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*Understanding Vindication*

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**Hebrews 3:6** *But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we **hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.***

The elect of God will hold only to a vindicated word, and they will wait to see it vindicated, or they will hold their peace. God's Prophet said "they will have 'Thus saith the Lord or they will keep still.'"

From his sermon **Spoken word original seed 62-0318E P:175** he said, "Notice, what harmony. Jesus never did anything until seen of the Father or the Father showed Him first: (Harmony between God and Christ. See? **John 5:19**) **So will the Bride**, and **He shows Her His Word of Life** (**He shows Her**), and **she receives It**. **She never doubts it**. Nothing can harm Her, not even death; for if the Seed be planted, the water will raise it up again. Amen. (Now, I got a great big "Hallelujah.") **Here is the secret: the Word is in the Bride and the mind of Christ to know what He wants done with the Word, and She does it in His Name**. She has **THUS SAITH THE LORD**. (in other words she has what the Lord has already said Thus.) Then it is **germitized**; so **the Holy Spirit waters it until it is grown and serves its purpose**. **They do only His will**. (Amen. I'll believe that.) **No one can persuade them different**. They have **THUS SAITH THE LORD, or they keep still**. (They have and hold onto what the Lord has already said thus, or they keep still.) **Then they will do the works of God**. For it is Himself in them, continuing His Word to fulfill as He did complete in His day. All things when He was here--He did not complete all when He was here, for it was not time yet.

In **1 Thessalonians 5:21** The Apostle Paul said, "**Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.**"

**Proving His Word 64-0816 P:30** A very odd little text, three words that I want to speak from out of all this reading. You might say, "That's a very small thing, three words out of all that you read, a portion of two chapters of the Bible." But I did that for a background to take these three words: "Proving His Word." You know, there's a Scripture in the Bible, in **1 Thessalonians 5:21**, where it is written, "**Prove all things; hold fast to that which is good.**" **When anything is proven, it will either be proven right or wrong. And when there's anything in question, it should be proven until you find out what is right. And then as you find what is right, It said, "Hold fast."** In other words, "**Grip it; don't turn it loose. Hold it fast.**" In other words, "**Hold it tight, so that it will not slip.**" **Hold fast to that which is good, after it's been proven right. And anything that's proven not right, then turn it loose as quick as you can, get away from it. Don't never hold onto the wrong thing.**

**Hebrews 4:14** *Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.*

**Hebrews Chapter 4 57-0901E P:79** Listen. Watch: Neither is there any creature that is not manifested in his sight: but all things are naked and open before His eye to him... who we have to do with. **Seeing then that we have a great high priest...** (Listen now: to the sick.)... **that has passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confessions.** "**Hold fast**," that don't mean just keep testifying. **If you don't live the life, you don't hold it fast.** You're living a hypocritical thing. You'd better be on out and just say you're a sinner and forget about it. **Don't profess a Christian and live something else; you're the biggest stumbling block the world's ever had.** If you're a sinner, admit it and go on, get right with God. If you're a Christian, hold fast your confession; stay there.

**Hebrews 10:23-25** *Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised; 24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.*

**Proving His Word 64-0816 P:31** Now, it is possible that staunch Christians, fine people, hold, sometimes hold to the wrong thing thinking it is right. But then **these things should be proven, whether they are right or wrong.** And it's the duty of all of us, as we are expecting to go to heaven when Jesus comes... And **it's the minister's duty, when any question is brought up, that he solves this out, and then proves it before the people, that they might understand,** because no one wants to be found wrong, holding to the wrong thing. So we have a Scripture (And Jesus said, "**all Scriptures must be fulfilled.**") that we should prove all things. And then, "**hold fast,**" or, "**hold tight, get a death grip on it, and don't turn it loose, hold fast to that which is good.**"

Again we read in **1 Thessalonians 5:21** The Apostle Paul said, "**Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.**"

**Proving His word 65-0426 P:13** Now, this subject that I want to speak on for a few moments is: "Proving His Word." Now, that's a great thing to think of that: Proving His Word. Now, God's just as able to prove His Word tonight as He ever did prove It. And the Bible also said, "**Prove all things. Hold fast to that what's good.**" Now, you've heard, no doubt, heard the old proverb, "**Prove it, I'll believe it.**" But that doesn't hold true. Many times I've seen many things proved, that was absolutely scientifically even proved, and yet people didn't believe it anyhow. I was talking with a man here not long ago. We was talking about Divine healing. He said, "**I wouldn't believe it. I don't care what would happen, how much proof you could show of it; I still don't believe it.**" Well, certainly, no matter what you'd ever do for that man, he--he's lost. He cannot believe. There's nothing in him to believe.

**1 Timothy 1:13** **Hold fast the form** (pattern) **of sound words,** (the literal Greek means "true in doctrine") So the apostle Paul is saying here, **Hold fast the** pattern of truth in doctrine) **which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.**

Now, this morning we will examine vindication and why God's Elect seed will hold onto every Word of God while those who are not seed will hold onto their own thinking.

In brother Branham's sermon called **Who Is This Melchisedec 65-0221E 175** "**Now, if that was Him yesterday, and the way He acted to prove that He was among the people, the Messiah promised, and that's the way He identified Himself as promise by the Bible, He'd do the same thing now. Wouldn't He--wouldn't He have to do the same thing?**"

Now, what we are looking at in this statement is that God vindicates His Servants with His Very Own Presence, and He vindicates His Presence by the things which only He can do. His actions are what shows that He is Present.

I remember years ago, I believe it was at the Columbus meetings in 1982, that brother Vayle preached a message and made the statement, "**no prophet no God, no God no prophet**". Now, that statement has stayed in my mind for the past 40 years, because the presence of God spells out one thing for sure, and that is "**Vindication**". He comes with a Shout and is here to **vindicate** that shout.

Now the critics will say what they want to, and even criticize brother Branham on his doctrine all they want to, but none of them have any **vindication** for their own ministry to back up what they claim as truth. Therefore **their truth is not The Truth.**

Men will claim the Holy Spirit is sending them to a country to bring a revival, but God's VINDICATED prophet said you have seen you last revival. So then if we have seen our last revival of God, then what revival are these ministers presenting to the people? A False revival. And do they will come with a false Word. And since the Word is what raises the dead, and revives the souls of man, and if we have seen our last revival, then these men come with a false word to bring on a false revival. Because only the Word revives that which is dead.

**Questions and answers COD 64-0830E P:40 386.** *Brother Branham, what seems to be wrong in the day when we are living, of being a believer and following the Message and messenger of today, when you cannot seem to pray like you would like to? That's a good question. I believe brother, sister, ever who asked it, it's a cause of the conditions of time. **The revival is over.** The revival has lasted some fifteen years, never did last before over about*

*three years. I believe it's received its last revival. And I believe that's why you can't pray and feel in the Spirit like you used to. It's because the revival fires has gone out.*

So we have men who deceive the people and tell them God is sending a revival to their country through them. That is a lie. Who vindicated them? Not God. But just because they say it does not make it so. But when God Himself comes along and backs up His own word that He has given a man to speak in his name, then you know one thing, you are not dealing with just a man, but you are now dealing with God Himself. Therefore what good does it do to even listen to what those men have to say. Because all it is gobble de goop. It's no more than a baby going because in reality it makes no sense at all. It's simply their own opinion based on their own limited knowledge. But when a man comes with **Thus Saith the Lord** then it's not his own opinion, Its God's Opinion.

Therefore it does not matter what anyone's opinion is, for it means nothing to God. There is an old expression that says, "**Opinions are like noses, because everyone has one.**" Now, just because you have an opinion, does not mean that opinion is the right opinion. And that is where vindication comes into play. Man has over the last 2,000 years so diluted the Scripture that God sent a Prophet with "**Thus saith the Lord**", which means that this man is saying only what God has told Him to say. And so it does not matter what their opinion is because the children of God are not interested in just anyone's opinion, they are interested only in God's opinion.

Now, critics abound everywhere. It seems to me that the rule of criticism is that those that are criticized the most are those who are trying to help people the most, while those who do the most criticizing are those who do the least to help others.

And we have seen this rule apply to Brother Branham even though he came with "Thus Saith the Lord" and in over ten thousand times it never failed. The people can criticize all they want because we have the freedom to do so in this country, but it's not their disagreement that comes out, it is their agenda. William Branham left the scene 67 years ago, and yet the internet is full of critics who criticize him.

We are told by the apostle Paul in **1 Thessalonians 5:21** "**Prove all thing, and hold fast to that which is good.**"

And so we see that God even goes to the place where when people won't take Him at His Own Word, he then goes the extra step, and He vindicates His Word by bringing it to pass. That's how God actually interprets His Own word. Look, even Jesus had trouble getting the people to believe that God had sent Him, and was with Him, doing those great and mighty miracles. So God went with him and vindicated every Word he said to be God's Word.

Jesus said in **John 14:10** **Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.** (He vindicates the Words by the works) **11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.** Believe the vindication of His Word.

In **Numbers 14:2** we read, "**And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness!** Guess what? God gave them their desire and they all died in that wilderness.

**3 And wherefore hath the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt? 4 And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt. 5 ¶ Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel. 6 And Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which were of them that searched the land, rent their clothes: 7 And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to search it, is an exceeding good land. 8 If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey. 9 Only rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from them, and the LORD is with us: fear them not. 10 But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And the glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle of the congregation before all the children of Israel. 11 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? and how long will it be ere**

they believe me, **for all the signs which I have shewed among them?** **12 I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them,** and will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they. **13** And Moses said unto the LORD, Then the Egyptians shall hear [it], (for thou broughtest up this people in thy might from among them;) **14** And they will tell [it] to the inhabitants of this land: [for] they have heard that thou LORD [art] among this people, that thou LORD art seen face to face, and [that] thy cloud standeth over them, and [that] thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night. **15** Now [if] thou shalt kill [all] this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying, **16** Because the LORD was not able to bring this people into the land which he sware unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness. **17** And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying, **18** The LORD [is] longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing [the guilty], visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth [generation]. **19** Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now. **20** ¶ And the LORD said, I have pardoned according to thy word: **21** But [as] truly [as] I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD. **22** Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice; **23** Surely they shall not see the land which I sware unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it: **24** But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it. **25** (Now the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.) To morrow turn you, and get you into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea. **26** And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, **27** How long [shall I bear with] this evil congregation, which murmur against me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against me. **28** Say unto them, [As truly as] I live, saith the LORD, as ye have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you: **29** Your carcasses shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, which have murmured against me, **30** Doubtless ye shall not come into the land, [concerning] which I sware to make you dwell therein, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun. **31** But your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have despised. **32** But [as for] you, your carcasses, they shall fall in this wilderness. **33** And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcasses be wasted in the wilderness. **34** After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, [even] forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, [even] forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise. **35** I the LORD have said, I will surely do it unto all this evil congregation, that are gathered together against me: in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die. **36** ¶ And the men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land, **37** Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land, died by the plague before the LORD. **38** But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, [which were] of the men that went to search the land, lived still. **39** And Moses told these sayings unto all the children of Israel: and the people mourned greatly. **40** And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we be here, and will go up unto the place which the LORD hath promised: for we have sinned. **41** And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the LORD? but it shall not prosper. **42** Go not up, for the LORD [is] not among you; that ye be not smitten before your enemies. **43** For the Amalekites and the Canaanites [are] there before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from the LORD, therefore the LORD will not be with you. **44** But they presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and Moses, departed not out of the camp. **45** Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, even unto Hormah.

**Therefore, Understanding vindication is perhaps one of the most important things we can do as a Believer in God and His Word.** Today, in the Christian world, every man does what he thinks is right in his own eyes. It does not matter what denomination, or even if they claim to believe this Message. The proof of whether they truly believe is in **their understanding of vindication.** So then, what is **vindication** and why is it so important? **Vindication is God's presence** on the scene backing up His Own Word, backing up **"Thus Saith the Lord."**

Jesus said in **John 16:13** *Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, [that] shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.*

And from brother Branham's sermon **177 Harvest Time 64-1212** *"When the Spirit of Truth is come, He will teach you all things, whatever I taught you," oh, my, "bearing all remembrance to you, what I've said to you, bringing to you, all remembrance. And He will show you things to come. **He will vindicate every Word, confirming the Word with signs following.**" Everything that He promised, that God promised in the Bible, if you'll turn loose from every creed and everything else, and hold onto the Word, **God is obligated to take care of His Word.** And so when they did this, **the Word vindicates Itself.***

So God vindicates His Own Word, because he is not a man that he could Lie. God could not lie even if He wanted to. For it is impossible for Him to Lie. For He is truth.

**Hebrews 6:17** *Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath: 18 That by two immutable things, in which [it was] impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us: 19 Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;*

**31-5 This Day this Scripture 65-0219** *if you preach anything and it's the Gospel Truth, then **God's obligated to vindicate that.***

That is why He came down in those three horizontal rainbows that brother Branham saw come together. He came to vindicate His Word. Not vindicate William Branham, but to vindicate His Word that William Branham was preaching. And That same pillar of fire in those three rainbows came over his head and a photo was taken of it. That is what God told him when those same three rainbows appeared to him. God told him this is to prove that what you have been teaching for the past 30 years is the truth. And that same Pillar of fire in the three rainbows came together and appeared over his head the same way God vindicated Moses Message with His Pillar of Fire and the same way God vindicated the apostle Paul when the Pillar of Fire came down to Him.

**101 Events Made Clear by Prophecy 65-0801E** *when a man stands for what is Truth, then God's obligated to vindicate that man the truth.*

**Questions and answers 1959-0628 88d.** *What is that Pillar of Fire with you? That's a good one! **Christ! The Holy Spirit! It's not with me only, It's with you.** It just appeared there. When the Bible teaches that the children of Israel was brought out of Egypt, what happened? There was a Pillar of Fire that followed them. It wasn't the children of Israel that done the miracle, it was the Pillar of Fire that followed them. Is that right? How many knows that that was the Angel of the Covenant, the Logos? Why, of course, we know it was the Angel of the Covenant.*

**E-5 Have Faith in God 54-0900** *But now in this way, it's no more than just a sign to you people, that Jesus Christ is **a vindicating** that what's been preached to you is the truth. See? God... **Hebrews 11:2** says, "**God testifies of His gifts.**" God makes manifest.*

**E-8 Separation from Unbelief 55-0228** *Well now, if you have never seen It, here's a greater vindication of it being the truth, just to look at the picture of It. And it's not my picture, brother, sister, His picture, isn't mine. And He's with the church, not just with me; **He's with all of, every Christian, everywhere. He knows It's Christ, same Pillar of Fire led the children of Israel.** I believe with all my heart, **He's the same yesterday, today, and forever.** When He was there, **He led them.***

Brother Branham used the term **Vindication** to explain: "**God has a One man Message and He deals with One man only**". But men do not like this, for they seem to want to have their own say as to how God is going to do things. An God is not a respecter of person, I believe if you teach the same thing William Branham taught God will vindicate that same word when you teach it, or he is a respecter of persons. Because it is not the man he is vindicating but His word with that man.

**Who do you say this IS?** 64-1227 **128** *That one-man message, they didn't want it. No, they didn't want It. And God never did deal but with **one person at a time**. It's always a one-man message. When did ever He deal with the people, outside of just one person? **It's an individual**. It ain't a group.*

Therefore, **Vindication** is the real issue concerning our faith, and understanding vindication comes in the form of God's Personal Presence with His prophet, and that this Presence is the verification of God's vindication.

**Vindication** simply means that God is on the scene and He is in control. And when it comes to the program of God, we have absolutely no say in how He is going to do it. Or what will happen. All God requires from you and I, is to get ourselves out of the way and allow for God to work through His Own channel which according to **Amos 3:7** is always a prophet.

Now, we have already read this morning how God exacted punishment from those who doubted His Word through Moses. In the Book of **Deuteronomy**, we find God spelling out the same rules.

**Deuteronomy 18:15** ¶ *The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken; 16 According to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not. 17 And the LORD said unto me, They have well [spoken that] which they have spoken. 18 "I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him." 19 And it shall come to pass, [that] whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him. 20 But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, **which I have not commanded him to speak**, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even **that prophet shall die**. 21 And if thou say in thine heart, **How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken?** 22 When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, **if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.***

And to speak presumptuously means you are presuming, but have no right to say it. "**saying or doing something without right or permission.**" And to do so you must presume what you are doing is right. Because it means "**to act or proceed with unwarrantable or impertinent boldness.**"

**E-71 Presuming 62-0117** *Yes, that's it. You're not presuming then. You know where you stand. That's right. Oh, don't presume about it. There's so many different ways. Just don't presume. **But God has give an a-vindication of His promise. See? We don't have to presume about it. God's vindicated it.***

Now, God set forth an order that has very strict consequences for those who will not adhere to it. He said, **I will require it from you**. You will pay for your unbelief. Notice the question came forth from God's own mouth. He said, how will you know what is right and what is not right? And then He tells us, **the one that is not right will not be vindicated. I will not bring his words to pass, because they are not my words.**

And we know God is very protective of His own Words. **Isaiah 55:10** *"For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: 11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: **it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.***

Jesus spoke of this vindication in **John 10:23** *And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch. 24 Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly. 25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: **the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.** 26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. 27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: 28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. 29 My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. 30 I and my Father are one. 31 Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him. 32 Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of*

those works do ye stone me? **33** The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God. **34** Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods? **35** If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken; **36** Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God? **37** If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not. **38** But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in me, and I in him. **39** ¶ Therefore they sought again to take him: but he escaped out of their hand,.

**Proof of His Resurrection 136** There He stood, and made Himself known. He said, "**If you can't believe Me, believe the works that I do. They testify the Father sent Me.**" He said, "And My education..." In other words, like this, "If My education doesn't satisfy your longings, if My degree, which, I have none, but My degree, My diploma, is not from your seminaries. **My diploma is the works that I do, that the Father sent Me. They are My diploma.**" That's the best diploma I know of. God, give us more of those diplomas. "**The works that I do are a vindication that the Father sent Me. If that isn't sufficient, believe them then instead of Me.**"

**E-15 Jesus Christ the Same 55-0603** But Jesus come by not preaching so forceful as John, but there were signs and wonders accompanying Him. He said, "**If you can't believe Me believe the works that I do. If you can't believe Me believe the a vindication that the Father has given of Me, for the works that I do, the same testify that the Father has sent Me.**" What a statement. Think of it. "**The works that I do testify that the Father has sent Me.**" **Man can make any kind of a statement, but if God don't back that statement up, you've got a right to say it's wrong.** But when God comes around and confirms that statement to be the truth then it's sin to disbelieve it. For what is sin? Sin is one thing: "unbelief." That's right. You couldn't say how much of that is night. It's all night. And in the daytime you couldn't say just this much is day. It's all day. Jesus said, "**He that believeth not is condemned already.**" Faith in God and unbelief that's the two things. One is sin and the other one is salvation.

**John 5:19** Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise. 20 For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth him all things that himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.

**E-71 Be not Afraid 60-0609** You believe on the Lord Jesus? Have faith in God. It's all over, brother. Just believe it now. We are strangers to one another. Now, that ought to settle it for the whole group of you. Does that confirm that I'm preaching the truth? How would God let me tell something wrong, and stand up with my very message. **These things are only to indicate a Divine a vindication that my theology is right.**

**E-24 Blind Bartimaues 60-0713** And in Praying for the sick, tonight as we pray for the sick, the Lord may come to us and give the visions. And if He does, **remember the vision does not heal people. The vision is only a vindication that the Word is right.** How many knows what the word "prophet" means? Sure you do. A "prophet" means "a one that foretells or forth tells." And it is a Divine sign from God that this person that's speaking has the right interpretation of the Divine Word, because the Word of the Lord came unto the prophets. And the prophet foretold and done those signs, which is a vindication that he had the interpretation of the divine Word.

**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. **31** ¶ If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true. **32** There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true.

This let's us know that there will be a showdown. God speaks of this in **Deuteronomy** chapter **13**.

**Deuteronomy 13:1** ¶ If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth thee a sign or a wonder, **2** And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them; **3** Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: **for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether you love the LORD your God** with all your heart and with all your soul. **4** Ye shall walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and

keep his commandments, and **obey his voice**, and ye shall serve him, and cleave unto him. **5** And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath spoken to turn you away from the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which the LORD thy God commanded thee to walk in. So shalt thou put the evil away from the midst of thee.

**Hebrews 2:1** ¶ Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip. **2** For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward; **3** How shall we escape, **if we neglect** so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was **confirmed** unto us by them that heard him; **4** God also **bearing them witness**, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?

**E-36 Sign of His Coming 62-0407** A vindication of God's Word being true, God bears record of His Word by His signs. God's Word is a Seed, and that **Seed has to bring forth of Its kind (Genesis 1:11)**, every seed of its kind. And Jesus said that the Word of God was a Seed that a sower sowed. So then, every promise in the Bible has to produce its kind. Amen. **E-37** Now, the signs are a vindication of the true Word. God in all ages has said that. Now, some of you might want to take down some of these Scriptures. If you do, put **Hebrews 2:4** there. You see that God has vindicated, vindicated His messengers. "**God in sundry times and divers manners**," Hebrews starts out, "**spoke unto the fathers by the prophets, in this last days through His Son, Christ Jesus**." See? And seeing that, them had the Gospel preached to them way back long ago, and had signs and wonders to vindicate that; then how much more should we hold on after God with divers signs and wonders and gifts of the Holy Ghost? Oh, divers of signs, the signs that Jesus Christ showed that He was here on earth, Who He was, and what He was, and the purpose He was here from.

Look, A vindicate prophet of God said "The pillar of fire will lead us to the millennium." So where is He at? Huh? Every minister claims to be following that Pillar of fire but where is that Pillar of fire at? We saw him over the church we were preaching in in Mbanza Ngungu, so He has shown us evidence, and he has vindicated that he is still here leading. And if He is leading then He is leading somebody? And I hope that is you.

**Hebrews 1:1** ¶ God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, **2** Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; **3** Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

**41 A Guide 62-1014E** It was a vindication there, that there was a living God inside of Him. What He testified, "**It's not Me that doeth the works; it's My Father that dwelleth in Me.**" "Verily I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing, that doeth the Son likewise. The Father worketh, and I worketh hitherto." In other words, **God showed Him what to do, and He went and just acted it out; He didn't do anything until God told Him to do it.** Amen. That's the real frank facts of it. If we'd just move and wait till the Spirit moved us to do it... That's it. And then be so completely lost in Christ that He don't have to shove you around like He does me, but the first little nod of His head, you're ready and nothing's going to stop you, because you know that it's the will of God."

**23-5 Why Cry Speak 63-0714M** "Now, Moses' great eye, his eagle eye looked beyond the glamour of Egypt. The real Christian believer today, no matter what the church says, what anybody else says, when that Light strikes it, they see **the very vindication of God, that Pillar of Fire hanging there, and the signs and wonders that promised, the Scripture being laid in it, it comes to Life.** No matter how little it is and how many in the minority; God's group has always been the minority. See?

**23 Desperation 63-0901E** The Token, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, is among us. **We should reverence** that. We can't humble ourselves enough. Taking off your shoes or getting on your knees wouldn't expel it, it wouldn't satisfy; it wouldn't suffice us, but a life that brings forth the fruit of the Spirit... Now, what is the fruit of the

Spirit? See? **Love, joy, peace...** Remember this morning? Preparation, sent the messenger with the message. Next thing He done after He sent the messenger with the message, **He sent the Pillar of Fire for a vindication.** Next thing was after that, was consolation. See? You knew that it was right; you was at peace. We have peace with God through the Lord Jesus Christ. See?

From the 20<sup>th</sup> century Prophet Book we read, " There are always two men or two groups who demonstrate power, but one has a wrong source of power. The spirit of Antichrist is here as well as the Spirit of Christ. The spirit of Antichrist in Satan's prophets is so close to the real and true Spirit of God that **only the VERY ELECT will escape the deception.** **Matthew 24:22-24 "And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved; but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened. Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect."** These true elect ones take the Word. When these true Elect Ones see the prophet and his acts of power, and see that he is right with the Word and never deviates, they know that he is of God and receive him. All that prophet says and does leads them closer to Him Who is coming soon. **They look for no other vindication. This is the vindication".**

Now, we are told in the New Testament that God will once again send forth another prophet and those who do not hear him will be cut off. God does not play games with us. He says what He means and He means what He says.

**Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; 20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: 21 Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began. 22 For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. 23 And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.**

Notice the requirement at the hands of an angry God, destruction. Destroyed from amongst the people. This is exactly what we see in **2 Thessalonians 1:8-9.** This speaks of those who are cut off from the presence of the Lord, and they will be left for the burning.

**59 The Token 64-0208** He sent a prophet to them, Moses, with a message identifying God's Word. And to identify Moses, **He sent a Pillar of Fire** that hung over him. Amen. Then to give him the perfect assurance, He required a token. Amen. **There's a messenger, the message, and the vindication, and the token, the perfect assurance that they had nothing to worry about.** No matter how many plagues strike, what everybody else says they are sealed away

**E-16 Expectations 50-0405** Gifts and callings are without repentance. There is spirits that's in the Church. That's true, such as gifts of prophecy, healing, and so forth. But they're in the entire body. They may fall upon one person tonight, a prophecy, and It might not never fall on that person again; It might be somewhere else in the body. And those spirits are supposed to be judged. "Let one speak and two or three judge," said Paul. Now, those are the spirits of the gifts that's in the Church. **But the only person that has a right to say, "THUS SAITH THE LORD", is a vindicated prophet.** You never seen anybody judging Isaiah, or Jeremiah, or those people. They were prophets, foreordained and borned in the world to be prophets. And they foresaw the thing by a vision, and then said, **"THUS SAITH THE LORD,"** for the Lord had already said it. So what the Church needs today, is a good old fashion teaching of the Gospel. That's right. To know where they... I don't mean just educated teaching; I mean spiritual teaching. Some people speaks about God, and knows nothing of Him.

**E-16 Obey the Voice of the Angel 50-0713** He's sent His Spirit **to vindicate** that His Presence is with His Church.

**E-13 Hour is Come 51-0415E** And I pray that Your Spirit, the Angel of God, Whose servant I am, may come tonight and **vindicate His great Presence** to be here and make it an outstanding time, that the people may

*never fear no more; but to know that the supernatural great God of Heaven is here among people, and is now working among His children, that they may...*

**E-70 Faith Once Delivered to the Saints 53-1129A** *But we're not judged by how fundamental we are, how orthodox we are to our belief. **We're judged by God's election and a vindication.***

**E-5 Junction of Time 56-0115** *And I believe that the church is now standing on **the threshold of the greatest vindication of omnipotence that the world has ever known.** And I believe that this could be in the resurrection meetings.*

**E-56 Spiritual Inspiration 56-0128** *And tonight the Holy Ghost is the vindication that He's here, that His power is with the believer.*

**187 You must be Born Again 61-1231M** *When you're borned again, God vindicates you. That's how God vindicates all of His nature. What? **By their fruits. That's the way He vindicates His ministry. That's right. All of His servants are vindicated the same way He vindicates nature.** How do you know it's a peach tree? 'Cause it bring peaches. How do you know it's an apple tree? Bearing apples. **How do you know it's a Christian? Christian signs bear from it; Christian life comes out of it. How do you know he's a teacher? The Word comes from him. How do you know he's a prophet? The Word comes through him, bears record, vindication.** It proves itself. How does it become that? When it dies and becomes one. That's right. When we die and become a new creature in Christ Jesus, it gets us with our calling; we stay with our calling. The fruits of the Spirit follow us when we are His servants. **When we are borned again, the fruits of Christ's Life follows us. That's right. How do you know it's a peach tree? It's got peaches. How do you know he's a Christian? He acts like Christ; he walks like Christ; he talks like Christ; he lives like Christ, above sin, victorious.** What does he do, say, "See what I done"? Christ didn't do that. He gave all praise to the Father. That's right. That's how you know it. **By their fruits you shall know them. What must... "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a man be born again he cannot even understand the Kingdom of God."***

**108 If God be With Us 61-1231E** *How can He be **the same yesterday, today, and forever,** and still Divine healing gone? How can the power, how can... The Bible set in order, **"First apostles, prophets teachers, evangelists, pastors, for a vindication that the Gospel still lives."** And God sends them right among us, and we turn our back on it. **God doesn't fail, it's the people's failed.** "Where is the miracles then among us? Where are they at?" God was talking to this man, getting him ready to go out. Move the clouds out, the sun's always shining. That's right. **When doubts are gone, and things are made right, miracles will be there just as sure as the sun's there.** .*

**204 Oneness 62-0211** *Look what happened. Why? The same God that separated and come to Abraham and showed him the vindication of his separation... Hm. O God. How I wish I could--wish I could just could do something to let you see it. God showed Abraham, being that he had separated himself, **He showed him the a-vindication of it,** that He was with him and right in his midst. And Jesus said **the same thing will take place in the last days.** Not a nation was Abraham; he was in the minority; but God was with him. He'd separated him then. We're supposed to separate ourselves in this last days.*

**E-64 All Things 1124E** *It's a vindication that He's here. Oh, can't we come in sincerity now, after His Word, after His Presence? That's the very God that'll judge you on the judgment day.*

**Therefore the False Vine can not understand Vindication and therefore they hold to their own ideas above God's Word.**

**Psalms 10:4** *The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.*

**189 Lord Just Once More 63-0628A** *The denominations will not take the **a-vindication of the Word.***

**37-1 Indictment The 63-0707** *And the Holy Ghost today is not no third person; It's God Himself manifested in human flesh by the Blood of Jesus Christ to sanctify a life that He might reflect Himself through. And they crucify that same Word made manifest. You understand? **The crucifixion of Christ today is the people who will***

*deny the vindicated and manifested Son of God among the people by His things that He said would take place in this day by His Word. See? Now, the same vindication would have to be the same if He's the same Son of God, 'cause He said in St. John 14:12 now, that, "The works that I do shall you do also." Hebrews 13:8: "He's the same yesterday, today, and forever." "If ye abide in Me... (John 15) If ye abide in Me and My words abide in you, just ask what you will, and it'll be given to you." Yes, sir.*

And in fact because they do not have the Holy Spirit they cannot understand the things of God.

**1 Corinthians 2:14** *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.*

**Isaiah 55:7-11** *Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. 8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. 9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. 10 For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: 11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.*

**E-44 Contending for the Faith 55-0220E** *The Pharisees, very fundamental and orthodox, but failed to understand the spiritual things, so they said He was a spiritualist, or a devil; that is a spiritualist. See? 'Cause they'd seen the phenomenal, and they failed to recognize it; because they were just lettered altogether: fundamental in doctrine, but nothing in a vindication. Amen. I hope you see it.*

**207 It Becometh us to fulfill 61-1001** *We're at the end road, the Laodicean church age; a message; the rejecting of the message; **the vindication of the message**; and the Presence of Christ proving He's the same, yesterday in the days of Lot, as in the days of His flesh, and in the days of today: yesterday, today, and forever.*

**Ezekiel 18:29** *Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?*

**Psalms 103:6-7** *The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed. 7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.*

**Genesis 6:5** *And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.*

**Psalms 1:5** *Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.*

**Proverbs 14:12** *There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.*

**Proverbs 16:25** *There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.*

**Jeremiah 8:5** *Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.*

**Hebrews 10:26** *For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,*

**Matthew 15:19** *For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:*

Let us pray...