

Spoken Word no. 247
“Shall not come into the Judgment”

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This evening we will speak from paragraph 187 of Brother Branham's sermon, called the Spoken Word is the Original Seed **it Saves us from the wrath of God**. We will take our text from the Book of Hebrews.

The Spoken Word is the Original Seed pp. 187 *Elijah's behavior, Moses' behavior, John's behavior, leaving their field of service, many of the people didn't understand them. It was because they was rejected and their message. The Seed had been sown; **judgment was next**. And they was a sign to the people from God that judgment was at hand. Planting was over.*

Brother Branham said the same thing in **18/2503 Resurrection the P:25 [53-1205] 25** *And Jesus had--had left and come up to Bethany to--to live with them. And His ministry was in its best right there in Bethany. And now, let's take back a little piece to find out about the ministry of Jesus. God always declares and warns people before He does anything. Do you believe that? And I say this with holy reverence, that **I believe that the signs and wonders that you're seeing taking place today, Christian friends, is a perfect vindication of soon coming judgment. Amen. Judgment has got to strike the world;** for if people won't receive mercy, there's nothing left but judgment. Mercy always foreruns judgment. Did in the antediluvian destruction. It did through John the Baptist, and so is it now, the forerunning of mercy. And if you spurn mercy, there's only one thing left--is judgment.*

1 Thessalonians 4:13 *But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words. **5:1** But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. **2** For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. **3** For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. **4** But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. **5** Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. **6** Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. **7** For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. **8** But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet,*

the hope of salvation. 9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

Let us pray, Dear father we are thankful that you have not appointed us to wrath but to life and peace in our Lord Jesus Christ. As we see the earthquakes, and tidal waves, and volcanoes erupting help us Father to be thankful and live holy lives in preparation for the soon return of your son Jesus. May we be prepared for that day which is soon to be upon us, for we ask it in Jesus Christ's name.

Let me read a few more scriptures for a text before we get into our sermon tonight.

***2 Thessalonians 1:3** We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith grows exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other abounds; 4 So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure: 5 Which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer: 6 Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you; 7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; 10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day. 11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power: 12 That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Now, let me just say that we see a setting here for the time of the great Appearing of our God and Saviour, the time when he comes to be glorified in his saints. In other words, the time when the saints will reflect his opinion, his values, and his judgments.

And we know that this setting is to be filled with distress between nations, and full of hardship and an atmosphere of perplexity as Jesus says in **Luke 21:25** *And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;*

***2 timothy 3:1** This know also, that in the last days **perilous times shall come.** 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. 6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, 7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.*

Amplified Bible *But understand this, that in the last days there will set in perilous times of great stress and trouble - hard to deal with and hard to bear.*

The **Wuest Translation** which says, *“This be constantly knowing, that in the last days difficult times will set in.*

Now, in getting back to the Amplified Bible it continues in verse 2 *“For people will be lovers of self and utterly self centered, lovers of money and aroused by an inordinate greedy desire for wealth, proud and arrogant and contemptuous boasters, Did you know that the Wuest translation calls them (swaggerers,* That sounds a lot like Swaggert to me, as in Jimmy Swaggert or shall we say "Jimmy the Swagger". You know their is something in a name. Brother Branham said don't ever name your kids Elvis or Ricky or names like that. Well, the name Swaggert sounds like it comes from the word swagger which according to Webster means to boast, brag or show off in a loud and arrogant manner. A kind of arrogant way or walking and that is exactly how he is. He is even so arrogant and proud as to belittle God's vindicated Prophet, brother Branham before millions of his viewers and call him a false prophet and even deny **Election** and **Predestination** and say that Predestination is a lie from the pits of hell.). And then their are names today like Swindle, and Oral Robber (he talks people out of their livelihood) He uses his mouth to persuade people to give him the loot. He even told such tall tales as a 90 foot Jesus and that God was holding him hostage for 8 million dollars.

Well the scripture continues in saying that *"they will be abusive, blasphemious & scoffers, disobedient to parents and ungrateful, unholy and profane. They will be without natural human affection, callous and inhuman, relentless - admitting of no truce or appeasement. They will be slanderers - false accusers, trouble makers; intemperate and lose in morals and conduct, uncontrolled and haters of good. They will be treacherous betrayers, rash and inflated with self conceit. They will be lovers of sensual pleasures and amusements more than and rather than lovers of God. For although they hold a form of piety, True religion, they deny and reject and are strangers to the power of it, their conduct belies the genuineness of their profession. Avoid all such people - turn away from them. Now just because the Bible says these things will happen, it also says "WOE to the person that does them!" it says they will be more fond of pleasure than having an affection for God, and they will have a mere outward assemblance of piety toward God but deny the power of the same. And the Scripture tells us to be constantly shunning them, That means to avoid these kind of people.*

So we see the atmosphere in this nation and in fact the whole world is ripe for judgment, and just because we live in this world at this time, does not mean that we will partake in the judgments although we may see them as the children of Israel saw the judgments upon Goshen although the Judgments did not enter Goshen so they in fact did not go through the judgments. But they will suffer for turning down Mercy in this hour which comes via a vindicated prophet and the Message he brings.

Oneness P:104 [62-0211] *104 Like in past times, in past times when man done this, it brought God's judgment to the world. The tower of Babel, the union of Cain's children with Seth's children brought judgment. It always brings God's judgment to the world. See? Oh, the true oneness with Him will rise in the judgment, above it, like Noah did in that judgment with his family. Righteous Noah and his family went above the judgments. What*

*did they do? They went...Brother Lee Vayle, if you get ahold of this, here it is. That's the only question we disagree on; **he believes the church will go through the judgment. I don't see it. I don't believe it. Noah never went through no judgments; he went above the judgment. Abraham never had no fire; he was out of the fire. Israel wasn't in the judgments of Israel; it was separated out of the fire, out of the judgments. The church will ride above the judgment in the Ark of the Holy Ghost, raised up from the earth.***

Now, to be fair to brother Vayle, that was when they first met they went over what each thought and the only thing that they did not agree upon was the Bride and the judgment. But then when br. Vayle saw that Tribulation comes from the root retribution which means *Something given or demanded in repayment, especially punishment.*

So he quickly realized that God in no way, shape or form will cause retribution against His Elect. So that settled that.

And again from **Redemption by power P:16 [54-0329]** *We were reading, the "Redemption By Blood," how that God had ordained a lamb to be slain in each house, how there was to be nothing left over. **The judgments had been falling, and the last judgment now was ready to fall.** God was going to fulfill His Word to the letter. **And all those judgments back there was a perfect sign, or a perfect type, of the judgments which are ready to fall now.** And if you'll notice, before the judgment fell... Now, ministers may disagree with me on this, which is all right. **But before the judgment started hitting Egypt, God sent Israel to Goshen. They were in Goshen, and no plague fell on them, a perfect type of the Church carried over through the tribulation.** See? All right.*

So we see the judgments will not be for the elect, but we will be somehow protected and tucked away in safety when they actually hit.

Led by the Spirit of God P:25 [56-0723] *25 Notice, and while you're in that Body, you are just as free from condemnation as He is. **You'll never have to stand any judgment.** God caused judgment to be struck upon His Body. **And if you're in Him, God cannot judge you; He's already judged you when He judged Christ.** Amen. **And you can't be under judgment no more. Christ took your judgment. And when you're baptized into that Body of Christ, you are free from God's judgment. The wrath of God will pass over you. That's why He said, "When I see the Blood, I'll pass over you."***

He that is in you P:102 [63-1110E 102] *He that was in Noah was greater than the judgment of water. And He that's in you is greater than the judgments of fire. See? **He that's in you is greater, because He paid the judgment and conquered the judgment for you.** See? **There's no fear about it.** See, you're in there. Yes. Greater is He that was in Noah, than he that was in the judgments of the water that destroyed the world which believed not, because Noah believed. And greater was He in him that believed Him that spoke to him, than he that was in the world. **That Noah escaped all the judgment because of the Word of God was greater than that, and he lifted above the judgment.** Greater; how we could hang on that for a while. See?*

What Holy Ghost was given for P:87 [59-1217] *87 **You cannot go to judgment. "He that heareth My words and believeth** (No man can believe until he's got the Holy Ghost.)--and*

believeth on Him that sent Me (when the Holy Ghost has testified of His resurrection) hath Eternal Life, and shall never come into judgment, but has passed from death unto Life." What? You'll never catch the judgment. You'll never stand at the white throne for judgment; you meet your judgment right here. You've passed your judgment when you've passed and say, "I'm no good, and my learning is no good. Lord, come into me, and take me, and lead me, Lord. I don't care what this crazy world says. Lead me, Lord, by Your Spirit." You've judged then. Judge yourself as a fool for Christ. And in His righteousness that day we'll stand immortal in His likeness.

So you see the judgments are for the rest of the world who has turned down the word for this Hour. God gives man Mercy but when he turns down Mercy then judgment is left.

Hebrews 10: 29 *Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?*

Notice now, that this promise from God concerns those that have done one of three things, and in fact by doing one of these three things, they are guilty of all doing despite to all three.

Number 1) they have trodden under foot the Son of God. They have not shown proper respect toward the Son of God, and have taken Him for granted.

Number 2) they have counted the blood of the covenant an unholy thing. In other words they count the blood of the covenant as a common thing. They do not count the blood of the covenant as something that is precious and special, or highly esteemed and of great value to them. And therefore,

Number 3) they have done despite unto the Spirit of Grace.

Let's begin this morning by examining what it means to trod under foot the Son of God. What does it mean to be "**trodden under foot**".

Now, in order to understand this we must look at the first example of when man was permitted to come into the presence of God since after being expelled from God's presence in the garden. In the Book of Exodus we see the story of Moses when God called Him to come into His presence. When this took place, the very first command given to Moses by God as he began to approach the very presence of God was to take off his shoes.

Exodus 3:5 *And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.*

Now, Moses was approaching that burning bush which was not consumed. The Pillar of Fire was anointing that bush to get Moses attention that deliverance was on it's way. God is not the Pillar of Fire but the Pillar of Fire represents the Shekinah Presence of God. John tells us in **1 John 1:7** "*If we walk in the light as He is IN the light, the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sins.*" It appeared to Moses that He must walk into the presence of that Pillar of fire to be able to talk with God, so too today we must walk in the light as He is in the Light in order to have fellowship with Him. So we are talking about a walk. He never said talk it, he said walk it. And so we are looking at the way in which we are to enter into His Presence.

Again when Joshua came before the presence of God when the Lord appeared to Joshua as the Captain of the Lord of Host, Joshua was told...**Joshua 5:15** *And the captain of the LORD'S host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is holy. And Joshua did so.*

There is an old proverb that says, “**Fools will walk with hobnailed shoes where angels fear to trod.**” Brother Branham makes reference to this in the sermon **God Hiding in Simplicity.**

God hiding Himself in simplicity 63-0412E P:65 *Could you imagine a man like Moses, an ordinary man doing the things that he did? Could you imagine that Elijah, an old, woolly-looking fellow with hairs all over his body and a piece of sheepskin draped around him, could you imagine God taking a thing like that, when there stood priests, and clergymen that was robed, and polished in their theology, just as smooth as they could be? But God bypassed every one of them. He always does. Tell me one time He ever did it. Never. No, sir. He bypassed the whole thing to come down to some simple form. **He reveals Himself, and works in simplicity, real simple so that everybody will understand it.** That's what makes Him great. He comes simple, simplifying it. And now, He bypassed... **66** *Although the world was full of great scholars in that day, but not a one of them did He use. He found a simple sort of a fellow. But remember, this kind was in that age. But you see, **the spirit that he come in was too simple for their education.** They already had it figured out what could come. **They was so highly polished until they missed the simplicity of it, and sometimes walk over the top of it, make fun of it.** It reminds me of the old proverb, "**Fools will walk with hobnailed shoes where angels fear to trod.**" A man will see the works of God going on, and know that it's the works of God, and stand and call it the works of the devil. Jesus said that's blasphemy. "If you say a word against I, the Son of man, it shall be forgiven you. But whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost will not be forgiven them in this world, neither in the world that is to come." See? But we walk with hob-nailed shoes where Angels fear to trod. We're so smart, we're so polished, that that's what's becoming of our America. We're too smart. We're educating ourselves away from God.**

Notice he said, ***they was so highly polished until they missed the simplicity of it, and sometimes walk over the top of it, make fun of it.***

So you see in our text the Apostle Paul is speaking of the attitude in which they come to the Son of God, and the attitude they have towards the blood of the covenant. And we see when he speaks of them trampling under foot, he is speaking of an attitude in which they approach the very presence of God, and by using the phrase “**trampling underfoot**” he is showing the disrespectful attitude they have towards the Son of God and the blood of the covenant. As brother Branham said, “they walk all over it. Now if you hold something of great value you do not walk over it. You are very careful how you walk.

I remember the first time I went to the state capital in Minnesota, and in the center of the rotunda, they had the seal of the state of Minnesota laid out in Marble in the floor. You were not permitted to walk on it or over it, but you had to walk around it, because it demanded

respect because it represented all the blood, sweat and tears of the forefathers who made it possible for that land to become a state.

Hebrews 10: 29 *Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?*

Notice now, that this promise of punishment from God concerns those that have done one of three things, and in fact by doing one of these three things they are guilty of showing disrespect to all three of them.

Number 1) *they have trodden under foot the Son of God*. In other words, they have shown him so little respect that they feel free to walk all over him. To take advantage of Him.

Number 2) In so doing *they have counted the blood of the covenant an unholy thing*. They can talk about the blood all they want to but they show by their attitude towards the Son of God what they really feel about the blood of the covenant.

Number 3) *They thus have done despite unto the Spirit of Grace*. The word despite means to insult, and by their actions and attitude towards the Son of God they have insulted the Grace of God. Thus when they turn down the Son of God they turn down the Blood of the Covenant and when they turn down the Blood of the Covenant they have turned down Grace. And when Grace is turned down they will revert to works, and we see it happen every time that way.

Therefore, We know the feet are significant in the Scriptures because they represent our ability to walk and carry the body from one place to another. *“If we walk in the light as He is in the Light, and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin”*. Paul tells us that if we have on the full armor of God our feet will be shod with the preparation of the Gospel.

EPHESIANS 6:15 *and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace.*

Now, this does not mean that you were barefoot and now you put on shoes upon your feet. He is telling us there is a certain attire for the feet that we wear to show we are prepared to go out and bring forth the Gospel to man.

In referring to this scripture William Branham said in his sermon, **REDEMPTION BY POWER 54-0329 73** *Paul dressing up a man for the battlefield, for the march. God, in beginning of delivering of Israel, He said, "Now, you ought to get ready for the march. When you come under the blood, put on your shoes. Gird up your loins. Get your staff in your hand and get ready for the call." I like that. A man now, when he comes into Christ, he gets his Gospel shoes on to preach the Gospel, ...*

And from his sermon, **GREATEST BATTLE EVER FOUGHT 62-0311 45-3** *And your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace; (Go anywhere, any place, any time: feet shod with the Gospel. See?*

Notice when Moses came into God's Presence, God told Him to take off the shoes he had been wearing. This was a command for Moses to show respect, and taking your shoes off at

the door of the home you visit shows respect for the homeowner that you respect their home.

In the North where I grew up it was a customary thing for us to do to take off our shoes when we entered someone's home. When you go to Norway or Sweden or many other countries I have visited, it is also customary to take off your shoes before entering into the home. Especially if that home has rugs on the floor.

Brother Branham said the same thing in his sermon **PRIDE 55-0807A E-38** *You know, the custom in the Palestine country, the first thing happens when you're invited to a royal entertainment like that, when you come to the door you're all dirty, you stink; you're not a fit subject then for entertainment. You'd be embarrassed to walk in those lovely homes with all that on your feet and everything, and the way you look and sweaty and everything. What's the first thing? When a guest arrives, they got a flunky, the poorest paid man on the job. When I think that my Lord girded Himself and washed people's feet, He took the lowest place, when He deserved the highest place. But He took the lowest place, to wash the dung and dirt from their feet, become the humblest of servants. There's not another servant got as humble a job as the flunky that washes the feet. But when you come to a home of that type in the eastern country, Palestine, the flunky meets you at the door, goes to one of the wells and draws him a great basin of good clear water, and he removes your sandal, or your shoe, sets your feet up across his knee, and he washes all this dirt, and dust, and dung, and stuff off of your body. And then he takes another towel and wipes your feet, and he washes them, sets them down. And then he takes your sandals and sets them up on a little mantle like, sets them along like this at the door of entrance. Then he goes over, and he finds a pair of fine satin, silk slippers; they're soft. That's the complements of the host. He does that; he has them setting there; he put them upon your feet until he finds one that fits you comfortably.*

Now, they do that for respect. The shoes that are prepared with the Gospel of Peace are those shoes that take you into the presence of the Holiest of Holies.

Now that means that there are three things here that will bring upon a person the wrath of God. And in order to understand what these three things are, we must first understand to whom they will come upon. And to better understand why the Apostle lists three things, we must back up and begin reading from verse 19 and all the way through verse 31.

HEBREWS 10:19 ¶ *Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,*

Now, we know that God is the Holiest of Holies. In other words Paul is telling us here the way in which we are allowed to come into the Presence of God. He tells us it is by the Blood of Jesus. In the previous verses Paul tells us that at one time the High Priest was allowed into the presence of God by the sprinkling of the blood of an innocent lamb.

Hebrews 10:1 ¶ *For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect. 2 For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of*

sins. 3 But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again [made] of sins every year. 4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. 5 Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: 6 In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

Paul tells us here that although God allowed the sinner to show or acknowledge his sin via the sacrifice of a substitute blood, yet that substitute blood of a dumb animal could never bring the sinner to a new mind and one free from guilt. Then he tells us there was only one sacrifice that could take away the remembrance of sin, and that was the sacrifice of the Lamb of God.

HEBREWS 10:7 ¶ *Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God. 8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and [offering] for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure [therein]; which are offered by the law; 9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. 10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once [for all]. 11 And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins:*

*12 Now, here is the key in this next verse... But **this man**, (Notice, this Man, not this badger skin, not a spirit he is talking about, but **THIS MAN**) after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, **sat down on the right hand of God**; 13 From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. 14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. 15 [Whereof] the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, 16 This [is] the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; 17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. 18 Now where remission of these [is, there is] no more offering for sin. 20 By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, **through the veil**, that is to say, **his flesh**; And [having] an high priest over the house of God; 22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 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. 26 For if we sin willfully (that means if we disbelieve willfully) after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,*

And what is the Truth? Jesus said “**John 14: 6** *Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.* So the Truth is that He is the Son of God and no man can come to the Father unless he acknowledges that the Father has a son.

1 John 2: 23 *Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: (but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.*

1 John 5: 12 *He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.*

1 John 5: 10 *He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.*

John 3: 36 *He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.*

John 3: 18 *He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.*

Now, in getting back to **Hebrews 10**: let's pick up at verse 27 *But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. 28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses* (now here is where we pick up on the two or three witnesses to allow all things to be established. And then Paul tells us in the next verse three things which will cause the punishment of God to be severe.)

29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath (1) trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath (2) counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath (3) done despite unto the Spirit of grace? Notice those are the three witness in a man that shows he is the one Paul is peaking of here that are ordained to receive the sever punishments of God, for in the mouth of two or three let all things be established. *30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance [belongeth] unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. 31 [It is] a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.*

The Apostle Paul begins here by saying, *“Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy”*, and so we must know just what this means. Of how much sorer punishment suppose ye. What does that mean...

NIV *Anyone who rejected the law of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses.²⁹ How much more severely do you think a man deserves to be punished who has (1) trampled the Son of God under foot, (that mean to disrespect the Son of God) (2) who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified him, (now notice this is one who had come up through sanctification, but as it tells us in Hebrews 6, they have turned down the Blood of the covenant by turning down the once for all enlightenment) and (3) and who has insulted the Spirit of grace?* And remember we have shown you in several sermons over the years that the spirit of Grace comes to us at the time of the Apokalupsis which is the revealing of Christ, which is this Great Message we have of the Mighty God unveiled before us, ***declaring Him that He is Here!***

³⁰ *For we know him who said, "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," and again, "The Lord will judge his people."* ³¹ *It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.*

In closing let me read from brother Branham's sermon, **Ten virgins P:23 [60-1211M] 23**

*Now, don't get the rapture of the church and the white throne judgment mixed up. Because **the rapture of church, there is no judgment** (See?); you done met it right down here. That's right. For they which are in Christ are free from judgment. Jesus said, "He that heareth My Words and believeth on Him that sent Me has Eternal Life and shall never come into the judgment, but has passed from death unto Life." How do we do that? We come into Christ and are baptized into one body (I Corinthians 12), one body. We're baptized into the body of Jesus Christ, and God has already judged that body. He could not stand us in judgment again, because He's already judged that body. And by the permission and grace of Christ He brings us into Himself: I Corinthians 12. By one Spirit we're all baptized into that one body, and free from all judgment, 'cause He's done stood the judgments. Oh, aren't you so thankful for Him. He took the judgments for us: no more judgment. But those who refuse to come into Him, that body, the mystical body... How do we get into it? By shaking hands? No. By letter? No. By some sort of baptism, water? No. By one Spirit, Holy Spirit, we are all baptized into that body.*