

I said, "What time was that?" And when she gave the time, of what time it was, it was the very same time that that speaking was going through me. Well, what was it? It was the Holy Spirit making intercessions for that woman there. See what I mean?

665-100 Now, the Bible says that. Sometimes we mutter words; we don't know what we're talking about. But it's the Holy Spirit in there moving out, making intercessions for things that we do not understand. See?

And the women was instantly healed. We heard from her for a long time from that. She's perfectly well, got all right.

Now, you see, God knows where those things are, and He has a way of doing it. See? He has His own way of doing it. We must just submit ourselves to what He does. And then--then the hard thing to do when you get there is hold yourself from that one little knife edge of fanaticism to a truth.

1953

1. I will restore, light in the evening time and faith once delivered.

[Scriptures being fulfilled by Message of William Branham.]

JOEL 2:25

And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

ZECHARIAH 14:7

But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.

JUDE 1:3

Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

[JOEL 2:25]

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. TALLAHASSEE, FL 53-0212

E-6 It is to my humble belief, that we're living near the end time. Or may I make it a little more personal than that, saying: we're living in the end time. And if... I believe it's time for restoration of the church that was promised that God would send in the last day. And I believe that this is the day that when the Word has been preached so much, and the day's getting so dark and so evil, till according to God's Word, He was to restore all that the caterpillar had eaten, the palmerworm had eaten, will be restored back again. And this is the day of the restoration of the spiritual gifts given into the church.

Now, along in that, we're bound to find false things. Satan is--is a shrewd person, and he works day and night in the children of disobedience. He can impersonate, but a true Spirit of God will always give honor and praise to the Lord Jesus Christ.

I WILL RESTORE. LOS ANGELES, CA 54-0809A

E-54 *"I will restore,"* saith the Lord! "I will restore all the days of the caterpillar was. I'll restore all the blessings the Lutheran had, the Baptists had, the Methodists had, I will restore, saith the Lord." A tree that won't stand stiff, but when the Holy Ghost falls they're flexible, just... We might be green, but we're flexible, brother. Hallelujah. That's one thing about us. We may not be Doctors of Divinity and have all the theology, but we're green enough to bend to the power of God and rejoice and have a real good old fashion Holy Ghost meeting, is what we need today, brother, more than anything else, sweeping the world. Amen!

I thought, "Lord, truly, You will restore, saith the Lord." I thought, "But what You shaking them for?"

The Lord said to me, "You see, if I shake them, it loosens them up at the roots so they can reach down and get a better hold." Amen.

That's the way an old fashion revival is. When you reach down and get a better hold. Step off of that old cold formal creed over here, and get over here on the vine of the Lord, and go to eating the fruits and grapes off the vine of the Lord. Amen. "I will restore, saith the Lord. I will restore."

Restore what? "All the beauty that she was at one time. I will restore the same Church that I had at Pentecost. I will restore the gifts of the Spirit. I will restore signs and wonders. I will restore speaking in tongues. I will restore the prophet. I will restore all, saith the Lord."

And She's coming right up now as a little tree, growing right on up into the Kingdom of the living God. Hallelujah. Let us stand and give Him praise. Hallelujah.

Lord Jesus, we thank Thee today for Thy restoring power.

[ZECHARIAH 14:7, JUDE 1:3]

EARNESTLY CONTEND FOR FAITH. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0614

E-70 Look, it was in the cool of the evening when Isaac walked out. I... And some people say, "What if you see Him and He is a real dark Jew. If He is this..." I don't care what He looks like, He's my Saviour. And when the Bride sees Him, it'll be love at the first sight. When Rebekah seen Isaac, she jumped off the camel, and run to meet him. It was love at the first sight.

I tell you, when we see Him, it'll be love at the first sight. Off we'll go, and away we'll go into His arms. Certainly. How beautiful. The Bride, the evening light's coming, the faith that was once delivered to the saints, beginning to restore back to the Church... The fig tree is putting forth it's buds. She begin to move out. The evening light...

The very same Gospel that was preached on the day of Pentecost, the very signs that followed for thirty some odd years after that, down in the Church, has returned back to the Church again, falling right down to the end.

2. Image of the Beast [Mark of Beast] World Council of Churches. [Revelation 13:11-18] [VICARIUS FILII DEI]

ISRAEL IN EGYPT. JEFF. IN 53-0325

166 Then Joseph was sold for almost thirty pieces of silver by his brothers. The Jewish church betrayed Joseph.

Today what is it in this church? A betrayal. They getting documents; they're going to try to have a... Well now, you just keep this on your mind. They're going to have a confederation of churches. The churches of Christ of America has already confederating with all their churches, and they're going to have a band here someday that'll shut out to fight Communism, which will hook up with Catholicism, with the Protestant church and the Catholic church together. And the interdenominations who stand out for the truth, and get away from that dogma that they've got, will be persecuted. The mark of the beast, the Seal of God, the showdown will soon come. And, brother, if That's not in there, you'll be deceived as sure as the world, 'cause it'll look so nice. You'll say, "Now, if Communism made a--a--made a... for the world, why, let us make another agreement, and bring all the Christian, and Christianize the world back." And look so good, the people will jump into it. See? They'll confederate the churches, and bring, try to make Christianity one unit. And the Bible says in Revelations, that he give his power and everything, that he made an image unto the beast and exercised all the power the beast did before him. Sure, it is. Wish we had time to hook Revelations in this thing (But we haven't. See?) to see where it's at. You're right here in the end of time, brother. We're at the end of the age.

SEAL OF GOD. JEFF. IN 54-0514

103 But I'm nothing against the Catholic people. I'm nothing against the Methodist, or the Baptist, or the Presbyterian. God has got people; Abraham's seed's out there. It's not against the people; it's about their churches, organize themselves there, and they worship the church instead of God. Oh, you Protestants don't want to believe that, but you do it anyhow. I'll say, "Are you a Christian?"

Well, here not long ago, Brother Bosworth asked a girl, said, "Are you a Christian?"

She said, "A Christian? I'll give you to understand, I burn a candle every night!"

Well, now you Protestants think that's something? Are you a Christian?

"I'll give you to understand; I'm a Methodist, or a Baptist." Well, that don't mean nothing, but you've walked out of the day of grace for yourself to me (That's right.), if that's all you are, just a Methodist or a Baptist. If you're not a Christian in that Methodist, or Baptist, or Catholic church, you're lost. That's right. So there is exactly your marked.

Both marks are spiritual. And I'll prove it to you by the Bible. Both marks are spiritual marks.

A lot of people thought, "They're going to go around and tattoo something in your forehead, and tattoo something in your hand." We found out, last night, that was a lie. Yes, sir. That's wrong. It's a spiritual mark. It's--it's just so hid. And look, many times...

Now, I know this may be ruffling a lot of feathers, and it--it--it seems hard. But it--it'll straighten out if we just, we give God a little chance. I--I don't mean to be rude, but I--I'm just trying to state facts with all my heart.

When Jesus Christ seen that Protestant church fall from that Catholic church yonder, and come out and go right straight back, and turning back again just the way it did, He said, "The spirit will be so close, till it'd deceive the very elect..."

Did you realize, Christian friends, that the antichrist, which is the mark of the beast... The antichrist, anyone knows that. The antichrist there, that's his mark, is the--of his power. And, see, a beast is a power. There's a power of the Catholic church. There is a power of the Methodist church.

I went, here not long ago, to a very fine gentleman. If I'm not mistaken, he is setting right here in the church tonight. And little Edith Wright and them come to the meeting right up here, not twenty miles from this place. And, we... the people... I was just preaching the Gospel of salvation. He had to climb over cars to get to the place. And that night, the pastor called me out rectory, said, "I'm sorry to tell you, Rev. Branham. But they told me they had some sick people come in there, and our district man come in and said, 'No Divine healing in the Methodist church.' So you'll have to go to the platform, dismiss yourself, and leave the congregation." That's right.

Why? The power of the Methodist church. That's the beast's power. The Baptist church the same; Campbellite, and Lutheran, and all the rest of them, and the Pentecostal, as bad. That's right.

I've had Pentecostal people... And the Assemblies of God has gone into the council of churches, which is a--the... They just hooked theirselves right up yonder with the old mother harlot. So every church organization comes from Rome. There's the mother of it. And I'm not a Latter-Day saint, or Latter-Day Rain, or ever what you call it. I don't want... I'm none of that.

But I mean this, that men and women should be free in Christ Jesus, to walk in Light. And every church should be the same thing. That's true.

115 Now, notice this, how the Bible... Get that. That organization, remember, there's where it lays, right there. And we find out, that when the Catholic church started back there, they got a phony baptism they come out with, sprinkling instead of baptizing. There's not one Scripture in the Bible for that. And just not only that, but the Holy Ghost, and water baptism in forms, and titles, and everything else, just making a mock out of the real. And there's not a minister in the land, that can show me one place where that was ever done in the early church. That's right. It's--it's not in the Bible. But they come out with it, and we bow right down to it. You see where we're going right back to?

And today you're wondering why we haven't got a revival. There's what it is, brother. What we need today is a good, old-time, Saint Paul's revival, and the Bible Holy Ghost back in the land again. That's what we need.

Now... And they've took "the mark of the beast," or "the letter of his name," that they made a image to. The image was the organization just like the Catholic church. They organized it and made an image of the Catholic church. Is the Methodist church an image of it, the Baptist church, the Presbyterian church, the Pentecostal church, the Holiness church, the Pilgrim Holiness, and United Brethren? Every one that organized, patterned off of there. It never was in God's Bible. That's right. Organizations organizing...

SEAL OF GOD. JEFF. IN 54-0514

160 Now, now, we're coming to the Mark of God. I got thirty minutes, the Lord willing. Now, I want you to turn with me, first, and find out how essential, this Mark of God...

Remember what the mark of the beast is: not communism. The mark of the beast comes from Rome, throughout the world: Catholicism with Protestantism joined into it, organized religion. And they're going to unionize the churches, till every church will have to bow to that thing, or interdenominations are kicked on the sideline. That's right.

TEN VIRGINS. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1211M

240 Oh, now tonight the great capstone. But just a moment, I think we got a little bit more time here; I'd like to get to some other thing. I want to...?... you the--the mark of the beast. The mark of the beast, let's take Revelations 13 just a minute. Revelations 13:15, and just read what the--what he's going to do.

Revelation 13:15.

And he had power to give life unto the image...

(Now, that is, unto the Protestant churches, the Protestant churches.)...

He had power, because they made a image. The Protestant churches through the--the Council of Churches, is making a place where that all Protestant fellowship will have to be united. How many knows or read of the great united building they got for the churches of the world? Sure. See? Up in--up there now, just like the U.N. nations... And all of them are there, every one of them, even to the Assemblies of God. They're there. They're there. See? It's dog-eat-dog. "*As a hog goes to its wallow, and a dog to its vomit,*" right back the same thing (Absolutely.), almost denying their evangelical stand. And there you are, want to be big, want to act like the rest of the world, like Israel did when they seen the kings and said, "*Make us a king.*" See?

And he... *made a image unto the beast, and the image of the beast should both speak, and cause... as many as would not worship the image of the beast...*

The image of the beast, the Protestant denomination, not the Catholic. This is America He's speaking of here (See?), 'cause this 13th chapter is on the American, the beast that come up out of the... See, all the other beasts come up out of water, which means "*thickness and multitudes of people.*" But the beast here, it come up like a lamb, out of the ground where there was no people: had two horns, and then it spoke like a dragon. And they made a image of the beast that was in Europe, and made this over here a image to it. A consol... Uniting the churches together and making this Protestant fellowship, and then they forced all the other churches, that they couldn't even buy or sell or anything else without they got this image of the beast.

243 Now, watch what takes place here.

And he caused all, both... great, rich... poor, free... bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their forehead:

And that no man might buy or sell, till he... had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

Here is wisdom. Let him that has understanding count the numbers of the beast: for it is... number of a man; and his number is six hundred three score and six...

(Which we know who that is, it's the hierarchy at Rome, pope.)

I been right there and seen it myself, would know, up over his place (his throne, as it was) like they set the first Boniface up, the III, up at the beginning of the Catholic age here. And up over there is VICARIUS FILII DEI, which means "a vicar

of the Son of God." Dei, Dei, "Deity." See, see? "The vicar of the Son of God." In other words, "Just like the Son of God setting here on earth." See? All powers to change the Bible, change anything he wants to... Therefore, say, "Hail Mary." What does the pope say? "We'll have 'Hail Mary.'" That settles it. Uh-huh. "Well, we'll do so-and-so." What the pope says, that's it; that's it. "A vicar instead of the Son of God."

WHAT SHALL I DO WITH JESUS. JEFF. IN 63-1124M

125 (...) The organizing of the church has got the same system together today. Only thing they need is the dynamics of it. Just something to set it in force and it's coming to a showdown right away.

The Catholic church and the Protestant churches will become friends. I've told you that all--every--every since--for the last thirty something years; they will unite together. And you see exactly what they're doing now. The--the Protestant will never become Catholic, but they'll be associated brotherhood: a mark of the beast; likened unto the beast.

BROKEN CISTERNS. JEFF. IN 64-0726E

51 I wonder if there's any of the old-timers still left in the tabernacle remember me saying that in the Redman's Hall down here when we preached many, many years ago. Is there one in the building tonight that was left from down there at the old Redman's Hall when I preached that, when they had the N.R.A. out, way back in time of Roosevelt's first term? I guess there's not a one in here. Is there one? Yeah, yeah, one. There's one, yes, Mrs. Wilson, I remember her. My wife, setting in the back. Two left out of the--the old generation of those in that day. That when they said this N.R.A. was the mark of the beast, I said, "Nothing to it. Not at all. The mark of the beast don't come here; it comes out of Rome, and it can't be the mark of the beast."

LEAN NOT UNTO THY OWN UNDERSTANDING. PHOENIX, AZ 65-0120

80 When we was up there in Finland, that little boy was raised from the dead, there stood them Russian soldiers at attention, and they said, "We will receive a God that can raise up the dead."

We have made denominations, and schools, and--and buildings, and failed to do what Jesus told us to do, was preach the Gospel. We've tried to educate the world. He never said, "Educate the world; he that's educated shall be saved." You've got to be borned again, filled with the Spirit. That's the reason we have so miserably failed everywhere. See, we got the wealth, we got the thing.

Now, what will happen? And when this church, World Council of churches goes together, can't you see who is going to do the leading? Can't you Methodists and Presbyterians understand that, the rest of you, even to Pentecostals? You say you're not going in. You'll either go in or you'll bust up the denomination. You'll do one or the other. It's right before you. You've got to do it. It's a forcing, the mark of the beast. That's what it is, exactly. Denominationalism absolutely (I can prove it by the Bible) is the mark of the beast. "She was a whore; she had prostitute daughters." And we know that that is the Truth. Organized religion, it's contrary to the Word, and it's antichrist in its principles. Not everything in there is antichrist; but in its principles, its system is antichrist, because it's against the Word of God. Every organized system is that way.

3. Teaches at Branham Tabernacle after 7 years on evangelistic field. [Teaching on typology.]

ISRAEL AT THE RED SEA. 2. JEFF. IN 53-0327

13 Now, I believe I'm, I like, and have been accused of being, and which I am, a typologist; because I believe that all of the old things were a shadow of the things to come. The Scripture teaches that. And if we can have some vision and look what the Old Testament was, we'll see what the Old Testament is, or what the New Testament is, rather. See, the type, they were for shadows and for examples, that we might know what to do. See how they fell and how they rose, and what they did as they served God, and it served as shadow for us.

Now, the first night, Wednesday night, we picked up the church, to find out, basically, what the church was. And now, in the healing campaign... And this is the first time I've had a revival in seven years, of this type. Seven years this coming week I left the Tabernacle and went out into the evangelistic campaigns of healing services.

And I've committed it to managers who's done the preaching, mostly, and I would only speak on the subject of Divine healing, because we were a mixed audience of--of Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterian, Catholics, orthodox, Jew, everything. And sometimes if you'd tramp on people's ecclesiastical teaching, it'll make the ministers keep the people away from the church, some of them that really needed to come to be prayed for. So I just closed in on everything but the great evangelical, fundamental teaching of the Bible, death, burial, and resurrection of Christ; you know what the fundamental evangelical teaching is.

But now in the Tabernacle here, at my little church that the Lord gave me twenty years ago, I--I feel free that I can teach what my convictions is. And then, and we don't have any membership here, we just have fellowship one with... You're a member here while you're here tonight, you're a member. We don't have any--any members, just fellowship.

4. Bride and Jesus Christ. [Justification, Sanctification, Baptism of the Holy Ghost.]

ISRAEL IN EGYPT. JEFF. IN 53-0325

176 Now, the Holy Spirit was poured out, and they rejected It. And when the Jews rejected It, the Gentiles received It, which was a type of the Bride. He said He would call a people out of the Gentiles for His Name.

That little girl setting back there, used to be a Broy, but she's a Branham now; she's my wife. And the--the Bride of Jesus Christ will be Mrs. Jesus Christ, (Hallelujah.) baptized in His Spirit, in His Name, filled with His power, robed in His righteousness. Hallelujah. There she is. And now notice, that was the Gentile Bride.

GOD'S PROVIDED PLACE OF WORSHIP. LA. CA 65-0425

196 The church will come through justification, through Luther; through sanctification, through Wesley; through the baptism of the Holy Ghost, or the Pentecostals; and grow right on into the perfection of the Son of man, that when Husband and Wife will be the same-self persons. God will be so manifested into His Bride, His church, till they'll both be the same. They are one. Now, you see where we're at.

5. Eternal Security: sealed by Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

EPHESIANS 4:30

And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

I JOHN 3:9

Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

ISRAEL AT THE RED SEA. 1. JEFF. IN 53-0326

28 God has already glorified His church. Those who He justified, He also glorified in the church, in Christ. If you're justified in Christ, you're glorified in Christ already, as far as God is concerned.

Jesus said, "*Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect.*" How could you ever be perfect? But in the sight of Christ tonight, every born-again Christian is perfect. I'm just as perfect in God as Christ was. You are too--every other believer. For it's not my holiness, it's His holiness. God can't accept mine; I have none. But I come in Christ, by faith. And by Christ I'm in Him, and perfect in the sight of God.

Look. "*By one Spirit we're all baptized into one Body, and become members of this Body.*" In Romans 8:1, "*There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus, that walk not after the flesh, but the Spirit.*" And a man that's in Christ Jesus walks after spiritual things. To the world, its carnal mind; it's foolishness. But to them that believe, it's Everlasting Life. Amen. There you are. Oh, how marvelous. Then what can harm you? You're in Christ. And just as sure as God raised Jesus from the dead, we'll come in Christ. Amen. Yes, we've got to; God's done promised it. For just as sure as that Body goes up, I'm in that Body. I have to go with It.

Now, say, "You believe in eternal security then, Brother Branham?" In one way I do. I believe that the church is eternally secure: the church is. God's already said it would appear before Him without spot or wrinkle; the church will. Now, the next thing, if you're in the church, then you are secured if you're in the church.

"*He that comes to Me, I will in no wise cast out.*" Is that right? And listen, here's the Man's Word about it, Jesus Christ, St. John 5:24, "*He (whosoever), He that heareth My Words, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath (present tense) Everlasting Life (That's not just from one meeting to another.)--Everlasting Life, and shall not come into judgment (or condemnation, never be cast away), but hath (past tense) passed from death unto Life.*" St. John 5:24, Jesus said so. "*I am the Bread of Life that come from God out of heaven. Your fathers eat manna in the wilderness and are dead, but he that eats My flesh and drinks My Blood hath Everlasting Life, and I'll raise him up at the last days.*" That's what He said.

Now, there's many that pretend to be in there. There's many that's warring themselves, and trying to live right, and trying to press in; I don't know about that. But if they are in there, it's just as easy to live a Christian life as it is to live any life, 'cause you're in Christ, and nothing else but just so full of the Holy Spirit leads you, and guides you and directs you. And, why, sure you'll make mistakes and fall, but you can't stay down, because no more than you could make a--a stalk of corn a--a sycamore tree... You can't do it. Jesus said, "*By their fruits you shall know them.*" You have Everlasting Life.

DEMONOLOGY. 1. PHYSICAL. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0608

37 I believe this, in security, I believe the church has eternal security. Any reader of the Bible knows that, 'cause God's already said It would appear yonder without blemish. Is that right? Then It's going to be there. Is that right? The bi--the church is eternally secured. Now, are you in the church is the next thing. If you're in the church, all right, you're secured with the church, but you better stay in the church. And how do you get in the church? By shaking hands? No. Putting your name in the book? No, sir. "*By one Spirit we're all baptized into one Body.*" And that Body God judged at Calvary, was the Body of Jesus Christ, and we're baptized into that Body by one Spirit. We have eternal security as long as we're in the Body of Christ; nothing can separate us, nothing can touch us. If you go out, you go out by your own will. But just as sure, if you're in the Body of Christ, as sure as Jesus rose from the dead you'll rise too. God's already done that. He...

You can't sin. Oh, you... I might be a sinner in your sight, but if I'm in Christ, God don't see it, because his sin's atoned, His Blood atoned for my sins there. See? I can't sin. "*He that's born of God does not commit sin, for he cannot sin. The*

seed of God remains in him." See? He--he's willing to, if he makes a mistake, sure he's right then willing to confess it. If he's a real Christian, he will do it. If he holds it back, he shows he ain't got nothing in the first place. That's right. He hasn't got nothing to begin with. But if he's a real Christian...

Q. & A. HEBREWS. PART 1. JEFF. IN 57-0925
218-48 Now, notice this.

... holding the four winds...

And I saw another angel ascending from heaven, having the seal of the living God:... (the Seal)

Now, what is the seal of the living God? Now, you Advent brethren are going to say, "Keep the sabbath day." I want you to show me that in the Scripture. It's not there. Not one place did it--is--is the seal...

If you'll read Ephesians 4:30 right quick, you'll find out what the Seal of the living God is. Ephesians 4:30 says, "*Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby you're sealed until the day of your redemption,*" not till the next revival, but's got eternal security. "*Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby you are sealed until the day of your redemption.*" See if Ephesians 4:30 doesn't say that; then take your margin readings and run it all the rest the way through the Scriptures there and find out. Now, "*... sealed until the day of your redemption. Having the seal of the living God:...*"

Now, remember, the Holy Ghost was not taught as the baptism of the Holy Ghost until after World War I. We just celebrated our--our golden jubilee, forty years, or the fortieth year of the jubilee.

SERPENT'S SEED. JEFF. IN 58-0928E

10-3 Baptists come in, baptize a couple over here in immersing. The preacher baptizes, nine out of ten smoke cigarettes, go back out and stand out there and play cards, bunco all night, run around, crooked business deals. And all the women wearing shorts out here, running around in the streets, and bobbing their hair, and--and smoking, and talking, and little stitch and sew parties, and telling dirty jokes. You call that Christianity? And you think you got eternal security? You're going to hell like that. You wouldn't enjoy yourself in heaven in any manner. Certainly not. That's not eternal security.

But when a man is born again of the Holy Ghost... And you Pentecostal, 'cause you jumped up and down, spoke in tongues, and run up-and-down the aisle, that don't mean you got eternal security. Don't you ever get that in your head. No, sir, it certainly doesn't. Because you know that your own--your own life bears you record that you're not right with God. That's right. You're not right. That's not eternal security yet.

But I want to ask you something. Is there an eternal security? The Bible says so. The Bible said that our names were put on the Lamb's Book of Life before the world ever begin. As I said this morning, I say it again: The man who wrote the song, "There Was a New Name Written Down In Glory Tonight and It's Mine," his idea was all right, but he was wrong Scripturally. Your name wasn't put on the night you got saved. Your name, according to the Bible, according to Revelations 13, 17, and so forth, was put on there before the world ever begin; and Jesus Christ was slain before the foundation of the world.

6. Evidence of Holy Spirit is not on any certain thing. [Tongues]

[1 Corinthians 13:1, Matthew 12:33, Luke 6:43-44, Psalms 126:6]

ISRAEL AT THE RED SEA. 1. JEFF. IN 53-0326

111 Just like now, this is going to hurt you. But I'm responsible with God's Word, willing to discuss It, anytime. Here's where you Pentecostal people has made your mistake, many of you setting here, of teaching the initial evidence of the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues being the Holy Ghost. Why, speaking in tongues is all right, but that is an attribute. That isn't the Holy Ghost; that's what the Holy Ghost does.

The Holy Ghost is the love of God. I can prove it by the Bible. "*Though I speak with tongue of men and Angels, and have not love, it profit me nothing.*"

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 54-0103M

83-Q-12 Now, I'm going to answer the question, brother, that you asked me awhile ago. Somebody said:

12. Brother Branham, I want to know the place where I can tie down and say "This man has the Holy Ghost because he did this, or this woman has the Holy Ghost because she did that."

There's not a way in the world for you to know it. That's right. There's not a way in the world for you to know it. God is the Judge; we are not to judge. See? Just preach the Gospel; live...

A fellow come to me here sometime ago; I was preaching about... I said the other night. He come up to my house; he said, "Brother Branham, brother, I want--I want--I wanted to be... I want to get rid of my sins. I want to be a Christian." He set on my porch.

He said, "I heard about a great man, an internationally-known man by the name of Billy Graham." He said, "I went to his meetings and--and--and he said, 'All that wants to become a Christian, hold up your hand and accept Christ as personal Saviour.' So I raised up my hand. He said, 'Now, all stand have a prayer.' So I stayed and prayed just (Pardon me.)--just as sincere as I could be." He said, "And," said, "didn't do me any good."

He said, "Then I went down to--to Oral Roberts' meeting." He said, "I heard of him, and I heard they all had such joy." Said, "I went down to Oral Roberts and I asked him, 'What must I do to become a Christian?' He said, 'You get back in there...' I told him I had held up my hand at Billy Graham's. He said, 'You stay in that inquiry room in there until you're so happy you speak with tongues.'" He said, "I went in there and I prayed till I spoke with tongues." Said, "I come out, didn't do me any good."

He said, "And then I went to another meeting, and they told me I hadn't been sanctified yet, said I have to get sanctified and get happy and shout, get enough joy. So I prayed and prayed till I--I shouted, but yet still..."

I said, "Brother, every one of those things are correct; every one of them are good. Holding up your hand, speaking with tongues, shouting, I believe in every bit of it, but yet that's not the thing. See, it's accepting the Person, Christ Jesus." See? See, it's not...

These things are attributes. Shouting, speaking in tongues, running, shouting, crying, praying, whatever, that's just attributes that follow. The first thing is to accept the Person, Christ Jesus. See? So there's no--there's no evidence that we could say. Because a man cries? I've seen man cry and cry, and cry crocodile tears, and he's still just as big a sinner as he could be.

Listen, Jesus has nothing but sheep. Is that right? The shepherd knows his sheep. Anybody in here ever hear a goat cry? Brother, you better be a shepherd if you want to know the difference. A goat will cry just exactly like a sheep. Uh-huh. Let a little old billy goat get hung up out there somewhere, and a little sheep on one side going "Baa," and then "Baa," just the same.

And I've heard them down at the altar just a-crying and crying, "O God..." sobbing away like that, "O God..." and a goat all the time. That's right. Shouting? Well, my, I've seen them shout till they just... And they run across the floor and jump up-and-down and shout...

85-162 Now, you say, "Brother Branham, you don't believe in crying." Don't take me wrong. Sure, I believe in crying. But I'm saying that's not no evidence (See?), 'cause they both cry. I've seen them shout just as hard as they could shout. Yes, sir. And just a-carrying on like that... There's a long ways; you know what I'm talking about. I've heard them speak with tongues, go out and live any kind of a life, just do anything. That was no sign.

But you say, "Well, you're against it."

No, I'm, not. I believe in speaking in tongues; it's God's gift in the church. If I'd take it out, I'd take a part of God out. If I take my tongue--my tongue out of my body here, I wouldn't have a complete body. The Body of Jesus Christ has tongues in it. The Body of Jesus Christ here has tongues; and you take it out, take part of Christ out. But you still can't say that that's the body. See, see, see?

But it's accepting the Person Christ Jesus, and these other things come right on in and they fit together. Let every member in this body this morning, let this little group of people, if we could pull the curtains down along on each side and every person in here receive the Person Christ Jesus, there wouldn't never be a fuss; there would never be no argument. There'd just be a perfect love. Yet you'd still believe this and believe that, but it'd just be so full of love, you'd just... See? That's it.

Now, Jesus said, "*By their fruit you shall know them.*" And the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, goodness, meekness, gentleness.

Now, I'm going to... I'll give you my estimation of what I think that the closest thing to an evidence that a man is a Christian, than anything I know of. You know what it is? It's travail of soul, a person that's always so hungering and thirsting for God. They just simply... Day and night they--they just can't stand it. They--they--they got to do something for God. They--they're full of love and they're just a soul-travail, just travailling all the time. The Bible said, "*He that goeth forth sowing in tears will doubtless return again, rejoicing, bringing with him precious sheaves.*" Is that right? All those things...

WHY SO HARD TO LIVE CHRISTIAN LIFE. PHOENIX, AZ 57-0303

E-30 Oh, you say, Brother Branham, I--I got all the evidences." I know, but we're not talking about evidences; we're talking about the product. That's right. Yes, sir. I've seen heathens shout. I've seen them speak with tongues. I've seen them lay down a pencil and write in unknown tongues, and a witch raise up and read it, interpret it and tell the truth.

If a man could speak with tongues, if a man could shout, if a man could see visions, if a man could do any of these other things that he can do without Divine love, they are lost. That's right. Christ is in the heart. See?

So don't be deceived by signs and evidences. There's all kinds of signs. The Bible said, in the last days false prophets will rise up and show such signs, it would deceive the very elect if possible. Come back to the Bible signs.

HEBREWS. CHAPTER 6. JEFF. IN 57-0908E

225-369 (...) Look over here at Jimmy Osborne, out here preaching on Sunday morning; and boogie-woogie, rock and rolled and everything through the week.

Look at Elvis Presley, a 1947 version of Judas Iscariot, joins the Assemblies of God, Pentecostal, speaking in tongues for the Holy Ghost, and sent more souls to torment than all the bootleg joints there's been in the last fifty years. Perverted

the mind of little teenage children all over the world, till little girls would grab off their underclothes and throw it on the platform, and him to autograph, so vulgar that they won't show him on the television from his waist down, the way he... his body. (The Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues for evidence.) Oh, brother, if the Holy Ghost was there, It wouldn't act like that. You know better than that. Certainly not. God loves cleanness and purity and holy.

I don't act clean and pure and holy to make myself a Christian, but Christ in me lives that in me. And I love Him. And if I do anything wrong, it condemns me; right there I say, "God forgive me." Every day I've got to ask forgiveness. Every day that... And you do too. Certainly you do.

HEBREWS. CHAPTER 6. JEFF. IN 57-0908E
244-493 Martin Luther, once after speaking in tongues, he was asked why he didn't preach it; he said, "If I preached that, my people will go after the gift instead of the Giver." That's right.

Moody, one time speaking, and begin... When he was preaching so under inspiration, he spoke in tongues. He said, "God forgive me for muttering foolish words." Certainly. See? And they had those things. We believe those things, but they must be put in their place, and they must not be set as evidences.

There's not one thing left in the Bible as evidence of the Holy Ghost, only the fruits of the Spirit. Find out any place that Jesus said so. Yes, sir. The evidence of the Holy Ghost is the fruit of your Spirit. Jesus said so, "By their fruit you shall know them." And the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, goodness, peace, gentleness, meekness.

7. Rapturing Faith is needed.

ISRAEL AT THE RED SEA. 2. JEFF. IN 53-0327
46 And, brother, we're... All Christendom is looking for the coming of the Lord and the rapture of the church, all that's got any knowledge of the Word. Well, if we can't have faith enough for Divine healing, how we going to have a rapturing faith? Oh, I believe there's a great calling coming forth. I believe as David said, he laid there and waited until, he listened and waited. After while he heard the rushing wind going through the mulberry leaves, going around. He knowed God was going before him. Oh, brother, I'm listening for the rushing of the leaves, the noise in the mulberry bushes, God going before the battle, then let's rise and put on the full armor of God, pull the sword, go after it. The battle belongs to us then. When we see the hand of God moving on through signs and wonders, let's start following on.

ISRAEL AT KADESH BARNEA. JEFF. IN 53-0328
79 And I believe we're on the borderland tonight. I was wondering about all my meetings and things, how I had to cancel them out. I truly believe, before the church can have the rapture, it's got to have rapturing faith. We can't even have faith for Divine healing, let alone rapturing faith. Got to have a faith that'll change and quicken this body, and be taken away. I believe there's a church on its road tonight, a power of the living God, that men will speak the Word here and there, and it'll flash like lightning. And a church is coming out, not a psychologist, not some of this put-on, make-belief; but a real, true, genuine, anointed Holy Ghost, called-out church. Amen.

8. Church last plague is spiritual death. [Revelation 2:22, Luke 21:25-26]

ISRAEL AT THE RED SEA. 2. JEFF. IN 53-0327
57 Now, we're coming down to the last plague, last thing. God said, "I'm tired fooling now. I'm going to give the last plague." Now, I want you to notice; the last plague was death.

Now, we've had earthquakes; we've had wars and rumors of wars; we've had tidal waves, as Jesus said would be, the sea a-roaring, man's heart failing, more heart trouble (number one disease), fear, perplex of time, distress between the nations, horseless carriages in the broad ways, all these things fulfilled. But the last plague is death, not physically speaking, but spiritually speaking, death, spiritually in the church. You notice it was amongst the sons: spiritual death. The church has got more members than it ever had, thriving better than it ever did, and yet the weakest in spirit that it ever was. That's true. That's just like it was in Egypt.

Now, notice the last thing. But before, (Oh, amen.) before God let the spiritual death rain, He made a way of escape for those who wanted to. Hallelujah. Oh, how I love that, God making a way of escape for those who desired to walk in it. Now, those that didn't desire, all right, they--they got death.

Notice now the 12th chapter, the 1st verse, Moses...

And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

This month shall be unto you a beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year unto you.

Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:

If the house be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to the eating shall make the count for the lamb.

The lamb shall be without blemish,... (How beautiful.)... a male... the first year--the first year:... (Watch.)... ye shall take it from amongst the sheep, and... the goats:

And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the... (That'd be four days.)... and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

GOD'S PROVIDED WAY. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0613

E-16 (...) Moses took God's provided way when they were down there in Egypt. How they going to get out? It... God kept hardening Pharaoh's heart. But He said, "Now, I'm going to make a way of escape, because I'm going to send death over the land."

Say, listen, here's something striking. Watch, plague after plague after plague, but the last plague fell was death, just before the deliverance.

Notice it. How striking it is today. Jesus said there'll be--perilous times shall come, men's hearts would fail; how He said they'd be distress between the nations, sea a roaring, tidal waves that's never been heard of before, bursting forth in the seas. How that in all these things, signs would be coming to pass. Just like it was in the days of Noah, it would be again. How marvelous.

But remember, the last plague that fell was death. And the last thing... God has give us warning after warning, warning after warning. Now, the last thing that's come is death, spiritual death. The churches are dying spiritually. That's right, friend.

THYATIREAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1208

111 Her daughter was called Athaliah, A-t-h-a-l-i-a-h. She had her... She, Jezebel, had Athaliah married to Jehoram, the son of king of Judah, and soon the altars of Baalim was standing in Jerusalem. Now, you don't have to go to the history for that; that's Bible. See? Her daughter, Athaliah, married Jehoshaphat's son, which was Jehoram. And her daughters did the same thing she did.

Oh, my. Can't you see it? See how them organizations has done, brethren? They come right back through Luther and them, just exactly, and organize themselves together instead of letting the Holy Ghost... And Pentecost did the same exactly thing. They couldn't just let the Holy Ghost go ahead and have Its way, and go ahead; and every light come, just examine it by the Word, and go on. They couldn't let the Holy Spirit lead; they had to make an organization and cut off from everything else that would come along. Went right straight back and married into the thing again. Just exactly. When we get to that age, you just watch what's waiting for you down the road here. See? Married right straight back in... Jesus said here, "Her... This Jezebel, she calls herself a prophetess, and I'll throw her in a bed of worldliness, and kill her children also (Don't... What kind?) with a death."

What is, what kind of a death is her children to be killed with? You see they're dead now, spiritually dead. They have no revelation. They know their organization; they know their catechism; they know their doctrine of the church; but when it comes to knowing God, some of them don't know no more about It than a Hottentot would know about an Egyptian knight. That's right. When it comes to really knowing the Holy Spirit, wondering, call--wanting to call the Spirit of God a soothsayer, a devil, of the discerning spirits, and things like that, and casting out evils. "Why, he don't belong to our organization. That group, oh, brroo [Brother Branham illustrates.--Ed.]" See, they just don't know. And then tag It with a name of Jesus Only, or some kind of a holy-roller, or--or some kind of a thing like that. Just don't know...

And the hour is close at hand when that thing's going to be exposed. That's exactly. God will do it as certain as I'm standing behind this pulpit, 'cause He'll jerk His children out as certain as I'm standing right here. God in heaven knows that. You believe me to be a prophet of the Lord, a servant of the Lord, you listen to me. She's close at hand. Yes, sir.

Her children will be killed with spiritual death. Look at them: cold and formal. Look at the... Look at our... We don't have to talk about Baptists and Presbyterians; we know they been dead for years. What...

When Luther had his revival, justification, if he would've... If he'd have kept on, this--this Pentecostal great move now would've been the Lutheran church. The Light would've come by sanctification, as Wesley followed It. See, Luther couldn't follow that. No, sir, they're already Lutherans.

117 So then Wesley come. After Wesley died, then what happened? They organized that and made Wesley Methodist, Primitive Wes... oh, all kinds of Methodists. See? And when... Had a great revival, but when they throwed in the organization... What happened when Pentecost come along speaking in tongues and bringing the restoration of the gifts? They couldn't move; called them devils.

Now, what's the Pentecost done? The same thing they did. And where they at? Just as dead as a doornail. Yes, sir. That's exact. "I'll throw her children in a bed of--in a bed of death, and kill them." Let--let me read that so that you'll see here; I believe it was the 22nd verse.

And I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her unto the great tribulation,... (the--the great tribulation)...

9. Communion. [Isaiah 28:8-13]

ISRAEL AT THE RED SEA. 2. JEFF. IN 53-0327

83 Notice, beautifully. "Now, after you kill the lamb, catch its blood, and put it on the lintel of the door (That's the over-piece here.), and on the posts of the door." Never on the doorstep, on the floor, but on the posts and on the lintel. If you'll notice it, it's the perfect Cross. Oh, my. He said, "*And when I see the Blood, I will pass over you.*" Notice, what a day. Oh, sinner man, woman, boy or girl, let this soak into your sinful heart. Just before the coming of Christ, it's time that we take in consideration, check up on ourselves, watch.

Now, He said, "*In the evening it was killed.*" The Lamb was on the in--brought to the inside of the house, roasted: type of communion, of course. Now, He said, "*Come into that house and don't go out no more until morning.*" Amen. Once under the Blood (Hallelujah.), stay there. I hope you get that now. Come under. The howling wolves can come to the windows.

I can hear some of them come by, and see the young lady that come in, some of the Egyptian girls, and say, "Martha, aren't you going to the dance tonight?"

"I have no desire at all." Under the blood, something happened.

ISRAEL AT THE RED SEA. 2. JEFF. IN 53-0327

132 You know the day today. I went here not long ago to a place. And said, "We're going to have communion." And they took an old piece of loaf bread, and cut it up like this, in pieces, and passed it out amongst a bunch of people there, and everybody in the church taking communion. Brother, that's not right. Your heart's got to be right with God before you take communion.

Isaiah prophesied of it in the 28th chapter and the 8th verse, if you want to look it up. He said, "*The tables are full of vomit, all filthiness and uncleanness everywhere.*" He said, "*Who can I teach doctrine? Who can I give understanding? Those that are weaned from the breast.*" Our little old baby's back here playing along. When we ought to be teaching somebody else the powers of God, we're still fussing about whether it's right to do this or that. "*Tables full of vomit.*"

PILLAR OF FIRE. JONESBORO, AR 53-0509

E-4 Not long ago I was standing by William Cowper's grave in London, England, considered a neurotic. He wrote that famous song that I've used all my life nearly in Communion song:

*There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Emmanuel's veins,
When sinners plunged beneath the flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.*

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 54-0103E

147-212 And now, Father, we realize the Communion was first given down in Egypt. And those people who taken Communion, the lamb and the bread, as they marched out, forty years they journeyed in the wilderness; and there wasn't one feeble among them when they come out of the wilderness. They taken the Communion.

10. Temper.

ISRAEL AT KADESH BARNEA. JEFF. IN 53-0328

48 Now, God getting ready to deliver. We found out that he was, Moses was taking his own son down, for to deliver the children of Israel, uncircumcised. And Zipporah took a sharp stone, cut the foreskin off her child, and throwed it before him, said, "Thou art a bloody husband to me."

You know, did you ever study that right close? Moses had a temper, you know; that finally kept him out of the promised land: his temper. And God had set him back out there and give him a little high-tempered wife too. I bet they had some trouble on the backside of that desert, don't you? God knows how to tame you down. So He fixed him back out there with a little woman, shows. She cut that foreskin off and throwed it before him, said, "You're a bloody husband." My, He knowed how to fix him up, take that temper out of him. All right.

TESTIMONY. CHICAGO, IL 53-0902

E-70 How do you do, lady? Yes, that's the colored lady I was speaking to. Just have faith there, brother. Jesus Christ is present now to make you well.

Do you believe? All your heart? Had quite a time getting here, didn't you? A lot of traffic on the road, isn't there? When you got behind that bus, that was terrible, wasn't it? You're awfully nervous, aren't you? Got a lot of temper that causes that nervousness. You're trying to get rid of it.

INFALLIBILITY OF GOD'S WORD. CHICAGO, IL 56-0404

E-4 You know, I--I was telling the boys awhile ago coming over, I said about how we must be happy all the time. God don't want you to be sad. You know what ill temper does? And that old temper, that's one of the awfulest old things. And it--it's about sixty percent of the cause of all sickness is temper. Yes, sir, them tam--tantrums you fly loose, remember, you just developing a cancer, ulcer, or something like, when you do it. When you get all stewed up about somebody, "I won't

go back there any more. Wait till I give them a piece of my mind." All right. Remember, you're the one's going to pay for it. Just keep happy.

The little story, said there was a little robin one morning, setting up on a limb, whistling over to his little mate. The little mate flew down by him and said, "You know, I'm so--I'm so worried this morning about one thing."

Said, "What?" Said, "We robins never worry."

E-5 Said, "I just wonder if those poor creatures, the human beings, that frown on their faces, they walk, I wonder, maybe they haven't got a heavenly Father that watches over them like we have, us robins."

That's about it. You never heard of one of them having high blood pressure, did you? No. No, you don't hear no ambulance ringing for them, or so forth (You see?), they--they live in God's true provided way. It's always us that makes things wrong.

ARROW OF GOD'S DELIVERANCE. SHREVEPORT, LA 56-0801

E-36 And the church tonight... Hear me. The church tonight is still striking short. The church has struck short of the baptism of the Holy Ghost. It struck short of deliverance from sin. It struck short...

Oh, you say, "I belong to church."

Brother, when you got that baptism of the Holy Ghost, it's takes that old temper out of you. It puts you on a dress and makes you act like a lady. It'll make you quit your smoking, drinking, lying, stealing, and everything. Brother, when you've got the baptism of the Holy Ghost, it separates you. It delivers you from the things of the world. Amen. It makes you love God. It makes you go to church. It makes you worship Him. It makes you tell your neighbor about it. It makes you live above sin. Hallelujah.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 59-1223

489-89 Jesus said, "Take your leave. But come out of him." Amen. Oh, my. Little bitty Guy like that speaking to that big legion of devils. "Come out of him. You have your leave." And they got into those hogs, and they had fits, run them hogs into fits. And down the way they went to the river and drowned in the river, choked themselves in the river. Isn't that right?

Now, when they did... Of course the devils went out of them, 'cause it killed the hogs. It just run them into a fit. They had a fit just like anyone. Did you ever see a person have a temper fit? Well, that's just--that's just what it is. That's just them devils. That's what happened to them. You ever see one of them having a temper fit, you say, "Oh, uh-huh, I know what happened in Gadara now." See? That's just exactly. Just a few more come in there, run him completely insane; 'cause the medical doctor will tell you that temper is the first stage of insanity. That's what Mayo says, the first stage of insanity.

THIRSTING.FOR.LIFE. PHOENIX, AZ 60-0304

E-59 If you believe the God... Don't... Be simple. The Holy Spirit's so simple. It just--just follow It with the way It goes. And if you believe that God hears my prayer, and you've really been bitten tonight, somewhere along the line... You got a temper that just makes you fly loose; that's the devil. He bites you; he will poison your experience. It's like sulfuric acid. It'll kill you, and you'll be lost.

BLASPHEMOUS NAMES. JEFF. IN 62-1104M

21-5 (...) Now, get this lesson: Here is what's wrong with the--with the... (I oughtn't to turn on for this.) Here's what's wrong with the Branham Tabernacle. You see? There is two different kinds of faith; there's two different kinds of virtue, as I had it the other day; two different kinds of knowledge; two different kinds of temperance. One thinks it's prohibition. They got... That ain't the kind of temperance that God's talking about. It's that ungodly, uncontrollable temper you got and things of that type--sass back, fuss.

IS YOUR LIFE WORTHY. JEFF. IN 63-0630E

149 Don't fuss. When the family gets in a fuss, don't fuss with them. Your mother said, "I ain't having you go up there to that old church anymore. What are you... All you're thinking about now, you're letting your hair grow out; you look like some old grandma." Don't fuss with her. Say, "Okay, mother. That's all right, I love you just the same, and I'll be praying for you as long as I live." See?

Now, don't fuss. See? Temper breeds temper. First thing you know you grieve the Holy Spirit away from you and you'll be fussing back. Then the Holy Spirit takes Its flight. That's right. Temper breeds temper, and love breeds love. Be full of love. Jesus said, "*This will all men know you're My disciples when you have love one for another.*" That's the fruit of the Holy Spirit: love.

151 And did you know, you are a little creator yourself? Did you know that? Certainly. You've seen people that you just love to be around; you don't know why, just that loving type of person. Haven't you seen that? Just as kind they're... You like to be around them. That's... They create that atmosphere by the life they live, the way they talk, their conversation.

11. *Lovers of pleasure.* [2 Timothy 3:4] [Sundays, fishing, movies]

GOD COMMISSIONING MOSES. JONESBORO, AR 53-0508

E-46 And watch what Paul said, "The Spirit speaks expressingly that in the latter times, some shall depart from the faith," on went ahead telling them what they'd be: "*heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God.*" Where I'm... A place I was talking to a man today, said that the fish bait was so good to be sold on Sunday, that they'd line up up-and-down there. Said, "A preacher come out to buy some bait." He said, "I thought you was going to... had to have Sunday school." Said, "I got another man to preach for me," and said, "my Sunday school. And I thought I would go fishing." He said, "I thought at least a preacher would be honest." Condemned the old boy, and went back and preached Sunday school: a sinner. Oh, my! There you are: Lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. They'll go to Sunday school on Sunday morning, and to a bioscope, or a movie on the afternoon: Lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. "*Truce breakers, false accusers, and despisers of those that are good* (calling them holy-rollers), *having a form of godliness* (preaching the Blood, preaching the sacrifice, preaching all the fundamentals of the Scripture), *but denying the power thereof.*"

12. Bible a Book wrote by God.

MY ANGEL SHALL GO BEFORE THEE. TALLAHASSEE, FL 53-0213

E-13 Now, a few years ago, it was firmly not believed by any people, that there was any other light besides the sunlight. Critics and scientific world once laughed and said, "Didn't God make an awful mistake when He wrote the Bible?" Said, "He said He made the--created the firmament before He made the sun." Said, "The very idea. There's no such a thing as any light outside of sunlight, that He made the firmament before He made the sun." And how the apostle said your whole body's full of light. Well, science looked down with the spirit of meekness and consideration, and dug into it, and proved that God was right. Now, there's plenty of light beside the sunlight.

For instance, the x-ray. That's not no--has no sun to do with it. But your whole body, each little cell, little atom is a light. You're made up full of light. They find out that the Bible's right, that you're made full of light, because scientists, not looking at it from a natural standpoint, you can't understand it. Spiritual things are spiritually discerned. So but they prove that the Bible was right.

PILLAR OF FIRE. JONESBORO, AR 53-0509

E-16 God's wrote three Bibles: one, the Zodiac, one in the pyramids, one on paper. Now, He's writing His first, the Zodiac. It starts off with a virgin, ends up with Leo the lion: Jesus' first coming and His second coming. If we had time to run down through it, you'd see it.

ADOPTION. JEFF. IN 60-0522E

20 How many ever studied the history of the pyramids? I guess maybe one lady here raised her hand. All right.

God wrote three Bibles. One of them was the Zodiac in the skies. That's the first Bible. Man was to look up to realize that God is from above. Follow the Zodiac; did you ever study it? It even gives every age, even the cancer age. It gives the beginning, the birth--the birth of Christ. What is the first figure in the Zodiac? The virgin. What's the last figure? Leo the lion. The first coming and the second coming of Christ, all of it is written in there.

Then the next Bible was written, was in stone, called pyramid. God wrote in the pyramids. If you study them, watch the ancient histories and wars, how they were built before the antediluvian destruction.

The third was wrote on paper, the Bible, for the great, smart intellectual world to come.

QA IMAGE OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0515

178-176 Now, we'll find out why; we're going to your question, dear brother. St. John... I mean Matthew 28:19. All right, let's go back over. You turn with your Bible with me, so you can read with me. This is the place where it's spoke of. One place in the Bible of...

Didn't Jesus say, "*In the mouth of two or three witnesses let every word be established*"?

I can take you in the Bible where It said, "Judas Iscariot went and hung himself," and, "You go do likewise."

I can take you to where Jesus said, "*When the Son of man* (which Himself was) *which now is in heaven shall come again,*" and standing right here on earth... And said, "*The Son of man which now is in heaven,*" and standing right here on earth...

You have to know God to know His Word. You can't... No wonder you say It contradicts Itself. It's confusing. Because God said He wrote It that way to hide It from these scholars and so forth. And let people get humble at the altar, and God will reveal It to you.

PRIDE. CAMPBELLSVILLE, KY 55-0807A

E-10 Now, the--as I was saying, the Holy Spirit wrote the Bible, and it's written in such a way, that there's no way at all for man in his--his mental conception to understand what it is. No matter how well you get it wrote out, how well you can put it together, it's wrong to begin with. See? Because He's hid it from the eyes of the wise and prudent, and it's a spiritual revelation.

REDEMPTION. SAN FERNANDO, CA 55-1119

E-33 Then we find out, after all these trials and testings, one little part we want to get to. Do you like to read between the lines? Why, the best part of the Bible is wrote between the lines. Sure it is. As I told you the other night, the Bible is hid from every seminary. You don't know God by the seminary experience; you know Him by a borned again experience. That's right. See?

WHAT IS THAT IN YOUR HAND? SAN FERNANDO, CA 55-1120

E-44 John Sproule, a friend of mine, not long ago was telling me he was down at Alsace Lorraine, and was going through a great garden there. There was a statue of Christ. And he and his wife was standing off looking at it. He was criticizing it; there was nothing there look like the suffering of Christ. And the man said to him, the guide, said, "Sir, are you criticizing that--that statue?"

He said, "Yes."

Said, "You're looking at it wrong." He said, "Come here. See this altar? Get down on your knees, and look up now."

And said, when he looked up, his heart would break. The sculptor had made it so that when you... You don't stand off and look at like this; you have to get down and look up to it to really see what it looks like.

And that's the way God wrote His Word, not to stand off from a high-pointed, psychological, educational standpoint, and say, "Oh, I don't know. The days of miracles, oh, I don't know whether it's really right or not."

God doesn't write His Word for that. Get down on your knees, and look up through the promise, through the Blood of the Lord Jesus. It'll look a lot different to you when you come that way. It isn't to be criticized and say, "And these things was, and this won't be." But the Bible said Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever in every principle, every power. On your knees and look up that way, then it'll look different to you.

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 56-0715

E-13 Now, all the old, the types, the shadows, Christ in the shadow of the Lamb, God in the beginning knowing all things, nothing has ever been predicted or put in the Scripture, but what God already spoke it before the foundation of the world. The whole plan of God was laid out. You believe it?

Saint John the 1st chapter, about the 7th verse, It says,

In the beginning was the Word,... the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Then what this Bible was, is God before the foundation of the world. The only reason it's written in here, is prophets receiving from God foreknowledge of His predestinated plan of the ages.

A lawyer, studies the books to find out all the knowledge that he knows how to find out, so that he can give it to his--his client. Oh, that's the way the prophets are, the teachers are. They study the word.

First the prophet goes to God. And the Word comes down, and he wrote it in the Bible. And now, that was God's foreordained plan the prophet saw. And he wrote it in word so that the people following would be warned of situations and things to come. See?

Now, by inspiration that Word was spoke by God. By inspirations the prophets brought It. And by inspiration we have to receive It. It's not a material. It's not a natural thing. It's not a... The carnal mind... Listen. The man in his carnal conditions can never understand it, no way at all. It's impossible. For the spiritual things to the carnal mind is foolish, says the Scripture, and vice versa. Now, we must be spiritual minded.

BLASPHEMOUS NAMES. JEFF. IN 62-1104M

11-7 Now, notice on this, that Christ... God wrote three Bibles. The first Bible was in the sky, called the zodiac. Now, if you don't know the Book of Job, just forget about it, 'cause--because Job is the one explains it: how that he looked up, and he named those things in the sky.

And notice in the zodiac, what did it start off with? The first thing in the zodiac is the virgin. The last thing in the zodiac is Leo the Lion: the first coming of Christ through the virgin; the second coming, Leo the Lion, the Lion of the Tribe of Juda.

Then Enoch completed in his day, or back in that day, the pyramid. And it would... 'Course we haven't got time to background it and show how that that pyramid come up through the chambers and so forth. It speaks right straight to the end time now. They're in the king's chamber now by the measurement. But the headstone never was put on the pyramid. And that sets perfect architecturally or--or masonry, until even a--the little thin razor blade... And they don't know how they ever built it, don't understand--could ever a razor blade slice along the sides where that mortar should be, and there's no mortar in it. It's just perfected, put together.

So that's what it is when Christ and the Church becomes one. There's no mortar between; there's nothing between, just God and the person: God, Christ, and the person.

12-3 Now, but the headstone, they've never found it. You know the Stone of Scone they have in England to ordain the kings--or to--to crown them and so forth? But the headstone...

Notice on the American dollar bill; you'll see it on the American dollar bill. On the one side, the left side, is the American Seal, an eagle with the spears in his hand. On the second side... This is called the Seal of the United States. But on the next side is the pyramid, and above it, a great eye. And under here it says, "The Great Seal." Why would it be the Great Seal in this nation, even above the Seal of our nation? See, no matter what you ever do, God makes it speak just the same. See? He makes the sinner speak of it; He makes the nations speak of it; everything has to speak of Him, whether you--you want to believe it or not. It's right there.

Now notice, there's a eye in that, the eye of God. And because that the cap didn't come off, the Head-seal, because It was rejected, which was the Son of God, the Cornerstone of the building, the Head-seal of the pyramid, and all this.

EVENTS MADE CLEAR BY PROPHECY. JEFF. IN 65-0801E

52 Notice now, the believers wait for that Word to be confirmed. See, It was not wrote by men, but by the Lord God; therefore, It's not a book of men.

Somebody said, "It's just some old Hebrew writings." Would the Hebrews write a letter that condemned themselves? Would that fine nation of Jews, self-styled and polished, would they write their own iniquities, condemning them own selves? Certainly not. Tell of his own sins, how they went into idolatry, how they committed fornications against God's Word? No. No, they'd never tell that, that proud nation.

It's not a book of men, It's a Book of God. And the man who sees the visions or hears the voice of God, never understood It many times themselves, in many cases. See? Man didn't write the Bible; God wrote the Bible. It is not--it's not a man's book, It's God's Book. It is God's thoughts expressed through human lips. That's what makes It the Bible. A thought expressed is a word. And in the beginning was God's thinking; He expressed It through the lips of His prophets, and confirmed It by His servants. See?

13. *Worship in spirit and truth.*

JOHN 4:23-24

But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

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

WHATEVER HE SAYS TO YOU DO IT. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0601

E-33 Let's say, "Praise be to God. "Praise be to God." God is... The word "God," means object of worship. See? And God wants to be worshipped. Jesus said, "*God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in*" what? *Spirit and in truth.* Truth, what is Truth? He said, "I am the Truth." And here He is tonight in our midst, being Truth, the Spirit vindicating His Presence. He's both Spirit and Truth. The woman says, "That's the truth." The man says, "That's the truth." Then that is truth. You have no right to doubt. Oh, isn't He wonderful?

JEHOVAH JIREH. CHARLOTTE, NC 56-0429

E-73 The Lord Jesus went He went about, He was the prophet of Galilee, and they... He claimed He couldn't do nothing Hisself, but just as the Father would show Him. So one day He went up to Samaria. He had need to go up on His road to Jericho, went up over the mountain. Wonder why? Said the Father sent Him up there, of course.

He set down on a well, and a woman come out to get some water. And He said... He sent His disciples away before that to get some food. And He said to the woman, "*Bring Me a drink.*" Why would He do that? "*Bring Me a drink.*" Maybe He's not thirsty.

She said, "It's not customary for You Jews to ask Samaritans such as that." Said, "We have no dealings with each other." "That's right." Said, "But if you knowed Who you were talking to, you'd ask Me for a drink. And I'd bring you water you don't come here to draw."

She said, "The well's deep, and You don't have nothing to draw with."

He said, "But the water I give, is life bubbling up."

Why, she said, "Our fathers worshipped in this mountain and you say at Jerusalem."

He said, "Salvation is of the Jew, woman. We know that. We worship... We know what we worship. Salvation of the Jews. But the hour is coming when the Father don't--will not worship in this mountain, neither at Jerusalem, but in the Spirit and truth. And Father seeketh such." Is that Scriptural? And then what was He doing? Carrying this conversation with the woman, He was contacting her spirit.

GOD'S PROVIDED PLACE OF WORSHIP. LOS ANGELES, CA 65-0425

112 Now, we have great schools of theology. And many times when we do that... Nothing against it, certainly not, but, you see, when you got a school of theology...

Jesus said in Saint John 4, "The time is coming, and now is, when God, being a Spirit, will be worshipped in Spirit and in Truth." Now, some people have Spirit, no Truth. Others has Truth, no Spirit.

So it's just like if we had a big car, we were going somewhere in a Cadillac. And both Cadillac's was made just alike, and we pushed them out here and we--out to the tanks, and we filled them both up with gasoline. And you crank and crank on one. Well, you look out, say, "The seat's all right. The steering wheel is pretty; it's got diamond studs in it. And plush, set... sets pretty. And you set back and go to sleep. And, oh, a lot of things you could do, each one, but (You see?), one of them... All of them has the right mechanics, but one of them has the dynamics. You see, you might know the mechanics, but it takes the dynamics to start off the mechanics, to make them work.

And that's what's the matter with the church today. We're full of theology, without any dynamics in it. That's right. See?

In other words, you've got to have the spark to the gasoline, or the gasoline is no more than... It's not even as good as water, as long as it hasn't got the spark to fire it. So that's the way.

No matter how well we're taught, how well we'll believe, and how much of the Bible that we say is true, and we believe it all true; it's got to be the--the dynamics has got to be there, the spark, to set that Word afire and make it start rolling. It's got to have that. If you don't, the church sets still, the car sets still, you'll set still. But no matter how much you say, "I sympathize. I believe every Word of That." You've got to have something to spark that off to make that one hundred octane go to firing, and the big Church of God go to moving on. It's got to take the dynamics with the mechanics. Nothing wrong with the mechanics, but lacking dynamics.

And I think that's what's the matter with the church today; we're lacking that dynamical power to press this Word and make It live for this day.

119 Martin Luther had the mechanics and dynamics in his day. John Wesley had them of his day. Pentecostal had them with their day. What about our day? This is another time. The church should be fully grown now, ready to go meet Christ, with the manifestation of every blessing that He promised in the Bible, operating in that one great Body where He promised that He'd meet the people and be worshipped in this great church of His.

MARK OF THE BEAST. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0217

E-21 But you got a soul in there that's worth ten thousand worlds and let the devil cram anything down it and call it righteousness and religious, instead of taking God's right way about it. That's right. Your soul's worth ten thousand worlds. Your body's only worth eighty four cents. You drag it around and sure take care of it. Oh, you shave it up and fix it up right, but my, dress it up. But that soul, you sure won't dress that, just let anything drag through it that wants to. Give you a spider in that, you'd sue the--the restaurant that give it to you. But a church can tell you, "Shake hands with the pastor, say you believe in God, worship, and that's all you have to do."

If that's right, then Cain was right. But remember, God said to Cain, "Worship like your brother, and you'll do well." But he didn't want to do it. That's the way it is today; they don't want to worship God in Spirit and in truth. They just want to go to church and worship the way the church says worship. Worship what God said worship. Jesus said, "God is a Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in truth." That's right, put them together, the Word and the Spirit together. And if the Spirit is in the Word, the Word will manifest Itself. That's exactly the reason you see discernment and healings and things like that; it's the Word made manifest.

E-22 Jesus said, "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel." He never said go into all the world and build churches or do so and so. Them things are all right. But didn't say go into all the world and teach the Gospel; He said, "Preach the Gospel." In other words, to preach the Gospel would be to demonstrate the power of the Holy Spirit. Paul said, "The Gospel come not in word only, but through power," manifestations of the Holy Spirit. It has to be the very next Word said, "And these signs shall follow them that believe." That's right. It has to make the Word manifest. And if the Spirit is in the Word, the true Spirit of God in the Word, "*If ye abide in Me and My word in you, ask what you will, and it'll be done to you.*" Right. See? Just comes right straight back to Scripture. You can't get out of the Scriptures; it brings itself right back and balances itself up each time.

14. Insanity. [See Teaching on Demons powers..1949m #7]

DEMONOLOGY. 1. PHYSICAL. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0608A

16 Now, the first thing, what a demon is. You hear so many people talking about a demon. Well, now, a "demon, devil," all comes from one word, and in the English it's called "tormentor." A fellow that torments is a devil, a evil one. He, say... Now, the Bible today is to most, to many people, is some old back Book that grandpa and grandma read, or something like that, "There's not much to it; it's for the old folks, and so forth." But that's wrong. It's for everybody. And demons are tormentors that torment us.

Now, there is demons that comes into the soul of men, and that is, in the phraseology, that would be--that would be in the... I'd say this though, the demon that comes into the soul is something that torments the soul.

Many times you can see a person maybe of insanity. Now, they may be yet a converted person, filled with the Holy Spirit, and yet be totally insane. See? That's right; that has nothing to do with the soul. It's a tormentor (See?), something that torments them.

JEHOVAH JIREH. SIOUX FALLS, SD 56-0224

E-23 I've seen them when they... you... haven't stood for ten years or more, little bitty limbs about that big, eat up with cancer. Where are people tonight? Because they rose in the strength of the Lord, God's strength.

Did you ever see a maniac? They got about five times the normal strength. In the insane institutions, they are terrible how fight, and they're twice to three or four times their strength. If the devil can give you double strength, what could the Holy Ghost do, when you're completely surrendered to Him?

PAINTED FACE JEZEBEL. CHICAGO, IL 56-1005

E-40 Why, here the day I met a bunch of women who was having a prayer meeting, shouting and speaking in tongues with shorts on, smoking cigarettes: Pentecostals. God have mercy. It's backslidden sinners is exactly what it is. I'm not judge, but, "*By their fruits you shall know them.*"

Do you realize it's insanity? Do you realize there's only one time in the Bible that anyone ever stripped their clothes off, and that was a devil possessed person? Do you realize that all this stuff that's going on today, these rock-and-roll parties that you're--you all are attending, up in them places, when they go so frantic and get in such a maneuver, the Presley and them, till young ladies take their underneath clothes off and throw them up on the platform for him to autograph, and call that civilization, when they send dozens of them to the insane asylum afterward? And our radio programs and everything nearly you hear is full of that chaos? It's the devil like a roaring lion. And they're bringing that same thing, with boogie-woogie and everything into the church.

Way in the Hottentots of Africa, that same mournful sound... When I seen them stand there, and the witch doctors, and they'd go, and them sounds. Heathens with paint over their face, and the young women would dance out there till they'd...?... sex parties and everything else. And America in it has reached the top of civilization and swinging backwards and going into heathens again, painting and rocking, and--rolling thus, and--and even calling themselves church members. Amen.

Many a time... They had one here in Canada not long ago. And I think they sent ten kids in two days after that, to the insane institution. Sure. You better settle down to the old fashion Gospel and come back to Christ. Certainly they had. Draw the lines between right and wrong.

CHRIST IS IDENTIFIED THE SAME. TAMPA, FL 64-0415

E-66 (...) I passed over California here the other day, and got a hold of a magazine, or a paper, and read where homosexuals had increased sixty percent in the last year. Oh, my. It's pitiful. See, it's just because women has thrown themselves away. That's right. And just on the street naked, and it's just--it's just a shame. But the Bible said they'd be that way. And even to men, it's just they're--they--they're changed. See? And it's going to get worse. In another--another... If the world would stand another fifty years, the whole world would be totally insane. Look at the sanity from forty--from twenty years ago to this time. See?

GOD'S PROVIDED PLACE OF WORSHIP. LOS ANGELES, CA 65-0425

190 Look at this teenage insane. Why, we had a... I told you the other day, they was taking an analysis there of the schools in Arizona where I live, and eighty percent of the children in school is mentally retarded. What will their children be? We can't have another generation. We're at the end. Jesus said these things would come.

Look at all the televisions and things getting these fictitious things in order. It'll come a time, I predict, that people will be completely totally insane; the world will be. The Bible speaks of such hideous sights as they show in movies today of some prehistoric creature's egg; that's lived in the earth for so many thousands and millions of years, hatch and come forth to some... That's just a minor thing to what's going to happen. When hell is opened and the devil comes out with all of his mysterious things, of women--or locusts with hair like women, and teeth like lions. Why, the world will be completely, totally insane. It's not but just about one degree from it now.

KNOWETH IT NOT. JEFF. IN 65-0815

22-2 Now, watch the spirit following it. There'll come a time in the Name of the Lord, that people will go completely insane. The Bible said so. They'll scream and holler: great hideous things in their imaginary mind... The radios and things, or television programs are producing it. There'll be such things as ants raise up on the earth that'll be as high as fourteen trees. There'll be... A bird will fly across the earth with wings four or five miles across, and people seeing them; they'll scream and holler and cry for mercy; but it'll be the plague. Wait till I preach on those plagues opening up.

15. Donny Morton's operation and medium Miss Pepper in Reader's Digest. [Paradise and witches.]

DEMONOLOGY. 2. RELIGIOUS. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0609a

145 Now, this witch of En-dor, she called up the spirit of Samuel, and Saul talked to Samuel. Now, you might wonder how that could be done. It cannot be done today. No, sir, because the blood of bulls and goats was only a-waiting for the time of fulfillment. When a man died in them days... Preachers, back me up if you think it's right. When a man died, he died under the atonement of an animal, and his soul went into paradise. And there he stayed until that to the--to the day of redemption. And his soul was in there.

Let me draw you a little picture here. How many read my article, or the article they wrote about me in "Reader's Digest" here, about in October--November's issue? All right. Did you notice how that was? Did you notice about two or three weeks before that, this great famous medium here that's been tried since way long time ago, her, Miss Pepper... Did you? Has everybody ever read that, Miss Pepper's article in the "Reader's Digest"? Isn't it strange how them two spirits...

How much time have I got? Not but just a little. Twenty after, just I'll have to hurry. I know you got... Look, excuse me for a minute.

You know, there's--there's false. There's a true and a false of everything. If I give you a dollar, and I say, "Is this a good dollar?" And you'd look at it; it'd have to look pretty much like a real dollar or you wouldn't believe it. Is that right? So it'll have to be really a good imitation.

And if Jesus said the two spirits in the last days would be so close till it would deceive the very elect if possible, religious people. Now, remember. Now, there ain't nothing out there in them old cold--old cold formal outside; they have just a form of godliness. You see? But these two spirits are real spirits; it'd be so close till it'd deceive the very elect, how it was working side by side in the last days. Did Jesus say that? He did.

Now, watch, friends, I'm going to draw you a little picture; I want you to look at here just a minute. And give me your undivided attention, 'cause I'm going to give you a parable, and then you'll see it.

Now, in the "Reader's Digest," it wrote up there. I was standing out there. We had twenty-seven hundred people waiting to get prayed for, standing out there. You read the article. And a man come down from Canada, and he had a little boy that had been to Mayo's and John Hopkins, a serious brain disease that drawed its little hands in like this, and drawed its legs up under it, and they said, "There's not even an operation or nothing can be done."

152 So he took it back to Canada. He said, "I'm not whipped yet." You get November's issue of the "Reader's Digest," and it's called the--the--"The Miracle Of Donny Morton." And--and then said that the--in there, that the--that the man said, "I'm not whipped yet, because I know a faith healer named William Branham that caused two of my friends who was deaf and dumb to speak and hear."

And they called to try to find where I was at in--in America yet. And I was over in Costa Mesa, California. And if... The article when you read it, get ready to cry. It'll just break your heart, how he went through snowdrifts and everything else with that baby. He said, "Be careful, Donny." Said, "Now, we're not defeated." And the little boy couldn't even smile, hardly; he was so afflicted. Said, "We're not defeated; we're going to ask God. We'll go to God's prophet and ask him."

So then they come through the snow. And they finally got down there, and the mother was coming with them, and they didn't have money enough to go by airplane, so they sent the mother back, and the boy and daddy had to come on a bus, and how they rode all the way from Winnipeg, Canada, to Costa Mesa, California. And they got in there, broke, and the father tells about had to change the little diapers on it, little boy about seven or eight years old, just perfectly helpless. And how he was, couldn't get a chance to eat nor nothing, and said his little boy could just hear him talk and he could tell the way his eyes looked that he was--he was trying to smile, you know, and know that he'd--he'd tell him different sights he would seeing over in America.

And when they got in there to California, they said to the traveler's aid, what he come to see. He said, "Come to see a Divine what?" And a big question mark.

'Course, you could imagine what America said about it. You see? See, that's us. See? "We so smart. We know everything, you know, and there's no need of telling us anything. We got it all wrote down." See?

So then, so, "A Divine what? Come all the way from Winnipeg, Canada?" Why, they thought that was horrible.

Anyhow, the newspaper caught a--a car and sent him over there. And he said, when they got to the line, where it was at, said twenty-seven hundred people was waiting to be prayed for. But said, when they seen that deformed, little looking boy, and that poor daddy with his cap on, his ragged coat, said everybody just stepped aside and give him his place. When he hit the platform...

It's against the rules to swap a ca--prayer card. Somebody must come to the meeting and get your own card. If they ever caught in the line, swapping prayer cards on somebody else, the prayer card's dishonored. See? Because you must come, hear the instructions and know how to receive it. It's up to you. You can't get it for someone else. You have to come, get it yourself, so you hear. Some big person said, "If, well, I don't believe much in this thing, but maybe if he'll heal me, I..." See? And then that causes a fuss at the platform, so they just cull that thing out before it gets there.

So when the boy started, or the father started on the platform ahead of the people, Billy asked him for his prayer card. He didn't have any. Said, "Then I'm sorry, sir." Said, "You'll have to wait."

He said, "All right." Said, "I'll wait." Said, "I'll just take my turn like the others, then." Said, "I didn't know I had to do this."

And so I was talking to someone; I happened to hear it. I seen that father go away, and I said, "What was the matter?"

He said, "He didn't have a prayer card."

And Something said to me, "Bring him back."

So I said, "Bring him here." And the father come up, and the tears running down his face, needing shaving and... And he--he walked up, and here's the "Reader's Digest" said the... I asked no questions, but looked right straight in the face of the baby, told the baby where it was from; it had been to Mayo's Clinic; and all about what was the matter with it, how sick it had been, and everything.

164 And said the father started crying, and started to leave. And said he started off the platform, and he turned around, he said, "That's right, sir." He said, "But will my baby ever live?"

I said, "That I can't say." I said, "Just a moment." I seen a vision appear. I said, "You won't want to believe this, because Mayo's and Hopkins both said that operation couldn't be performed on that brain, but I tell you what you do. You, tomorrow, you just go ahead with this baby. Within the next three days you're going to meet a black-headed woman on the street, and that woman's going to ask you what's the matter with that baby. And then she's going to tell you of some little country doctor out here that can perform that operation, and you won't want to believe it, because that Mayo's turned it down and said it was impossible to be done. But that's the only chance your baby has, through the power of God, the mercy of God and that operation. Now, if you believe me to be His prophet, go do as I tell you." Like putting the figs on Hezekiah, and so forth.

He said, he turned around and said, "Thank you," walked off.

Two days or more had passed, and he was down on the street one day, and a lady walked up, said, "What's the matter with your baby?"

Said, "It's got a--a brain disease." And he was going on talking like that. And, well, they--they thought it was awful bad, you know.

So he said just in a few minutes something taken place. She said, "Sir, I know of someone who can do that operation."

He said, "Lady, look, Mayo Brothers give it up and said it can't be done." Said, "A man up here was praying for it, named Brother Branham." Said, "He's made a prayer for the baby." He said, "Wait a minute. Black-headed, wearing a gray coat." And said, "That's her." Said, "Where is that doctor?" And he told him. Took him up there and the doctor performed the operation; the baby got well.

170 Now, that come through the "Reader's Digest." You see? And Mayo Brothers called me in on an interview for that. Said, "Reverend Branham, what did you do to the baby?"

I said, "Nothing, I never touched it. I only told what God told me to tell it. The man obeyed it."

Now, the funny thing about it, about two weeks after that, or two weeks before that, or three, in the "Reader's Digest" maybe a month ahead, Miss Pepper's article come through. Now, she's a genuine witch or a medium. Now, there's a real one, and there's somebody impersonating. They've had that woman since 1897. She's over a hundred years old now in New York, both deaf as a post. The "Reader's Digest," get... I think it come along about two months or a month before mine, and you can find it, the early fall. Mr. Baxter had it here the other day. If I'd have thought of it, I'd had him... I knowed I was going to say this, I'd--I'd have had it with it. And I can get it for you. And it give about twelve or fourteen pages. She was just an ordinary housewife. And she fell into a trance one day, while in suffering, and she begin to speak to the dead. And they've had that woman all over the world everywhere. They took her to England. Changed her clothes even, many times, and see if there's slip-ups and things, and got over there and disguised someone with a mask on their face, a Greek, and played out like he was an Englishman. And she told him all about. And he--he--he wanted to call one of his dead partners.

Now, the only thing she... All over the world, and here's the "Reader's Digest" said there, here a few nights ago, or a few months ago, one of them things was exposed. A man was supposed to kiss the ghostly hand of his mother, and the next day it was proved in police court that he only kissed a piece of cheesecloth. A lots of people impersonating a medium, they're only these little old readers setting out on the side of the street, which are not mediums in the beginning. They're nothing but bogus impersonators. But there is a real medium.

And we religious people, we've got a lot of impersonators on both sides. Now, hold still for a few minutes.

Now, notice. That Miss Pepper is a real medium. And the magazine said, "Here's one thing that can be assured, that when a man dies he isn't dead; he's living somewhere, because that woman calls their spirit back and talks to the people."

"Now, what does she do, Brother Branham? Do you believe it?" Yes, sir. The Bible says so; that's the reason I believe it. And she is of the devil. Spiritualism is the devil's trick. Now, notice, now watch them two.

And then you ought to have seen the letters fly on to me then when my article followed hers. Isn't it strange that just before the end of time God spoke these things, and the "Reader's Digest" is published in every language under heaven. See? Notice, isn't it strange they followed one another?

178 Now, here come letters in, said, "Brother Branham, that proves you're nothing but a medium." Said, "That proves it. Look at here; you told that woman where she going to find... Look at this woman?"

I said, "Wait a minute. I got an official letter out," pardon me, "to send to the people." I said, "How little you preachers know." I said, "Instead of baptizing your body, you need your brains baptized." That's right. You don't stop to think of things. You don't try to consider it."

That's the same way they did in the other days. They seen Jesus; they knowed He could--He knowed the secrets of their heart. He knowed what they was doing like that. And they said, "He's the chief of the devils; he's a Beelzebub, the best fortuneteller in the world." They didn't stop to try to figure it out to see that was the Son of God. They wasn't spiritual enough to know it. That's it. They read over the thing. Sure, Jesus was supposed to come in Jerusalem riding on a mule, and so forth, but they looked at it as the second coming.

181 And the same thing today, they're looking over the top of the real thing. Hallelujah. That's right. I know that God's here this afternoon, and I know I'm taking a lot of your time, but you got to see this, friends. If I never see you again, you got to know what demons are, and you got to know what truth and error is. And it's so close, you got to separate the thing.

Now, remember, it ain't going to be out there, something way over on this side like the Pharisees, or something way back on that side. It's right up here in the door, right near it. Watch it. Now, if I took...

Let's take them two cases. If I took and give you the dollar... Now, if I give you a bogus dollar (We'll use a parable so you can see it.), the first thing that you'd do, if you're a smart man, if you pick up a dollar and looked at it, the first thing, you'll feel it and see what it's made out of. Is that right? You'll look at what it's made out of. You'll look at its worthiness. A real dollar is not made out of paper; it's part paper and silk. You see? And the first thing, you'll have to look at the value of it. That's the first indication.

And now let's take her over on this side, and take the Lord over on this side, that's dealing with us.

Now, look, the first thing you have to notice, everything... Watch her article. In the fifty-some odd years of her fortune telling, and calling up the spirits of the dead, she hasn't one time mentioned God, Christ, Divine healing, deliverance, judgment, or nothing. There's nothing but frolic and folly in it.

But over on this side it's constantly God, judgment, coming of Jesus, Divine healing, power of God, deliverance. Look at the value of it. You don't see fortunetellers and witches out preaching the Gospel. What's the matter with people? My. Notice.

187 And the real thing to do, if you want to find out whether it's a real dollar or not, if it looks so much like it, take the numbers off of it and send it back to the mint. And if there's numbers there that correspond with that, there's a silver dollar waiting for it. Is that right?

Well, then, brother, take what she did and take it back to the Bible, you'll find it's the witch of En-dor's.

And you take what's here, you'll find it back, it's on the Book here in the Mint: *Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever*, certainly, His same work. He didn't go and folly and nonsense with people. It was for some good, to help somebody to lead them to God. Amen! I'm not "amening" myself, but "amen" means "so be it." And I'm--I believe It. I know It's the truth.

16. Urim Thummim.

DEMONOLOGY. 2. RELIGIOUS. CONNERVILLE, IN 53-0609A

97 Notice, then there was three ways that they had of finding out things from God; the first was--was the prophet, the second was a dream, and the third was the Urim Thummim. And they neither would answer. Now, you know what a prophet is, and you know what a spiritual dream is, and you know what the Urim Thummim was. You know what, the other day I asked a--a man what about the Urim, and that man couldn't tell me what it was, the Urim Thummim. 'Course it was God answering, but he...

See and the devil makes a counterfeit of every one of those. The wizard, the false prophet, and the crystal gazer... See, now, the Urim Thummim hung on Aaron's breast here, and the Urim Thummim covered over that stone. And they hung it in the temple. And when they wasn't sure, they'd go before God, in answer, and a light would flash on that Urim Thummim, which--whether it was God's will or not. Now, when the Urim Thummim wouldn't answer... Now, that was the direct answer from God. Now, the Urim Thummim of today, the fortuneteller took a crystal ball to pattern That, a false thing. God's in a trinity, God's powers is in a trinity; and the devil's in a trinity, and his powers is in trinity. I can prove it by the Bible. And that Urim Thummim was only the crystal ball that the devil uses today; and the false prophet back here today, the one that we have now, was the witch; or, the fortuneteller out yonder took the place of the prophet on the devil's side. See what I mean?

99 Now, then the Urim Thummim today is this Bible. If somebody has give a prophecy or a dream, and it don't compare or echo with God's Bible, it's false; don't believe it.

GOD KEEPS HIS WORD. 1. PHOENIX, AZ 57-0306

E-9 The Urim Thummim has been done away with, 'cause that priesthood ended. But God's Urim Thummim today is God's Word. The Word is His Urim Thummim. Woe unto him that'll add or take away anything from this Book. This is God's eternal truth. And in the day where there's people saying, "Oh, we don't need the Bible. It's been translated fifteen times or more; how do we know its right?" Till heavens and earth passed away, God's Word will never pass away. Every doctrine and everything else of the Bible, that we have in the church, must be based upon the Word of God, must come from the Word. Not just one place, but from Genesis to Revelation it must say the same thing, 'cause we cannot base our

thoughts upon one little Scripture. For the Bible said, "*In the mouth of two or three witnesses, let every word be established.*"

17. New Birth & Baptism of Holy Spirit. [John 3:1-10] [Types]

DEMONOLOGY. 1. PHYSICAL. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0608

55 (...) Everything in the natural types the spiritual. Are you aware of that? Everything in the natural types the spiritual, regardless.

For instance, like this, when--when we're born in the Body of Christ, there's three elements it takes to bring our birth. And that's the three elements that came out of the life of Christ when He died. There come from His body, water, Blood, Spirit. Is that right? Three elements, and that's the elements we go through when we're born again: justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Spirit. Now, that can all be in one act, but it takes... But you can be in a justified state without being sanctified. You can believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and still carry your filth with you. But you can absolutely live in a both justified and a clean holy life, and without the Holy Ghost. See, the Bible, I John 5:7 said, there are three that bear record in heaven: the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and--Father, Word, and Holy Ghost, which was the Son, and these three are one. And there's three that bear record in earth: the water, Blood, and Spirit, and they agree in one; not one, but agree in one. You can't have the Father without having the Son; you can't have the Son without having the Holy Ghost, for they are inseparable, one. The trinity is in a one.

IMPERSONATION.OF.CHRISTIANITY. LIMA, OH 57-0127A

E-19 Notice, now Ezekiel is speaking; he said how that He would put a new heart (same chapter), take away the old stony heart, and He'd give you a new spirit. And then He'd put His Spirit in you.

Now, the new heart does not mean work up the old one. It doesn't mean that the church needs a face-lifting. It means the church needs a birth. God's church don't need a polishing; it needs a conversion. That's right. Then just to take the old church and set, say, "Well, I tell you, we'll change the deacon board. We'll swap pastors."

That isn't what the church needs. It needs the baptism of the Holy Ghost. It needs the power of the living God.

A revival doesn't mean to go out and get new members, a revival means to revive that what you've already got.

Q. & A. HEBREWS. PART 2. JEFF. IN 57-1002

270-370 Now, the question is... Let's answer it just one by one; there's three questions.

By one Spirit we are all baptized into the body of Christ.

That's correct, I Corinthians 12 would give the answer to that. All right.

At that time we receive the new birth, this takes place? Is that when?

That's what they want to know. Yes. "By one Spirit..." No. No. By one Spirit we're all baptized into one body. See, that isn't when the new birth begins; the new birth begins when you believe on the Lord Jesus.

Now, see, there's not a--there's not one thing... Now, listen. What can you do besides believe? What more can you do? What can you do about it any more than just believe it? Tell me one thing you could do. There's not one thing that you can do outside of believe it. Now, if anything comes outside of your believing, it isn't an act of your own; it's a act of God. Therefore...

Now, if we'd say that when you--the... A lot of times I've seen, many times, people accepting "initial evidence of speaking in tongues" as the Holy Ghost, and sometimes shake the people, or beat them and pat them, saying, "Say it. Say it. Say it. Say it." You know, repeat a word over and over, "Say it. Say it. Say it." See, it's something you're doing yourself. And--and--and it don't... It doesn't... It--it's nothing. You might get a confusion of tongues. You might get a--a lot of things and sensations. But if anything comes outside of your own personal faith, it has to be a Divine gift of God given to you. See?

"*And by one Spirit we're all baptized into one body.*" That's correct. See? The baptism of the Holy Ghost is a different act from the new birth. One is a birth; one is a baptism. One brings you Eternal Life; the other one gives you power. It gives power into Eternal Life (See?) to operate. Now, you got it? Okay, all right.

[Take on his name by birth.]

GOD'S PROVIDED PLACE OF WORSHIP. LOS ANGELES, CA 65-0425

219 Now, I want you to do this one thing for me. I want to ask you one solemn question. I want you to answer me as if it was the last time that you'd ever answer anybody in your life. Do you believe it's the truth? You believe there is not a church or a denomination could be recognized in the Presence of God? You believe that? There's not a one. Only those that are borned into Jesus Christ, take on His Name... That's right.

You take on His Name when you're borned in there, not by water baptism. Although you can be baptized in His Name, but that don't take on His Name. You take on His Name by birth, not by water. See, you're baptized into the Name of Jesus Christ (Yes, sir.) into fellowship; but you are baptized by the Holy Ghost into Jesus Christ. So you can be baptized a hundred times, any way you wanted to, the other way, it'd make no difference. But when you're once baptized by the Holy

Ghost into the Body of Christ, you become a son or a daughter of God, and every Word is true. And then He did that for that purpose.

18. The 13th Mystery of grace, not disgrace, but real true grace. [Hebrews 10:26]

DEMONOLOGY. 2. RELIGIOUS. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0609

81 Abraham was the beginning of our faith. Is that right? All right, Abraham had the promise. And God called Abraham because he was a great man, I guess? No, sir. He come down out of Babylon, in the--in the land of Chaldea, in the city of Ur, and God called him and made His covenant with him, unconditionally. "I'm going to save you, and not only you, Abraham, but your Seed," unconditionally.

God made a covenant with man, and man breaks his covenant every time. Man never did keep his covenant with God. The law was never kept. They couldn't keep the law. Christ was come and broke the law Himself. 'Cause, grace had already provided a Saviour, Moses provided a way of escape, and then--escape, rather; and then the people, after that, they still wanted something to do. Man's always trying to do something to save himself, when you can't do it. It's his nature. As soon as he found out he was naked in the garden of Eden, he made some fig leaf aprons. Is that right? But he found out they wouldn't work. Nothing a man can do can save yourself. God saved you unconditionally, all down through the age. And then when you're saved, you're saved.

Look at Abraham. There that fellow was, went over, and God give him the land of Palestine and told him not to leave there. Any Jew that leaves Palestine was backslid. God told him to stay there. If God tells you to do something another, and you don't do it, then you're backslid. Is that right? All right, a drought come on to try Abraham's faith. And instead of Abraham staying there, no, he couldn't stay there, he run off, and took Sarah and went about three hundred miles (wish I had time to get on that) down to another land.

And when he got down there, and then he got this great king down there, Abimelech. He was a young fellow and he was looking for a sweetheart, so he found Abraham's wife, Sarah, and fell in love with her. And Abraham said, "Now, you tell him that you are my sister and I'm your brother."

So that pleased Abimelech, so he said, "All right, we'll just take her over to the castle." And I guess the women fixed her up, and he was going to marry her the next day.

And Abimelech was a good man, a righteous man. And that night while he was a sleeping, the Lord appeared to him, and said, "You're as good as a dead man." He said, "The man's... The woman that you got out there to marry, is another man's wife." Now, watch, "Another man's wife..."

Why, he said, "*Lord, You know the integrity of my heart,*" a righteous, holy man. "*You know the integrity of my heart. That man told me that was his sister. And didn't she tell me herself that that was 'my brother'?*"

He said, God said, "*I knowed the integrity of your heart, and that's the reason I kept you from sinning against Me. But that's My prophet.*" Hallelujah.

What was he? Backslid, and a little, lying shyster. Is that right? Oh, no, there ain't no little white lies; they're either black lies or they're not lies at all. The man setting out there telling a pine-blank lie, saying that was his sister when it was his wife, beating around the bush, and backslid.

And here was a righteous man standing before God, and said, "*Lord, You know my heart.*"

"But I'll not hear your prayer, Abimelech, but take him--take her back and let him pray for you. He's My prophet, I'll hear him." Yes, a backslider, liar, "but that's My prophet." That truth? That's the Bible.

92 Now, don't go plumb too far over here on the Calvinistic side, "once in grace, always in grace," 'cause you'll get in disgrace. See? Now, just a moment; we'll get time this week to bring that up and show you how level it is. But don't think just because you've done something wrong that you're gone forever. You're a child of God; you're born of the Spirit of God; you're sons and daughters of God, and the fruits will bear record of itself. There you are.

UNCONDITIONAL COVENANT. PHOENIX, AZ 54-0306

E-29 The father Abraham was the first one, that I know of, this side of the flood that was called by grace, by election. God chose Abraham, not because he was Abraham, not because he was any good person. God chose him because he was elected. God did it.

Now, I want to say something. You can never make yourself something that you're not. If you're just impersonating Christianity, no matter if you're preaching the Gospel, you need an altar call in your soul. That's right. If you're just trying to act like that person that's a Christian, you're miserable yourself, knowing in your heart that you're not.

And if the fruits of the Spirit don't follow you: long-suffering, goodness, meekness, gentleness, patience, then you need an altar call in your heart. You just feared hell and started off trying to be a Christian. God has to call you to be a Christian. God called Abraham. Give him... elected him.

Now, notice. When God calls a man... Now, look. Not because he was better than somebody else, but because God called him. Now, this is for Christians.

Notice. Then after God called him, He said, "The first thing I want you to do is separate yourself." That's what God does today: separation.

Most all the churches when they're calling their new pastor... Over in the Baptist church, we used to see that. The people say, "Oh, that old preacher, he's an old fogy. He tries to tell us this... We want a young fellow who can--who--who's a good mixer." God don't want mixers. God wants separators. Separate yourself. That's right. God always calls for separation.

Said, "Separate yourself from your kindred, from your peoples. Separate from your associates. Separate from your habits. Separate from everything, and come out and stand alone for God." Amen. That's where the first man was called by election; that's where the last man's been called to do the same thing. Separate yourself from your associates, the things of the world. "*Come out from among them. Be ye separate.*" He said, "Then I'll bless you." If you want a blessing, separate yourself from the things of the world.

(...)

E-36 Notice Abraham after coming out. Now, he went and told Sarah, "Sarah..." They'd probably been married since they were young folks: Abraham, say twenty-seven and her seventeen, something like that. They had been married, but Sarah was barren, all through their young married life, no children. Here they are getting well stricken in age.

And now, God comes down and said that He was going to make His covenant, and He was going to give Abraham a child by Sarah: the impossible, He was going to do it.

(...)

E-39 Then years passed, Abraham and Sarah still believing they was going to have the baby. Why? God said so. God said, "I have saved you, Abraham, and I've saved your seed after you," not only Abraham, but Abraham's Seed also.

Now, I want you to know what Abraham's Seed is. Abraham's Seed is not seeds. It's the Seed of Abraham which come through Isaac, Isaac through Christ. And we... Hallelujah! We being dead in Christ take on Abraham's Seed and are heirs according to the promise. How's the covenant given? Unconditional.

Every one that God calls, chooses, elects, that person has the same promise Abraham had. Amen. Brother, if that don't shake us up back to the will of God, I don't know what does. You're Abraham's Seed. Not what you do, what God has done for you. You're in Abraham's Seed. And God...

Now, Abraham wanted to know a confirmation that He would keep this. Oh, I want you to notice this, such a lovely, so beautiful. He said, "How will I know these things, Lord, seeing that I'm old, nearly a hundred years old now. And how am I going to know that I... You're going to keep this with me? How do I know this covenant is going to be kept?"

Here's what He said. Listen now. He said, "Come out here, Abraham. And I'm going to show you what I'm going to do."

And Abraham took a heifer of three years old. He took a goat of three years old. He took a ram of three years old. And he split them in half, and laid them out on the bank. And then he took two turtle--turtledoves, or a turtledove and a pigeon, and he didn't separate those. Oh, my. I wish we had time to get to this really... but just a few more minutes. But we can't. Got to hurry. We will sometime.

Notice, he said, "Now..." To this... Why didn't he separate those? I wish I had time to go in and show you how law and grace was different, and so forth. But when it come to the turtledoves, or pigeon... And any Bible reader knows that that was the cleansing for healing. That was a healing, which in these covenants here are separated. But Divine healing has always been in every covenant and every time; they're unseparated. They're laid in there, the pigeon and the turtledove.

These other laws and grace, and so forth, was divided. But this turtledove and pigeon was not divided. They were laid in whole. Then notice. Oh, I want you to get this. Oh, I feel real religious about this time. I believe a Baptist could shout once in a while, when he got down to a place where he had to. [Brother Branham laughs--Ed.] Amen.

E-42 Notice, then at that time God said, "Abraham, I'm going to show you how I'm going to do this." And He swore by it, swore that He would do it. Then watch what He did. He went out there and told Abraham... He put him to sleep. And Abraham, watch the first verse, offered the sacrifices until the sun went down. He drove the birds off the sacrifice.

Then when the sun went down... Now, watch. God telling Abraham, now, "I'm going to show you, Abraham, that you or your seed after you, hasn't got one thing to do with this. I'm doing this Myself by election." Hallelujah. Oh, my. Get it, Pentecostal people. Here's the foundation of grace. Here's the foundation of faith, and why we can have faith, an unmistakable faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

AT KADESH BARNEA. JEFF. IN 56-0527

E-28 Yes. They hadn't lost their covenant; they had lost their freedom. They were slaves but the covenant still lasted. And one day down there, when they were groaning and crying under the taskmasters of Egypt because they had become slaves...

I want you to notice this beautiful picture. And this would be good for legalists. Listen. God never come down and said, "Now, if you'll do certain things, if you'll do certain things." God's grace provided a saviour, Moses. That's right. Not under any conditions was Moses brought, but by sovereign grace God sent Moses. Not only a saviour, but grace provided

a deliverer, without any law, without anything. Just solemn grace of God, He sent down Moses to be a--a deliverer and a saviour of the nation, to bring them out.

When I think of that, then I begin to remember that the same God that was with the covenant people in Egypt, is surely, under all the strain and the indifference that the church is in tonight, He will, by the grace of His Own Being, send a Deliverer. We're just as certain to get a outpouring of the Holy Spirit in these last days, as we're setting in this church tonight. God has acted to the covenant people without any effort of theirs, but He sent freely from heaven a--a--to His covenant people an act of grace upon the sovereignty of His promise. He sent Moses. And in the same crisis, when the people is in bondage, and in... under everything, the yoke of sin and sickness and trouble today, He's just as certain to send Jesus Christ the second time as He sent Moses in the first time. When the crisis arose, God acted in sovereign grace. He's got to do the same thing under the same act or He did wrong when He acted back there. You see it?

19. God of variety.

SHOW US THE FATHER IT'LL SATISFY. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0610

E-14 And at the resurrection every person that's borned of the Spirit of God will come forth in the resurrection.

I believe that it'll be just as we are here. You'll be little men, big men, and--and red-headed, and black-headed, and whatever you are. Now, a lot of people think it's--everybody will be just, look just the same. God's a God of variety. He has white flowers, blue flowers, red flowers, pink flowers; big trees, little trees; big mountains, little mountains; plains. He's a God of variety.

I WILL RESTORE. OWENSBORO, KY 53-1110

E-7 God is a God of variety. And all Christianity is based upon the resurrection. If I drop this letter on the floor... Now, resurrection is not put this one in its place, but resurrection is bring up the same letter that went down in its place again. Is that right? Therefore, Christianity is based on resurrection, that when we come back to this earth again, I won't be some kind of an angel with wings a flopping. I'll be a man just like I am now, resurrected.

And in the resurrection there'll be... We'll different from one another. Some of us will be black-headed, some blondes, and some red-heads, and so forth. God is a God of variety. He doesn't make everything the same. He makes big mountains, and little mountains, and prairies, and lakes, and deserts, and He makes the big trees, and little trees, and white flowers, and blue flowers, and pink flowers. He's a God of variety. His beings are made up in a variety.

THINGS THAT ARE TO BE. RIALTO, CA 65-1205

45 Now, notice. "*In My Father's house is many mansions.*" Or let us... I don't mean to add to the Word or take from It, because we're not to do that. Revelation 22 said, "Whoever will add a word or take a word out of It..." But let me just make this as a--not an additive, but just to--to bring out a point. "*In My Father's house is many kinds of mansions.*" I don't believe that when we get to heaven that we will be--just everybody look just exactly alike. I don't believe that--that all will be blonds, or brunettes, or--or little, or--or all big, or--or all giants. I believe that God is a God of variety. The world proves that. He's got big mountains and little mountains; He's got plains; He's got deserts; He's got different things, because He made it the way He wanted it. And He made the seasons: summer, winter, spring, autumn. He made the seasons. It shows He's a God of variety. He made you in a variety. Some men are real blusterous, and some are real dogmatic, and others are fine, and others are kind, and there's a... You just find all different kinds of people and--in His Kingdom.

20. Devil cannot heal. [Psalms 103:1-3, Matthew 12:25-32]

PSALMS 103:2-3

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;

MATTHEW 12:26

And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?

GOD'S PROVIDED WAY. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0613

E-53 But watch here, brother. Let me tell you. He said that--that Simon the sorcerer was down there healing the sick and bewitching the people. And that's misquoting the Scripture to the public. I challenge that in the Name of the Lord Jesus: that Simon the sorcerer did not do any healing, and the devil cannot heal.

Anybody would say the devil heals, shows he is either mental deficiency, or he don't know his Bible. How in the world can God be the One that heals all thy diseases, and the devil His partner? Why, my, that's silly to think such.

The devil is not a healer. And Simon the sorcerer was bewitching the people, not healing them. It was Philip that done the healing and caused a great revival to sweep the city. Philip, by the Name of Jesus Christ, cast out devils and caused great joy. And they were screaming, and shouting, and having a great time, and still didn't have the Holy Ghost. And Peter came down and laid hands on them, and then they received the Holy Ghost. Amen.

E-34 (...) And those Pharisees and religious people of that day, who went around with these forms, and made fun, and poked fingers, and said they were a bunch of illiterate, and so forth, that same spirit lives on men and women today. They call Jesus, because He could discern the thoughts of the people, because He healed the sick and so forth, they said, "He's Beelzebub."

And Jesus turned quickly to let them know that the devil can't heal the sick. He said, "*If Satan casts out Satan, then his kingdom's divided.*" The devil cannot heal the sick. The devil never did heal the sick; he couldn't. If he would, he'd be tearing down his own kingdom, because the devil is the one who put sickness on you. God is the One Who takes it off. So it can't be... Satan can't cast out Satan. Jesus said he couldn't. But they were accusing Him of it. And what was it? It was one of the signs. And what is it today? The same kind of a sign at the end time.

SHOW US THE FATHER AND IT WILL SATISFY. YAKIMA, WA 60-0731 [Happened in 1956.]

E-45 Sometime ago, I was up at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and I got a scorching letter that morning. And it had been a snow storm that night, and I went back in a little old cheap hotel, and I always try to stay in a place. I don't believe Christians ought to ask for the best that there is in the land. A Christian ought to be humble. I--I think that's--even if you could afford it, I still think you ought to be an example. My Lord didn't even have a place to lay His head. The foxes had dens, and the birds had nests, but He didn't have a place to lay His head. Come to the world, borrowed a manger to be borned in, come through a borrowed womb, went out in a borrowed grave. My, and the God of heaven, and we ought to show some humility too.

So I went in and there was a twenty-two page letter from a certain dean of a college. Oh, if he didn't rake me over the coals. He said, "Mr. Branham." He wouldn't call me brother. He said, "Mr. Branham, the very idea of you standing before as many people as you do, and then such a rotten theology, I never heard of it in my life." And said, "You was bragging about you being preaching for thirty-one years." Said, "Young fellow, I was preaching before you was borned."

And I thought, "Well, that's--I certainly respect a man's been preaching that long." So then I said, "Well, that's all right."

So he said, "The very idea you said last night that a--that a the servant of God." Said, "I drove fifteen miles through a blinding snow storm to hear a servant of Christ, and what did I find but a polished up soothsayer." Come...

He said, "And you said, 'The devil couldn't heal.'" Said, "A man that would teach to as many people as you teach to, and knowed no more about the Bible than that, and know no more than--than a devil cannot heal." Said, "I give you to understand, that I live in a community here, where there's a woman with a familiar spirit." Said, "They come up to this woman; she got a big apron on, she feels all around over them like this, and they drop some money in this apron." Said, "Then she takes some hairs out of her head, and plucks their veins and put blood on this hair. Walk down to a little stream behind her, and throw it in. The people stands in front of her. She walks up like this, and she's compelled to look back," why said, "then the disease comes back on the people, if it doesn't she cast it off, through her--the blood of the people, and her own hair, in the stream." And said, "We kept record of that." Said, "At least twenty or thirty percent of them people are healed. And then you mean to tell me, that you don't believe a devil can heal."

Well, I--I just thought, a dean of a college. Well, I thought, "That's too nice a letter, so the first thing I forgot to answer him. And if you ever read one of my letters, I--I'm the only one about can read it." So then, and I--I set down and done the very best I could, and I said, "My precious brother," 'cause he just called me Branham. And I--I said, "My precious brother..." And I meant that, a man had been preaching for fifty years, he deserves something. Now, that--all--although if he's wrong, he deserves something.

I said, "My precious brother." I said, "The first thing I want to say, that I forgive you for what you said, and I pray that God does too. Remember, the Pharisees, that had been preaching lot longer than you had, seen that same thing done, and said it was the power of a devil, a Beelzebub, and Jesus said, 'That when it was done by the Holy Ghost in this last days, to speak one word against it would never be forgiven in this world or the world to come.' Now, for instance, what if I am right? Then your fifty years of preaching means nothing. You've damned your soul to hell forever. You'd never be forgiven for it." I said, "I won't, brother, that through ignorance you did it." Now, I said, "Don't let that hurt your feelings."

E-48 But I said, "Then you were, keep pushing me about me--my theology, saying, 'That a devil could not heal.'" I said, "I'll give you Jesus." [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] You can't make the Scripture, get all bundled up, you got to keep it clear and straight. That's right. I said, "Jesus said, 'Satan cannot heal,' and you said, 'He healed.'" Now, I said, "Now, if you'll pardon me." I said, "I--I will give what, about your witch that you've got in your neighborhood." I said, "If... 'Course those people get healed." Because, I said, "In Africa, I've seen them go to idols and get healed. In Las Alderaines they got a monument there of some dead woman, in a Catholic church. They go there and look at that dead woman, say a 'Hail Mary,' and get healed. Sure, because the people think they're approaching God through that, and God heals on the basis of faith, and wherever faith's met God's got to meet that requirement." That's right.

I said, "There's many people in the country today, call themselves Divine healers." Saying, 'I've got power in my hands. Glory, Hallelujah. Woooo. Feel that.'" And the American people fall for it like I don't know what, like hot cakes to a bum. And they--and they--they think that's right. They're getting healed because they're... That ain't it. Your faith in the

finished work of Jesus Christ. There's where healing lays. Don't you never let anybody tell you they got power to heal. They haven't.

(...)

E-50 Now, so then, I said, "But the thing, that I'm worried about Mister, is not that, but that the dean of a Lutheran College would place his doctrine upon a sensation, or on an experience instead of placing it upon the Word of God." Yeah. Oh, you can have any kind of a sensation, but it's got to be the Word of God. That's right. I said, "A dean of a college, been preaching for fifty years, and would base your doctrine (that cut him pretty hard)--base your doctrine upon a--upon some kind of an experience that a woman had, instead of basing it upon the Word of God. God said, 'Satan cannot heal,' and that settles it. When He speaks, it's eternally right."

Not long after that, I got an invitation to come to his place. Mr. Moore went with me, 'cause I knowed that man was smart. And so, he--after we had dinner out there at that great, famous college, and they had hundreds of acres of corn, where the students could work their way through. That day, after dinner, he pushed his plate back, the dean of the college said to me, said, "Mr. Branham, we come here to ask you some questions."

I said, "I may not be able to answer them, sir." I said, "I'm not a theologian; I'm just a brother, that prays for the sick."

And he said, "Well," he said.

And Mr. Moore, which is a theologian set by me, and he said, "If he gets too wild for you, just touch me on the knee. So with my knee."

So I was setting there, and he said, "Mr. Branham, I see that you--tracing your life back, you're a Baptist."

I said, "I was."

And he said, "What happened, why did you leave the Baptist Church?"

I said, "I never left it; it left me." See? I said, "It left me, when it denied the message that I was preaching in the Bible."

And he said, "A--well, Mr. Branham, there's one thing I'd like to ask you." He said, "Is this." He said, "Now, if you did that, I would like to say one thing, what made you take up with the Pentecostals?"

I said, "They believed the Word."

He said, "What have they got?" Said, "I've been around and seeing them kick over the tables, and knock over the chairs."

And I said, "Oh, sure. That's right."

"Knock out a window, or something like that."

I said, "Sure."

Said, "What is it?"

I said, "Holy Ghost."

And he said, "The Holy Ghost?"

I said, "Sure, if they won't make the wheel roll right, they've got to blow it out the whistle somewhere. They've got a lot of steam." I said, "And that's the truth." If this Pentecostal church would take a lot of it's praises, and put it to work, it would do something for the Kingdom of God. God give you the Holy Ghost. You like to shout by It, and praise by It, but just put that into gifts and wonders and go out on the street and get sinners to come in, and things like that. You're church will grow and everything will go along all right. Don't blow it out the whistle; put it into action, and let--make the wheel roll, the gospel train.

And he said, "Well, a--what do you think we, Lutherans, has got? Do you think that... We believe that we receive the Holy Ghost, when we believed?"

I said, "Paul would differ with you in Acts 19. He said, 'Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed.' He never said, 'Now, you take that through the Greek, Hebrew, or whatever you wish to, it's since you believed.'"

Now, they believe--our Baptist church taught you to receive the Holy Ghost when you believed, but it's not right. Paul said, "You--have you received the Holy Ghost since you believe." And those people were shouting, why, Aquila and Priscilla had great meetings, and everything was going on, but he said, "*Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed?*"

They said, "*We know not where there be any Holy Ghost.*"

When Paul had baptized them over, and laid hands upon them, and the Holy Ghost come on them, they spoke in tongues and prophesied. Then they had the Holy Ghost.

E-53 So he said, "What do you think we, Lutherans, has got?"

I said, "Potentially, I think you're all right." He said... I said, "Let me just give you a little parable, because I don't know just exactly." I said, "Now, what do you do here? You go out and you plow up your field in the springtime. You rake all the stalks out of it, and you plant your corn. The next morning, you go out, and the first thing you know, you say..." There's two little shoots comes up on corn, two little blades. And I say, "You look out and see them little shoots coming, you say, 'Praise the Lord. I got a corn crop.'" I said, "Have you got a corn crop?"

Said, "Well, I don't know what you're talking about."

I said, "Potentially, you have a corn crop." I said, "That was you Lutherans--first reformation. And then the first thing you know, that stalk grewed on up, these leaves got big, and the first thing you know, it went into a tassel; that was John Wesley on the second reformation--sanctification: second definite work of grace. Then what did it do?" I said, "The tassel looked back down to the stalk, and to the leaf, and said, 'I have no need of you. We got sanctified; you're just Lutherans.'" I said, "After while, the pollen went forth, and fell down into the leaf of the corn, and come forth, and had a ear, a grain of corn on it." I said, "That was the Pentecostals." I said, "Then the Pentecost looked up and said, 'I have no need of either of you.'" But I said, "After all, the same life that was in the two little, blades made the tassel, and also made the grain." That's right. I said, "We..." See?

Pentecost is a restoration. Pentecost has the Holy Spirit, but a restoration of the gifts. The same Grain, the same Jesus that went into the ground is reproducing Himself, come up through the stalk, and now reproducing Himself in the fullness and the original grains like it went down." Amen.

He said, "What would you call us?"

I said, "The Pentecostal church is an advanced Lutheran church." That's right. Exactly right. It's the advanced Lutheran, and Nazarene, and Pilgrim Holiness, and all. It's just the advanced church. I said, "I'll admit we got a lot of fungus on the ear, but we've got some grains there too." Praise God. It--it's the original.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION. JEFF. IN 56-0923

[Minneapolis, MN meetings 2-12-56 thru 2-19-56]

E-73 And I told you how that Lutheran man up yonder wrote me such a letter and condemned me and said that a man of, that preached to the people that I did and would say the devil couldn't heal and so forth... And I answered him just as gently as I know how. He wrote back a letter and said, "I'd like to meet you at the Business Men Convention."

And I--and I asked Brother Moore if he would give him a place. He said, "Yes." And they taken me out to the Lutheran seminary, and set a dinner there where all the students and the teachers... And this was the dean; he set by me. And we had dinner together. And they were German. And they had a--a--a great dinner set, and the--the ladies, they all waited on us and so forth. After the dinner was over, this Lutheran dean of the Lutheran College stood up and said, "Brother Branham, I brought you out here for one purpose." He said, "That is, we want to find God in the baptism of the Holy Ghost."

I looked at him, looked at Brother Moore, and Brother Moore looked at me. He said, "I criticized you, and I'm sorry." Said, "Brother Branham, you're right. And I ask you to forgive me. And now, we want the baptism of the Holy Spirit." Said, "We've seen a lot of kicking over chairs and tearing up things." But said, "We want the real Holy Spirit."

I said, "Do you believe?" He said... I said, "What's the Lutheran sem... What's the Lutheran denomination?"

Said, "We don't care what the Lutheran denomination; we want Christ."

And Bob Schuller and them, the editor of the Christian Herald, and them had just received the Holy Ghost, a bosom friend of Billy, and all them--them brethren are hungering for the Holy Ghost.

And then I said... He said, "Is it for Lutherans?"

I said, "It's for whosoever will let him come."

He said, "How can we receive It?"

I said, "Are you really sincere?"

He said, "Yes, Brother Branham, from the depths of our heart."

I said, "What about you students?" Every hand went up, and tears running down their cheeks, "We want Jesus."

E-76 I said, "Move back your plates, take your benches, scoot it over against the wall." Each man did all way around. I said, "Now, kneel down and turn your face to the wall," and start asking God for the Holy Ghost. And I had Brother Moore stand and pray. I went laying hands on each one, and all seventy-two students and the dean received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and they're shaking that country up there with the miracles and working of God. They're having healing services and everything, the Lutheran seminary.

Oh, I could sing to my heart's content. Why? When you're hungering and thirsting...

21. Latter Rain, Pentecostal group.

I PERCEIVE YOU ARE A PROPHET. CONNERSVILLE. IN 53-0614E

E-12 And if you'll excuse it, and please don't think I say wrong here, that's where in the little break-up that come amongst the Pentecostal people recently, called Latter Rain, that's where they got off the line, right there. For a ...when a gift of prophecy come to a man, they declared him to be a prophet. Now, that's wrong. There's quite a difference between a gift of prophecy and prophet.

A gift of prophecy is in the church. But a prophet is borned a prophet. See? That's the difference. So as any man at... This man might prophesy tonight; he might never prophesy no more. It might be on that woman over there the next night, and this man back here the next night, and that one over there. See?

But when the gift of prophecy is operating, it cannot be received unless two or three judge it, to see whether it's right or not. But a prophet, singular, p-r-o-p-h-e-t is borned a prophet, comes up a prophet.

22. Hornets conquered by Divine Love. [Third Pull]

EXPLAIN HEALING AND JAIRUS. WOOD RIVER, IL 54-0216

E-40 Last summer my yard needed mowing so bad; I couldn't get nobody to mow it. And I was home on a little vacation, and I'd started... Two weeks I hadn't got out of the front yard with a little power mower. Put on my overalls and run out start mowing the yard, and first thing you know, a little old power mower, and somebody'd come in. I slip round in the back and change my clothes, and run in and pray for them, and then change again, and go out...

It'd been almost two weeks; the grass had growed up behind me. Kinda... So I got around behind the house, and where nobody could see me, and I took off... Just had my overalls and the--a shoes on. My shirt was off. Real hot, and I was mowing. I'd forgot about a little old martin box there that I had, and there's a bunch of hornets in there. And I hit against that fence, and my, I was covered over with hornets in a few minutes. Just--nothing on to top here. And the hornets... I--I said, "Now, little hornets, I love you. I don't want you kissing me. I want you to go right on back in your box where you belong, 'cause I'm God's servant, and I'm praying for the sick people; and this grass is growing up, and I want you to get away from me. And I'm not scared of you now, because I ain't got time to fool with you. Go right back in the box." I just talked to them like that.

I just kept on mowing, and God as the judge, I'm going to let you know, everyone of them hornets just lined up right like that and just went right on back in the box, just as pretty as they could go. That's right.

23. Wise and Foolish Virgins. [Bride and Church] [Matthew 24:29, Matthew 25:1-13]

Q. & A. ON GENESIS. JEFF. IN 53-0729

51-Q-7 *Matthew 24:29, speaks of the sun being darkened, the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven. Will this happen before or after the rapture, or just before Jesus comes to r-i--reign on earth?*

To my humble belief, now, I wouldn't... I don't know; I think he's speaking of Matthew 24, there. Now, Jesus speaking of the stars and things falling, I believe that is just before the tribulation period sets on earth.

Now, I had a real funny thought here that many of you are going to disagree with me on this; I imagine some of the old-timers heard teaching that we went through it. See, I don't believe the church will go through the tribulation period. I believe the church will... Look, I... The only way I teach the New Testament is by the Old Testament shadow, just like the Holy Ghost here for the Sabbath day and so forth. Everything is a shadow back there.

Now, look back in the Old Testament. When you see the plagues falling, they were in Egypt, wasn't they? And God was bringing His people out to the promised land. Is that right? And Israel never received one plague. Just as the plagues... Before it went, they went into Goshen. Is that right? And the sun never did dim out; no mosquitoes come; no frogs was there; no lice was there; no storms was there; no lightning was there; no killing of the cattle was there; and everything they had was preserved in Goshen. Is that right? It's a type of the church going just before the tribulation period. Jesus said, "*When these things begin to come to pass, lift up your head, your redemption is nigh.*" See?

I believe that the moon and sun and stars... And they said that... I'll go ahead and read It, said, "And man run and hid themselves in the--and fell upon their--sought to kill theirselves, and couldn't do it, and everything." I believe that takes place just before the tribulation.

Now, watch, the tribulation comes. When the tribulation strikes, the church goes up. Now, remember, just an ordinary church without the Holy Ghost goes through the tribulation period. It's only the elect that goes through.

Oh, I could rub something hard here, just for a minute. Would you give me three more minutes? What is the--the raptured people called, the remnant? Is that right? All right... I--I mean it's--it's the Bride. Now, the remnant was left.

Now, when a woman goes to cut out a pattern for a skirt, you talk about it. She lays the goods out (Is that right?), the piece of goods. And she lays her pattern down on this. She does the fixing where the pattern's to be cut. Right?

O brother, this really do you good. Who does the electing? God does the electing. Is that right? It's not me to say; it's Him to say. And He places the pattern over who He will. Is that right?

Now, there were ten virgins went out to meet the Bridegroom. Is that right?

What is "virgin"? "Virgin" means "pure, holy." Is that right? What is a virgin girl? It's a girl who's never been touched; she's a virgin. What is anything that's pure, like virgin olive oil? It means it's been distilled until it's in its virginity; it's pure. What is virgin gold? It's when all the dross... It's went through the heat and everything and boiled out all the dross. Is that right? All of the iron and the pyrite, and everything else has been boiled out; it's just in its virginity.

Now, there were ten went to meet the Bridegroom. Jesus said so. That right? How many agree with that, say "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen!"--Ed.] Ten went to meet Him. Now, watch, all of them were holy. Well, in order to be holy they had to be sanctified, 'cause that's the only cleansing, holy stream that God has, is sanctification. Is that right?

Now, watch. All ten of them were sanctified, but five didn't have any oil in their lamp, and five had oil in their lamp. Is that right? What does the oil represent? Now, not the purity, the virginity. Oil represents the Holy Spirit.

53-253 Now, if I say this to--and hurt a little bit, I don't mean it in the way I do. Now, you excuse me, and don't stay away from church. I'm only in the pulpit here to try to help you. See? Now, look, let me show you.

There's not a church on earth could live any more pure than the Nazarene in their teachings, Pilgrim Holiness and them. Is that right? They absolutely believe in the purity of sanctification, not even to their women wearing rings, and anything. Purity and sanctification, every way, they believe it. The Holiness organizations, all the legalists, that's their teaching; they believe it. Holy, women wear long hair and a long skirts; men ain't even supposed to roll his sleeves up, many of them. Everything, not even touch, smoke, drink, any... Nothing of it. See? Holy, you couldn't live any cleaner.

But that same Nazarene church, if a man would speak in tongues in the church, he'd be shot out the door. And they said they wouldn't even set with one. Now, that's true. If you don't believe it, try it once, find out. Find out once. They hate the very thoughts of it. They said, "It's the Devil."

Five of them... Ten of them were virgins. Five was wise that had Oil in their lamps, and the other five was just as pure and holy but they had no Oil. They were sanctified, without the Holy Ghost.

"There's three that bear record in earth: the water, the Blood, the Spirit." St. John 5:7--I John 5:7, rather, said "*There are three that bear record in heaven: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, these three are One. But there's three that bear record in earth: water, blood, and spirit; they're not one but they agree as one.*"

Now, you can't have the Father without having the Son. You can't have the Holy Ghost without having Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. They are One. You... They're inseparable.

But you can be justified without being sanctified. And you can be sanctified without having the Holy Ghost; be clean, live a pure life, and have a form of godliness, and deny the power of healing, and speaking in tongues, and the great gifts of God (and every one of them in there).

There's your five wise virgins who had Oil in their lamps, rapturing faith, believing all the signs, wonders, prophecies, and everything. And these five cut out of the remnant was taken away. And the rest of them were still virgins and will not be lost, but will go through the tribulation period. Jesus said "There'll be..."

And they said--they said, "Give us some of your Oil; we want the Holy Ghost now."

Now, anyone knows that the Holy Ghost, Zechariah 4, and, oh, James 5:14, all knows that--that it--it represents the Holy Ghost. Now, they said... That's the reason we anoint with oil, represent the Holy Ghost now, "The Oil of the Spirit..." the Bible said.

Now, these had the Holy Ghost; and these were sanctified. These were sanctified plus the Holy Ghost, believing all the phenomenals and everything of God's power. Everything God spoke of here, they had it, believing it. These were taken out.

And these said, "Give us, to us, now..."

Said, "We just got enough to get in with," and away they went in the rapture.

And it said, "Go buy some from those who sell to you," they said. And they went to try to pray through then, to receive the Holy Ghost, but the Gentile dispensation had been finished and the persecution rose. And He said, "*They were cast into outer darkness where there'll be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth.*" But in the second resurrection they'll be the sheep that's separated from the goats, but never the Bride, never the elect. That's the remnant of the seed of the woman.

54-268 What is a remnant? The piece that's cut, left, same kind of goods. Is that right? You go to cut you a dress out of calico, and you spread out a big piece of calico and cut it out. It's your business where you lay the pattern. It's God's business where He lays the pattern; He cuts her right out. Is that right? And now this, rest of this calico left here, is just as good a calico as in the dress. Is that right? But it's God's election. God elects His church; God predestinates His church; God foreordained that, ordains His church; and He takes that church out. And the remnant is left to go through the tribulation period.

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. BEAUMONT, TX 61-0118

E-36 Well, that's just about the condition the churches is getting into. The things... God's shook every kind of a miracle and sign before the church, and still they set staring in space, just like they didn't know...

God in His great power in these last few years has shook this nation like never before. "Shook the nation," you say, "the nation of the United States?" The nation--His nation, His Kingdom. God doesn't promise to shake a nation like that; He promises to shake His church. It's not a nation shaking message; it's a church shaking message. He comes to His church to wake them up. The nation won't believe it anyhow out there.

Jesus never went to a nation; *He went to His own. His own received Him not.* He never come to a world. Thousands and thousands never knew He was even in Palestine during His visit. But it's sent to the church.

24. Sabbath. [also Adventist Seven-Day] [Sunday] [Ephesians 4:30]

Q. & A. ON GENESIS. JEFF. IN 53-0729

33-128 Now, as far as a law... Now, it's probably a Seventh-day Adventist person setting here. That was my first study, was Seventh-day Advent. That's right. Was Seventh-day Advent, what I studied first. And when they come and told me that the Saturday was the seventh day, brother, that was according to the Jewish calendar. And the Roman calendar didn't

fix it up, and Saturday really was to be Sunday. Well, they had me sold on something that I thought was right. And as long as I was reading their literature I was right in for it a hundred percent, but one day I got ahold of a Bible and I seen that was different then. See?

Now, Saturday is the Sabbath day according to the cycle of the week. Now, we don't know. It's been changed, and we got so many changes you'd never know just which was. See? Because we... Now, the Jews claim that we're just about... It's right now about 1970 something according to their cycle, their calendar. The Roman calendar takes it 1953. And they have another calendar that takes it somewhere else. But that's what makes it proof of Christianity; it's all based back to the birth of Christ. You see, that's where we take it.

Now, but now as a seventh day, now, there's a lot of Pentecostal people that's sabbath--sabbath, sabbatarians, keeps the Saturday sabbath. Now, they say, "There is no Word in the Bible for you to keep Satur--or Sunday as a day." Now, I'll say the same thing about the sabbath in the New Testament. See? Now, Saturday was the sabbath day that was given to the Jews. Now, it was only given in a space.

Now, this may raise another question to fire back at it. But now notice. When God rested on the seventh day, then the seventh day was not observed, as--as far I know into the Scripture, on until nearly fifteen hundred years. And in the wilderness, God gave Israel the seventh day for a sign between... God...

And God rested the seventh day, His memorial rest day. I'm saying that like that on the benefit of this might be a--a Seventh-day Adventist brother or sister (See?), and they have a lovely church. And now notice, I just would differ with them a little bit on--on this question.

Now, God hallowed the seventh day. Six days was man. Seventh day was God's rest day, which was a type, a type of the millennium. Now, now notice this how--how it blends in. Now, when Jesus came to the earth, what crucified Jesus was that He didn't keep the sabbath day; the only two accusations they had against Jesus was that He broke the sabbath day and made Himself God. And He said He was Lord of the sabbath. He had... He was also God's Sabbath and He was God. So they had no way of accusing Him.

Now, let me just settle this for you and show you what day we're to keep. Now, is there a Scripture? I'll ask this for your benefit.

Is there a Scripture, Brother Branham, telling us and authorizing us to keep Sunday just like the Jews kept Saturday?

No, sir, there's not, not a Scripture in the Bible, for in the New Testament, for us to keep either Saturday or Sunday. But the reason we keep Sunday, is a memorial of the resurrection, Nothing...

Now, you're going to say, "The Roman Catholic did that." They claim they did it, but if they did, Saint Paul was a Roman Catholic, and so was Peter, John, and James, and the rest of them, for they met on the first day of the week for their worship. And according to historians, the only way they could tell between a Christian Jew and an orthodox Jew (They both went to synagogues.), but one went on Saturday which denied the resurrection of Jesus, and the other one went on Sunday which believed that Jesus rose from the dead. And that was a mark. And it'll be; it's a mark yet, and it might come out in being the mark of the beast.

34-137 Now, I know that the... I've heard Seventh-day Adventist brethren think that that's the seal of God. They said, "You're sealed by keeping the sabbath." There's not a Scripture in the Bible says that.

And here's a Scripture in the Bible that says that--that you're sealed, Ephesians 4:30 says, "*Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby you're sealed unto the day of your redemption,*" the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Now, I'll prove to you that God's Seal is the baptism of the Holy Ghost. See? That's the baptism of the Spirit is the Seal of God. Now, Isaiah 28 he said, "*Precept must be upon precept, line upon line, here a little and there a little.*"

Now, watch, now, dear friend. Now, the people who quit working... See, men are trying to find something to save hisself. There's not a thing you can do about it. You're saved by grace. God does the calling; God does the saving. You just follow the--the footsteps of God; that's all. You can't say... That's what's the nature of a man is. They try to quit eating meat; they try to keep sabbath days; they try to... "If you'd quit doing this..." It's... You're not saved by not eating meat. You're not saved by this, that, or the other. You're saved by grace. And God by grace gives you the new--Eternal Life. See what I mean? And Eternal Life is the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Q. & A. ON GENESIS. JEFF. IN 53-0729

40-166 So the only reason that we keep Sunday, started by our ancient fathers of the Bible, Saint Paul, John, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and all them; they went from house to house; they taken communion on the first day of the week when the disciples come together; and it was called, not a sabbath, but the Lord's day.

John said on the Isle of Patmos, there had already been a feast of the sabbath in the church, "*I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day.*" That's right. See? And then he saw...

And--and, now, the Lord's day is--is the day that the Lord arose. Now, you go get the historians, Josephus, Actibus [Uncertain spelling--Ed.], many of those other. Or not Actibus, oh, I can't... Any of the eastern writers, and you'll find out back there. The historians of the church, Foxe's "Book of Martyrs," many others, and you'll find out there that the only difference... They are a group of Jews. One of them they called cannibals; that was the Christians. They said, "There was a

man that Pontius Pilate killed, and the disciples come and stole His body. And they got it hid, and every--every Sunday they go eat a part of it." They was taking communion. You see? They did... They taken His body. You see? They said they was taking the Lord's body, the communion. And they didn't know what it was, and he said they were cannibals. Said, "They go eat on the first day of the week; they meet together and eat this man's body."

And the only way you could tell whether they were law keepers and bitterly denied the resurrection, or whether they was Christians and believed the resurrection, one went to church on Saturday and one went to church on Sunday, which was a mark between them.

25. Son of perdition. [John 17:12, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5]

JOHN 17:12

While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.

2 THESSALONIANS 2:3

Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

QA. ON GENESIS. JEFF. IN 53-0729

55-274 You say, "Brother Branham, my name's written there, I'll go." Wait a minute. Judas Iscariot was sanctified. Whew. Brother, wake up now, pinch, so you can get this. You see?

Judas Iscariot, his spirit is the antichrist today. You know that. Jesus was the Son of God, came from God and returned to God; Judas was the son of perdition, came from hell and returned to hell. Jesus taken the repentant sinner with Him; Judas taken the unrepentant with him, f thou be... If, if, if You be a Divine healer, do this. If thou be This, do this." (See, that question mark across God's Word.) "The days of miracles is past. If It is, show me this. If, if, if..." See? "It's all true," God said.

Now, watch. Judas Iscariot was justified by faith, and believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, and was baptized. The Bible said, "Jesus--Jesus baptized the disciples, His disciples." All right.

St. John 17:17, before He could send them out, He said, "*Sanctify them, Father, through the Truth. Thy Word is the Truth.*" And He was the Word, even before the atonement was made. In other words, "As a preview, Father, of My shed Blood, I sanctify these."

He give them power against unclean spirits, and they went out and they cast out devils. Is that right? And they healed the sick. Is that right? And they come back, sanctified, rejoicing, jumping, shouting, and praising God. Is that right? And said, "*Even the devils is subject to us.*"

And Jesus said, "*Don't you rejoice because the devils is subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in the Book of heaven.*" Is that right? And Judas Iscariot was with them, one of them, called-out, sanctified, and his name written in the Lamb's Book of Life. Read Matthew 10 and see if that's not right. He called each one of them, and Judas and every one of them, right down there. He sent them out, give them power against unclean spirits.

56-280 Now, watch. Put on your shock-proof vest. But when Judas come right up through that church there, as the treasurer of the church, working with the Pastor, the--Jesus. But when it come time to Pentecost, he showed his colors. He showed what he was. And with a--with enough decency about him, he destroyed himself and hung himself on a sycamore tree to fulfill the prophecy. And that spirit of Judas will come right up and believe the Lord Jesus Christ. Like Jesus said, "*The devils believe and tremble.*" He'll come right up and teach sanctification, just as pure a holy life as it can be; but when it comes to the baptism of the Holy Ghost and the gifts of the Spirit, he'll deny It. He'll show his colors every time. There's that spirit.

PHILADELPHIAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1210

236 Now, let's see:

Behold, I will... and they found them that they are liars, (that they do not have the Holy Ghost.)

Just one little thing here, please, while we're all together. Judas Iscariot, as I said last night, was the son of perdition. The Bible said he was born the son of perdition. Then when he... And Jesus Christ was borned the Son of God. Then God lived in Christ. Is that right? The... Satan lived in Judas. If He was the Son of God, borned the Son of God, the incarnate Son of God; then Satan was born the son of perdition: he was the incarnate--the son of perdition, Satan, the devil.

26. New revelation. [1963]

TALK ON THE WORD. CHICAGO, IL 53-0831

E-19 But what happened to Martin Luther, he organized himself and got an organization called the Lutheran church. And then they begin to get their creeds, and doctrines, and so forth, and getting a bunch of men to discuss things and set their church in order. And the first thing you know, they got so ritualistic and formal, until after while, away went the Pillar of Fire.

But Luther couldn't move, because he already has his doctrine all drawn out, and cut out, and everything. And he was so organized until they--the church couldn't move. But there was a little boy over in England, by the name of John Wesley. He saw it, and away he went.

He had a revival that saved England and brought salvation to America, and helped the world at that day. Away he went. That was the Philadelphian Age. And a... what a time they had. He said, "We got a new revelation."

"What is it?"

"The just shall live by faith." That's true. But also, *Jesus suffered without the gates that He might sanctify the people with His Blood.* So, "We believe in sanctification," the Methodists said, "the second definite work of grace."

And he caused a revival to sweep the whole nation. But the first thing you know, after John died, and--and--and the Charles, and Asbury, and many of them, as soon as they died off, the organizations begin to come in and organize the Methodist church until it was so organized so tight, till it's either Methodist or nothing.

So then, the first thing you know, they got all down. And a new crowd come up, and another new crowd come up, just like there was three or four rounds of the apostles. And the first thing you know, it was all formaled off and setting over here, no Spirit. And the Pillar of Fire moved right out. That's right. Methodists couldn't move. They was organized. "We are Methodists."

And the first thing you know, there was a group of people called Pentecostal. They got a new revelation. The Lord had poured out the Holy Spirit in a deeper measure. And they begin to speak with tongues. And here they went. My, you talk about a revival? They had one. Yes, sir. Just let the Methodists set still if they didn't want it. That's right.

Well, it went on like that for awhile, and the Pentecostals begin to organize: the Assemblies of God, the Oneness, the Twoness, the Threeness, the Fourness, the Fiveness, and no meat eating and the all... Oh, my! Har...

First thing you know, they organized down so tight, till they have begin to deny all the powers of God. God just set them right over on the shelf. That's the Laodicean Church Age, which is to be lukewarm: just while the music's playing, clap hands and holler a little bit, and the music stops, down it goes.

E-23 Now remember, brother, I am your pappy or father here tonight, in the pulpit. See? That's right. And what's right is right and what's wrong is wrong. And the Pentecostal is getting just as formal and ritualistic, as any of the rest of them. That's right.

But what happened? Brother, there's a group of people that's from all different denominations now, is begin to see that Fire moving again. They're leaving out. I mean they are, God calling His Church. And God, Who is my Judge, standing here tonight, the best I know of the Scripture, there'll never be another Church Age organized. Jesus Christ will come take His Church out. That's right.

HEAR YE HIM. CHICAGO, IL 56-0930

E-8 And let's pray together now, and may the Lord add His blessings as we read the blessed Word. Now, reading today from the 16th chapter of Saint Matthew, beginning with the 1st verse, or at the 17th chapter, pardon me. The 17th chapter of Saint Matthew, I wish to read just a portion of the Word.

And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into a high mountain apart,

And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment... white as the light.

And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with them.

Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee... one for Moses, and one for Elias.

And while he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

And the three last words is my text: "Hear Ye Him."

(...)

E-10 (...) Reading a few days ago, this Scripture which has always been an outstanding one to me, I seemed to catch a new revelation. And you know, God's Word is so eternal. It's so inspired that It is not just for one occasion or for one generation. The Word of God is so eternal, the same, and the Truth, till It will...

This same Word inspired the disciples. It dispire--inspired the first row of disciples, and then the next as they followed, down through the Lutheran age, down through the Methodist age, in every age, and just as sufficient and inspiring today to us as it was the first day it was given. And if the world should stand a million years, that Word would still be just as inspired to the generations that will follow us as It is to us, because It's perfect. And It's always given for the time.

MODERN EVENTS MADE CLEAR BY PROPHECY. SAN BERNARDINO, CA 65-1206

36 Now, all of us know that whenever a message is given, in three years they form an organization. When they do that, it kills it right there; it did in the days of Luther; so it did it in the days of Wesley; it did it in the days of Alexander Campbell, and all the rest of them; and it did it in the days of Pentecost. Exactly. See? You get to a place, each one gets starchy, and gets off, and they can't receive new revelation. They're settled down; and there they are, and there they die.

And the life goes right through that, and goes right on to make the wheat. And when the wheat comes, that life that's traveled through that wheat, the resurrection brings the whole thing out; brings up for the rapture.

27. Don't add or take away. [Deuteronomy. 4:1-2. & 12:32. Proverbs 30:6]

REVELATION 22:18-19

For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and [from] the things which are written in this book.

LIVING JESUS CHRIST. CHICAGO, IL 53-0906E

E-26 I said, "Pass him by." I said, "Dear God, this man's come by faith. In the Name of Jesus Christ according to Your Word, I lay hands upon him."

I said, "Bring the next one." They started on by. I heard somebody screaming and hollering. I looked; the old man had the board on his own shoulder waving it at everybody, going along down through there packing his own board, going out. Just simple childlike faith, that's all.

Now, the Indians when they see this power of God moving, or down in Africa, over in the islands, they don't question it. We who's got all the scholarships, we're the ones who question it. We know it all, you see? We've got it all explained out. We know just what it is, what Doctor So-and-so said, and Doctor So-and-so said. But listen. God wants us to believe His Word just like It's written there.

"Whosoever shall add to or take away, the same shall be taken out of--his part of the Book of Life." See? So let's just believe It the way It's written.

CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH. GEORGETOWN, IN 56-0200

E-25 Now, examine it, not by your ritual, not by the catechism, not by one... Examine it by the Word of God. For the Bible said that, *"He that'll take away or add to anything that's in this Book, God will take his name out of the Book of Life."* The Revelations 21st chapter says that He will do that, or 22nd chapter, rather, of the last Book of the Bible. He said, "If anybody..." God Himself, speaking through the writer, said, *"if anyone shall add one word to this Book, or take one word out of It, God will take His Name from the Book of Life."* And he will be destroyed. So we must stay exactly with what the Scriptures has got to say.

28. Kosmos or world order. [John 14:19-20]

DO YOU NOW BELIEVE. OWENSBORO, KY 53-1106

E-52 Now, tonight if you have faith in Christ, according to your faith, just touch His garment. Watch what happens. Your eyes comes open, if you believe it. See? Have faith in God.

Now, the things, what did He say? *"A little while and the world seeth Me no more.* ('Kosmos,' world order, people.)... The world seeth Me no more; yet ye shall see Me (the Church), *for I'll be with you, even in you, to the end of the world."* Is that right?

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. SIOUX FALLS, SD 56-0225

E-59 Look at Him, *"Only what the Father shows Me to do."* Wish we could take a week on this and go back and show the prophets did the same thing, just as God showed. It's not a bluff, make believe, run over; it's something definitely.

Now, did Jesus--after He left, did that mean the end of it? No, sir. Listen at Him as He was leaving; He said, *"Verily, verily, I say unto you,"* that's always His words, He says directly to the Church. Here's one, the--Saint John 5:7, I believe it is. No, I beg your pardon, Saint John 14:7. He said, *"The things... He that believeth on Me, the works that I do, shall he do also."* Did He say that? Is that inspired? That's the Word of God.

Jesus said, *"A little while, and the world will see Me no more."* What is the world? The Greek word "kosmos" there, which means "the world order." See? *"The world, the unbelievers will see Me no more."* I'll put it like that. *"A little while, and the unbelievers will see Me no more; yet ye shall see Me (ye): for I'll be with you to the end of the world."* I'll be with you, and again He said, *"I'll be in you, be with you, even in you unto the end of the world."*

Now, what was it? The people who could only see with the natural sight, understanding with their natural understanding, with their mental thinking, that's the end of Jesus forever for them, until the judgment. *"The world will see Me no more; yet you shall see Me, for I will be with you to the end of the world."* And 'I' is a personal pronoun which means that Jesus has to be here the same tonight to every believer that He was then, or He did not raise from the dead. Amen.

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 56-0715

E-49 The little womb here in your heart, with the seed this morning falling into it... Won't you open your eye? Won't you let it fall? Not from your mind, down into the womb of your heart. Men and women alike, there's neither male or female

in this now; both of you has got a heart. Let it fall down here and say, "Well, sure, that's the truth." Look. The Bible said don't act like the heathen, the unbelievers. Don't yoke yourself with them. Come out from among them. Don't be a this way. *If you love the world or the things of the world*, the fashions... That word came from the Greek word "Kosmos," which means "the fashions of the world." If you love the world or the things of the world, the love of God's not even in you yet. You've never been born. Then let the Male, Christ Jesus, our Lover, with His Seed in your heart... He comes to His Seed to make it alive. The word... The letter killeth; the Spirit giveth Life. The letter alone kills. But when the Holy Spirit comes down through the cleansing Blood into this womb, a germ takes on.

29. Doctor Reedhead of the Sudan Missions receives Holy Ghost.

[Mark 16:9-20 not found in two of the oldest manuscripts]

THE TRIAL. TOPEKA, KS 64-0621

12 Now, this Scripture that I have just read, Mark the 16th chapter, even Doctor Scofield here says, "From the 9th verse on is not found in two of the oldest manuscripts." It's commonly believed among people, that our teachers today who want to believe it that way, that it's been injected in there by the Vatican.

But I find that Irenaeus and many of the early writers refer to Mark 16. As you other people who study history, Bible history, know that them early apostles, and even after Jesus' death, and when Polycarp, and Irenaeus, and Saint Martin, and Saint Columba, and all of those, referred back to this Mark 16. So it must've been authentic, or they would've never referred to it. And Saint John was the one who set the epistles together, and Polycarp was a bosom friend and help him to do it, according to the history.

Now, we find out that today they don't believe that. They are trying to get away from the reality of God being real, instead just of a declaration or a creed. The real God, this chapter would prove it to be, and every proof that they can get.

Like a certain great teacher, president of the Sudan Missions, my little wife over there was present when he came to my place, Paris Reedhead. And he said, "Brother Branham, I understand that you was a Baptist."

I said, "Yes, sir, that's right."

And he said, "Well," said, "I want to ask you something." He said, "When I was a little boy," said, "I had an experience. And my mother washed and everything to send me to school. And I thought, surely, that when I got my B.A., that I would find Christ." He said, "That, when that was given to me, I didn't find It. When I got my Doctor's Degree, I thought I would find It. When I got my LL.D., I thought I would find It." He said, "Brother Branham, I got enough degrees, both literal and--literal and also honorary, that I could plaster your walls with them. But where is the God of the Bible?" He said, "Was the teachers wrong?"

I said, "Who am I to say that the teachers was wrong?"

17 He said, "Well, here's what I understand, that you turned Pentecostal."

And I said, "Well, I don't say I... I believe, when I was born in the Kingdom of God, I automatically was Pentecostal," I said, "because Pentecost is not an organization. They've tried to make it, but it isn't. God will fill a Presbyterian, Lutheran, or whoever you are. See? So it's an--an experience and not a organization. You can't organize it. It's an experience."

TESTIMONY. W. PALM BEACH, FL 53-1129E

E-55 (...) Doctor Reedhead... How many ever heard of him? Sure, you have. He's great man, the President or something of the Sudan Missions. He stood by me not long ago before he received the Holy Spirit, said, "Brother Branham," talking to a staunch Mohammedan, he said, "why don't you renounce your dead prophet and accept the resurrected Lord?"

And said the Mohammedan said, "Kind sir, what can your resurrected Lord do anymore for me than what my dead prophet can?" Said, "My dead prophet promised life after death," and said, "so did your Lord." He said, "They both wrote books. We believe them."

Well, Dr. Reedhead said, "We have happy and joy."

Said, "So do we." Any psychologist knows that. See?

Said, "We have happy and joy by believing."

Said, "So do we."

"But we have the proof of it."

Said, "How do you prove it any more than we can?"

Said, "Well, it changes us and makes Christians."

Said, "So does it make Mohammedans." He said, "Kind sir, our Mohammed never promised like your Lord did. Our Mohammed is dead and in the grave, and we got a white horse stands there year after year. Someday he will rise," but said, "you claim that your Jesus rose from the dead." And said, "Your Jesus promised you that if He... after He was risen from the dead that He'd be with you, and the very things that He did you'd do also." Said, "Now, let me see you teachers produce that, and we'll believe your Lord Jesus raised from the dead." but said, "Let--let our Mohammed raise from the dead and the whole world will know it."

Dr. Reedhead said he changed the subject. He had to. There was nothing he could do. He was whipped standing right on the ground. Yes, sir. He said, "Brother Branham, I thought of you." Said, "If I could ever get to where you was..." And he come there said, "Has the teachers been wrong?"

I said, "With reverence I say, yes, Brother Reedhead."

He said, "I've seen Pentecostalism. I've seen all the holy-rollers and all that kind of stuff," and said, "I've been taught in degrees and everything else." Said, "Brother Branham, I'm asking you. I know you're fundamentalist yourself." Said, "I'm asking you, is the baptism of the Holy Ghost truth?"

I said, "It is, Dr. Reedhead. God is my Judge. The same Holy Ghost that fell on Pentecost is the same Lord Jesus today in the full thing kind of power."

He said, "Can I receive It?"

I said, "Yes, sir."

Said, "When?"

I said, "Right now."

Said, "How do I get It?"

I said, "By laying on of hands." Prayed for him, laid hands on him, God give him the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Then come Dr. Lee, come the rest of them, Don Wells, may... And the archbishop from India, the archbishop come over here, investigating around and's received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, the archbishop of India, Presbyterian archbishop. Friends, you people will see someday that the very Chief Cornerstone has been rejected by the builders. That's right.

30. Destruction. [Tree of knowledge of good and evil.]

PREPARATION. OWENSBORO, KY 53-1111

E-15 (...) And God is always prepares the people for the events that's just about to happen.

And may I stop right here just a minute and say: I believe that the people are in the preparation of the last great destruction this world will ever know. I believe we're at the end. You can speak to people; you could put a Billy Graham in every city in the United States; they'd drink whiskey and smoke cigarettes and laugh at you and everything else just the same. They are in the spirit of the last days. And God cannot send destruction before the people are in the spirit for destruction. God never did--never did destroy anything. Man always destroys himself.

In the garden of Eden there were two trees: one was Life, one was knowledge. Man left the Tree of Life to eat off the tree of knowledge. And the first bite he took, he separated himself from God. And every time a man bites off of that tree of knowledge, he destroys himself.

He bit off gun powder, kills his comrade. He bit off automobiles off the tree of knowledge, kills more people than all the wars. He's bit off himself a hydrogen bomb now. What's he going to do with that? Everything, he destroys himself by knowledge, and knowledge always climbs for--so far and falls back. But this Tree of Life is endless and goes right into glory.

So in... Don't depend on your knowledge, and don't never try to figure anything out that God says. If you could figure it out, or I could figure it out, or any other preacher could figure it out, we would be equal with God. We are not supposed, and never will be able to figure it out, because when we can figure it out, it's not faith any more. We've got to accept it by faith. Is that right? God said so. I don't know how. I can't tell you how He's going to do it, but He's going to do it 'cause He said so. That's the basis. God is going to do it because He promised to do it. He's God, and He can't break His promise, how it is.

And some of God's preparations has been so ridiculous to the people who depend on the tree of knowledge. God's preparation has been absolutely ridiculous to the natural mind, 'cause the natural can't conceive the things that are of God. Because they are foolishness to him, and he just thinks it's horrible to think. "Why, God would do..."

GREAT COMING REVIVAL. CHICAGO, IL 54-0718A

E-21 Also in Sodom and Gomorrah, just before destructions come to Sodom and Gomorrah, there were two angels that were sent down into Sodom to find out how many righteous people they could find. And there was a righteous man there, and his name was Lot. Though he wasn't too much to speak of, but yet, he was a righteous man. And the Bible tells us that their sins a--a perplexed his righteous soul daily. In other words, it got on his nerves so bad to see the way the people were doing in sin.

And there's people like that in Chicago, today, that can walk down the streets of Chicago, in a lovely big place like this and a wonderful nation like in the United States, and see the things going on, of taverns, and beer, and drinking, and amusement, and half dressed women and men on the streets, lusting about--a lustful things. It absolutely torments the soul of a righteous soul, or a man that has a righteous spirit in him, to see that his own kinsman, as human beings, can drop down so low, below the standard of God's requirement. And yet, those people think that they're just as well off as anyone else. But in the midst of all of that, then we must realize that these things are signposts.

And Noah, or not Noah, rather, but this... us... Or down in Sodom... And when Lot was there, just before the destructions of that place, there came two preachers or two angels, came down from glory and tried to have an old fashion revival in that city to bring the men and woman back to God again. But the people were so indifferent towards them, and so lustful, till their lusting spirit had a hold of them in such a way, until they could not make any headway for a revival. What was it? It was a sign. When those angels entered the city, it was a sign that either repentance must come soon, or destructions would follow.

And I say, today, to you people in Chicago, if I could only speak to the United States today, the signs, and wonders, and miracles of the Christian religion that's taken place in the United States today is a sign: "Get ready, or destructions will follow this revival." There'll be a revival, then there's a destruction.

E-23 And America is having it's revival now. You can't hardly understand it, maybe. Maybe it's hard to see, but it's kind of an undercoat, just like when Jesus was here. When He came on the earth, He was a sign of destruction. The Jews, how they got away and complicated the religion of--of the Jew--Judaism until the poor people couldn't understand it. Why, they had to be a--have a degree. All their ministers had to be great scholars, and they made it so a complicated till the poor people just emptied their pockets of money into the treasures and so forth. And they didn't even understand the services, because they were talked in different high toned orthodox Judaism and so forth until they--they couldn't understand it.

And Jesus came to the poor people as a sign. Now, what am I trying to say? You say, "Jesus was a sign, the preaching to the poor?" That's what He said, Himself.

He said, "*Go show John these things: The lame walk; the blind see; the deaf hear; and the poor has the Gospel preached unto them.*" A sign, a sign of the end time for that civilization, or--or that nation of Jews. It was a sign, and they failed to recognize their sign.

31. Guardian angels.

MATTHEW 18:10

Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

PSALMS 34:7

The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

RESURRECTION OF LAZARUS. EVANSVILLE, IN 53-1122

E-36 The cornerstone is kicked out in a bunch of weeds. They built their church, and they built their church; but come to find out, the place where they'd left undone, that cornerstone fit right into it. And today where all the power, signs and wonders is been left undone, you find out the Holy Ghost fits right in there; for He is the One Who brings the power of God into the Church. Amen.

God always sends His warnings. Just before the coming of Jesus, He sent an Angel down out of heaven by the name of Gabriel. Now, minor angels comes, my, yes, you see angels. Every one has a guardian angel according to the Scripture. Jesus said, "*Their angels always beholds my Father's face which is in heaven.*"

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 64-0830E

1155-51 "*Explain about each person's angel who abides with them from birth.*"

Now, if you notice... Now, this is pretty deep. Now, I never--I just picked it up. Now, the... Part of it's wrote in type and the other one is with a pencil--or pen.

Now, there is an Angel, but this Angel of the Lord that are encamped about those that fear them--that fears Him. See? Now, it isn't promised that sinners has Angels; it's only the redeemed has Angels. Did you know that? The Angels of the Lord encamp about those that fear Him.

32. Hollywood. [see Worldlism..1956 #24]

HAS LORD SPOKEN ONLY TO MOSES? W. PALM BEACH, FL 53-1130

E-11 You know they used to say that the devil went out of fashion, but he didn't go out of business. That's right. He's still in business, and he's just so much shrewder now than he used to be; in the ways that people get shrewd he does too; and he just slips in right in. See?

Brother, I tell you if you ever slip for cover, you do it now, and that's right. You get under the Blood of Jesus Christ. It's a disgrace how that all such things as we have and our world in it's condition today is eighty percent of it come right out of Hollywood, and yet that's the example of the world. That's where the pace is set for all the modern world, is out of Hollywood.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 54-0103M

80-131 Look at it today. Well, we've got people in this country that's... Now, I'm not... This... I'm an American; you know I am. But let me tell you; this is the lowest nation outside of Paris, France, that I know of anywhere in the world. It's so degraded, why, even the foreign people in Africa, in--in Sweden and--up there, they say, "What in the world's the

matter with you American people? Don't you all have no more respect for your women? For all the songs on--on the radio, some kind of an old dirty, vulgar song about women. Don't you have no respect for your women over there?"

All our songs are about women, and sex, and lust, and things like that. It's because the devil has got ahold of it. That's exactly right. Old Hollywood and televisions and everything is pushing out that vulgar and ungodly stuff, will go to old newsstands and everything else. Everything's some stripped women or something. That's exactly what it started in the beginning, ending the same way. It's a shame.

INFLUENCE. SHREVEPORT, LA 63-1130B

111 (...) This sounds sacrilegious and it sounds crude. And I don't think the pulpit is any place for any minister to crack jokes. It's--it's become a joking, a carry on, Hollywood glamor now. That's what's the matter. Hollywood, through television, has took the pulpit over. Our women has bowed to the goddess of fashion of Hollywood long ago. And then the pulpit got into Hollywood through singers, and so forth, talented men. Oh, how a shrewd man that devil is. You can't mix oil and water. It won't mix. Notice the great influence that people can give to others. And what you do is an influence.

33. Brother Branham takes control of spirits in meetings.

GOD'S PROVIDED WAY. W. PALM BEACH, FL 53-1201

E-93 God, who is my Judge, goes all around over this building right now. Seems like one big yellow bank with streaks, hanging down, everywhere. It's you believing, friends. Oh, take God's provided way by taking His Word and saying, "Lord, it's the truth," and accept it. Will you do it?

Oh, my. Every spirit in here is under my control now through Jesus Christ. That's right. That's true. If you'll believe me to be God's prophet at this time, there'll not be a feeble one among you. That's right. If you'll believe it. I can only say it, and God's here to confirm it, and back it up, and say it's the truth. Bow your heads. Let's pray.

ELIJAH AND ELISHA. PHOENIX, AZ 54-0304

E-56 Now, I have to say this according to the state law: I am not responsible for any critic that would be near, anyone who is indifferent or criticizing. Because remember, if... Diseases are spirits. And they leave one person; they'll go to another. Anyone knows that's the Scripture, is that right? So upon an unbeliever, I'd have no control of it at all. I would on a believer, but not on an unbeliever. So be it known.

Now, in the Name of Jesus Christ the Son of God, I take every spirit in here under my control for the glory of God.

GOD HAS A PROVIDED WAY. LOUISVILLE, KY. 54-0404

203 I, at this service, take every spirit in the building under my control for God's glory. Reason I say that, that puts the Name of Jesus Christ over the whole audience. If Satan would get unruly, you'd see what would happen. They'd probably pack them right out the door, out of this world. See?

Now, so you must be obedient. Don't get up and walk around. Set still. These diseases go from one to another. You know, Bible scholars, that that's true. See? Not playing church now, and I'm not responsible for critics or unbelievers. Hear it. I speak in His Name.

HAVE FAITH IN GOD. NEW YORK, NY 54-0900

E-31 Say, "You're stalling for something, Brother Branham." That's exactly right. Sure, I'm waiting on Him, and if He doesn't come, I can't minister. I can do nothing, not a thing. But when He's here He can do all things, and He can do it through me if I can submit myself enough to Him. The only thing, it is yielding yourself to the Holy Spirit, just yielding knowing how to yield your life to Him. Now, I know that He will grant it, because He has promised He would do it. and if He promises anything, His Word is good. That's why I've never feared at anytime, because He's always took care of me and He will now. That's exactly.

He's here! In the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ I take every person, every spirit under my control for His glory.

SIR WE WOULD SEE JESUS. BINGHAMTON, NY 54-1205

E-28 Dear heavenly Father, let Thy love rest now in upon this the congregation of the people. And Thou bear me record, my Father, that I have told this audience that it's Your grace to them, and It's sent for them, that they might believe that You are God, and Jesus Christ is Your Son, and that You love them, and has redeemed them with His Blood to Your own self, a peculiar people; but glorious in Thy sight, that they might have courage to go on believing.

And, Father, alone, that is my cry, and believing that You let these things happen like this to glorify You... So I go forward now, asking that You'll send that Angel that spoke to me that night and anoint Your servant for I'm just a man, that it might be known that You are the same yesterday, today, and forever. I go forward now, for the sake of the people and the Gospel of Jesus Christ to meet the enemy in Jesus Christ's Name. Amen.

Now, if everyone be reverent just a moment. And don't... Just be in--just silently in prayer. Don't... You don't have to bow your head, 'less I tell you to. Watch, whatever It says; do it, for being just a man, I don't know what He's going to do. I know one thing, that He's here. He's just come in just now from my right hand side here.

And at this time, after I feel His anointing and know that He Who has been with me since a baby, I take every spirit in here under my control in the Name of Jesus Christ for the glory of God.

34. Bother Lee Vayle manages Branham Campaign. [Brother Lee Vayle edited the Church Age Book.]

BLIND BARTIMAEUS. PHOENIX, AZ 57-0301

E-4 A few weeks ago I was in Lima, Ohio, and a Mr. Vayle, Dr. Lee Vayle, great man in the Baptist association, and he come to the platform and he said to me... Or I beg your pardon, he came to my motel room and said, "Brother Branham, when I come to your meeting over in Vancouver, British Columbia, long ago, I noticed that you would just stop the people when they needed to be stopped. See? Those who had sinned and done things wrong under the discernment you picked it up. The rest of them you prayed." And said, "I attended the meeting, and I never seen one person come across the platform, but what was helped by prayer while you were praying."

DO YOU NOW BELIEVE. W. PALM BEACH, FL 53-1206E

E-16 Several, I didn't mention, calling their names, Brother Vayle, my manager.

HEAR YE HIM. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 56-0611

E-3 On the private interviews this afternoon, in a room, a young woman, I'd say middle aged, come in, been a teacher for years. And something has been wrong with the lady for a long time. Even when Doctor Lee Vayle, has been introduced here, the pastor of the First Baptist Church up at Spencerville, Ohio, bosom friend of mine, was keeping the ten minute interviews with each one as they passed. And the lady come in, and in her case it was a required for God to move and to show something. She'd done everything, been prayed for. But then the blessed Holy Spirit came down and undone the whole thing, and showed the thing, and the lady was perfectly delivered. After many, twenty years or more, of torment, the Holy Spirit delivered her. The great smile on her face when her ten minutes was up, left the room rejoicing. What do we say? The faith that was once delivered to the saints is delivered again tonight to those who believe. The Lord be blessed.

SIRS WE WOULD SEE JESUS. NEWARK, NJ 57-1211

E-55 One of the managers, Dr. Vayle and I was arguing that for an hour and a half the other day. He tried to say hope and faith is the same thing. I said, "No, hope is what you're looking for, and faith is what you got by hoping." That's right. Certainly. It's not a hope any longer when you've got it. It's yours. It's in possession; you got it just as happy as you can be, for it is the substance of things hoped for.

35. Brother Fandler a friend of prophet. [53-1213E received Holy Spirit.]

FELLOWSHIP BY REDEMPTION. JEFF. IN 55-0403

51 I have a good friend here this morning. I know he's--he's a little bashful, backward. But... He's one of my brothers. And he become my fellow worker and buddy with me, off of the great Alaskan Highway in Alaska.

I was having meetings, where I'm to have again in a few days now, at Grande Prairie. And I was at Dawson Creek, British Columbia, and then down to Grande Prairie. And a little fellow stepped in one time to the meeting there, and God got a hold of him; he had to come back. And he received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. And if he will be so kind just to at least stand up, Brother Fandler, just let the people know. He's from Switzerland. And he's... The Lord bless you, Brother Fandler. Glad to have him with us today.

He's the one that has got this famous drug that will be on the market pretty soon, which will sweep the world, a cure for arthritis. The Lord gave it to him. And--and they've got it in now at the government and so forth. And they're... It's the arthritis cure, given by the Lord God alone (Amen), telling him what to do. There's not a thing on the market that'll touch arthritis, until this time. But now the Lord has given it to Brother Fandler, and we're happy for it.

THIRSTING FOR LIFE. TACOMA, WA 57-0728

E-22 Now, in the meeting, the discernment is what kindly catches the people. Now, since I was a little bitty baby boy them, visions have come. And it might be questioned to people. Get around with someone who's been in the meetings, someone that's been called. Superstitions rise, doubts. Say, "Oh, well, Ernie Fandler..." A man, a scientists, he's invented a medicine now, or they got a medicine that's a cure for arthritis, or to help in arthritis, take the acid, the deposit of the bone. It's in the medical association now, and going to be manufactured by the Full Gospel Business Men. A million dollar plant in California just went up.

E-23 And coming down the road from Alaska, he seen a sign in Canada there at... What's the name of that, just below Dawson Creek? Grande Prairie. And he went down and he noticed that discernment in the line. He said, "You know what? That's somebody in the meeting. He knows all them people, so I'll just fool them."

Goes over and gets an old Indian, and brings him over, gets him a prayer card and sticks him in the line. When the old Indian got up in the line, It told him what his name was, where he come from, and what his trouble was, and said, "You've got a boy setting out there studying to be a minister."

He said, "That's right."

I said, "This little fellow setting right over here, a white man, a Swiss. He's all full of superstition so he just went and got you to bring you here for this purpose. Ernie just fainted and passed out on the floor. Just after that, he received the blessed Holy Spirit. Friends, as my Bible before me, It's real and from God."

IT WASN'T SO FROM THE BEGINNING. SHREVEPORT, LA 60-1127M

E-8 Did you ever meet people that you just loved to be with? You've had that, and why, they create that atmosphere by their--their life, the way they live, and the things they think about, and the love they have for you.

You've heard my message on the--the opossum, you know, and on the bees trying to sting me, the bull trying to kill me, animals... See? It--it'll do... You create an atmosphere, and that's the atmosphere you have to be in to pray for the sick. See? It's the same thing. It's love that casts out evil spirits.

I won't call the name. It's one of the converts to the Lord that I led. It was an infidel and he was coming down the...?... highway on a truck line, and--and he seen my name up there, and he said, "That's fanaticism." So he just stopped, and he was up in Canada, way up near Dawson Creek. That night, it was so cold. And you Louisiana people would've died up there, 'cause I was about to freeze to death, and I got all the air conditioners on everywhere now trying to keep--to keep cool, this hot weather here. And I... Sir? You like it. All right. So...

E-9 We went in--he went in there, and that night, Indians and everything... So he seen the discernment of the Lord, not knowing the Scripture. He goes back out and gets an old Indian up on the--an old trapper, brought him in. And we couldn't give out prayer cards. So he just had to push him on the platform as he could, and finally he got this old Indian up there, and he was going to... He knew this old Indian; he said, "That man's got people following him." He--he speaks out like that.

So he set this old Indian up on the platform. Just as soon as he come up there, the Holy Spirit told him who he was. Said, "And you live at a certain place, and you're a traveler. You got five children, three of them boys and two girls." Said, "One of them setting back there is studying to be a minister." Said, "You're suffering with TB."

"Right."

And said, "The man that brought you is this little fellow setting here by a certain-certain name." Said, "He's suspicious." That done it. He became a servant of the Lord.

Not long ago we were going together across the country, and he said to me, said, "Brother Branham, you know my wife don't believe in this," and said, "every night when I go to church and come home," said, "oh, she just starts bawling me out when I hit the door," and said, "I get her by the hand; she's little and hold her, and I try to cast that devil out as hard as I can."

Remind me of your message this morning, sir. Said, "I try to cast that devil out, and I said, 'Devil, you come out of my wife. Devil, you come out of my wife. Honey, you're possessed with the devil. Come out of there, devil.'"

"Oh," I said, "that's fine, Brother Fandler but you--you go at it the wrong way."

And he said, "Well, how do you do it?"

I said, "When you come home, buy her a box of candy. Give it to her when you come in at the door. Put your arms around her." I said, "That's the way you cast out a devil." Love casts out fear, doesn't it? Love...

Friends, the whole world is dying for love. That's one of the great things that we leave out of our Pentecostal blessing too much of it, is love that mixes it together, the mortar that makes gifts and all the things of God operate perfectly is love one for the other. "This will all men know that you're My disciples."

GREATEST GIFT IN BIBLE. EDMONTON, ALBERTA 57-0811A

E-2 And now, the meetings will continue on beginning Tuesday night. Brother Carver and his--his evangelistic party continues right on. And this fine music and singing, plus preaching, praying for the sick, and so forth, will continue right on. And I'm sure they've announced it already where it would be, Brother Carver. And so, you can continue to enjoy these fine blessings.

And just awhile ago before, I had got a letter from a little friend of mine from Anchorage, Alaska, and he almost beat his letter here. It was fifteen minutes, his letter was, ahead of Brother Fandler. He's in here somewhere, has been a very, very good friend of mine from Switzerland.

And we can certainly remember his conversion and how the Lord called him out and what he was. And he was one time a pretty rough fellow. And he thought it was kind of a hoax or a little make belief. And he got somebody and put them in a prayer line, that he knowed. And the Holy Spirit not only told the man who it was, but told him who the little fellow was that brought him. So that--that fixed him just right. And we've--we've been great friends ever since.

Ernie, where you at? Would you just stand up, or something, or raise up your hand, or somewhere. He's in here somewhere, Ernie Fandler. He's just a little bit bashful. Yes, way up in... Oh, my. Who could see you way up there? Brother Ernie and his lovely wife, and two lovely little boys, I've been in their home when they were in Shawano, Wisconsin. And they're on their road back there again, coming down from Anchorage, Alaska. And he said he was going

to try to get here, but how he drove that two thousand miles of rock, and road, and mud, I... You ought to see his car, by trying to get here to enjoy the service. That's loyal, isn't it? That's really loyal.

36. Travail or soul travel. [Romans 8:22-27, Galatians 4:19]

ROMANS 8:22-23

For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

GALATIANS 4:19

My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,

INNER MAN. CHICAGO, IL 53-1212

E-12 You, would you like to know what I think the greatest need of the church today? Would you like... What I think... Where I think the lacking is? Is a, no soul travail. The people are not broke up enough. They're... There--there's no burden seemingly. And you give me someone that's just so tore up about lost souls that they just cry and are--are wanting a revival so bad till they can hardly eat, just simply can't...

If you'll read the history of the world and the religious history, you'll find out it always taken that kind of a spirit to bring a revival. That's right. See? When Zion travailed or traveled (I think's a better word), why the--then she brought forth children. See? You--you have to be tore up. It's the atmosphere of anything.

You get around where there's arguments; you get into that type of atmosphere. If there's something in the church, someone who's disobedient, and very ugly acting in the church and causing trouble, you'll never be able to have a revival as long as that kind of an atmosphere is around. And so, you have to have everybody...

If you'll notice when the Holy Spirit came on Pentecost, they were all in one place and in one accord (Is that right?) and waiting for a promise. And when we get like that, Brother Boze, the revival will be here then. That--that's right.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 54-0103M

85-166 (...) I'll give you my estimation of what I think that the closest thing to an evidence that a man is a Christian, than anything I know of. You know what it is? It's travail of soul, a person that's always so hungry and thirsting for God. They just simply... Day and night they--they just can't stand it. They--they--they got to do something for God. They--they're full of love and they're just a soul-travail, just travailing all the time. The Bible said, "*He that goeth forth sowing in tears will doubtless return again, rejoicing, bringing with him precious sheaves.*" Is that right? All those things...

Now, look, if there's... If this church... If I'd say, this morning in this little group of people and I... God say, "Now look, William Branham, I'm going to make you answer for that group of people, what you tell them. Now, do you want them all to shout?"

"Sure, I want them to shout."

"Do you want them all to speak with tongues?"

"I want every one of them to."

"Do you want them all to dance in the Spirit?"

"I want every one of them to."

"All right, well, that's very good, but what would you rather have them to do?" Uh-huh.

"I'd rather have a church that had such a burden on their heart for prayer that they just stayed at this altar and would be here day and night, and everything else; and in their house, was constantly in prayer, and humble, and trying to get people to come to God, and making calls at the hospital, and visiting the sick, and trying to get people to come to church and do right. I'd rather have that than all the other put together; although the other is right, it belongs in the church."

But if I had to have it, I'd put that first. 'Cause if you've got that, the other will take place. Uh-huh. See? If you've got that, if you'll just get so hungry for God, shouting will take place. If you got so hungry for God, speaking in tongues will take place. If you got so hungry for God, you'll just keep on hungering, keep yourself. Now, you go to seeing yourself getting indifferent, just remember, look out, there's another spirit trying to work itself in there. Stay right before God, humble, with travail of soul. Just be all that good old fashion...

86-171 I can prove by the Bible that the first time the Angel of God went over the lands to seal with the Holy Ghost; He only sealed those who cried and sighed for the abominations done in the city: Ezekiel the 9th chapter. Is that right? Set a seal upon the forehead of those who sigh and cry for the abominations that's done in the city.

MANIFESTATION OF THY RESURRECTION. LOS ANGELES, CA 54-0809

E-23 If a baby is born and it doesn't cry, it's dead. That's what's the matter with the church tonight. We need some more weeping, breaking up, in our services. When Israel travailed, children was born. When the church travails, children will be born.

37. Brother Branham removed from convention in Chicago.

EXPLOITS OF FAITH. CHICAGO, IL 53-1213E

E-7 Now, the--the thing that I was just to say, going to say, was this: So many questions has been asked and Billy was telling me and Brother Boze [Brother Branham coughs--Ed.](Pardon me.), and many of them, about the convention. I don't like to mention it, but the reason that I come to the convention, "The Voice Of Healing" convention, was I was invited to come by Brother Lindsay. He wanted me to come through the convention; I couldn't stay, do that because I was with Dr. Lee, which is, I guess, in the building tonight.

The Baptist people down in Florida in a meeting, and I had to--to cut that meeting off. I was supposed to stay there until the fifteenth. And I cut the meeting off in order to have one night at "The Voice of Healing" convention. And fine bunch of brethren in that convention. And so I wanted to meet with them all again and shake their hands.

Brother Boze, at the time when I was here last, this last summer, said, "Well, during the time of convention will you give me one night? Just after you're through with the convention then have the following Sunday at my place."

And that's just love that he has for me. And so I said, "Why, sure, Brother Boze, I'll be glad to do that."

Well then seeing the convention, my time to speak would be on the eleventh, I called him from Florida the other night, called him up and told him that I'd also be here on Saturday night. I'd have Saturday, and of course, that pleased him real well. And so he said, "Well, that's just fine, come on."

Well, I started on my road home, my boy and I. We were driving our little truck. We had a long, hard drive. But when we got home I was real tired. And that morning about three o'clock, the Angel of the Lord come to me and said, "There's something wrong in Chicago."

Well, I wondered if it was here. And then He showed me Brother Gordon Lindsay doing something. And he was putting it off on someone else to come tell me something. And He showed me a man was going to meet me and to take me from the meeting. Well, I couldn't understand; that's all He told me. And I told my wife and many of the friends around home, "There's something wrong."

And when I got up to Chicago, up here to the hotel, Belmont Hotel, where we was staying... Mr. Moore had made reservations there for me. And when I got to the hotel, well, Mr. Moore said, "Brother Branham, something is wrong." And I'm giving it to you just in detail so you'll know. He said, "There's something wrong."

I said, "I... the Holy Spirit has told me there's something wrong. What is it, Brother Moore?"

He said, "Well, "The Voice Of Healing" has decided that if you were going to have that meeting for the Philadelphian Church that they wouldn't permit you to preach tonight in their pulpit, in their convention."

And I said, "Well, what's wrong with that?"

E-11 He said, "Well, you... They just made a decision that--that some of the churches here in the city, and "The Voice Of Healing" together, if--if you were going to preach for Brother Mattsson Boze at the church, that they couldn't have you to be their speaker." Well, said, "Now, you'll have to make your decision. And if you will cancel out your meeting with Brother Boze and go on and have the... You can speak tonight at the convention. But otherwise, they won't let you do it."

I said, "Well, I just won't do it, because I won't cancel my meeting with Brother Boze, 'cause I've promised him, and I want to be a man of honour. I want to keep my promise. You see?"

He said, "Well," he said, "well, Brother Branham," said, "you--they're... I--I'm your friend." And he said, "I just wanted to tell you 'fore you get there."

Was... I said, "Well, I'll go in. I want to go in, 'cause I want the people to know that I kept my word, 'cause they'd advertised it around the city." And I... Now, many times people advertise that I'm to be at the place, friends, when I know nothing about it. I--I don't know about that.

But if I've promised, and God being my helper, I--I'm going to do all that I can to be there, because I wouldn't want to be disappointed. I wouldn't want Christ to promise me something here and then back up on His Word. And He won't do it. And if I'm His child, well, I won't do it either. I'll be like my Father. You see?

And so I'd promised that I would be here, so I got in the car and we went over. And just as I walked into the front door, Brother Velmar Gardener, I believe was his name, got me by the arm, and rushed me into a side room. Said, "Come here just a minute, Brother Branham."

And I didn't get to see the--get into the audience. He... And then in come Brother Hall, one of the others of "The Voice Of Healing." And he caught me and he said, "Now, Brother Branham," they put the same thing to me. And I said... Said, "Now, you make your choice."

I said, "I'm going to stick with Brother Mattsson Boze on my promise." And I said, "I... that's definitely."

He said, "Well." And then some ministers come in and said, "I don't think this is right."

I said, "Well, don't think nothing about it, brethren, it'll be all right."

So then they discussed it a little while. And then the first thing you know I started to go out into the audience, and they had me outside before I could get into the audience. And then, so I didn't have a chance to even... And I heard them announce that I wasn't there. And I had a brother that'd been sick or something another. Well, that's...

Well, I've got a brother that's been failing for about two years, which the Lord told me two years ago, and I told you right here in the pulpit about that, that he wasn't going to live, a young man, because he failed to serve the Lord; and--and he's not going to live, I know that. And I seen my father come from glory and mark out his grave. So I--I know he's to go.

But, my, I don't know when that'll be. But as far as me not being there, I was there forty-five minutes before the preacher got to the platform to preach. And I was setting in the room waiting to be called. And so they... Then they said that I wasn't there. And then I said, "Oh, that's mis--that's misrepresenting something." You see? I said, "Someone ought to say that that's different."

E-15 And now, nothing against the brethren, but it was a misrep--misrepresentation, that I--I was at the building and there in time to preach, forty-five minutes before they started preaching service, and was in the building. But that's why it was.

Now, do not hold that against the brethren. It's just; that's what you get by organizations. It becomes--it becomes a bunch of politics. And God is not pleased with any of them, and there will be no organizations represented in heaven. The very church itself, the word "church," means "called out." And it'll be called, "Come out of Babylon," confusion.

1954

1. **The 2nd Mystery of Israel's blindness.** [Romans 11:1-36]

2. **The 19th Mystery of two Olive Trees.** [Revelation 11:4-13, Zechariah 4:1-14]

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 54-0103M

70-69 I know they're blind and led away, and deceiving and everything, but they was deceived by God that you and I might have sight. That's right. But I'll say this in the spirit of prophecy, by the Bible, that the hour of the Jew to return home is at hand. Yes, sir. He hardened Hitler's heart, drove them out of Germany; hardened Mussolini's heart, drove them out of Russia. He's driving them from everywhere like He did in the days when He brought them out. And then when they got out into the wilderness there and was ready to cross over, what taken place? God visit the land with great plagues and things, which He will repeat again with His two servants, the two olive trees of Ezekiel and also of Revelation 11. He will repeat those signs and wonders.

Look at them two witnesses in Revelations 11,

"I'll give power unto My witnesses, and they'll close the heavens in the days of their prophecy.

They'll send plagues upon the earth as they will."

There they are, the two witnesses in the last days.

I know modern teaching is that that's the Old and New Testament. That's wrong. That's wrong.

Here's the two witnesses; that's absolutely a return of Moses and Elijah. You notice back there, neither one of them... Moses, he died, but where did he go? He had to raise again. And Elijah was translated even without death. He will have to die, 'cause every mortal has to, so he will have to return back again. And there's the two witnesses.

HOW THE ANGEL CAME TO ME. CHICAGO, IL 55-0117

56-3 Paul speaking here, said, "The Jews, in the line of the Gospel, was blinded and away from God, that, for our sake." But the verse just before that said, "*All Israel will be saved.*" All Israel will be saved. According to the election, God the Father has loved them and blinded them that we Gentiles might have a place now of repentance, that, through Abraham, his Seed could bless all the world according to His Word. See how the sovereignty of God is? His Word's just got to be. He just can't be nothing else. And now, we by.. God has elected us; He's elected the Jew; and He's..

REVELATION. CHAPTER 1. JEFF. IN 60-1204M

311 (...) Listen close now, He's speaking of the coming, Zechariah 12, and we begin at the 9--the 9th verse:

And it shall come to pass... (Zechariah prophesying, four hundred and eighty-seven years before the coming of Christ)

And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy all... nations that come against Jerusalem. (Think of it.)

And I will pour out upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced,...

312 Now, when's the Gospel returning to the Jews? When the day of the Gentile is finished, the Gospel is ready to go to the Jews. Oh, I could... If I could just foretell you a little something that's fixing to happen right here (See?), right in this day. See? It's fixing to happen. We get it in the church age. And this great thing that's fixing to happen, will carry over to Revelation 11 and pick up those two prophets, Elijah and a Moses returning back again for the Jews. We're ready for it. Everything's setting in order, just ready. This Gentile message, as the Jews brought it to the Gentiles, the Gentiles will take it right back to the Jews again. And the rapture will come.

SIXFOLD PURPOSE GABRIEL'S VISIT DAN. JEFF. IN 61-0730

42 Now, to finish the transgressions of Israel who transgressed against God, will be the turning away of the ungodliness of Jacob. Now, to find this, let's turn to Romans, the 11th chapter of Romans, and begin with the 21st verse of Romans 11. Now, we're going to what? Finish the transgressions. Romans 11:21. All right.

For if God spared not the natural branch,... (Which was who? Israel.)... take heed lest... also he spare not thee... (Now, I want you when you go home to read this whole 11th chapter. I'm just reading this so... Mark down the whole 11th chapter and read it.)... spare not thee.

Behold therefore the goodness... severity of God: on them which fell,... but towards thee, goodness, if thou continue in the goodness: otherwise thou... shall be cut off--also... be cut off.

And they also, if they abide not still in--if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again. (See? Telling that there will be a time that when the Gentile will be cut out and Israel come back in again.)

For if thou were cut out of the--of the olive tree which is wild by nature,... (Gentiles)... and were grafted contrary to nature... (We were contrary to nature, alien, without mercy, without God, with no hope at all; and God by His mercy to give us a chance, cut off righteous Israel because of transgressions and turned them aside, the wild--the tame olive tree, and brought in a wild olive tree contrary to nature.)... unto a good... tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?

All right, let's read on.

For I would not, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own conceit; that blindness in part of--happened of Israel--happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles... come in.

Until God is finished with the Gentile, Israel was blinded. They went off into sin and to transgressions against God, because God blinded their eyes that we might be grafted in. You get it? 26th verse now.

And so all Israel shall be saved:...

God blinded them purposely for you and I. They cannot see, because God blinded them. And all Israel, true Israel, shall be saved. What did the Angel say? Glory. *"To finish the transgressions of Israel. I've come to tell you that there'll come a time when Israel's transgressions will be finished."* God will cut off that wild branch and graft into that back--that real branch again.

Oh, sometimes it makes my heart jump to see them poor, miserable people cut off out yonder not knowing where they're going, and think that God in His mercy did that so I could be saved, blinded their eyes from their own Messiah, shut their ears up that they could not hear Him, yet looked right at His miracles and looked right at His miracles and things that He was doing.

46 Matthew, I believe, the 12th chapter or the 8th or 12th chapter, said: *"Though Jesus had done so many miracles, yet they could not believe."* Because God said, *"They got eyes and they can't see, and ears and they can't hear, unless they would see with their eyes and hear with their ears, and I would convert them."* But so that we could have a chance, He pulled the curtain down over His own children's eyes, turned His own children away from the table, and turned them off to leanness of Spirit that He might find--that we might have a chance to live--giving us Life. (26th verse again:)

And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written. There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

Yes, He will come to Mount Zion one of these days. Upon the Mount of Olives, they'll recognize Him, and all of Israel will know it's Him. The Gentiles will be finished then. That branch that's been grafted in, God will take from it the fruit that's been gathered, and that wild branch will be...

3. Giants. [Cain son of Satan by the Serpent.] [Genesis 6:4]

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 54-0103M

77-Q-10 (...) *Who these giants were in those days?*

(...)

79-122 Now, Josephus said the same thing, but he said, *"They forced themselves, and pressed themselves into human flesh, and taken sons--and--and taken the daughters of men."* Now, we're a mixed-up crowd; we're different here this morning, men, women, and little girls and boys; and I speak this so the adults would certainly understand. But when... He says that when the angelic beings seen the desire of women, how men lived with women, that they forced themselves into human flesh so... And they took unto them the daughters of men.

Well, I--I don't believe that. I believe this, that they were born there in Canaan, and they were born out of the--the group of Cain that was sent forth to the land of Nod. And he had a mark upon him and nobody would kill him, because of his murdered condition--murdering his brother. But if you notice, even the Israelites found some of those people when they went over there. They was so big, and he said they looked like grasshoppers up the side of them. Is that right? Hundreds and hundreds of years later there was great, burly men, big fellows. And sometimes they do dig up the--the carcass of them, and they find that they were great men.

Now, where I think that come from... Now, here's a little of my own doctrine now. It's just church folk. See? I think that Cain was the son of Satan. I know you disagree with that; my own church does. But that's still... Till God shows me

different, I--I believe the same thing (See?), that he was the son of Satan. 'Cause I couldn't place that ungodly, murderous spirit coming out of God. No, sir. He had to be after his daddy, and his daddy was the--the...

When the Satan got upon the serpent... And the serpent was not a reptile; the curse made him a reptile. He was just like a man; he walked upright. And he was with this woman out there, and she committed this adultery and brought forth her first son which was Cain, the nature of his daddy. And I believe that big beast was up like a man; he walked upright, and that's where these great giants come from. Yeah, that's exactly. Now, that's my own thought, and I--I could be wrong. That's my thought. See? But they were great men.

4. "But when that which is perfect is come," [1 Corinthians 13:1-13]

5. Perfect love and perfect faith. [Fear] [Law of Love] [John 13:34-35, John 15:12-17]

I CORINTHIANS 13:10

But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

I JOHN 4:18

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

UNPARDONABLE SIN. JEFF. IN 54-1024

117 But I tell you, brother, where there is Divine, perfect love of God resting in the heart, sealed, the same yesterday, today, moving on, you can begin to take thought of that. Jesus said, "*This will all men know that you're My disciples, when you have love one for another.*"

"Where there's tongues, it'll cease. Where there's knowledge, it'll vanish. Where there's faith, it'll fail," and all these things here. "But when that which is perfect come, which is love, it will never pass away." That's right, the love of Christ.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 54-0103M

85-165 But it's accepting the Person Christ Jesus, and these other things come right on in and they fit together. Let every member in this body this morning, let this little group of people, if we could pull the curtains down along on each side and every person in here receive the Person Christ Jesus, there wouldn't never be a fuss; there would never be no argument. There'd just be a perfect love. Yet you'd still believe this and believe that, but it'd just be so full of love, you'd just... See? That's it.

Now, Jesus said, "*By their fruit you shall know them.*" And the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, goodness, meekness, gentleness.

Now, I'm going to... I'll give you my estimation of what I think that the closest thing to an evidence that a man is a Christian, than anything I know of. You know what it is? It's travail of soul, a person that's always so hungering and thirsting for God. They just simply... Day and night they--they just can't stand it. They--they--they got to do something for God. They--they're full of love and they're just a soul-travail, just travailling all the time. The Bible said, "*He that goeth forth sowing in tears will doubtless return again, rejoicing, bringing with him precious sheaves.*" Is that right? All those things...

EXPLAINING HEALING AND JAIRUS. WOOD RIVER, IL 54-0216

E-48 Electricity will light up, if you'll work according to the law of electricity. Is that right? If you had an artisan well on this side of the hill putting out thousands of gallons of water per minute, and over on that side of the hill, another hill, you've got a crop burning up needing that water. Now, no matter how much you screamed to water, "Go up on the hill and water that crop," it'll never do it. But if you work according to the way of gravitation and run that water over on the hill, it'll water the crop. Is that right? But you've got to work according to the law of gravitation.

Well now, if God is here all in this building, right now. Do you believe that? We're all conscious--we're--wished I--you can't get it all in in one night. You see? You're conscious that God is here. Now, the only thing that we can do is work according to the law of God for our healing. Is that right? What is the law of God? His love. "*Perfect love cast out all fear.*" Love and faith is the same thing. See? Love, perfect love casts out all fear which gives faith. You see?

E-49 Now, if you'll just love God with all your heart. And if you've done something to you neighbor or somebody, just say in your heart now, "I love them too." See? "And I love God will all my heart, and I have... Brother Branham, I have criticized you a little bit, but I love you anyhow." See? All right. Now, just let that take place like that, and just get that whole atmosphere in here of love, then watch the law of God go to work just on that. See? That's--that's how it's... Just the same as it made the hornets go back, as it stopped the bull in the field, and oh, my, of the things that I could tell you...

WAY TO HAVE FELLOWSHIP. CHICAGO, IL 55-1009

E-18 I'd rather have a church... Listen, just a moment. I would rather have a church that knows nothing about any spiritual gift, and just be so in love with each other and with Christ, I'd rather have that than every spiritual gift operating in the church. Now, that might sound hard in a Pentecostal group, but I would rather have it. Where there is gifts, they'll fail. Where there is gifts, they'll bring confusion. Where there is gifts, they can be questioned. But where there is love, it is

perfect. That's right. And if you had perfect love you'd have perfect gifts. That's right. So work first with love. That brings fellowship, and fellowship brings gifts.

LOVE. HARRISONBURG, VA 58-0313

E-20 And as he rushed out on the platform, I didn't know him. And he let out a great big scream, and he set his teeth together, and his eyes pushed back. And he started walking towards me. And he said, "You hypocrite. You snake in the grass," he said, "upon this platform, posing yourself as a servant of God. You're nothing but a hypocrite."

Everyone kept still. About that time, two little policemen that I had led to Christ back in the dressing room run out to grab him. And I motioned to them. I said, "This is not a flesh and blood affair." But the strange thing was, that when the man went up there, I wasn't afraid. Now, perfect love casts out fear, and that's the reason people won't take God at His Word for healing. They don't love Him well enough, because you're scared He won't keep His Word. That's the reason that people fear somebody else will say something against them if they receive the Holy Spirit. They're afraid somebody will laugh and make fun.

JESUS CHRIST SAME. GRANDE PRAIRIE, AB 61-0516A

E-30 When the disciples was given power to heal the sick, ten days later we find them defeated on a epileptic case. And I'd imagine Peter saying, "Wait, I'll show you how I done it down at Capernaum."

And the other one saying, "I'll show you how I did it."

And none of them could make this demon leave the child. But when Jesus came, and the father went to see Jesus, and he said, "I've brought him to Your disciples and they could do nothing for him, and I've brought him to You."

He said, "I can, if you believe; for all things are possible to them that believe." And the child went into the hardest fit it ever had, 'cause that devil knew that he'd met faith on a different level than what the apostles had. He'd met a perfect faith.

That's what we must have: perfect faith to make the perfect Word of God perform perfectly. That's it. We must believe it without a shadow of doubt.

6. Beginning of sorrows.

MATTHEW 24:3-8

And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

All these are the beginning of sorrows.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 54-0103M

94-218 Now, notice, and since the First World War there has constantly been a persecution against the Jew. Up raised Hitler for the Second World War, and when he did, he begin to... What? He was going to tear the whole world right around. Is that right? He was going to tear it up, and right around. Yes, he was.

Everything had to be Communism. Do you remember when they was going to put me in this jail down here? I was preaching this same thing down here at the...?... Hall that night (Yes, sir.), saying, "There'll be three isms. And they'd all heap up in one ism, and that ism will bring forth a persecution that would send Jesus Christ to the earth again." That's exactly so. That was Communism, and--and Hitler and--and Nazi, and so forth; and how that Fascism of Mussolini, and Hitler, and Stalin. I said, "One of them will take the place of it. I don't know which one it'll be, but I believe it'll be the king of the north." Surely you remember those things and how those has been taught in here; and Brother Mahoney, you all from way back there though...

And they said, "If you preach that..."

95-221 And on this N.R.A. thing, I said, "That's not no mark of the beast, certainly not. It's a religious boycott, not that." I said, "That's just a forerunner to get the people ready, and knowing that it's just beginning.

Right here is the beginning of sorrow; right here's where we start in. Right here is when the--when the time begins to set close. Now, notice, there at that time..."

Now, the persecution come upon the Jews, and they begin to persecute them from every nation and drive them right into Jerusalem. Is that right?

7. Isaiah's sixty-six books is a complete commentary on the Bible.

WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST. CHICAGO, IL 54-0321

E-28 (...) Isaiah was a major prophet; he wrote a Bible in itself. There's sixty-six books in the--in Isaiah, sixty-six chapters in Isaiah, sixty-six books in the Bible. He starts off with creation like Genesis, right in the middle of the book, where the New Testament came, John the Baptist comes up, and then in the end, he ends it in the millennium: build houses and inhabit them, plant vineyards and eat thereof. He wrote a whole Bible. He was one of the prophets that God thought he was prophet enough to raise him up and let him see from end to the beginning, then the beginning to the end, back and forth, and Isaiah wrote it.

FUTURE HOME. JEFF. IN 64-0802

11-3 (...) Now, Isaiah the prophet was one of the prophets that wrote exactly the entire Bible in his prophecy. He starts out with the creation; in the middle of his book (about the 40th chapter) comes around John the Baptist (the New Testament); and winds up here, in his book, in the Revelations--in the millennium. There's sixty-six books in the Bible, and there's sixty-six chapters in Isaiah. He wrote a complete commentary. Now, we find out here now, he's getting the 65th chapter--one more chapter and he speaks of the millennium.

8. At Kadesh Barnea for nation. [Judgment seat is the Church.]

ISRAEL AT KADESH BARNEA. JEFF. IN 53-0328

72 Coming on up, that smitten Rock... When they had need of anything, they went to the Rock. Now, after all of that, and the blessings and things, they still murmured.

They come to the place called Kadesh-barnea. Now, we want to study this just a moment. Kadesh-barnea was the judgment seat of the world in the day. That's found, 13th chapter now of Numbers. And go to marking the Scriptures, if you wish now. In there was the judgment seat. Read the previous chapters to it, in your--in your studying. We just have to hit the high places now in three or four days revival like this, can't study it verse by verse. But it was a judgment seat. There was a great well there. Had many little wells out from it, the tributaries or--or springs from this great huge spring, Kadesh-barnea.

Perfect type of the church. The church is the judgment seat. Judgment begins in the house of God.

WATERS OF SEPARATION. MACON, GA 55-0606

E-5 Now, in this great journey that the children of Israel was in, at the time of the setting of this passage we have under consideration now, was when Moses had went down into Egypt and had brought the children of Israel out, and God in His mercy was making preparation of how that He could make a way for His people, when after they had sinned to be reconciled again back to Him. Wonderful, beautiful picture of the old type.

Now, I want you to see it, as Moses went down to deliver the children of Israel, how God worked miracles. The people had got into a time just about like they are now.

By the way, the journey from Egypt to Palestine was a type of the Church in its journey today. They--they--they were led naturally; we are led spiritually. I know many teachers of the schools, say that the promised land was represented heaven, but I think it represents the Millennium. Because they had wars and troubles still in the--in the promised land.

They come up, and to my opinion, the church tonight is at the stage of the old church age at Kadesh-Barnea, where they're wandering about after refusing to walk in the Light.

That's why I think America tonight, that our lovely land here is in the confusion, we can't have a revival seem like. Why, there's been enough Gospel preached around America, and God's worked enough signs and wonders to convert a thousand nations this size. Great men has crossed the country, Billy Graham and Oral Roberts, and many of the great men in the world today out preaching the Gospel of deliverance and so forth, and great crowds and throngs come out, they listen, go back, set down, and go on their same routine.

9. Seven natural seals opened. [Daniel & Revelation] [Open Book; Revelation 5:1-7] [Seven seals of redemption, inside the Book. A Seal, a mystery unfolding; trumpets and plagues.]

SEVEN CHURCH AGES. JEFF. IN 54-0512

25 And oh, how I wish now we were starting in for about a three-months teaching service, so you could get into the Book of Revelations and tie it in with Daniel, the great vision.

How many's left in the little flock here, that used to remember when I had the old chart across here? I know Brother Head was, and we had several of you here when they had the old chart.

How the Book of Revelations, how It's made up, and Daniel ties in with It. Isaiah ties in with It. All the Old Testament ties in with It. And It's the Book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ (See?), the Book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ.

And then, in there there's Seven Churches, Seven Plagues, Seven Seals, Seven Trumpets. Now, a trumpet represents war, a seal, a mystery unfolding; and a plague is what follows every war.

And by God's help, and with the book of history, I can prove to you that we're living at the Seventh Trumpet, for the Seventh Plague, and the Seventh Seal to be opened, and the Seventh Vial to be poured out.

When the sixth one sound... We'll get on that maybe the sealing away on Friday night. When the First World War, why, the--that Sixth Trumpet sounded according--exactly according to the time God spoke of it, exactly, geographically, following the seal before that. And when the mystery was revealed in there, for the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and the--and the people then, how the Church did not move up; and those who were moving refused to walk in Light, and went back; and the plague was opened at that time, and poured out upon the earth, which was influenza, that killed all the people as it did, the thousands times thousands...

And then coming down into this last age where we are here... And just come and listen what the Lord has to say about it in His Word. Now, that isn't my makeup. I'm just be reading it like a newspaper right out of the Word of God. So this is His direct revelation to the Church, to the Church: The Revelation of Jesus Christ to the Church.

SEVEN CHURCH AGES. JEFF. IN 54-0512

223 But listen, another Scripture comes to me. Daniel said... When He said, "Close..."

When he seen this Angel come down with a rainbow over His head, put one foot on the land, and one on the sea, and held up His hands, and swore by Him that lives from ever and ever. When those seven voices uttered their--the Seven Thunders uttered their voices, He said, "Seal it; not known until the last day." He said, "But the time this mystery of God should be finished, when these will be revealed to the Church; and He swore by Him that lives forever and forever, that time should be no more."

Listen what He said there then. He said, "*Go thy way, Daniel; shut up the Book.*" See? "*For thou shall rest, and you shall stand in the last days in your lot. But many of those who turn many to righteousness shall outshine the stars forever and forever.*"

There you are, "stars," those seven ministers, seven ministers, through Seven Church Ages, which consists of two thousand years.

From the first two-thousand years, the antediluvian destruction; second two-thousand years, the first coming of Christ; the third two-thousand years, the sixth, is the second coming of Christ; and the millennium, and the end, the seventh-day rest.

GOD'S PROVIDED WAY OF HEALING. CHICAGO, IL 54-0719

E-12 Now, before we open this Book... There's no man can open this Book. I might turn the pages back, and say "We'll read a chapter from here." But God is the only One can open this Book. You remember in the heaven, the Book was laying sealed with seven seals on the backside. You remember that? And did you ever think that we have come through Luther's justification, through Wesley's sanctification, through Pentecostal Holy Ghost, and still we're kindly muddling along? There's something else to be revealed. It's not written in here; it's in the seals.

We're going to teach on those things, the Lord willing, when I come back.

Remember, Daniel heard those seven voices, uttered their voices, and he started writing; He said, "Don't--don't write it." See? "It'll be revealed in the last days." Is that right?

John saw the same thing, and when he saw it on--on there, this Book on the backside, after it was done been taught all the way through, on the backside had seven seals. And these was to be loosened when the mystery of God would be fulfilled. We're at that time, for the seven mysteries to be opened up to the church.

Oh, what rich teaching this Bible produces. But no one--no one was able to even take the book, look thereon, or to loose the seals. And there was a Lamb, that had been slain from the foundation of the world, come took the hand out of the--the Book out of the hand of Him that set upon the throne, and opened the Book, and loosed the seals thereof. So let us speak to Him Who can do this, now, while we bow our heads.

REVELATION BOOK OF SYMBOLS. JEFF. IN 56-0617

13 Let's turn over to Revelation and start there just for a verse or two, to get a little background and teach for a few minutes, till the kiddies come out. And we'll close and have prayer for the sick, right away. Now, the Book is the last Book of the Bible. And there's no one in here... This same Book said that no man in heaven, or in earth, or beneath the earth, was worthy or able to take the book, to open it, or to loose the seals, or anything. No man, archbishop, or whoever he may be, he's not worthy, and had no way of doing it. And then the Lamb came, that was slain before the foundation of the world, and took the Book out of the right hand of Him that set upon the throne, and, for He was worthy, and He opened It and loosed the seals.

So let's just ask Him if He'll loose It to us this morning, and open It, while we bow our heads just a moment.

STAND STILL. SASKATOON, SK 57-0518

E-12 Now, blessed Father, we are, by Your grace tonight and by Your strength, we can raise back the pages of the Bible; but there's only One Who can open it. We read in the Bible that there was One setting on the throne Who had a Book in His hand. It was sealed inside and out with Seven Seals. And no man in heaven or in earth, or beneath the earth, was worthy to even take the Book, or to loose the Seals, or to look upon it. And a Lamb that had been slain from the foundation of the world, come and took the Book, and opened the seals, and loosed the things that was on the inside of it.

O Lamb of God, come tonight and open Your Word to us and our understanding that we might worship Thee. We ask in Jesus' Name. Amen.

IN HIS PRESENCE. JEFF. IN 62-0909E

2 And now, we will, just as soon as I can, I will announce when we are going to maybe start, I've had some calls this afternoon, knowing when we was going to start on these books, or this chapters. And I think, if the Lord willing, I want to take, the next time that we start on the Seven Seals of Revelation, and the seven natural seals. And then if we get through in time, take the seven seals on the back of the Book. See? Now, that may take a little time. See, there's seven seals that's opened; there's seven plagues, seven trumpets, all those sevens; and them seals we could take first. But then on the back of the Book is sealed with seven seals. Daniel heard the Voice as It thundered, and was forbidden to write it. John was forbidden to write it. But it was sealed on the backside of the Book, that is, after all of the mysteries of the Book has been given out and revealed. You notice Daniel said there the mysteries in the days of these voices, the mystery of God should be unfolded by that time (See?), the mystery, Who God is, how He was made flesh, all these things should be unfolded by that time. And then--then we're ready for the Seven Seals on the backside of the Book, that's not even revealed to men, not even wrote in the Bible, but they'll have to be just exactly compare with the rest of the Bible, and I think it'll be a great thing.

EPHESIAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1205

35 And now, tonight we are approaching seven church ages which were seven churches that was in Asia Minor at the time of the writing of the Book. These churches, at that time, must've had the characteristics of the church ages that was to come, because that... There were more churches than that, the Colossian church and many others at that time, but God picked these churches because of their characteristics.

Now, we find that Him standing in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks, He had in His hand a seven stars. And those seven stars, He said, in the 20th verse of the 1st chapter, that they are seven Angels to the seven churches.

Now, in the Bible they did not understand this Revelation. Because what good would it do them to watch and wait if they knowed there'd be thousands of years before Jesus came? It was not give to them.

And I say to this, to you people here, you Catholic people, to you Lutheran, to you Methodists, and so forth, it was not give to Martin Luther, the Light that's on the Word today. Neither was it give to John Wesley. John Wesley preached sanctification that Luther passed over. And the Light comes as we have need of Light. God says It, and It isn't opened up to us because It's hid to our eyes until the day that God's able to reveal it. Wonder what it'll be after we leave? Yea, I'm persuaded that there's very, very much more that we know nothing about. That is right. There's Seven Seals, if we just take the complete Book of Revelation, that's sealed on the back of the Book. It ain't even, isn't written in the Book. And them Seals are to be opened during this church age, and the seven last mysteries of God is to be made known. Oh, I'd like to just keep it all winter and go through It. Yes, sir. The seven church ages...

As Daniel heard the seven thunders and forbidden; and John heard the voices, and this Book was sealed, and the back of the book was sealed with Seven Seals; but in the days of these Seals to be opened, the mystery of God would be finished. In other words, God would be known to His church, not in three people, but as one Person. The mystery of God would be revealed, and when that was completely revealed, then the seven mysteries would open to the church; because in there, the church would be living under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Him moving in and out and showing His signs of being alive and among us, living among us, and we're then worshipping the living Christ that's among us.

REVELATION. CHAPTER 5. PART 2. JEFF. IN ROJC 61-0618

71 And remember, the seals are a mysterious thing. The Book was sealed and it was on the back, had seven seals that was not even revealed in the Book. These things are not even written in the Bible. But if anybody would give an interpretation of it, it would have to compare with the rest of the Bible. And, oh, I'm sure you're going to get a blessing out of it, or I think you will. I'm trusting you will.

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135 And soon as he advertised, "Who is worthy?" he was advertising the coming of the Kinsman Redeemer. And here He stood, a Lamb. And what did He do? Walked over to the throne where the Spirit of God was at, and took the Book out of the right hand of Him that sets upon the throne. And all the elders fell down and said, "Thou art worthy, because Thou wast slain." See? And then He became then... His Book of... Or at least the Book of redemption, or--or the Book of intercession in the church age was finished, now He becomes the Redeemer.

Now, the revealing of how He did it is going to be in these seven seals. Now, we notice in the... Like when the Book of the mediatorial work of Him was done, the work was finished, now in the first three chapters of the church, finished, but now redemption, redemption is to be revealed. What is it? Now, when He took this Book... Now, try to put on your deep thinking, 'cause we ever get these seven nights, you're going to--you're going to get it now.

If you don't get it, just raise up your hand, say, "I don't--I don't get it." See? look, 'cause I want you to be sure now.

Now, notice. Redemption... After, immediately after His intercession was done for the church, then He reveals Himself as the Kinsman Redeemer. You follow that now? And now He's going to reveal to the church how He did it. And then if this revelation has already started, then that proves we're at the end of the road. Amen. Now, you just see whether this is--whether it's right or not, as we go through the Scripture here.

We find out what was being revealed. What is the revelation of redemption? How was we redeemed? Just look here in these last few years what's happened: the revelation of the Name of Jesus in water baptism, the revelation of no eternal hell, never was known before (thinking your loved ones would be for eternal). See? And you can't have Eternal Life unless you're saved.

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146 'Cause it's not me, but it's the Holy Spirit, the very Angel of God that you see. How about these days here when all these things taken place, and this Angel of the Lord standing near. I wouldn't know these things, but it's the hour; it's here. When we get through these seven Spirits, then seven horns, and things today, if the Lord willing, you'll see where it's at. It's--it's the hour that we're in that these revelations are supposed to come. It's the Book of revelations, the revealing of Jesus Christ. And we found out the very first chapter, He revealed Who He was. Now He's in the seven seals revealing how He redeemed the earth.

And one of them was by the Name of Jesus Christ. The other was taking the fear out of the people, like eternal, eternal redemption, justification by faith, sanctification, the baptism of the Holy Spirit. And what? That we are eternally secured, taking all of the doubt now away from the people.

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155 Now, it's a Book of the Revelation, God revealing Himself. And now, through these great mysteries, He's revealing the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ in baptism; He's revealing that there's no such a thing as an eternal hell. It cannot be. There's no Scripture in the Bible says there's such a thing.

Now, there's a hell, and there's a lake of fire, and where the wicked are punished, but they're finally consumed. Maybe ten hundred million years, but they're finally consumed. 'Cause you cannot have Eternal Life unless you're saved. And if you burn eternally, you got to have Eternal Life. Why, common sense would show you that. See? How can you have eternal... How many knows when you got Eternal Life you're saved? Well, if you burn for eternal, won't you have to have Eternal Life to recognize it? So see, it just don't even make sense. See?

Now, security... Those who He foreknew, He called; those who He called, He has justified; those who He has justified, He has already glorified. Paul told us in the 1st chapter of Ephesians, that God, before the foundation of the world, has predestinated us unto the adoption of sons through Christ Jesus.

John tells us here in Revelations, that the enemy in the last days, that religious enemy, would get amongst people and have organizations and so forth, and cults and so forth, as they have today, and would deceive the very elected if it was possible, and would deceive all whose names are not put on the Lamb's Book of Life since the very foundation of the world.

When was your name put on the Lamb's Book of Life? Before the foundation of the world. When was Christ slain? Nineteen hundred years ago? No, sir. Before the foundation of the world. "The Lamb slain before the foundation of the world..."

See what it's doing? It's these seals opening up, just begin to reveal the plan of redemption, how He did it. It's all over now, just about--just about finishing up. So we're at the end time. So that's why the--the things are being revealed. All right.

Now, our Kinsman is handed the seven sealed Book of redemption from the original Owner, the original--the original Owner... When we lost it at the garden of Eden, through Adam, it went back to the original Owner. But there's been a poacher on the land, a squatter; that's Satan. He come over; he's a poacher. This earth don't belong to him; it belongs to God. But he's a poacher, a squatter. Man, I could say something right now, but I better not.

It is the title deed of our redemption, this seven-sealed Book. It's the title deed. You wait till we get into those seals.

He breaks the seals, reveals, gives us His inheritance to His people. He gives the inheritance that He inherited by becoming Kinsman Redeemer, and freely gives it out to us. It all belonged to Him. He was the One Who redeemed. But instead of keeping it Himself, He gives it back to the people. That's His love for us. Oh.

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180 They could not hold it for that, past that fiftieth day, 'cause that was the day of Jubilee when everything went back to its original beginning. And the--the power of God was taken back to its original, the fiftieth day, the year of Jubilee when all things went back.

Now, there will come another year of Jubilee and that, we've had it just about this time. If you noticed, Pentecost has been falling in America for about fifty years, somewhere on that time. Just about fifty years ago Pentecost begin to fall.

Now, what's happening, the church is receiving the seven sealed Book of the revelation of Jesus Christ of the seven seals and not one tenth of them can receive It.

But when you begin to see the year of Jubilee, where we don't have to fuss and strain and pull like this, but we're already secured in Christ... We already have the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ in baptism. We have all these great mysteries that we're going to bring up in these seven seals, and prove to you that them was the seals that was sealed from the eyes of the people. If God being my Helper, I'll prove to you that they could not see That by the Bible (Then, sure, if the Bible said so you'll believe it.), that they could not see nothing but Father, Son, and Holy Ghost until this time. They could not see that there was no eternal hell until this time. They could not see there was an eternal security; I--I mean for the real believer 'Course there's been a mock of it all the way around, an uncertain sound they give.

IN HIS PRESENCE. JEFF. IN 62-0909E

2 And now, we will, just as soon as I can, I will announce when we are going to maybe start, I've had some calls this afternoon, knowing when we was going to start on these books, or this chapters. And I think, if the Lord willing, I want to take, the next time that we start on the Seven Seals of Revelation, and the seven natural seals. And then if we get through in time, take the seven seals on the back of the Book. See? Now, that may take a little time. See, there's seven seals that's opened; there's seven plagues, seven trumpets, all those sevens; and them seals we could take first. But then on the back of the Book is sealed with seven seals. Daniel heard the Voice as It thundered, and was forbidden to write it. John was forbidden to write it. But it was sealed on the backside of the Book, that is, after all of the mysteries of the Book has been given out and revealed. You notice Daniel said there the mysteries in the days of these voices, the mystery of God should be unfolded by that time (See?), the mystery, Who God is, how He was made flesh, all these things should be unfolded by that time. And then--then we're ready for the Seven Seals on the backside of the Book, that's not even revealed to men, not even wrote in the Bible, but they'll have to be just exactly compare with the rest of the Bible, and I think it'll be a great thing.

BLASPHEMOUS NAMES. JEFF. IN 62-1104M

1-3 We have just returned from our--from our fall hunting trip (the brothers and I here), and we had a glorious time with... We're very grateful. All of us filled up and--and--and got our game that we were hunting for. And--and our pastor and I knows that venison's very, very good. And so, we had some fine deer. And I got a bear and two deer.

And we come back, and this is supposed to be the time that I'm to speak on those seven last seals. And they didn't get the church ready. And there's something, hindrance, that's caused it, that... I think the city's giving us a rough way, because of not adequate parking room for the amount of people that we're--that the church will hold.

IS THIS THE SIGN OF THE END, SIR. JEFF. IN 62-1230E

30-1 Now, you remember when that was told there, the angels and the church ages. And now in this, it'll dovetail right into these seven seals that we're coming to speak. And the seven seals that we're trying to speak of when I come this time, is the seven written seals. And these seven seals, as you know, is just the manifestation of the seven angels of the seven churches. But there are seven other seals that's on the back side of the Book, that's outside the Bible. Notice, we'll get to it in a moment.

Now, listen close. The seventh angel of Revelations 10:7 is the seventh church age messenger. See? Now, watch. And in the days... Now, watch here.

But in the day's of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished...

Now, sounding forth, this messenger, the seventh angel here, is sounding forth his Message to the Laodicean church. Notice his type of message. Now, it wasn't to the first angel (wasn't given that), second angel, third, fourth, fifth, sixth; but it is the seventh angel that had this type of message. What was it? Notice, his type of message: finishing all the mysteries of God that are written in the Book. The seventh angel is winding up all the mysteries that's lain loose-ended, all out through these organizations and denominations. The seventh angel gathers them up and finishes the entire mystery. That's what the Bible said: finishes the mystery of the written Book.

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32-6 Somebody's come forth with a chart, and drew it all out, and somebody's come forth with another thing and drew this all out contrary to this one. Some's come forth and said, "This is it," coming back to this, and others has wrote books and things like that. But God comes in the power of His resurrection and who's going to speak against it? If Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever, He does the same that He did yesterday, today, and forever. That's what this angel is supposed to do, take them mysteries, them loose ends, that people run out on...

Notice, if it gives an uncertain sound, unscriptural, who can prepare himself? But a trumpet... Did you notice, each one of those ages, as I told you about the church coming in, there was a trumpet sounded, a seal tore loose. And a trumpet means war. And if it don't give a Scriptural sound, what about it? But let me call this to your memory. Don't miss it now.

Notice, each church age had its messenger. We know that. Paul was the first messenger. And when the first trumpet sounded, and the first seal was tore loose... Paul was the first messenger as we found. And what did he do? Declare war.

On what? The orthodox church for not believing the Messiac sign that Jesus had produced to them. Why, they should've knowed it. They should've knowed Him.

Remember Paul come at the end of the age. All messengers come at the end of the age. It's at the end-time when these things are--are brought forth.

Paul, knowing the Scriptures, and knowing that Jesus was Messiah, and he blasted those synagogues from place to place with the Scriptures and was put out of everyone of them, till finally he shook the dust from his feet and turned to the Gentiles.

What was it? Sounding of a trumpet, an angel messenger standing there with the Word. Oh, my. Don't you miss that now. The Word... And Paul with the unadulterated interpretation of God's Word, blasted every one of them synagogues. Cost him his life.

How we could go down to Irenaeus, the one--the messenger of the next church age, and Saint Martin, the next church age, when they begin to get the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes begin to come in. And they blasted that age. Saint Martin blasted his age. And then Luther, the fifth messenger, he blasted that Catholic church with the Word of God. "The just shall live by faith," he said; and "This is not the literal body of Christ," and he throw the communion on the floor, walked out, and blasted that Catholic church. That trumpet sounded. That's right. That right?

33-7 John Wesley, raised up in the days of the Anglican church, when they said, "There is no more reason to have revivals," it went to seed. But John Wesley stood up with a message of the second work of grace: sanctification. And he blasted that Anglican church with the Gospel trumpet prepared for war. That's right. He did it.

Now, we're in the Laodicean age, when they've again denominated: Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Pentecostals, and we're looking for a prophet to come to blast this age and turn them back from their iniquity.

Now, if that's been the trend all the way down through the age, will God change His trend in this day? He can't change it. He has to keep the regular strike. And remember, this messenger was the seventh angel, and he was to take all the mysteries and gather them up.

IS THIS THE SIGN OF THE END, SIR? JEFF. IN 62-1230E

37-3 Notice, Revelations 5:1. Listen at this now.

And I saw in the right hand of him that set upon the throne a book written within... (The writing was with inside.)... and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.

Now, there's writing on the inside of the Book, but the backside had seven seals on the back of it that wasn't written in the Book. Now, this is the revelator talking: John. Now, remember, it wasn't written in the Book. "*And in the days of the voice of the seventh angel all this mystery that's written within should be finished.*" It should be taken care of in that day. Now, do you see what I mean? Are you following me?

Then is the time for the seven voices of Revelations 10 to be revealed. When the Book is finished, there's only one thing left, and that is the seven mysterious voices of thunder that was wrote on the backside of the Book that John was forbidden to write. Let me read it.

And I saw an angel--a mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire.

And he had in his hand a little book open:... (See, now watch this.)... and he set his right foot on the sea,... his left on the earth.

And he cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he cried, seven thunders uttered their voices. (Watch.)

And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write:

There was something said. It just wasn't a noise. Something was said. He was about to write.

... and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me...

Look where the voices was in the thunders, not in heaven, on earth. The thunders never uttered from the heavens; they uttered from the earth.

And I was about to write: when I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal... (Capital S-e-a-l)... *Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.*

It's on the backside. When a book is complete... Now, He didn't say on the front side; He said on the backside. After it's all done completed, then these seven thunder voices is the only thing that is stuck to the Book, that's not revealed. It's not even written in the Book.

Book, that's not revealed. It's not even written in the Book.

Oh, my. I wish I could get that to the people and could actually... Don't fail; don't--don't fail, please don't this time. I'm fixing to leave you. Don't fail. If you ever listened, listen. These seals are on the backside of the book, and at the time that the seventh angel is sounding, all the mysteries that are written in the Book is completed. And immediately, the Book that was open and written and within, is closed. The mysteries of God is finished; and this is the mysteries of God, the going

of the church, and all these other things. The mysteries is over. When that seventh angel sounds out every mystery, it's over.

IS THIS THE SIGN OF THE END, SIR? JEFF. IN 62-1230E
40-3 And seven thunders right in the revelation here of Jesus Christ, is some mystery. Does not the Bible say that this is the revelation of Jesus Christ? Why, there's some hidden mystery then of it. What is it? The seven thunders have it. For John was just about to write, and a voice came down from heaven, said, "Don't write it. But seal it. Seal it up. Put it on the backside of the Book." It's got to be revealed. It's the mysteries.

Now, we solved out these things by the Holy Spirit. It's told us it wasn't apples; it was sexual. Told us these things... There's not no-one able to stand before it. I never seen a preacher in my life agreed with it. But I've asked them.

IS THIS THE SIGN OF THE END, SIR? JEFF. IN 62-1230E
43-2 Now, look, when it is time for the seven voices, then it's time for the seven Voices when the Book is completed of Revelations 10 to be revealed. Now, notice, listen. Now, I won't keep you too much longer; I know I'm wearing you out here; its twenty minutes till ten. Listen close now. I know standing up and you all changing positions and things. I'll be glad when the church gets fixed so we won't have to be cramped up. We can take all day to preach it.

Now, notice. Now, note, the seven voices was thunders: blast.

God help us. If I'm wrong, Lord forgive me.

I'm asking you the question. It blasted with thunder when this voice rung out. Did you notice that when the seven seals, that followed the seven church ages; when the first seal was opened, that there was a thunder? The first seals in the Book was opened, there was a thunder. Would not the first seal on the outside Book open the same way? God doesn't change His program.

Let's turn over to Revelation 6.

And I saw when the Lamb had opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it was the noise of a thunder, and one of the four beasts said, Come and see.

Now, there never was another thunder; and the last seal was opened, there was space in heaven for a half hour of silence. But the first seal was opened, there was a blast of thunder.

Oh, church, could it be? Are we that far? Friends, think. Maybe... I hope it isn't, but what if it is? What was that blast? Before God and this open Bible, I lie not. Blast that shook the earth, and when the first seal of the seven that was opened in the Bible, it come forth, just one, but a blast that shook the whole thing: a thunder. And then, if the seals that's on the backside would open, would not it be a thunder too? I don't know. I can't say.

There was a thunder. The first seal... And the seal was a thunder, the trumpet was opened at that time, and the trumpet was blown at Pentecost, of course. I won't get into that.

Now, if the vision was Scriptural, the vision I'm speaking of, that I saw last Saturday morning as a week ago now. If, now remember here. If the vision was Scriptural, it must be interpreted by the Scripture, or a continuation of the same Scripture. I just waited so that soaks in. If this that I have seen... What it was, I do not know, but I'm scared to death. Are we wasted away? Are we at the end? Remember, this angel said when this taken place, He swore there'd be time no more. I wonder if we really get this?

You say, "Well look like it'd be blasting across... Brother, He comes in a minute when you think not. You'll hear it your last time.

44-3 Now, is it plain? When the first seal was opened, the seals that was inside the Book, these mysteries that was sounded forth: justification, sanctification, Roman Catholic church, Protestants, and when all their little battles and things left these loose ends in the Word of God, the seventh angel comes on and gathers them all up and explains them. See? And then he finishes; seven thunders utter out. John started to write. He said, "Don't write it, but seal it." And the first seal was opened of the seals on the inside of the Book; it opened with a thunder.

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IS THIS THE SIGN OF THE END, SIR? JEFF. IN 62-1230E
45-1 And then if this is a continuation for the sounding of these last trumpets or these last seven thunders that's coming forth, the mysteries, the last seals, it will have to compete--or compare with the rest the Scripture. And if them first ones in there opened with a blast of thunder, the second ones will too, that's on the backside.

Watch what happens. If the vision was Scripture, then it must be interpreted by the Scripture, or a continuation of the same Scripture.

Notice, Revelations 3 and 4. Seven thunders--seven thunders and then notice... (3 and 4). And then what? An oath from that mighty angel that time was finished. When these thunders (You see?), brought forth their voices, then the angel... Just think of it. A Angel clothed in a cloud, and a rainbow covered over His head. Why, you know Who that is. Put one foot on the land and on the sea and lift up His hand and swore that when them seven thunders uttered their voices, that time would be no more. And if the ministry of the mysteries of God is finished... What if that is them seven mysteries coming forth?

In a humble little church like ours, that the Almighty has come and regarded the low estate of His people.

EVENING MESSENGER. MESA, AZ 63-0116

74 Each age has had its message and messenger. God has seen to that. Every... Even in the church ages, we find out that each one had a messenger, and each one lived their age; and another one come in, and that one went out; and another one come in, on down to the seventh church age: each star, each angel of the church, each messenger.

And we find out at the last church age over in Revelations 10, there's to be a trumpet sound, and there was seven voices uttered at... They was not permitted to write. But it was sealed on the back side of the Book, the seven seals was on the back side of the Book. After the Book is written, then It's sealed back there with seven seals. Now, no one knows what they are. But It said, "In the days of the seventh angel sounding forth his Message..." that's earthly angel now. Because this Angel came down from heaven; and this was on earth. "Angel" is "a messenger," a messenger to the age.

And then we notice that He put His--had a rainbow over His head and raised up His hand and swore by Him that lives for ever and ever, that time should be no more when these seven voices uttered, seven thunders uttered their voices. And He told them, "Don't write, but seal it." And we found it was on the back side of the Book.

But when the seventh angel had finished his Message, his prophesying of the day, then the mystery of God should be finished (Everybody knows the Bible says that.): the mystery of God what God is, Who God is, and all about the way into the baptism and things, that should all be settled in that day.

Each messenger has had his message, and the--the message and the messenger of the age. And it is most remarkable that each messenger... We even found in the church ages (And tonight we'll go back in the Old Testament and find that it's the same thing.) that God sends the messenger of that age at the end of the time: always at the end, never at the beginning, at the end.

THE BREACH. JEFF. IN 63-0317E

99-3 Now, watch real close. This is something you must get. Now, He had been doing His mediatorial work making intercessions for the believer. For two thousand years He'd been back there, a Lamb. Now, He is stepping forth from eternity to take the title deeded Book, and to break the Seals, and reveal the mysteries. When of it? At the end time. Do you get it? All right, we'll go on then.

Now, break the Seals and release all the mysteries to them--to the seventh angel whose message is to reveal all the mysteries of God. The mysteries of God lays in these Seven Seals. See? That's what He said here. All the mysteries lays in these Seven Seals.

And the Lamb comes forth now from being a Mediator between God and man; He becomes a Lion. And when He becomes a Lion, He takes the Book; that's His rights. God's held it, the mystery, but now the Lamb comes. Nobody could take the Book. It's still in the hands of God. No pope, priest, whatever it might be, they can't take no--the Book. The Seven Seals hasn't been revealed. See? But when the Mediator, when His work is done as an Intercessor, He comes forth, and John... The elder said, "He's a Lion," and He comes forth. Watch Him. Oh, my. See?

He comes forth to take the Book (Now, watch.) to reveal the mysteries of God that others has guessed at in all these denominational ages. See then, the seventh angel... If this Book, mysteries, is the Word of God, the seventh angel has to be a prophet for the Word of God to come to. No priests, popes, or anything else can get it. The Word don't come to such. The Word of God comes only to a prophet: always. Malachi 4 promised such. And when He come forth, He'd take the mysteries of God, where the church had got all scrupled up in all these denominations, and restore the faith of the children back to the fathers; and then the world judgment would strike, and the earth would be burnt; and then the righteous would walk out upon the ashes of the wicked in the millennium. You understand it now? All right.

Others had guessed at in the denominational age, but see, he must be this man, the seventh angel of Revelation 10:1-4 is a... The seventh angel has the mysteries of God given to him and finishes all the mystery been left off down through the denominational ages.

10. Daniel's vision of Image. [Feet of iron and clay; Eisenhower and Khrushchev.] [Daniel 2:1-35]

DANIEL 2:31-35

Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof was terrible.

This image's head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass,

His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.

Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.

Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

SEVEN CHURCH AGES. JEFF. IN 54-0512

150 Now, we'll get into that in a few minutes, showing how the Old Testament typed up in seven ages. Seven ages set... Or seven churches set here in Asia, which the Bible plainly teaches, which was a shadow, or a type of the Seven Church Ages that was coming. And by God's help, and with the Bible, can prove that every church age landed just exactly where It said it would, just exactly where the Bible said it would. And we're at the end of the last church age.

I can go back in the Old Testament, pick up Daniel's dream, and show you the vision of the Gentile kingdom, how that he saw an image standing with a head of gold, breast of silver, and thighs of brass, and feet and legs of iron and clay; and showed how every one of those kingdoms have succeeded one another, just exactly the way the Bible said. And look, the head of gold, Babylon; Medes and Persia; Greek; and the Roman empire. And the Roman empire broke up into ten kingdoms, eastern and western Rome and so forth. And in there, there was iron and clay, and they wouldn't mix together: Protestant and Catholicism under the same Gentile domination. And he said that even to try to break one another's power they would intermarry with one another, just exactly what they're doing today, exactly.

And that kingdom in the days of those kings, the God of heaven cut a stone out of the mountain without hands, that smote this image in the feet and broke all the Gentile kingdoms down. And the Kingdom of Christ ruled, and reigned, and grewed, and covered the earth and the sea and the sky. The Gentile kingdoms faded away like trash, like the husk on a thrashing floor in the summertime. What a picture that we're living in. That's true.

BEGINNING END GENTILE DISPENSATION. JEFF. IN 55-0109

E-19 While Daniel being there he saw great visions and wrote concerning them for this great consolation that we have today, knowing and setting in order the end of the Gentile kingdom. Notice how perfect, just get it close now. He seen first the image standing in the field when he interpret the dream of the king. He was a spiritual man. He dreamed dreams, saw visions, interpret dreams. God was with him and everyone knew that too.

And when he saw the vision, the head of gold, and the breast here of silver, and the thighs of brass, and the feet of iron... Notice, each kingdom got a little harder. King Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom was the head of gold. He interpreted it, told him just exactly how those kingdoms would succeed each other unto the end.

Then notice, from gold is the softest; silver is next; then brass is next; then iron is next: harder, harder, colder, farther away. Notice. Then in the midst of all that, Daniel beheld the image until the Stone was hewed out of the mountain, that was cut out without hands, that rolled into the image and broke it and made it like wheat on the summer flash--thrashing floor, and the winds drive away, and the Stone grew into a great mountain that covered all the earth and the sea. That was the coming of the Lord Jesus, which is now at hand.

BEGINNING END GENTILE DISPENSATION. JEFF. IN 55-0109

E-34 The head of gold has passed away as Daniel said it would, the Babylonian kingdom. Succeeding that He said would be the Medes and Persian. They succeeded the Babylonian kingdom, and they fell away to who? The Grecians, Alexander the Great. And they fell away, to what? The Romans. And the Romans broke up to all the world, the eastern and western Rome, the two legs. And he said iron and clay was on the toes, the ten toes, the ten kingdoms. And he said they wouldn't mix, and they'd intermarry among one another, Romanism and Protestantism. And in that day when this thing exists, then the Stone was hewed out of the mountain without hands and rolled in and broke the thing to pieces. And it took the place of the image.

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E-61 Notice. Daniel had a vision. The head of gold was Babylon. Watch how that come down. Watch take the history in the Bible, and the next was the--the breast here of silver: Medes O Persians, the next was brass. Each time it got harder and harder, and it showed that the Gentile image could not stand because gold is the heaviest of all of them, and it was top heavy. It couldn't stand and each time from the... The gold was the softest. Then silver is next, and then brass next and then iron was next. Each one of those kingdoms has succeeded one another, just exactly the way the Bible said they would do.

And notice, he said then at the end time before the stone was hewed out of the mountain the image had ten toes.

Now, that would be five on each foot, two big toes. Four and five standing together, and as much as now to see that they were mixed with iron and clay. Now, remember that was the Gentile kingdom. Anyone knows that, that they were iron and clay; they would not mix. In so must as iron and clay won't mix, neither will these mix or cleave together. They can't get along.

Now, did you notice? Did you know what the name Khrushchev means in Russia? Dirt or clay. He was a heading up of them kingdoms. You know what Eisenhower means, the head of this? Iron. Iron and clay and they couldn't mix together. He took his shoe and beat it on the... There's no mixing together. They can't mix. They won't cleave one to the other.

Do you see friends? The next thing left is the stone to be cut out, the coming of the Lord, to roll into this image and mash it into pieces, and all these kingdoms will be ground and blown away like the chaff on a summer's thrashing floor. We're at the end time, brother, sister. Can't you see where we are?

Listen THUS SAITH THE LORD. Repent. I predict three curtains. In the Name of the Lord, there's one called the Iron Curtain, which will be Russia. Watch Red China. That'll be the Bamboo Curtain. They're horrible, but watch that Purple Curtain that's rising in the United States and over the world, the Roman Empire, the cruelest of all of them.

RESTORATION OF BRIDE TREE. JEFF. IN 62-0422

50-4 Don't you never fear communism. Communism is a godless move, but you hear some of these preachers stand in the pulpit condemning communism, communism; I don't believe in it either, but don't you--telling the church, "Oh, we're all going to be swallowed up; whole world is going to become communist." That's exactly contrary to God's Word. There's no place the Bible says that that'll be that way.

But the Bible says that Romanism, the Catholic church will...?... the world. Take Daniel and find out. The head of gold, King Nebuchadnezzar, Babylonian kingdom, Medes and Persians succeeded him; the Grecian Empire succeeded that; and Rome went to the end. Them ten toes run in every kingdom under the earth. Don't you...

There's an iron curtain; there's a bamboo curtain; and there's a purple curtain. Brother, don't you fear none of the rest of them, but watch that purple curtain. She's setting right here on the throne today in this country.

Remember, just like Ahab did, and Jezebel behind him, that's... The Bible calls the Catholic church Jezebel, prostitute. And Ahab wasn't no bad guy; I don't say that Mr. Kennedy isn't a nice man; I don't know nothing about him. He's a man; that's all I know. He's the President; I believe he will make a good president. It's not him; it's that system behind him. Wait till she gets wormed into the Cabinet and everywhere she can, then watch what happens. Look what it done in other nations; look what it's always done.

And don't the Bible say in Revelations 13... This nation's number thirteen: it's got thirteen stripes in the--thirteen stars in the flag, thirteen stripes in the flag, thirteen, everything in it's thirteen. Thirteen colonies, thirteen everything, and it's found in the 13th chapter of Revelations.

And the Bible said that she come up like a little lamb: freedom of religion; two little horns, civil and ecclesiastical. And after while they united, and he spoke like the dragon did, and done everything the dragon did before him. And the Bible said they made a image unto the beast: the Confederation of Church, just what they got in right now here in New York City. And there that great big morgue up there... And all you Methodist, Baptist, and Pentecostals, and every one of you economical--ecumenical people out there trying to do such things as that, and selling out your birthrights to join that bunch of Babylon... What's the matter with you? Sure. Selling your birthrights like Esau did, for a mess of pottage, that's all you're going to get; that's all: forming an image of the beast. Exactly. Don't you fear communism; you fear Catholicism.

51-3 Oh, they say it would come in with flatteries like a lamb; but said watch it, behind it--it's a wolf. It's a sneaker; you watch it (Yes, sir.), 'cause it's contrary to the Word. What the Word says has to come to pass. Communism ain't doing nothing but playing right in the hands of God. That's exactly. And why do they have to do that? God had to permit communism, so that it would made these--His Word come to pass. Sure. That's... Did you realize that? Did you ever think of that? God has to make His Word come to pass.

11. This is the third Angel's Message to the world.

REVELATION 14:6-9

And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

...And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0513

25 Now, the first I got a Scripture here to show whether--or just wrote out just so I could turn to It, and that is Saint... To begin with, let's just see what the mark of the beast is, and, "Is it dangerous to have this mark? Is it?" Now, in Revelations, the 14th chapter and the 9th verse, it's the third angel's message. Now, any Bible scholar...

I see Brother Stanley here, and two or three more ministers setting present. And last evening there was some brethren here from the Baptist seminary in Louisville, and perhaps there's some tonight. I do not know. And there's probably Methodists, Baptists, Catholic, and might be Orthodox Jew. I don't know. But it's not...

This is not to hurt anybody's feelings, not at all. And it's just for... Just the way the Bible is wrote, to read It and let you look at It yourself, and let's approach It just as sanely as we know how in the fear of God, knowing that He will judge us for our words. Our words will either bless us or condemn us at the day of the judgment.

And if I feel that I know something and keep it back, then God's going to make me pay for it at the day of judgment; and souls with their hands, saying, "Brother Branham, if you'd only told us, we wouldn't have been in this condition today."

I want to stand like Paul of old, "I'm free from all men's blood. For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God (That's right), just as I see It. And if I'm wrong, then God forgive me. These things never come... I never went to any seminary, never went to any school, never took anybody else's word about it. I went right straight into the Bible in prayer. And this is Divinely revealed by the Holy Spirit, the same Angel of God that directs me to see visions and so forth like that, and the healing of the sick. And you can judge by that whether it would be true or not.

30 Now, this is the third Angel's Message to the world. And you know what the third Angel's Message; it's going forth now in this day. This is the flying of the third Angel Message, if you're a Bible reader.

(...) (Continues in "Three woes".)

MARK OF THE BEAST. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0217

E-41 Now, now you see how it was represented in Ezekiel the 9th chapter at Jerusalem. Now, we come to Revelation. And now I'd like you that's got your pencils to write this down. I'd like you to write down Revelations 14:6 to 12. That's the three last angels, three angels, after the seven last angels there were three special angels come forth, did you notice that? And now, I want you to notice, them three last angels... The first angel, (that's Revelation 14:6 to 12), the first angel had sounded the trumpet of the Gospel, and had the everlasting Gospel to preach to all the world. The second angel kinda preached a holiness Gospel (See?), because he said that the church had committed fornication. And the third angel roared out to escape the mark of the beast.

Watch. The first angel, at the reformation, Luther preached the Gospel. Second angel, Wesley, sanctification. The fornication, he straightened up of the church. But the third message, the Pentecostal message should be, the true messenger warning them to escape the mark of the beast, saying, "*Whosoever receives the mark of the beast, the same will drink the wrath of God poured out without mixture into the cup of indignation, be poured out upon the people.*" That's the very message today, the third angel, the third message, the last message. The Lutheran message of justification, the Wesleyan message of sanctification, and the Pentecostal message of the Seal of God: escape the mark of the beast; come out of them big walls of Babylon; be sealed into the Kingdom of God.

Notice, the very next verse, the 12--13th verse, "*Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord.*" What's the next? Armageddon. Church is gone then after the third angel's message. We was preaching the other day in the church of them angels, and giving the seven last angels, and the angel's message. And this special anointing come of those three ages, those three last angels.

12. Three woes. [Millennium & Reformation]

REVELATION 9:12

One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.

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30 Now, this is the third Angel's message to the world. And you know what the third Angel's message; it's going forth now in this day. This is the flying of the third Angel message, if you're a Bible reader.

There was three woes followed it. The first one happened in World War One. Second one happened in World War Two. You see what we're going in now. All right. We're at the end of the road.

Now, let's get this on our mind, just before we read the Scripture. Positionally, we are bound to be at the end age. How long? I don't know; no one does.

But look, let's take historically speaking. The first two thousand years, the world order come to a climax, and God destroyed the world with water. You know that? Then it come forth as a new world. And the second two thousand years, it came to its end again and God sent Jesus. Is that right? This is the end of the next two thousand years, 1954. "And the Gospel," Jesus said, "the work would be cut short (for what?) the elect's sake, or no flesh would be saved," it would so wicked. So we're at the end time. And then the seventh, in type, is the millennium, a thousand years.

34 As God labored six thousand years... We know that a thousand years... One day in heaven is a thousand years on earth," II Peter. See? Now, and God built the world in six thousand years. And the Church labored against sin now for six thousand years. And the seventh thousand, God went to rest, and rested the seventh, and now a type of the millennium. The Church, the--lived here on earth, right here, in body form for a thousand years without sickness, sorrow, trouble, or death, that great golden age coming in now. Oh, for that... Oh, I like that song. The earth is groaning, crying for the day of sweet release when Jesus shall come back to earth again. I like that. Sin and sorrow, pain and death of this dark world shall cease in a glorious reign with Jesus of a thousand years of peace. The Bible said they ruled and reigned with Christ a thousand years, a millennium.

Now, this third Angel's message, just before the coming of the Lord when the seal and the mark was put on, now there's going to be a great roundup.

13. "...a short work will the Lord make..." [Romans 9:28]

ROMANS 9:28

For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. NEW YORK, NY 54-0824

E-3 This old world is just getting ripe for judgment now. When we see things that taking place like this at this time... Of all these different kinds of bombs and things. I... Hearing on the radio the other day, that where they can drop, I believe, four across the country here, or out in the sea, destroy the whole world. Just drop two or three down--out here in the Atlantic, and the first thing you know, there wouldn't even be an beetle alive in the whole United States, kill everything. All the buildings would be standing just like they are now...

I tell you, no wonder Jesus said, "Except the work be cut short, for the elect's sake, there would be no flesh saved." I believe we're near something. I'm not one of the people that tries to predict that Jesus is going to come this year or next year. I don't know when He's going to come and know one else knows when He is going to come. We just know what He said to look for. When we seen these signs appearing, then to lift up our head, redemption was drawing nigh. And we see those things now.

E-4 And Brother Baxter and I have made us a policy of trying to do our very best for everybody that we can, as long as we--we have the Light to walk in as we do today. We ought to be very thankful for a place where the Gospel can be preached.

There's many big city in this world, you know, like New York or not quite this big, but many great major cities that you couldn't open up a meeting like this. No, sir. They couldn't do it. And perhaps, we don't want to think this way, but perhaps, soon, it'll be that you won't be able to open up in New York. Communism has honey-coated the world. A great percent, over half of it, almost two-third of the world is already into communism.

What are we Christians doing? Here's the space we've got to go, from here to here. And we've come about this far. Jesus said, "The Gospel must be preached in all the world." But you know our ideas of it: we have tract societies, which is all right. We love that. And the men that's on the street passing out a tract are doing a wonderful work for the Lord Jesus. The Missionaries, all parts of the country... That's a wonderful thing if God's called them.

But what I think the Lord's going to make His message so quick to the world is this: That He's going to send out the power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit that'll just illuminate the whole world just in a few days' time. I believe He's calling a Church, pulling a people, getting them together for this great event that's coming to pass.

14. Living in another generation (day).

15. God will raise Him up another man when I'm gone.

["I'll not stand in another generation."]

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0513

77 So I found this, the Bible said, "David served the Lord well in his generation."

So I said, "Lord, I don't want no organization. Let me serve You with all my heart, while I'm here living." That's right. "And next, You'll have another man when I'm gone. You'll have somebody take its place." That's all.

Don't try to build upon some other. You can't build a fire on the same grounds. Israel had to keep journeying. When they stopped, they backslid. They had to keep moving every night; built a new fire every night, just keep moving on. And that's what we've got to do. What Luther had was fine; that was for Luther's day. What Wesley had was fine; that was Wesley's day. What the holiness had, that was fine; that was their day. We're living in another day. Now, we're--we're moving on. There'll be a day after us, it'll come just the same. But let's walk in the Light while Light is here.

DIVINE HEALING. JEFF. IN 54-1219M

233 That same man... You can sit in your church and hear Dr. Church and them, the very doctrines of the same church that believed the same thing, denies the Bible being inspired. God have mercy. I don't want no organization.

But help me to live so that in my generation... I'll not stand in another generation. I'll have nothing to judge them. I'll not have to stand the judgment with them. But I'll have to stand the judgment with men and women who I've lived with. That's where it counts yonder in the resurrection. When my days is finished and I've done my best, if I be God's servant, God will raise Him up another man in that day when I'm gone. So there's no need of me setting something around my theology; is me to live in what Light I have, and wait till--on God. For the next generation to come, He will have a man there when that generation comes up. Amen.

MAN THAT CAN TURN ON LIGHT. JEFF. IN 63-1229M

162 Yesterday's, Luther's manna would not work for Methodists. Methodist manna would not work for Pentecost. Pentecostal manna will not work for today. See what I mean? Every day it come day by day, fresh, and so has it to the church ages. Luther's manna was the message of justification. Wesley's message was the manifestation of sanctification; Pentecostal was the restoration of the gifts. But this is introducing the Headstone, the last day, the Bride Tree. It's contrary to all of it. And yet It's the same Light for the matured, like the same sun shine today will be ripening the grain for the

harvest in July. See what I mean? But the Light today won't do any good back there in July. It's stronger; the wheat's more advanced. It's ready to take it. Amen. Certainly it is. It couldn't take it now. It can then. The season wasn't right then; it is now.

You can't go against God's nature. He's got a law. And to contrary that law kills your plant. You've got to go according to God's spoken laws, and His Laws is His Word. Any law is a word spoken. And a word is a thought manifested. See?

INVISIBLE UNION OF THE BRIDE. SHREVEPORT, LA 65-1125

45-7 All at once we heard something from the top of the hill, a voice come down through the loud speaker said, "All things are ready."

Then this man, standing right there by the side of me, said, "Let the fire fall."

Here it comes pouring down across that mountain, a glacier of fire and blazes a licking, a sight to behold.

Brother, let's get all things ready, for one of these days, the fire's going to fall. We're going up. Now, let's get ready for the fire-falling time.

We're in the last days. We all know that. And we're ready for the coming of the Lord. The thing to do is separate yourself from all sin. Separate yourself from anything that pertains to the world. Don't love the world or the things of the world. Let no man, by his creed, deceive you. You stay right straight in the promise of God, the Word of God; and that Word, if It's the Word, for this day, God vindicates It so. If He doesn't, it's not the Word for this day. The Word that fell on the day of Pentecost will not work this day. No, sir, that was for Pentecost. This is for the Bride: going home of the Bride. We got something different. The Pentecostals represented that again. We're in the Bride age. No more than the Word of Noah would worked in the days of Moses. No more than Moses' law would've worked in the time of Paul, here. He tried to tell them, "You're dead to that. And you cannot have that."

46-3 Church, you, who I'm speaking to tonight across the nation, if you've separated yourself from denomination and all the filth and things of this world, and all those things that keeps you in manmade creeds, and orders, and things like that, you separated yourself, look up. Get ready. The fire's going to fall one of these days. God's going to let Him come, in a sight to behold. Would you be ready when He comes? Would you be ready to go up with Him when He comes? The secret rapture of the supernatural Bride... She'll be made from mortal to immortality; be changed in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye. We which are alive and remain shall not prevent them which are asleep.

THE RAPTURE. YUMA, AZ 65-1204

40 (...) What if Moses would've come and brought Noah's message, "We'll build an ark and float down the Nile"? It wouldn't have worked. And neither would Jesus' message have ever worked by Moses. And neither will Wesley's message ever work in Luther or Luther's message vice versa. And today, we--our last great reformation was Pentecost. And today we're moving from that, and the Pentecostal message won't mix with this, because it's another day. It's all the Word of God, but it's building. Like the feet, arms, coming up; it's forming a Bride for the rapture. See? Don't--don't displace them people back there; they lived to their message. All them will come out that was in the Bride. Just like life going through a stalk of wheat. It leaves the wheat--the hull, but the wheat forms itself, like the grain of wheat that fell in the ground.

16. United States as lamb. [Revelation 13:11-18]

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0513

154 Every orthodox believer here knows that the Gentile reign begin with King Nebuchadnezzar. Is that right? Every orthodox believer knows that. And King Nebuchadnezzar had a vision, and Daniel gave him the interpretation. Is that right? And it was a head of gold, which was the Babylonian; the second was the Medes and Persian; the next was the Grecian empire; then the Roman Empire. And at the end of the Roman Empire, Jesus Christ was the Rock that was hewed out of the mountain without hands that rolled in, and broke down the images (is that right?), covered the earth. Anyone knows that. Any believer knows that.

And how that in the last days when they broke up into these many different kingdoms, and so forth to the toes, there was iron and clay. And it means, the prophet said, "*As much as thou did see iron and clay won't mix together, neither will these cleave one to another.*" But they'll mingle them seeds, try... In other words, they'll marry into them, trying to raise their children and break for the powers, like that. And you know that's the truth. But a hold it's got, and you people knock down to it, "Oh," say, "it's wonderful."

Look at this Stevenson, ever what his name is, up here. Now, his... up here. What is his name? I forget just... Guy up here, that's raising all this fuss around here. Yeah. Oh, my.

This United States is rotten to the core. Yes, sir. I can prove to you the very time when... This woman here, back in Revelations 12, when the... Her--her man Child was caught up to set on God's throne, and when it did, the woman fled into the wilderness where she was taken care of for a thousand two hundred and threescore days to exactly the date of Plymouth Rock, exactly, where the church come over here for freedom of religion, and she established here.

And we'll read on down in 13th chapter of Revelations here, and look here at the 15th verse. And now, just a minute, I want to go back before that, and we see here where that He was standing here by the seaside. Now, if I can just find the place where, the 11th verse.

And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth... (not out--out of water, out of the earth).

Then, the thickness and multitudes of people is water, then this is where there was no people, the United States.

And he had two horns like a lamb...

"Two horns like a lamb," not a lamb. What is it? It's our American buffalo. Sure. See, there he is, "two horns like a lamb." But then what did he do? He had freedom of religion, first; he acted like a lamb; he spoke like a lamb. But remember, he never did become an old ram. He was a lamb. This country is only a hundred and fifty years old, you know, just a lamb.

... and then he spake like a dragon.

And he exercised all the power... the first beast had before him... (the red dragon)... and caused all that was on the earth, that dwelled upon the earth to worship the beast, whose deadly wound was healed. (Look!)

And--and he does great wonders, so to make him a fire come down out of heaven... (The atomic bomb, and hydrogen; smart, intelligent nation, and so forth, deceiving the nations by these things.)

This United States will come to a time that church and state will unite together. And Protestant and Catholic will throw their things together to fight communist. And it's exactly playing in the hands of what God said right here.

And you Protestants laying yonder, sound asleep, reading a love-story magazine instead of your Bible, Out, gadding around somewhere to some kind of a party, instead of in a prayer meeting somewhere; a fussing at one another about little old petty things that don't matter that much. [Brother Branham snaps his finger--Ed.] You ought to be on your knees somewhere, if you know what eternity meant.

163 Notice, when, King Nebuchadnezzar, in the beginning back yonder, when the Gentile age was issued in, let's watch how it come in. And the way it come in, you'll find out it goes out the same way. We know that there is a beginning of time of grace for the Gentiles, and an ending of time. Is that right?

Now, watch, when King Nebuchadnezzar... When Daniel was sent down there, a smart prophet, when all the rest of the Jews had kind of humbled down and was bowing to the Romans, or to the Babylonians... But there was three, four men; three (Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego), and Daniel, who purposed in their heart they'd serve God. And then when they throwed Shadrach, and so forth, in... And Daniel had become a great man, and before King Nebuchadnezzar and Belshazzar, and so forth. When he become a great man, now watch, King Nebuchadnezzar made an image of gold and set it up out in the field, and said that everybody would have to bow to that image.

Did you ever notice the innocence of it, who that image was made of? It was Daniel, the image of a man. And didn't He say, "the spirits of the gods," heathen...? And as they are today, got three or four of them. "The spirits of the gods lived in him," and they made an image to Daniel. And he said, "All that won't make bow to that image, will be throwed in the fiery furnace." You notice, Daniel's off the scene at that time. Get what I mean? "And ever who would not bow to that image should be cut to pieces, or throwed into the lions' den, or burnt in the fiery furnace, or something, a punishment."

That's the way the Gentile dispensation begin, with a pagan form of religious worship, with a persecution to make them bow to it. And the Bible predicts it'll end the same way, "a holy Man," Jesus Christ, an image to Him to worship it, and so forth.

TEN VIRGINS. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1211M

240 (...) The mark of the beast, let's take Revelations 13 just a minute. Revelations 13:15, and just read what the--what he's going to do. Revelation 13:15.

And he had power to give life unto the image... (Now, that is, unto the Protestant churches, the Protestant churches.)...

He had power, because they made a image. The Protestant churches through the--the Council of Churches, is making a place where that all Protestant fellowship will have to be united. How many knows or read of the great united building they got for the churches of the world? Sure. See? Up in--up there now, just like the U.N. nations... And all of them are there, every one of them, even to the Assemblies of God. They're there. They're there. See? It's dog-eat-dog. "As a hog goes to its wallow, and a dog to its vomit," right back the same thing (Absolutely.), almost denying their evangelical stand. And there you are, want to be big, want to act like the rest of the world, like Israel did when they seen the kings and said, "Make us a king." See?

And he... made a image unto the beast, and the image of the beast should both speak, and cause... as many as would not worship the image of the beast...

The image of the beast, the Protestant denomination, not the Catholic. This is America He's speaking of here (See?), 'cause this 13th chapter is on the American, the beast that come up out of the... See, all the other beasts come up out of water, which means "thickness and multitudes of people." But the beast here, it come up like a lamb, out of the ground where there was no people: had two horns, and then it spoke like a dragon. And they made a image of the beast that was in Europe, and made this over here a image to it. A consol... Uniting the churches together and making this Protestant

fellowship, and then they forced all the other churches, that they couldn't even buy or sell or anything else without they got this image of the beast.

243 Now, watch what takes place here.

And he caused all, both... great, rich... poor, free... bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their forehead: And that no man might buy or sell, till he... had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

Here is wisdom. Let him that has understanding count the numbers of the beast: for it is... number of a man; and his number is six hundred three score and six... (Which we know who that is, it's the hierarchy at Rome, pope.)

I been right there and seen it myself, would know, up over his place (his throne, as it was) like they set the first Boniface up, the III, up at the beginning of the Catholic age here. And up over there is VICARIUS FILII DEI, which means "a vicar of the Son of God." Dei, Dei, "Deity." See, see? "The vicar of the Son of God." In other words, "Just like the Son of God setting here on earth." See? All powers to change the Bible, change anything he wants to... Therefore, say, "Hail Mary." What does the pope say? "We'll have 'Hail Mary.'" That settles it. Uh-huh. "Well, we'll do so-and-so." What the pope says, that's it; that's it. "A vicar instead of the Son of God."

Just recently they had that dogma out that "Mary was not buried," (And they got her grave and everything marked where she's buried.), said, "No, she rose again and resurrected." The pope said, "That's it." and that's just it. It's infallible (See?); the pope said so. See, "Vicar of the Son of God..."

And said, "Now, anybody that wants to know who the beast is, where this power comes from," It said, "count the numbers and let them that has wisdom..." There that's one of the gifts of the Holy Ghost is wisdom. See? "*Let he that has wisdom count the numbers of the man, for it--count the numbers of the beast, for it's the number of man, and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.*" Now, you take the--and spell that name out, V-I-C... Oh, and--and just according to the words, and draw a line down here and--or add up the Roman numerals, and you'll find here you got six hundred and sixty-six. See? That's right.

247 "And now, let's make a image unto that beast." And over in this country they made a image: a confederation of denominations together, the Nicolaitanes getting together and denominated themselves; and finally will unite this brotherhood, not come in as Catholics, but they'll be united as a brotherhood to try to stamp out Communism.

And the Bible said that God raised up Communism to get revenge upon the nations for what they've done to the children of God. Exactly right. He said, "And they--they--they give their power and everything to the beast for one hour, and to revenge the people, the... of the blood that they had shed." And when that atomic bomb or whatever it is will strike that Vatican City, and the Roman hierarchy will be no more, it said, "And in her was found the blood of every martyr that ever was killed in the world." There she is. And here's the image to it, a confederation of churches.

Won't be long till we'll have to close them doors out yonder, that's right, or either take a denominational mark. And we'll close the doors. That's right. We'll... We know better than that.

17. The 10th Mystery of the seven stars of Revelation. [Rev. 1:20.]

SEVEN CHURCH AGES. JEFF. IN 54-0512

And he had in his right...

214 "Right." Everything in the Bible has a meaning to it. See?

... in his right hand seven stars... (Now, He--He's a King.)... and out of his mouth goes a sharp two-edged sword: and his countenances was like unto the sun shining in his strength.

Now, "*Out of His mouth goes a sharp two-edged sword,*" out of the mouth of This standing there, Christ and the Church as one...

... in His hand He held seven stars.

And you'll see in a few minutes; I want to get to it, let the Bible just speak what it was. It was the seven ministers, one minister to each age of these Seven Church Ages, come out, hold them in His right hand. Amen. There He is. There was seven angels, seven messengers, one to each church. Get it?

There He's standing there.

And out of His mouth goes a sharp two-edged Sword:...

What is a sharp two-edged sword? Hebrews the 4th chapter said, "The Word of God is sharper, more powerful than a two-edged sword, even going to the marrow of the bone, and a discerner of the thoughts of the mind." All right.

And when I saw him, I fell on my... I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand on me, saying, Fear not; I am the first and the last:

I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and I have the keys of hell and death. (That's Jesus. Now, watch.)

Write these things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and these things which shall be hereafter; (All right.)

And the mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, are... hand... and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are seven angels of the seven churches:...

218 Um, hold that. "Seven angels are seven ministers of the seven churches." There was a church of the leader of Ephesus. Now, if God would permit, and we'd continue on with this, and not take The Mark Of The Beast, I can show you every one of them, right down to this last age, which--which they was; show you the Philadelphian Church, which was the Methodists, John Wesley; show you the--the Church Thyatira, immediately after Pergamos; which was Martin Luther, and go right on down the age, and show each one of them that come and brought the message, established the message in the earth.

And right down to the last Message today, that's right, where God sent an Angel from heaven, a vindicated His servant, and sent a Message forth to everyone. This will not be a church. It'll not be an organization in this last days. 'Cause God has laid the organization on the shelf, and all of you're aware of that.

HEBREWS. CHAPTER 7. PART 2. CHURCH ORDER. JEFF. IN 57-0922
345-329 And in there we find out that He had seven varieties of Spirit. Is that right? The Bible said in the Revelation, that the seven Spirits before the throne of God (Is that right?), the seven manifold, seven Spirits. We find out there's seven colors; there's seven church ages, there... Oh, it--it just runs... Seven is complete, and God was complete in seven Spirits, and those Spirits were perfect. The first was a color of red, perfect love, redemption. And how if we had time to give those colors, and show that each one of those colors represents God's purity. Amen. Those colors, there's seven natural colors. Those colors represents the purity of God. And the... Those colors represent the motives of God, the attitude of God. Those seven colors, they represented seven church ages, seven stars, seven angels. All through the Scripture, seven ministers, seven messengers, seven messages, all in the sevens. Seven days; six days, and the seventh's the sabbath (perfect, complete). Oh, it's beautiful. If we just had the time to dig into it, and to bring it out, those colors...

PATMOS VISION. JEFF. IN 60-1204E
162 These lamp stems all fit into one great big bowl, one great big holder, and nine different--or seven different lampholders come out of it. And when they did, each one of those lights was drawing from the main resource of its life. And its light was because it had its candle dipped down into this main barrel. Oh, what a beautiful picture of one of those seven stars that represented that, with his life on fire with the Holy Ghost here. And he... By faith he's burning with the Holy Ghost, and his life is a candle--or not a candle, but a wick that's dipped into the Holy Spirit (into Christ), and through that wick he's drawing the Life of God out to give Light to his church. Oh, what a picture of the true believer. What kind of a Light's he giving? The same kind of Light that was when the first candle was lit.

When the first church age started, it was Ephesus. Paul, the angel of that church, one of the stars... There's seven stars which means seven angels, seven messengers. This week I can take the Scripture and the history and prove to you each one of those are true in each angel, and every angel had the same Light. That's right. Then right between these ages, that great One to come.

18. The 16th Mystery of water baptism; not trinitarianism of titles of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0513
110 Martin Luther come out with catechism, a whole lot of things. He come out with a baptism; he come out giving a triune, Trinitarian baptism which was never taught in the Bible, never taught in the Bible. There never was anybody ever baptized in a tritheist baptism in the Bible. If it's so, come show me where it's at. It's not there. The only way that they were commissioned to be baptized was, "*Go and teach all nations,*" He said back there, "*and baptize them into the Name,*" not in the name, "into the Name: Father, Son, Holy Spirit." And the disciples turned right around and baptized everybody in the Name of Jesus Christ, and commissioned that if anybody'd been baptized any other way, had to come and be rebaptized again before they could get the Holy Ghost. And here come the Catholic church out...

Put one place on the Bible where any person was ever baptized in the name of "the Father, Son, Holy Ghost." That's pretty blank, isn't it? Saturday night is the question night. I'll get it. We'll get to straighten that out. All right. All right.

I want anybody that can show me one place where any person was ever baptized in the name of "the Father, Son, Holy Ghost," I'll walk off the pulpit, say I'm a hypocrite. Anybody was baptized any other way had to come and be rebaptized again in the Name of Jesus Christ to receive the Holy Ghost. That's exactly. That's what the Bible said.

Q & A. IMAGE OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0515
177-Q-37 I got two or three; here's one right here:

37. *Brother Bill, what is the false baptism that you were speaking of last night, if it is water or Spirit? If it is water, and you said Jesus Christ's Name, why did Matthew 28:19... it'd say "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost"? Please explain.*

Now, these are kind of stinging, but I believe I got another one here somewhere, the same thing, oh, it's about three places. I'll try to get to it. Let's see. Will--will you bear with me for a few minutes? All right.

Now, let's just start now and answer these questions. Maybe we can skim through them, and get them maybe (the rest of them) tomorrow, if nothing else for Sunday school, or sometime. But these people, perhaps, are asking this, and tomorrow is baptism.

Now, whichever way you're baptized, that doesn't matter to me. But I want to tell you the apostolic doctrine of the Bible. See?

Now, we found out last night, that when the Catholic church was organized, that it come out with false communion, saying that when you receive the holy Eucharist, meaning the holy communion there, you receive the Holy Ghost. That is not the Holy Ghost; that's a wafer.

The Protestant church shakes hands, puts their names on the book; that's what they call receiving It. Now, but the real way to receive it was the baptism of the Spirit.

And now, the Catholic church brought out catechism. Luther had it; the Methodist church has it; Episcopalians have it; many of the other ones have it: catechism. Many of the traditions of the Catholic church still hangs onto the Protestant church; which forms her right in with it according to the Bible.

But there never was a person ever in all the pages of the Bible, ever baptized in the name of the Father, Son, Holy Ghost. There never was a person baptized in the name of Father, Son, Holy Ghost until the early Catholic church. It's not in the Bible nowhere. And if anybody can find a piece in there, and tell me and show me where one person was baptized using the name of the Father, Son, Holy Ghost please show me, for I've went through and through and through and through and through it for twenty-some-odd years now. And it's an error. It's a Catholic creed and not a Bible command.

178-176 Now, we'll find out why; we're going to your question, dear brother. St. John... I mean Matthew 28:19. All right, let's go back over. You turn with your Bible with me, so you can read with me. This is the place where it's spoke of. One place in the Bible of...

Didn't Jesus say, "In the mouth of two or three witnesses let every word be established"?

I can take you in the Bible where It said, "Judas Iscariot went and hung himself," and, "You go do likewise."

I can take you to where Jesus said, "When the Son of man (which Himself was) which now is in heaven shall come again," and standing right here on earth... And said, "The Son of man which now is in heaven," and standing right here on earth...

You have to know God to know His Word. You can't... No wonder you say It contradicts Itself. It's confusing. Because God said He wrote It that way to hide It from these scholars and so forth. And let people get humble at the altar, and God will reveal It to you.

Now, here's the Scripture, Matthew 28:19: only place in the Bible it ever mentioned these titles.

Go ye therefore,... teach all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Now, the way you're baptized is "In the name of the Father, in the name of the Son, and in the name of the Holy Ghost." That's not even in the Scripture. But it is here, "Teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name." Now, look right at your Bible and see if that says "in the names" or "in the Name."

Now, you say... Now, here not long ago in a meeting, a fellow said, "There's a contradiction in the Bible." Said, "I wish you'd explain it to me. Why did Jesus tell the people to baptize in the name of the Father, Son, Holy Ghost, and Peter turned around and baptized them in the Name of Jesus Christ in Acts 2:38?" Said, "If that don't contradict itself, I don't see a contradiction."

I said, "Just because you haven't sought God right."

He said, "Brother Branham, does it make any difference if I baptize this way or that way?" It certainly does, and I'll prove it by the Bible.

What if--what if Moses... God told Moses, coming up the bush, said, "Moses, take off your shoes; you're on holy ground."

He said, "Now, Lord, I'm a reverent man. My shoes are a little hard to take off, so I'll just take off my hat." He never said "hat," He said, "shoes." And what the Bible says is Truth. Now, if...

180-187 Here, this is ten days; this is the ascension. And when Jesus was taken up, He commissioned His disciples to go into all the world and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And ten days later... They went up to Jerusalem; they waited in the upper room until the Holy Ghost come; then when they begin to preach and go on... They said, "What can we do to be saved?"

Peter said, "*Repent, every one of you, and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ.*"

Then he went to the house of Cornelius; he said, "Repent, and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ."

He went over and found some people was already baptized, said, "You got to be baptized over again in the Name of Jesus Christ."

And went down in Samaria and said, "Baptize them in the Name of Jesus Christ..."

And not one time was them titles ever called over a person, never. "Now, there's a contradiction then," you say. No, it's not. Just ask the Holy Spirit now, and watch Him reveal it to you. Open your heart. Now, don't hold prejudice; if you do, God can't talk to you. But if you won't hold prejudice, say "I'm looking for really truth, Brother Branham."...

If Jesus told the disciples to go do this, and they went and done something over here different, and yet God blessed it, and all through the Bible... Now, did they do what Jesus told them not to do? If they did, they disobeyed, and God will

never honor disobedience. If He would, He would've honored Eve and stopped the whole thing in the beginning. When God says anything, He's got to keep His Word; He's sovereign. So then either Peter made a mistake...

"Oh," said, "that's what the apostles said," One fellow said, "That's what the apostles said; I'm going to do what Jesus said."

Well, if the apostles did what Jesus told them not to do, then what? And if the apostles which wrote this Bible, Paul wrote all of these, and Paul was the one made them be rebaptized again. And if Paul wrote this, biggest part of this New Testament, then what kind of a Bible have you got written that you're trying to read?

Let's just make it just This, act real sensible and see what the Word says. Now, this is for education; for you to know the Word of God.

Now, if Peter baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ after Jesus telling him to baptize in the name of Father, Son, Holy Ghost, he done contrary to what Jesus said. Is that true? Now, there's got to be something there. Now, let's just find out, and ask the Holy Ghost to show us. Now, the first place, now let's take--let's take the first Scripture, Matthew 28:19:

Go ye therefore,... teach all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father,... Son,... the Holy Ghost:

Look down on your Bible and see if that says "in the names of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Ghost." Does it? No, sir. Did it say, "in the name of the Father, in the name of the Son, in the name of the Holy Ghost"? It said, "*In the Name...*" Is that right? Well, the "name" is singular. Is that right? Well, which name did He want them to baptize, the name of the Father, or the name of the Son, or the name of the Holy Ghost? He said, "*In the Name.*" Well, frankly, there isn't either one of them a name.

How many fathers is in here, let's see your name--your hand. All right. Which one of you is named "Father"? Father is not a name; father's a title. How many sons are in here? Sure, every man, every male, they're sons. Well, which one of you is named "Son"? It's not a name; it's a title. Is that right? It's not a name; it's a title. Well, which one of you is named "Human"? How many humans is here? All of you. Well, which one of you is named "Human"? There is no such a thing; that's what you are. The Holy Ghost is not a name; that's what It is. I'm a human. So neither Father, Son, nor Holy Ghost is name; they're just three titles that goes to one Name.

Now, listen closely. What... Look here. I'll take this on just like a baby basis. If you said, "Well..." Like you was reading a--a storybook, and it said, "John and Mary lived happy ever after." And you wonder then, "Who is John and Mary?" Well, the only way you'll ever know who John and Mary is, is go back and read the beginning of the story and go through it. Is that right?

Well, if Jesus said here, "*Baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,*" and Father's no name, and Son's no name, and the Holy Ghost is no name, what, Who is this Fellow? We want to know Who He is. Now, the best thing to do... That's the last chapter of Matthew, the last verse. Let's turn back to the 1st chapter of Matthew and the first verses and start off, find out Who this Father, Son, Holy Ghost is. Now, I just want to do this for the children there, so they'll get it also.

182-203 First thing is to straighten out you on your trinity: Father, Son, Holy Spirit. Now, in the first place, not one place in the Bible was trinity ever mentioned. You find it and show it to me. There's no such a thing. It's Catholic error, and you Protestants bow to it. Notice. Now, what is this? I said this is Who? Father. This is Who? Son. And this is Who? [Congregation says, "Holy Ghost."--Ed.] Now, the Father is the father of Who? The Son. Is that right? Now, this is Jesus' Father. Don't get them mixed up, now. This here is the Father; this is the Son, and this is the Holy Ghost. Is that right? Now, the people put it, "Three different people, three different Gods, three different personalities." No wonder the Jews can't understand it. All right.

Matthew the 1st chapter starts off with genealogies of Jesus Christ, "Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob," so on, down like that till it comes down to the 18th verse:

Now, the birth of Jesus Christ...

Here it is, the 18th verse:

Now, the birth of Jesus Christ... (follow me with your Bible)... the birth of this man Jesus Christ was on this wise: When... his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph,... she was found with a child of God, the Father.

Did I read That right? What does it say?

[Congregation says, "The Holy Ghost."--Ed.]

Found with a child of Who? I thought somebody said this Man was His Father? The Bible said this Man was His Father)... *she was found with a child of the Holy Ghost.*

Now, what kind of a child you got? As Jesus plainly said, God was His Father (Is that right?), God is His Father... Well, what's the Holy Ghost got to do with it then? If the Bible said the Holy Ghost was His Father, and Jesus said God was His Father, and you said God was His Father, and now the Bible says over here that there's three--two different people, God had nothing to do with it; the Holy Ghost is His Father.

Now, let's read a little farther:

Joseph her husband, being a just man, was not willingly to make her a publick example but was minded to put her away privily.

But, behold, while he thought on these things,... the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. (Not God the Father; God, the Holy Ghost.)

See where your tritheist idea would go to? It would put Jesus a illegitimate child. Certainly. That's an error: no Scripture for that. Now, you'll have to admit that God the Father, that God the Holy Ghost is the same Person, or Jesus had two different daddies. Is that right? Of course it's right. The Bible said, "The Holy Ghost was His Father," and the Bible said, "God was His Father." Now, which is His Father? The Holy Ghost and God is the same Spirit; It's the same Thing.

... all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, by the Lord, saying,

... a virgin shall conceive... and bring forth a child, and they... (this One) ... and they shall call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from the sins.

And this was all done, that it might be fulfilled,..

... and his name shall be called Emmanuel, which is by interpretation, God with us.

Now, Who is Father, Son, and Holy Ghost? Did Peter do wrong? He done what Jesus told him. That's three titles.

I'm a minister, and I'm a father, and I'm a "Reverend," they call it (a title), but none of that's my name. My name's William Branham.

He was the Father; He was Son; He was Holy Ghost. You try to make three Gods, friend; it's wrong; it's error. There's three dispensations that the tritheist got mixed up with. God the Father was the Spirit that hung over the children of Israel in the Pillar of Fire. Is that right? God was there. Then God was made flesh and dwelled among us (Is that right?) in His Son. Now, He's condescending down till He come into the heart of man by the Holy Spirit.

God is like a three-foot rule, or, a three-foot rule, yes. The first twelve inches was God the Father; the second twelve inches, God the Son, the same God; third twelve inches was God the Holy Ghost, the same God. Jesus said...

You say, "We got the Holy Ghost in us." That's right.

But Jesus said, "*A little while, and the world seeth Me no more.* Yet you'll see Me, for I ('I' is a personal pronoun.), I will be with you, even in you, to the end of the world." Where's the Holy Ghost at then? "I'll not leave you comfortless; I'll come again and be with you." That's it.

184-216 You see, you misunderstand it, friend. It's one God in three dispensations. The dispensation of the Fatherhood, Sonship, and Holy Spirit, it's the same God. And when He said, "Go baptize them in the Name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit," it was Jesus Christ. And that's why we baptize in Jesus' Name.

Now, look, let's get the baptisms here. The first time baptism was ever mentioned in the New Testament was John the Baptist. Is that right? (I'll place this up here.) You see, you have to get your Godhead straightened out before you can get baptism straightened out.

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19. The 11th Mystery Babylon, the prostitute. [Revelation 17:1-19, Revelation 13:1-10]

[Includes the Beast, Image of the Beast and Mark of the Beast]

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0513

177 Now, we see all this now heaping down. I got twenty minutes. I want you to turn with me to the 17th chapter Revelations to finish up just in a few moments. Now, we're going to hit the road home. Listen close. Read with me. Open up your Bible and get ready to read. This ought to seal it.

Remember, there is two marks: one's apostasy, the other one is the Holy Spirit. One is the mark of the Devil.

Remember, I've said this, that the early Catholic church... Now, Catholic people, set reverent for a few minutes. The early Catholic church formed their own opinion about the thing. They had a false doctrine of the holy eucharist, of taking a wafer instead of the baptism of the Spirit.

The Protestant adopt shaking hands, or making a pledge. Both of them is wrong according to the Word of God. This is the Blueprint. They come and baptize, "Father, Son, Holy Spirit," when it's not one speck of time anybody was ever baptized that way, which is absolutely a pagan, Catholic baptism. And they admit it, and say, "You Protestants bow to our baptism."

I said, "Why do you do it?"

Said, "The Catholic church has power to change any Scripture they want to."

I said, "That's a lie."

He said, "Why do you bow to it then?"

Ah, then you'll shut up. Not me, I don't believe in it. This is God's Word. That's right. If people want to follow, they have to go alone. I'm have to tell the Truth. That's right.

Notice, then they come out with all this other, the church, join its old catechism and all those things there. What a bunch of tommyrot and nonsense. And it's hatched out billions of infidels and cold formal...

It's the Devil's at the beginning... And I can prove to you that the Bible said here, "All the world wondered after this beast power, which was, which is not, yet it is." How could it be, was, and is not? Said, "All whole world wondered about it."

When pagan Roman become papal Rome, it never ceased. The system of Romanism ceased; when a new king come in, he just set up a new order. But when it come into pagan Roman through the Catholic church, through papalism, it never ceases. If one pope dies, they set up another one; one pope dies, they set up another one. "The beast which was, which is not, yet is; which is not, which yet is; which... and shall go into perdition." THUS SAITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, through the Scripture.

186 Now, listen. "And there came one..." All of you watch now, the 17th chapter.

And there came to me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials... (that's the last vials, that's poured out)... and talked with me, saying... Come hither; and I will show... thee the judgment of the great whore that sit upon many waters:

Watch Revelations 12. That was a virgin woman. She was a real lady. How beautiful she stood. But here's one called a prostitute, "w-h-o-r-e," means an un... What is that? Let's idolize this, or, analyze it.

Excuse me. Getting too fast; thinking I got fifteen minutes. I'm going to stay another hour then, so just keep...?...

Look. All right. Look, let's analyze it down. She is a foul woman. What is a whore? I hate to say the word, but it's written here in the Bible. It's a woman that professes to be a good woman, and commits adultery with other men. Now, if a woman represents the church, then it's a church that professes to be Christian and commits adultery with other things. Is that right?

"And she sits up on many waters; thickness and multitudes of people." Read the... about the 15th verse and you'll see that. See? Or, 17th, along in there. We'll get to it in a minute. The woman that sit upon many waters; the whore, what a thing.

Now, if we had days after days, I could take that woman and trace her from Cain to the coming of the Lord Jesus, and prove to you she was the first one to organize a church. She's the mother of organization. Watch, "And the woman which set upon many waters, upon, setting upon many waters..."

Now, the 2nd verse.

... whom the... (k-i-n-g-s)... kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

In other words, she's professing to be a Christian church, high, beautiful. Watch how she's dressed in a few minutes, with pearls and gold and stones. They said, "Who's like her?"

And she had a cup in her hand, full of the wine of her fornications, her filthiness, her doctrine that she was causing the kings; "Oh, just to have a little prayer and pray you out of purgatory," and all these things. That's it. There you are. That's the Word of God I'm reading. Look, "So he carried me away in the..." Now, let's see, you may want...?... That's that 3rd verse now. All right.

And he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sitting upon a scarlet colo... beast... ("Scarlet," rich, the richest church in the world.)

They cry here, "Who can make war with her?" There's one man in the world, only one man in the world, of all the world, that has power as King Nebuchadnezzar's vision was. Them ten toes run out into every... That streak of Roman iron runs out in every nation in the world. There's not another man in the world got the say-so that the pope of Rome has. President Eisenhower can speak in the United States, and it's law; but there's other nations he can speak into and it's nothing. But the Catholic hierarchy can speak in Rome and every nation will holler to it. That's right. There he is. Now, we're going to see where he's at, and see if that's him or not, see if he's pictured here right. All right.

... and I saw a woman sitting upon a scarlet coloured beast, rich, full of names of blasphemy...

False baptism; false economy, leading the people blindly, telling them they can just come to church, make their confession, and so forth, do a "Hail Mary," do a penitence. Ignorance. Nonsense. I don't see how people, good civil minds, could believe such things.

... having seven heads...

There you are again, this same demon that's all around, the red dragon, the beast and everything's got "seven heads, ten horns."

"And the woman," the woman, now, the church... Now, the beast is the power she had, the Roman Catholic church, but the Roman Catholic power. But here's the church speaking now.

And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of the abomination and the filthiness of her fornication:

There she is, and some church you know. Isn't it? Got to be there, she's pictured out. Just read on down and we'll see who she is.

And upon her head was written the name, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS, THE ABOMINATION OF THE EARTH.

All right, Protestant, here's where you get squeezed. You'll admit she's a prostitute, but she was a mother (of what, of sons?) of harlots." That would be women. Is that right? That'd be churches then. Is that right? She is the mother church then, isn't she? Where did Martin Luther come from? Catholicism. Where'd all these hatch out of? Catholicism, bringing their same doctrine, and you bow to it.

200 Now, the orneriest woman in Jeffersonville can bring forth a good, true, virgin girl. That's right. And she can go straight if she wants to. And so do the Lutheran church, the Methodist, the and Baptist, and the Presbyterian, and so forth; they went straight for awhile when their--when their founders were there preaching the Gospel to them. But now they go to shows, dances, television, smoke, do everything else (you know it's the truth), stay home on Sunday. What is it? Because your harlot is acting like her mammy. That's exactly. That's exactly.

Now, let's see where the color lays. The Bible said she was the mother of harlots. And everyone knows that that was pagan Rome, or Mrs. Papal Rome, the Catholic church. In a minute, I'll show you, positionally puts her in the earth just exactly where she'll be setting. Right. Where she's at and who she is, the Bible said so, not me; the Bible. And said that she brought forth a lot of daughter churches after her. All right now, Methodist, and Baptist, and Lutheran and so forth, you see where you come to, a mother of harlots.

Q & A. IMAGE OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0515
157-45 And now, the next beast... Or, the next thing is this here:

What does the image of the beast mean?

It's--it's a joint question to that, and the person who asked it has a good question. What make now, if... The Bible clearly teaches that the Catholic church is the--the beast. The Bible said that a "beast" means "a power." Is that right? A beast, the Bible says that the beast meant a power. And the beast was the Vatican City, the Catholic hierarchy. All right. And now, that was the power of the church that was the beast.

Then the Protestant church come out of the Catholic church, and organized themselves a little power. That is a image.

WHY ARE WE NOT A DENOMINATION? JEFF. IN 58-0927

41 And this woman is a prostitute, we're speaking of here. Now, you get what the power is now? The--the power, what the--means that the beast, she was on a scarlet. Now, what kind of a beast would it be? Scarlet, that would be a "rich power." What kind of a church is this she's going to be now? She's a rich church, and she's a great church, and she's a powerful church, and she--influence sweeps the multitudes and people. And the kings of the earth have committed spiritual fornications with her; that's the great men of the earth. Now we're going to find out who she is just in a minute, and find out about these denominations.

And the woman was arrayed in purple... (kingly),... arrayed in purple and scarlet colors, decked with gold and precious stones... pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of the abomination and filthiness of her fornication:

What'd she have in her hand? Her doctrine, what she was holding out to the people, "We are the church. We are this." And she's made the kings of the earth become drunk with her like that. "We are this. We're the great powers. We sweep every nation. We're the greatest church there is. Come on, drink of our... Here, pour out a little bit of it; you take it; you take it." There it is (See?), "and she had in her hand a cup."

Look.

And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colors,... decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of the abomination and filthiness of her fornication:

Now, friends, we're not reading a daily newspaper; we're reading God's eternal and blessed Word. All heavens and earth will pass, but that Word will remain. That's right.

And upon her head was written a name, was a name written... (rather,)... MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS, THE ABOMINATION OF THE EARTH.

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95 Now, now here's your shocking point. You say, "Well, you ain't hitting me, Brother Branham." But let me just ask you something. Let's go right back now to the 5th verse.

And upon her head was... written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF ABOMINATIONS,...(or)... THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

What was she? W-h-o-r-e. And she was a m-o-t-h-e-r. What? M-o-t-h-e-r, she had begotten something. A mother of sons? Of harlots. What is a harlot? Same thing as a--as a whore: immoral woman. What made her immoral? Her doctrine. She was pretending to be a Christian church, but was giving out manmade dogma. And here she said that she had... If she was the first organization, then seems like there's some organizations come out of her. She was the mother of harlots. Is that right? A mother of harlots. Couldn't be a mother now of boys. Couldn't be a mother of... It had to be mother of women. And if they were women, they were churches. Now, let's find out. What come out of the...

What was the first organization? Catholic church. What was the second organization? Luther. What was the third organization? Zwingli. What'd it come on down to? Calvin. And then it come into Anglican, and the Anglican on down into Methodist. The Methodists, what'd the Methodists produce? Out of there come Alexander Campbell. And out of Alexander Campbell come John Smith; out of Alexander Campbell was the Christian church, then they had four or five Church of Christ and all those other little isms run out. Then here come the Baptist church, it had a lot of little pull outs. And out of the Methodist church come--out of the Methodist church come, first come, the Wesleyan Methodist, then they broke off four or five times. Then they come to another type of Methodist, and then they come off again, then they come to the Free Methodist. And--and then they come from that to the Nazarene. And from the Nazarene to the Pilgrim Holiness, and the Pilgrim Holiness on down. Just little "isms" running out like that, keep running on down, each one of them little--little starters back there, come right on down. And what did every one of them do? They finally wounded up in Pentecost. [All tape]

20. Blaspheming.

MATTHEW 12:31-32

Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men

And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the world to come.

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0513

172 (...) God called you, you'll come to It; but if you're not, I don't care how religious you are, you're gone; that's all. You can't come, no man can, except He called you. And He's not willing that any should perish, but a lot of you will because you're too unconcerned about it.

And you'll go around and see something looks a little fanatically, a little shadowed, "Well, Dr. So-and-so said so-and-so, and so forth." And then you walk around and blaspheme the Holy Ghost. You know that's right, and it's never to be forgiven.

You're going to find out in a few minutes what the mark of the devil is, what the--what the seal of the devil is, the mark of the beast. "*Whosoever speaks against the Holy Ghost, will never be forgiven him in this world or the world to come.*" Watch that first church, what they done. Watch out about this second church. You could seal yourself out of the Kingdom of God and into the devil; out into where there's no forgiveness in this world nor the one to come. Truly. So be careful, walk reverently. Be careful what you do, for you don't know what will take place.

SEAL OF GOD. JEFF. IN 54-0514

280 (...) And the people today that are laughing at speaking in tongues, that are laughing at Divine healing, that are laughing at prophecy, that are laughing at the manifestation of the Spirit; and the same spirit that dominated those Jews back here, that blasphemed the Holy Ghost back there, and died under Divine judgment... This United States is bound for Divine judgment under the power of the Holy Ghost. They've condemned, and make fun, and turned out, and call us "holy-rollers" and everything else. But the hour is here when God will pour out His divine judgment. Amen.

DIVINE HEALING. DES MOINES, IA 54-0620E

E-51 Remember what Jesus said, "*Go ye, and,*" what no more? "*sin no more* (Is that right?) *or a worse thing come upon you.*" What is sin? Unbelief. Exactly right.

I heard someone the other day trying to preach the blas--the blasphemy of the Holy Ghost. He said, "A Christian couldn't blaspheme the Holy Ghost." I--And then turned around and read Hebrews 6.

I thought, "*Oh, brother, he was once made enlightened, and made partakers of the Holy Ghost, to fall away and to renew himself again unto repentance.*" Sure. He can blaspheme the Holy Ghost.

Jesus said, "*That they had blasphemed the Holy Ghost, 'cause they said He has a devil.*"

E-52 Look here, Hebrews 10 said this, "*He...* (I'm closing) *He that sins willfully, after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sin.*" Hebrews 10, I believe, 47. Is that right? "*He that sins willfully, after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sin, but a fearful looking for the fire, to the judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.*"

Now, he that what willfully? "*He that sins.*" And what is sin? Unbelief. He that will turn his back on truth, when it's presented to him, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sin. Did you ever read it that--like that? He that disbelieves willfully, after truth has been present to him because his church believes different. That's when you cross the line. He that sins willfully, after he has received the knowledge of the truth there remaineth no more sacrifice [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] He has a knowledge of the truth, and won't accept it.

21. Beauty is deceitful.

PROVERBS 31:30

Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

I WILL RESTORE. DES MOINES, IA 54-0620A

E-26 Notice this now, as we go along. Now, Cain came and made his sacrifice. And by the way, God don't want lilies on the altar. He wants sinners on the altar. God don't want your lily; He wants you. You're the person needs to be on the altar. And anyhow, and all this today...

And we've noticed that Satan in the beginning, in the origin, back in the initial condition, he was full of pomp. He wanted something, a better kingdom than Michael, so he goes over to the north and sets him up a kingdom, greater, more beautiful.

Don't you see how beauty is deceitful? And how our churches today are seeing who can build the biggest church, who can make the best pews, who can make--get the best-dressed crowd, the more honorable people among the city to come... That's all of the devil. You may be angry with me after this, but when I meet you at judgment, you'll know that I've spoke to you in the Name of the Lord. That's right.

SEPARATION FROM UNBELIEF. PHOENIX, AZ 55-0228

E-25 But you take the people of a whole in America, oh, my, they're well fed, and...?... They don't have to worry about anything. They got all the money they want, and thousands and millions of dollars, making yearly, and fine cars, big summer homes, and places, and everything. They don't have to worry. What's religion to them? Just a place to set around, someplace to say, "Well, I belong to the church." And they'll find the highest and most practical church that they can go to. And did you know, that's the very side of Satan? I hope we don't get rough about it, but remember, in heaven what made Lucifer jealous? He goes over in the north and puts him up a better kingdom; he wanted a bigger kingdom, more brighter, better, prettier.

The devil always works in beauty. Sure he does. That's the reason Cain offered what he did for his offering. But there was no beauty in Abel bringing his lamb, but Abel had a spiritual revelation from God, that that's what God would be pleased with. And as we have said, only through spiritual revelation, can you ever know God. You'll never know Him by knowledge.

UNITED UNDER ONE HEAD. MIDDLETOWN, OH 58-0326

E-15 And they'll put some kind of a sign board out, of some little lady, nice looking in some kind of a little immoral looking clothes. And she thinks, "Oh, that's just pretty." It's looking at it through the eye, but it's death dressed up. That's all it is: death formed in the form of beauty. And remember, beauty is deceitful.

It was Satan's idea to make a better and a more prettier kingdom than Michael's. Beauty was the downfall to begin with. And the devil has used that ever since. What a thing it is today to see that the kingdom of the devil is made so pretty. And lot of people fall for it.

MARK OF THE BEAST. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0217

E-23 But Cain, he wanted something beautiful. Now, last night I was saying, remember, beauty, that's what the--attraction of the eye. The Catholic church long--learned that long ago, that through the eye is the gate to the soul, to make beauty and so forth, and people fall for that.

Hollywood learned it long time ago. The devil knowed it before any of you did. That's exactly right. That's the techniques he worked on, the same thing. Set hisself a more beautiful kingdom. It's always been beautiful. Even--even the devil, after the curse came upon him, he become a serpent; he's still a beautiful creature. Look how graceful he can move, and how beautiful his colors. Even his curse never took the beauty from him. Do you think Judas Iscariot was an old drunk with a collar up and hair combed sideways? And... He was a slicker, boy. Yes, sir. Devil's too smart for that.

When I went to Pigalle, Brother Moore and I, when I was in France, we thought we'd see just those old prostitutes of Pigalle, just something drug out. Satan's too smart for that: the most beautiful women you ever seen. See? He's smart. Sin is enticing. Sin is beautiful. But it's death. That's right. Don't look at beauty. Look at truth, not beauty. That's what's the matter with the church today, it--it jumping for beauty and dying. That's right, 'cause it's gets death. Don't want to stay too long on that, I go to preaching on it.

22. Four Angels of Revelation 7. [Four winds, Sealing Angel]

SEAL OF GOD. JEFF. IN 54-0514

271 Notice. Watch. They went forth, every man coming to the world, slaughtering weapons, to utterly destroy everything in a world's war. But all of a sudden it stopped. Revelations the 7th chapter, said, "*I saw the four Angels coming down with their slaughtering weapons. And there went a Man coming from the East, having the seal of the living God, said, 'Hold the four winds! Hold it!'*"

Why? The Jews ain't in the right place yet. Glory! The Jews ain't in the right place, as God promised. He told them where they would be setting yonder. He said, "When you see the fig tree putting forth branches, know the time is nigh." And when you see the Jews returning to Palestine, know the time is nigh. This generation will not pass off till all things be

fulfilled." And brethren, the last seven years is the first time that the Jewish flag has ever flown in two thousand years over Jerusalem, yes, twenty-five hundred years.

MARK OF CHRIST. LOS ANGELES, CA 55-0312

E-49 You said, "That's... Now, what about the Gentiles." Let's turn over here to Revelations the 7th chapter, and we'll see where the Gentiles was prophesied for this day. Watch, 7th chapter of Revelation, the prophecy given for the Gentile church.

And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds...

And I saw another angel coming from the east, having the seal of the living God:... said to the four angels... hold the wind... until we have sealed the servants of our God in their forehead.

And I heard the number of them was sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty-four thousand... all of the tribes of the children of Israel.

Of the tribes of... of the tribes of Dan... twelve thousand... tribes of Aser... twelve thousand...

... tribes... Zabulun... twelve thousand... (And twelve tribes of Israel, and twelve times twelve is a hundred and forty-four thousand, all of the children of Israel.)

Notice. You say, "Brother Branham, what does that seal?" Last night someone... Now, to you brother, that said on the radio that the seal would be a tattoo across your head, the seal of God would be a tattoo on your head. What was the seal of God in the first place? The seal of God was the baptism of the Holy Spirit, not a mark on your head, but a mark on your heart. Amen. Not some certain mark, apostasy seals you itself. Your own works prove what you are. "By their fruits you shall know them." If they're Christ denying, Christ rejecting, they are sealed in apostasy by the devil. If they're God fearing, God loving, borned again Christians, they're sealed with the Holy Ghost to Eternal destination. Amen. Brother, I just love this; this is just for me. Amen. Kept me all these years, I love it tonight; I only wished I was twice as big as I was now, so I could have twice as much. Amen. It's life to me...

E-51 Oh, looky here now. And he said, "Now, the angels were standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds." What does "winds" mean in the Bible, any you Bible interpreters here? "Winds" means "wars and strife, trouble." When was the world altogether going to war? One time since then, one time the whole world was at war; and that was World War One, when all the nations were marching together. And look what he said upon this world war time. All the angels coming forth, the destroying angel to destroy the world in a war... You get it? The Angels of God with destroying weapons, coming forth to destroy the world... And what did the Holy Spirit say? "*Hold the four winds* (hold the world war until, this global destruction,), hold it until we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads." The Gentile never was a servant; the Jew's a servant. And John recognized them every one: a hundred and forty-four thousand of the Jews.

23. Preached in Constitution Hall, Washington DC.

[“The Deep Calleth To The Deep” taped and filmed June 24, 1954.]

24. Spiritual revelation. [Cain & Abel] [See Divine Revelation..1957 #17]

I WILL RESTORE. LOS ANGELES, CA 54-0809A

E-30 Now, Cain belonged to church. He is a confess; he believed on God. He wasn't a hypocrite; he believed God. He worshipped God. And he belonged to church, an altar. He brought a sacrifice and offered it, and knelt down and prayed and made his confession.

Brother, if that ain't a good church member of this day, I don't know where one's at. But that wasn't it. Abel done the same thing. But why did God receive Abel and condemn Cain? Because that Abel had recompense unto the reward, because Abel had a spiritual revelation, a spiritual revelation of the will of God.

And, Christians, except you receive a spiritual revelation, you'll always call these people holy-rollers. That's right. Unless you can't have... Look, the whole Church of the living God is built upon spiritual revelations of the Word. Jesus coming down off the mount, said, "Who does man say I am?"

"Some said You're this and that and the Prophet and so forth."

He said, "But Who do you say?"

Peter said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

He said, "Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona, for some seminary hasn't taught you this (That's right.), but My Father which is in heaven. And upon this Rock I'll build My Church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against It." That's right.

DOCTOR MOSES. CHICAGO, IL 55-0114

E-19 Notice, of a vindication... Cain worshipped. Cain built him a church, an altar. Cain worshipped at the altar. Cain made a sacrifice. He was just as religious as Abel was. But Cain brought works, fruit of the field, and laid them on the altar.

Now, surely Cain thought that's what brought us out of the garden of Eden, fruit, something that I have to toil and bring back. And now, he did it by a natural view, knowing that the tree was a forbidden fruit, so he brought fruit back and laid it on the altar. But Abel, by spiritual revelation, revealed to him by God through his faith, that it was not fruit. It was a blood that caused it. So by a spiritual revelation, at the first church buildings that was ever made, the first altar directed, there was the pro and con.

Abel, by spiritual revelation, for there was no written Word, God revealed to him that it was not the fruits, or the works of your hands. He brought blood and offered blood, and it testified for him that he was righteous, because he was--it was spiritual, revealed to him.

FAITH ONCE DELIVERED TO THE SAINTS. CHICAGO, IL 55-0501

E-24 Now, look at Cain in the garden of Eden. Cain, when he come back to Eden, he was just as religious as he could be. He brought flowers and so forth, and put them on the altar. He brought the fruits of the field and laid them down. He believed in God; he worshipped God; he sacrificed to God; he built a church to God, just as religious as he could be.

And Able rolled him a block and made him a church or worship place. But when Abel come, he, by faith... Faith isn't something that's imaginary thing. I want you to get it. Faith is a direct revelation. See, if you only accept Christ as your Saviour by a intellectual, you haven't got it yet. You cannot say that Jesus is the Christ, until the Holy Spirit has revealed it to you. See, intellectual faith, that... Oh, if I could only get that one point right now to go down home in every heart. I'm thankful for this place, position right now. See? Oh, if you can only see this, you'll see the greatest thing you've seen in years. Look, not because I'm standing here saying it, but if you can understand how it is that faith is not something mentally perceived, but it is a revelation, a revelation of God, by faith, not intellectual, but by his heart.

Now, how would Abel ever know to bring a lamb? And he was taught by the same father and mother, and Cain was. The only way, the Bible said it was by faith that he offered a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, showing that he was just. In other words, he was justified in the sight of God, and God gave him a revelation what the plan of salvation was. That was through the shedding of blood, not the offering of building churches, and coming with great intellectual faith, and saying, "Certainly..."

Cain said, "God, I believe in You. Certainly, I will bow down here." No man facing eternity could ever come falsely, when he knowed that his eternal destination rested upon him finding favor with God. So the man come up with a true heart before God and said, "Lord, I believe in You. And I offer unto Thee this beautiful altar, this beautiful church. And I bring of my substance, and I tithe, and I kneel on my knees, and raise my hands to worship You, Jehovah. Will you receive me?" Just as religious as he could be. But he failed to have the direct revelation.

E-26 But Abel, being in favor with God, brought a lamb, not beautiful, pulling the little old fellow with a grapevine around his neck up to be killed. It was bleating and carrying on. Threw it up on the rock, and took a sharp rock, and chopped its little neck until it bled to death. But by faith he did it, having a spiritual revelation of what God required. You get it?

Now, when they come off of Mount Transfiguration, Jesus of Nazareth asked His disciples, said, "*Who does man say that I, the Son of man, am?*"

And some said, "*Well, You're Elias, and some say You're the prophet.*"

He said, "*But Who do you say I am?*"

And Peter, speaking right out, said, "*Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.*"

Listen, He said, "*Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona (by Jona, rather, his father),*" said, "*for flesh and blood has not revealed this to thee, but My Father which is in heaven. And I say unto thee, Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of hell cannot prevail against it.*"

25. Missionary trip overseas to India, etc. in September.

GOD TESTIFYING OF HIS GIFTS. HAMMOND, IN 52-0713E

E-8 Now, and I thank you from the depths of my soul for your offering. I will do all that I can to glorify God. I'm trying my best now to get back to... I'm sure by... I told you the vision this afternoon, and there will be a meeting that I will hold somewhere, and I believe it's in India, near Bombay, that there'll be three hundred thousand people, and I don't know how many converts there will be in that meeting, probably run up to a hundred and fifty, two hundred thousand people, converted. And the little fragments that's left over this afternoon and tonight, will go for that purpose. And at that day, God reward you, each one for giving it is my prayer.

FAITH. HARRISONBURG, VA 58-0315

E-55 I've sit with the Koran in one hand (that's the Mohammedan Bible, which exceeds us three times), and the Bible in the other hand before five hundred thousand people, and say, "One of them's right and the other one's wrong. Let the God that is God speak." But don't you think they won't challenge it. But I've never seen a time, witch doctors and everything, but what our God overthrewed it and was triumph...?...

Just recently in Bombay, India, if you got... We're just about a half hour early. I just want to say this, 'cause I want to set down with these people.

In Bombay, India, I just had got in. They took me down to the Jains temple. And, oh, they wouldn't even kill a--a flea or fly; they believe in reincarnation. And how could you preach to them a Blood sacrifice? They made fun of Christianity. I'd been have traitor to Christ if I hadn't of spoke my piece. I said, "How could you accept a Blood sacrifice when you won't accept killing a flea or a gnat?" Snakes and monkeys everywhere, they won't kill nothing. I said, "But the antidote is the blood; for life is in the blood." Oh, they wouldn't believe that.

That night when we were standing there where you... There's no way to estimate the number of people. Just as far as you could see was one great big black circle of people. Thousands times thousands piled on each other, just ricked like cord wood. There was no way to give out prayer cards; we just had to stop.

And a few moments the militia had to bring two or three by, some lepers; the Holy Spirit begin to speak to them and tell them. Just then somebody... You could feel it coming from those mystic men, "Well, that could be a telepathy." The next come by was a blind man. I couldn't do nothing, of course, till you see it done. Certainly. And this blind man... It said, "Your name is..." (I--I just had to spell it). That was right. And said, "You're a beggar, and your wife is a little thin woman; you have two children; they're both boys." Right. Exactly. And the mystic Hindus were setting, watching. I thought, "Oh, God, will You do anything? I kept talking to the man for a few moments. After while I saw a vision above him. He had been blind for twenty years; he worshipped the sun. Now, he thought if he watched the sun till he went blind, he'd go to heaven. He couldn't see sin no more so he'd go to heaven. So he was a sun worshipper. And I said, "You did this through ignorance." And I said, "What about it?"

He said, "The God that will give me my sight, let Him be God."

I said, "Now, you Mohammedans, and you Jains, and Sikhs, and Buddhists that I was interviewed with this afternoon, here is a man standing here that's totally blind. You said that Christianity was a bunch of people who was creating hydrogen bombs to blow one another up with." I said, "A lot of that's true, but that's not Christianity." I said, "That's so-called Christianity. Real Christianity is the only true and living God that there is." And I said, "This man said he will--he would serve the God that give him back his sight." He worshipped the creation instead of the Creator.

I said, "What would you Mohammedans do to him? You'd proselyte, make him a Mohammedan. You Buddhists would make him a Buddha. Sikhs would make him a..." I said, "It's nothing but psychology." Right. I said, "In America we do the same thing. All the Baptists wants to convert all the Methodists to being Baptists. The Pentecostal wants to make them all Pentecost." What is it? A change of thinking--psychology.

But I said, "Surely, the God who made him can heal him. Now, if any of you Buddhists can come forth, or Mohammedans, and heal the man standing here, I'll serve your God." Would I have said that? Not at all 'less first I saw a vision, not at all. But I said, "You can't do it, and neither can I. But the God of heaven has showed me a vision that the man's going to receive his sight." I said, "If it doesn't happen, I'm a false prophet. You have a right to kick me out of India. If He does do it, you're obligated to the resurrected Christ, to believe Him."

It was a mighty quiet bunch. But when we prayed for the man (this is on record), I took him in my arms and prayed for him and asked God to rec--give him his sight while he was hugged against my bosom. When I turned him loose, God Almighty, my Judge, before tens of thousands times thousands, that blind man's eyes was opened, and he grabbed the mayor of the city and hugged him. That place went into a scream everywhere, and tens of thousands of Mohammedans came to the Lord Jesus. What was the matter?

When I went over there, the Methodist bishop said to me, he said, "You're coming under the wrong denomination; we can't have nothing to do with it." What happened. They've went right back out into Mohammedism, a lot of them, because the Christians conducting themselves like a bunch of puppets or kids. They wouldn't stay there to receive those people to take them and teach them the ways of the Lord. They'll be guilty of that in the day of the judgment. They're guilty, but God's grace is just the same.

26. Brother Branham while overseas plans to minister to the Jews.

TEN VIRGINS. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1211M

127 Now, there's your hundred and forty-four thousand (Israel) that's waiting for the coming of the Lord and cannot go in until first the Gentiles are finished: got to be finished.

Now, I might say just a little personal something. I'll trust that you'll understand it. When Lewi Pethrus of Stockholm, Sweden, the general overseer, head of the Filadelfian churches, he sent down a million Bibles to these Jews, little Testaments. I got one of them up there, a little souvenir from him. The Jew always reads from the back to the front, and so you know how they--their language is. And they would read these books, and they said, "Well, if this Jesus is the Messiah, and He's dead and His Spirit is back in the form of the Spirit, let us see Him do the sign of the prophet, then we'll believe Him."

What a perfect setup; I thought, "Lord, here's the time now. Now's the time; here it is." So on a airplane I go, Billy and I and Loyce, and took off.

And I was going on up into India, and I said, "Now, on my road back, I'll slip right over here and I'll bring the message to the Jews, and get them out there and say, 'Here's the truth.'"

The Jews always believe their prophets; we all know that. 'Cause God told them that the Messiah would be a prophet, and they believe their prophets, and God said, "If there be among you a man who is a prophet, a seer, and if he... I'll deal with him in visions and so forth. And--and if what he says come to pass, then you hear him, for I am with him. (See?) But if it don't come to pass, then don't have nothing to do with that prophet, 'cause I--I--I ain't with him. But if it does come to pass, what he says, then you hear him, 'cause I'm with him." And the Jews know that.

And I thought, "Oh, my. Wouldn't it be wonderful. I'll just get me about four or five thousand of them and stand out there, and let them--them that's reading that Bible and say, 'If this be the Messiah, let's see Him do the sign of the prophet.'" I said, "What a setup it'll be." Had my ticket in my hand, just about thirty minutes 'fore calling time on the Arabian plane's line. So I was standing out there at Cairo, Egypt. I thought, "Praise God. In two more hours the Jews will receive the same thing that they did at Pentecost, just as sure as anything." I thought, "If I stand there and can tell them, 'Go pick yourself out a bunch of men out there among you, and bring them here, see if He's still Messiah.' See, and then I'll say, 'Now, upon the same grounds that your forefathers rejected this Messiah, you receive Him. Raise up your hands and He'll--you'll receive the Holy Ghost right now.' And then they'll evangelize the world in their part of the world when they--when they receive It. Get the leaders, don't... Just hit the main nerve center, the leaders, let them start it."

133 And Something struck me and said, "Do not go now, for the hour is not yet." See, the Gentile's isn't fulfilled yet (See?), day isn't finished.

"Oh," I thought, "that was just me."

So I started again, and it got so bad till I just couldn't stand it. And I went out behind a hangar, and I bowed my head; I said, "Father, is that You speaking to me?"

He said, "Do not go to Israel now; the hour is not yet." I just went in, changed my ticket, routed it again, went the other way (See?), 'cause the hour is not yet.

But one of these days the message will go to Israel, and what'll break for... God will send unto them Moses and Elijah of Revelations 11, and they'll do signs and wonders, and Jehovah's sign; while the Gentiles is finished, the grace of--day of grace will leave the Gentile church; the Pentecostal age will leave.

27. Overseas trip to Portuguese, Rome and India. [Picture of pillar of fire.] [Trip in September 1954]

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E-33 The meeting in India not long ago, I want to tell you the infallibility of visions. And in... I'd had a vision recently of going over to India and into Africa. And the Lord had told me; He said, "You go to Africa first, then up to India." And through some mix-ups and so forth, the manager said to me... I don't want to refer as manager. I never say to Brother Vayle, being manager. We've got one manager; that's the Holy Spirit. See? Brother Vayle's my associate; he's my brother. He just happens to be making the arrangements for the meetings and helping me along. And he's no more manager of my meetings than I am of yours or you... The rest of you are the same. We're just all one great big family and one big Body. We're not one above the other one; we're all just the same; we're a unit of God working together.

And I wrote the vision immediately after I'd--I had the vision that morning. And then when the manager, as we call him that for the time being, had made an arrangements to go into India. And he--he didn't kinda like Africa very much. So he said to me in Chicago; he said, "Brother Branham, let's just bypass Africa and go on to India."

I said, "That is up to you, brother; wherever the Lord wants me to labor, all right."

I feel that, brethren, and like in here. Whether we have... I would rather be down here in this meeting with five people attending in that six thousand auditorium, and be in the will of God, than to have the place turning away five thousand every night, and be out of the will of God. See? The main thing is do the will of God, whether it's small, or whether it's great, whatever it is.

(...)

E-37 Now, so in Africa, He didn't want to go. And I said, "All right, we won't go." Then, on the road back I went to my room. And when I did, there was a Light hanging there at the door. He said, "You go to Africa like I said." I called brother back in a few minutes and said, "We're going to Africa."

I waited for a year, and finally how I done it I don't know, but another way come up. I found my road on my way back to India. When I--I meet--met Lisbon, Portuguese, where I was to have a meeting there and go on over and had a healing service right in the shadows of the Vatican city in Rome... But while I was in Portuguese, I fell sick; I didn't know why. I was out with the Governor, and I was having some fish. And they cook it in olive oil, and, my, I was really sick. I was trying to be gentleman to eat it, but I tell you, I was white around the mouth; I was so sick, that old fish, and it cooked in olive oil. So and he said, "Brother Branham, you look a bit ill."

And I said, "I feel the same way."

And so when I went down to my hotel room, a doctor come up after while. Honest, I--I'm not trying to make remarks, but he had a pill there as big as the box, top of that thing, and wanted me to swallow it. I said, "Doctor, I--I wouldn't give

that to my saddle horse." I said, "It's so... Why, you couldn't get it down your throat." I never seen such a pill in my life. And I said, "Can I break it apart?"

He said, "No, swallow it."

And I said, "Well, just a minute till this sickness wears off." I waited till he got out and threw the thing away. So then, but he was a--a nice man. And--and we talked a lot on the Lord Jesus, him being a Catholic. So, but we talked about the Lord.

And then, while I was--got so sick that night, Billy stood by me, and the rest of them had left me there. And I said, "Billy, I don't think I can make it till morning." And I was just so sick. I just--just couldn't--I couldn't breathe no more. I was so sick, my breath would not even come hardly, had to force my breath, and that way all night.

And the next morning I started into the bathtub to take a... bathroom to get in one of those big tubs, a towel twice size of these tables. And--and so I was going to take a--a bath. There hung that Light hanging there. And it said, "Didn't I tell you to go to Africa first?" I fell on my face and begin weeping. Then I said, "Lord, I--I just let me go somewhere and get me a little cabin out in the mountains, and trap, and hunt like I've always wanted to. I--I couldn't be Your servant; I--I haven't not even got the--the mental powers to serve You." I said, "I--I forgot all about that." And I wrote it down and got it. I thought I had it in my pocketbook now, but I haven't, but I've got it on paper.

Well, I went on. He told me to go on up to India, which I did. And then when I come back thinking, for four years now, that I disobeyed the Lord. And when I... Looking on that vision wrote out, which I've read it hundreds of times. The vision said that I would go to India first, and then back to Africa. But He told me to go to Africa first and then to India, showing that God knew that I would fail Him, but His Word, what He said, can't fail. The vision actually reads that I would go to Africa first, or to India first and then back to Africa. That's where I'm on my road to now, just as soon as I can get through with about twenty or thirty meetings I got between now and July, and we go to Africa. Brother, our dear Brother David duPlessis there, has been over, and talking to the brethren and so forth, to get together.

In India, I'd like to quote the meeting though, just how--what taken place. When we went in there, there was no unity, brethren all separated. One church had sponsored me, and the rest of them wouldn't come in with it 'cause they didn't like that church. See, there you are.

And literally, there's four hundred and seventy million people in India. And Christianity is the weakest religion they got, Christianity. With Catholic and all, we rate about third or fourth place. The Mohammedan is twice or three times our size. That's including all Christianity.

E-42 And when I got there, because this one church, their principle was, "Sell India to India; we need not the missionary; we need not the Americans." When I landed at Bombay, there stood the Methodist bishop and many of the--the great men standing there. Said, "Mr. Branham, you coming to India; don't you come here as a missionary." Said, "We know more about the Bible than you Yankees ever did know." Now no critical, not critical, but that's the truth. This is an oriental Book; it's not a western Book; it's an eastern book. When you get the eastern view of It, you found a new Book. That's right.

Said, "We had the Bible two thousand years before you was a nation." That's right. Saint Thomas went down there. Saint Thomas church, I was at it when we was there. Sure, they've had the Bible two thousand years nearly before we was a nation. And we got a--a western thought, trying to make it compare with an, eastern, which is just contrary one to another. All the parables and things the Bible... If you ever come in there and just find their--the way they live, you can see the Bible just open up a new Book to you. Because It's an eastern Book wrote in an eastern way of living. And we're a western people in a western way of living.

If the Lord willing, this week when I start preaching, I want to preach, "When the East and West Meets." Now, no they wouldn't do it because they didn't like this other church because it wouldn't agree upon our--our brethren. Now, to look at it, I said, "Well, that's right. Let's sell America to America."

The... These the--the Indian people said, "We want to own our own property. We don't want the Methodists, and Baptists, and Pentecostal people over in America to own our property. We want to own it ourself, right here; let us have it." Said, "You brothers come over and visit us." That sounded all right. See?

But for me to be there like that, it wasn't all right. Those missionaries had sweated blood in there for years for the things that they stood for. They died with ameba, and with yellow fever, and black water fever, and everything else in there, to bring the Gospel. Should I turn my back on a thing that a man has established like that for the Kingdom of God? I'm his brother. Certainly not. About their property, who does it belong to anyhow? God, it's exactly right.

But in there, for which I did, and they told me that they couldn't cooperate. That night they... That day the mayor of the city took me down to the temple of the Jain. And Jain, Jan, I forget, Jain. And they're a funny sect. They're more on the order Catholic. They taken me in to their pope setting on a pillow. And just show you the tortures they go through. The men and the women set making little mops. They wouldn't kill an ant; they--they can't work; they have to beg everything they get. Four hundred million of those Indians are almost... There's about seventy million of them, I guess, that--that works, and the other, four hundred million is beggars. And they mop the floor as they go, or the ground, to keep from

stepping on an ant, because they believe in reincarnation; it might be some of their people. They won't kill nothing, not a fly nor flea. A man operated on his own finger, and he died over it, 'cause he wouldn't not sterilize the knife that he operated on, afraid he would kill a germ; it might be some of his ancestors on the road back.

Now, you can see the world living in ignorance like that, and we with the real Gospel and our guns on one another. See what I mean, brethren? Us fussing, whether I should be a Church of God or Assembly of God, I want to be a child of God. That's it. Now, and a servant of God...

Notice, then in that... These men setting there in that condition. They couldn't--they couldn't shave. It was a sin to shave. So they had to pull their beards out and pull their hair out. And to... And oh, the things they had to do, it was terrible.

There this pope set there, as he was. And I heard there's seventeen, I believe there is seven, or eight different ones represented there, and me coming in. Each one of them told me how little I was. Why, those Jains, they said why, they begin before Genesis ever started. And they were so far superior to Christianity. And they have a lot of good points.

Here's what that pope said to me, he said, "You people call yourself religious? And you use all your scientist--all your scientist over there, not to try to help someone, but to create atomic bombs to blow one another to pieces." Was he right or wrong?

E-46 See, every lie has got a lot of truth in it. That's right. Now, if it's a real lie, just a right, what we call the black lie, or the little white lie... The little white lie is the real lie. You can see the big black lie, but it's that little white one that has got a whole... Like the one that the devil told Eve... See? Just one little thing off the cater, that's what the--our churches are listening to today. They're saying, "Oh, you're right in your principle of baptism; you're right in this; and you're right in that." But he fails to let you know you got to have love for that brother out there. Though he's right or wrong, stand shoulders with him, the Kingdom of God, in the Presence of God.

Now, watch this, how God works. And these fellows as they were setting there, and then I felt like, after they'd all spoke, or several of them had spoke, I felt like I'd be a traitor to Christ if I didn't say something. And I stood up; I said, "Gentlemen..." I couldn't call them brethren, they wasn't. I said, "How could you ever accept the Blood sacrifice for your sins and won't kill a flea?" I said, "How could you do it?" I said, "Blood is the antidote. Blood was the one what brought us from the garden of Eden. In the blood cell is life."

It was life, perverted life that brought us to death. It'll take that same blood cell breaking to bring us back to life again. This is a perverted life. And I want you to... Brethren, no matter how well you try to patch up, and how well you try to do this, and how clean you try to live, and how righteous you try to live, it'll never work. This life in the beginning was condemned by God. And it ain't to be patched up; it's to die and to be borned again. It's got to be a birth. There's no other way around it. See?

Not be better, join church, quit your meanness, you can do all of that and still not have Eternal Life. See? You can join church; you can belong to a denomination; you can live just as straight as a die; those Pharisees did, and Jesus said, "You're of your father, the devil." See?

We're trying to put it on works all the time, something we can do, something we can build, some... God don't need our buildings; God needs our soul.

And there in that time, that night when... I said, "Let God speak, the One that's God tonight." And in the platform... Now, that you... I'm doing this, saying this so that you brethren would see the confidence you can have in God.

In that meeting that night when they started, there was Rajahs on pillows, and there was the Mohammedans, and the Buddhas, and it taken me better than two and a half hours to even get to the stand where I was going to preach. The mayor estimated that if I stayed the three days, or the five days I was supposed to stay, that it to be five hundred thousand outside people in Bombay. They'd heard; they'd come.

And I thought, "Well, if these preachers don't want to cooperate, let them alone then." But I made a mistake. I should've turned and come back till I got cooperation. Because that night when we went to the meeting... You couldn't give out prayer cards; there's no way of doing it. So we had the militia to kind of bring up one at a time. And then they...

E-50 There's thousands times thousands and thousands of thousands of people, who's going to be the first in the prayer line, people that you can't even talk to? But then when the Holy Spirit begin to reveal to them, and begin to tell them, I'd see who--what there was, spell their name out, I couldn't even pronounce it. The place...

Then I could feel coming in by the Holy Spirit, that it was--they was thinking it was a telepathy. So I thought, "Lord, If You'll just give grace." About three or four had passed, a leper passed, had no arm, and--and I took him in my arms and begin to love him. He just wept when he seen that somebody cared for him. The world's dying for love, brothers. Now, you take your brother in your arms, see if it does not make things a little different. See? That same love that worked on a leper will work on your brother that you think is wrong. That's right, now.

And he... I took him in my arms, and he--he cried. And about the second after, that was a blind man. There'd been another blind man went through, told him who he was, where he come from, and everything. I said, "The Lord God has healed you, brother. Years ago He died for you and your healing is secured. If you just believe it now, go on and get well."

Two or three of the lepers had passed through; only thing I saw was who they were and what was--was... I didn't say no more. That's all I say, is what I can see, and I just quit saying.

Then this one come through come through, a blind man. It told him who he was, said, "You're a beggar. You got two children, you got a wife; she's a thin woman," told what her name was, and her given name. That was all right. And then when I started to pass him on through, a vision broke. Now, that's when the Lord is speaking. The other is what the man was doing himself. That's what you see on the platform. It's you doing it, not me. It's your own faith's a doing it.

Now, then when that broke, I looked and I seen the man standing before me. He looked a little grayer than what he was there, and he could see; his eyes was open, and he was rejoicing and talking to people. That's the keynote. There it was. I thought, "O God, there it is."

How that there's no way, brethren... We're eternity bound people, and we're going to stand in His Presence together one of these days. I mean face to face with Him. There's no way to explain it. When you know that it's going to happen, there it is. I've never seen it one time ever fail.

The other day, Waterloo, after that bunch of ministers so against me, and I was praying. I thought, "Lord, here I am in a predicament I don't know what to do," hundreds of people setting there just as cold as it could be standing there. And of a sudden I heard something. I thought It was an airplane coming in the roof. I looked around at Doctor Vayle, and he was looking at the organ, he thought the--the woman had reversed the organ air. You come to find out, it was electric organ. And here It was coming from above like a roar. And It come down, my coat begin shaking. It swept out over the building; the people just turned white and fell backward with their heads back like that. A rushing like a wind, only It wasn't a wind, It was a sound: the Holy Spirit moving through the building shake, and we got It on tape.

E-53 And I thought, "The great Holy Spirit doesn't misbehave Himself anyway," I thought, "I've never seen Him do nothing but what was in the Scripture." And when I went home, I begin praying, "Lord, where--where would this be if the Holy Spirit acted like that?" In Saint John 12 we see where our Lord was praying and some of them said when the Father spoke back to Him, said, "It thundered."

God still lives, brethren. And we're looking for something a way out yonder, when we got it right now. This is it. Don't let it pass over you like it has through the ages, like it did in the days of John the Baptist. They didn't know who he was. People don't know what this Holy Ghost is. It's not something to organize an organization over. Which I'm not criticizing that, brethren, It's not something to fuss about; It's something to love and to worship. It's not to separate yourselves from one another; It's to bring one another together. We're using It as a tool, not to better the Kingdom of God, when we make ourselves different from each other, we got to make ourselves together with this. Then the real Holy Spirit will bring that to us brethren. It's just got to; It's--It's Christ's own love for us.

And notice, to that--to the Indian meeting. There was the man. I seen him standing there like a blue shadow. And when the vision left me, oh, what a feeling, what a feeling. I--I knew then that it would--had to happen. It's got to happen; God said so.

Then I could take the floor; I could be boss then, as it was (Pardon that expression, not me, but the Holy Spirit working, was the Boss.) If God would come today and show me a vision that George Washington is going to be raised from the presidential graveyard, I'd invite the world to come, watch it done. That's exactly right. It'll happen, if God said so. How can it fail. I'm forty-eight years old; I've seen visions since I was just a little boy of two, and never one time has It failed. To me It's God.

If I cannot get the world to see it, what difference, they never seen it in any age. But God's just; He sends it anyhow. That He... Then when it's all over, they say, "Well, we didn't know that. Sure enough, did this happen? I didn't know it." Oh yeah, it's always been that way. It's that way today, brethren, you listen. This is the hour; this is the day. You're looking for something out yonder, and the devil trying to place something off out yonder at some time; you're going to be in the Millennium before you know it; it's at the end time now.

So then when this vision come and the blind man was seeing, then he was still standing there. I said, "Now, to you gentlemen today, that we was in the Jains' temple. "And you all were saying that a--a--you started before Genesis, and how insufficient this God was, and how that all of His disciples did this, that, and the other," so forth. I said, "I know your thoughts. You're thinking that I'm reading telepathy, because this is all you have ever seen is right here. Now, that's what is in your mind." But I said, "Here is a blind man. And the man has just witnessed that he went blind, which the Spirit told him, twenty years ago [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] watching the sun; he worshipped the sun. And he had been blind; his eyes is as white as my shirt." I said, "He has promised to get his sight back again, he will serve the God that gives him his sight. He's willing to change." And I said, "You Mohammedan here, you are the greatest in number, [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]... to come here and give this man back his sight." There you are.

I wouldn't have said that for nothing, brethren, if God hadn't said so first, you see, the vision. I said, "Now, come and give him his sight." And I said, "You Buddha worshippers, I challenge the priest of the Buddha to come, give him his sight. Or you Jains, that we was in the temple today, I challenge any of you priests to come, give him his sight. And he will worship the God that gives him his sight."

Oh, brother, it was a quiet bunch; certainly it was. I said, "What--what could you do? You'd tell him he was wrong in worshipping the sun. He's worship..." And I said, "I believe he's wrong. He's worshipping the creat--creation instead of the Creator." See? I said, "I believe he was wrong." I said, "What would you Mohammedans do if you changed him? You'd only change his way of thinking. What if you Jains took him? You'd change his way of thinking. What if you Buddhas took him? You'd change his way of thinking." That's right: psychology.

E-57 But, brethren, I want to ask you something, what more would the Methodist do for him than the Baptist could do? We got the same thing in America; only we got one God we worship. But all the Baptist wants them all to be Meth... Baptists, and wants all the Methodist. And the Pentecostal wants to make them all Pentecostals. Church of God wants them all on their side. The Assemblies wants them all on their side.

What is it? Oh, they got to be baptized, thus, or this, and that, or they got to say certain things, they got... What is it? Psychology. I'm not one to hurt feelings, but, brother, I must be honest. This may be our last time we'll ever... [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]... It's true. And I said, "We got the same thing in America, just from this church to that church. 'If the Church of God don't treat me right, I'll join the Assemblies. Assemblies don't not treat me right, I'll be a Oneness.'" And there you are. What is it? The same thing, like pagans, heathen; it's true. Anchor yourself in Christ once; stay there. that's right.

And then, when I said, "Certainly, you could do no more for him, one from the other, no matter who it would be." But I said, "You can't give him his sight, you Mohammedans, neither can you Jains, and neither can you Buddhas, or any of you, can give him his sight. And neither can I give him his sight." But I said, "The God of heaven, Who raised up His Son Jesus, that you thinking is telepathy, has showed me a vision that the man will receive his sight. And if he doesn't, I'm a false prophet."

"And now if he does, how many of you will raise your hands that you'll forsake your pagan god. You see where your priest is standing? Every one of them, there's silent people, no wonder they're silent. I'd be silent too, if the God of heaven hadn't showed me something just now." I said, "Now, we'll find out whether it's right or not."

And everybody was quiet. I got the poor old fellow and pulled him to my bosom. I said, "Lord God, Who made the heavens and earth, as it was in the Bible times, it has returned again. Let it be known today that You're God, and Your Church shall prevail against every gate of hell; it shall be. And many of these men setting here who's labored out here, thinking that these things belonged in another age, let them know that their labors are not in vain. They preached the best that they knowed how under the circumstances, and the things they had to preach by. But now Thou has come on the scene..." (They don't interpret the prayer, of course.)

And praying to the Lord, I had him leaning against my bosom. When I took him away, like that, he let out a scream with all of his might; he run and grabbed the mayor of Durban and kissed him. His sight was as good as any man that's in here.

Then what happened? There they was standing there; he fell on his knees; he threwed his hands in the air; he wept, thousands watching him. That man has testified even to the President of India, which up at New Delhi, this coming October if I wish, they got a--a amphitheater up there that I could put a million people in for a united effort all over India.

E-61 Then I said, "How many of you here will receive Jesus as personal Saviour, you Mohammedans and Buddhas and so forth?" Their hands went up everywhere, everywhere. And they made a rush; they took--pulled my shoes off. They tore my... I was over an hour getting out of it, shredded clothes, five or six lines, could not hold them back. They'd run under their legs and everything. Indians are superstitious; they want to touch you or something like that, a trying to get in. Mother's even throwing their babies to try to get through to touch. I had to leave the city the next day because they couldn't hold them any longer, was no place to put them.

28. Brother Branham ask prayer for a critical spirit.

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108 (...) I want to ask the church one more thing before we get some place to study in the Scriptures: that is, that you'll pray for me. I've developed a critical spirit, and it haunts at me. I told my wife yesterday, the first time. Something happened now, that I was sitting in the yard, and I told her. She had reminded me, and I told her about it. I said, "Honey, I've got to a place till I'm become critical of people." I don't want to be... Who--whose job is it? It's not mine. And God's the One to criticize, not me.

There's a woman, went over there, Mrs. Dowd. I don't know whether you ever heard of her or not. Oh, such a disgrace that was in India. That's the reason we couldn't even have our meetings in the open air. She got over there and tried to take offerings from them people. And--and--and because they wouldn't give their little rupee's...

A poor little woman that's got a job, packing mortar on top of her head, up steps and things like that, from five o'clock to ten o'clock, gets a rupee a day, at twenty-one cents. See? She has to work hard to keep that job. A woman wading in mud to their knees, and so forth, poor little old things, take care of her little babies and so forth: a rupee, twenty-one cents.

And there fussing at them people, and taking those rupee's and turning them back into American money... And they said, "You come to take what we got, not to help us." See, "You people..."

They didn't have to give me a penny, to go over or come back, pay my expenses, pay all auditorium rents, all the hotel bills, everything. And then everything I had left, I took it on the street, not to give it to some society. I took it out and give it to the poor little people that's starving to death. That's where your money went. That's where your money went. That's exactly, the best of my knowledge, that I could do it myself. I only wished I'd had more to do it with.

Now but, now, my brother, sister, this woman started taking up offerings and fussing at them. They said, "You come to take what we got, not to help us. I thought you come to help us." She was supposed to be a Divine healer.

She was angry with me, when I was over on the West Coast. "Howard," she said, "I want to see your daddy." She had married some man from down there in Egypt or something. Said, "I'm going to India, too."

Said, "Well, madam, when that Anointing is on him, we--the people just don't come around."

Said, she said, "You tell him that I'm Mrs. Dowd." And said, "When I'm going to India before him, I will have the situation under control time he gets there." Said, "My meetings is greater than he ever had anyhow." Well, that's true, might be. See? I don't know.

But to think, she had it under control to a place till you couldn't even have a meeting in the open air. That's what it was. And they--they started a riot, and she stood there and said, "You black devils, you." Said on like that. And they tried to get her to get out, and she wouldn't do it. And somebody hit her on the head with a brick, and they packed her out. So they, then they rushed her out of the country. And she went down into another country there, and Baron Von Blomburg had to go down and see the king, and things, to get her out of there, keep from a massacre. So then, so they... There it was, and I look at that and I criticize that.

I come back, and the first thing was placed in my hands was a "Voice Of Healing," and I seen this A. A. Allen's meeting and seen how unscriptural that is. Then I criticize it. You see? "Oh, my," I think. But look at the poor people, lovely people, is out there following that (See?), going with him, and honest-hearted people.

I look around and see these other things that goes on and in that I--I start criticizing in my heart. See? And I don't want to get that way. If I do that, I will lose favor with God. See? And the only thing...

And I look at the Americans and see the way, look at women, how they dress; and look at men, how they act; and how they drink, and cuss, and smoke, and chew, and claim to be Christians, till it just nauseates me. When I see what the other side is, and see this, then look between, think, "O God." But hear this, whose battle is it? God said, "Let the weeds and the wheat grow together. The angels would come and separate them at the end of time." It's not me.

122 So you help me, as I stand here with my hand up at the pulpit, help me to criticize nobody. And help me that God will give me a spirit in my heart, that instead of criticizing it, I will love them anyhow, and go on.

It's just been a constant grind, and a grind, and a grind. Till I'm just human. My mental powers are breaking like that. You see? And I've got to get away for some rest.

And that's what I'm going away for I to stay by myself to pray that God will take that critical feeling away from me, and mellow me down, till... I could go and act like it, but that wouldn't come from my heart. And I'd be a hypocrite then, sure enough. See? I want it to come from my heart, that I really have love for those who are not lovely. That Jesus did. When I was critical, when I needed to be criticized, and still, He still loves me anyhow. So that's the way I want to be. You pray for me.

29. Word made flesh. [John 1:1-14]

WORD BECAME FLESH INDIA TRIP. JEFF. IN 54-1003M

170 Now, but, here it tells us, that before there was a man. Before. "*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was God, and the Word was with God. And the Word made flesh...*" Now, just about as far as the human mind can go, that's as far as we can go back now to "the beginning." Is that right? "*In the beginning was the Word.*" But now, that's as far as we can go by theology. That's as far as we can go by our mind. But revelation carries us beyond that. Is that right?

Now, if you're teaching something on theology, you think, "'In the beginning was the Word,' that was God. 'And the Word was God,' that's right. 'And this same Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.' (See?) 'And then, God was made flesh. That's without controversy,' that's true. 'God was made flesh.' We believe that." But now, before This was Word...

What is a word? A word is the manifestation of a thought, is expression of a thought. Is that right? Before you say anything, subconsciously you think it before you speak it. Is that right?

So, "*In the beginning was the Word,*" that's as far as we can go back by This, by theology. But before the Word was, It was a thought, and a thought was made manifest. You see what I mean?

Now, that's how that He said. First, He thought, and He spoke the Word, and the Word was made manifest. Oh, how infallible God is. Notice.

PARADOX. JEFF. IN 61-1210

256 Now, here stands a group of people to be prayed for. Now, we realize, if this Scripture is true... And the God of heaven, Who could create a squirrel, could create a ram, could stop the sun for a whole day, twenty-four hours, that could keep fire from burning people in a furnace for three hours, He had stopped the mouth of lions, that could raise the dead,

could walk on water, could take biscuits and feed five thousand; that's God. That's the Word made flesh in human beings. Now, does everybody understand that? Now, this same God promised that in the last days these things would reoccur again, but He can't do it until there's somebody He can work them with and work on. You see what I mean? Now, let's believe that emphatically with all of our heart that it's going to be that way.

PERSEVERANCE. JEFF. IN 62-0218

169 Them Pharisees says; in their heart they said, "He's Beelzebub. See, He... That's what He is. That's just exactly."

He turned around and said, "I'll forgive you for that." Jesus looking upon the audience and perceiving their thought, what was it? The Word, the Word made flesh, a Discerner of the thoughts and the intents of the heart. That's what the Word of God is now. He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. See?

You--you've got to get the living Word in you to have the living God in you, because the Word here is God when It's made flesh in you, made Spirit and Life in you. When It goes into your flesh and your faith, and becomes Life, then you are a living example. You're an epistle of God, read of all men. You won't have It like Christ, not the Fullness, because It's divided up on the day of Pentecost.

30. Baptism of the Holy Spirit after Pentecost.

JUBILEE YEAR. JEFF. IN 54-1003E

89 The baptism of the Holy Spirit fell the first time since Pentecost, in Russia, one hundred years ago. That's right. That's history. And they had the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and worked signs and wonders, a hundred years ago, and rejected It as a nation, and turned It down. And when they did, they have turned now to anti-God, anti-religious, and become communists, cold, brutal-hearted. If you won't listen to God, He will give you over to a spirit that'll condemn you, be turned over to a reprobate mind, to believe a lie and be damned by it. That's where Russia stands tonight, damned in the sight of God, because it failed to receive the jubilee message of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. They was turned over to a reprobate mind. They believed a lie, and are damned by it in the sight of God.

The next place It fell was in Turkey, and the Turks rejected It. And crucified, and dropped into cisterns, and so forth, with swords sticking up like this, those Armenian people, and so forth, and slayed them by the hundreds. And look where Turkey is tonight. Yes sir!

Now, my brother, America has had forty years of old fashion apostolic preaching, the jubilee year. And if they won't receive It as a nation, and I'm afraid they won't do it, then they'll be sealed out in dark, utter apostasy. All of our denominations, they're all right, but, brother, God don't look to denominations. He looks to individuals. Christianity isn't a denomination. Christianity is the life that an individual lives. Amen.

Some day, THUS SAITH THE HOLY SPIRIT out of the Word of God, that, "America, there had been whole turning God down, and will receive the mark of the beast according to Revelations the 13th chapter."

31. Men take one another's spirit.

UNPARDONABLE SIN. JEFF. IN 54-1024

41 The churches, when they organize their churches, the things they do, they block off the blessings of God by their theology, that God cannot break through to bless His people. They get their church so formal, so stiff and so starchy till the Holy Spirit can't come into the church. And then when the devil seen he had that made, and some was going to break through anyhow, then he let them open other channels that wasn't the Gospel, and run them off into fanaticism. That's right. See? They either get to be a bunch of fanatics or a bunch of starches. But in the middle of the road, there's the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

As I spoke this morning, and backing this up now for this great question I'm fixing to ask in a few moments, is this, that men take one another's spirit. Be careful that you don't get some man's spirit instead of the Spirit of the Lord. Go into a church watch the way the pastor acts, and you'll see the way the people act. See? If the pastor is real starchy and stiff, the people will be the same way. If you go into where it's wild and fanaticism, the people will be the same way.

GOD KEEPS HIS WORD. 1. PHOENIX, AZ 57-0306

E-37 But now, listen: I have went to places and I want you... Some of you may be strangers to me, some of you may never come back to hear me preach again. That's going to be up to you; you know it one time anyhow. I want you to search the Scripture. Let me tell you, listen to this.

I have begin to believe... Now, listen; let's go back to the bottom. You take a good man, and let him marry a bad woman, that woman will either become a good woman, or he will become a bad man. Spirit, that's my life. I deal with spirits. I don't look at the person; I catch him by his spirit.

I've went out and set down with ministers around the table, see one of them there with venereal disease, living with another man's wife. Look over here and say, "Oh, Brother Branham, I love you." And he's a hypocrite and a liar; I know he don't. That's right.

"I believe every word you say is the truth, Brother Branham," and a dark shadow hanging over him right then. I'd just rather not know it. I want to love him anyhow, I do anyhow. If I don't, then I go back to God. But you imagine what kind of a life I have to live. You'd imagine how hard it is to come to children that you love, and know you're going to have to stand yonder... I'm a man forty-seven years old, biggest part of my life is finished. And I've got to stand before God, but I've got to answer with this Book. That's exactly right.

And I've went into meetings. I want to ask you something. You go into a meeting, a pastor that jerks his head, watch everyone of the congregation jerk their head. You go to a--a meeting that a pastor's a real wildfire...?... run-about, you watch everyone of the congregation act the same way. But you go into a place where a pastor's a solid Gospel teacher, all hell will never move that church. That's right.

E-39 Brother, you take one another's spirits. That's exactly right, you take one another's spirits instead of the Holy Spirit. Just like a good man takes a bad woman's spirit or vice versa. You take each other's spirit. And I have done this one thing, brother, if God, if I know my heart with my Bible here tonight. If there's one thing I've tried to stay clean of, I've never tried any sensations, or any thing to get people to look at me. I've tried not to even to lay my hands on a person, but preach the Gospel, and let God do it. And if there's one thing, when I stand at the judgment bar, I don't want to have to give an account for a bunch of illegitimate born children. I'm going to preach to them the Word, the Word of God; and they have the Spirit of the Word, or they don't have it at all. It's God's Spirit comes by the Seed of God, is a Word of God that's planted in your heart that brings Christ Jesus, not some emotion, not some fantastic. What a time we're living in.

A mixed multitude has gone up. What do we need today? We need men as gallant, we need--need men, not one of three day's examination, mercy no. We need men--men who know God. That's right.

LEAN NOT UNTO THY OWN UNDERSTANDING. PHOENIX, AZ 65-0120

40 So when a person says they have the Holy Ghost, and accept something contrary to the Word, it shows that ain't the genuine Holy Ghost they got. See? It may be a ghost; I wouldn't dispute that, but it--it isn't the Holy Ghost of--of Christ. Now, you know, many times, they take one another's spirits; and so that might point in a--like a group of men to a certain thing, but it won't--it--it won't point to Christ. But the Holy Spirit always points to Christ, and Christ is the Word.

32. The 20th Mystery; the Mystery of God.

REVELATION 10:7

But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

UNPARDONABLE SIN. JEFF. IN 54-1024

92 Now, Branham Tabernacle, you bunch here, we don't have any organization, don't have any--any sign cards, or so forth. The only thing we have here is fellowship. And you who are fellowshiping in Jesus Christ with us tonight, and fellowshiping every night and every time, we're always happy to have you here. We want you to be here. You don't have to join us. We... Only thing you have to do is come worship with us. And we expect every one of you to hold the true mystery of God in your heart, without wavering. Come to the worship and come to the altar and so forth, and love one another, and be in harmony with one another.

BEGINNING END GENTILE DISPENSATION. JEFF. IN 55-0109

E-45 *But thou,... Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: for many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.*

Then I Daniel, beheld and looked, and behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and one on the other side of the bank of the river.

And the one said to the man clothed in linen... (Holy Spirit)... which was upon the waters... (Peoples and multitudes, Holy Ghost upon the people. Oh, hallelujah.)

The Holy Ghost, Revelations 15:16 says that the thickness and multitudes, the "water" means thickness and multitudes and people. And here's One in white linen, waving Himself up and down upon the waters with His hand up to heaven, swearing by Him that lives forever and ever, when these things happen, time shall be no more. Hallelujah. Time shall be no more. Swore, that when we see these nations breaking and things taking place like that, the mystery of God's already accomplished.

What is it, the mystery of God? God in you, the hope of glory shining forth, the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Then he said, "*When these things take place, time shall be no more.*" "They that know their God..." said Daniel. "*In the last days many shall run to and fro, knowledge shall increase. But they that know their God shall do exploits in the last days. They shall do exploits.*

Oh, exploits of faith is breaking around the world tonight over and over. All over the nations, great campaigns, the blind are seeing, the deaf are hearing, the lame's a walking. People of all walks of life are coming in and receiving the Holy Spirit, not only the poor and pauper, but the millionaire and everything else. God is taking and putting His robe upon each one and giving them an invitation to the Wedding Supper. And the great High Priest, Melchisedec will come someday and

we'll eat the communion anew with Him in the Kingdom of God one of these great, glorious days. Oh, I'm so happy tonight to be ...?... Yes, sir. Some great day, some marvelous day time shall be no more.

REVELATION BOOK OF SYMBOLS. JEFF. IN 56-0617

61 Then Daniel (closing) at the last he seen an Angel come down, put one foot on the land and one on the sea, a rainbow over His head. He raised up His hands, and swore by Him that lives forever and ever, that time shall be no more, at the finishing of that time that he had told him. In other words, this dividing of time that we're living in now, from the time and coming of the Prince until this day. And said, "At that time the mystery of God should be finished."

And the world groaning, waiting today, people don't know the mystery of God. Why? They've not been taught the mystery of God. The only thing they been taught, "join church, put your name on the book, be a good fellow, treat your neighbor right." That's all right, but you must know the mystery of God. No man can reveal it to you but the One that had the Book. And the Bible said, "No man can call Jesus the Christ, only by the Holy Ghost." This grand, old Holy Ghost church is going to come out one of these days and shine like you've never seen.

EPHESIAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1205

39 As Daniel heard the seven thunders and forbidden; and John heard the voices, and this Book was sealed, and the back of the book was sealed with Seven Seals; but in the days of these Seals to be opened, the mystery of God would be finished. In other words, God would be known to His church, not in three people, but as one Person. The mystery of God would be revealed, and when that was completely revealed, then the seven mysteries would open to the church; because in there, the church would be living under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Him moving in and out and showing His signs of being alive and among us, living among us, and we're then worshipping the living Christ that's among us.

IS THIS THE SIGN OF THE END SIR? JEFF. IN 62-1230E

30-3 Now, listen close. The seventh angel of Revelations 10:7 is the seventh church age messenger. See? Now, watch. And in the days... Now, watch here.

But in the day's of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished...

Now, sounding forth, this messenger, the seventh angel here, is sounding forth his message to the Laodicean church. Notice his type of message. Now, it wasn't to the first angel (wasn't given that), second angel, third, fourth, fifth, sixth; but it is the seventh angel that had this type of message. What was it? Notice, his type of message: finishing all the mysteries of God that are written in the Book. The seventh angel is winding up all the mysteries that's lain loose-ended, all out through these organizations and denominations. The seventh angel gathers them up and finishes the entire mystery. That's what the Bible said: finishes the mystery of the written Book.

33. Gene Goad, Leo Mercer and Banks Wood join campaign.

CHRIST. PHOENIX, AZ 55-0221

E-73 (...) You all seen that picture, I guess, tonight. The boys (I think), Leo and Gene brought some, the picture of the Pillar of Fire. That's what's settling right here, around here, right now. See? That's right.

JAIRUS THE SECRET BELIEVER. MACON, GA 55-0604

E-62 (...) Now, the only ones that I know in the--in the meeting are my associate here, Brother Wood, standing over here. Of course I know him. He's with us. He's the book salesman. Here sets Leo Mercier and Gene Goad down here, friends of mine with the my recorders. I... They bring; they have the tapes and so forth.

34. Taught same Gospel to begin with as "The Pastor".

UNPARDONABLE SIN. JEFF. IN 54-1024

218 I want to ask you a question, flat, and right to the point. I don't say it to put you embarrassed. I'd rather be embarrassed here than embarrassed there. Wouldn't you rather do that? There's many of you here that's seeking the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Many of you here has watched me since I was a boy, just a little old kid here, or in my teenage, preaching the Gospel. And I haven't varied one speck from the Gospel I started with. I still teach the same thing. Because It wasn't given to me by some seminary, neither was It taught by a man. It come by revelation of the Bible. That's right. Therefore, I know It come from God, and I've stayed with the same Gospel.

Many years ago, I preached the water baptism in Jesus Christ's Name. Many years ago, I preached the cleansing of the human soul by the Blood of Jesus Christ, through sanctification. I preached the baptism of the Holy Ghost as a confirmation, or the sealing of God's people away in the Kingdom. You know that's right. I taught Divine healing. I taught the second coming. I taught feet washing. I taught communion. I taught holiness before the Lord. I taught all those things to begin with. I taught speaking in tongues, not the evidence of the Holy Ghost. I taught shouting, not the evidence of the Holy Ghost.

There's none of those things you can say is the evidence of the Holy Ghost, or the only evidence. It might be the evidence the Holy Ghost is there. Singing might be the evidence the Holy Ghost is there. Talking might be the evidence the Holy Ghost is there. Any of the signs might be, and yet it's not infallible. There's only one Person Who can say the Holy Ghost is there; that's God Himself. He is the Judge. I've seen them sing; I've seen them talk; I've seen them shout; I've seen them speak with tongues, and all those things, and didn't. Their fruits proved that they didn't have It.

35. Teaching in the Word. [Brother Branham as Pastor.]

LAW HAVING A SHADOW. BINGHAMTON, NY 54-1203

E-14 This is a brand new thing for me to start teaching in the Word. Now, years ago as the pastor up at the tabernacle, as a Baptist minister we used to have great classes; and we would run them maybe a series of subjects for a--a complete year: start in the Book of Genesis and just tie the Bible together. And start in the Book with Exodus and run it, the Book of Daniel, wherever... And maybe the Book of Revelations, and just take the entire book, where it... from place to place. And all of God's Word is written by inspiration. There's not a contradiction in the entire Bible. If there is I want to see it. It's nothing in there that's written that cannot be straightened out by the Word of God, if it's rightly put in its place. But we'll never do it by--by man's understanding. The Holy Spirit wrote the Bible. And the Holy Spirit is the only One Who can interpret the Bible. And He will give it to us as we have need.

1955

1. King of the North. [Daniel 11:40-45] [Euphrates]

BEGINNING AND ENDING GENTILES DISPENSATION. JEFF. IN 55-0109e

E-32 Now, Daniel is given this assurance, that at the end of the Gentile dispensations... Read the--when you go home, tomorrow read the 11th chapter. You can see how the king of the north is coming down (which is nothing else but Russia), coming down to press against it like a whirlwind. And the great battle of Armageddon will be fought right there near the gates of Jerusalem.

Notice, oh, I love this.

... and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that's been found written in that book. (the Lamb's Book of Life.)

Michael, the great prince, shall stand up. For what? For thy people. All right.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake... (When? When these times take place)... and some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contemptment."

Just as sure as there's an Everlasting Life, there's an everlasting departure. It determines on how you treat Jesus Christ in your life. If you love Him, and borned again and got His Spirit, you've got Everlasting Life. If you don't, you have not Everlasting Life. If your name is written on the Lamb's Book of Life, you have immortal Life. If it's not written there, you'll not be recognized. What is it? All those prophesies are fulfilled, everything right down to this time.

E-34 The head of gold has passed away as Daniel said it would, the Babylonian kingdom. Succeeding that He said would be the Medes and Persian. They succeeded the Babylonian kingdom, and they fell away to who? The Grecians, Alexander the Great. And they fell away, to what? The Romans. And the Romans broke up to all the world, the eastern and western Rome, the two legs. And he said iron and clay was on the toes, the ten toes, the ten kingdoms. And he said they wouldn't mix, and they'd intermarry among one another, Romanism and Protestantism. And in that day when this thing exists, then the Stone was hewed out of the mountain without hands and rolled in and broke the thing to pieces. And it took the place of the image.

LAODICEAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1211E

44 But the Lord showed me a vision of the great powerful woman, in '33, 1933, it's on paper. Of how that Roosevelt would cause... He helped cause the world to go to war. How that Mussolini would make his first invasion to Ethiopia, and he would take it, but he'd come to a disgraceful end. And how that then the three isms (Nazism, Fascism, and Communism) would all wind up in Communism. And how many in here remembers me just keep having you stand, and say it over like that, "Watch Russia. Watch Russia, the king of the north. Watch Russia, king of the north. Watch Russia, king of the north"? How many has heard me just say this, wave that over, over? The old-timers (You see?), back in the early part of the church. Just stand there and wave it over and over, "Watch Russia, the king of the north. See, what he would do, for all those isms will heap up into Russia."

THY HOUSE. TIFTON, GA 61-0808

E-75 Okay, have you got another one, have you? [A brother reads the next question: "What significance does the Euphrates river have through Bible spiritually speaking?"--Ed.]

Yeah. The Euphrates river, it's always been a great river, because the Euphrates river has a great place in the Bible. The first place we find, that it run right through Eden: Euphrates river did. The Bible says it come right through Eden. The

next thing we find out, the Euphrates river also was a river that come right straight down through Babylon--same river. See? Euphrates river come right through Babylon.

Now, we find out that the Angel poured out his vial upon the Euphrates river and dried it up, that the king of the north might come down. And I think what that will actually be, will be at the end time when they come into Armageddon. See, they have to come right down through Egypt there, to get into it. Right down through them countries, they'll have to cross the Euphrates to get in there.

2. Vision of vultures in Los Angeles, Californian.

SEAL OF THE ANTICHRIST. LOS ANGELES, CA 55-0311

E-48 The other night... I've got something to say. The other night my manager's here, that knows it's the truth, setting in the room. Round three o'clock in the morning, the Holy Spirit woke me up. And a certain Baptist minister that told me when I come in here not long ago, Mr. Moore and them knows exactly who it was, and the man may be setting present now... He told me, said, "Brother Branham, you're Baptist, watch, when you come to the west coast, what you're talking about."

I said, "I'm preaching Divine healing."

I said--He said, "Oh, I believe in Divine healing, Brother Branham. But just watch. Oh, my, just pick up your Saturday's paper and look." He said, "The awfulest fanaticism's hooked in that you ever seen: people under all kinds of theories, all kinds of funny feelings, and all kinds of everything."

I said, "Look, sir, this comes from God, and I know it does."

He said, "I'm not doubting that." He said, "But the thing of it is, Brother Branham," he said, "It'll only scatter that more." He said, "The people..."

I said, "Well, I believe that it'll bless the people." I said, "And I believe that it'll do good to them. And surely as them being spiritual minded people will see and understand. My desire is, sir, to see this great big broke up people of Pentecostals, that's lovely brothers, that I've met everywhere, to see them with one heart and one accord." I said, "They've got one of the greatest things."

He said, "I don't doubt that a bit." But said, "Brother Branham, God be with you."

So I went on; and about four nights ago, God taken me away in a vision and set up yonder on the panoramic view of Los Angeles. I seen every kind of a vulture that there was flying from tree to tree, squawking, and hollering at one another. And I thought, "What's this? One little old vulture will...?... real pretty bird, but just eating any kind of stuff, and was flopping his wings, like that, hollering, "You ain't got it; you ain't got it."

And the setting over there doing something else hollering, "You ain't got it," flying from palm tree to palm tree.

Here stood that Baptist preacher there before me, with his square chin, he's stern look; he said, "What did I tell you eight years ago, Brother Branham?"

I looked over to him, I said, "Sir, I apologize. I thought surely they would understand."

Just then the Holy Spirit, the Angel of the Lord, which you see discern the diseases and things, spoke here to my right side, and said, "So did Moses think that the Israelites would surely understand."

You don't understand it, brethren, what it is. The God of heaven has tried to call you together. And every time I come, the crowd gets smaller and smaller. No matter what you try to do, it's still tries to pin the people down to some little cult or something. Brother, you'll never prosper. You'll never be able, great Pentecostal church, which I believe today... I've took my lot with you, because I believe in you.

But the thing you've got to do, is break down these prejudice things and put your hearts together as one unity of people. That's right. It's the only way you can do it. And if you keep on rejecting it, remember the Laodicean church age, the last, went off into lukewarm, and God spewed it from His mouth. Hear the Word of the Lord.

Tonight, right here in this great coliseum, or exhibit, where Christian Businessmen brought me out here, so it would be outside of any church, so there wouldn't be any prejudice, so everybody could come together; but each person holding their little groups up like this, "Don't do this. Don't do this. Don't go out there, because he don't belong to our groups, but belong to that group." This place ought to be packed and jammed, and standing out into the lot, with ministers up-and-down this platform, shaking one another's hands, and glorifying God, because God has sent us a revival.

That's the reason, Billy Graham, crossing the country, can draw the people together, because in the natural side, they are united. But my brethren, you've got something greater than that, but the devil's in-between you, separating you, breaking you apart. Can't you see what I mean?

E-53 Then I apologized to the minister. And if he's here tonight, I apologize again. And instead of it bringing the people together, it's started cults. Everybody's got a smell a devil. Everybody's got a stomp a devil. Everybody's got to do something. Oh brother, get out of it. Come back to your Word of God, back to the Gospel. Come back to the preaching of the Gospel in the old fashion, Holy Spirit of God, moving up-and-down the earth, among the people.

It's what we need tonight. It's what we must have tonight. Hear me, if you believe me of being God's servant, hear my voice tonight. Not 'cause it's me; because I'm telling you from the Word of God, friends. You base yourself upon

something that hasn't got a bottom to it. But you're hungry, and you're wanting God. Please come back to God. Come back to the Holy Spirit, and pray for God to give you the love that will break all the prejudice out of your life, and bring you down humble, and mold you over again, and start you new. Then you won't have any of these false vine things, that trying to impersonate and do this. The people--oh, it's a pity. Amen.

3. Azusa street revival.

MARK OF CHRIST. LOS ANGELES, CA 55-0312 [Revelation 7:9-12]

E-54 Now, notice this if you will for a minute. Notice. When these people come up, and after this, no certain time...

After this I behold... a great multitude, which no man could number, of all the nations, kindreds, tongues, stood before the Lamb, clothed with white robes on... palms in their hand;

And crying with a loud voice, Salvation to our God that setteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb.

And all the angels stood around about... the twenty-four elders, and fell down to worship God,

Saying:... Blessings, wisdom, glory, might, power, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

E-55 If that ain't a old fashion Holy Ghost meeting, I never seen one in my life. Right! Who are this great multitude? Between the times of the Jews being sealed, foreseen, John see them... But between this time (no time set where they were sealed), the Holy Ghost begin to fall fifty years ago here in Azusa street, and scattered all over the world with the old fashion apostolic blessings of God upon them. And that's where those white robed saints come from, out of that great revival that swept the land not long ago.

And now we've got lukewarm and run out, and God's going to turn to the Jews, as certain as I'm standing on this platform. The people has rejected the Holy Ghost; they're laughing, making fun of It. And the people going along, pretending to have It. And the church has got patterned after the worldly church. They go out, and they used to, they dressed different. Now days, I tell you, you can't hardly get people to come to the altar.

4. Civilization traveled.

5. Bible oriental Book.

PROOF OF HIS RESURRECTION. JEFF. IN 55-0410M

163 This Bible is an oriental Book. It's wrote in oriental customs. It's wrote in oriental language in the east. The sun rises in the east; it sets in the west. And in the eastern people, had their day of visitation at the first resurrection. And the sun's come across through the age. And civilization started from the east, going to the west. And just before the sun sets here on this western horizon, it'll be Light again. The same resurrected Lord Jesus will come in His same power. As He made Hissself known to Mary Magdalene and them at the beginning, He's making Hissself known in the power of His resurrection, at the end age. Where? In the end time.

WEDDING SUPPER. CHICAGO, IL 56-1006

E-11 And may the Lord add His blessings to His Word. Now, we have a--a great subject here under consideration, which is a parable that the Lord taught in the Bible. And I never could... As a boy preacher, I used try to wonder what these parables meant. And I never could understand it just right until once I visit the eastern countries. The Bible is a eastern Book, and we trying to understand it by a western understanding. When you go east it becomes a different Book to you, because it's wrote in the light of eastern knowledge.

And the eastern people received the Holy Spirit first. And civilization always travels with the sun, and so has the Gospel traveled with the sun. But civilization, to my opinion, came by the Gospel. You take any country that doesn't respect God, the... Oh, my, there's not much civilization to it. And so civilization... Christianity is the grass roots of civilization. And that's a remark that Mr. Nixon said one morning at a breakfast we were at up there at Washington, D.C. for the Christian Business Men.

And now, as the sun travels west, the Gospel has traveled west. Now, the prophet said, "*There'll be a day that won't be either day or night. But in the evening it shall be light.*" Now, on two thousand years ago, on the eastern people, the Holy Ghost was poured out upon the eastern people, the Jews and so forth in the east.

And then about the first round of apostles it begin to fade out. The second round it was pretty near gone; went on out into the dark ages, come back just a little teeny bit of light in the reformation, come on down through the Wesley age. But we're traveled all the way from the east to the entire west coast. We're as far west as we can go, and the Gospel has come across with it.

MAN THAT CAN TURN ON LIGHT. JEFF. IN 63-1229M

165 Now, yesterday's manna... Look here. Did you ever notice, the sun, s-u-n, has traveled east to the west as it's went each time. Did you notice that? And notice, the church ages did the same thing. What... The sun, s-o--s-u-n started in the east. And civilization has traveled with the sun, God's spoken light for them to live in. They've come on, followed the sun, see where it was going.

Life itself when you were born is like the sun. You go right on to the setting of the sun, from your birth to the setting of the sun.

Man has traveled westward always. The oldest civilization we have is China in the eastern countries, Jerusalem... And notice, she keeps traveling westward as it goes. And as it goes on and on to the west, so has the church age traveled the same way by the S-o-n of God.

Look. Paul... The early church started in the east; it went from there, jumped across the--the--the--the sea over into Germany. And it's made three pulls. Looky. From Asia down in--in Palestine it jumped across the ocean to Germany. That was Luther. And it jumped from Luther across the English Channel over into England by Wesley. And from Wesley she's jumped to the west coast to the United States. And this, if you go any further, it's coming back east again. This is the evening time.

Look how the church ages has fall... Luther... Paul first back in the early age, then come down the line to Irenaeus and so forth, on down into France. From there over into Germany, over into England, constantly going west. And now we can't go no farther. This is the last age. And what does the Bible say about this last age? See, and geographically, chronologied, and almost any way you want to take it, Scripturally first. Scripture of course first, evidence, historically, any way you want to take it, we're at the end, the last church age.

170 And watch, as it went forward, it grew stronger and stronger. And so has the real little minority of the church growed from justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost, and now to the coming Capstone, shaping itself up. No more organizations after this. There won't be no more. See? Can't be. See, we're on the west.

6. Three unclean spirits like frogs.

REVELATION 16:13

And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

FAITH ONCE DELIVERED TO THE SAINTS. CHICAGO, IL 55-0501

E-17 Going to Sunday school one morning, I was caught away in a vision. And I said, "Now..." Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, I said, "Now, there's going to be three great isms. Which is now in existence. One of them is in Rome, which is--is Fascism, and one of them is in Germany which is Nazi--Nazism. And the other one is in Russia, which is communism." I said, "Those three great isms is the unclean spirits that went out of the mouth of the false prophet, and the dragons, and so forth that will unite themselves together, speaking things that they should not, and they'll all beat at one another, until they'll finally wind up in one ism. And I predict that that will be communism. And communism will burn the Vatican city.

And I said, "Just before the end time comes..." Now remember, I still say this: "Before the end time comes..." Wrote twenty-three years ago. "Before the end time comes, there'll be a woman, that'll be a great ruler in this nation. She will either be president or something on that order, some great woman. And at that time, automobiles, just before the coming of the Lord, will be in the shape of an egg." Now, remember that; keep it in mind. See? That was in 1932, or something like that. And look how they're shaping down every year, right to it. We're nearer the end time; we are.

And great persecution will tear down all the differences and run us together as one person. We will... No man, no man will ever be able to do it. That's to big a ma--job for a man; that's God Himself will do that. We will be one someday. Amen. Oh, my, I will be so happy for that, won't you? when it's all over?

Now, they'd been a scattering out of the people here. After thirty-three years you'd think of the great day of Pentecost. And I want to say something here, just a little call, just a little word. We miscall the word "pentecost." I never did care for it (See?), or the word "pentecost." We're not pentecostal people. Never. The pentecostal peoples was the blasphemers. Sure, they was one up there at Pentecost. They was the one up there in the pentecostal worship, not the church. We're the church of the firstborn. We're the ones that's in the Kingdom of God. It was the pentecostal worshippers that was making fun of those people full of the Holy Ghost. It wasn't the pentecostal people that--that was the... The pentecostal people was the Jews, up there worshipping at Pentecost. And this was a new deal God give to the church. So we're not pentecostal. See? This is something new. They just moved that name on there. See? All right.

THY HOUSE. TIFTON, GA 61-0808

E-73 [*Brother Jimmy reads the next question concerning the three unclean spirits--Ed.*]

That come out of Revelations, come out of the mouth of the false prophet and the dragon and so forth.

Now, we're going to get that in our study now (You see?), the three unclean spirits is the three isms. Let me type it for you now and you'll see where it--where it started, where it begin. See?

There was communism, fascism, nazism. They were spirits. Communism is a spirit. It gets on you. See? It's a spirit. And that--it'll be something like that, only I'd... It--it... That really isn't it. But it'll be three spirits just like that, which they was kind of a forerunner of. But, of course, you know where... It's in Catholicism. You see? But I'd--I--I want to get a few things on that straight before I say it (You see?), to be sure that I know what...

But it is three spirits, just like communism, fascism... And we brought that out years ago, you know. Remember, I told you, I said it would be a--it would be a thing would take place, would be--all wind up in communism. And that's where it's done. That's the same way it'll be at that time. You see? It--it'll be three unclean spirits that'll go forth. It'll...

I really, truly believe right now, just to kindly outline it, if you don't mind... And if I--if I add a little more to it when I go to explain it, well, you'll say, "You didn't explain it altogether down there that night." See? If I do that.

Here's what I think it'd be. I believe it's a spirit, the sleeping virgin, confederation of church, Judaism on the rejecting of Christ, the Jews that rejected it, and Catholicism. Because you see where it come out of the--it come out of the false prophet (See?), out of the mouth of the false prophet which was popery, from out of the beast. See? And all that where it come out of, you can see the backgrounds where it is.

And that's the three unclean spirits that sets the whole world to Armageddon. See? And that's them three unclean spirits. Then you get that right in with the three woes. You remember the other day, I just brought it in. I said... Be seven last plagues, seven seals, and three woes, and two--three unclean spirits, and that--that comes through that.

7. Joseph Branham born on May 19, 1955. [Three elements]

WORKS IS FAITH EXPRESSED. SHREVEPORT, LA 65-1126
263 The doctor said, when he come up; he said, "Reverend, I'm going to tie those tubes now." Said, "I..."
I said, "Don't you do it." I said...

He said, "Well, you might get married again and have that boy yet."
I said, "I'm going to have it by her. God said so." I couldn't read it out of the Bible, but it was wrote on my heart by revelation by faith; God said so. Didn't want to stagger at the promise of God through unbelief.

Some of them said, "You meant Josephine."
I said, "I meant Joseph."
Doctor said, "She can't have another baby."
I said, "She will have another baby."
Four years passed, finally she was going to be mother again.

Then a woman (a false prophecy sent forth across the country) writing words, said, "Now, Meda's going to die, during this time, because I was sent to lead Bill." And it said that "He won't listen to me 'cause I'm a woman, and God's going to get even with him now by killing his wife."

I said, "God sent Jesus Christ to lead me." See? I said, "I'm led by the Spirit."
Poor little Meda. We had a nurse that'd been healed there in a meetings; you all know, Mrs. Morgan, and one of Mayo's nurses, the worse cases of... Well, she's on the record, dead, about twenty years ago, of cancer, Sarcomas cancer, in Louisville, right on the Baptist hospital record. She's nursing in--in Jeffersonville, in the hospital now. She's been there for all these years, 'cause God said she'd live.

And so, Meda loved her, and she said, "I want Margie come with me, Bill, I don't feel like going to the hospital."
I said, "Don't make... We love Margie, but Margie's not our God; Margie's our sister." And I took off up to Green's Mill. She'd got me all tore up, 'course I love her. I went up to Green's Mill. And I...
And she said, "Bill, you think I'm going to die?"
And I said, "I don't know, but the baby's going to be borned anyhow. You're going to have a Joseph."
She said, "Is this him?"

I said, "I don't know, honey. I can't say, but God said you was going to have Joseph, and we're going to have Joseph. I don't care what anything says; we're going to have Joseph. Then the same God that's told me all these revelations told me that, He never failed on others and He won't fail on that."

I went up to the mill to pray. And I started there, there stood that Light hang between two trees, said, "Go back to your work and to your book." I went back to this...

278 The Bible and was... And laying in my car. And when I did, the wind had blowed it over to where Nathan was setting, and David; said, "Go tell My servant David; I took him from that shepcote, from feeding those few sheep of his father's, and I made him a great name like the great men." (not all the--the greatest name, but just like great men; never made him a Billy Graham, but a... give him a name, you know) Said, "I done that, but" said, "I can't let him build the Temple, but his son..." And just as soon as It said, "His sons," oh, my, there it was.

I said, "Joseph?" That's right.
Right there in the house I went. And there's the little fellow, so big she a big old boy, she couldn't hardly walk, going out through the field. I run, throw my arms around her, said, "Honey. Joseph is coming. Joseph is on his road."

THE ARK. JEFF. IN 55-0522
2 So I was a--a little bit excited, as they said, of the--the arrival of the new boy, as--as every time, very grateful for it. When the nurse brought him down out of the room, I said, "Joseph, I've looked for you for four years. So I'm sure glad you're here." So it... Here about four years ago, I was... Just before the little girl was born, before we knew that she was

coming, why, I was praying one day after reading the life of Joseph in the Bible, and I thought, "Such a perfect man." Abraham was election. Isaac was justification. And Jacob was grace. But Joseph was perfection. It run out (See?), there was no more said about it. So I thought of Joseph, how he was born, loved of his father.

Say, by the way, I got a telegram or message from Africa said they're making him a coat of many colors. Just to...?... They been looking for him. So that... So there was a...

I was back, went in the little closet, begin to pray. "God..." I--I--I just broke down in tears, to think what a wonderful person this Joseph was. And how he was sold for thirty pieces of silver, just practically thirty pieces of silver, like Jesus--Jesus--Jesus--Judas, pardon me, sold Jesus. And he was took up out of the grave, you know, and set at the right hand of Pharaoh and no man could see the king except by Joseph. And the trumpet sounded, and every knee should bow as he went forward. And same thing to Jesus, you know, "And every tongue shall confess." And I just went back and started praying.

Now, there's three elements that people live in. First is the humanistic. Second is Divine revelation. And third is vision.

Now, this, like in prayer, when you pray for anyone in humanistic, we say, "Well, I--I hope you'll get well. See, I--I'm hoping. I'm believing with you, trying to use all the faith I can." That's human.

Second, is Divine revelation, when something's revealed to you. You just know in your heart it's going to happen, yet there's nothing but just the revelation.

And third is a vision. 'Course that's THUS SAITH THE LORD. That's perfect and positive.

Now, it entered up into this realm here. And Something just said to me, "You're going to have a boy, and you'll call his name Joseph."

Well, I had a little girl. So I thought, "Well..." I praised the Lord for it. And just about a month after that, we found out that we were going to be a parent again, and so I thought maybe that was my Joseph. So it come out, it was a Josephine; it was a girl.

So many thought that I said that was Joseph. I said, "No, no. I didn't say that was Joseph."

And some of them said, "Well, didn't you say that you seen a vision of this?" You know how people get things mixed up.

I said, "I got the tapes on it. See? Come, listen. I never said it was Joseph." I said, "The Lord has put in my heart that I'm going to have a son by the name of Joseph." See? I said, "I don't know how, when, or what, but it's going to be." So I didn't know. "I may have--may have six girls before we have him, but he will be here." Well, that just never left my heart. And we went on.

And then, the other day he arrived. And he's here, so I'm very grateful for him, knowing that when the Lord promises anything, the Lord will do what He has promised. See? He just has to. In order to be God, He has to keep His Word.

ENTICING SPIRITS. JEFF. IN 55-0724 [Joseph's dedicated.]

23 (...) In a little closet, way yonder in the north lands You promised this child to me. Father, may Your blessings rest upon Him. Joseph, my boy, I give you to God, and may your life be a blessing. May you be a prophet, Joseph; may God's grace rest on you. May the God of your father, the Lord Jesus Christ ever bless you and make your life a blessing to others. In Jesus Christ's Name I bless this child. Amen.

LET US SEE GOD. SAN JOSE, CA 59-1129

16 Many of you has heard of Joseph, haven't you? The African people recently sent him a little coat of several colors. I saw him six years before he came, when the doctor said we'd never have another baby, we could not have. Our children had to be caesarean. My mother, my wife's people is that way; they--their babies are all caesarean. And the Lord told me I was going to have this baby, when the doctor said it could not be done, said it just could not be done. I said, "It'll be anyhow." And we waited four years after a vision come that I'd have a boy, and I should call his name Joseph.

And after that, there was another girl born. Everybody laughed at me and said, "You meant Josephine."

I said, "No. I meant Joseph, as a boy." He'll perhaps take my place when I'm gone, if Jesus tarries. And four more years, then the doctor was positive there'd never be another one; four more years Joseph arrived.

I wonder if mommy, if you could hold him up just a minute. I want them to see what... This boy is already, the spirit of prophecy upon him. And he... Stand up just a little bit, Joseph. There he is. All right. [Congregation applauds--Ed.] He's like his mother, bashful.

I'll tell you what happened. We was away... He's four years old now. But when he was three, we were away. And he said, "Daddy?"

And I said, "Yes, honey."

He said, "David..." That's the boy was crippled and was healed, Mr. Wood's son that lives next door to us. Said, "I was seen him have a wreck on a motorcycle." He doesn't even have a motorcycle. "And it hurt his leg; he tore his clothes on the right side."

I said, "Where was that at, honey?"

Said, "Down the lane from where we live." And three days later, a boy came through from Kentucky, riding a motorcycle, and David went down the lane and hurt his right side and tore his clothes, just like Joseph saw it.

When I dedicated him to the Lord the morning, there was many little babies standing up, and had mothers with them along the altar. When I picked up Joseph in my arms, not thinking of what I was saying, I said, "Joseph, my son, thou art a prophet." That's my prayer anyhow, and I believe it'll be someday; God will take everything that He ever give me, and double it times double, and put on that boy, then when I leave that he'll take my place.

ADOPTION. JEFF. IN 60-0522E

219 And the other night in the vision, there she come running to me. She said, "My blessed brother," and threw her arms around me. Oh, oh, brother, sister, it's changed me. I can never be the same no more. It's so real. It's just--it's just as real as I'm looking at you, just that real. So there's no fear. I may die before the night's over.

I want to raise my little boy back there, Joseph. I want to see him in the pulpit, when I can take this Bible... When I get to a place I see Joseph in the pulpit preaching as a--as a young man filled with the Holy Ghost, anointed with the Spirit of God upon him... And I believe he'll be a prophet. The day when I--when I--when I saw him six years before he was born, you remember me telling you he was coming. Remember when I caught him right there at the side of the altar, not knowing what I was saying, dedicating babies, I said, "Joseph, thou art a prophet."

And the other day standing out in the yard, he come in to me, and he said, "Daddy, has Jesus got a hand like yours?"

And I said, "Well, yes, son. Why?"

He said, "I was setting on my bicycle, watching for Sarah (That's his little sister.) to come home from school." Setting out there, I won't let him go out on the road; he was setting back like this. And said, "I looked up," and said, "when I did, there was a hand like yours, with a white sleeve holding over me." And said, "It went on up." Said, "Was that Jesus' hand going up?" I looked at the mother; mother looked at me. We went down to Mrs. Wood's. Ever where she's at, setting here. We cross-questioned him, back and forth, and every way we could. It was a vision. He saw it. When I can see the time of little Joseph standing... I hope I live to see him married, if Jesus tarries.

FROM THAT TIME. KLAMATH FALLS, OR 60-0716

E-116 Father, I cannot say what it was. I do not know. You know my heart, that I'm only honest in what I'm saying. You bear me record, Father. And I'll... It's such a sweet place. God, when my days are done, I'd like to see little Joseph be a man that I could place this Bible in his hand. Because the day of his dedication, You spoke. Said, "Joseph, thou art a prophet." I pray, God, that You'll let a double portion of the Spirit on my boy. If You'll just let me live to win souls to You till I get old, then place--place this Bible over into the hands of my son, Joseph, and tell him to continue with the same Gospel. It would be a full life, Father.

8. Bait on hook, healing.

JAIRUS THE SECRET BELIEVER. MACON, GA 55-0604

E-8 Being that this is more or less a faith message, a faith message of Divine healing, secondarily. Our first motive of these meetings is to save lost souls. A body no matter how bad they're bedridden, how sick they are, someday they've got to die if they're made perfectly whole tonight. But that soul which is immortal when it's healed will live forever.

Divine healing is many times it's been said that healing services are just all the stress put on physical healing. If you'll notice about eighty percent of Jesus' ministry was Divine healing, but Divine healing is like the bait that's on the hook. You don't show the fish the hook. You show him the bait, so he gets the bait and the hook too. So that's what we think about Divine healing.

God sets in the Church great signs and wonders to get sinners conscious of His Presence. Like the gift of speaking in tongues, it's not for him that believeth, but him that believeth not. See? It's signs to the unbeliever, and today we have plenty unbelievers.

9. Noah's flood by atomic power that caused earthquake.

FELLOWSHIP THROUGH RECONCILIATION. MACON, GA 55-0605

E-58 Now, I'd say this, as a servant of the Lord, I believe that it could happen at any time. Total annihilation, it could start at any time. Look, as the days of Noah... That's how they throwed the world out of it bounds in the days Noah. When they built the pyramids, the sphinx, and so forth. We couldn't build it today if we had to. Gasoline power, electric power won't build it. But atomic power will.

So they could turn it loose, and shock the world from its orbit. And it being hot went out and caused moisture that covered the whole earth. This time He's going to blow it into the sun. Just exactly, scientifically, right across the center the way God said it would happen. Here it is now. We're at the end time. And men are still unprepared.

UNCERTAIN SOUND. JEFF. IN 60-1218

256 Now, notice all these things that they did, and the powers that they had... And could you imagine, it'd never rained, and nothing in the skies to make it rain. How in the world did--did that man ever get that message over? He didn't. That was it. But as Noah stood in the door of the ark and warned the people of the oncoming destructions, so is a Gospel preacher that's borned again today standing in the Door, Christ Jesus, enshrouded around by the Holy Ghost, warning the people of a coming destruction. Sure, as it was in the days of Noah, here we are standing in this day.

Now, how could science say, "Rain come from there?" But, you see, God knowed how to bring rain from there. He either caused an earthquake, or somebody had atomic power that they throwed it and bursted some part of the earth. And it swung the earth backward, throwed it out of its orbit, and now it leans back. And when they did that, the heat of the earth and the cold of the earth, from the sun and away from the sun, caused the cloud to come over. He's Jehovah-Jireh. He can provide Himself anything that His Word said.

10. Spirit dominates your life.

WATERS OF SEPARATION. MACON, GA 55-0606

E-6 That's why I think America tonight, that our lovely land here is in the confusion, we can't have a revival seem like. Why, there's been enough Gospel preached around America, and God's worked enough signs and wonders to convert a thousand nations this size. Great men has crossed the country, Billy Graham and Oral Roberts, and many of the great men in the world today out preaching the Gospel of deliverance and so forth, and great crowds and throngs come out, they listen, go back, set down, and go on their same routine.

If you only knew friend, that's spiritual. You have to realize that every person has a spirit in them. And if the person could only see what kind of a spirit dominated your life, you that act indifferent towards Christ, you'd be ashamed of yourself.

No matter how you're dressed, and how well, how popular you are with put the peoples, yet in your heart if God could only turn the looking glass to your heart...

Many times in dealing with spiritual things, you see them when they move out. Someone was just asking me here not long ago. I was at Calgary, Canada, and a boy come in; they had him in a straight jacket. And they come in the back of the room, and he was cursing and carrying on, and--and I never heard such in my life. And the father was trying to hold him, and when he got on the inside, he looked over to me and said, "William Branham, you ain't got nothing to do with me."

Oh, that father looked up, said, "He don't even know his own name. How'd he know your name?"

I was standing off a great distance from him. Oh, how he was cursing me and carrying on. And he said, "You ain't got nothing to do with me." And I asked the audience if they'd just be reverent. The ushers come to take him out, just then I seen the Holy Spirit move out, the Angel of the Lord. I said, "Now, bring him here just a minute." When they went to bring him, he started kicking, and frothing, and biting. He was in a--a straight jacket, and they brought him up close to... And then when the vision come and told just what it was, a sin that had been committed by his father that caused the child to be in that condition, the father fell down and repented. And when that evil spirit went from that boy, thousands times thousands of people in the stampede grounds there that night, looked, and like a great big spider in a black shadow floating around... Oh, my. It was really quite. And it went around out of the place, out through the building and went away.

E-8 Many times you see them in different forms. Here recently I seen one coming from a woman, that looked like a bat with great big hairs hanging under its legs, and so forth, its wings come right out, right straight up. They're evil spirits. And many times it's someone looking ever so beautiful on the outside, could only look on the inside and see what that is. We're dominated by spirit.

11. Two mental faculties the Soul and the Mind (brain). [Lie detector, subconscious]

WATERS OF SEPARATION. MACON, GA 55-0606

E-28 I don't care what the school said. The Bible said it, and that's God's science Book. It never can fail. Though heavens and earth passes, if God's Word said so, it's the truth. Amen. That's true.

Notice. How here sometime ago, they told me... I was preaching. There was a man come up and said, "Hey, preacher, I want to tell you something. You keep saying man thinks in his heart."

I said, "The Bible said so."

Said, "Well, them men wrote the Bible, they were just ignorant. See?" Said, "They... There's no such... There's no mental faculties in your heart to think with." Said, "You think with your head, your--your--your brain. You're mind's what thinks." Said, "That's where you think from. There's no mental faculties in your heart."

I said, "I don't know where it's at, but God said it was in the heart, and I believe it. That's all I know."

And about six weeks ago, I was in Chicago, and a great line on the front page, where science has found that in the human heart, in the center of the human heart, is a little compartment where even a corpuscle or blood cell never touches. The animal life hasn't got it, but the human has got. And science says, "It's the occupation of the soul." Hallelujah. Then God's right after all. He's always right. Yes, sir.

So that's what's the matter with people today. You come to the church, the water of separation (That's all right.), hear the Word (That's very good.); you get separated from your sin; but you go out with an intellectual faith. That's the reason you can't believe. That's the reason you go back out and sin the way you do, the reason you can't hold up from one revival to another. If you'd let that intellectual faith move down through your brains into your heart, then it becomes a reality with a new birth. Then it'll stay there, anchored forever. God sealed you in by the Holy Spirit, and it settles it forever.

UNCERTAIN SOUND. JEFF. IN 55-0731

64 As I was saying a few days ago, either here or somewhere, speaking on the lie detector. Now, notice close now. I want you pay close attention. Put a lie detector on you, and you try to impersonate the--that truth, and try to say that it's truth, but down on the inside of you, in the subconscious, lays a place called the soul. And this intellectual mind does not govern that vibration of the system. The mind is only a director. It will direct you, and it's very incapable of bringing you to God: your mind. You cannot know God by your mind, intellectual. It's one of the resources, or the channels that would lead to it, but your soul is what governs you. You are what you are, by your soul.

Jesus said to the Pharisee, said, "Why, you hypocrites. How can you speak good things?"

When, they was calling Him, "Good Master," and so forth.

Said, "Out of the abundance of the heart speaketh the lips. And in your heart you hate Me. And in your lips you call Me, 'Good Master.'" He said, "You hypocrites."

See, your soul is thinking one thing, and you're speaking with your lips another thing. What a case. What a horrible thing. What a deceitful thing is a hypocrite. For our of their mind they say one thing, when their soul says another thing.

UNCERTAIN SOUND. JEFF. IN 55-0731

102 And look, when they're trying to stop, with that hypo needle in their arm, let them be numbed off so they don't know nothing, and they're trying to speak. Their soul has caught up with them. They realize that their reasoning, their mind is perishing with their brain.

"Perishing with their brain, the mind?" Yes, sir. Yes, sir. Your mind will perish with your death.

I will prove it to you. The lie detector don't take your mind; it takes your soul. The vibration of your nerves don't run on your mind; it runs on your soul. Amen. So your intellects will die when your brain ceases to function. When the blood fails to pour through the brain, and the nerves cease, then your mind goes away and your soul catches up with you.

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. CAMPBELLSVILLE, KY 55-0806

E-16 Now, faith is the subject right now that we have under consideration. What is faith? Many people substitute hope for faith. But it's just as much difference as it is day and night. For the Bible in Hebrews the 13th chapter said, "For faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." See, it's not just a mythical hope; it's absolutely a substance. Oh, I hope you see this. And then you'll see things happen.

See, many people can have hope in their mental thinking. And sorry to say, that's the position of many Christian profess today is mental thinking. They have a conception. But never have yet experienced what Jesus said, when He said, "Except a man be borned again, he will not see the Kingdom," or the word translated right is understand the Kingdom of God.

You look at anything, say, "I--I just don't see it." You don't mean you don't see it with your eyes; you don't see it with your heart; you don't understand it.

Now, there is two elements, just for a few moments on this subject. There's two elements that make up the human being. And one of them is your mind, and the other is your soul. And the mind is your mental thinking, your intellectual. And your soul is a part of God that's in you.

Now, now a man can... When you are borned in this world you be... As a child, you grow into be a living soul and at the age of choice, you hear the Gospel in some way, and something way down inside you tells you to receive Christ. That... You'll say, "Well, I'm too young now. I'll wait a little longer." Now, there's where you make your first mistake right there, for you grieved this person inside. God's not going to judge you by this man up here, your intellect. He's going judge you by your soul.

Many people have faith by their intellects; others have faith by their soul. Now, the intellect up here, will reason with the Word of God, "It's not reasonable." But the soul doesn't reason at all, it says, "It's the truth." And that settles it. It's... See, the soul believes it. The intellect will say, "I--I wonder, it might've been for a day gone by. I... That might've been for the disciples, or--or that might been something... Not for us now because we're living in a different day."

But the soul says, "Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever." No reasoning, doesn't reason at all. It believes.

Now, the big percent of us, friends, will go to reasoning instead of the soul, and that's the reason we fail to receive wonderful blessings from God. Now, this is just not a mythical something. It's not some kind of a magic wand. It's the truth of a living God.

Now, I--I believe this, that you can't be drunk and sober at the same time. You never seen a drunk sober man in your life, and you never will. See? You never did see a black white bird. It's either one or the other.

Now, if God is God, He's still alive today. If the Bible said that Christ raised from the dead and is alive forever more, that's either the truth or it's an error. And if it's an error, I don't want nothing to do with it. But if it's the truth, I am ready to die for that truth. That's right. Now, that ought to be reasonable to anyone.

E-19 Now, here's what happens. When a man starts out, he will go to reason. He will go to the schools of theology. And he will go from church to church and wonder if this one's got the truth, or if that one's got the truth. Or he will take his membership from one church to another. You should never do that. You should put your membership in heaven on the Book of Life. And there it'll be forever.

Now, all churches, Christian churches, has good meanings, every one of them, and I believe every one of them has truth. And now, I don't mean to try to say now they don't have all the truth. Sure, I believe... If they believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God, that's the truth. Amen.

Now--now, but what a man will do, he will hear a little something and keep moving his--his papers. Well now, you'll never find Christ moving your papers. You have to move your thoughts. You have to move your thinking, and get away from reason and move your thoughts from your own way of thinking to what God thinks. "Let the mind that was in Christ Jesus be in you." And then when you begin to think His thoughts, you'll begin to live His life and do the things that He did. See what I mean? Now, because it's not you; it's Christ.

Now, the man in doing that, he will--he will say, "Well now..." He will start to reasoning first. "Now, I am too far gone (in speaking of sickness). The doctors said that I can't live." The doctor with all the knowledge the man knows... And thank God for our doctors, hospitals, and knowledge. We thank God for every one of them. And by no means should you shun your doctor or be against your doctor, or hospital, or medical treatment. They're all sent from God. Everything that good come from God. See?

But what it is, we're living in the day when we got the best doctors we ever had, the best hospitals we ever had, the best medicine we ever practiced with, and got more sickness than the world ever known. Because we got more sin and unbelief than the world ever knowed. We got too many things that's got people's mind all tore up. "Is this right? Is this right?" And the poor people don't know what to do. And that's the reason that--that sin and violence set in.

It's too bad that the church of the living God ever begin to break up in organizations and run out on limbs. It's too bad that we couldn't be of one faith, one accord. And the Holy Spirit would still be coming if we kept like they had on the day of Pentecost, in one place in one accord. But when we begin to break fellowship with other peoples, then is when we begin to colonize and God left us.

Now, to hurry straight to the point. Now, if the man by his intellects will finally grieve this... The Holy Spirit keeps saying, "You should."

And you say, "Well, I'm too young. Well if I... Well I--I belong to church." But you should be born again. "Well, if I get that kind of experience, I won't be able to do this or do that, or I can't go to this and do that."

Well, you see, the devil will tell you that you're going to lose some good time. You're going to lose some privileges. But he's a lying to you, especially you young people. Oh, my. You don't have to drink. You don't have to smoke. You don't have to run around in these places of amusement. Why, the Holy Spirit is a million times better than all the devil could even offer you. Why, you don't have to get drunk on strong drink to have a big time. Sinners do that, but you don't have to do that. Because I'm been twenty-three years preaching, and I've been drunk the whole twenty-three years on the Holy Spirit. It's a stimulation itself. And it never lets up. And I've always got joy, always got peace, always feel good. The Lord is here. If I am sick in body, He's got me happy in my soul. If things are going good, things are going good in my soul and bad in my body, or vice versa, it makes any difference, God is always there, and I'm always stimulated with a pleasure that's, "Joy unspeakable and full of glory." That's what He does for the believer.

Oh, my. If I can get to Divine healing, it sounds like an old camp meeting. So then to think of how glorious He is and the joy and things that He gives to His believing children.

E-22 Now, if we keep grieving this little fellow called soul, after while it will finally depart from us. The Bible said, "The soul that sinneth, it shall surely die." Now, death doesn't mean what we term it to be; death means separation. If I died here at the pulpit now, I wouldn't be dead. You died there you wouldn't be dead. You'd be dead--we'd be dead to each other. Here's one alive, and the other one gone. Means "to separate..." But we'll be alive if we're Christian in the Presence of God. If we're not, in tortured eternity in the presence of the enemy, the devil.

Now, the soul that sinneth, it shall separate. And after while you don't have that feeling that condemns you when you're doing wrong. One time when I was a lineman many years ago, I was-- been--just started to preaching. And I'd--I'd just been ordained in a Baptist church. And so I was down at the corner just a preaching away the Gospel. And--and there's an old... Talking about your soul. And an old darkie come up, he said, "Parson," said, "do you know what you're soul is?"

And I said, "Well, I believe I do, uncle."

And he said, "It's the little thing that's got four points on it. They're sharp. It sets right in your heart. And when you do something wrong it starts turning." Said, "You let it keep turning it, it'll cut a streak and you can't feel it at all." So I thought that was a pretty good expression. Just keep doing the same thing over. "The soul that sinneth, it shall die."

EXPECTATION. SHAWANO, WI 55-1001

E-28 Here an experience I had recently with a woman. There was a woman who lived in a neighborhood. She was raised up a good woman. And she was raised in a fine home, although she went to church; but she never become what we'd know to be a Christian, being borned again, though she was very loyal in the church, and she was the pianist in the church. And she married a fine boy that hung around the church there, and he was a good boy. And they lived together for awhile.

After while they moved off into a neighborhood; she still joined up with, taken her letter to another church. And she lived in this neighborhood here. She be--she was raised of an old fashion mother who really knowed God, an old fashion mother. God help us to have some more of them, instead of these cigarette smoking, cocktail drinking, night running females that we got today called mother. And that's awful to say that from the platform, but that's the naked truth. It's a shame, brother. I tell you; it's disgracefully to think that the motherhood of America has broken down. That's the backbone of any nation.

(...)

E-32 So this woman, finally, she got--fell in love with a man, neighbor. And she left her husband, and run off, and married this man, and continued playing the piano in the church. And after while, she left him and married another one. And she thought she was doing all right.

And then finally, ended up as a common law wife. What was it? Her soul told her in the beginning, "Don't do that." But she reasoned, "Now, if the rest of the woman can do this, why can't I do it?" But down in her soul was a Spirit that said, "Don't do that; keep away from that; that's not right." But yet, she fought against that, and cast that aside, and she went to reasoning. Don't you see? Don't reason, just believe. Believe God's Word; don't try to reason it out. Just what God said is the truth. And believe that to be the truth. And don't go to your reasonings; go to your experience, to Christ in the heart and compare it with God's Word.

Now, she went on. And after while, she was called, or the pastor of our church was called to her bedside to pray for her. Well, she was laying there smoking cigarettes and everything, living in the house, a common law wife, and he said, "Sister, is everything all right with your soul to die?"

She said, "Everything is at peace."

Now, she believed it. She had went so long with her intellect, until she had grieved the Holy Spirit from her. It no more spoke to her; she didn't know which was right. She had reasoned it out. She had a--a mental conception, that if she went to church and did what was right, why, she would go to heaven. That went on down till the very hour of her death.

But when her reasoning power... When you die, your brain breaks up, of course, when the spirit leaves you, and then what's left? Here's your soul that you've neglected back here, which comes to you then, when you're dying. And this mental reasoning breaks up; you don't reason no more. It's your soul that's been in your heart, that you've grieved away; then it caught up with her. And when she did, she screamed, "My God, I'm lost." Too late then; the soul that had been grieved away...

E-34 Now, the doctor can shoot a hypo in her arm and keep you from screaming. "Oh, she's excited"; said the pastor, "she's not lost. Give her a hypo."

He give her a hypo, and she, [Brother Branham breathes hard, then gets quiet--Ed.] Sure, quietened her down. Oh, preached her funeral and said, "The sister's in heaven." That I cannot say. But let me tell you; that hypo can quieten those lips, but it'll never quieten that soul that'll haunt her through eternity. That's right.

Don't you let that be your state. You mind God. Be borned of the Spirit of God, and quit reasoning things, and just believe what God said to be the truth. Be filled with God's Spirit, and then God will lead you, and the Holy Spirit will lead you in the paths of righteousness. And you see yourself conducting yourself unlike a Christian; you know that that's wrong; then go back and check up with God, with His Word here and with His Book; and get right with God.

12. Wheat and cocklebur nature.

ABRAHAM. MACON, GA 55-0608

E-61 If a seed goes in the ground, a grain of wheat, it cannot produce anything else but a grain of wheat. So if you go around, say, "Well, praise the Lord, I--I've been saved. I've got the Holy Ghost." And living any kind of a life, you better get back to the altar of God again, 'cause the incorruptible Seed of God cannot be one thing. You cannot be a wheat and a cocklebur at the same time. You've got to either be a wheat or a cocklebur. You all got cockleburs down here? All right, greenbrier then, ever what you want to call it, some other weed. You see?

You can't be a weed and a wheat at the same time. If you got the spirit in you of the life of wheat, you'll produce wheat. If you've got the spirit in you of the life of a cocklebur, it'll be a cocklebur. And if the Holy Ghost is in you, you'll believe God, love God, and act like a Christian. That's right. If it isn't, you'll know them by the fruits they bear.

EPHESIANS PARALLELS JOSHUA. JEFF. IN 60-0515E

106 Listen to this. Predestination looks back to foreknowledge--I mean election. Election looks back to foreknowledge, and predestination looks to destiny. Don't forget that, that election looks back here, here it is, "I was a cocklebur. I was

borned in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world speaking lies, born amongst sinners. Father and mother and all my whole family, sinners. I was a cocklebur. But all of a sudden I become a wheat grain. How did it happen?" I--That, what is that? Election. God, before the foundation of the world, elected that the cocklebur was to become a grain of wheat. "Now, I know I'm a grain of wheat, because I'm saved. How do I do it?" Look back and see that He predestinated it, long time ago. By foreknowledge He seen that I would love Him, so He made a propitiation through His Own Son, that through Him I might become from a cocklebur to a grain of wheat. "Now, where am I at now?" I'm saved; I'm walking in the grace of God. "What does predestination look?" To destiny. "Where will He take me to, and where am I going?" That's got you. There you are.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 64-0830E

1149-30 How can I take a cocklebur and make a grain of wheat out of it? It's impossible for me to do it. The only way it can be is because inside that cocklebur has been transmitted from a cocklebur wheat--a cocklebur to a germ called "wheat life." Then you bury that cocklebur, and it'll produce a grain of wheat (That's right. See?), because there has been a life of wheat put in the cocklebur. And the life of the cocklebur has been taken out; but the nature of the cocklebur is still sticky (See?), and it will be until this new life has fully been developed out of the ground and raised up again. When it comes forth, then it's no more cocklebur, but wheat--but wheat. But while it's here on earth and the--in the--out of the earth... And a cocklebur, it's still sticky, but it's got the nature on the inside of it of wheat.

And as long as you're in this life, you're going to be sticky and have a carnal nature that's going to bother you as long as you live; but the inside of you, you're borned again. And when you're raised up, you're in the likeness of Christ and all the sin is gone from you. See? That's--that's the thing.

13. Agapao & Phileo is Greek for love.

DO YOU NOW BELIEVE. MACON, GA 55-0610

E-27 Now, there's two different kinds of love: there's human love, which in a Greek word is a--is a Phileo love. And then Agapao love is the--is the high love or Divine love.

Now, you take like the phileo love, when we have that, love, a mother for her baby will drive her right straight to a flaming fire to save that baby's life. It'll make a man, for his sweetheart, lay down his life anytime. See, what I mean? It's... That's just human love.

And Je... I believe somewhere in the Bible it said, "Could a mother forget her little suckling babe?" Said, "You--you may, but I can never forget you, for you're engraved on the palms of My hand." So how could God ever forsake us, or--or anything, as long as He loves us like that?

WHERE PENTECOST FAILED. SAN FERNANDO, CA 55-1111

E-62 Love, God is love. "*He that loveth is of God.*" Divine love, not affectionate love... There's two different kinds of love. Now, we know we get into this here "free love," and all kinds of stuff called love. But that's not Divine love. That's a mockery of the devil. You know that. There's two different loves: there's a love called "phileo love," and there's a love called "Agapao love."

A "phileo love," the Greek word, means "the love like I would have for you as a fellow, or my wife." You have for your wife a phileo love. Now, that love, if you'd catch a... You'd be jealous of her. If you'd catch a man insulting her, you'd kill the man for it. That's phileo love.

But Agapao love would make you pray for his lost soul. That's the difference. That's where people don't understand. See, it ain't some kind of an effectual, worked up mental condition. It's a absolutely, genuine Holy Spirit of God that binds our hearts together in Christian fellowship and love.

14. Born again is a miniature creator.

DO YOU NOW BELIEVE. MACON, GA 55-0610

E-33 Now, let me tell you something: Each man that's borned again with the Spirit of God in him is a miniature creator. Now, that might shake you a little, but that's the truth. We're in the image of God. God is a Creator. That's the reason that you can believe that God could heal a person, because God is in you, and God made this world. He just spoke it, and His Word become material. The very ground that you're setting on is the Word of God made manifest. If He didn't, where do He get it? See? He just spoke it, and it turned into existence. He believed in His own Word. And if a man's borned of the Spirit of God, he's an offspring of God; and that part of God is in him, and he believes every word that God says will materialize. See? And so, that makes him part of God. The Holy Spirit in the man makes him a part of God.

And now, did you ever see people, nice people, but you just couldn't hardly stand to be around? Sure you have. You don't have nothing against them, but you can't stand to be around them. Then you seen some person that's, oh, maybe a little old scrawny fellow, or a little old woman bent over a washtub, but you just love to be around that person. You just love them, somehow. It's the atmosphere that they've got around them, the way they live; they create an atmosphere that you like to be into. That's lovely people to be with.

15. Age of accountability and dedication for children and babies.

[Mark 10:13-16, Matthew 19:13-15, Luke 10:13-17]

ENTICING SPIRITS. JEFF. IN 55-0724

11 And a little child, no matter what kind of a parent it's got, how sinful (that wouldn't make any difference), for the Blood of Jesus Christ cleanses. See? And this is the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. That baby cannot repent. It don't know how to repent. It has no reasons of being here of its own. It can't tell you why it's here; but God sent it here. And the Blood of Jesus Christ cleanses it the very moment that it comes into the world, and it's until it's the age of accountability, and then it knows right and wrong. And then what it does, it's got to repent for what it knows that it's done wrong. That's right. So some of them sprinkle them and think they don't go to heaven.

And there's the teaching that says if the baby's born of a Holy Ghost parents, well, the baby will go to heaven. But if it isn't, there's no more to it, the baby just is no more. That's strictly an error. What difference does it make whether it's a Holy Ghost parent? It's all sexual desire, and the baby's born the same way. So it's all borned in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world speaking lies. That's--that's the Scriptural terms of it.

So in... And then the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses and makes an atonement for that child. If it dies, he perfectly, go right into the Presence of God. And if it was born from the most sinful parents in the world, until it's the age of accountability where it knows right and wrong, and then what it does from then, it's got to be forgiven for that. It's got to ask its own repentance from then on. But while it's a baby...

Now, the way we try to follow it here at the Tabernacle, it's the only place in the world that I go that I preach doctrine, is here at the Tabernacle, because this is our church. And we preach doctrine here to keep the people lined up. Other men in their churches, they preach whatever they believe. And they're my brothers, and we might differ a little bit, but we're still brothers just the same. And--but here in the Tabernacle we preach what we think is Scriptural doctrine, and in there, we see for the dedication of children, what we call a Dedication. The only time in the Bible that we can find out of where, in the New Testament, that where a little children was ever had anything to do, or Christ had anything to do in it in the ceremony, was He taken them up in His arms and laid His hands upon them and blessed them and said, "*Suffer little children to come to Me. Forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of God.*"

Now, we are left, as we understand, to carry on the work that He come to--to accomplish, His death at Calvary. He was with us, and He went from, come out of God into the world, went back from God--or from the world into God, and come again in the form of the Holy Spirit. And is with us, in us, to the end of the world, carrying out in His church the same work that He did when He was here on earth. And by that, we take our children one to the other, to the ministers, and they pray over them, lay their hands upon them, and dedicate them to God. Just a little ceremony to say that we appreciate what the Lord has done for us in the little children.

Now, if your little ones been sprinkled, or whatever way it is at your church, then, we don't say one thing against that. It's all right. But Scripturally, we only find one place. That's where Jesus blessed them Himself. That I shall read, the Lord willing, in the--in the Word here. We find in St. Luke the--I believe it's the--the 10th chapter and beginning of the 13th verse:

And they brought young children unto Him, that He should touch them: and His disciples rebuked them that brought them.

But when Jesus saw it, He was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

And He took them up in His arms, and put His hands upon them, and blessed them.

Isn't that lovely? He said, "*Now suffer the little children to come to Me. Don't forbid them, for of such (such like that little child) is the Kingdom of God. And He took them in His arms and blessed them.*"

JOSEPH MEETING HIS BRETHREN. JEFF. IN 56-1230

E-2 Now, we have some a--just before the service this morning or before the Sunday school teaching, we have a--a dedication of babies. And my brother has a little one that he wishes to dedicate to the Lord, my brother in flesh. And maybe some of the rest of you mothers and fathers here have a little one to be dedicated.

Now, many times in the Bible... And we've had lots of splits in churches because of the different theories on infant baptism and so forth. And now, those who take them and sprinkle them for infant baptism, that's up to whatever way you want to dedicate it. But the whole thing mounts up to one thing, a dedication to the Lord.

And now, because a baby is far as sin, it has none. Jesus died to take the away the sins of world, and the baby has done no sin. Only it was--it's a sinner. It's borned in sin. But, when Christ died at Calvary, He took away the sins of the world, and the baby is not responsible until it becomes the age of accountability.

And any little baby, no matter how sinful the parents are, as soon as it dies, it goes straight to the arms of Christ. See? Because He paid the price. No matter if it was a baby borned in sin, and by adultery, or whatever it is. Makes no difference at all. That baby is safe with Christ, because He died to take away the sins of the world.

And, when it gets old enough now that it's done personal sin, then it has to repent for what it has done. But it has no personal sin until it's old enough to commit sin, to know which is right and wrong.

But now, we always try to stay just as close to the Bible on these things as we know how. Now, there's no Scripture in the Bible for sprinkling babies. The only thing that we find... or no infant baptism in the Bible in no form. The only place we can find, it's wrote here in the Scriptures that Je--they brought unto Jesus little children. And He took them up in His arms and blessed them and said, "*Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven.*"

16. Vision of healings in Denver. [August 1955]

LIFE. BANGOR, ME 58-0519

E-24 Here recently, you seen it in your paper. I guess it was on the Associated Press, about the miracle man in Denver. They didn't know whether mystic, miracle. God Who knows. I was in my room. I saw a man where there was a clock. And He was in a wheelchair; it was squeaking. And I looked at the old clock and it was just exactly ten minutes after three. And I was standing by a ten cents store, and I... Said, "Go near that man."

And then when I went near him, he was packing a Bible--had a Bible in his hand, rather. And I asked him if he believed it. He said, "Yes." And I took him by the hand, raised him up. He was healed. I seen the way to get away.

Then he come, and I seen a--a--a baby. It was laying dying. And the doctor had went out. I noticed he got in a gray car. He had a mustache. And there was a gate there, and right behind the gate laid a hoe. I had laid my hat upon the television as I went in the room. There was lady with a red sweater on, one with a brown coat, and they were weeping. And He said, "Go over to the baby." And I went and laid hands on the baby. He got well.

When I come out of the vision, I went in and said to my wife, "Honey, look down, if you see if you see anything about a baby, or about a man in a wheelchair that wrote down here." No.

I called the office. "How many airplane tickets is in down there?"

"Oh, five or six."

"What do they read?"

They told me this way, come here and there. I couldn't feel a thing. Well, I let it go for about, I guess, two weeks or more. After while, a man had sent a ticket for me to come to Denver, and when I got over to Denver, I felt led that I should go to Denver. I went and prayed for the man. I don't know what happened to him. I just went over. He was a tubercular case, was out there, been in the sanitarium: soldier.

So I thought, "Well, I'll just wait now. We're here in the city and it's going to be 5:30 'fore I leave on the plane. So I'm going to look around Denver."

And so, I was walking down the street, just kind of walking along like this, and all of a sudden I heard a woman cry. And I looked up, and I seen the doctor with his little satchel in his hand, said, "Good day," and started walking out.

I thought, "I have seen that man somewhere." Mustache, gray suit, that car, and he come out the gate. And I was pretty close within being about ten feet of him. He looked over. I said, "How do you do, doctor?"

He said, "Howdy do." He stopped and turned around, thought... I guess, wonder how I knew he was a doctor. Well, I was patient. He never said nothing, got in the car and drove away.

I thought, "Lord, if that hoe is laying behind the gate, that's it." And I went over there and looked. There laid the hoe. That was it. I walked right on up the steps, knocked on the door, lady come to the door. She had on her red sweater. And I said, "You have a sick baby that has pneumonia?"

"Yes, sir." And said, "The doctor just said there was no hopes for it."

I said, "I'm a minister. My name is Mr. Branham. Do you know me or ever heard of me?"

She said, "No, sir. I don't believe so."

I said, "Are you Christians?"

She said, "No, sir, we're not. We don't go to church." She said, "We ought to, I know."

I said, "Could I walk in and have a word of prayer for your dying baby?"

She said, "You certainly can. I'd be happy for you to do it, sir."

Walked in, but there was no lady there with a brown coat on. I laid my hat up on the television, and I waited a few minutes. Well, I... She wondered why I wasn't going to pray, but I couldn't say nothing. I had to wait for the lady with brown coat on. Now, that's just how simple it is. I waited there, I guess, a half hour talking to her about the Lord and so forth. And then, after while, there was somebody knocked at the door. And the lady with the brown coat in--on come in, but she was supposed to be setting on that side, and the lady with the red sweater on down this side, and vice versa their place. Still I couldn't say nothing until they got everything in position. The vision has to be perfect. Then I said, "Now,

lady, you might have wondered why I waited. This is a vision. You might not understand what I'm saying, but just watch your baby a minute."

Went over and prayed for the baby, and the little fellow begin to screaming and carrying on. The mother let it up. In ten or fifteen minutes it was playing around on the floor. The fever had all left it and everything. She took its fever. And there I led both of them to Christ in the floor.

I got out and started down the street, and I thought, "Thank you, Lord. I see now." And I hadn't gone but a little piece, till I happened to think, "What was the rest of that vision?" It was something. And while I was stand there, I heard a clock strike three o'clock. And I walked around the corner by the side of the ten cents store, and there was that old clock over there on that steeple. I thought, "God, I got ten minutes to wait right here."

And when I was waiting there, ten minutes came. At the end of the ten minutes when it come, I heard something screeching coming. It was a man weeping, setting in a wheelchair and a lady pushing him: had a Bible in his hand. Perfect, there it was.

I said, "Do you believe that Word, sir?"

He said, "With all my heart." Said, "I am a Christian."

I said, "The Bible says that you are reading, that Jesus healed the sick in His days."

He said, "Yes, sir. I've just been reading that."

I said, "Isn't He the same today?"

He said, "Yes, sir. He is."

I said, "Do you believe that?"

He said, "With all my heart."

I said, "Stand up then. He healed you."

E-30 And he jumped up and begin to scream. I run, went through the ten cent store, went out, and down the alley, and went back over, and got a taxi cab, and went out to the station. A big piece on the Associated Press, "Mystic Healing In Denver." They don't know yet. See?

17. Missionary trip to Switzerland and Germany. [Storm stopped and Pillar of Fire photographed.]

[June 19-26, Zurich, Switzerland; August 12-20, Karlsruhe, Germany and August 21-27, Lausanne, Switzerland.]

FAITH IN ACTION. CHICAGO, IL 55-1003

E-16 Now, the other day in Germany... How many here has ever seen the picture of the Angel of the Lord that was taken in Houston, let's see your hands, that's here in the building. They got it here, and they were taken in different places. And the other day in Germany it was taken. And now the state church in Switzerland, was against me. They we're against Billy Graham, as you've seen the write up that brother got in the paper. And it... So then after he left, and the reason they was against him, because he believed in the supreme deity of Jesus Christ. Now, the Swiss church doesn't believe that Jesus was the--was the virgin born Son of God. That come from the Zwingli. First was Luther and then come Zwingli and Calvin and so forth. And Zwingli was in Switzerland and they--the state church is--is built upon his doctrine. They believe that he was the--the... In their own books and everything they declare that they believe that he was the Son of Joseph called the Son of God. He was the prophet that Moses spoke of would come, but actually Joseph was His Father.

That knocks every prop from under Christianity. It... That takes every Divine thing away from it. He was absolutely the virgin born Son of God, and Joseph had no more to do with it than we had to do with it. That's right. He was the virgin born Son of God. And I believe that with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength.

And then, I jumped right in behind Billy Graham, and I started the same thing. Oh, my, they bitterly opposed it. And then when they wrote against me, and then give that write up against Billy, then the Catholics come around said, "See, they're both no good." So that... Oh, if people could only get their head right or their heart right, one. So then when they did they went up in Germany, and when we was to come up to Karlsruhe, Germany, they wrote up there to the state church and told them not to receive me because I was an impostor. So the church and state's together there. What the church says, the state has to do.

So they... After they after they had their big cathedral that would seat thousands of people had to build it, 'cause they wouldn't rent no place to them. Then the authorities told them they couldn't have it.

Doctor Guggenbuhl, a very smart lawyer (That's one of our sponsors there.), he didn't take "no" for an answer. He went right on down to the Major in the United States Army; he said, "Tell Brother Branham to come on. If the rest of them can come, he can too." So it give me a chance to come into Germany.

The first night they had to mill around me to keep the Communists from taking a shot at me somewhere. And come pretty near to getting Billy my boy. But the Lord was with us, and they just kept walking around so in the dark they couldn't take a shot you know, 'cause they was firm...

And on the second night, God gave sight to a total blind girl, eight years old. Then the state church and their pastors and all got together and wanted to have a meeting with me; they wanted to ask me some questions. We went to a breakfast.

And at the breakfast they taken a big German camera and set it up like this up in the day, plenty of light. They needed no flash or nothing. They were taking a pictures of the breakfast.

And so when they did, they was a... They'd taken several pictures, and they said, "Now, Brother Branham, we believe that God is with you, but them visions, we can't understand it--can't understand it."

"Why," I said, "I couldn't explain it, because it's God; and you can't explain God; you've got to believe God. God's not known by--by scientific; God's known by--by faith."

Well, they couldn't see that at all, you know. And just at the time (the sovereignty of God right when the strain was on) I said, "Just a moment, here He is now." And I said, "He's coming now."

Well, that German camera, they just moved it right on me, and that German thought he'd try a few shots, so he--he took the picture, and when it did the Holy Spirit come down.

I said, "The man standing right here to my left, he's a stranger among us all this morning." I said, "He's not a German; neither is a French." I was at Luzanne at the time. I said, "He's not a French, German or a..." I said, "He's an Italian, and he's been the leader of thirty-thousand communists." And the boy started crying out. And I said, "Now, he's picked up a Bible. His background was Catholic, and he picked up a Bible one day and was reading where Jesus died for his sins, and he accepted Christ. Now, he's persecuted. He's run a little orphanage up in the mountains. He can't eat his breakfast this morning; that's why he pushed his table--the plate back from his table--from the table because he has an ulcer in his stomach."

The boy raised his hand, said, "Every word of that's the truth," then he said.

I looked at him... He's still... He was gray headed and eating a good square meal." I said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD; eat your meal, because Jesus Christ has made you well." He set right down and started eating.

E-20 Well, that German camera was standing there taking those pictures. And after it left, then they took about a dozen more. They'd taken about a dozen before and a dozen afterwards. And when they developed them, there was the Angel of the Lord right on the picture, coming down...?... Showed Him coming down when He enclosed around where I was standing. The next thing showed where he was going away, looked to be half of it that way, after it was moving away, and I had my hand up saying, "It's THUS SAITH THE LORD; it's finished." Like that.

And I have them here tonight so that I can show them to you. I don't know how well you'll be able to see them from the platform here. Sometime we might develop them if we get somebody that'd want them, and we can maybe make negatives from them and put them into print.

But it just goes to show that every time... I've never had a time, that the gift of God was ever questioned but what God come right down and done something outstanding. So criticism is perfectly welcome. Amen. We--we love to see it, 'cause we're always waiting to see the glory of our Lord God.

Now, I've got them here. You may not be able to see; I don't know how good the... Can you see that from where you're--from where I'm standing? It's a--it's a picture of the breakfast. Now, here's all the ministers; the camera's setting back here. See where the lights is in the building, up here and it's eleven o'clock in the day. Doesn't need any--any light of any type. Now, that's the first picture. And here's where they all stood to their feet, and there's the Angel of the Lord coming down. And here's the man standing; and that's me and my hand pointed towards him, and this is him standing here with the Roman collar on, that's a--that explains to him what it's all about. That's when It's coming, just started down. See it's just above... This is me standing right here, and it's just above me. Now, here's the next picture, when it done settled down over their head like that. It's--it's--it's down over them, and the vision is going on. And here's the next picture when it's leaving away and just half of me can be seen there, where the Angel of the Lord has still got it masked over, just half of it going away. And here's the next picture afterward it's perfectly clear and normal; there's nothing there (See?) after it's gone away. Jesus Christ still lives and reigns. All right.

Now, that doesn't mean anything to me. These people in the pit here, I never noticed; they didn't get to see it; so I'll kinda show it if you don't mind, just a moment. There's the one before. See, see? that's the picture that was before anything was taken And here is the Angel of the Lord coming down. See, see? And here is the picture after it was already settled on me where I was standing. See? And here's the picture just dwindling away there (See?), and just half of my face is showing where it's going off like that. And if you'll happen to notice, it's going off on the right hand side, and I always call my sick everywhere to the right hand side. The Angel of the Lord always appears to me on the right hand side, every time, and there the... to--to prove that it's true, there goes the Angel of the Lord off on the right hand side, just exactly. And here's a picture afterwards, that there was nothing left in the building. And we got, we got around twenty something pictures between these two things, and... the camera stationary setting at the same place, and nothing at all showed any other wise. So it just goes to show that our dear Lord Jesus still lives and reigns, doesn't He? He's wonderful, exceedingly, abundantly, and we love Him with all of our hearts.

HE THAT IS IN YOU. JEFF. IN 63-1110E

202 Now, the Word of God promised that He lives; and because He lives, you live. He promised that "The works that I do, shall you also; the same things, only more of it, will you do, because I go to the Father." He conquered all things. He's

the One that stopped... He's the One that made those squirrels. That happened two times. Happened once down at your place, Charlie. And it happened; it happened up here, when brethren, Brother Fred and Brother Banks, and them up there with us.

It's happened in Germany when them fifteen witch doctors, on each side of me, said... Because Billy and Brother Arganbright wouldn't let them--let them see me, they said, "Well, we'll cause that tent to blow away." And they set down there with their enchantments, and called on their god the Devil, and here he come with a storm. About thirty thousand, forty thousand Germans out there, and that tent just raising up and down like this... Them... And then cut a--took a scissor and cut a feather, and pointed it back like that. And setting there, going through all of their enchantments and saying the three holy words, they say, "The Father, the Son, the Holy Ghost; wo-loo-loo-loo-loo-loo. The Father, the Son, the Holy Ghost; uhhhh," going like that, and actually the storm come up, sure. "He's the prince of the powers of the air," Satan.

And they called the storm, and I... Even that great big tent, setting out like that... Oh, my, cover about a city block; and it built up, built out of two-by-four's, and just canvas tacked over it. The wind got under there and just raised it, like that. That wind and lightening a-flying like that, I just continually preached.

And oh, they just going into a big enchantment, going on and on like that, saying those little holy words. They said, "The three high holy, words: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost," on both sides like that. Then I seen him bound, surrounded by devils there, but not bound.

And I said to Brother Lowster, "Don't interpret this."

I said, "Brother Arganbright, just pray."

I said, "Lord God, Creator of heavens and earth, You sent me here; I set my foot on this German soil in the Name of Jesus Christ because You sent me here. And that cloud has no power over me. It does not, because I'm anointed and sent here for the salvation of this people. I command you in Jesus' Name to depart from here."

209 And the thunders going, "Bang, bang, bang, went grrrrrr," and rolled away; and right straight over the tent, blowed back, and the sun shined out.

And within ten minutes, there was about ten thousand around the altars and things, screaming for mercy to see the power of God. Why? "Greater is He that's in you than he that's in the world." See, see?

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18. Zwingli and Switzerland. [Luther & Calvin]

UNWELCOMED CHRIST. JEFF. IN 55-0911

4 Ah, the church, the first reformer was Martin Luther, as we all know, and second was Zwingli, and Zwingli went into--to--out of--into Switzerland. And there, at Zurich was the Bible first translated in English, the full Bible, from the first translation, was did at Zurich, Switzerland. They still hang with the old Zwingli idea. And Zwingli's translation denies the virgin birth. He doesn't believe in the virgin birth. They said that He was the Son of Joseph, "*called the Son of God.*"

And we believe that He was the Son of God, that He was born of the Father, God, that give Him His birth through creation.

INFALLIBLE PROOF OF RESURRECT. STURGIS, MI 57-0114

E-26 Recently in--in... Over--over the seas at Zurich, Switzerland, the famous evangelist, Billy Graham, was in the stadium that afternoon closing his service on Saturday, and I flew in just in time to get to hear the last of his service. And I began on Sunday, where the Lord give us fifty thousand precious souls to His Kingdom.

And now in there, hearing Billy preaching on the supreme Deity of the Lord Jesus, I wondered why he took such a text. Lately, I've found out, and in their own writings, that they hold onto the old Zwingli teachings of the Scripture, whence there was Calvin, and Luther, Zwingli. But Zwingli believed that Jesus was the Son of God in a way that He was the prophet that Moses spoke of but not virgin born.

If you take the virgin part out of His birth, then it had to be sexual. If He was sexual, He was mortal. His blood can no more atone for us, if Joseph was His father, then my blood could atone or yours. He was the virgin born Son of God. See? No man had anything to do with it at all. God, the Father, overshadowed the virgin and created a Blood cell, which brought forth the Son of the living God.

QUEEN OF SHEBA. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0219

E-62 Well now, notice, when she had--what she cost her. You know, it's not cheap to come to Christ. That's what's the matter with you American people today, us American people; everything's so easy, no suffering, no nothing. We haven't had no wars, so we can just act as nasty as we want to.

I went into Switzerland, and you can hear them ringing the bells you'd think the millennium was on. That's right. But what do they do? They don't even believe that Jesus was virgin born; they got the old Zwingli doctrine, believe that He was the Son of Joseph. But they ring them chimes till I--I--I thought the millennium was started. Woke me up one Sunday morning, and I didn't know what was taking place, about a hour and a half. And there come about eighty or ninety glass top busses from Germany. You know, Switzerland don't have any wars; they don't have to worry about anything; they're

just as nasty and independent as Americans are. And you come right down through there, and the first thing you know, come down to--to Germany come down. And when we went to the meeting that night, Brother Arganbright setting here, he was right there. What was it the Holy Spirit called? Every one was a German, and left the Swiss setting right there, with all their chimes and so forth. See? It takes suffering. You have to dig.

SARDISEAN CHURCH AGE. CHURCH AGE BOOK. CHAPTER 7.

254-2 Still the cup of the abominable works was not yet full. Not only did Luther through poor judgment incite to battle and thereby cause the death of multitudes; but Zwingli's party persecuted unto prison the godly Dr. Hubmeyer, and though it did not commit him to the stake, it was actually responsible in great measure for his eventual death by fire. And Calvin did no less, for he demanded the arrest of Servetus who had seen and taught the oneness of the Godhead. The State then tried this brother, and to Calvin's dismay he was burned at the stake.

19. Opossum healed.

UNCERTAIN SOUND. JEFF. IN 55-0731

194 The other day I was amazed, above anything that's happened in a long time. I'm a great lover of nature. You know I am. I love animals. I just think they're wonderful. I was setting in my door. Brother Leo and Gene was there. And Brother and Sister Wood was down there. And little Billy Gillmore, the milkman, was standing there. And at ten o'clock in the morning, down the road come something a limping, pulling a leg behind it. It turned into my gate, and come up to my steps. It was an old opossum, at ten o'clock in the day. They're blind at that time of day. They're blind, all, in daylight. They're a night animal that runs at night. They prey, and prey around, and get their food at night. All you know that. A opossum is an edible animal.

And he turned into the gate. I went out to meet the opossum. I took a rake. I thought, "Strange. He may be blind. What makes him act and reeling like that?" I laid the rake over him. And he turned and looked at me, and growled. I thought, "There is something strange."

And I happened to look down in her pocket. A opossum is one thing, besides the kangaroo, there's only two that has a pocket they carry their young in. And in the pocket of the opossum, she had eight or nine little hairless babies in there. And a dog had got a hold of her, or either a car, broke her leg, her shoulder bone. Green flies all over her, maggots in the ears, and so forth, and here she was, hobbling up like that. And she growled because she thought I was reaching for her little ones.

I said, "That opossum has got more motherhood about her than a lot of women, especially this woman throwed her baby in the river the other day to get rid of it." I said to Gene and Leo, setting back there, I said, "Come here and I will teach you a sermon." I said, "Look at the morals of this woman. Look at the morals of this lady. It's a dumb brute, but she's got more lady about her than forty percent of the American women." Right. I said, "She has got just about an hour to live from the looks of her, but she will spend that hour fighting to protect them little ones. And these women go out here and have little babies, and smother them, and drown them, throw them in fire, and things: worse than dogs, worse than animals."

The little lady wouldn't wait. She wouldn't even stop, partly. She went straight to my steps, and--exhausted, and laid there. We tried to get her up. She was gone. She was still grunting, suffering so tremendously.

Mrs. Wood come up, and Mr. Wood and them, said, "Brother Branham, I believe the humane thing to do would be kill the opossum. Them poor little babies will starve." Said, "It's the only thing you could do, would do it."

Someone else come by and said, "Brother Branham, won't you kill the opossum?" Said, "Kill her. She's dying." Said, "She's laying there suffering." Said, "Take the little ones out and kill them. They'd be better off." Said, "They haven't got a soul. It's just a dumb brute, just an animal." Said, "The poor little things will starve to death. The poor mother laying there, and them little babies nursing that milk from her, and you know what condition she was in," said, "they'll die."

202 Said, I said, "It's true, I'm a hunter, but I'm not a killer." I said, "I love to hunt, but I don't kill just to be killing. That's a killer." That's right. I don't kill nothing that I can't eat, or something I can't make use of, or something that's destroying. Not kill to be killing, that's a murderer. Couldn't do it. I just couldn't do it.

And I knowed sensibly, in the mental realms in the right way of thinking, the humane thing would be to do, will be kill the opossum and them little ones. The opossum was dying, would never gain conscious again. And the little ones would starve to death. And drinking that old curdled milk from their mother, would probably die in misery. The best thing to do is put them out of their misery. That was the sensible thing. But something down here wouldn't let me do it.

Crowds begin to come. I had a call, went out. That night, Brother Wood and I were riding out on the road, and Sister Wood and my wife. Coming down from up around towards Scottsburg, where I was trying to get a little mental rest, Brother Wood said, "You see that little puppy back there on the road?" Said, "It's going to get run over." I whirled my car around and went back. We picked the poor little fellow up.

He was full of fleas and lice, and mange eat him up. Well, what would be the sensible thing to do? Kill him. I couldn't do it. I brought the little fellow home, got me some flea power, and sprayed him, got me some mange cure; give him a good, decent meal. Got him hid away up there, trying to get the little fellow to get well. He wants to live.

There is something about life that's real. Don't impersonate Christianity; get Life, live. Don't just have to battle yourself around, say, "Well, I'm a Christian, I oughtn't to do this; I oughtn't to do that." Live. There's One Who cares for you. That night, at ten-thirty or eleven o'clock, that little opossum was still laying unconscious, green flies all over it, shoulder broken out, laying there suffering, dying.

Long, later, Billy come in. There laid the old opossum, laying back there, them little ones trying to nurse the little more milk from her, life coming from the mother. She was still groaning terribly. She'd try to get up, and she couldn't do it. She'd try to get up, and she couldn't do it.

I couldn't get that poor old opossum off my mind. I thought, "God, I ought to go in, and get a gun, and kill that opossum, but I can't do it. What's the matter, Lord?" I walked up-and-down the floor. Daylight come, old opossum laying there. I went back, thought, "O God, there she is, that hot sun, laying right at my step." Started walking back through the floor.

The blessed Holy Spirit stopped me, said, "You called her a lady. You took up for her, for being a real mother. And I sent her to your house to be prayed for, and you're letting her lay there like a woman at your doorstep."

I said, "God, forgive Your stupid servant." I walked out there and said, "God, if--if You are merciful enough to deal with a dumb animal, who has got lady enough about her to raise her babies, to send an ignorant opossum to my doorstep to be prayed for, O God, heal the opossum. In Jesus' Name, I pray."

213 The old opossum turned over and looked at me, raised up on her feet, picked up her babies and put them in there, as if to bow her head, and said, "Thank you," and took off to the woods, rejoicing. She knows a lot more than preachers do, sometimes. She will follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. If God can deal with a opossum, how much could He deal with a human, if they'd only...?... No uncertain sound about that. God uses animals to teach services: sure does.

He used a mule, one time to rebuke a backslidden preacher.

(...)

UNCERTAIN SOUND. JEFF. IN 55-0731

222 What do you think Jesus Christ did? And why can't--can't you be loyal to Him, and to forsake your selfishness, and your indifference? Can't you 'sake your church, petty things, and come to Him, and be loyal?

That poor ignorant opossum, and the Holy Spirit... And me up there on vacation, not even prayed up, and that poor little lady opossum laid at my doorstep. When the sun was hot, she laid there faithfully. When the night come, her eyes would come open, she could see. But the Holy Ghost wouldn't let her go. She laid there all night. She couldn't get up. And then, in the early morning, showing she had been laying there around twenty-four hours, waiting for her turn to be prayed for, for she was an animal... And when the Holy Spirit said, "Go out there and pray for her," the God of heaven healed her. She quickly gathered up her little babies in her pocket, and looked back to me, with the saddest-looking eyes I ever seen, as if to say, "Thank you, kind sir." And down the road she went.

20. The 18th Mystery of Faith:

1 TIMOTHY 3:9 *Hold the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.*

UNWELCOMED CHRIST. JEFF. IN 55-0911

49 I said, "Well, if you want to believe, you're a believer. If you don't, then you're not a believer; that's all." And I said, "I can't explain it. There's no need of me trying it. For if I'd try to, I would try to explain God. And who can explain God? And God has made it so that none of us can explain God. We believe God by faith, not by sight, not by knowledge; but by faith, we believe God. God is--has to be accepted by faith, inex--unexplainable. You have to receive it. If it's explainable, then you don't no more have to use faith, if you can explain it. See, you don't have... You can tell the details."

How many understands that? Do you see? You cannot explain God. You have to believe God. It's a mystery to you, but you have to accept it. That's on the basis of your faith to accept something that you cannot explain. Amen. That's the way. That's it. See, you have to explain something, and believe something that... I mean, believe something that you cannot explain. It's impossible to explain it.

IT IS I BE NOT AFRAID. PORT ALBERNI, BC 62-0726

E-27 It must have been about this time of the evening. The sun was going down. It had been a great day, and the big fisherman, those great big shoulders, was pushing that boat off the bank. And when he got the stern off, why he climbed aboard, and set down by the side of his brother, Andrew.

Now, in those days they didn't have a boat like we were in today, with a engine in it that went along. They had oars, and they called it a ship. Sometimes they had a sail up. And if the winds were blowing, they could sail, and tack, as you fishermen know.

But then, it's always a mystery to me how that you, by that sail, you can control the wind--go right smack in the face of the wind and the wind, taking you forward right in the face of it. It's just the way you set your sails. That's the way about faith too. If you just know how to pull your sails of faith around, it'll do something for you, right in the face of difficult, it drive you right on through it, if you just know. Now, you sailors out here know what I'm speaking of. Notice.

KEY TO THE DOOR. JEFF. IN 62-1007

140 See, the Holy Spirit stays right straight with the Scriptures. Its faith in That unlocks every mystery. Amen.

21. Leaving Campaign after meetings at San Fernando, CA.

[November 10-20].

WHY ARE PEOPLE SO TOSSED ABOUT. JEFF. IN 56-0101

2-7 (...) I made a promise to God that I would never beg for money in the meetings. And I made a covenant with Him: if He ever got to a place where He didn't supply my needs in the meetings, just by passing the collection plate: which I knew it would take tens of thousands of dollars to do it in great massive meetings. And then I--I told Him that I would leave, and come home off the field.

(...)

3-7 We've tried to shun it. And He's... He miraculously met me, and helped me until about the last couple meetings. In my last meeting in California alone, and the last two meetings, I went fifteen thousand dollars in debt. That a... They said, "You have to beg. You have to tell the people. They want to be begged."

I said, "That's not my promise to God.

Some man said, "I'll underwrite it."

I said, "That isn't my promise to God."

So to keep my promise, as I would to my fellow man, I did to God. I didn't want to tell my wife and boy on the road home... I come to California, and I had to stop in the evangelistic services. I said, "I'll go back, rest up a few days, and see what the Lord Jesus says; and if nothing else, I'll come down and help Brother Neville pastor the Tabernacle." I said, "I'll--I'll do something to preach the Gospel and go to work like I used to do: patrol on the lines in the Public Service Company, or something; and preach on, and let him have Sunday morning or Sunday night, and I'll take the other service; and him have Wednesday, and I'll have Tuesday, or something like that." Or... I said, "We'll go right ahead with the services." And I said, "I'll get me a job and go to work."

WHAT IS A VISION. CHICAGO, IL 56-0408A

12-6 And I went to California, went about--about fifteen thousand dollars in debt in the meeting. And that night when I left, I asked Billy to tell me; and the dear people who was sponsoring it, they underwrote it and was very, very fine. But that wasn't the promise. I promised God what I'd do. And when a dear brother taken me home that night out to the little cabin where I was staying, I went out upon the mountain to myself, about two o'clock in the morning, and we was to leave around four-thirty. And I prayed. And the moon shining down bright, I can just see it. It was last fall.

I said, "Heavenly Father, now, I--I leave the field. I go home, and whatever You want me to do from henceforth, You just reveal to me."

And so, I couldn't tell Billy and them; I didn't want to tell them, didn't want to tell my wife, but, oh, I said, "I'll tell them when I get to Arizona." Well, then I said, "I'll wait until I get to grand old state of Texas, where my mother come from." I said I'd tell them there, and then I got there... I told them as they come in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Well, Billy, he said, "Daddy, better be careful what you're doing." Said, "Don't the Bible say, 'Woe unto me if I preach not the Gospel?'"

I said, "I never said anything about preaching the Gospel, I mean the evangelistic service." And I said, "Look, Billy," I said, "God's got men on the field everywhere. He don't need me out there. I can go back and get my job again, and--and go to pastoring, and pastor the Tabernacle or something. I may go down and rent the old theatre down there and have a Sunday afternoon international gathering and a broadcast or something." I said, "I can't stop all at once now, because my expenses runs about a hundred dollars a day at home, so I--I can't with my office and things." I said, "I just can't shut right down, because I can't do it."

13-5 And so my wife said, "Billy, I hope you know what you're talking about."

I said, "Well, I--I--I know one thing."

When I came here one time in a convention for a convention... And you know the story. Because I'd promised this dear little Swede friend of mine here, Brother Boze, that I would come and preach two days for him in the Philadelphia church after that convention's over; and I was told if I didn't--if I did do that, I couldn't be a speaker. I could take my choice. I said, "I'll stay with my word." And I went to Brother Joseph's, exactly, because I'd do it again.

A man that won't keep his word isn't very good. That's the way I take God. He give the Word, and I believe every Word of it, and if He wouldn't keep It, It wouldn't be God to me. I... He has to keep His Word; I believe. And He will do it, and I know He will.

Now, then I--that night I went to bed when we got home. My wife was crying; she said, "Billy, I'm afraid you are making a mistake." Said, "You know I would want you to be home with the kiddies and I." but said, "Bill, look what it's done? It's started a worldwide revival, and I can't see where God would bring you in off the field."

And I said, "Well, I promised Him."

She said, "But--but--but He never told you."

I said, "But I promised Him. See? That's it. I promised Him; I'm going to keep my word to Him. If I'll keep it to my brother, I'll surely would keep it to my Saviour."

14-2 So I went in and slept very well through the night. And the next morning about six o'clock we woke up, and--and I was just getting out of the bed; she was on the other side. I was just rubbing my face like this; I said, "Well, I'm going to call the Public Service Company today and ask if I can have my old job back again." And I said, "If they don't give me my job, Mr. Wood is a contractor; I'll just go with him, and he and I'll go out and wreck some buildings or something. And I got to work because I've got to go to work." And so, I said, "This money's got to be met, and I'm fifteen thousand dollars in debt." I said, "Then what can I do? I got to pay that back. No matter how much they underwrote it, I--I'm going to pay it back. That's right."

And so she said, "You're going to call Mr.--Mr. Barr this morning?"

I said, "Yep, I'm going to call him and ask him if I can have my job back, and he--if that job--someone's got it now, and they can't give him a better job," I said, "then I'll just--I'll go with Brother Wood, and we'll go to building buildings or something another. I'll help him." And so I said, "If I come off of the field, 'course that's going to bring him off too, and he can go back to contracting, and we can go to work."

So then, as she said, "Well, I--I sure hope you know what you're speaking of, Bill."

And I said, "Well, I..." And I looked, coming, moving down from the ceiling... Oh, I just... Maybe they... I couldn't expect you to understand it, but that something that... When we meet in the--face to face with Jesus, you--they shall know then.

Here come something moving. I seen two little dark faced children come moving down, pulling a little wagon; I said, "Sweetheart, look coming here." I was done gone then.

And she said, "What you talking about?"

I could hear her, but I couldn't answer her. And these little children was walking towards me, little, kind of long hair and black, dark eyes, brown face, coming, walking to me. And I--I seen then... I started moving on beyond the children, and I seen Mr. Arganbright, my brother, that's went overseas with me many times, seen him standing there looking at me. I moved on to him. Now, I could still hear my wife walking around in the room. I'll say it this way so that you'll understand it. It might not be the right words, but so you'll understand. That one dimension I was in, I'd moved out then into another. I couldn't hear her walking no more. It was gone.

22. Vision of the third pull.

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15-2 And, I seen Mr. Arganbright, and he was--his peculiar little way, the way he holds his head and kindly smiles as he looks at me, and he said, "Brother Branham," he said, "we've put out cards everywhere, and we got a way for you to get in and out, and everything's ready."

I said, "All right Brother Arganbright, which way shall I go?"

He said, "Just keep on."

I walked on, and I passed some ministers. And then I walked a little farther, and I came into a great panoramic affair, and all kinds of, look like, seating for thousands of people. And just then, I heard someone say, "The meeting's dismissed."

"Well," I said, "who dismissed it? How did it come to be dismissed?" And I was disgusted, and I said, "Why is it dismissed? What's happened?"

And it was sprinkling rain, and something said to me, "By this you'll know."

And then, I said, "Well, I don't..." And then I went in farther into the vision, and when it did, I was standing with a, you know, a little baby's shoe of about a year old, you know, the little bitty eyelets. It's not a booty, but a--a shoe. And I had a--a string in my hand, trying to lace this little eighth of an inch hole in this eyelet with about a half-inch string, just working fervently trying to push that string through that--half-inch string through an eighth of an inch eyelet. And I was breaking the threads all over the string trying to push it through like that, and it just wouldn't do it. And the string was being all broke up on the end.

So just then I heard someone say behind me, "Don't you understand that you can't teach babies supernatural things?" And I looked around, and it was behind me. And I recognized that voice. He said, "You're using the wrong end of the string." And I looked down at the end of the string lying on the floor, a great pile of string, and it was laced down to a nice eighth of an inch, so it would go through the hole. I said, "I understand." And as I reached to pick up the string, I was taken again.

Now, you mark this down. Watch it come to pass. See? And as I--I started to reach down, I was gone again. Then when I come to, I was standing by the side of a beautiful lake, something like your lake out here in the summertime, when it's real pretty and green. And there were fishermen all around the lake, and they were fishing, but they were catching small fishes.

And I looked out into the lake and those great beautiful Rainbow trout out there, and I said, "I know this is a vision, but I can't understand those trout." But I said, "You know, I believe right down in my heart, I can catch those." So I picked up the string, but instead of it being a string, it was a fishing pole; and just then, the One behind me said, "Now, I'll teach you to fish, how to catch those."

16-3 And so He took... And He said, "Tie on the lure," and I snapped the lure on. He said, "Now, throw way out (Now, listen close.)--way out into the deep." And He said, "When you do, now, let the lure sink down first," and then said, "Pull it slow." Now, that's really fisherman's technique.

So I--I... He said, "Then when you do, now, you'll feel some nibbles at it, but don't tell nobody what you're doing. Keep it to yourself." And said, "Then when you--when you feel it nibble again," said, "pull just a little--a little bit, but not too hard." He said, "And then it'll pull away from the little fish, and when they scatter, that'll attract the attention of the big fish, and they'll grab it." And said, "That's the way you'll catch it." Said, "Then when they bite on the third time, set your hook for the--the catch.

And I said, "I understand."

Said, "But keep still. Don't tell nobody. Keep still."

And I said, "All right."

And I had the lure in my hand, and all these fishermen turned out to be ministers, and they all come around saying, "Brother Branham, I know you can catch fish." Oh, of course, that made me feel real good; I said, "Oh, yes, I'm a fisherman; I can catch fish." And He said... I said, "Now, here's the way you do it." And I said, "You throw it way out," and I went way out into the--to the deep water, and I said, "Now, those little fish are fine, brethren, but we want the big ones too." And I was--I said, "See, when it sinks down... Now, see, there it is; just about where it should be. Now, see, there's... See, that... There them's little fish." I said, "Now, when it's stretched again, I give it a great big jerk." And when I did, I pulled the whole lure out of the water. And when I did, I caught a fish, but I wondered how he ever got the lure in his mouth, 'cause looked like the skin was stretched over the lure, about the same size of the lure.

And I thought, "Oh, my."

17-1 And just then, this One Who'd been talking behind me, stepped around in front of me. It was Him, the Angel of the Lord. He had His hands folded. He looked at me, said, "Just what I told you not to do."

And I said, "Yes, that's right."

He said, "You see, that first pull was when you used to put your hands on the people and tell them what was their trouble." Said, "The second pull was when you'd know the secrets of the heart like I told you." And said, "Instead of you keeping that to yourself, you tried to explain all about it and tell people, and when you did," said, "you didn't know nothing about it yourself, and how could you explain it? And you caused a big bunch of ca--carnal im--impersonations to rise up, and you see what you've done." And I said, "Lord, I'm sorry." And I--I said, "Oh, I--I'm so sorry. I don't know what to do."

And I was pulling the line like this, and I was trying to straighten my line out; and He looked at me; He said, "Now, don't get your line tangled up in these kind of times."

And I thought, "Maybe He's going give me another try." And I was--I said, "I'll sure be careful," and was winding my line in, and seen it taken up all right; and then when He said that, just then I felt myself go higher, way up. And when I was set down, there I was beneath and standing up above a great tent; I never seen such a tent. And I'd just made a altar call, seeming like, down at the altar; and when I was down there, I looked, and there were hundreds of people standing around the altar weeping because they had accepted the Lord Jesus. And they were just weeping out loud. And I said, "Oh, that's more like it," like that.

And a real kind gentleman walked out to the platform, said, "While Brother Branham's a-resting just a few moments," he said, "we'll call the prayer line." And said, "Everyone with prayer cards beginning with a certain number, stand over on to the right."

Well, I noticed the prayer line, seemed like it went all around the tent and out and down the street, such a prayer line.

And I looked over (which was then to my left, and there it would be to my right if I was standing on the platform, would be that way), there's a piece of canvas stretched there, and in there be--behind this canvas was a little square building about twelve foot across and twenty foot long, something like that. Well, I stood and looked at that.

And I seen them bringing a lady upon a stretcher, and there was a lady there taking her name and things with a--on a--on a paper. And so, there was a--a someone come and got her and pushed her through. And the next man came through with crutches. I see them go through that little building, and on the outside the lady come out screaming to the top of her voice, pushing this stretcher. And the--and then there was another lady on the other side, looked like kind of a dark-haired woman, and she said, "What happened?"

She said, "I just don't know." She said, "I couldn't tell you what happened." She said, "I've been paralyzed for twenty years, and looky, I--I feel like I--I--I never was sick."

And just then out come the man, leaping and jumping with his--with his crutches in his hand. And I--I looked at that.

18-6 And just then... Now, here's something. Notice close. There's a difference between the Angel of the Lord and that Light, because I heard something a moving, as it does when it comes here at the platform at night, kinda like a--[Brother Branham makes a sound "whew"--Ed.] and like a fire whipping around--licking blaze. And It left me, and it went right down over the top of that audience and went and stood over the top of that little building, and then settled down on top of it. And then when It did, this One that was standing by me, behind me, the same voice, the Angel's voice, He said, "I'll meet you in there, and this is the third pull, but nobody will know nothing about it."

And I said, "Well, I don't understand why in there. Why there?"

He said, "It will not be a public show this time."

And I said, "I don't understand going into that closet, like that."

And He said, "Is not it written by our Lord, 'when thou prayest, be not like the hypocrites who like to be heard before men, but enter into the secret closet and pray to the Father Who seeth in secret, and He Who seeth in secret shall reward thee openly?'" It's perfectly to the Scripture; every time it is.

And I said, "I understand."

Then He took me to this place and set me down in this room where I was at, and then He told me what to do for the third time.

Now, Christian friends, that'll--when I leave this world, that'll still be in my bosom. When I... But you mark my words what's going to take place when that...