

Rising of the son no 9
Seed for Every Season no 8
Attributes of God Seed pt5 - Obedient to God
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The next attribute of God seed that we will examine this morning is The Seed of God is **Obedient to the Word of God**. And if he is obedient to the Word of God, then I would like to say, he will **Do nothing but what the Father shows them first**.

We know this because Paul tells us in **Romans 8:29** Sons of God *are to be conformed to the image of the first born son*, and in **John 5:19** and **5:30** Jesus tells us that *the Son can do nothing of himself, but whatsoever he sees the Father do that the son does likewise*.

Therefore this morning we will examine many Scriptures and quotes whereby we will be able to have a Scriptural understanding for this Attribute and characteristic of God Seed and also through this study of Scripture we will form a standard by which we may make our own comparison to measure our own lives to the standard set before us.

To begin we read in **Hebrews 5:8** *Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;*

Let us pray:

You may be seated.

Philippians 2:5 *Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: 6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: 7 But **made himself of no reputation**, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: 8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.*

Notice Jesus was totally obedient to the Father in all things.

In **John 5:19** we read, *"Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, **The Son can do nothing of himself**, (Jesus is speaking in total Truth, and total humility. He did not see himself as some great person, he saw himself through the eyes of a man, a son, an obedient son.) **but what he** (the son) *seeth the Father do: for what things soever he* (the Father) *doeth, **these also doeth the Son likewise**. 20 For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth him all things that He Himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.**

In his sermon **Super sign 59-1227M P:49** Brother Branham said, *"Someone, as I have said before, wants to make Him a little short God. **He was man; God was using a man**. God was using a flesh that He created Himself in order to create through Him and to "Bring through Him many sons," says the Scripture, "**through that obedient Son**. Through one son all fell; through an obedient Son all shall live that believe."*

God with us, a sign, said that would be a sign. Jesus so loved to refer to Himself as Son of man, **man Himself, just a man, "I am nothing; the Son can do nothing in Himself."** But it's the Father that was in Him, the Immanuel, that God, the baby, God, Jehovah God, that little baby cried, that was Jehovah. Did you see it? **God living in a baby. God living in a teenage.** What type of a teenager was He? **He set the example.** When He was lost by His father and His mother, they looked about to find Him, and they found Him in the temple, What did He say, as a teenager? **"Know you not? Wist thou not that I must be about My Father's business?"** Example for teenagers.

So we see the main attribute of this First Born Son was that he was an obedient son.

From the **Emphatic Diaglott: Philippians 2:5** we read, *"Who, though being in God's form, yet did not meditate to usurpation to be like God, but **divested Himself**, taking a bondsman's form having been **made in the likeness of men, and being in condition as a man, he humbled himself, becoming obedient** unto death, even the death of the cross.*

Amplified: Philippians 2:5 *Who, although being essentially one with God and in the form of God (possessing the fullness of the attributes which make God, God), did not think this equality with God was a thing to be eagerly grasped or retained: But **stripped himself of all privileges and rightful dignity** so as to assume the guise of a servant or slave, in that **He became like men and was born a human being.** And after **He had appeared in human form He abased and humbles Himself still further and carried His obedience to the extreme of death, even the death of the cross.***

Now, this obedience was not to men, nor to the Temple, but His obedience was to His Father who is God. And that same Attribute is to be found in all sons of God. and that attribute is what God is looking for in each son to see whether that son will be worthy of adoption and placing as a son.

After all, did not God promise us in the Book of **Jeremiah 7:23** *But this thing commanded I them, saying, **Obey my voice, and I will be your God,** and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.*

So we cannot even claim Him to be our God if we are not obedient to what He tells us in His Word.

Once more we read this same verse from yet another translation called the **New international Version** or **NIV:** for short.

Philippians 2:5 *Who being in very nature God; did not consider equality with God something to be grasped. But **made himself nothing**, taking the very nature of a servant, **being made in human likeness.** And being found in the appearance of man, **he humbled himself and became obedient to death, - even death on a cross.***

And this Obedience to the Father was not a demonstration of fear, but rather a demonstration of how much He loved the Father.

John 8:29 *And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.*

So Jesus entire motive and objective was to please the Father.

2 Peter 1:17 *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.*

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

In fact nothing Jesus did was to please self, but to please the Father.

Romans 15:3 *For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me.*

And Since as Sons we are to be conformed to the image of the first born son, the apostle John tells us in **1 John 3:22** *And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.*

We even find that was the testimony of Enoch in **Hebrews 11:5** *By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.*

Colossians 1:10 *That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;*

And we find that God will even separate Himself from those that are not pleasing to Him.

1 Corinthians 10:5 *But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.*

Therefore we must know how to please God, and the answer is found in the Book of Hebrews.

Hebrews 11:6 *But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.*

Now in getting back to Jesus obedience to the Father, we see in **John 14:31** *But that the world may know, may Ginosko May have a knowing based upon an experiential knowing. That the World may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do.*

Notice, this demonstration of Jesus obedience to the Word and Will of His Father was an outward manifestation to us, and therefore showed others through his obedience, that He fully understood His relationship with the Father was that of a son, an obedient son, fully subject to the Father, and thus through this act of obedience, we have an outward expression or example that tells us that Jesus knew and understood exactly His position under His Father and in being obedient he showed us that He knew who he was and who His Father was. And when we become totally and completely obedient to the Father's commands, His Word, our body is confessing to all that we too know who we are in relation to our Father.

Therefore, the "**manifestation of the sons of God**" that Paul speaks of in Roman 8 is not for the purpose of showing the world our power, but rather is for the purpose of letting the world "**know that we know who we are**" and "**who our Father is**".

From his sermon, **Identified with Christ 59-1220E 78** brother Branham said, "*And now, if you can see it by faith, before the real desire ever strikes you, come forward, be identified with Him in baptism. And then, as you're planted in the likeness of His death, you shall also share in His likeness in the resurrection.* For when He come from the grave, He was the same Jesus that went into the grave. And if we be in Christ (how do we get in? By Holy Spirit baptism.), at that day we'll come forth and share in His resurrection. There used to be a little song that I used to sing years ago. To be like Jesus, to be like Jesus, On earth I long to be like Him. All through life's journey From earth to Glory, I only ask to be like Him. ...79 Share in His meekness, you'll share also in His power. **Share in His obedience**, and you'll share in His resurrection. **Do as God says do.** In my heart the greatest thing that I could think of is to be like Jesus Christ, to be identified with Him. There's why I baptize the people in the Name of Jesus Christ, because He is our Identification. We pack the identification. "Whatsoever you do in word or in deed do it in the Name of Jesus Christ, giving praise to God for it." And we are identified with Him in baptism.

And from this sermon we are studying, brother Branham's **Rising of the Sun 65-0418 1M pp:127** he said, "*And now (see?), now you are already resurrected. When God raised Him up, He raised you; the Son is just now on you.* And now you're growing into a blossom Life like He was, to be resurrected completely in that last day. Your potentials you have now. Why do you know? Your soul changed, didn't it? Your body come in obedience to It, didn't it? **Into obedience to what?** A Church? **The Word**, which is the Life. Then you are now resurrected from the dead. You potentially have the Earnest, the waiting. Now, **when you get the Dynamics, you have been quickened from mortal to immortality.** **It makes the whole body come subject to the Word.** It'll **make you act different, look different, live different; It'll just make you different.** Then (notice now, as we close; notice this) notice, it's just like a little seed laying in the ground. Now, potentially, you are resurrected. You're resurrected when you receive the Holy Spirit in you; **you're resurrected right then.** Your body's potentially resurrected.

In other words, our soul is already made alive, and we are just waiting for our body to become commensurate with the Life that has quickened our soul.

Romans 8:11 *But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.* 12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after self. 13 For if ye live after self, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of self, ye shall live. 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but **ye have received the Spirit of adoption**, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16 The Spirit itself (God's own Spirit) beareth witness with **our spirit**, that we are the children of God:

And how does God's Spirit bear witness with your spirit? When His Spirit tells you in your spirit to do, and then you do what He has told you to do. That is why He says, "*For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.*" And then immediately after that he says, *but ye have received the Spirit of adoption ... And when you have received the Spirit of Adoption, all you want to do is to please the Father and so Paul adds, then "The Spirit itself (God's own Spirit) will bear witness with your spirit, that you are the children of God.*

From his sermon, **Hear ye Him 58-0209A P:32** brother Branham said, "*You brethren know that from the Scripture. But if he was an obedient son, and when he become to a certain age, that same son was taken out into a public place, before the public, and he was put up on a high place; and there the father put a robe on him, and he adopted his own son into his family.*

And from another sermon he preached by the same title, **Hear ye Him 59-0424E P:40** Brother Branham said, "*But then what if the son still won't obey. That son, though he is a son... We can't say that he's not a son, but he will never have any inheritance. That father says that he won't listen: "He won't obey; I can't put trust in him; I'll just have to let him go. He's always a son."* Now, *if you're a born of the Spirit of God... I have to stay with that, because you're a son of God. But if you... You lose all the glory. Then what if this son is a good son, an obedient son.* Oh, how he loves the father. How the tutor would like to say, "*Oh, dad, I'll tell you what. You know that boy of yours, he's a chip off the old block. I'm telling you; he's just about your business just as... Why, he take care of it as good as you can right now.*" How the father swells up. "*Oh, sure, that's my boy.*" That's the way I want Him to think about us. That's the way I... We want to follow the instructions of this Word, live by It, preach by It, die by It. That's what God wants us to do.

41 *Then, if that child was obedient, then there's set a certain day when he become of age. Now, the Pentecostal church ought to be of age; forty years old or better, about fifty. So, it should be of age. Then there comes a day when that son becomes... He's going to be adopted or placed.* (You brethren, what I'm trying to say, placing of a son.

You understand what I mean.) He's to be placed, positionally. **He becomes heir.** Now, they take him out in the streets, and they put him, on a certain garment. And they have a ceremony. And after that ceremony, this child is placed or adopted into the same family he was born into, and **his name's just as good on a check as his daddy's is.** That's right. **He falls heir. He's positionally placed.** 42 And **that's what God was doing here for His son,** because He had found Him... Hallelujah! He found Him: **"This is My beloved Son."** God took Him up there on the mountain, brought down the witnesses from heaven, brought up the witnesses from earth. And what did He do? He dressed Him in a robe of immortality. His raiment shined like the sun. Hallelujah! (Don't let that scare you; that means "praise our God.") Robed Him in a robe of immortality, and spoke, **"This is My beloved Son."** What? **"I'm placing Him. I'm stepping back from the picture. This is My beloved Son. Hear ye Him."**

Again from yet another sermon called **Hear ye Him 57-0807 P:25** brother Branham said, "Now, if that boy is no good, yet he's a son; he's never nothing but a son because he's born a son. But **if he is not obedient and the right kind of a son, he just continues a son on out without any reward.** But **if that is an obedient son according to the Scriptures, then there is an adoption of that son, or the placing of that son.** And then after he gets a certain age, he's taken out into a public place. And there there's the great ceremony made, out before the public. And this son is set up on a high place and there is a ceremony of adoption. Think of it now. The father adopts his own son into his family. And then after that, that son's name's just as good on a check as his dad's. It's a public ceremony, and they're all out there, and they see this father positionally place that son.

Again from still yet another sermon he called **Hear ye Him 57-0519A P:40** Brother Branham said, "Now, watch. **God never did anything 'less He asked man to do, but what He did Himself.** His Son, when He was born here on earth, **He was an obedient Son. Every step was for the Father. Everything He done was to glorify God.** And we seen God in Christ. Is that right? **"No man has seen the Father at any time, but the only begotten of the Son has declared Him."** The very move, the very action, everything that Christ did was **God working in Him.** You get it now? Now, watch what takes place. Then God takes His Son after a long life, just before Calvary, and He taken Him up on a high mountain in a public place. He brought the heavenly witnesses down. He brought the earthly witnesses up. And there God took His Son, and when they looked up, they saw a cloud that overshadowed them. And Jesus' raiment shined like the sun in the midst of the day. What was it? **God put a robe on Him, just like the old adoption said. He robed Him in a glorified condition.** No wonder He said, **"All powers in heavens and earth is given to My hands."** **He robed Him and He placed Him.** And then He said, **"This is My beloved Son; hear ye Him."** Then He had the powers of heavens and earth was given unto His hands.

And the Apostle Peter who was one of the earthly witnesses said in **1 Peter 1:14** *As **obedient children**, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:*

In the old testament we see this as well in **Deuteronomy 11:26-27** *Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; 27 **A blessing**, if ye **obey the commandments** of the LORD your God, which I command you this day:*

And again we read in the book of Acts that God will give His Spirit to those who obey Him.

Acts 5:32 *And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom **God hath given to them that obey him.***

And why is that? Because he can only give His spirit to His children, because when he gives us His Spirit, His life, we then are born into His family.

1Peter 1:2 *Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, **unto obedience** and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.*

Remember, it was the first born son of God who said, **John 5:30** *I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because **I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.***

There's your son of God attribute, there's that characteristic of God Seed.

In fact Jesus said in **Matthew 12:50** *For **whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.***

1John 2:5 *But whoso **keepeth his word**, in him verily is the love of God **perfected**: (matured) **hereby know we that we are in him.***

2 Corinthians 10:5-6 *5 **Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;** 6 **And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.***

From his sermon **Is your life worthy 63-0630E P:122** brother Branham said, "But Paul, when the Light struck him, let's compare his life and see whether it's worthy. What happened? **When Paul, the Light struck him, he forsook all of his knowledge and got away from that intellectual group, and he walked in the Spirit of Jesus Christ.** (Glory to God.) But as smart as he was, he never even used big words. When he come from amongst them Corinthians, he said, "**I never come to you with the wisdom of men. I never come to you with swelling words, because you'd put your faith in that, but I come to you in simplicity, in the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, that your faith would be in there.**" **There's a life.** Watch it. He never used his education. He never walked with the intellectual bunch. **He walked in the Spirit of Christ, humble, obedient to the Word of God** when It was very much

contrary to their creeds. But **Paul saw the Light and walked in it** (That right?), **letting the Life of Christ reflect Jesus Christ to the age that he lived in, that the people might see the Spirit of God in him.** And the humble believed it so much till they even wanted to bring handkerchiefs in. They'd take them off of his body. And they believed it so much... **He was such a representation of Jesus Christ till whatever he touched they believed was blessed.** Yes. What a man that was. **Give his life, his riches, his everything he had, his education, forgot all to walk down with fishermen, and beggars, and bums on the street, to let his lights reflect the love of Jesus Christ.** He said, **"I've been striped across the back forty and nine times. Don't bother me, 'cause I bear in my body the marks of Jesus Christ."** The poor little fellow in such a terrible condition, he said, **"I bear in my body the marks of Jesus Christ."** What a different from this great dignitary with the priests all around him.

Easter seal 65-0410 P:75 Watch the action of those disciples: a-scared? They knowed Jesus was the truth; but you see, it was against the popular idea, the popular religion of the hour. The most strictest religion--Pharisees, Sadducees, and so forth (their cults, clans and denominations) they were against that heresy; but **Jesus was the identified Word, and Jesus is the Holy Ghost in Spirit.** **"A little while and the world seeth Me no more, you shall see Me,"** not the body, **the Life that was in Him:** God is upon the church to call sons like He did then, **obedient;** **"I always do that which is pleasing to My Father. Which one of you can accuse Me of sin."** In other words, sin is unbelief. **"What has the Word said about Me that I haven't done? (There it is.) Show Me what the Word said that I'd do that I didn't do? Which one can accuse Me? Which one can lay your fingers on Me and say that I haven't fulfilled My Father's Word?"** Oh, when the Pentecostal church gets to that spot, **"Who can accuse Me of unbelief?"**

That is exactly what Jesus said. **John 6:38** **For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.**

1 John 5:2-3 **By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. 3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.**

John 7:16-18 **Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me. 17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself. 18 He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.**

Seed shall possess the gate 61-0212E P:20 **Then God was so pleased with complete obedience.** God had tried his patriarch. He had tried his servant. And **every son that cometh to God must be what? Tried. Chastened.** That's where that many fall away, because we can't stand that trial. A person come to the altar in time of revival. And you'll watch just a little while, and the hot trials begin to come. Jesus plainly taught it,

said, **"The sower went forth sowing seed. Some fell by the wayside, some fell into stony ground, and amongst thorns and thistles, and the others fell over in good ground."** And He said that's the way the Word went, goes out. Some hears the Word, go out; birds come along, pick it up. See, they don't--don't do no good at all. Others come up overnight. Oh, they're going to do great things. But when the trials begin to come, it chokes them down. But some goes all the way over into good ground, and that brings forth a hundredfold.

Matthew 7:21 *Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.*

Token the 63-1128E P:78 **When you fully obey the Word of God**, in full surrender to It, you're entitled to the Token. Yes, sir. **Obedience**, **"Not he that saith, 'Lord, Lord,' but he that doeth the will."** And when we pray, we must have the Token to present with our prayer. Just exactly like we do when we go to the bus station and say, "I want to ride." "Where you going?" "So-and-so." "You've got to have the token, if a token's required. You must have the token. You say, "Well, wait a minute, I'm Mr. Jones. Now, let..." That don't make a bit of difference; you've got to have the token. "Well, I tell you what; I'm in a hurry to my work. I ain't got time to fool with it." **You'll either have the token or you won't have the token. If you don't have the token, you won't ride.** If you got a ticket and go out here to the airplane, and say, "I want to go to New York City." "Ticket? Token?" You say, "Well, I'll tell you, I haven't got it. I'm a pretty good sort of a guy. I'll pay you someday." No, sir, you have the token; you have to have it in your hand. **It has to be displayed.** It has to be. Oh. You see what I mean? You've got to have It. **You ain't got to just think so; it's got to be identified Token.** Right. It entitles you, when you pay the... When you accept the price that's been paid... Yes, sir.

Token the 64-0208 P:9 That's what He was requiring that night **to separate the believers from the unbelievers.** The believer worshipper was identified with his sacrifice. He must apply the blood. It wasn't take and kill the lamb, set the blood out there somewhere, or keep it in a charger, take it down to the neighbors. **He had to apply the blood.** That's the way it is tonight. **We could come and sympathize with everything God does, that isn't what He requires.** **You've got to apply it. It's not sufficient until you apply it.** The blood must be applied. That shows that you are identified. The worshipper laid his hand upon the lamb and then killed it, identify himself with the sacrifice.

Court trial 64-0412 P:29 Like we claim to be saved. They say, "Well, show me how you're saved." **My life proves I'm saved. The way I act proves whether I'm saved or not.** No matter how much I testify, about a year you'll know how I live, whether I'm saved or not. Same way it is by healing. If you accept it and believe it, **you're going to act like it.** There's going to be such a change in you, there's nothing can take it out of your mind, no more than your salvation. **It's God's Word. You've got to accept it on the same basis. By faith you are saved.** Jesus said to the woman that touched His garment, He said, **"Thy faith has saved thee."**

Shalom 64-0119 P:34 Your life proves whether Jesus is with you or not. Your life shows whether He's occupied here, or whether He's still in His heavens or not, whatever you are. **"The works that I do shall you do also."** How could you have **Christ in you, and then the very Spirit in you deny His Word, take up a creed instead?** It can't do it. He would defeat Himself by denying His Own Word. Just because somebody put a wrong interpretation to It? You got a Bible, you can read like anybody else. Be sincere. David said, **"Put Him always before your face."** Know that when we're meeting this new year, we're meeting it in the power of the resurrection of Christ. **"He's always before me. I shall not be moved."**

Why little Bethlehem 63-1214 P:98 Somebody said the other day, "Why, we believe you to be a prophet." I never said that. I don't tell. I ain't no prophet; I'm just God's servant here trying to tell you the truth. That's all. Let me tell you; the Word of God stands for that. He said, **"The daughters of Zion, the branch that escaped in that day of all its contamination, it'd be glorious in the sight of the Lord."** Cut through, women; you got your place to cut through, worldly Hollywood and picture shows, and all this television stuff that you try to pattern after, dress yourself sexy out on the street. And someone said, "Why, the people want you to teach them how to receive the Holy Ghost and how to get..." **"Say that you got the Holy Ghost, and then deny the Word? Your own life proves you haven't got It.** See? Now, I'm not angry. I'm just telling you what's the Truth. **Look at yourself and find out.** Paul said, **"If an angel from heaven taught anything else, let him be accursed," Galatians 1:8.** That's right.

Perfect faith 63-0825E P:54 Now, watch. **Perfect faith is pure, just as pure as love is.** See? Now, when you love somebody, and you love your husband, or you love your wife... Now, there's no need of anybody telling you you don't do it, because you do do it, and you know you do it. Now, if I'd ask you, "How can you prove you do it?" "Oh, I prove it by the way I live to him. (See?) I'm a true, honest wife. I'm a loyal, honest husband, and that proves to me that I love my wife, or I love my husband." See, your life proves what you are. **It's the same thing Christianity does.** See? Your faith, you have confidence in one another; it's pure. And there's something real, that you can't show it to somebody else, yet you got it, and your actions prove it.

Obedience is not saying yes, I will do it. Obedience is doing it whether you say you will or not. Many say they believe the Message but how many are actually living it. Many say **I am crucified with Christ** but how many have **Christ living in them?**

Investments 63-0803B P:42 Now, there's where we find the great trouble today is, **the church knows the Scripture.** Here this institution that this young fellow here just come from, and this Baptist brother setting here, they know that Word. They are students of the Word. And yet if they say, "Well, we believe it; we accept it." It's just like a bottle of medicine, a cure. See, not morally cure; it reproduces the Life of Christ. See? **If you take the Gospel, then you become part of the Gospel.** And if you become a part of it, like Peter, James, and John, and them, did on Pentecost, **your life is another living Book of Acts.** There's no way out of it. Jesus said, in **Mark 16,**

"These signs shall follow them that believe." But the people are learning, and go through seminaries and schools to learn it, but don't want none of it themselves, yet they think that they got it. See? They think that they got it, but the actions speaks louder than all the words. See, your life proves it, whatever you are.

The Apostle Paul said in **Colossians 3:1** *If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.* (And then he said if you indeed have died to self, and are living the Life of Christ, then) **5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth;** and then he lists a bunch of attributes of self. And he says if you really got the goods, you will die first to self and all the attributes of self. Then the Life of Christ will live itself out in you. And if you have not mortified or killed off the attributes of self, then you have not died to self. and if you have not died to self, then you Christ is not living in you.

Let us pray...