

Satan's Eden No.268

Partakers of His Grace

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Let's bow our heads in prayer.

Gracious Father, we're so thankful, Lord, to be here. And Lord, not knowing how much longer we'll be coming to these services, but believing that it could be this year. I don't know. But Father, we're longing to go home, longing to be in Your presence. And Lord, we just pray that You would help us until that time. In Jesus Name we pray. Amen. You may be seated.

Sorry, I saw a mistake in my notes, so I just had to make a change. Now, this morning, we're going to be looking at **Satan's Eden number 268**. And we'll entitle this: **Partakers of His Grace**.

Now, this morning, we will actually read from Brother Branham's sermon titled "**God of This Evil Age**." We will take four texts from the first paragraph where he says...

*"Let us bow our heads. Dear heavenly Father, **we are grateful this morning that we can believe.** That we can believe. See, there are a lot of people who can't believe. But we're grateful that we can.*

What a statement, we are grateful for the fact that we can believe. One in a million who are predestined by His grace just to be able to believe.

The rest of the world can't. You know, the Bible says they can't. It says they're not able to understand the things of God.

Like it says in **John 1:12**, I'm going to read from the **Wuest** translation, "**But as many as received him** (That means as many as were predestined to receive Him. Because if you were not predestinated before the foundations of the world as an attribute, as a son or daughter of God, you cannot become a son or daughter of God.)

All right? So it says, **But as many as received him, to them gave He the right to become children of God...**

You don't have the right to become a child of God if you weren't born a child of God. Okay? And that's not up to you to decide. Well, I'm going to become a child of God. It's up to the Father to give birth to a Son of God.

(to them gave He the right to be transformed into what they were in His Thinking, before the foundations of the world, Children of God) *...even to them that believe on his name.*" Now back to Brother Branham's quote:

*It's been made possible by the shed blood of Thy Son Jesus, that **we would be** partakers of His **grace** and **become sons and daughters of God through His obedience** to death at the cross...*

Notice again. See, people just brush over the Message. Well, we'll put on a tape, and we'll listen. And they don't even stop to think, what is he saying? We've been given the ability to become a partaker as a child of God, a partaker of His grace. Well, you think everybody's got the grace of God. Everybody receives the grace. It says to become sons and daughters of God through His obedience. Through His obedience.

Not what you've done. Now you're accepting Jesus. That doesn't make you a son. You know, it might make you a Republican or a Democrat, but that doesn't make you a son.

Now, notice it is by God's Grace that we are even allowed to receive Him, and then when we receive Him, this grace, like fertilizer, allows us to grow into what He ordained us to become, His Child

Then he continues...***be justified by believing on Him and His resurrection.** And now the Holy Spirit's shed abroad in our hearts."*

So, this Grace that allows us to believe, also justifies us. The very fact that you're entering into this grace, the very fact that He has chosen you out of 8 billion people in this world to believe, it justifies you as well. Because as many as he saw before the foundations of the world, He lays out this grace that brings you in, you believe. And that believing actually justifies you. Because what does it justify? What does it justify? Well, we look at it as if you were guilty, but now you're not guilty, you know, pronounced not guilty.

That's really not what it means. Justifies means that "you are what He thought of you as being," before the foundations of the world. You are sons. So this grace puts you into that place where you are what He wants you to be.

So, this Grace that allows us to believe also justifies us. This is quite a statement, he says here.

Notice here that Brother Branham speaks of us as ***"partakers of His Grace."*** And he links this with becoming His (God's) sons and daughters.

And it is not all one-sided, as if God, the very Elohim (the self-existent One), could have created a bunch of puppets to do only what He willed.

He actually made us partners with Him, and then gave us the ability to express ourselves.

So Brother Branham says in **P:2**. *We are grateful for this opportunity to come here this morning to share our thoughts; our adorations...* (That means our gratitude for making us as family members.)

Remember, you can't become a family member. Now, in this world where they have a different form of Adoption, I suppose you can. But in God's form of adoption, you are a son, or you're not a son. And if you are a son, you can be adopted into the family. All right?

Others, who are not predestinated, cannot be adopted into God's family. All right.

(To be able to give our) ...*expressions, by songs, testimonies, reading of Psalms, reading of Thy Word...*

So, in other words, God has not just made us puppets to sit there, just like drones, but he's made us to have an expression. He's made us to be able to talk His word. He's made us to be able to share our thoughts on his Word.

You mean we're sharing our thoughts. Yeah. And you're sharing them with God. You realize that? You're sharing your thoughts with God. So hopefully they came from Him first. His Doxa.

And as Sons and daughters, we share the same Life, His life for all eternity. Now you say, well, wait a minute. I wasn't. You know, I don't remember. That's right. God withheld your memory. You bypassed your theophany, but you have always been a son in His thinking. And then you come forth to this world to receive something. And we're going to talk about that today.

That will change you from just being like a toddler to a fully mature son or daughter of God

... and **waiting solemnly** upon the Holy Spirit (that is why we come prayed up early to church) to deliver to us **the message appointed for this hour**. Now, that's the key right there. to deliver to us **the message appointed for this hour**. Grant it, Lord. May we profit by it being here today.

Wow, each of these thoughts, we could take a complete sermon on each to really dive down

and dissect what he just said. You can't do that just by listening to a tape.

Unless you take that one tape and spread it out over. We've done spread that one tape out over 268 sermons. Okay? That's what you want, is you want to be able to look at what the prophet's saying. Look at it, dissect it, and rightly divide it.

*And when we leave the building, may we say like those coming from Emmaus, “Did not our hearts burn within us **as He spoke to us, as He spoke to us this morning?**” (Luke 24:32)*

Grant these things, eternal God, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen. Be seated.

Notice here that Brother Branham distinguishes a difference between **our actions presented to Him**. That's our talking and gratitude and expressions and this and that, and (God) **His Message appointed** for this hour. There's a difference between the two.

Therefore, today I would like to look more closely at these two opening paragraphs in order to set our thoughts in the proper mindset, by God's Grace and our awareness of His Presence.

You see, if you're totally aware of His presence, you won't be foul-mouthed. You won't be distracted by your own intention. You'll be saying, Wow, God is listening to every thought I'm saying, everything. ***“Your thoughts are heard louder in heaven than your words.”***

But today we're going to look more closely at these opening paragraphs. Okay?

There are three major points Brother Branham is bringing out here in these first two paragraphs.

1) First, we are to be partakers of His (God's) Grace.

So God has offered it, and we've received it, to **“as many as received Him, to them gave He power.”**

“As many who were ordained to receive Him”, as many as were built, as many as have the ability. You don't have the ability. You just don't work yourself into an ability. You either have it or you don't. You can't work yourself into becoming a great athlete unless you're born that way.

You can't make yourself or give yourself the ability to play music unless you're born that way. I tried. I can't. All right? My daughter, Christina, does really well, but I can't. My other daughter,

Sara, does really well, but I can't. You know, I've sat with a guitar and I can't. I can't play it. I just can't.

But I do have a voice, or I used to, and so I could sing. But you see, I was born that way. All right?

2) Second, through the partaking of This Grace, we become sons and daughters of God.

And that's the most important thing for us to think about, is through this partaking of this grace. It allows us to become what we already were in God's thinking. Sons and daughters of God.

3) Third, apart from what we have to offer to God, the emphasis is on what He has to offer to us, and what he has done,

This is in a time which has been marked out and set aside or appointed for this hour, as Brother Branham put it.

Let's go now to the Scriptures as we look at these first and second points, where Brother Branham speaks of this Grace that we are looking for.

We shall look at points number one and two together, since Brother Branham links this "**becoming sons**" with being partakers of His Grace.

In other words, you don't have this grace. You don't become sons. What is this grace? We're going to get into that. You see, everybody looks at grace. Well, it's an unmerited favor. Well, that's true. And you didn't merit it. God birthed you. Okay? Being born of not flesh and blood, but of God.

Now, before we open our Bibles, I would first like to clarify what Brother Branham is saying here when he speaks of this Grace to "**become sons**".

The word "**become**" is not what you may think it is. If you're a Baptist, you think you could become a son of God from a hog. We'll change species. We'll just become. That's not it. A butterfly becomes a butterfly, but it starts out as a caterpillar, and the butterfly wings are already in it. It doesn't go to the store and say, I want a pair of wings. He can't get what's not his.

It's part of him. All right, A frog doesn't become a frog from a tadpole by going out to a designer store and saying, I want green skin with some colors on it. I want big eyes. A tadpole is already a frog. He just has to grow into it.

We see the exact meaning of this word "**Become**" as it is used in the Scriptures to define the act of moving from a seed to a fully mature son or daughter of God.

John 1:12-13 *"For as many as received him, to them gave He the power, to become sons of God, even them who believe on His name."*

And that word, power, is a Greek word, "**exousia**." And it means the ability to make the right decision. See, the people in this world don't have the ability to make the right decision. They talk about free moral agency. And the Bible says, *"there is a way that seems right unto man, but the way is the way of death."*

So they may take what they think is right, but it's always the way of death. But we, because we are in Him as part of the Word, we can receive Him, Who is the Word, and become the Word, or become grown children of God. Okay? Same life.

This word, "become", is the Greek word **Genomai**, and it comes from a root word that speaks of our genes, and it means "To come into being". Come into being. In other words, you're coming into being what we already are, which is: sons and daughters.

Which were born, (were not given birth), *not of blood* (this is not speaking of a physical birth), *nor of the will of the flesh* (nothing your parents could choose for you), *nor of the will of man* (and nothing you could choose for yourself to do), *but of God*. (So we're born of God. It's just that simple.)

Now in this age of repentance, when Jesus Christ (in the form of the Holy Ghost) is standing at the door crying out, "*Be zealous therefore and repent.*"

Remember, He's knocking at the door. He's the word. We see that He is declaring to us that we need a change of the mind. Because we come into this world. And like Paul said, *When I was a child, I thought as a child. But when I became a man, I put away childish thinking.*

So I don't go out and play when I should be doing other things. In other words, my mind is changing. It's got to change in order to become adopted.

But He comes via a message He delivers through a prophet to do one thing, to change your faith from children to the faith of your fathers.

The World English Bible says in **Malachi 4:5-6**, *"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of Yahweh comes."* (That is the Parousia of Christ. Lord means Jehovah. Some pronounce it as Yahweh.)

6 "And He (the Lord Who descends with a Shout, that's the same as **1 Thessalonians 4:16**) **will turn the hearts** (that is the understanding **1 Corinthians 13:11**).

Paul said, "*When that which is perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away, in that day when I see Him face to face, I will go from thinking like a child to become a fully mature adult.*"

So when we see Him face to face, the word is **prosopon**, which means I'm actually standing in His Presence.

Now back to **Malachi 4** verse **6** "*When He will turn the hearts (or understanding) of the fathers to the children and the hearts of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.*" (Lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.)

So, this growing up to be adoption-ready, it all happens by the Grace of God through a Message in the Spirit of Elijah, to a man.

Now, Brother Branham said, "*the Elijah of our day is the Lord Jesus Christ, and it will come through a prophet.*" (Something like that. And that is the same as ...)

65-1127B - Trying To Do God A Service Without It Being God's Will, 212 Now, He promised that, so that **sets the Bible just exactly to When? To this day**, and the Sodom and Gomorrah. And Elijah was not... That wasn't Elijah; That was the Spirit of God on Elijah; Elijah was just a man. Now, we've had Elijahs, and Elijahs' coats, and Elijahs' mantles, and Elijahs' everything.

But the Elijah of this day is the Lord Jesus Christ. He is to come according to Matthew the seventeen-... **Luke 17:30**, is, the Son of man is to reveal Himself among His people. **Not a man, God! But it'll come through a prophet.**

So we're looking at grace. And Brother Branham's telling us this grace that we receive to become sons is actually a message God brings down with Him in a Shout. Wow. The very fact that you're hearing this voice of God, is brought to bring you understanding, to become what you already are.

You see it. If we don't have the message, we don't mature. We can sit and listen to tapes, but if we don't study those tapes, we don't know what he's saying. It's just babble. It's just any... You might as well put on a song of sixpence, and a pocket full of rye, you know.

In other words, the people, they listen to tapes, but they don't study the tapes. Brother Branham didn't say, Play it. He said, Say what I say. And you cannot say it unless you

understand it.

So Revelation 3. We're going to look at the scenario of God here.

Revelations 3:14-22 *And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write: These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;*

15 *I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.*

16 *So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.*

17 *Because thou sayest,* Because I listen to tapes? No, excuse me, that's not what he said. I'm just being facetious with you because people don't take it seriously enough that you don't just listen to a tape. He that hears. (You have to understand). Brother Branham said, "**hearing is understanding**". You have to understand, and it takes a five-fold ministry to break it down.

I've heard people say, "Well, I don't need someone to chew my meat for me. I'm an adult. I can chew it myself." No, you're not an adult to say that. First of all, I've never chewed my kids' food. Can you imagine, Christina, if I chewed your food for you so you could swallow it? That's gross to even think that way.

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, (I have all the message. I can just push play. And I got it all) *and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.*

You know, the Ethiopian eunuch had more sense when he said, I need a man to tell me what this says when he was reading from Isaiah.

18 *I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed,*

and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

19 *As many as I love,* (here it comes) *I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.* (Be willing to change your mind).

I wouldn't say these things if I didn't love you. "Hey, let's get a big church and get all the tithes and just. We'll have hundreds. We'll build a bigger church. We'll build a huge church. And we'll get hundreds of people in here."

“And we'll just be sweet to everybody.” And you just focus on the family type. And we'll just not talk about the Word. We'll just talk about getting along, and it would be packed in here. But they don't love the word because they're not the Word, you understand?

They went out from among us because they're not of us. Doesn't get any plainer than that.

20 *Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear (or understand) my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.*

21 *To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.*

So we are going to be sitting in the throne of God, or the throne of Christ, okay? And He's going to be sitting in God's place.

22 *He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.*

Unless you are willing to repent, you will never truly "*hear what the Spirit saith to the churches.*"

For the word "**repent**" here is a Greek word that is a compound word made up of different Greek words, "**metanoeo**".

The first part, "**Meta**," which is a primary preposition meaning "**to alter**," (alter your mind), which implies a "**change**", and "**Noeo**," meaning "**to perceive**".

It comes from the root of "**nous**," which speaks of "**the mind**," or the seat of moral reflections.

Notice that this Greek word "**metanoeo**" is in contrast to the Greek word "**pronoeeo**," which means "**to perceive beforehand**".

Therefore, "**meta**"+"**noeo**" signifies "**to change one's mind or purpose**" and is always used in the New Testament involving change for the better.

And in all but one verse of Scripture refers to "**repentance from sin**," which we know to be "**disbelief**" or, as Brother Branham termed it, "**un-belief**".

Now the reason why I sidetracked here about repentance is that in This Evil Age we are living, this Satan's Eden, we see the Scripture admonishes us that we are in need of repentance.

Repentance from What? Remember, "**repentance**" means "**a change of the mind**". Putting off our old mindset.

Whether it be a Baptist, Methodist, Pentecostal, or Catholic mindset, and putting on another mindset, which we will talk about today.

Now, back to this thought on "**becoming sons**," as a Baptist, Pentecostal, or whatever, when you read the Word, because of certain conditioning you were given, you were trained, that's your conditioning, to think a certain way.

So, when you would read **John 1:12**, which says, "*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:*"

And when you read this word, "**to become sons**," as a Baptist, Methodist, Pentecostal or whatever denominational mindset you have,

You will look at this Scripture and think, "***We were not sons, and then we became sons***".

Or in other words, with your mindset, you think it says, "***We were hogs, and then we became sons***," as though somehow we changed species from what we were to what we have become.

So, you see, our understanding was all cluttered, and as Jesus admonished us and said to us, "***Repent, for behold I stand here.***"

So when you come into His Presence, there's a message. He comes down with a Shout, and He gives us a message that changes our thinking. Now, we can be what we're supposed to be,

But you must repent in order to hear and understand what I'm really saying." "You must forget your way of thinking and put on a new mindset, my mindset."

In other words, we got to go from our mindset to Christ's mindset.

Now, the American Dictionary, called Webster's Dictionary, tells us that the word "**Become**" means the following:

- 1) "**To come to be**" - in other words, "**To come forth**."
- 2) "**To grow to be**" "**To Change or develop into by growth**".

So it's this grace, which is this Message. And that actually causes you to become, by growth into what He ordained you to be. In other words, the tadpole becomes a frog. He always had the DNA of a frog, but his final look was not what his original look was like.

He starts out with a tail and no legs, and then grows legs and drops the tail. But that is all part of his becoming a frog.

So, you see, in order for you to become, you already had to be. But a certain change or development was necessary for you to come forth in a greater measure of son.

Pele was born with the ability to manipulate a ball. But Pelé, through instruction, learned the techniques and became the greatest soccer player who ever lived. I couldn't do that. I could do some things, but I couldn't do it like him. Okay? I wasn't ordained to be Pele. I was ordained to be Brian Kocourek.

As the Apostle John said in **1 John 3:2** *Beloved, now are we the sons of God*, (Now, not tomorrow, not in the Millennium.) *now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be.*

But we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

So it takes this Message, seeing God who God really is, to make you see who you really are.

And our "*seeing him as He is*," triggers development in us who are already sons to become like Him, who is the firstborn son.

Then, when we see Him, and we know that right now, we are not like Him, it triggers something in us to become like Him. Thus, we repent from what we are to what He is.

So, with this in mind, let's again look at **John 1:12**. And let's also read with it the next verse as well, verse 13. So, we read them together.

*"12 But as many as received him, to them gave He power (exousia, ability) to become the sons of God, (make a right decision to become the sons) *even to them that believe on his name.*"*

13 Which were born, not of blood, (Not by human DNA) nor of the will of the flesh, (that's not by what your parents did or what you did,) nor of the will of man, but of God.

Notice the power He gave had nothing to do with our effort, but was simply of His will. So that takes you and your will out of it altogether and puts it all back on God.

That's why I said in the beginning, there are things that we are partakers of, and then things that God does for us. We're not talking about things we can do. We're talking about what God does to make us a partaker.

Also, let's turn to **Galatians 4:1-7** *Now I say that the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;*

2 But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.

3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

6 And because (not when you become, but because ye already,) are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

7 Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Only people who were in God's thinking before the foundations of the world can become sons. And only they can become heirs.

Notice this says, ***"Because you are sons, God sends forth a certain anointing to anoint you as sons that you might truly reflect your Father."***

Then it speaks of us as sons, and yet for a time we are treated more like servants. But notice that it speaks of a need for training.

There is a need for a spiritual endowment. Can anyone tell me what the word "endowment" means? We have schools for the endowed. Right. That's people, they say, have a certain gift, a certain mental ability. All right. There is a need for a spiritual endowment to help us to become what we were already predestined to be.

In other words, there is a need for a spiritual, not just an ability, but a spiritual understanding to become what we are.

We see this in **1 Corinthians 1:3** *Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.*

4 I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ;

Why would he say it twice? Grace. Grace. Remember, even the Bible says **Grace Grace be unto it.**

5 That in everything ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge;

The word utterance is Logos. The word knowledge is Ginosko, experiential knowledge.

Notice this enriching is like fertilizer, and the fertilizer is the utterance, which is the logos and the knowledge, which is the Ginosko or the experiential knowing.

So, God uses His Word and experience to bring us to the place where we all have the same mind, as we continue to read in verse 6.

6 Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed (or established) in you:

That's why we become partakers. That's why we have gratitude. That's why we sing in Psalms, and you know, and all this stuff, and repeating the Word, it's because God has ordained us to grow into becoming sons.

So, the whole purpose of this Experiential knowing and the enrichment by His Word is to bring forth the same testimony that was in Christ to become part of who we are as well.

7 So that ye come behind in no gift; (That's charisma.) waiting for the coming (Apokolupsis or unveiling) of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Now, this **"gift"** he speaks of was translated from the Greek word Charisma and speaks of **"a spiritual endowment"**. So that you become not behind in the endowment, in the understanding.

And this word *Charisma* comes from the root word *charis*, which means **the divine influence upon the heart** and **its reflection in the life** (that is your **Gratitude**).

The word endowment means inherent ability or quality. This is not something you learn, but something that you are born with.

In other words, we say, That child is gifted. That child didn't become gifted by some training of some teacher. He was gifted to be able to understand right away. He didn't have to sit there

30 to 50 years in the Message. And then all of a sudden the light bulb comes on. "***The minute you heard it, you heard from your theophany,***" Brother Branham said.

And that is what John tells us in **John 1:12** *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:"*

Notice we are given a certain power to become sons. And this word power was translated from the Greek word Exousia, which means "***an ability to make a right decision***".

You see, Brother Branham also said no politician can make the right decision, but you have the ability to make the right decisions. Therefore, you do not become politicians. That is an oxymoron.

So, when we are born of the Spirit of God as sons, we are anointed with a certain unction which gives us the ability to become what we are ordained to become, it gives us the ability to make the right decision concerning our becoming.

In other words, this grace actually is God bringing down His Message to you and sharing it with you so that you can understand.

1 John 2:20 tells us *But ye have an unction* (you have a **charisma**, the same word as we saw in **1 Corinthians 1:2**, which is **an anointing**. And this anointing, he says, is) *from the Holy One*, (And what does this anointing produce?) *and* (that) *ye* (will) *know all things*.

21 *I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.*

And of course, we understand from **1 Corinthians 2** that without the Holy Ghost anointing upon us, we could in no way understand the things of God.

11 *For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God knows.*

12 *Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but **the spirit which is of God**;* (In other words, out from God) **that we might know** *the things that are freely given to us of God.*

13 *Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.*

Comparing Ephesians with Corinthians, you see?

14 *But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.*

So it is impossible for a natural man to understand this message. So you should be thankful that you do, because it shows you are unique. You are a son and daughter of God.

Notice he tells us the purpose of receiving the Holy Spirit is to know the things of God.

Then he tells us that it is impossible for the natural man to understand the things of God because you have to be spirit-filled in order to know the things of God.

Now, that brings us to **Galatians 1:1-4** *Paul, an apostle, not of men, neither by man, (In other words, some elder in some church didn't lay hands on me and say, you are now an apostle,) but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)*

2 *And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:*

3 *Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,*

4 *Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:*

Notice here, Paul tells us that Jesus gave Himself for us that He might deliver us from this evil world.

Notice that it is this **anointing**, which is this **grace**, which is this **charisma**, which is this **unction** that delivers us from this evil age by anointing us with the very mind of Christ. You see, it's not hocus pocus that someone laid his hands over you. And so you never grow up to go the wrong way.

It's the word of God that teaches you: Don't go that way. You understand? And that teaching of the Holy Spirit in your life is actually the grace of God to you.

We read in **1 John 2:18-19** *Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time. 19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.*

And so we see then that John explains why we remain: It is because we know. Those who went out, he said, did not know, for had they known, they would not have left.

Just as the apostle Paul said, "**had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory**". "**Had they known...**" But **they did not know, and therefore they crucified the Lord of Glory**.

And likewise here, John says, they left us because they did not know. But you have an unction, therefore you do know. You have a **charisma**, a certain grace to know and understand because you are anointed with the same Spirit that was in Christ Jesus.

And that is why in **1 Corinthians 1:8** he says, *Who shall also confirm (vindicate and establish) you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Now, I'm not blameless because I didn't do it. I'm blameless because God chose me as a son.

Get that across in your thinking. I might not be the perfect whatever you want me to be, but I'm the perfect what God wants me to be. And so, therefore, it doesn't do any good for us to criticize another person because they are exactly what God wants them to be.

9 God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

God is faithful. In other words, you're in His mind before the foundation of the world, and He makes you into a fully adult son or daughter of God. He is faithful to do what He started to do. *He which began the work will finish it.*

10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing...

And why not? If we have the same mind, we should speak the same thing

...and that there be no divisions among you; He didn't say that you all play the same thing. You all speak the same thing. See, I don't know why, but I just think that this push play is such a heretical doctrine that it needs to be thrown in the sea of forgetfulness.

I don't mind you pushing the button to play if you're going to listen to what he says and you're going to talk it. What he says. If you don't talk it, you haven't learned it. All right?

That's why you get a test in school, and you have to answer the questions on the test. You've got to show forth that you do know. Because you won't graduate from first grade to second

grade unless you know all the things in first grade. So if they put up two plus two equals four, you see, two plus two equals four, then you can say, four.

But people in this message don't know one quote from another. That's why they've got Seven Thunders. And Brother Branham said all the Thunders were revealed in the Seals. But they got Seven Thunders coming, yet another season. Misplacing, you know, mis-location.

You see, that's why they got all these different doctrines. Two souls. Whoever heard of two souls? *The soul that sinneth, it shall die. But if that soul shall repent, it shall live.* All right.

*...that there be no divisions among you; but that **ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind** (Not your mind, not my mind, Christ's mind.) **and in the same judgment.***

And how could we be perfectly joined together in the same mind unless that same mind is perfect?

1 Corinthians 13:9 *For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. 10 But when **that which is perfect is come**, then that which is in part shall be done away.*

And Brother Branham said, ***We have by God's grace the perfect revealed word.*** And who's that? That's God.

11 *When I was a child, I spake as a child, (why? because) I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.*

12 *For **now we see through a glass, darkly**; but **then** face to face: (when? When that which is perfect is come, then we shall see) *face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.**

And Brother Branham said in **Questions and Answers COD 64-0823E P:27, 1 Corinthians 13** says this: ***"When that which is perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away with."***

*So all these little things of jumping up-and-down like a kid, trying to talk in tongues, (I'll add to it, not to take away from what he's saying, but say, and dancing in the aisles,) and all these other things, **when that which is perfect...***

And we do have today, by God's help, the perfect interpretation of the Word with Divine vindication. Then that which is in part is done away with.

"When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child; but when I become a man, I put away childish things."

So, you see the importance of God coming down with the Spirit of Elijah, **with a Shout, to take the hearts of the children back to the Pentecostal fathers, the original Pentecostal fathers.** In other words, from child to fathers. You're growing up. And it's(a Message) to give us what it takes to grow from children into adulthood, ready for adoption.

Let's bow our heads in prayer.

Gracious Father, we're so thankful, Lord, that You've given us this plain understanding to know. Father, it's Your grace upon our life to change us into what we ought to be, or actually what we have been into, changing us to be a grown-up version and actually a reflection of what You meant us to be. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen. Amen.