

Satan's Eden #05

Faith And Healing; Discourse To Greeks; The Body Follows Life
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Our heavenly Father, as we sing this song we sing it now that You're here we realise that we are in the great eternal Now, that all time and its consequences have really passed away or stood still, because we're entering on into that period of time of eternity, which knows no roll of the planet as a demarcation of day, of twenty-four hour span, but eternal day is ours Lord, where there is no need of sun nor moon, for the light of God is there.

And we know the light of God is here, caught even on a camera, and the light of God is here in revelation, caught in our hearts, minds, and our souls.

And so Lord we thank You that You are here now, that it's not a matter of coming, but it's a matter of taking, taking a people for whom You have come.

Giving us first of all a Shout, a Message, raising the dead and then spiring us away, caught up into a Rapture, to the Wedding Supper of the great Lamb of God.

Then coming back for another great day of sanctification. Lord may we catch the glory of it this hour, and the faith of it as never before.

In Jesus' Name, we pray.

Amen.

You may be seated.

01

Now before we turn to the actual reading of Brother Branham's message, I'm going to talk a little bit about a question that came up before me, and read you something that I have copied off.

Because I think rather than go to a preamble, which I usually do, that this might be valuable to those who actually get these tapes and enjoy this ministry.

Now a question comes up on divine healing. Brother Branham mentioned in one place that people go to doctors because they do not have enough faith.

And another place where I recall, and I can't tell you where it is anymore than I can tell you where this first one is, the second one being where Brother Branham spoke of when the doctors cannot help.

He goes to a Higher Authority, and he himself of course went to doctors, and stood in line for the prescribed shots and things that the government ordained, which shots we know are not particularly good for us.

And then again another time he mentions that we have hardly faith for divine healing, let alone a Rapture, and then another time he bemoaned the fact that he and his family were going too often to the doctor.

02 Now in viewing all of these things you have got to come to a balance. And where that balance is I'm not particularly able to tell you, but I do know this, he said, "*Doctors are of God.*"

So therefore if we put them all together, I realise that there are times that we actually are failing to use our faith, which we have been given of God.

And remember faith is one of the virtues, and I think it's in 1 Peter, starting with faith, it is an absolute gift of God, it is oriented toward Him, because it comes from Him, and in 2 Thessalonians we find Paul saying, "All men have not the faith."

Now of course when you're looking at the faith, and you're looking at faith as a virtue, it may be hard to distinguish between the two in the sense of where one is passive, and where the one is active.

Now the actual fact of the matter is, I do not care how much you have an active faith, which you can use, without having a true faith of the Lord Jesus Christ, which has been given to us by the Holy Ghost.

And you can come before God, even as the false anointed, exercise gifts, even to the extent of miracles and the gift of faith, and still be a lost person.

03 So let's just take a little look here, and as I say, who cares when we get started, and who cares where we go? Because we're dealing with things and we want to deal with them.

So we're going to deal with this subject kind of off the top of my head, and we go to the Book of Romans 4.

And it says:



Romans 4:1

(01) What shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath found?

In other words, the exercise of Abraham as a person before God, never minding from whence comes this exercise that he is producing.



Romans 4:2-3

(02) For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God.

(03) For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him

for righteousness.

Now Abraham simply believed God. And it wasn't what he did as concerning the out-working of his faith, or whatever work that he did.

That is not what counted. The salient feature was that this man stood there and believed God, period. Never mind anything else. Now what is his concept of believing? It says here Abraham, in verse 17, believed God...



Romans 4:17

(17) ...even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.

Now only God can bring about a resurrection. Only God can call things which are not as though they were, because they're going to be, because He said it.

Now that puts the ball game entirely out of your hands, except to the extent, "Will I receive this?" Now that's all. You are not obligated to do one thing about it.

Because this has nothing to do with you, as though you can work it out. As though you discovered this principle. As though you discovered God.

It is God discovering you, and dealing with you, and when He does, like Abraham, you know that God raises the dead, and He calls those things which are not as though they were.

04

Now let's go over here to the Book of Hebrews 11, and of course this is the great book on faith, and the Bible speaking here says in verse 8,



Hebrews 11:8-10

(08) By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

(09) By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:

(10) For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Abraham didn't have one thing to do with that City! Not one thing. No siree. Him saying, "Look, I'm looking for a City." Didn't mean one thing.

If he'd have said, "God's built a City," and God hadn't built a City, Abraham just fooled himself.

What am I trying to tell you? There's a passive faith and there's an active faith. And if you have a genuine true revelation, you will act on your revelation. See?

Now he went out into life knowing that somewhere he would meet that City. He actually dwelt on the very ground that that City would eventually come down upon. See? But what we're trying to distinguish here is the fact that... now notice also,



Hebrews 11:11

(11) Through faith also Sara received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age...

I don't care how much Sarah would accept within herself the idea, "I'm an old woman, I'm ninety years old, you watch me kid, I'm going to have a baby."

Hogwash. Unless that God had already said she's going to have the baby, there's no way she was going to have a baby.

05

But this is where Brother Branham said, "*Take the Message for your healing.*" Stand with the promise of this hour, which we've talked about many times.

The promise of this hour was the returned ministry of the Son of man by the very Presence of the very Spirit that was here upon earth, clad in human flesh, has now come back and is here giving us the Word of Life, which is going to bring about a resurrection and immortality.

And as we go down that road with that faith, we come to where John says, "My brethren, I wish above all things that you might prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers."

The Word of God for this hour contains healing. And the more you and I are sold and settled upon the reality of this hour, that's the only way we can swing into all the promises legitimately! Now you say, "Why legitimately?"

Because the Pentecostals, right down from the Catholic church will provide healings and things that amaze you, and every other thing that will pass away in this age, because they will not be in the resurrection, in the first resurrection or in the second to enjoy it, because the Bible speaks of those, the false prophets, and the false teachers, and the blind leading the blind, He will say, "I never ever knew you!"

So the great thing is not a physical healing! The great thing is to be sold on this Message from centre to circumference, live or die, sink or swim, and stand there with a passionate faith in God, that this is it.

And as we do, the soul will build to the place, by the Word of this hour, that will bring forth what is in this hour, that Brother Branham categorically said, "*Mark 16 still stands.*" Now that's what we're looking at.

06

Now brother/sister, we've seen it in this church, but we don't see it enough. Where God just comes on the scene, and I could name names right here, where people are healed. I can call you out by name.

And you can stand up and say, "Yes my healing took place in the meeting, and my healing still stands." Aaron what about your back? Is it gone kaput or do you still got it? Still good? Well praise the Lord. What about you Marge?

You still got your strength you had when you woke up the next morning? An absolute miracle sitting here this morning. Pete's gone, tell you the same thing. I told you about my wrist. Other people here.

We've still all got infirmities! But as Brother Branham said, which other people have said, if I called a meeting tonight, we had a prayer line here, and I prayed for every one, and every one fell dead, I would call another prayer line!

See what we're trying to tell you? Look, hold onto your faith; don't waver. I don't know if you're going to get healed or not, or when you're going to get healed, but I'm going to tell you one thing, just stay with what you know to be the truth.

07 Daddy Bosworth, a man who every time he called a prayer line, would first of all say, "I want everybody with a radical mastoid operation to come up here."

And a radical mastoid operation where you take out the eardrum and the whole mess, the bones, the whole thing. And the person is stone deaf.

And there is no hope of the person hearing, unless you use some kind of a sensitive instrument that you can attach to the bones of the head, I don't know how you'll do it.

Hey, when the nerves are gone, how are you going to get to the brain?

And he said, "Brother Vayle, I just stand there chuckling."

I say, "Oh boy."

Because it never misses. You know, that's the truth? And I'm going to tell you how it happens. It happens and you can't tell anybody how it happens, because I know that to be truth. I had a radical mastoid operation in one ear in Macon, Georgia, stood before me.

The person said, "Brother Vayle, it's all been taken out."

And I said, with the utmost assurance, and the chuckle, "You've got no problem."

The minute I prayed, the person heard perfectly. You say, "Do it again."

You must be nuts. I never did it in the first place. I just knew, being let in on the Spirit, what was going to happen.

08 The same as one night in Spencerville, Ohio, in the first Baptist Church, which is second, third, fourth, and fifth Baptist church, it doesn't mean anything.

And I never prayed for the people publicly, I took them in the back room. And as I recall there were five people sitting there, and I told every single person word by word what would happen, the gift of faith operating, everything came to pass.

You say, "Do it again." I can't, I didn't do it in the first place.

Now my story is Daddy Bosworth died with cancer of the prostate. Brother Branham said something's got to take you out of here.

And my little joke has always been, "Diseases come and diseases go, till the last one comes and you go with it." What if you gain the whole world and lose your soul?

What if you die healthy as a tick, and don't have what's in here? In other words do not consider your infirmity the serious thing in your life. Even doctors will tell you that.

09 Norman Cousins wrote a book on the healing of laughter. When they gave him up he said, "I will get better, I will laugh myself into good health.

He got those good films from Abbott and Costello, no doubt the Marx brothers; I think that's very good myself.

And Buster Keaton perhaps, tremendous... I don't know if you people have ever seen him on the old movies, Buster Keaton was absolutely fantastic.

People will tell you even today what a tremendous actor he was and a comic, in the light of what's being produced today.

Well you know how Red ah, what's his name, my good old buddy there that draws the pictures of clowns and all?

Red Skeleton, you know he was challenged, they had a challenge by Marcel Marceau of France, to see which was the greatest mimic and the greatest clown?

Marceau looked like a hunk of wilted lettuce that a herd of elephants had run over.

I mean he not only looked weird and sick, he was. Pardon, you know I'm just going to be honest what I think. Red came way out on top, he looked very, very good.

10 Now you know something, we're not here to be clowns and all, just laugh our way through sickness, I'm just going to tell you this, that even that attitude of overlooking what you think is the seriousness of sickness will do something for you.

When H.R. Block was dying of cancer, his doctor said to him, "Listen, your wife loves you, she's been a faithful, loving companion."

And he talked to her, and he said, "You just soak him, fill him up with love, and he will soak it in." That man's healed of cancer. It's his own story.

The seriousness does not lie in whether we live or die, the seriousness lies in the fact, do we believe the living Word, apart from which nothing will come to life? That's what we're looking at.

So we all want to be healed and thank God we can be healed, and whether you go to a

doctor or not, is not the big thing, you can have a combination, but I would hate to see this church ever come to the place where you deny that you need a doctor.

Like some people who say, "Well if you really are born again, and you really believe, you'll never go to a doctor."

Then the next thing is you'll say you'll never be sick. And the minute you get sick, then you start looking at yourself, and you've got to admit you're going to hell.

So don't major in a minor! The major is the Word of this hour, which contains the life of this hour, which God has vindicated to be living!

And the vindication lay in 'THUS SAITH THE LORD', and myriads of tremendous outstanding miracles! See?

But it also lay in the fact of vindication where Brother Branham discerned, proving the Discerner is here. And what does this Message bring? It brings life. It doesn't bring just healing.

He said, *"Take the Message for your healing."*

In other words, when you've got this, you have that which derives from it! He said, *"Jesus contains all of it, the Millennium, healing, the Rapture, you name it, Resurrection, it's all here."* See?

11 So, let's try to put healing where it belongs, where we're trying to do it here, and I'm not trying to teach preachers who will get these tapes and all, this is how we do it here.

Sometimes we pray for sick, sometimes we don't. I think it's good to pray more often than we do.

But I think the big thing is to hold it before us all the time, that in this Word lies eternity and the things of eternity, which includes immortality, which immortality is the manifestation of eternity!

Follow what I'm saying? It's right? How would you know eternity without immortality? Couldn't do it.

So I just thought I would bring that to you, and where is it? I want to read you something, and it's going to take awhile, and this is the 'Discourse to the Greeks' by Justin, the Martyr.

Now you know how I've always talked about Word, Word, Word, Word, Word, like Brother Branham. Word, Word, Word, equated to God Himself. Word, Word, Word.

Let's find out something here about this fellow. This is my favourite, Justin. Now he's talking to the Greeks and their customs.

12 "Do not suppose, ye Greeks, that my separation from your customs is unreasonable and unthinking; for I found in them nothing that is holy or acceptable to God.

For the very composition of your poets are monuments of madness and intemperance. For any one who becomes the scholar of your most eminent instructor, is more beset by difficulties than all men besides.

For first they say that Agamemnon, abetting listen, abetting the extravagant lust of his brother, and his madness and unrestrained desire, readily gave even his daughter to be sacrificed, and troubled all Greece that he might rescue Helen, who had been ravished by the leprous shepherd.

This is the Greek's religion we're talking about. Understand what I am saying? He is coming against their doctrines, not their ideology, as a society, although that's included, but he's talking about what these people actually believed.

But when in the course of war they took captives, Agamemnon was himself taken captive by Chryses, and for Briseis' sake kindled a feud with the son of Thetis.

And Pleiades himself, who crossed the river, overthrew Troy, and subdued Hector, this your hero became the slave of Polyxena, and was conquered by a dead Amazon; and putting off the god-fabricated armour, and donning the hymeneal robe, he became a sacrifice of love in the temple of Apollo.

And the Ithacan Ulysses made a virtue of a vice. And indeed his sailing past the Sirens gave evidence that he was destitute of worthy prudence, because he could not depend on his prudence for stopping his ears.

Ajax, son of Telamon, who bore the shield of seven-fold ox-hide, went mad when he was defeated in the contest with Ulysses for the armour.

Such things I have no desire to be instructed in. Of such virtue I am not covetous, that I should believe the myths of Homer. For the whole rhapsody, the beginning and end both of the Iliad and the Odyssey is a woman.

13

"But since, next to Homer, Hesiod wrote Works and Days, who will believe his drivelling theogony?

For they say that Cronus, the son of Uranus, in the beginning slew his father, and possessed himself to rule; and that, being seized with a panic lest he should himself suffer in the same way, he preferred devouring his children; but that, by the craft of the Curiaitiis, Jupiter was conveyed away and kept in secret, and afterwards bound his father with chains, and divided the empire; Jupiter receiving, as the story goes, the air, and Neptune the deep, and Pluto the portion of Hades.

But Pluto ravished Proserpine; and Ceres sought her child wandering through the deserts. And this myth was celebrated in the Eleusinian fire.

Again, Neptune ravished Melanippe when she was drawing water, besides abusing a host of Nereids not a few, whose names, were we to count them, would cost us a multitude of words.

And as for Jupiter, he was a various adulterer, with Antiope as a satyr, with Danae as gold, and with Europa as a bull; with Leda, moreover, he assumed wings.

For the love of Semele proved both his unchastity and the jealousy of Semele. And they say that he carried off the Phrygian Ganymede to be his cup-bearer. These, then are the exploits of the sons of Saturn.

Now these are all gods, see? And your illustrious son of Latona who professed soothsaying, himself of lying. He pursued Daphne, but did not gain possession of her; and to Hyacinthus, who loved him, he did not foretell his death.

And I say nothing of the masculine character of Minerva, a woman, nor of the feminine nature of Bacchus, nor the fornicating disposition of Venus.

Read to Jupiter, ye Greeks, the law against parricides, and the penalty of adultery, and the ignominy of pederasty. Ah, whatever that is. I can't pronounce some of these words, they're too Greek for me.

Teach Minerva and Diana of the works of women, and Bacchus the works of men. What seemliness is there in a woman girding herself with armour, or in a man's decorating himself with cymbals, and garlands, and female attire, and accompanied by a herd of bacchanalian women?"

Now just a minute, you look at religion today, and that's exactly what they're accepting with homosexuality in the churches. Now come on. How far are these people away from truth?

14

Now:

"For Hercules, celebrated by his three nights, sung by the poets for his successful labours, the son of Jupiter, who slew the lion and destroyed the many-headed hydra; who put to death the fierce and mighty boar, and was able to kill the fleet man-eating birds, and brought up from Hades the three-headed dog.

Who effectually cleansed the huge Augean building from its dung, and killed the bulls and the stag whose nostrils breathed fire, and plucked the golden fruit from the tree, and slew the poisonous serpent and for some reason.

Which it is not lawful to utter, killed Achelous, and the guest-slaying Busiris, and crossed the mountains that he might get water which gave forth an articulate speech, as the story goes.

He who was able to do so many and such like and so great deeds as these, how childishly he was delighted to be stunned by the cymbals of the satyrs, and to be conquered by the love of woman, and to be struck on the hips by the laughing Lydia!

And at last, not being able to put off the tunic of Nessus, himself kindling his own funeral pyle, so he died.

Let Vulcan lay aside his envy, and not be jealous if he is hated because he is old and club-footed, and Mars loved, because young and beautiful.

Since therefore, ye Greeks, your gods are convicted of intemperance, and your heroes are

effeminate, as the histories on which your dramas are founded have declared, such as the curse of Atreus.

The bed of Thyestes, and the taint in the house of Pelops, and Danaus murdering through hatred and making Egyptus childless in the intoxication of his rage, and the Thyestean banquet spread by the Furies.

And Procne is I don't know all these guys in here, but you can see they've got hundreds of gods. to this day flitting about, lamenting; and her sister of Athens shrills with her tongue cut out.

For what need is there speaking of the god of Edipus, and the murder of Laius, and the marrying of his mother, and the mutual slaughter of those who were at once his brothers and his sons?

15

Now:

"And your public assemblies I have come to hate. For there are excessive banquetings, and subtle flutes which provoke to lustful movements, you've got them in the Beatles and the whole bunch today. and useless and luxurious anointings, and crowning with garlands.

With such a mass of evils do you banish shame; and ye fill your minds with them, and are carried away by intemperance, and indulge as a common practice in wicked and insane fornication.

And this further I would say to you, why are you, being Greek's, indignant at your son when he imitates Jupiter, and rises against you and defrauds you of your own wife? Now let's understand what he's saying here. This is what their religion produced.

How can we then have the right religion in America when it's producing the same filthy thing? Well there's something wrong somewhere, brother/sister.

Why do you count him your enemy, and yet worship one that is like him? And why do you blame your wife for living in unchastity, and yet honour Venus with shrines?

And she was an adulterous; she was a fornicator. If indeed these things had been related by others, they would have seemed to mere slanderous accusations, and not truth. But now your own poets sing these things, and your histories noisily publish them.

Now listen, here's what I want to get to.

"Henceforth, ye Greeks, come and partake of incomparable wisdom, and be instructed by the Divine Word, and acquaint yourselves with the King immortal; and do not recognize these men as heroes who slaughter whole nations.

For our own Ruler, the Divine Word, who even now constantly aids us, does not desire strength of body and beauty of feature, nor yet the high spirit of earth's nobility, but a pure soul, fortified by holiness, and the watchwords of our King, holy actions, for through the Word power passes into the soul."

Now this is your original early church teaching. That the power of the Word or the life in the

Word goes to the soul. That's why John said, "Prosper in soul!" Next will come the body, and the financial, or the physical.

16 "O trumpet of peace to the soul that is at war! O weapon that puts to flight terrible passions!

O instruction that quenches the innate fire of the soul!

The Word exercises an influence which does not make poets: it does not equip philosophers nor skilled orators, but by its instruction it makes mortals immortal, mortal gods; and from the earth transports them to realms above Olympus. Come, be taught; become as I am, for I, too, was as ye are.

These have conquered me the divinity of the instruction, the power of the Word: for as a skilled serpent-charmer lures the terrible reptile from his den and causes it to flee, so the Word drives the passions of our sensual nature from the very recesses of the soul; first driving forth lust, through which every ill is begotten hatreds, strife, envy, emulations, anger, and such like.

Lust being once banished, the soul becomes calm and serene. Being set free from the ills in which it was sunk up to the neck, it returns to Him who made it.

Actually bore it, begot it. For it is fit that it be restored to that state whence it departed, whence every soul was or is."

Now that's exactly what we teach from this pulpit. There's your passive faith. And to come to the place of the pure subjection will also put the person in pure subjection for healing. Passions, and all these things will leave us.

17 Now I stand for what this man said. If Brother Branham had have read this, he would have simply said, I believe that I can say it for him, without trying to be Brother Branham.

What this man railed against, came against, as a champion of Christ, against the Greeks, which at that time literally epitomised the whole world of religion.

You say, "Brother Vayle what about Rome?" Well what about it.

Paul the Apostle does not say Romans, he said to the Greeks, to the Jew first, and also the Gentiles, and he mentions the Greeks; he doesn't mention the Romans.

Because let's face it, the Romans got their religion from the Greeks anyway. They got theirs handed down from the Medes and Persians in Babylon. The original religion.

So as this man Justin, and Paul came against the Greeks, with their sophistic, and I shouldn't even use that word stupid is a better word there's no integrity, nothing in it.

The words don't even contain even error enough to blow up a balloon. It's the most stupid thing in the world you ever heard of. See? And this man comes against it.

So William Branham came against the churches of this hour. And he came with one thing,

which is the Word.

Now William Branham would have been accepted as a fine, tremendous, actual duplicate of the Apostle Paul, had he said, "Brethren, you're right. Your understanding of the Word is right. All you need to do is come together, and there is a place we can meet, which is in Christ. Forget your striving over words, many case it's just a matter of entomology anyway, it's a matter of semantics. Look at that person."

Well he could have all got them together. And even the greatest man in the world since the Apostle Paul. But like Christ, he brought forth the Word.

Why do you think this church is a cult to everybody around here? A lot of people come once and they go away and never come back again.

You say, "Well Vayle, it's your terrible personality." Oh you got to be kidding.

I don't rob banks, I don't insult people, and go around mugging old women, I don't steal, I don't rape, I don't lie, I don't chisel, as far as I know. Stand for the Word's what does it.

18 All right. We won't be too long on this. Satan's Eden number 5. Now, we've looked at only fourteen paragraphs at this point. And we came across some very important facts.

Number one: In paragraph 9, Brother Branham tells us that this message of Satan's Eden is delivered as a spiritual enlightenment that will enable us to be not only better soldiers, although he said that, but to literally be overcoming soldiers in this particular age in which we are now living.

This message deals with Satan's tactics, and if we are aware of them through and by the life of the Word, we can annul their power by this spiritually revealed Word armour.

Now that's what he promised. Now you can sit here and go to sleep or believe it.

You can put it in your hearts and minds and put it deep in your soul, and say, "Yes, the revelation of this Message absolutely is going to take me through."

Oh somebody says, "But I want to tell you, Jesus will do it!"

Well you're gone sick again. Jesus outside the definitive scripture means nothing. Well it means something, means condemnation. No matter how well Cain offered, he didn't rightly divide, he was refused.

19 Number two: In paragraph 10, we learned that this age is the age of deception, such as never has been or ever will be known.

Satan has become the deceiver, as he deceived Eve in Eden. We will therefore learn exactly what this great mystery of iniquity is, because this is the mystery of iniquity, which is deception.

How are people fooled? How are they deceived? To become the people of the mystery of iniquity, how is it the others become the mystery of Christ? Huh?

That's what you're looking at.

20 Number three: In broaching this subject he starts in paragraph 13 by speaking of Matthew 24, which we all know speaks of the anointed ones of the end time. False prophets.

After Matthew 24, which is based on Matthew 7:15, false prophets are wolves in sheep clothing, and those that follow them, he takes us to 2 Timothy 3, emphasising the same spirit of deception, and emphasising also that this is the latter day in which we now live.

He mentions only the character and characteristics of the end time, end time blind who follow blind leaders. And they are heady, high minded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, and despisers of those that are good.

And what are good? That word means 'hostile to virtue'. These people are hostile to virtue. They are against any true code of scriptural morality.

That's why the churches are so full of adultery, fornication, marriage, divorce, and re-marriage.

21 Now at this point in paragraph 13, whatever it is here, that area, it seems strange Brother Branham does not quote concerning Jannes and Jambres, but leaves this sign as covered by Matthew 24.

Because Jannes and Jambres make their appeal to the people. Even as pastor Pharaoh brought forth his enchanters to deceive Israel into thinking their status quo was inevitable.

You understand what I'm saying? How can these people expect to leave Egypt when the same things are right here? See? Okay.

22 Now, in paragraph 15, page 5, he continues the description in 2 Timothy 3, by speaking about the Laodicean Church Age.

So he starts out talking about this deception, which in the end time, Satan becomes the ultimate deceiver, as he deceived Eve.

Now he takes us instantly to the church age, which is this age, in paragraph 15 on page 5, speaking of Laodicean Church Age.

[5-1] *Now, we read also in Revelations [13, Laodicean Church Age], how the church would be in this last day. And it would... [Now he's got in here] It said it would set as a widow...*

Either he slurred out the not, or it wasn't caught by the person who took it from the tape. Because this goes back to Isaiah. This one says, "I do not sit as a widow; my husband is living. I am the Bride of Christ." That's right. That's what they claim. This one claims, this church claims it will not sit as a widow, but

...have need of nothing. Rich, increased in goods, knowing not that they were poor, miserable, wretched, blind, and naked, they did not know it.

Now that this is the last church age, I brought to your attention by reading the whole chapter, just about, of Romans 10 and Romans 11, where I pointed out that blindness has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles.

And light cannot come to Israel, outside of the fact she is a nation, and back in the homeland, under the conditions that God has prescribed.

And those conditions started many years ago until today Israel is an avowed nation, and she is in the position where the world can turn against her.

Which means that any time her Messiah could come, at least within the next few years. Ours already came in the form of the Holy Spirit. We'll talk about that shortly as we get into 2 Thessalonians, which I trust we will.

23 All right, Israel's in the homeland. Israel is not dead; Israel is blind. See? Now God blinded Israel. That's why the Gentiles have no business trying to evangelise her! Now this is where the fight comes in concerning the death of Jesus!

Did the Romans kill Jesus or did the Jews kill Jesus? Fact of the matter is they both did. Herod had every opportunity to do justice; he didn't do it.

So therefore the Roman Empire is to blame. But Israel fomented it, propagated it, and demanded it, until Rome had no choice!

Now Rome hates the Jews! I think in about 50 some AD, I'm not sure, it might have been later, they expelled all the Jews out of Rome.

And when they did, Junius and Junia had to depart, and the Christian church which was truly Pentecostal, and in the good sense of the word, was left without leadership and the heathens, the idolaters took it over, until Polycarp, so moved, about the age of 90, made a pilgrimage to turn her around, and as he went, a voice from heaven thundered, "Leave her alone," speaking in terms of Ephraim.

"Ephraim is joined to her idols, leave her alone!"

But he went and pleaded, and he could not turn them back.

Now Rome, which is a Christian church regardless of not being truly Christian, but takes the name, and you better be careful, "You shall not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain, He will not hold you guiltless."

Takes the name of Christian, because they are not Taoist, Confucianist, Islamic, or God knows what.

24 So all right, ever since that time the feud has been on to kill the Jews.

Now you don't kill blind people, that is a terrible thing to do, but Israel has been treated as though they were dead, which wouldn't only mean a physical thing, but would mean a great spiritual thing.

But remember the Bible says, "All Israel shall be saved, though not all Israel is Israel."

In other words, by predestination, which we stand on, so does Israel! See? So what am I trying to tell you? Life from the dead is not talking about Israel as a nation, they're not dead, they're blind!

So life from the dead speaks of resurrection, period. So the receiving of Israel to the Promised Land by God, indicates a resurrection is at hand!

Now you can't have a resurrection until the last true member of Christ is brought in. When's it going to be? I don't know. But it's got to be pretty soon, or we're going to go through two thousand more years!

You say, "How?" Look it, it's simple, the Bible runs in two thousand years.

We've run our course. So this flops, and it won't though, be two thousand years more to go. Then if there's two thousand years to go, your whole cycles out. You're no longer scripture orientated, you are ascended masters oriented.

And there's a God or a God's out there somewhere, but if He's not promiscuous, at least you'd have to say He certainly isn't regulated by any type of discipline, He's vivacious to say the least.

25 All right, when Israel is back to get her sight, notice it says resurrection and life to Israel. At the same time the Gentiles are blinded. And it spells spiritual death. And it's all over, see?

And remember the Jewish religion never comes back! Do their best to get a temple worship, do their best to pull God on the scene, by the ashes of the red heifer and all that stuff that is not going to work, because it's over!

But to the Gentiles God promised, "I will not cut you off! The smoking flax I will not quench! The bruised reed I will not break! But I will render a judgement! And the Gentiles trusting will go in!"

Look that's the scripture of Matthew 12, do what you want, look, just believe me I'm telling you the truth, if you don't understand these things; I'm not lying to you.

It's based a hundred percent on what the prophet taught, that Matthew 4 is this hour, and Matthew 12, in my books, is ten times as good as Matthew 4, because it lays it out in there, as nothing ever has or will as far as I'm concerned.

Not trying to say I got something better than the prophet, I just took what the prophet said and researched it!

Don't think that's strange, I researched serpent seed and everything else for him too. So I know what I'm doing. That's why he told me I was the only man living who could take his material and work with it.

Now you do what you want with that, say, "Oh Brother Vayle you're boasting."

Look it, I'll stand here and tell you the truth, and you can do what you want with it, and I'm

going to go right ahead and do it.

You say, "Aren't you scared?" No, I'm not scared, why should I be scared? He'll correct me. I'm not dealing with some God that's out here in the atmosphere somewhere; I'm dealing with a God that's here. I'm dealing with the One who was in the Pillar of Fire, the prophet; I'm dealing with the Flame of Fire.

Who cares? I'll stand here and say it.

26

Now we are at that point of this last day, and Brother Branham is telling us the perils that come upon us! See?

[5-2] *Now, remember, [paragraph 16] He is speaking to the church of this age: wretched, blind, naked, and don't know it.*

That last phrase that last word makes it so striking. They think that they are well filled with the Spirit. They are ready [for the Rapture.] The Laodicean Church Age is the Pentecostal church age, because it's the last church age.

Do you believe that? Let's find out. I'm always ready for the little surprises that the Lord gives me in scripture, I'll tell you about one sometime.

27

Okay, let's go to Ephesians. Well we're going take our time.



Ephesians 1:3-14

- (03) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:
- (04) According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, [if you weren't there, you haven't got it made,] that we should be holy and without blame before him...
- (05) [In love] having predestinated us unto the [placing] of children by Christ [Jesus to] himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,
- (06) To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.
- (07) In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
- (08) Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
- (09) Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:
- (10) That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

- (11) In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:
- (12) That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.
- (13) In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,
- (14) Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

And it tells you right here that up to the time of the resurrection, the Holy Spirit baptism falls. Okay, what about the end time Pentecostal church?

Baptism with the Holy Ghost, justification under Luther, sanctification under Wesley, the baptism with the Holy Ghost under Pentecost.

So therefore this is the Pentecostal age, the baptism with the Holy Ghost, and it ends with the resurrection, but don't stop there! Notice what it says!



Ephesians 1:15-18

- (15) Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints,
- (16) Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;
- (17) That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may [do something else! That is above and beyond the baptism with the Holy Ghost! May] give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
- (18) The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; [which could not be done by the baptism with the Holy Ghost! Got nothing to do with your baptism.]

28

You say, "Well Brother Vayle, I'm full of the Holy Ghost, I can get this, I can get that."

You got a portion of hell, my brother, my sister, stick with it, one word off is Satan's kingdom, be my guest.

You say, "Hey you're getting tough again." I'm not tough; I'm just trying to show you something.

Don't bring your brains up here to me, I ain't got none, you ain't got none either. If I ain't got none, you ain't got none. I know there's smarter men than me sitting here. I don't doubt that for one minute; you're way smarter.

But you try to get the Word of God the way I get the Word of God. I'm not boasting, I'm just putting you straight in the platter here.

Because I see these things from Brother Branham's preaching; I see them sporadically! And this never came till yesterday.

Your Pentecostal Age, proven right here in the Bible, the baptism with the Holy Ghost is temporary, it peters out.

And at the time of the last person being brought into the Kingdom of Jesus Christ and child trained, this then comes to pass, in order to bring about what's up here, which is the resurrection!

Then everybody that's truly sealed into the baptism with the Holy Ghost, or by the baptism, into the resurrection, will come to this!

And they don't even know it's there. Come on; pick up your books of theology. Go on to your Bible bookstore. One or two make a pretty good guess.

But they don't tell you that He comes back in the form of the Holy Ghost as Headship. The whole body fitly joining together!

29 Now look, let's be honest. Before you and I can leave this earth in a Rapture, we've got to made immortal, which is the last thing the Holy Ghost does. See? Okay.

Now it tells you right here that this Spirit must come down here in order for there to be a Resurrection and a Rapture.

So now what I'm trying to show you this is that the body of truth always precedes the physical! Follow me! Because if there weren't a Word of truth, a gospel of salvation, people could not be saved!

So what came first, the hen or the egg? The hen came first; don't be ridiculous. What came first? The Word. Then you got your salvation. It's got to be by the Word, because the Word is the conduit.

So now we find here that this fazes out. Now at the end time the Holy Spirit comes, which is the body of truth. There's where the truth comes.

Now then that truth, because of that life in there, being of the Holy Spirit, takes on a body!

Your soul from God took on a body. Now it's got to be redeemed. So what happens?

Now you take on this Word, which is the body of truth, and that makes your body, according to the body of truth, what the body of truth wants.

Now here it is, you've got it. But you haven't got it yet; you're waiting for it.

30 Now the body of truth demands that the Spirit of God return with a revelation, at this end time, which is Pentecostal Age! Now if you don't receive it, how's your body going to respond?

Now if you follow what I'm saying, you're understanding that the Capstone the truth had to

come first. Then we follow. As Jesus came first out of the grave and then they followed, so it is that the truth must come first, then the body follows!

Paul himself said, he said, "Listen to me, you say, "Hey what body do we come back in the resurrection?"

"He said, "You stupid idiot." But not quite that. He said fool. "Foolish person." He said, "Don't you realise it's not the body that you worry about, it's the seed!"

Then he said, "That seed having life brings forth the body of the seed!"

31

Now look! You don't have a seed through the Seven Church Ages that brings forth immortality, until the very end.

And when you bring forth the seed in life, the body follows! Listen, we are now talking of what Brother Branham preached! We follow the life that is here!

Now just let that sink there, because I'm going to have to go back to the sermon and bring you the quotes on it. Because I can't do that off the top of my head unless God just suddenly gave it to me, and He doesn't do that way.

I've got no promise in the Bible at all. All I got is a promise He will show me those things that I need to know, then I can look at them in the Scripture.

And I can look at them where Brother Branham, but he categorically said, he said... he said, *"Christ coming out of the grave, the body had to follow, and so it is when you have Christ the Word today, the body has to follow!"*

Now you see what I've been preaching about the Word. I know it's kind of tough, but listen, just relax this morning, I'm fairly well relaxed, just relax with me please.

And understand I'm telling you the truth. You can cohabit with a woman, a fine woman to be a mother, and the sperm can be injected into the egg. Now if there is no life there, there's not going to come a child.

But the point is, that witsy-bitsy sperm, fifteen thousand go across, they tell me, the diameter of a hair. You've got to have a pretty high-powered microscope to see it.

You are looking at something physical, the movement of it shows there is a life!

32

Now look, the physical is nothing! Nothing at all! I can take a bird, I can take an animal, I can take anything with life, the seed of a prune, I can take anything, anything, anything that is living! And the body is nothing!

Because it all comes from the same thing out here. What is it that makes the difference? Where do the genes really lie? Not in the physical but in the spiritual!

Then if I have the true spiritual genes, which we showed Who Is This Melchisedec, coming by Word, in Him is thoughts, put on a book, spoken, manifested, then the body's got to follow the life!

What am I trying to tell you? There was life before there was ever a body.

Then how are you going to get out of here in an immortal body unless there's a life to it? They've been waiting for six thousand years to try to do it, and they can't do it.

Because you see, when I talk about that immortal body, I'm talking about what Adam and Eve were stopped from getting at the Garden, which they would have to get at a certain time, because it was there for them!

It was an interruption! And death settled in. So now something has got to come, that's going to overcome it, and there's got to be a seed of life! And this is the hour for it.

The body has to follow. The Bride body has to follow Christ. The Bride body has to follow Christ! That's why He descended! That's why He's here! He brought the Word of life!

Now the next thing, He's going to raise the dead! With it He'll change us! The third thing, we get caught up!

33 See, the body has to follow! You understand what I'm saying? It's got to, because He's here for that reason.

For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a Shout, with an order, to put the church in order! See?

With the voice of the archangel, the trump of God! What's the next thing when the church is in order? The dead are going to rise. We're going to be changed. What's the next thing? Going to be caught up.

But the body has to follow! I hope you're getting it. If there isn't a spirit, there isn't going to be a body. If there isn't a life, there isn't going to be a body. Come on, take a bunch of stones, grind them up like powder.

There's a fellow, his name was Remes, he's dead now, Doc Remes. And do you know that he made a calcium so fine, that I think it was just ounces would put a dust of white on a whole acre.

So fine your body could assimilate it! And did wonders for people's body that bought the stuff, for their teeth and everything else.

Well you see I could take that so fine and say, "Okay, let's have something come out of this."

No. But you take a life it will build a body. Now this life at the end time is finished building the spiritual, He's come back for the physical. And the body's got to follow.

34 Now listen to me. They come out of the dust and we are changed. And it's the Holy Spirit in our midst now that takes us up to meet His Own body.

And then He incarnates Himself when we crown Him King of kings and Lord of all. That will be the Son of David, the Son of man, the Son of God.

The Altogether Lovely. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. It will all be there. See? Because the body follows.

When the angel Gabriel came down and announced the Holy Ghost would fall upon Mary, and that holy thing born of her, what happened?

The Spirit came and the body followed! Then there's a body going to follow now. And this is the most dangerous hour of deception.

The Pentecostal Age is ending fast, and the baptism with the Holy Ghost, but now they're rejecting the Baptiser!

John said to Jesus, "He's the Baptiser, Whose fan is in His hand, thoroughly purge His floor, gather the wheat in the garner, baptise... the Holy Ghost in fire." Set Him forth as the great Baptiser.

And they said, "Hogwash, let's kill him. We like his miracles. We'll just stick to Moses as we understand Moses."

And now the Baptiser has returned! And they said, "Who needs Him? That's a lot of hogwash. What's this Pillar of Fire and stuff, and angels? Bless God, we got these fine theologians."

Let the pope, and he's a brilliant, brilliant man, or he wouldn't be where he is, let him give us one miracle!

One 'THUS SAITH THE LORD', let him show me one thing outside of a big mouth backed by a big organisation. You say, "Vayle, they may kill you for it."

Well that's all right; God will help me somehow. What if you know something. You can't build on just your thinking.

Say, "Well I just think that's thinking." Is it? Well fine, bless God; at least it's way ahead of yours. What can you produce? Nothing. Phhht. Hogwash.

A lot of you folk ain't as old as me, and you're not in maybe better shape. I might outlive you. And I've got nothing to write about, so you've got far less.

35

Okay, 17.

[5-3] *Luther had his message. Wesley had his message, and Pentecost had their message.*

I told you that... was in Ephesians 1:13,14. Everybody looks forward to the day, and every preacher preaches it, and when the day comes, they said, "That ain't it." Let me tell you something.

In the over one thousand years of the dark ages that Rome held the world in its grip, God sent many men to Rome! Sent two tremendous men, Martin and Columba at least, never mind the rest of them, Saint Patrick!

And they said, "Ain't that nice." They did their best to destroy them too. Don't tell me that Rome didn't have her day. God was not bereft of His children, not for one minute.

Nor of a light that they needed. But the light for this hour wasn't there, because it couldn't be there!

The life had not yet gone to the Word that says we shall all be changed, and caught up. The life is gone there now, because Ephesians 1:13,14 has been fulfilled; you're now into 15-23.

[5-3] *Pentecost had their message. Also, it said, "That because you are lukewarm, neither hot or cold," the emotions of the outside, the mental conception of the Gospel...*

What are the emotions on the outside? Controlled by five senses! It won't work. Takes a revelation.

[5-3] *The mental conception of the Gospel...*

In other words, "I can see tongues, I can see this healing, I can see that, that makes it okay."

It doesn't make it okay, because the Bible already said, "There's going to come a time when it's not okay. I'll say, "Depart from Me, I never knew you."

When's He going to say it? Well you say, "At the White Throne." Under what conditions and to whom?

Wolves in sheep clothing. What were they doing? Healing the sick, raising the dead, everything else.

You say, "Well, just a minute, only God can do it."

That's right, only God can create, and Jannes and Jambres were allowed to create! They thought they were, but God was doing it.

36

I want to ask you a question. Do you think for one minute, except for those who hate divine healing will agree with you, that Judas, though he were the son of perdition, raised the dead and healed the sick also? Huh? Go to Pentecost.

Well they'll say, "Well but you see afterward, Judas went, he backslid." Hogwash, Judas never was a part of them.

[5-3] *"Because" He said, "you're that way, I will spew you out of My mouth." In other words, it made Him sick to see the church in that condition.*

And remember, they spewed Him out, and He was on the outside of the church trying to get back on the inside in that awful Laodicean Church Age.

He said, "Behold I stand at the door and knock, I'm on the outside."

Now the fact of the matter is that Jesus does not actually want to get back in the church. You see, as soon as they turned Him down He lost all His appetite for it.

Now He said, "If you open the door, I'll come and sup with you and you with Me." And they wouldn't do it!

So now the cry goes to Matthew 25, "Behold the Bridegroom, come out and be with Him. Come out of her My people."

37

Paragraph 18.

[5-4] *The god of this world today-the worshipped...*

Now listen,

[5-4] *The god of this world today-the worshipped person of this world today is Satan, and the people are ignorant of worshipping Satan.*

Now there is a definition. This message brings us a definition here immediately.

Concerning the deception, which is the greatest deception of this hour, and that is that Satan can actually get the people to worship him, thinking that he is of God.

Because the word 'antichrist' does not mean as against, it means 'instead of'.

And the pope claims he's the Vicar of Christ, but don't jump all over the pope, what about the Baptist? They don't have a pope!

They got a general superintendent, they got a board, and they say; "Now if you come through the church, hallelujah, you've got it."

Well what about the Pentecostals? "Well hallelujah, you ain't got it."

Well hallelujah, they may have it more than the Baptists. Now what are you going to do? Well I'll tell you what they're going to do, before it's over they're going to sit around and divide the pie! Sure.

And the pope will come in and take the whole thing. Because they've got to have an arbiter. And Pentecostals, right today, they think the pope is great. A religion that has never apologised and made right for the millions they've killed.

Never changed the doctrine that brought it about. And if you think feelings don't run deep, feelings do run deep, the Greek Orthodox don't want to get back to the Romans for a minute.

They will though, they will, because the Metropolitans met with them already. They'll get together, I'll show you how it is that the Muslims come in too, don't worry. It's all in the Bible.

38

Now,

[5-4] *But Satan is impersonating himself as the church...*

Now Brother Branham is using that word 'impersonating' here, in the sense as he used, I believe, God impersonating Himself in Christ, which is like the word 'immigration'.

I'm coming into the country. And so Satan comes into the church, and as he comes in he sells the bill of goods that he is the way, the truth and the light, making the church the door to God instead of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself by the power of the Holy Ghost.

So Satan is impersonating himself. He's deceiving the people by pretending to be what he is not.

[5-4] [See?], *as the church. They worship Satan thinking they are worshipping God through the church, that is the way that Satan has done it.*

Now you're looking at a definition here, and this definition will not be accepted by the people who call themselves Christians.

This started as a false prophet in the Garden of Eden, where Satan, in the form of the beast, he impersonated himself. He insinuated himself into, he took a possession.

And he acted in the capacity of God, Who is His Own Prophet from His Own Word.

And he said to Eve, he said, "Listen my dear," he said, "is there something about this garden you're not supposed to eat, what about the things out here?"

She said, "Oh yes," she said, "the tree of the midst of the garden, you're not allowed to eat it or touch it, lest you die."

And he said, "I want to tell you something, you don't have to worry about that at all. Because the truth of the matter is that you go ahead and do it, God knows you'll be like Him and you'll know good and evil."

Then he began to show her the things that would be profitable to her. At least she thought they were.

39 Now listen, paragraph 18, which I just read.

[5-4] *The god of this world today, the worshipped person of the world today is Satan, and the people are ignorant of worshipping Satan.*

[They think it's Jesus Christ, they're coming to God through Him, because the Bible says you come to God through Jesus] *But it's Satan impersonating himself as the church, [he's right in there taking over,] as the church.*

[Not the Holy Ghost now, but it's Satan in the church.] *They worship Satan thinking they are worshipping God through the church, that is the way Satan has done it.*

Now paragraph 18, which I just read must be 3:17 rich, increased in goods, think they don't need a thing, and here they are wretched, miserable, blind, and don't even know it. See?

Now, notice, let's go back to Revelation 3. So we read it and then we'll jump around a little bit into scripture that I want to go into. Okay, it says here:



Revelation 3:17-19

- (17) Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and know not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:
- (18) I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou may be rich; and white raiment, that thou may be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eye-salve, [because you don't have it,] that thou mayest see.
- (19) As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be therefore [zealous], and repent.

So repentance is the key of the whole church age, change your mind! You've got a wrong mind; you've got a filthy, adulterous, fornicating, perverted mind concerning God!

You say, "Now Brother Vayle, how can that be when I'm such a fine person?"

Look at me, look at my brothers and sisters, look at them, look at them." Well go ahead and look at them.

You do what you want, the church age of this age says, "We've got it all, we're wonderful, full of the Holy Ghost."

And God says, "That is a lie." Now who are you going to believe?

Well you sitting here believed evidently the truth. You found you're just a bunch of spiritual fornicators, and didn't know split beans from buttermilk as far as the Word of God concerned, as old Jack Bell would say.



Revelation 3:20-21

- (20) Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, [now that's any man, not the church. No church is going to come in as a whole, individually. Just like the baptism.]
- (21) To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and set down with my Father in his throne.

All right, now listen, if Revelation 3:20 is correct, "Behold I stand at the door and knock: if you open the door, I will come in and sup with you as an individual, and you will come and sup with Me."

Now He's saying this whole thing to the church, "You can come out and become a part," as in Revelation 18:4.

So if this is correct, Revelation 3:20, then 2 Thessalonians 2:4 must be correct.



2 Thessalonians 2:4

(04) Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

Now you can't have a vacuum! God was disposed in the Garden of Eden by a false prophet, by the deception of the devil who told Eve there was a better way than the revealed Word of God!

That's right. A false prophet. So God was deposed! From the power and glory of His Own Kingdom and His Own children, the minute this one came over.

Now therefore, you can tell who is in the church if this One is outside the church! Now come on. What's your answer? Who's in the church? Who's in the system?

I didn't write this Book, I'm just reading it. Thank God I didn't write it. I wouldn't have had the brains or the audacity, either one.

42

Now, let's go to,



Romans 6:16-20

(16) Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

(17) But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

(18) Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

(19) I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity; [that's like the Greeks were doing,] even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

(20) For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.

Now the point is he's telling you here, you're under obedience to somebody, whether you know it or not!

Now if Jesus is outside the church trying to make contact, I want to ask you a question! Is He asking for obedience or is He not?

Well come on. "I stand at the door and knock." What's He want? He wants obedience right? "Come out of her My people."

Is that what He wants? Then who are you obeying in the church? You can't be obeying Christ and be in the church.

You got to come out of it. Because the church is wretched, miserable, blind, and don't know it. Does she need her mind changed?

Oh brother, does she need her minds changed. She's devoid of feeling. Devoid of anything scriptural, spiritual. It's down the drain.

43

So, 2 Thessalonians 2:4 is going on now! I'll show you in a little while, how many minutes we got? How many?

Two minutes? Should have told me before I started this. Let me just quit right here. I'm sorry to take so much time, I was going to quit in good time and let you out.

Sorry about that. But you know, I never said I would, did I? Really. I just thought I would. Man oh man, the best laid plans...

Well, oh hey this is great, we got one, two, three paragraphs done, and on to the fourth, here, we start here.

Look it, I got to take my time with this because this is too important. This is far too important, because there's two revealings in here.

And you'll miss it if you don't just stand steady and watch it bring us right to where we see this, and what's out here, by the grace of God.

So I'm sorry to have kept you, but dinner will be served, and might even give you a little extra whipped cream.

Let's rise and be dismissed. You're lovely people, love you. I shouldn't treat you so mean, but that's my nature.



Heavenly Father, we thank You again for the time of fellowship we have around Your Word, around the real table of God Lord, to see these things the prophet said, to delve right into them, and begin to establish ourselves firm to the place.

Lord where the mind does not waver, knowing this is exactly where Abraham came that his mind did not waver, where Paul did not waver, Jesus did not waver.

We cannot find one person O God in the heroic channels of faith and the annals of faith who was a wavering person, even as James said, "Let not that man who wavers think he'll receive anything from God."

Lord, this morning we realise we have got to positively come to that place of a passive faith that's built upon a rock, which is the revealed, indomitable, incredible, marvellous, and vindicated Word of Almighty God.

And we becoming a part of It, and then Lord God, hallelujah, the body following the life!

And the life is in the Word. Lord God, I know that's true.

There will be a people Lord such as this world's never seen. I don't know what all that means, but I know it's true, I know it's real.

And as the prophet said, we're not a part, there's somebody out there that is, we won't stand in her way.

Lord we don't feel that way this morning, we feel at least to a certain degree, and a longing degree in our hearts, that we are a part of that people, and we will not let anything stand in our way.

Because we have that Word that clothes us within and without because the Bride of the Lord Jesus is all glorious within and without. She's a queen, with the gifts and power and presence of her God.

Father dismiss us we pray, again we pray that sweet spirit of Jesus Christ be with us to the glory of Almighty God, to the edifying of the body of Jesus Christ, to the healing of the sick amongst us.

Especially Lord we look for the help that You alone can give, in a very marvellous, determined, and accelerated way to Beth Lord, and different ones we pray. Just help Lord that something may break through O God, the life within the Word.

May the mind give time to that life within the Word, at this time Lord, that people being to receive, that's all that we ask Lord, that's all that we need to ask.

And it's more than enough because it covers all time and all eternity. This moment and every moment to come.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God be all power and honour and glory through Jesus Christ our saviour.

Amen.

Do you love Him this morning...