of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself--dying, rising, going back to God, sending forth the Holy Spirit--"Because I will pray the Father He will give you the Holy Spirit." It's the same Spirit that Jesus had--that Spirit coming back in a ministry and ministering to the people with their own ministries, bringing them finally to a place where they cannot be shaken. The old song says, "I shall not be...I shall not be moved. I shall not be...I shall not be moved. Just like a tree that's planted by the waters, I shall not be moved." Bro. Branham said that was today. Little roots, little branches of the Tree of Life, no doubt.

26 And what will the people do? The Gentiles will do as the rich, young ruler: they will refuse the person, all the while offering the opposite...they'll refuse the person...see?...all the while offering, giving back, the opposite because Word equal works--that's what they don't understand. Word equal works and works equal Word.

Now in our case we had Word that equals works and the Word, through works, went plumb down the drain. So now we have to go where the real work is: Deuteronomy 18. Do you follow what I'm saying? Now when you get Word, Deuteronomy 18, THUS SAITH THE LORD-- works equal Word, because the Word cannot come outside of those works. But you get works without that revealed Word, you will come into every single thing of every sign and wonder...oh, yeah...and be condemned: "Depart from me--I never knew you." And that's going to take in some beautiful, wonderful, fine people...as far as the world's concerned...gentle, sweet and everything else, because they're the ones that couldn't stand Bro. Branham's terrible way of preaching. So all right.

27 They will refuse the person, all the while offering the opposite to what they should offer back to God because they started with the Word and the second thousand century...it had gone off of target from the God and Son and Word. And yet the signs, all this came back even with the baptism with the Holy Ghost for the True Seed and it didn't do it. See? So if you're going to get works out of the Word, which is perverted, you will be condemned at the White Throne.

But now if the works, which come out of the Word, which come out of vindication...now you're on target. Now how much are you seeing of works coming out of the Word? The age is over...not that there can't be some...let's open a room at the back, but I want one of you to pray and fast until you have the gift of discernment because you cannot even be in that room unless someone is standing there with a gift of discernment. Now you've got to have qualified prophets who can judge. I'm going to be honest with you: I may be remiss in a lot of things but I'm just going to stick with this Word. You have all the gifts you want. I'm not against them. I just don't have them. And at this point, until I'm thoroughly established in the Word and know...I don't want them, because evidently there's a plethora of it all out here.

28 Now just to get this straight, we'll go back to the alpha of the Book of Mark. I could have taken a lot more time on Peter but I thought it just good to close it off. Mk 10:17-23:

(17) And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? (Now watch Jesus correct him:)

(18) And Jesus said, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that's God.

29 (19) Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, nor kill, nor steal, nor bear false witness, defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.

(20) And he said, Master, I've observed these from my youth.

(21) And Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him...

Why should they? This kid, you see, was either...he was an Israelite according to his birth after the flesh, but you know you can turn down God flat...like Paul...Paul brought this out in the ninth chapter of Romans.

30 What happened to this kid? Let's go to Romans, the ninth chapter, let's begin to see what this boy had, if you want to know the truth and Jesus loved him. And the point is: why would he not? In verse four, now he said

(3) ...My kinsmen after my flesh, my brethren:

(4) Who are Israelites; to whom pertains the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the service of God, and the promises;

(5) And whose are the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh (Messiah) has to come

And they've got God over the whole thing. Well, sure, he loved. I've loved people, too, and wanted the best. It didn't do one thing. Now he said:

(21) (I'll tell you what you do:) you lack just one thing: go your way, sell what you have, give to the poor and you'll have treasure in heaven.(Now there's how to lay up treasure in heaven...that's axiomatic, that's a commandment.)...and come, take up thy cross and follow me.

(22) And he was sad of that saying, and he went away grieved: because he had many possessions.

(23) And Jesus looked around about his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches to enter the kingdom of God!

31 Now here's the Full Gospel Businessmen telling you how rich they are and how great they are, and they're going to win the world to Christ. I know how they do it. They send out letters asking poor little suckers like me for money, and I throw it in the garbage tin.

Oh, I've been all through their tripe. I think I'd sooner clean the cow barn than clean up after them...and I'm not laughing or making a joke, I'm just telling you the truth...hogs or anything else. Forget it. It's a program of calculated deceit. How can they sit there and turn down the prophet? How can they sit down and turn God manifested in human flesh? "Ho! That's a good one right there...God manifested in human flesh! Hoo-wah-wah-wah, wow!" Yet you're supposed to be the body of Christ. "That's different!"

32 I know...because you're lovely and sweet and wonderful. Why don't you crawl under a rock? Now that's not to you personally, that's to any spirit here that doesn't catch what I'm saying, or any spirit that hears the tapes. It's blistering but it's true. That's the most calculated, filthy, rebellion against God that only Satan could put in a person's heart. There you are.

33 23) ...How hardly they that have riches enter the kingdom of God!

(24) And the disciples were astonished (and saying, "My, my, my, that's terrible.") Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches, (he said, "now that trust in riches") to enter the kingdom of God.

"Well," you say, "now just a minute. We didn't trust in riches. We're trusting in God."

Then why do you flaunt your riches? Do you want to know who is greatest of all? He that is servant to all...not the guy that rises up and says, "I'm going to run the show. I'm going to lead the parade." That's organization...that's hell fire...twice damned...second death.

34 Let's read Revelation 3--here's your omega.

(14) ...These things said the Amen (the Winder-Upper, the God of truth), the faithful and true witness (through seven church ages...the Very One in whom God began to form Himself in human flesh):

(15) I know thy works, they're neither cold nor hot: I would you were cold or hot. (Oh, boy!)

(16) You're just lukewarm, you make me vomit.

(17) Now listen to what you're saying, I'm rich, increased with goods and don't need a thing. (The young man said, "I don't need a thing--I've got it all." Jesus said: "The very thing that you say...you've got it all..which is financial progress and materiality, tells me: get rid of it. You ain't got nothing! And on the stormy seas of life, you've got an anvil of iron hanging around your neck, instead of a life float.") You don't know you're wretched (when it comes to the kingdom of God...laying up that treasure...)

You're a person standing there begging...begging for the treasures that you never laid up when you

had the chance...with your nickels and your dimes and your giving and helping and showing mercy and writing nice letters and thinking of other people. Some of you still sit here and you're still thinking, "Gimme, gimme. Oh, if I could only have... Oh, gimme, gimme."

35 I've got news for you: I don't want to be here when trouble really starts and see what's going to happen, because some of you still haven't caught it. Why are you looking for something when you've already got something to give and to work with? I've watched it here over the years and I've seen a lot of failing over the years. You need better peripheral vision and up and down to look around... "Is there something I could do? Is there something I can help?"

36 When you get my age, all you can do is get on the phone and maybe talk a little bit or give people some money. I can't do much anymore. But I'm still obligated, if I can do anything at all, to do it...I can still give a crust of bread. I can still give encouragement. Why do you think I'm telling each of you young kids...fifteen...sixteen...I will pay...yes, Caleb; I will pay, Jennifer. Yes, the money's yours tomorrow if you want that aptitude test.

37 Now you can't present good works to God and say, "Lord, this is going to do outside the revelation." I'm talking to a revelation people. I'm talking very desperately to the revelation people and He said, "You don't know that you're a beggar. You talk about treasure laid up in heaven; you talk about what here...you're a beggar--tin cup and selling pencils. Are we a tin cup-pencil selling bunch of people? Now, I'm preaching hard...I don't mean to, you know, hard as though nobody here--myself included--is worth nothing. I'm not saying that. I'm just saying there's a lot more to just saying, "I know; I see; we had a prophet."

38 If we don't follow the prophet...I told you: one of the most embarrassing experiences of my life--in 1955 in Indiana--there was a man lying in a car, hotter than a firecracker, couldn't even get into the building--Cauble Tabernacle--and he wanted prayer. Nobody paid any attention. One day...finally a person kept... "Bro. Vayle, this man can't come in." I guess it was a brother or sister or somebody said, "But he's out here in the car...hot and tired and he simply can't get in the building. Do you think Bro. Branham would come and pray?"

I said, "Are you kidding? Most assuredly, William Branham will come and pray for him."

And William Branham came and prayed for that man, prayed for him, and out of his pocket he pulled a twenty dollar bill. Oh, merciful God in heaven! I could have given him the twenty dollar bill. Blind as a bat. Pray for him? I could have done that too but not like William Branham. And do you know, if the man got healed and I hope he did, but if he didn't, Bro. Branham started twenty dollars rolling right toward heaven. Yeah...yeah, I was embarrassed.

39 18) I counsel thee to buy of me gold (Not the stuff you dig out of the ground that's going to be worth a thousand to ten thousand dollars an ounce when the church takes over, but the gold) tried in the fire.

What is it that gets tried in the fire? Your faith. And what is your faith? The true faith is the revelation of the Word and it's the perfect faith of this hour so it's going to take the forces of hell, the most intensive and even least intensive, will come against us for this revelation. And what is the revelation? He's here! The Same One in the Pillar of Fire that brought the Word to Paul is here revealing It; the Same One that went with Moses to Israel and manifested by signs and wonders is here...had His picture not taken there but authenticated by historians...right on the wall...there it is; the Same Rock; Same Cloud; Jehovah Elohim--none else but God; the Same One that came down in the garden of Eden to speak to His erring children who were the progenitors; the Same One now came down to talk to the last generation, the last Seed.

40 He's come down that we may have gold tried in the fire...that we may have His Word that's come up two thousand solid years and they couldn't do a thing about it...twist It and turn It as much as they might try--they couldn't do it...and hear It now in Its final stage of perfection and consummation which means we are in the harvest, which means we 'are' the harvest. As Bro. Branham said, "We are Easter."

41 With It is the white raiment--"I'm here to dress a Bride with the pure Word of God." How do you get ready? Put It on. Don't ever say anything about the other any more...no more shame of your nakedness...John prayed we wouldn't be ashamed and naked at that time--we aren't. We've got the true eye salve. What's the true eye salve? Not just an anointing--a derivative. We don't have any more light that bounces off the wall and we're looking at the light that bounced off the wall. We're looking straight at the Light and that Light is going right into us via Word, so that now we are Light! We are not just Resurrection--we are Light!

Now you and I can't get dressed any other way but by saying that. We can go back to the old world and they can..."Well, I'm working on it...I'm a 'hope' so I'm a 'maybe'...I'm believing...bless God, I'll get there." And you hit them with the Word...they're so intolerant, they're so puffed up with pride, they're so rotten... they'd cut your eyes out.

"Oh, but they got it."

What you and I have...we just shrug our shoulders and pass on. If they don't want it...they don't want it. Don't try to convince them. Forget it. You bulldoze them--that's all you've got-- you've got a bulldozed one.

42 Now he says:

(19) As many as I love (Now who does He love? At this time, it's the Very Elect.) I rebuke and I chasten...

In other words, "I'm here to put you straight on the Word because that's where you got off. I'm here to put you straight on 'Godhead.'"

Remember: 'Godhead' is the...and remember it was under the Seven Seal that the greatest single revelation was the oneness of the Godhead. So that means Jesus-Only and all the rest don't have a prayer! unless they turn around and find out what the truth is.

"Well, Bro. Vayle, you know, before Bro. Branham preached the Seven Seals, you know, we understood."

Yeah, yeah, yeah, you did. Oh, boy, there was another liar hit the dust. It wasn't that oneness of the Godhead wasn't correct--it was--as pure as the single, solitary fact: there is one God. Period! But God and His Son aren't like my finger.

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Now as I said a few minutes ago: Bro. Branham, as a vindicated prophet, could never preach just to be saying something. He himself said that. We know his messages were vindicated and therefore THUS SAITH THE LORD. With this in mind we notice he called this period of time of the very Presence of God as the 'Word age' and also said the 'mind age,' wherein once you get past, you get to the eye--nothing is moving. So if nothing is moving past the eye and the neck is not part of the body--it's that phalange--and there's only one joint I know of that's...you can actually use...you've got muscles controlling your eyes and things--that's the jawbone...and the tongue's in there, so when the Head came down, He 'jawboned' us and he 'tongued' us. Kind of a crude expression but it's true.

The jawboning was by THUS SAITH THE LORD, so we sat down and shut up.

44 Now notice: the last moving part is the eye--that's not a joint...controlled by muscles. Now the eye goes to the mind, same like the earball...the eyeball, the earball...never mind this...forget it, forget it. You're dealing with two things: eye and ear. That's in the head. Eye is not down here; ear is not down here; mouth is not down here. So be careful, little mouth, how you spout, for a lot of rotten lies are coming out, see? but not from God. Come in here...your heart comes out true.

45 Now what I'm trying to show you is this: the last moving part is the eye. And the eye is fully epitomized in the prophet, as is the mouth. Now the prophet is gone. I want to ask you a question: if the last moving part is the eye that sees and the mouth is the last moving part that ejects the Words, because that's all it is, is ejection, can you honestly then look for something else? And the answer is, "No."

But the Full Gospel Businessmen looked to a dead man named Dr. Price for something evidently he said to Demas [Chaucerian] and some of the people. And I can show you where Dr. Price went off on the Word of God. I knew even before Bro. Branham came on the scene that Dr. Price was off on the Word of God, because he, like Dr. Kenyon, preached a sermon on "God and His Family"--I knew both were wrong. How did I know? Because, you see, I didn't belong to their age--I belonged to this age. I'm a different person. I couldn't take what they were teaching. No way.

46 Now: Headship is here then according to Eph 1:17 and brings us up to Eph 4:16 to about 19. And everyone of us must come to grips with Rev 10:1-7, which is also Acts 3:19-26, which is also 1 Th 4:16, with all its ramifications through the Scripture which tells you exactly Who came down and Who is what doing to whom...and the consequences. Vindication all proves this.

Now I don't need to preach a whole sermon on this. Someone can come behind me and take every one of these Scriptures...preach a whole sermon. You don't need it if you've been listening at all. If you haven't, then get the tapes and get over it. Vindication proves it. And by the grace of God we've had the opportunity to accept God and His Word--not just God, but God according to His Word and that alone is true Word. Do you follow me? We don't just accept God...we accept God according to His vindicated Word. That's why Jesus-Only is wrong. That's why only under the Seventh Seal could Bro. Branham bring it out.

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There is no way to accept one--that's 'accept God, reject the Word'...'accept the Word, reject God.' You say, "How can you reject God and accept the Word?" Because this is a tremendous Book when it comes to philosophy and psychology and psychiatry. You just live that, you've got a success story right now. There is no way to accept just one because God is the Word as enunciated by Jesus Christ himself who knew that he was going to die and shed his Blood and he knew what they would do about the Blood--they would take the Blood but not the Word. So he said: [Jn 3]

(17) For God sent not his son into the world (That's "God loved the world and gave him") to condemn the world that the world through him might be saved.

(18) He that believeth on him is not condemned but he that believeth not is condemned already because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten son of God.

So therefore what God did is literally up to a choice. Now: and up to the choice again, if it's in the affirmative, to receive him, there's something contingent to the choice.

48 Yeah, let's look at it:

(19) And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

(20) For every one that doeth evil (Now this is actually worshipping because we're talking about God; we're talking about the Messiah role; we're talking about Jesus dying; we're talking about accepting him--we're talking about this. And two people make a choice--Cain and Abel--and they both knew the Living God, but one knew Him a way the other didn't. They both had the Word, but one had it the way another didn't. Yeah. See? Now:) neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds be reproved.

(21) But he that doeth truth cometh to the light...

In other words, once you start, from that point on, you're not afraid.

Let's go on. I used to misunderstand Bro. Branham so thoroughly...told you many times...I'd come to a sermon and I'd back off...just stricken with terror...and say, "Hold it! Would you sooner hit it here or hit it over there?" You're not in control; you're being controlled.

And I've heard those same sermons sitting in a church...full of a church full of people, and such darkness upon my soul, I could have screamed and ran out of the building, screaming. Yeah! Did you hear what I said? It's on tape! and don't take it off...don't take it off. Darkness. I could have said, "This is not the way it should be...I'm missing something." And I got alone and read it. And it wasn't what I heard with these stinking, loused up, uncircumcised, cruddy, manure-filled ears from dogmas and creeds and experience, and a mind corroded. When the mind turned to God, the veil was lifted and I found it wasn't that way at all. If you want to breathe freely, take off your straight jackets.

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No one can escape this...what I'm talking about, as it says in Acts 3:23, which Bro. Branham brought out in this very message and showed that...I have preached this for years, a hundred percent with the prophet, not remembering he said it...I was there when he said it. For it says here:

(23) And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet shall be utterly destroyed from among the people.

That's Malachi 4...all burnt over, no foolish virgin, no serpent seed, nobody to come back like Noah with sex and rebuild the earth with sex...no...by the Resurrection. Yes, sir.

50 And notice in a particular way: John the Baptist put it in the Book of Matthew 3:1-12:

(1) In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea,

(2) And saying, Repent ye: the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

(3) For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. (See? That was John's testimony. He was a Bible boy--he's in the Bible; he's the Word of God made manifest in human flesh. Oh, yes.)

(4) The same John had raiment of camel's hair, and a leather girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey. (Well, if you roast them and put them in honey, I guess they're pretty good.)

- (5) Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region around about Jordan,
- (6) And were baptized of him in the Jordan, confessing their sins.
- (7) And when he saw many of the Sadducees and Pharisees...

Now he didn't ball these other guys out--he balled these big shots that were calling the shots...yeah. "We'll have you, Bro. Branham, for our meeting, but you know we're not going to believe you. You're a drawing card. Yeah."

Finally it got he wasn't a drawing card. Well Carl Williams had enough weight to keep bringing him in but no place else.

51 There you are again--Jesus, no place in the motel, but put him in a barn on a manure heap. Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

"Oh, how I love Jesus. Yes, my own kind of Jesus,

The one of my imagination, that's the kind I love.

But don't tell the Word, don't tell us the Word.

It makes me very uneasy (and angry, too, if you only knew it),

If you start telling the Word."

52 Yeah. Oh, the devil loves that. Man! He hangs his big teeth out there and he just loves that. Yeah.

53 7) ...The Sadducees, they came to John's baptism, and John said, O generation of vipers...(Now how in the name of common sense can they be vipers if their mammy and pappy weren't vipers? Well, never mind the mammy, just talk about the daddy because the wife is in the daddy. "You are of your father, the devil, and the works of your father..." who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

Who even mentioned anything for you to stick your nose in here? You don't belong here...you're not part. What are you doing here? These boys are okay. Oh, something got stirred up, eh? And now you're coming to find out. Now what are you going to do when you find out?

"Well," said they, "Bro. Branham is a real man. You can believe him when he discerns--boy, that transom vision...but when it comes to the Word...huh, huh, huh, huh, huh. You listen to us!"

So now if the devil can control people under the anointing, like Judas, and they can produce gifts...they're going to say, "Huh, huh, huh. Come on. There's more of us, boy, we've got it. That boy just got too big for his britches. Him? Elijah? Hoo! hoo! hoo!"

Well, don't you think there's going to be a real one sometime?

"Oh, yeah, but when he comes, he'll be one of us."

Their motto is not Hebrews 13:8. It's the old Latin motto: Excelsior! Onward and upward! Yeah. And you clothe yourselves in shining knight armor and take a big sword and knock poor people's heads

off.

Excelsior! Do you know what 'excelsior' really is? Excelsior is fine wood shavings. You didn't even know that, did you? That's another name for 'excelsior'--fine wood shavings--you can pack anything in it. Oh, brother, what they pack in it...um, um, um.

54 7) ...Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

(8) Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance. (What's the 'fruit meet for repentance'? Honestly come and questioning and saying, "Are we right here? Are we right there? Is this the way to do it?" Bro. Branham actually opened himself, time after time for questions...wonderful. That's the Spirit of God.)

(9) Think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: and I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. (He wasn't going to do that, of course, except through the long process. Now watch, now let's listen carefully and see if you can catch something here--and I'll help you catch it:)

55 (10) And now the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. (Interpolation:)

(11) I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and fire:

(12) Whose fan is in his hand, and he shall thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; and burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

56 I ask you a question: verse 10, verse 12, the interpolation is simply what it said in those two verses of 10 and 12--the Judge will be there in 10, and He's going to do it.

Now I want to ask you a question: from the words I emphasized, and what the Judge is going to do, is there any difference between verse 10 and verse 12? Now look at it. We're going to take an axe, we're going to cut down trees--all those that don't have the right fruit we're going to burn. Now we're going to take a combine and cut down the wheat and all the tares and chaff and we're going to put the wheat in the barn and then we're going to burn up the chaff.

Now you've been hearing me preach for years and years, you've been hearing Bro. Branham's messages, I've showed you time after time how God says things by switching phraseology...what does this mean to you? Well I'm not going to embarrass you, and I'm not going to ask for any answers. I'll explain it to you.

57 Number one: a tree grows over the centuries. We have sequoia trees that I think are 1300 years old; we have trees that are...gingko trees...they say are 4,000 years old; we have trees then that started in the first age...right? The first time the Gospel was preached...started...right? and those trees have come up. All organization...every single thing is going to be chopped down except the Bride Tree that gets her second wind. Right?

Now you go to the wheat and the tares: is it not true that the Gospel was resowed under William Branham? All right. There's your chaff and there's your tares. Now they were spoken of way back yonder but they turned from Matthew 13 into a tree and that tree was the mustard seed tree, which is the least of all, grew into a tree that covered the earth and the foul birds of the air came. "Chop it down and burn it up. Ain't good for nothing." But the Bride Tree came up along side of it and it was all but dead. Remember what killed it? The four bugs? Yeah. We went through

that...â€•Spoken Word is Original Seed.â€•

58 Now we're here where it's no longer a tree. You don't have time for it. It's a seed sown that brings forth a wheat crop and brings forth a tare crop...the 'flashing red lights' of destruction. â€œI hear the noise of the combine.â€• What Bro. Branham's sown is coming into a fast harvest. The wheat will be gathered in the garner, separated from the chaff. That is done by what? Matthew 24, the Word. But ere the chaff is burned, the wheat is separated in Luke 17 by the Rapture.

59 Now you can see that something at the end time happens to bring on a quick harvest where the reaper overtakes the sower, where the wheat is sown and the hot desert sun, as it were, with plenteous rain, bringing forth a virgin crop...very few, but they'll be there. This will bring about the end of time as we know it. So this is Malachi 4 as we saw in Scripture.

Thus at this end time there is a sowing of the Word and a harvest and it has to be identical to the original or forget it. And if it is original, then there is an espousal to the Bridegroom, the definitive marriage, the definitive, invisible union. Remember that was preached in 1965, just before Bro. Branham preached his last few series over in California.

60 So we have a choice today,â€• said Bro. Branham. â€œWe can be led by God Himself.â€•

Where's the Lamb? He never said he would lead you--he's the Lamb! When he said, â€œI am the Good Shepherdâ€•--that was God, the Good Shepherd. He's a mediator, he's an intercessor; he's talking to the Father, the Father talks to him. Oh, yeah, he's not dead or comatose or lying on an altar, face down in the mud, or something.

Can you...listen: can you really believe there are people who say they hear Bro. Branham and listen to that drivel and preach that drivel? Now don't get so high-minded you think you know something, or we know something. That's asinine.

61 So we have a choice today: we can be led by God Himself and be led to God Himself. The one terminology is: we can be led by the Holy Spirit Himself to God Himself--which does not make them two different people! No! No! No! Simply lets God fulfill His roles. Yeah. That's all. When He fulfilled the role of Perfect Redeemer in Jesus and Reconciler...no trouble with God--it's people's brains--they can't even read, â€œBlessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is a man!â€• who at one time was set on the right hand of the Majesty on High--and he's still on the right hand of the Majesty on High! Only this time he's not on a mercy seat...he's on the throne, and he hasn't changed one bit. No. He's still waiting for the Jews to come in and he will get them in. Oh, yes, my friend.

So we have a choice today. We can be led by God Himself and led to God Himself, or be led by someone else or someones and miss Eternal Life. For if you miss Him, Who can bring you into Eternal Life, which simply means in plain English: not like God Himself, but a part of God in a figure! huh? which will be glorified flesh. Yeah! That's all there is. We don't need to miss Eternal Life but we do have a choice. How many minutes? [left on tape]

62 All right. We'll read one paragraph so I'll be able to say I read something.

153 Sometime in life here we have to confront the thing just like this young man did...

63 Now I wish he'd have slapped them real hard like...it would have been nice if he'd have said, â€œSometime you have to confront this same God Who stood there in human flesh and now stands again in human flesh.â€• Huh? Whoo-oo! That would've been like the eagle sweeping over the chicken pen. You'd have seen the roosters and all the hens squawk.

I remember I was in a place one day, back in 1970...Jack Palmer and me and there were these three women...Pentecostal...so they knew we were preachers and they checked us out. And I checked them out and I wanted to see how the hens would cackle...â€•Whock, whock, whockâ€•... when I told them all about: there is one God. They sort of jumped off the manure pile and hit for cover for a while but they came back and began to realize that maybe their theology just didn't quite add up, and I didn't wait around to find out...would be impossible anyway.

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153 Sometime in life we have to confront the thing just like this young man did... Now listen, they weren't getting that. Are we getting it? Sometime in life we have to...

Now listen: you say, â€œWell, just a minute, now, Bro-Bro-Bro-Bro-Bro. Branham...hey! Bro. Branham...â€•

Now just you listen: Bro. Branham was not going back six thousand years, he was not going back two thousand years, he was not going back to 1906 even, when the Pentecostal movement broke out. He wasn't even born in 1906. This generation, this people...sitting there in the sound of his voice...and the tapes and the books. You, personally, are going to have to confront the Pillar of Fire, Almighty God, just like this man did. Though He was veiled at that time in human flesh, the flesh of the Lord Jesus Christ, and William Branham has gone on now...now He's veiled in the Word completely.

65 153 And you're going to have to confront Him, like this young man did, because we are mortal beings and we are given the opportunity...

â€œI don't know where He was...what's this William Branham talking about? Where is God anyway? What about that stuff in the clouds and Him coming down? Wha-wha-wha-wha-wha?â€•

â€œWell, in that day, Bro. Vayle, ignorance will get me by. â€œ

Will it? You didn't know it was a meat grinder when you stuck your hand in and got your hand chewed up. Oh, ignorance got you by, didn't it? You didn't know that you were like that poor African...man in Africa who saw a rabbit go down a hole and stuck his hand in to pull the rabbit out, and a snake bit him and he died.

Oh, his ignorance should have saved him. Oh, come on. Tst-tst-tst-tst-tst. Shee! Brother/sister, listen, please don't argue with me on these things.

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153 ...You have a choice. Bro. Branham had a choice. He wanted to make the wrong choice but God wouldn't let him. You and I have a choice too, and by the grace of God who influenced us. â€œMy sheep hear My Voice, and they follow Me.â€• God made it so you...Who's 'you'? Who are you? Gene of God...or not a gene of God...you, the soul, can choose. If He put Adam and Eve on free moral agency so they could choose, and then they made the wrong choice. Now listen: their wrong choice was not like you and I have a wrong choice--let's get that flat. The Book of Romans tells us that. And, see, He can do no more than He did to them, He's got to put you to the same thing so you can choose or reject.

67 Now I ask you a question: Adam we know had a son, Enos, when he was 130 years old, how old he was with Abel, we don't know...and Seth, we don't know. But the thing is I'm looking at is this: that fellow lived to be almost a thousand years old. Now what if he'd have been going along just right, until the year 999...huh? and he made a wrong choice? All right.

Do you see why every tree dies at the end time...gets burned up? Every tree...I don't care if they're right till this hour...I don't care who was right--if at this hour you make that choice, which is wrong, as Adam did and Eve--it's over...it's death. The foolish virgin will die--they didn't learn in time...no, no, no. They didn't learn, they had to have fresh vessels for oil, the same old goat skin dried out, or calf belly, or whatever it was. You put the fermented wine in there--blow it all apart. It won't work. You can't put an old patch on a new garment--it won't work. It's all there, see?

68 Now he said: Listen: if He gave Adam that choice...now remember...now look at it...he's now comparing the garden of Eden with his own Message, his own ministry and the Messenger--God Himself...huh? God Himself--right? turned Judge--always was--brought the Word...rejected...judged; brings the Word...rejected...judged! What about us? Alpha is omega. As Bro. Branham often said, "Do what you like."

He's got to do the same thing. Remember: he said, "The Same One that came down there [to them?] that botched it, is the Same One that came here to the result of the botch of the botches."

69 We're under the homosexual privilege, as we now have today, and I'm a hundred percent against them...I wouldn't abuse them...I wouldn't kill them...but I would not give them any rights at all. I would ostracize every single one...say, "Get out of this church...I've nothing to do with you."

Now if everybody goes homosexual, where are the babies going to come from? Well, you've got Navratilova, the great homo tennis player. She wants a baby but she's not going to know a man. Interesting...is she going to bear a baboon or something? That's not a joking matter. The fact of the matter is: she's got to get a germ somewhere...she's going to have to milk a male somewhere...from the sperm bank maybe.

70 So I'm trying to tell you: there's going to be a time when they ain't even human to make a choice and they're that way already. Mendel's Law--that's a good thing came out of the Catholic Church...that monk proved...you know, mutation...selection of genes and the dominant always wins and the serpent was a mighty big fellow...and so was Cain and so was his progeny. The dominant factor is running today--you better believe it's serpent seed because God is not going to destroy even His foolish virgin--they get killed--as far as I know the Scripture. I could be wrong but I doubt very much...even the 144,000.

71 Now I don't even want to think of this but when you're changed, your thinking changes. If you and I have a part of coming with Him upon those horses, then we're going to be a part of the extermination, you give me one reason why the death penalty is not in effect right now. Give me one reason why a man can rape a woman and not pay death penalty. Give me one reason.

Say, "Bro. Vayle, what if it was you?"

Then kill me...I deserve it.

"What if...your son?"

Kill him...he asked for it.

"What about my kids?"

Kill them...they asked for it.

Say, "Oh, Bro. Vayle..."

Don't "Bro. Vayle" me. You've got a different book from what I've got. Fire will soon take the whole thing over...thank God. By His grace, may we be out of here...I don't know.

72 Well, next Saturday we'll read it again and start in. Many times you can't hear these preambles too often because they're the parts that I feel I get from God from this Word here that I want to pass on to you. Let's rise and be dismissed.

Heavenly Father, unto Thy great and holy Name and Thy great and wonderful self, through the Lord Jesus Christ, our Blessed Savior, our man that is on that throne up there, we give You back to Your Word, trusting that in any way, shape and form, anything is mispronounced, misrepresented, mis-said in any way, forgive us, we pray, in Jesus' Name.

And correct us by this own Word of Yours, O God, not by Your divine intervention, as though we have to have something special ourselves...no, no, no, no, no. We have the Word of the prophet and Your Word here and Your Holy Spirit to help us and guide us into all truth and keep us firm in the faith.

73 We thank You, Lord, for Your help today. Now unto the King, Eternal, Immortal, Invisible, the Only-wise God, be all power, honor and glory. Through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. "Take the Name of Jesus With You."

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[1] (17) That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: (18) The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that we may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.