Proverbs 1: 28 Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:

John 1:11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not. 12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: 13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Let us pray. Dear Father we most certainly know how that in each and every age that you have come to earth to visit your people, Your people have always missed you by the way that you have come. And why is it Father, when you have come each time just exactly the way you said you would come, that Your people still miss your Presence when you are here. But we are thankful that in this hour you do have a people that have recognized Your Presence among us. Now, Father, we would ask that you might help us to get our selves out of the way, that your Holy Presence might minister to us Your word that we might have a better understanding of why You are here, and that we might be better prepared for our change of the body, for we ask it in Jesus Christ’s beloved name. Amen!

Now, this morning I would like to focus on those words, He came unto his own, and his own received him not. Brother Branham said they have missed God when he came in every age that he did come. They missed Him because they were looking for Him to come in the way they thought he should come, instead of coming the way He said He would come in His Word.

Looking unto Jesus 64-0122 P:11 I say this with respects, but I say it to sink in. I had more understanding, and better fellowship, with a bunch of African witch doctors than I did that group of ministers that morning. They give more consideration to the Word of God, and asked questions, for that I could give them the hope that laid within me, for the hope of Eternal Life. These ministers had no time for it at all. Just quickly, as soon as you'd say something, out they'd go. And so that's the way it is. They got their mind made up; they just stay so long, and that's all they want to know. If it one Word disagreeing with any petty thing that they believe in, they cannot stay and listen through it. That's the reason they couldn't believe Jesus Christ at His first advent. That's the reason they'll miss Him in the second. They miss Him each time. They always have. When He's revealed Himself in Moses, revealed Himself in Noah, revealed Himself in Elijah, all the prophets, they missed it each time. Jesus said, "Which one of your fathers hasn't put the prophets in the tombs out there that they're garnishing now?" That's true. It's always been true. It's true yet today. And yet, in the midst of all this we're commanded to look. "Look at Him, all the ends of the world."
A couple weeks ago we began looking at the Alpha and Omega comparisons of the Ministry of God in the form of the Pillar of Fire. As you are well aware, God has come down to man identified by His Shekinah Presence which we call the Pillar of Fire in each of three Exoduses. The first Exodus was with Moses, the second exodus with Paul and the Third Exodus with William Branham.

In Questions and Answers no 3 which concerned the First of our Alpha and Omega comparisons, we reviewed the setting for each Exodus and found in each the following characteristics.

I) There was a system that held the people in Bondage.
II) The people needed to be delivered from that system but were incapable of doing so themselves, and they were crying out to God for help.
III) Therefore, God Himself came down to deliver His people in each of these three Exodus’s.

Now, before we go any further, I would like to reflect once more how that in Moses day it was God Himself that came down in the form of the Pillar of Fire to deliver the people, but he used a man named Moses to work through.

**Exodus 3: 7** And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows; And so we find that the Lord Himself came down to deliver His People.

We are told in the Book of **Acts 7: 34** I have seen, I have seen the affliction of my people which is in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and I am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into Egypt.

Then 2,000 years ago the people were once again in bondage to a system. This time not a civil form of bondage but an ecclesiastical form of bondage, to a church system. Again it was God Himself that came to the people in the form of the Pillar of Fire, first in His Son, and then back with the Apostle Paul.

**Acts 26:13** At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them which journeyed with me. 14 And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. 15 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest. 16 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee; 17 Delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee, 18 To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me. 19 Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision:
Now, again for the Third time God has come down in the form of the Pillar of Fire to deliver man from bondage, and this time it is also an ecclesiastical system that held the people in bondage to their creeds and dogmas.

**Revelation 10: 1** And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire: 2 And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth, 3 And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.

Now, there is something about this Lion roaring that tells us this is a prophetic ministry here.

**Amos 3:7** Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets. 8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy? So we see in revelations chapter 10 that it is indeed the Lord Himself speaking in a prophetic utterance which is a Message.

Notice in **1 Thessalonians 4: 16** we see that it is the Lord Himself that comes down from heaven with a Shout which of course is a loud voice as we saw in Revelations chapter 10, and of which we see according to Amos 3 that this loud voice is as when a Lion roareth. “For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:”

Now, brother Branham let us know in his message called **Deceived church by the world 59-0628 M**:50 he tells us the condition of the church and how it was in bondage to the creeds and dogmas in his day. “But as Israel was bound by their kings, that they could not follow the real King, and the real King, when He came, they didn't recognize Him, so is it today, O Lord, the King of glory has appeared in the form of the Holy Ghost, and, Lord, they don't know it. They don't recognize it. They're so organized so tight, that they do not understand it, because it's not in their organization. Lord, this is a work of the Devil that's done this to the people. May the Samson of God, may the true in heart, those who are longing and crying, and pleading and holding on, may they stay with it, Lord, until this new crop grows out, until there comes forth again a joy in Zion, and there comes forth a group that can recognize and understand, that can see the Messiah and the hidden power that's hid from the world, that they will not understand now. Grant, Lord, that they'll see this. For we ask it in Jesus’ Name. Amen.”

And again from the **Token 64-0208 P**:27 he said, “Israel coming out of Egypt, as I said a few minutes ago, is a type of the Bride coming out of the church. When Moses begin His ministry, Israel gathered together in one place, in Goshen, begin to pray because they knew that the hour was at hand, because they knew something was there. The deliverer had already come. God was working, doing things, showing what He was going to do. They come from all parts of Egypt, just like they will at the day of His coming. They'll take people out of the Methodist, Baptist, Lutheran. All those who are identified in Christ by the Token, God will take them with Him when He comes.”
And from Questions and answers COD 61-1015M P:31 brother Branham said, Now, all the church today is the antitype of the type, We know that. There's a type and a antitype. Now, when Israel was on their journey from the land of Egypt going into Palestine, was a type of the church in the spiritual today on it's journey to the promised land...
You all agree with that, don't you? All the theologians agree with that, that that was the type.

So we see we are living in the hour when the church nominal holds the people in bondage to their system and for the people to look outside their assembly doors for light is considered anathema, or heresy just as it was in Jesus day and in Paul’s day, and in fact every day. Just look what happened to me like Luther, and Wesley. Men of God with a Message from God and yet spurned by the church system of their day. Which one of the prophets did not their fathers kill and crucify in their synagogues.

Matthew 23:29 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous, And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets. Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets. Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers...

Now, I would like to share some things brother Branham said concerning the end-time Presence of God, because people have things mixed up concerning how He is to come, even though He told us in His word exactly how he will come.

From his sermon Queen of Sheba 61-0219 P:18 brother Branham said, Now, He said, "I come." And when He did come, the people did not recognize Him. He came just exactly the way the Scripture said that He would come. He came and He was the Jewish Messiah. And not only Jewish Messiah, He was the promised seed of Abraham, that we have so taken through the week of study, and, over at the church. And He came to His own and His own received Him not. And He had presented Himself to His own. And He came to Israel, which was the church of God, and the people of God, and the nation of God. And He came to His own and His own received Him not, but as many as did receive Him, to them gave He the power to become sons of God to them that believed on His Name."

God in simplicity 63-0317M P:65 It is strange to think how that God does such a thing as that. God will hide Himself in something so simple that'll cause the wise to miss it a million miles and then turn right back around in that, some simple thing in the simplicity of His way of working and reveal Himself right out again. I thought it made a text that we might study this before we go into the great teachings of the Seven Seals. Many miss Him by the way He reveals Himself. Now, man has their own ideas of what God ought to be and what God is going to do; and as I have made the old statement many times that man still remains man. Man is always giving God praise for what He did do, and always looking forward to what He will do, and ignoring what He's doing. See, see?
End time evangelism 62-0603 P:30 Same thing today, when you see His work. Now, we have already seen and are witnessing the appearing of the Lord. Now remember, appearing and coming is two different words: to appear and then to come. Now is the appearing; He's already appeared in these last days, right here with us in the last few years. Now, it's a sign of His coming. He's appearing in His Church in the form of the Holy Spirit, showing that it's Him, 'cause people cannot do these things that you see the Holy Spirit doing; so that's the appearing of the Lord. Now, you remember, it spoke both places, "appearing" and "coming."

CONVINCED AND THEN CONCERNED 62-0521 E-31 031 Now, John was so sure that he was going to see the Messiah, till he said, "He's in our midst now." Now, watch. Notice. There's a great big difference in the sign of Jesus appearing, and then Jesus coming. There's two different words, means two different things: the appearing of the Lord, and the coming of the Lord. Now, the appearing of the Lord is now, when He's appearing in His people, His Spirit working among them, proving that it's Him with them, getting them ready for the rapture, for the coming of the Lord to catch away His--the Bride (See?): the appearing and the coming. All right. Now.

Brother Branham said the Appearing is now, in His People, but he clarified how He is Appearing in His people, he said, "His Spirit is working among them, proving" which is vindication, and for the purpose of getting them ready for the rapture, for the coming of the Lord to catch away His Bride.

Again if we look at these statements, we see and hear brother Branham saying that we have already witnessed the Appearing, and it's a sign of His Coming. He's Appearing to the Church in the form of the Holy Ghost. This is not the body of Jesus he is speaking of here, but the Presence of God in the form of the Holy Ghost which is in Spirit form. Then he goes to vindication by saying, people can't do these things that you are witnessing. It has to be God.

LETTING OFF THE PRESSURE 62-0609E E-58 058 But if you can beat all that away from you, say, "Lord God, I believe just exactly what Your Word says, and I believe (as we preached last night), that the appearing of the Lord comes before the coming of the Lord," for it's just two different words altogether. See? Now's the appearing, as He promised in the last days that He'd be with us.

Again brother Branham tells us that there is a difference between the Appearing and the Coming and the Appearing is now, the presence of the Holy Spirit in and among His Church. He said, "we see Him, and we know it's Him." And how is that? By what he did among us, for no man could do the things that only God can do. Once again we see then the Appearing has to do with Presence and Vindication.

BE NOT AFRAID 62-0620 E-66 066 There's a different word used. The appearing of Christ and the Coming of Christ (See?) it's two different words altogether. See? Now, Christ is appearing in these last days in His church, bringing His church together in unity, and faith, and power in the Word, all together; that when He returns He will find the same church.
Here we begin to see several other points that are very important in understanding the importance of the Appearing. Notice brother Branham tells us that it is to gather together His church into a unity, and faith which we know that faith is a revelation, something that is revealed.

Therefore this Appearing is to be an event which is to gather together the elect to and by a revelation of God, bringing us together, as Paul declares in 1 Corinthians 1: 10 at the Apokolupsis or revealing of Christ. Peter mentions the same thing in 1 Peter 1:13. Notice again brother Branham's pointing out the power in the Word which illustrates to us there must be a show of power that demonstrates Who it is in our midst, and this demonstration of power in the Word points out again this vindication. God is here to vindicate this Faith and by this unveiling or revealing backed by vindication God will gather together His Elect.

**WE WOULD SEE JESUS 62-0627 E-76 076** Remember, appearing and coming is two different words. See? He's appearing now in the church, showing Himself alive after two thousand years. "Sirs, we would see Jesus."

And again from his sermon called, FROM THAT TIME 62-0713 E-102 brother Branham said, How many knows there's a difference between the appearing of Christ and the coming of Christ? It's two different words. Now's the appearing, the coming will soon be. He's appearing in the midst of us, doing the works that He once did, in His church. Now, you're a part of that church, and by grace you believe. I am a member of that church.

Notice once again, brother Branham makes it plain that what Christ did at His First Coming, He is here now doing at His Appearing. But I want you to also know that He said He is in the midst of the people as He was back then. In Luke 17, the Pharisees asked Jesus when His kingdom would come, and He said "My kingdom is within you." He was not telling those Christ rejecting Pharisees that His kingdom was in them, but that word is "entos" which means in your very midst.

**GOD HAS A PROVIDED WAY 62-0728 E-81** Now, remember these two words before I leave you: the appearing of Christ and the coming of Christ is two different things. Christ is now appearing in the fullness of His power. His coming will be afterwards: His appearing before His coming.

Again we see the emphasis on the power which is vindication and the strategic timing in which He says the Appearing is before the Coming. Letting us know that we are now witnessing the Appearing and it is just before the Coming.

And that is what the three exoduses are all about. In each one we see where God Himself has come down in the form of the Pillar of Fire and raised up a ministry to deliver a people from some sort of civil or ecclesiastical system that held the people in bondage to that system.

So what is it that God will do at This End-time appearing that he has done in each exodus in the past? God will raise up a man with a Message, and anoint that man for the job.
IV) God anoints a man to be his prophet.

1st Exodus: God anoints a man to be His Prophet to lead the people out of the system.

**Exodus 3:9** Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them. 10 Come now therefore, and **I will send thee unto Pharaoh**, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt. 11 And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? 12 And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain. 13 And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? 14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

So we see that God Himself came down to deliver the people but he used Moses to do the job. God backing up his chosen vessel.

**Water from the rock 55-0224 P:23** Then when the time come near, *God had raised up Moses to do the work that God had ordained him to do.* And Moses went down into Egypt, and with a mighty hand brought the children out from under the bondage. Brought them to the Red Sea and crossed over on their journey to the promised land. Very, very, beautiful type of the church today. Aren't you glad you come up out of Egypt? Oh, was taken out from the old garlic pots, and flesh pots, and things of the world, dances and carrying on of the world, and now, pitched up in Beulah land (Amen), having a camp meeting out here. We having our ups-and-downs, but we're still going towards the promised land. The Pillar of Fire is still marching on, building new camps every year. Is that right?

**Obey the voice of the angel 50-0713 P:9** This Word that we have just read, was God sending Moses. Moses was born an odd, peculiar birth. It was just time for the prophetic wheel of God, to cause then it to move up and to have something to come to pass that He'd promised Abraham to take His people out, and He did. God always moves just in time. You believe that? Now, we're at the day; we're in the last days. Just how close to the end, I do not know: no one knows, not even the Angels or the Son of God; the Father, only, knows. But we're in the last days, and He promised that these signs and wonders would be done in the last day. So if God raised up a man by the name of Moses, had him born into this world for that specific purpose, **to deliver the people that were in bondage, that couldn't help themselves...** And He brought them out, through His... Not Moses, Moses never performed one miracle. It was the Angel of God that went before Moses. It was a Pillar of Fire at night, a cloud by day. And when you see the picture that we're going to show you, shortly, if we haven't. I believe you'll feel that it's the same Pillar of Fire that's leading the people today, the Angel of God. Which we know the Angel that led Moses was the Angel of the covenant, **which was Christ,** the Son of God. And now...(notice brother Branham corrects himself here) **Or, the Logos that came out of God,**
was the Son of God. Then when...God delivered the children of Israel when they were in bondage and couldn't help themselves.

2nd Exodus: God anoints a man to be His Prophet to lead the people out of the Ecclesiastical bondage to a system. And before we go any further, just sit tight to hear what I am going to say, because we normally think of the thee Exodus’s as Moses, Paul and William Branham, but that is only part of the picture, really. Moses was the prophet that God said you be God to the people and Aaron will be your prophet. Jesus came as the God-prophet, and William Branham was God’s vindicated prophet in this hour. But in each age there was a teaching ministry that followed the Prophet for the age. Remember, the prophet for the age was the Word of God manifested in flesh for that age. Moses and His ministry was the Word revealed for that day, and God manifested Himself in the body of His Son Jesus to reveal Himself that day. And God used William Branham in this day.

But after Moses took the people out, Joshua brought them in. After Jesus took the people out of Judaism and the law and legalism, Paul the teacher to the Gentiles brought them into Christ the Word and the promises of God. And so in this hour we had a prophet to lead us out of denomination, but God Who is the Teacher has remained on the scene and is here to lead us into the Millennium.

So let’s look at the God-Prophet at the 2nd Exodus, and how God was manifested in the body of His Son to declare Himself to the world. Acts 10: 38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; (and in what way did God anoint Jesu with the holy Ghost?) for God was with him.

Sirs we would see Jesus 64-0304 P:53 He was God's anointed Prophet. He was the God-prophet. He was what all the prophets was, it was in Him, plus the rest of what God was. God was in Christ reconciling Himself to the world. He was God, Emmanuel, the Fullness of God made known to us in the Person of His Son Jesus Christ, the second attribute of God.

Acts 2: 36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

Then if God made him Christ he was not Christ before God made Him Christ. Look, Christ has always been the mystery of God, how that God could anoint a man and use that man in His place. And notice how the people always miss it when it comes.

Greater than Solomon is here 62-0628 P:85 He'd know the secrets and reveal it. A gift. He was a prophet, and he could understand and tell it. And here Jesus, the anointed Son of God standing there, was greater than Solomon, and they called it a spirit of the devil. "He's a fortuneteller." He said, "That queen will arise in the judgment with this generation and condemn it."
Galatians 4 22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. 23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise. 24 Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. 25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. 26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all. 27 For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. 28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. 29 But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now. 30 Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman. 31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.

3rd Exodus: God anoints a man to be His Prophet to lead the people out of the system.

So, in order to know what and How God will once again send a prophet and anoint that prophet we must know what God said about how he is going to do it.

And we find our answer in Deuteronomy chapter 18. And let's begin at verse 15.

Deuteronomy 18:15 The Lord thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken; 16 According to all that thou desiredst of the Lord thy God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not. 17 And the Lord said unto me, They have well spoken that which they have spoken. 18 I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. 19 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him.

Now right here, God says, “I'm going to do a certain thing, and I'm going to do it in a certain, certain way, and I’m going to use a man to do it.” And if you don't listen to that man, when he comes in the name of the Lord, with “my words in His Mouth, (that’s what “Thus saith the Lord”, is) then it all over for you.

20 But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.

In other words, these people are going to be such good judgment that they're going to kill the right person every time. Yeah, right? Aren’t these the same people said, “which one of the prophet’s did your father’s not kill? You can see where Israel was when they killed the wrong person at the wrong time. You can tell if it's God or not. God told us how to tell, but will they shut up and listen long enough to know whether it is God or not?
21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken? 22 When a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet spoke presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

And as brother Vayle tagged this, *this is vindication, predictive vindication* that gives the prophet authority to speak. Because a prophet's ministry is to bring the Word, not signs and wonders. The signs and wonders are merely incidental to get your attention and prove what is coming from whom. Or who is sending forth what? See?

**Restoration of bride tree 62-0422 P:169** There is a church natural; that's the one's made up by man. Church spiritual... You know, the Bible says that? Yes, sir. Church natural and church spiritual. And the Bible says, "Cast out the bondswoman and her child (Hagar), for she will not be heir with the freewoman and her child." See? So the natural church, that's going to inherit what? The binding of the sheaves, the binding of the bundles to be burned; and she will not inherit, be heir with the freewoman. If the bondwoman is in bondage with her *organization* children, she will not be heir with the freewoman; because the freewoman's children is going in the rapture. And the bondswoman's children is going to stand in the judgment. See? "Cast out, saith the Spirit of..." Yes, sir.

**Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:193** Now, I want you to know this is sure. And you that listen to this tape, you might have thought today that I was trying to say that about myself, being that I was packing this Message. I have no more to do with it than nothing, no more than just a voice. And my voice, even against my better judgment... I wanted to be a trapper. But it's the will of my Father that I declare to do, and determined to do. I wasn't the One that appeared down on the river; I was only standing there when He appeared. I'm not the One that performs these things and foretells these things that happens as perfect as they are; I'm only one that's near when He does it. I was only a voice that He used to say it. It wasn't what I knew; it's what I just surrendered myself to, that He spoke through. It isn't me. It wasn't the seventh angel, oh, no; it was a manifestation of the Son of man. It wasn't the angel, his Message; it was the mystery that God unfolded. It's not a man; it's God. The angel was not the Son of man; he was a messenger from the Son of man. The Son of man is Christ. He's the One that you're feeding on. You're not feeding on a man. A man, his words will fail, but you're feeding on the unfailing Body-Word of the Son of man. If you haven't fed fully on every Word to give yourself strength to fly above all these denominations and things of the world, will you at this time do it, while we pray?