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No Substitute

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*241 Now, show me where somebody was baptized in the Body in the name of Father, Son, Holy Ghost? And what you recognize? See, I realize I'm talking to thousands on tape, you know. We got a tape ministry around the world. **What name are you baptized in? For there's not another name given under heaven (said the Word) whereby man can be saved. And if you're baptized to show your belief in Christ and then take on a creed name, then you're a hybrid.***

Notice that Brother Branham is telling us that if you add anything to the name in the baptismal formula you have hybridized the baptism with Catholic Baptism.

Now, look at his words what he is telling us here. ***What name are you baptized in? For there's not another name given under heaven (said the Word) whereby man can be saved. And if you're baptized to show your belief in Christ and then take on a creed name, then you're a hybrid.***

And when you use the titles your motive is to blot out the name. Now you may not know that's what you are doing but it doesn't matter if you are aware or not, that's what you are doing when you substitute titles for "**The Lord Jesus Christ**". And to substitute using titles is to blot out the name. And further more when they use a rabbits foot or some preacher to take the place of a prophet, which is God's Mouth as the Scriptures plainly teach and as I mentioned last Sunday several Scriptures which say the same, what you are getting is a hybrid product.

That is what brother Branham said when he preached the Seventh seal.

And since there is no other name given by where we might be saved, then to be baptized in titles is no baptism at all, and no salvation is there who do such either. It is an offense to God to deny His name, and the name he gave His Son.

Now, to get where I want for us to get an understanding of tonight, I am going to read about a dozen paragraphs from the Seventh Seal. Let me begin at paragraph **71** *Therefore, if any man will serve an idol or keep an idol on him, (and those pendulums are nothing but an occult or new age idol. ) or bless himself in his own imagination of his mind and serve idols, God said, "Man, woman, family, or tribe, his name will be completely blotted out from amongst the people." Now, is that right? How true. **Idolatry did the same thing in the church years ago and does today.** And now, notice. Watch how the antichrist tried to make an anti-move. How many knows that the devil types and patterns after God's things? What is sin? **Is right thing perverted.** What is a lie? **Is a truth misrepresented.** What is adultery? It's a right act, legal act, done wrong. See?*

**72** *Now, in trying to do this, blot out a name, did you notice in the church age, the same beast that serves the images of dead people and so forth, tried to blot out the Name of*

*the Lord Jesus Christ and give titles as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Same thing with that curse behind it like that.*

Then brother Branham says, *"Dan and Ephraim did just that under a hypocrite of a king in Israel, an impostor, Jeroboam. Now, notice, in **I Kings the 12th chapter**. I know we're... This, to me it lays a background on what we can depend on, what we see. I Kings, I want to go to the 12th chapter, the **25th to the 30th** verse. "Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mpunt Ephraim, and dwelt there; and went out into..., and built Penuel. And now Jeroboam said in his heart,... (See the imagination of his heart?)... Now, shall the Kingdom turn to the house of David: (He was getting scared, you see, 'cause the people might go out.) If this people go up to... sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people be turned again to the lord, even to Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go... unto Rehoboam--Rehoboam king of Judah. Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves of gold, and said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold your gods, O Israel, which brought thee... out of the land of Egypt. And he set up the one in Beth-el, and the other put he in Dan. And this thing become a sin: for the people went to worship before the one, even to Dan.*

Now, what is the point of this reading? To show you that King Jeroboam **for selfish motives made a substitute and the people in receiving the substitute turned from the Only True God to worship a substitute** and in doing so they were put away by God for doing so.

Then brother Branham says, *73 See? Ephraim at Beth-el, and Dan; and they set up idols, and these went out to worship this. And here we are **plumb down into the millennium age almost, and God still remembered that sin. They're not even counted in there.** Amen. Glory. Just as sure as He remembers every good promise, He remembers every one evil too. Just remember, That's the reason I believe, friends; **I've always tried to stay with that Word no matter how strange it seems.** See, now, they wouldn't think about that there then. **They didn't think about it then. They thought, "Well, they got by with it."***

And that sounds just like words we hear today. God forgave me once he will fogive me again. And they say that even before they commit the sin. Wheeew, brother you talk about an arrogant spirit. Doesn't the Bible say *"fools will walk with hob nailed shoes where angels fear to trod?"*. So they will go from preacher to preacher to find some preacher that will allow that sin in their congregation, and then they can feel justified because brother so and so says it's all right. Well, let me tell you something, I've seen that spirit stick it's head up every so often for 32 years as a pastor, and as brother Branham said, "spirits don't change they just go from one body to the next."

But God said, *"let everyman's word be a lie and Mine be true."* Listen brothers and sisters, God has a mouth, and it is his prophets. And if that Prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, then you had better take that as God telling you himself.

Now, let's continue with This End Time prophet speaking from the Seventh seal, and he says, *"All right, but here they are over here in this millennium age setting in, when **their names and tribes is blotted out from it, because they served idolatry that God cursed. Didn't He say He hated the Nicolaitanes and that Jezebel? Stay away from it. Didn't He say He'd kill Jezebel's daughters with the killing of death which is eternal separation from His Presence? Don't trust in it at all. Get away from it. So God remembers"***.

Now, don't forget 5 months ago, August 25th 2013 I showed you that the very first judgment from God is always separation or abandonment. ***You abandon God He abandons you***. And when you turn down a vindicated prophet for any other ministry, or you substitute the Words of God's mouth for your pastor or a teacher, or any five fold minister's words over a vindicated prophet's ***"thus Saith the Lord"***, which is the mouth of God, God breathed Words and God will substitute you right out of the promise for the age. And that is exactly what took place there. They took a substitute for the real, and God says, ***"you abandon my name I will abandon your name."*** I will take your name out of the Book of Life. Whew!!!

Now back to brother Branham, **74** Notice. *But did you notice there, **it was to be blotted out? Why?** Under heaven there was no immediate sacrifice that could give him the Holy Spirit to let him see these things, but **he did it anyhow in his own selfish mind. But Ezekiel, in his vision in the millennium, he sees them again in perfect order: Ezekiel, if you want to read it. Just put it down and you can read it to save time: Ezekiel 48:1-7, also read 23 to 29. Ezekiel seen every tribe just exactly in order.***

**75** All right. And also in **Revelations 14**, John seen them again in tribal order. That's right. Every tribe to his place. What happened? You remember, he said, "Under the heavens," that his name would be blotted out of the tribal affair. As long as he was under the heavens, there would be no more, and this hundred and forty-four thousand is down here in the tribal part yet. That's right. But you see, they'd been blinded; they had only the sacrifice of bulls and goats. See? Now, **notice, He blotted them out under the heavens. But the Gentile in the days of the Holy Spirit, against that your name was taken completely off the Book of Life, and can never have forgiveness in this world or the world to come. Is that right? Now, there's where we stand. Israel under goats, sheep, they did have a place, as long as they was on earth here, their tribes was missing. They could never be included.**

**Malachi 4:1** *For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, (that's all the arrogant people) yea, and all that do wickedly, (all who do not the Word of God) **shall be stubble**: (cannon fodder) **and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts**, (that is "**Thus Saith the Lord**") **that it shall leave them neither root nor branch**. Now, that is a promise to all the inhabitants of the entire world. Death and destruction is coming. Then notice what he says next.*

**2** **But** (there is an exception) **unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings**; (healing campaigns) **and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall**.

*3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for **they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet** in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts. 4 Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments. 5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet **before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD**: 6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and **the heart of the children to their fathers**, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.*

From his sermon, **Hear ye Him 60-0806 P:28** brother Branham said, "God, before He does anything, always declares it in heaven first, and then on earth. **No one ever goes into judgment without thoroughly being warned.** ...then he says, **God always sends mercy before judgment. He always has. He always will.** And this great revival, that the church has had, a revival of miracles, and Divine healing, and gifts of the Spirit, remember, **something follows that.** God always sends mercy before judgment. He declares it in the heavens above, liked the wise men saw the star, come to worship the Lord Jesus. And then, God always makes a witness of what He does.

And again from his sermon, **Resurrection of Lazarus 53-1122 P:33** "Before God does anything He always sends mercy before judgment. **He always sends warning.** And **when man won't heed the warning, there's only one thing left, that's judgment.** That's right. *"If you die in your sins, where I am you cannot come."* God sends preachers and everything and gives warning, sends His Spirit and warns the people. Now, before He sent Jesus, He sent a warning to the people to make ready His coming. And may I stop here just a minute to say this with a deepest of sincerity: I believe the things that you're seeing taking place today across the world, is a warning: Jesus is coming."

So what is God's Mercy? It's His Message, And the Lord Himself has descended with a Shout, a Message. But to turn down what the Voice of God tells you and there remains one thing. Judgment, not he will keep on forgiving me.

**Hebrews 10:26** *For he that sins wilfully after that he has received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,* (that means you cross the line knowingly for the last time and it's all over brother.) *27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. 28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: 29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, **who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?***

*Despite unto the Spirit of grace?* Yeah, the word **despite** means you have brought insult to the blood of Jesus by continuing to walk in your unbelief and sin and then say, "oh, if God can't forgive that what can he forgive. Oh, he forgave me before he will do it again."

Well, the truth of it is, no He can't forgive what He said He would never forgive. And He told us when you cross that line is *when you know better and you willfully do it anyway.*

Now notice these blessings in contrast to verse **Deuteronomy 28:15** ¶ *But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:*

Notice he said our hearkening is when we observe and we also follow up with a doing of what we observed from the Voice of God. From verse 15 and on through the end of the chapter the promise is who ever does not pay attention and do the same blessings mentioned for the believer will become curses for the unbeliever.

1. *You will be 'cursed' in the city (Deut 28:16)*
2. *You will be 'cursed' in the field*
3. *Your baskets and storehouses will be 'cursed' vs 17*
4. *Your children will be 'cursed' vs 18*
5. *Your crops will be 'cursed'*
6. *Your herds will 'not' increase*
7. *Your flocks will 'not' increase*
8. *You will be 'cursed' when you come in vs 19*
9. *You will be 'cursed' when you go out*
10. *Jehovah will send 'cursings' upon you vs 20*
11. *He will send vexation*
12. *He will send rebukes*
13. *You will fail in all you do*
14. *You will be destroyed*
15. *You will quickly perish*
16. *Pestilence cleaving unto you (Something that brings a slow death) vs 21*
17. *Death emaciation (To grow thin to waste away)*
18. *Consumption vs 22*

And we find there are 86 specific curses mentioned in Deuteronomy 28. So be warned.

Now, I want you to notice that for every blessing God promised us who **hear, recognize and act upon His Word**, God has also set a curse upon those who will not **hear, recognize and act upon His Word**. And not only will they be anointed with a curse, but that curse will bring with it 4 times as many curses as there are blessings. And what is that? It is double unto her double. In other words, double x double is 4 times as many. And it all depends on how you receive the Word which God personally came down to give to us in this hour, and what you do with what he has given you and your attitude towards the voice of God itself, which is His Prophet.

Now the word **curse** is a word which means **to treat with contempt**. And it comes from a root word which means **to be consecrated to**. Therefore, "**anointed to a certain thing**." And that thing that the one cursed is **anointed to** is **destruction in every conceivable manner** as we have seen in the list above. So **you are either anointed to be blessed or you are anointed to be cursed. And those who are anointed to be blessed are anointed with God's spirit. How could God ever curse His own Spirit, His own Life.**

But we have a promise that God will separate from His believers the unbelievers.

**2 Thessalonians 1: 7-9** *"And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, That's the appearing of the Lord. And remember, Appearing and coming are two different words and they mean two different things, he has appeared in the form of the pillar of Fire to get us ready for the coming. And he promised rest for us, as brother Branham said *we have rest under the seventh seal*, but notice what he promises those who trouble us out of our rest.*

*8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from (or out from, in other words they are removed from) the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;* (They are not only removed from His presence but from the Glory or Doxa of His Power. The opinion, the values and the judgments of His power. In other words, they will not say nor hold the same value that God holds concerning His Power. *Having a form of godliness they will deny the power thereof.* They will deny John 14:12) *10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, (endoxazoe, when he shall come to bring magnification of His Glory, His Doxa, His values and opinions in the lives of His saints.) and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.*

Let's also read from **2 Thessalonians 3:6** *Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.*

**Questions and Answers 54-0103M 87-176** *I remember years ago. You always heard them talk about the sawdust trails and things in the Tabernacle. That didn't make it any more, not a bit more. But then it was fresh; God was calling His church. I've seen them sob and cry and lay on the altar all night long. I've went to their houses, and you could hear them when you come up, just in their bedchamber, men and women, crying, "O God..." You'd see them walk through the church, and I'd see the piano start playing, "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross," and the tears flowing down there, you know. Walk into this church, then walk down to another church, and hear them there, "There's a precious Fountain..." "O God, save my boy. Save my daughter; she's lost, Lord. Please." **You don't find that no more. What's the matter? The Spirit of God is withdrawn. Jesus predicted this, "That because iniquity would abound, the love of many would fail." See? grow cold, go away... The love is dying away. And what they got into, is just a form.***

Notice he said, there used to be such a Love for God that people would cry out to God day and night for their loved ones. But you don't see that any more. He said, years ago, it was fresh; God was calling His church but what has happened? I will tell you what has happened, we are in the season of the great falling away. And so the falling away must take place as God spoke it would. And all you can do it so pray that you will not be among them that fall away.

We need to be Taking inventory every day brothers and sisters, and as David said in **Psalm 139:23** *Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: 24 And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.*

Let us pray...