## Questions and Answers no. 3

Questions concerning Alpha and Omega May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Brian Kocourek, Pastor

Opening Prayer: Dear Omnipotent and Omniscient Father, we come to you this evening knowing that You are the Author and Finisher of our Faith, and we also acknowledge that what things we do know, we have not learned through earthly channels, but we have received from revelation that you gave to us through Your only provided channel, that of Your prophets. We also acknowledge dear Father, that we are here because we want to know Thee better and we wish to let our own thinking go and receive your thinking. For your thoughts are higher than our thoughts and your ways are greater than our ways. Therefore, help each of us here this evening to let the mind that was in Christ be in us, and we know this is not possible unless your Spirit has taken over our thought process. For what man knoweth the things of God except the Spirit of God is in him. And as the Apostle Paul said, "And we have the mind of Christ". Therefore, Father we ask that Your Divine presence will be with us throughout this series as we attempt to bring clarity to eh many questions that your children have throughout the world. And we ask this in Jesus Christ's Name, Amen.

Good evening. As we remain standing and open our Bibles to the Book of **2 Timothy chapter 3**, I would like to begin examining tonight several questions I have received from around the world concerning the Alpha and Omega Principle.

In **2 Timothy 3:16** we are told that "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, That means it is God breathed and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: And in verse 17 God tells us His purpose for giving us His word. 17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

Now, in **Hebrews Chapter 1:1** we read that *God in various ways and in diverse manners spoke unto the people through the prophet*. And since God used various ways and diverse manners to do so, I have found that the questions I have received from brethren all over the world have come in various ways and in diverse manners, and yet they are all asking the same thing. And that is a clarification on the Alpha and Omega Principle which we have learned from the doctrinal study of Reverend William Branham Vindicated Prophet of God and as taught by Reverend Lee Vayle, Indicated Message Teacher who received his doctorate in this Message from God Himself through His End-Time prophet William Branham.

I just thought I would add that to help the scoffers out who are always trying to use the fact that God's prophet called Br. Lee Vayle Doctor Vayle, seeing they do not know that Lee Vayle did not go to seminary, but God Himself gave him that tag through the lips of His Prophet.

Now, with that aside, since we are entering into this series, I will say the following for those who will scoff at what I am doing and saying to themselves, "what gives you a right to Answer questions from around the world?"

First let me say this. When I first placed our website on the world wide web in 1998, I asked brother Vayle if he would be interested in answering the people questions since brother Branham said the following;

Jesus Christ the same 58-0323 P:0022 And if there's anything you lack of understanding, something that you do not understand, my associate Brother Vayle here, is available at all times to explain anything that seems mysterious to you ministering brethren, or wherever you are, or any lay member, anything. If there's a question, if we ever preach anything, or do anything, that's not a promise of God in this Bible, you got a right to come to us and ask us like brethren. And we ask you to do that. We ask you as our brothers and sisters to come to us. We want to be servants of Christ. That's what we represent the world around.

So with that in mind, I asked him if he would do so, and he agreed to do so. Then when hi wife took sick he said that he would not have time to do so and said, "Brian, you know this message as well as anyone, why don't you just answer the questions, and if there is anything you need help with, call me and I will do what I can."

Therefore, all answers that I give will either come from Scripture or words from Brother Branham and I will not give you my own opinion unless that opinion can be backed up solidly by Scripture and God's End-Time prophet William Branham.

To answer your questions correctly I can not have an opinion of my own. My opinion must be either what God said through His Son or through His servant William Branham. Now, if any listening to this tape have a problem with that, then that is your problem. I know that I will give an account to God for my Words, and I just hope you know that you will one day give an account to God for yours as well.

Now, these questions which I have received are from all over the world. We have more than 162 nations coming to our website and in any given month we are receiving nearly 90 countries coming to one or both or our websites. That includes not only the Message-Doctrine website, but also Br. Vayle's sermons and My own on a second website.

I believe my motives are clean and pure and as Paul said to the church in his day, according to Acts 20:26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. 27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. 28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. 29 For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. 30 Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. 31 Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. 32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

33 I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel. (We have never asked for money for our tapes, or books, and everything we do here has been freely given. I work two jobs plus pasturing and Mission work and a website by all indications could be another full time job. Paul was a tent maker and William Branham worked two jobs plus pasturing as well.) 34 Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. 35 I have shewed you all things, how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Now, since these questions come from many peoples with many diverse back grounds, they come to me in many variegated ways, and in different manners just like God Himself gave us His Word Through many different Prophets from many diverse backgrounds but who all declared the same Message. Thus our mission is to declare the same Message as was given to us.

Therefore the questions are multifaceted because there are many aspects to understanding the Alpha and Omega principle.

For example Br. Serge from Gabon asks, Rev. Brian, I have a question upon the following sermon of Br Branham:

A Paradox 65-0117 67 And so has the church world in this last day! It's come along, it's played its part, but there is coming a time where it must cease. It must do it. There has got to be an Ephesians, also, of this journey, just as there was of other journeys. There has to come an Ephesians, an Ephesus, an Ephesian of this journey. Watch.

From the same sermon, he says in three times the promise of another Ephesian today. Please, What's that means? Does he speaking about the Presence?

## Br Serge

Now, we can not understand that statement without understanding also that there are thre exoduses in the history of God dealing with man, and in each the Pillar of Fire came to gather a people together and take them from one setting to another. Out from one place and into another.

Is your life worthy 63-0630E P:20 it's Third Exodus. The Holy Spirit in the form of a Pillar of Fire, God coming down in manifestation brought out the first exodus and back in, brought Israel out of Egypt. The second exodus was Christ bringing the church out of Judaism. And the third exodus is when the same Pillar of Fire takes the Bride from the church. See? Out of the natural, out of the spiritual, and the spiritual out of the spiritual, the three. See? The spiritual out of the church, rather, and then we get the three--the three ages of it. Now, tonight I wanted to make another tape, and that was called: "Is Your Life Worthy of the Gospel?" Probably wouldn't take very long, with just some Scriptures and notes I got here. But first we want to read God's Word. Before we do that, we just bow our hearts to Him just a moment.

The Indictment 63-0707M P:19 Now, we would appreciate, if you like to hear the message, The Third Exodus. Now, we've had many exodus, but we can definitely put our hand on the place, time of three exodus that God in the form of a Pillar of Fire has come down to call and separate people. And now, it's separating a people. And we find out that when He called His first exodus, He went before them in a Pillar of Fire and led them to a-leading them to a land, where later He appeared before them in a form of a Man called Jesus Christ. (He come from God and went to God.) And the-then He was rejected. And He come then to call a people out of a-out of a formal condition that they had got into, like they had down in Egypt: they give away to sin and to the-the ways of the Egyptians. And God called them out. And now, we find the second time they give away under captivity to a--a Roman Empire. And they got off in the creeds and got away from the real sincerity of the worship, and God again sent another exodus. And the-He appeared in the form of a Man that led men.

And again another brother from a different country, The European country of Netherlands wrote the following because he did not understand why there were false brethren right in this message. I sent him a booklet that answered his questions showing him that what took place in the first age had to repeat in the last age.

Br. Koen Kolkman wrote: Brother Brian, I read it and is great!! I prayed for it. Because in this hour I only want to follow the Bible, and be very sincere in it. Trusting that Our Lord Jesus will guide me into his Truth. The way I saw things that sounded good but were not scriptural at all not at all the same revelation what the Apostles had, I was caught up by my own power of reasoning and was not subject to what the bible said.

Thanks!

Br. Koen Kolkman

And a another brother from Uganda wrote:

Br. Silas kalule wrote:

We are faced with many enemies, as Islam has spread its evil influence throughout the world. It is even necessary for us to occasionally move about in other churches in order to do the things that must be done. Daily we pray asking God to touch those who He would and bring them to this Ministry. I think the enemy that troubles me the most are those who call themselves Christians and still maintain an anti-Semitic attitude towards Israel and Jews and those who interpret this message for their own selfish gains. I can not believe this to see a bosom friend and minister of the message embracing cult teaching simply for search of miracles and signs. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem, for our Country-Uganda and all the gallant soldiers in Christian war front. I Pray for this End time Ministry and your part in it.

Shalom,

Brother Silas Kalule.

And just one more email from the United States that says,

Brother Kocourek, Do you know if anyone has done a comparative study on the Alpha ministry and the Omega ministry? There are many types that I can see, but I'm sure there's a whole lot more that I haven't. Is there anyone that you know or have you yourself went through the entire life of both our Lord Jesus Christ and Brother Branham and made a comparison study as Brother Branham did with Joseph and Jesus Christ? Also when listening to Brother Branham yesterday he spoke of the days of Lot, and he said that the two angels sent to warn Lot were typed as Billy Graham and Oral Roberts, but the one that stayed with Abraham was God. Was the type we are seeing is God staying with Brother Branham as the called out and elect bride or God in Brother Branham calling out the bride?

Thank You, Sister Goldie

With these questions in mind, I would like to first of all read where the doctrinal principle of the Alpha becoming the Omega comes from. It comes from Jesus Himself. But in order to understand further which Jesus, (the Father or the Son) said this to John, we must understand more about what is being said here.

**Revelation 1:8** I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty. 9 ¶ I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, 11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

**Revelation 21:6** And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

**Revelation 22:12** And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. 13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

Therefore what we see is that Jesus Christ declared himself to be the Alpha and Omega and what he said had to do with the churches. The Bible Doctrine that deals with the "Alpha and Omega" principle is purely the most important revelation we can receive from God. In fact in the following quote we will hear brother Branham make several points which we shall consider.

**Point #1.** He says "*It is the Greatest of all revelations*" because it teaches us the Supreme Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Point #2. He said "it is the first thing you have to know," because it concerns the Supreme Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. He said, "I'm Alpha and Omega, the first of all revelations." You must know Who He is so that you might recognize His voice when you hear it.

Point #3. He said, "I am the Beginning and the End. I am Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last." Therefore, what He did at the first he must do at the last, for He can not change.

Now, the main thing concerning what Jesus Christ said here, is not what can I make out of this myself using my own imagination. To do so would be spiritual suicide. But rather with words so important, what did William Branham vindicated prophet fo God have to say concerning these words?

Patmos Vision 69-130 60-1204E 143 076 "In the Spirit on the Lord's day..." Now, we hear it. Now, what? And what was he done? He was transferred from the isle now, in the Spirit, over into the Lord's day. And as soon as he got over into the Lord's day, he heard a trumpet. What is it? It's Somebody approaching. A great One's approaching. Trumpet sounds, Somebody's coming. He looked. Hallelujah. ... trumpet, Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last:... (Hm. Not announcement of the second party, or the third party, but the only party. "I'm both Alpha and Omega; before I show you anything, I want to let you know Who I am." Amen.) The greatest of all the revelations is the Deity, the Supreme Deity of our Lord Jesus Christ. You can't get to first base until you believe that, walk out... That's what Peter said, "Repent, and then see the Deity. Be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins, and then you're ready to go in the Spirit." The first thing you have to know is the Deity of Christ. "I am Alpha and Omega. I'm from A to Z; there's no more but Me. I was at the beginning; I'll be at the end. I'm He that was, which is, and shall come, the Almighty." Think of it. That's what the trumpet said.

145 077 Be careful John. You've entered into the Spirit. Something's going to be revealed to you. What is it? A trumpet sound, the first thing, "I'm Alpha and Omega." The first of all revelations. (Oh, sinner, bow, repent now before the time's too late.) "I'm Alpha and Omega." That's the first thing that He let him know Who He was. (Who's this approaching? Is this King Jesus? King God? King Holy Ghost?) He said, "I'm all of It. I'm from A to Z. I'm the Beginning and the Ending. I'm the immortal, eternal One." Just a little later we watch Him in His sevenfold Personage, watch what He is then. See? "I am the Beginning and the End. I am Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last. I was before there was a first; and after there's no more last, I'll still be there," in other words, "The First and the Last." ... and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send... to the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and to Laodicea.

147 078 All right, the first of all revelations is the Supreme Deity of Jesus Christ. You must know Who He is when you hear the voice (All right.), the same voice that sounded on Mount Sinai, the same voice that sounded on Mount Transfiguration, the same One, One like the Son of man. (Now, before we read any further, the same voice on Mt Sinai and Mount Transfiguration was the Voice of the Father.

**2 Peter Chapter 1 Verse 17** For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

**Luke 9:35** And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

**Mark 9: 7** And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

**Matthew 17: 5** While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

**Matthew 3: 17** And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.)

And Again we see concerning Mount Sinai it was the Lord God who came down and spoke to Moses.

**Exodus 19: 20** And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.

Leviticus 25: 1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying,

**Exodus 24: 16** And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.

Brother Branham continues "Now, watch in this next verse. All right. And I turned... (the 12th chapter now) We're going to leave these churches alone just for a minute, because this whole week coming on these churches. See, so we're just going to pass over that. But He said, "These... I'm going to direct you to send this message that I show you." Who is? "I'm the First and the Last. I'm the Supreme One. I'm the Almighty One. And I've come to tell you that I'm giving you a message to seven churches. I want you to write it, get it ready." See? "And the seven churches that are in Asia..." Now, they were churches there then with the nature in them that represented these church ages to come.

Now, why would brother Branham tell us that the Alpha and Omega principle is the most important principle for us to Know. We have already seen that this principle deals with the very essence of the Lord Jesus Christ and Who He really is. And knowing that *He is the same yesterday, today and forever*, and in Malachi 3:6 "I am the Lord, and I change not." And as brother Branham said, we won't know what to do with His Voice if we do not recognize who He really is. Therefore there are three reasons we must understand the Alpha and Omega Ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ.

- **#1**) In order to understand the day and hour in which we live.
- #2) In order to be able to recognize what is being done in the hour which we live,
- #3) We must know Him. And He described Himself to John on the Isle of Patmos with the words, "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end."

Notice he never said he was the in-between, He said he was the first and the last.

The Masterpiece 64-0705 170 The Alpha has become Omega. The first become last; and the last is the first. The Seed that went in has come through a process and become the Seed again. The seed that fell in the garden of Eden and died there, come back from that imperfect seed that died there, come back to the perfect Seed--the Second Adam. The first Eve that fell, and was used in the second reformation--second coming, as *172* bringing forth a child, now has become true Bride again, the Seed, right back with the original Word again. The Alpha and Omega is the same. He said, "I am Alpha and Omega. "He never said anything in between, "I'm Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last." That's it. The first ministry and the last ministry is the same. The first Message and the second--last Message is the same thing. (Notice that brother Branham said second and then corrected Himself and said the last. This is important to see because He also preached a Message called the Third Exodus and showed us that in all three exoduses the same God appeared the same way with in the same manner with a similar Message in each.)"I was in Alpha; I'm in Omega." "There'll be a day that won't be called day nor night, but in the evening time it shall be Light." See? Alpha and Omega; it's become the first and the last. Oh, my, brethren, we could stay hours on that. And so in this series on questions and answers we will do just that.

Again notice how brother Branham points out that He (The ministry of Jesus Christ) was the first and the last, but not the in between. He said, the Alpha has become Omega. Then he said the first Message and the last Message must be the same. This is because Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever. And if the Message is the Revelation of Jesus Christ, then it is the revelation of Who He is, and he is the word. Therefore, if He has changed, then His first Message and His last Message would have to be different. Also, this let's us know that since the first and last Message are the same, and that Message was a revealing of Who was in our midst, then we must surely know that the last Message must also be a declaration of the One Who is here. And if He is here, then He must perform the same way and do the same things that He did back there. Again in the next quote we will hear brother Branham reaffirm this same thought that the ministry must repeat in this hour.

Queen of Sheba 61-0119E E-58 Now, what kind of a light would it give? If that was the first sunlight that shined on the eastern people, which is S-o-n of God, and He did the things He did there on that day on Alpha, He does the same thing at Omega.

Here, we see brother Branham tell us that what God did in the first age He must repeat in the last. Now, why would God do the same at the first and the last? Because if He is the unchanging God. He can not change. Then, if God can not change, what He did back then at the first, He must do again at the last.

Now, in answering our brothers Questions from Gabon, concerning what brother Branham said about "there must be another Ephesians", we find in his sermon God Who is Rich in Mercy 65-0119 29 brother Branham said, "Now, if many of you like to just mark down Scriptures that a minister reads... And I would like for you to tonight, if you would, to turn to Ephesians. And I was speaking last Sunday on the Ephesians, how that the Book of Joshua was the Ephesians of the Old Testament, and how it was a Book of redemption. And redemption has two different parts: "come out of" and "entering into." First, you have to come out. Some people wants to bring the world in with them; but you got to come out of the world to enter into Christ. You have to come out of unbelief to enter into faith. There cannot be one thing in your way. To really have genuine faith, you must absolutely leave everything that's contrary to the Word of God behind to enter into faith, And that was the Book of the Ephesians of the Old Testament: Joshua. Where, Moses represented the law, could not save no one, but grace could, and here "Joshua" is the same word like Jesus, "Jehovah-Savior." And now then, we find out that we have come to another Ephesians, another Ephesus now. Where that in our intellectual denominations and so forth, and all of our educational programs has come to its--its Jordan, then we must have an Ephesians again. We must have an exodus to "come out" and to "go into," for the rapture.

A Paradox 65-0117 89 But we're promised, according to Revelations 10, and according to Malachi 4, and Saint Luke 22:17, and so forth, that there is got to come an Ephesians to this. There is promised it, friends. There must come an Ephesians, that these sevenfold mysteries of the Word of God must be unfolded. And it's in the Laodicean age that this takes place. I believe that we're--we're there. I believe we're right in the shadows of the coming of the Son of God. And as Joshua, just before the Ephesians raised up, so did John the Baptist raise up just before the next Ephesians. And we're promised another, another Ephesians. It's predicted here in the Scripture; therefore, I think that we are living in the Ephesians again. Back again to... We are promised that what was left off during those seven ages...

<u>Ww would See Jesus</u> 57-0516 E-11 And that's been my theme through the years. I read that same Scripture when I was here before. And I hope to read it until death shall take me from the earth. Because, I do solemnly believe that with all my heart, that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. He's called in the Bible, "The Alpha and Omega; He that Was, Which is, and Shall Come." That makes Him the same yesterday, today, and forever. "He that Was, He that Is, and Shall come," just the same. He never changes. We change; time change; but God never changes.

Questions and Answers 64-0823E 1021-119 And Jesus cannot come until a church, a body of believers and the ministry that He once (were in...?)... will have to be the same as it was then to... And then, that brings... "Them without us is not made perfect," Paul said, Hebrews 11. "Without us they cannot be perfected." They must have this ministry to raise up the Lutheran, Wesley's, and all them down through their ages.

The importance then, of understanding this Alpha-Omega principle, is that if God performed in a certain way or did a certain thing at the first, then He must repeat that certain way or do that same thing in the last. And this is the key to understanding Brother Branham's ministry and the identification of the pillar of Fire which vindicated that ministry just as He vindicated the Apostle Paul's.

Angel of the Lord 51-0502 E-17 And we're living in the Laodicean age, the last. And He was standing with His hands out to look upon. And there, one hand like this was Alpha, the other one as Omega. As the lights went out, on up to the dark ages and come down; just as they come in, so will they go out, the same kind of Church, same kind of signs, same kind of people, Alpha and Omega.

This quote shows the importance of the Omega ministry in this hour. Not only did God come down again as He did at the first, but He again hid Himself in a veil of flesh to minister as He did in the body of His Only Begotten Son. And if Jesus ministry had a certain effect upon the saints in that day, then His presence should once again have the same effect upon the church in this day.

Christ outside the Door 58-0330E E-13 And He was standing in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks, which represented the seven church ages, with His hands out, and to look upon as Alpha and Omega, first and last. The highest candlestick was the darkest, of course. And in this last church age, is supposed to receive the same light that they had in the first, alpha to omega. But the pitiful part, in the Scriptures we are learned here that he said, "Because you say, I am rich and am increased in goods..." You see the condition of the church today?

Philadelphia Church Age 60-1210 135 Now, that's what He revealed at the very first church age. Now, watch. As John saw him standing, the seven golden candlesticks, He was standing with His hands out. Here's the first candlestick, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, with His hands out in the form of the cross. He said, "I am Alpha and Omega." In other words, "I'll be supreme in the first; I'll be supreme in the last." The Lights rises in the east and sets in the west. It's been a dismal, dark time, but "It shall be Light in the evening time." The same Gospel power that raised up here on the one hand at the east, has shined over and now in the other hand at the west, "Alpha and Omega, I'm A and I am Z." In His hand... You get it?

Therefore we can see the significance of the Omega ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ to this last church age. He said the ministry that He once had must repeat again to raise up the dead and perfect the Bride.

And remember, brother Branham said the importance of understanding the principle of Alpha and Omega is that we might understand Who "**He** is", (The One who is talking, the One Who came down with a Shout.) And the purpose of that, is that we might know His Voice and recognize Him. And how could we recognize Him when he comes if he was a changing God. Therefore, it is the very unchanging nature of God that allows us to recognize him when he comes. As brother Branham preached, "God is identified by His Characteristics."

The Token 64-0208 235 Just think, the great Holy Spirit coming, identifying Jesus Christ alive after two thousand years. See, the very nature of Him doing the same thing as He promised it would be done. That's right.

Grat Warrior Joshua 55-0119 E-44. And He's here tonight, the great supernatural Lord Jesus Christ, the great I AM, the great Alpha, Omega, the Beginning and the End. Why? The land belongs to us. "All that comes to me I'll give him Everlasting Life and will raise him up at the last day." Amen. We got the evidence of it here.

Rising of the Sun 65-0418M 45-3 He is the One Who opened those Seals; He is those Seals. For the whole Word of God is Christ, and Christ is the Seals that was open. What is the opening of those Seals then? Revealing Christ. And the very seven Angels which represented the Seven churches was all completed, and we couldn't even see It. They did-they took the picture, not us. And there He is standing there, Supreme Judge, showing that He is Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End. What identification. Quickening Power did that to us. Quickening Power lets us see His coming.

What is the Attraction? 65-0725E 142 And the other day, standing there, turned the picture to the right, and there's Jesus as He was in the Seven church Ages, the white wig on, showing Supreme Deity. He's Alpha and Omega; He's the First and the Last; He is the Supreme Judge of all eternity, standing there, confirmed the Message of this hour. And there shall be Light about the evening time! What's it all about? What was it?

Unveiling of God 64-0614M 370 How many sees Him standing the Mighty Conqueror, the Word made flesh, unveiled before us, the Alpha, the Omega, He that Was, Which Is, and Shall Come, the Root and the Offspring of David; was the Son of man, the Son of God, Son of man, and will be Son of David? You believe It with all your hearts? Unveiling Himself in each age, brought it to the believer, veiling Himself in human flesh from the unbeliever. He's hid behind a veil. May God break every veil and we see Him as He is.

We would see Jesus 62-0627 E-106 O God of heaven, forgive our unbelief. We know that's the only sin there is, the sin of unbelief. And may the Holy Spirit come so upon each person just now that they'll no more disbelieve because of the Presence of Christ tonight, showing Himself alive after two thousand years, the Word Himself standing here among us, in us, making His Word manifest.

Voice of The Sign 64-0313 E-68 Now He's here. Now each one, in the way you pray at your own church--if it's to yourself, loud, whatever it is. You pray for the person you got your hands on, 'cause they're praying for you. And now, look up. And in the Presence of the Messiah, the Christ, the resurrected One still alive after two thousand years, how can we be so numb in the spirit? That ought to set this nation on fire. That ought to make Beaumont repent in sackcloth and ashes. But will it do it? No. But you who are looking for Him, and believe that He would do it and keep His Word, it's to you now the promise is given. Put your hands on somebody and pray, while I pray for you from here. E-69 Lord Jesus, enough has been said, enough has been done. The Word that has been promised has been made manifested. The Messiah, the Christ of God, is in Divine

Presence. We feel Him. We see Him. We know that He promised this in the last days. "As it was in the days of Sodom, so shall it be when the Son of man is revealed." Then we know we see the fire in the skies, the atomic bombs. We see the worm-eaten nations. Nations are breaking. We see that Israel's in the homeland. Every sign that could be promised has been fulfilled. The next thing is the promised Son coming. O Eternal God, in the Presence of Jesus Christ, the great Holy Spirit that's here now, confirming that He's here, hear the prayer of these people. Hear these Christians, that when I leave they won't say Brother Branham did this. Somebody else they didn't know laid hands on them and they were healed. But You promised that the voice had a sign to it. And may they be healed, as I commit them to You in Jesus' Name.

Queen of the south 60-1127E E-46 The Bible said they would get a sign. What kind of a sign would it be? The sign of the resurrection. Hallelujah. We have it. Amen. It's here now. Jesus Christ has raised from the dead, and is alive after two thousand years, showing Himself among us.

Letting off the Pressure 62-0609E E-60 We know that Thou keepest Thy promise, Lord. And I pray that You will vindicate Your Presence tonight. And we ask You, Father, to grant the same things to happen here tonight before the people, just like it did before Your crucifixion. That they might know after two thousand years that Jesus is not one day older; He's the same Christ that He always was. He can never fail or never change.

Redemption by Power 54-0329 3 There was never One like Him on earth, never will be. He was Emmanuel. He was Alpha, Omega, the Beginning and the End, He that was, which is, and shall come, the Root and Offspring of David; the Morning Star. In Him dwelt Deity. In Him was God. "God was in His Son, in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself." Jesus said, "It's not me that doeth the works, but it's My Father that dwelleth in Me. My Father and I are One," God made manifest in flesh. What a marvelous revelation of God's love to us, He would unfold Himself and come down and dwell in human flesh in order to take away sin and sickness from the human race and redeem us back to the Father. That's wonderful, isn't it? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] We sure appreciate that.

QA Image of the Beast 54-0515 195-291 He's Alpha, Omega, the Beginning and the Ending, the Root and Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star, Father, Son, Holy Ghost. "In Him dwelled the Fullness of the Godhead bodily," said the Bible. The Fullness of God was in Him.

Hebrews chapter 5 AND 6 57-0908M 170-32 But before Paul would accept this experience, knowing that the Angel of the Lord was the Pillar of Fire, which was Christ, the... Well, He was the Angel of the Covenant, which was Christ. Moses thought better that--chose rather to suffer the afflictions with the people of Christ, and to be led by Christ, than all the treasures of Egypt. He followed Christ, which was in the form of the Pillar of Fire. Then Christ said, "I came from God (when He was here on earth); I go back to God." After His death, burial, resurrection, glorified body setting at the right

hand of the Majesty to make intercessions, Paul saw Him as the Pillar of Fire again, a Light that put his eyes out almost, smote him blind. Peter saw Him come into the jail as a Light, and opened the doors before him as he went out. We find out that He was the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last. And here He is with us today, doing the very same things that He did then, making Hisself visible back to us, showing it to the scientific world. 171-36 Oh, in this great hour of darkness and chaos over the earth, we should be the happiest people in the whole earth, to rejoice to know... All the time, when people are indocumated, and all kinds of isms and things in the earth... And yet, today the real living God by His Word and by His visible evidence shows us that He's here with us, working, moving, living, acting just exactly as He always did. What a privileged people that we are to have this. We ought to... The Bible said then in the 2nd chapter, "We should hold fast these things. Because how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation?"

What Hearest Thou Elijah 59-0412E E-81 How--how many could just almost see the Presence of the Lord Jesus standing there looking over His audience? The great Jehovah God, the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last, the same yesterday, today, and forever, He's God.

Palmerworm Locust and Caterpillar 59-0823 138 There's one God. There's only One. He's Jehovah God, the Great I AM; the Alpha, Omega, the Beginning and the End.

**Revelation chapter One 60-1204M** 183 Now, God at the beginning was the great Jehovah that lived in a Pillar of Fire, hung above Israel and led them. That was God, the Angel of the Covenant. Come down on the mountain, the whole mountain caught fire; fire flew from the mountain, and wrote the Ten Commandments. He was called the "fatherhood of God," to His children, His chosen race of people, the Jew. Then that same God was made manifest in a virgin-born body that He created in the wombs of Mary, and lived and tabernacled and stretched His tent (as it was) among human beings. And that same God was made flesh and dwelled among us. The Bible said so. God was in Christ. The body was Jesus, in Him dwelt the Fullness of the Godhead bodily. Can't make Him three people now. Don't baptize to three gods; there's one God (See?): one God. 185 Now, this same God was made flesh; He said, "I came from God and I go to God." After He had disappeared from the earth by His death, burial, and resurrection. and ascension, Paul met Him on the road down to Damascus, when he was yet called Saul. And a voice came and said, "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou Me?" He said, "Who are You?" He said, "I'm Jesus." And He was a Pillar of Fire, a Light that's put out the eyes of the apostle. He had turned back. The same Jesus had turned back to God the Father again. That's the reason He said here, "I am the Almighty," in the same form He was before He was made flesh. And His body that He lived in, called Jesus, the Man that we know, Jesus...

We would See Jesus 62-0627 E-106 O God of heaven, forgive our unbelief. We know that's the only sin there is, the sin of unbelief. And may the Holy Spirit come so upon each person just now that they'll no more disbelieve because of the Presence of Christ tonight, showing Himself alive after two thousand years, the Word Himself standing here among us, in us, making His Word manifest.

Perseverant 62-0719E E-99 Let us see You, Lord. One day after the resurrection, Cleopas and his friend was on the road down to Emmaus. And they talked with Him all day long, and they didn't know Him. But late that evening, He went in the room with them, and they closed the doors. And then He did something just the way He did it before His crucifixion, and they knew that no one else did it that way, and they knew it was Him. So they hurried back and told the people, after He vanished out of their sight, that truly the Lord is risen. Father God, we're laid aside our task of the day. We're here tonight. The room is closed in. Come, Lord. Do something among us tonight just like You did before Your crucifixion, that we might lightheartedly, like they were, go back along the road saying, "Did not our hearts burn within us as He talked to us along the way." Grant it, Lord. One Word from You will confirm everything that I've said. And if I've said the truth... And I know, Lord, You'll only confirm truth. You will have nothing to do with lies and errors. You only confirm the truth. Now, Father, I pray that You will confirm what's been said to be truth. I commit myself to You with Your Word, with Your congregation of people, and their faith that they have accumulated. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray that You'll move on the scene now, and prove to be with us after two thousand years. They... There's no death to Him. He's alive, forevermore. Grant it, Father, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Presence of God Unrecognized 64-0618 138 "A wicked and an adulterous generation will seek after a sign, notice, and they will receive a sign." What? This generation. "For as Jonah was in the belly of the whale three days and nights, the Son of man must be in the heart of the earth three days and nights." What sign will that wicked and adulterous generation receive? The sign of the resurrection. And today, after two thousand years, we still see Jesus Christ in the power of His resurrection, standing among us, doing the things that He did then and promised to do. "A wicked and an adulterous generation will seek after a sign, always wanting to 'show me this, and if you can do this and do this.' They'll get it, the sign of the resurrection." He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, the Word made manifest dwelling among us. How we should thank God for His great sign.

The Patriarch Abraham 64-0207 66 After two thousand years have passed, two thousand years, and still here He is in our midst, the mighty Conqueror that rent the veil in two, that took every sickness, every disease, everything upon Himself and bore our infirmities to the cross, and our sickness and our diseases and triumphed over them, and raised up for our justification, and stands alive after two thousand years to manifest Himself as the living Jesus Christ amongst the royal seed of Abraham who are heirs of all things. Oh, my. Those who after, goes through the test, promise of the Word. If you can believe the Word, then you are also the seed of Abraham. That's how you come to it.

Greater than Solomon 63-0628E 151 And then after two thousand years of Gospel preaching, and the Holy Spirit pouring out in this last days, upon the people, the gifts of the Holy Ghost, and promised that this great discernment would come back into the church again, what will she do to this generation when she stands there, after her time plus two thousand years of Gospel preaching in this last days to see gifts, not gift, but gifts of the Holy Spirit? She surrendered her life to Christ. Why? 152 I have to close, 'cause I don't... I want-I want to pray for you. Friends... She... They said, "Show us a sign. We want..." That's what's the matter with the Pentecostals. You're looking for something, and one of these days it's going to be too far; it passed right by you, and you didn't know it. Remember, in the days of Elijah, they didn't know him. In the days of John the Baptist, they didn't know him. And he was spoke of in the Scripture that he'd be, "I send My messenger before My face to prepare the way." And even the disciples come to Him, said, "Why must Elias come?" He said, "He's already come and you didn't know it."

Greater than Solomon is Here 62-0628 E-35 The evening lights are shining, and they-this generation is receiving the sign of Jonas, the Christ that they thought they got rid of. The church crucified Christ two thousand years ago, and they could not kill Him no more. He said, "I'm alive forevermore." And here He is after two thousand years among His people, showing Himself, with the same things He did back there He's doing right here again. Two thousand years has passed. He's alive forevermore, and has the keys of death and hell. Amen.

Sirs, we would See Jesus 64-0304 160 You believe now? Just have faith. All right. That, you know, I didn't know...?... Come, sister. I don't know you. We're strangers to one another, I suppose. If that's right, so the audience can see that we're strangers. See? If the... This is just like where our Lord met a woman one day. And here we meet again; we meet after two thousand years on His promise, and here's a man and woman meets in the same way. I never seen you in my life. I guess we're total strangers, but God knows both of us. Now, if the Holy Spirit, Christ in here and in you, will reveal what you're standing here for, or something about you, would you feel enthused like that woman did that day?

The warning we receive with this principle is that as the Alpha ministry was to the church, so would Christ repeat that ministry to the Omega or end-time church. However, with that ministry comes also judgment. And as the church began in the Alpha, so she would end up in the Omega.

77-1 Ephesian Church Age - CAB chptr 3 The very name, Ephesus, has a strange compound meaning, "Aimed at", and "Relaxed". The high aspirations of this age that had begun with the fullness of the Spirit, "the depth of God", whereby they were aiming at the high calling of God, began to give way to a less watchful attitude. A less ardent following of Jesus Christ began to manifest itself as an omen that in the future ages the physical vehicle called the church would sink to the awfulness of the "depth of Satan". It had become relaxed and was drifting. Already the age was backsliding. It had left its first love. The tiny seed planted in that Ephesian Age would one day grow in the spirit of error until all foul birds of the air would roost in its branches. So inoffensive to human reasoning would that little plant appear to that New Eve (the New Church) that again she would be deceived by Satan. The Ephesian Age had presented to her the opportunity for God's best, and for awhile she prevailed, and then relaxed, and in that unguarded moment Satan planted the seed of complete ruination.

8-2 Ephesian Church Age - CAB chptr 3 The fervent desire to please God, the passion to know His Word, the cry for reaching out in the Spirit, all begins to fade and instead of that church being on fire with the fire of God it has cooled off and become a bit formal. That is what was happening back there to the Ephesians. They were getting a bit formal. The abandonment to God was dying out and the people weren't too careful about what God thought of them as they began to be careful about what the world thought of them. That second generation coming on was just like Israel. They demanded a king to be like the other nations. When they did that, they rejected God. But they did it anyway. That is the history of the church. When it thinks more of conforming to the world instead of conforming to God, it isn't long until you see them stop doing things they used to do, and start doing things they wouldn't do initially. They change their manner of dress, their attitudes and their behavior. They get lax. That is what "Ephesus" means: relaxed-drifting.

REMEMBER, THEY LEFT THEIR FIRST LOVE. HAVE YOU KEPT YOURS? Or is your heart set aflame by God's word and Presence? Are you ready for the Rapture?