

Spoken Word #96
Characteristics of the Life
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Let's turn in our Bibles this morning to Genesis 1 and we will read from verse 11 for our text.

Genesis 11 *And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. 12 And* (Now, we know that and is a conjunction and it links two things, and in this case what it is linking is the fact that God spoke and then what he spoke manifested what He said.) *And the earth brought forth grass,* (Why? because God spoke it...) *and herb yielding seed brought forth after his kind,* (why did the earth bring forth the herb yielding seed after its kind? Because God spoke it.) *and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good.*

So I want you to notice that God when God says anything it is a seed and it must bring forth just the way he said it would. Therefore, the order of events is first God speaks it, and once it has been spoken, then it must manifest just as He said it would. So when God speaks, whatever he says, it will surely come to pass just like he said it would.

That is why in **Genesis 55**, beginning at verse **10** we hear God say, *10 For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returns not thither, but waters the earth, and makes 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 goes 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.*

So we have a law from God and a promise in that law, that whatsoever God says, He will most certainly bring to pass.

Now, last week we spoke concerning the characteristics of God's Word, and thus the characteristics of God Himself. *For as a man thinks so is He, and out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.*

Therefore, what I want you to understand is that when you see the characteristics of God through His Word in each age, you are seeing God manifested in that age. His word spoken to take place for an age, when it comes to pass is God's expressed Word for that age. So when God says that something is to happen in an age, then when it happens, it is expressed, right? Then it is God expressing His characteristics for that age.

Then when you see the white wig, you see the Judge of heaven and earth manifesting His characteristic for this age. You see God, the Word, manifested. O, what a privileged people we are to see God.

Remember, Paul said, *"for now we see through a glass darkly,*(that means in an enigma, you know, a puzzle or a mystery) *but then face to face,* (and that is why he said,) *Now I know in part, but then shall I know even as I am known."*

In other words, God is saying, the characteristics that are expressed through me now, will be expressed and openly manifested in that age that My Word shall come to pass.

That is why Jesus said in John 14:12 He that believeth on me, the works that I do now, in other words, the expressions that I am expressing with now, he will do also, or he shall also express this same characteristic in that age. Whew boy, then what have we seen in this hour but God Himself manifesting Himself in His characteristics. So what God is saying is that He will use the vessel of that One that believes to do the same thing he did in His Son Jesus.

Therefore, **John 1:14** *“And the Word, became flesh (God Himself became flesh) and dwelt among us,”* and that is the same as **1 John 1:1** *“That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life; 2 (For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) 3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.*

Now, we know that Moses was the manifested word of God for his age, and Elijah was the manifested Word of God for his age, and Jesus was the manifested Word of God for his age, and Paul was the manifested Word of God for his age, and William Branham was the manifested Word of God for his age. Then did you know that the bride of this age is also the manifested Word of God expressed for this age?

Now, I am not talking about what those other men teach that the bride is the fullness of the Godhead. That stuff is nonsense. But if God had a Word to be manifested in this hour, that He would have sons that would be conformed to the image of the first born son, then that is the Word of God. Right? And if that is the Word promise for this age, then when we begin to see that manifested Life in the sons of God, we will see God manifested again in this age.

Now, this morning I want to again study the thoughts that brother Branham is bringing to us from paragraph 72 of **The Spoken Word is the original Seed**, *“Jesus is the Word of God, and when He was bursted open, that Life, the Life that's inside the Seed, that this Life, which, is Spirit, Water flowing over, the Spirit over the Seed of God will bring forth the Life of the Seed. And to bring forth something else, there's some other kind of seed there then. Amen. Do you understand? If the Spirit of God comes forth to water the Seed, if it's the Seed it's watering, it will produce the Life of the Seed. That clear? Produce the Life of the Seed, for that's what It's give for.*

Therefore, this morning I want to speak on the importance of the Life because if the Seed contains Life, and if it is the correct Seed Word, then the very Life that is in that Seed must come forth into manifestation, or something is not right with the picture. Because the Law of reproduction tells us that *“every seed must bring forth after it's kind.”*

We are told how this life comes into us in **1 Peter 1: 23** *“Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God that Liveth and abideth forever”*. And that is what we want. Not some still birth by some dead denominational system, but *a living birth to a Living God by a Living Word*.

That's why Jesus said in **John 6: 63** *My Words that speak unto you, they are Spirit and they are Life.* **My Words are Life!** That's why the Apostle Paul was quoted in the Book of **Acts 17: 28** as saying, *For in Him we live and move and have our being: as certain also of your poets have said, 'For we are also His Offspring.'*

Oh, can't you see that? The Word is Life to us.

2 Peter 1:2 *Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,...*

Now, I want you to notice, how Grace and peace come to You? He said it comes through the knowledge of God **AND** His Jesus our Lord. There you are, and that is the doctrine of Christ. Then why would you want anything else spoken to you? Why would you rather have sermons on human issues like focus on the family and how to get along and how to be a good Christian and all that nonsense being preached out there when Grace and Peace comes through the knowledge of God, and the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ who is the Son of God. That is how the Grace and Peace of God is multiplied in your heart. Get this knowledge of God and His Son, and you will not only be at peace with others, but you will be at peace with yourself. For how can you be at peace with others if you are not at peace with yourself? And how can you have peace if you are under legalism and the law. Grace is what gives you peace, and you can not understand this perfect peace which comes by a perfect Grace unless you understand the relationship between God and His eldest son, and sons.

All those sermons and doing this and doing that and pressing into this or that are all nonsense. Get into Christ, the Word, and open your heart to the word and that Word which is the Life of Christ will open up to you and release Christ's own Life into you.

Notice peter continues, **3** *According as his Divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:*

So if His Divine power which Paul tells us that the Gospel is the power of God to us ward. So Peter is telling us here that it is God's Word that is His Divine Power, and it is through God's Word, that has *given unto us all things that pertain unto life...all things that pertain to godlikeness*, That means, all things that pertain to coming into the image of the firstborn son who was in the image of God, and it all comes *through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue*: To God's opinion, his values, and his judgments and this word *“virtue”* was translated from the Greek word *“arete”* which means *“manliness”*. In other words, no longer a young boy, but now a grown up man ready for the adoption of sons. And how does this growing up into Him in all things take place? By His Word which contains the very Life of God in it.

Paul said in **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. 11 When I was a child, I spake as a child, 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: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known. 13 And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.*

Now in getting back to what Peter said, in **2 Peter 1:** let's pick up at verse **4** *Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises:* (Look God's promise is his word. If I make a promise to you, I am giving you my word.) *Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these* (that by these what? These promises) *ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

So we see then that the Divine Nature comes through God's Word. Therefore, when brother Branham is talking about the seed being opened so that the Life in that seed may come into manifestation, then it is expedient for the Life of God to manifest Itself when the Word is opened up or revealed. Then do you see the significance of the Seals being opened in this Hour and the entire Book being opened for the first time in all ages? It is because the Seed Word is coming into manifestation of its true characteristics.

That is why Paul said, in **Colossians 3:1** *If ye then be risen with Christ,* (and what does it mean to be risen with Christ? This same Apostle Paul said, If the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead abides in you, then it shall also quicken your mortal body...Risen with Christ mean that the Life that was in him came forth upon you when it burst forth from his side. And Paul says, if this is so, then) *seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.* (In other words, get you focus on the right thing for this hour.) **3** *For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.* (and how is your Life hid with Christ? By the Blood, for when I see the blood I shall pass over you. And when you are born of His Spirit, for by one spirit we are all baptized into one body, when God sees the head which is Christ, and you are part of that body, then He only sees the sacrifice which was once for all, and you are hid with Christ in God the Word. Then notice what Paul says, and I want you to catch this for this is the promise of this hour.) **4** *When Christ, who is our life, shall appear,* (that word is phaneroo, to manifest in His true characteristics) *then shall ye also appear* (phaneroo, you shall also manifest in your true characteristics) *with him in glory.* (with Him in doxa, with him in his opinion, with him in his values, with him in his judgments. Why? Because the mind of Christ is now in you. Therefore, being in this condition, then Paul says,) **5** *Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: 6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: 7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. 8 But now ye also put off all these; 1. anger, 2. wrath, 3. malice, 4. blasphemy,* (that's speaking harmful things) **5. filthy communication out of your mouth.** And then he adds **6. Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the**

old man with his deeds; 10 *And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:* There you go...the new man is renewed in knowledge after the image of God that created the son of God. And Paul tells us that we are to be conformed to the image of the first born son in a vast family of brothers. 11 *Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor un-circumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.* (so, now having come into this image through the knowledge of Christ, then Paul tells us to) 12 *Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, 1. bowels of mercies, 2. kindness, 3. humbleness of mind, 4. meekness, 5. longsuffering; 6. Forbearing one another, 7. and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. 14 And 8. above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. 15 And 9. let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and 10. be ye thankful. 16 11. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; 12. teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, 13. singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. 17 14. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. 18 15. Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit (as it is proper, or the right thing to do) *in the Lord. 19 16. Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them. 20 17. Children, obey your parents in all things (why?) for this is well pleasing unto the Lord. 21 18. Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged. 22 19. Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God: 23 20. And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; 24 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. 25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.**

Now, in getting back to 2 peter 1: let's pick up at verse 5 *“And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; (which is **Moral excellence and righteousness**) and to virtue **knowledge**; 6 And to knowledge **temperance**; (that's self control) and to temperance **patience**; and to patience **godlikeness**; 7 And to godlikeness **brotherly kindness**; and to brotherly kindness **charity**. 8 For if these things be in you, and **abound**, (or keep increasing) *they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

So, I don't care how much you can talk the doctrine with your mouth, if it has not been truly revealed to you, there will be no manifestation of that Life in your vessel. But if the Doctrine of Christ has truly been opened to you, then the very Life of Christ, His own Life that was released on Calvary will come back upon you and will manifest Itself in your vessel and not only that, but as with all life, it will continue to increase and increase in the expression of that Divine and self sacrificial Love that was in Christ that has also been shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost.

Then Peter says, 9 *But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.*

And that is such a sorry state to be found in at this hour of His great appearing, because this is the hour that we are to receive the “phaneroo” of his characteristics living themselves out in us.

Finally Peter says, *10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: 11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. 12 Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth.*

So Peter said, although you know these things, it will be good also if I continue to remind you of these things, lest you let them slip.

So we are dealing with Life, the very Life that was in Christ that he received from the father, (**John 5:26**) is the same Life that was released back to us on Calvary. **I Corinthians 15:22** *For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.* Through Christ and Christ only we have Life. All others bring only death. And so, if Christ has come in this hour it is with **one thing in mind, to give us Life**. That is why His Picture was taken and placed in “**LIFE**” magazine! That is why Jesus said in, **John 10:10** " *I have come that they might have Life, and that they might have it more abundantly.*" And so we see that Jesus came in the Alpha to give Life. Then it must also repeat in the Omega.

Brother Branham said in his sermon, **ONENESS 62-0211 102** *What is it? You've got to get with the Word, get yourself killed out. I'm persuaded that many of us, friends, have received the Holy Ghost, but we just receive enough Holy Ghost in us to make us to a place where we don't want to lie, we don't want to steal, we don't want to do anything. But God wants to fill every fiber of His church; He wants to fill your thinking; He wants to fill your mind. He wants to fill every bit of you, just make you completely, totally dead to yourself or to your thinking, just so surrendered in God till His Word's just living right through you. You don't know nothing else but God's Word; just stay right with His Word; It is Life. "My Words are Life," said Jesus. He's placed with them, teachers believing the Bible, prophets that say the truth, that say, show the same prophecy that they've always did down through the age. What's He done? He's showing Himself alive among them, confirming His Word. His Word, the Kingdom of God is God's Word made power.*

Now, the sad part is that most people just simply do not believe God's word, for if they truly believed His word, they would come alive to his word for His word is Life. And if the Word of God is not alive to you it is because you are not alive to It!

In **JOHN 20:31** we read, *But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.*

In **John 12: 49** Jesus said, *“For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent Me, He gave me a commandment, what I should say, and how I should say it.” And I know that His Word is Life everlasting: whatsoever I speak, therefore, even as the Father said it unto Me, So will I speak it.”*

So we should be able to see that God's Word or Seed Contains Life, but that Life, at least certain portions of it, are revealed, or manifested only in certain ages. Now the word revealed comes from the Greek word apokolupsis and means to lay open or uncover that which has been hidden. So then what we are looking at in the sense of the Word being a seed is this; “Although it contains the very Life of Christ in it, It has been hidden as any seed is hidden in the ground. And as long as that life is hidden in the ground, it can not manifest the attributes of that Life, as Jesus told us in **John 12:24**. Therefore, we are told that in each age a certain portion of that Life is manifested, and it takes a certain light to bring forth that manifestation.

JOHN 17:1 *These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:*

Notice here that Jesus is praying to the Father, and he says, Father, *Glorify Thy Son, so Thy Son may Glorify Thee*. So we see here that Jesus was asking God to do what or bring forth in a way of manifestation the very opinion, estimation, and Judgment of God in Him that He in turn would manifest God's own Opinion, estimation, and judgment to the world. Then He continues in His prayer, *2 As thou hast given him* (the Son of God) *power over all flesh, that he* (the Son of God) *should give eternal life to as many as thou* (God, the Father) *hast given him* (the Son of God). So we see here in this verse that Jesus was given power by God Himself to give eternal life to all those that God had given to His Son to quicken to Life.

Now, notice then in the next verse Jesus explains what this eternal life is and what it will do. **3** *And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.*

Now, this is quite a powerful statement in light of the Doctrine of Christ. He said **this is eternal Life**, to KNOW the One he was praying to which was the Father, that He is the ONLY TRUE GOD, and to know also Jesus Christ the Son of God who came to manifest the Father, whom the Father hath sent.

In **1 John 5:20** *And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even (or in the same way that we were) in his Son Jesus Christ. This one that is True is the Only true God, and eternal life.*

So we see here that Jesus Christ in His prayer to His Father that the Apostles were there to hear let them know that *eternal life* is manifested in knowing the Father and in knowing the son that was sent by the Father. Therefore, if one does not know the Father and does not know the Son and tries to say that Jesus is His own Father, then how can they have eternal Life? I ask this question based on what Jesus is telling us here. He says that *eternal Life* is to know the Father and to Know the Son. And so what if you do not

know the Father and you do not know the Son? Then do you have eternal Life if that is what Jesus tells us it is.

And he did not tell us that by knowing the Word we will have eternal Life, but to know Him is Life.

From his sermon **The Investments 64-0314 P:22** brother Branham said, *"We can be a church member, and morally right, still not obtain Eternal Life. Not to know the Word... Some of them are theologians, and scholars, and Sunday School teachers, Bible expositors. But that doesn't mean anything. Satan knows that Bible better than any of us. The Bible said to know Him is Life, not know the Word, know Him is Life. Satan also believes and trembles. But we've got to have an experience of a death, burial, and resurrection from our old life to the new life which comes in Christ. It comes only by the Holy Spirit, the new life."*

You see, everyone is so willing to say that the evidence of being born again is to believe the Word, but that is not what the evidence is. It is to know Christ in the Power of His resurrection. To know Him is Life. And if His Word has opened to you, then the Life of that Word will manifest Itself in you. You can not become born again until the Life of God comes into you and quickens you **by His Life** and **to His Life** which is the only form of eternal life. And they say to believe the message of the hour is the evidence you are born again and have received eternal life. And then they will tell you that the message of the hour is that God sent a prophet. Now, how could Jesus tell us the evidence is *to know the Father and to know Him*, and brother Branham tells us something different? But the fact is that Brother Branham didn't say something different, but in fact he said, *"My ministry is to declare Him, that He is here."* And the word "declare", means 1. To make known formally or officially. 2. To reveal or make manifest; show.

So then we can see what Brother Branham said is exactly what Jesus said. Because if *his ministry was to declare Him, that He is here* and the word declare means to make known, then that means that *His ministry is to help you to know the One that is here*, God Himself, and By Knowing Him, you will know also His Son that he sent. And that is what eternal Life is.

Then to **just be able to talk about it is not eternal life**, and to be able to memorize quotes or even entire sermons is not eternal Life. Nor is it living a good life. But *eternal Life is to Know God and to Know His Son*. So you see why the Doctrine of Christ is so important to us, for without it you can not be born again to eternal life.

Now, look, the same one John that wrote this prayer of Jesus in the Gospel of John also wrote these words in his 2nd epistle. **II JOHN 1:8** *Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought* (worked for), *but that we receive a full reward. 9. Whosoever transgresseth*, (that means to go beyond the limits) *and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God.* (and the word hath was translated from the Greek Word *echo*). So those who do not remain in the doctrine of Christ can not *echo* God, they can not reflect Him in any way. But, *He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ*, And that means he that remains in the doctrine of Christ he hath (he echoes) both the Father and the Son.

10 *If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine,* (what doctrine? The doctrine of Christ that has a Father and a Son) ***receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:*** (Now that is a very harsh thing for you to say John! So then why did he say it? John tells us in the next verse...)

11 *For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds. Notice here that he lets you know that any that have not this doctrine of Christ then must have a false doctrine of Christ and thus what they do have comes not from God, but from another source and therefore is evil.*

So we see then that to know God and to Know His Son is eternal Life, and there is no getting around that. ***And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God,*** In other words, the only tells you there is no other God, so it is the knowing of this Only God and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent, that gives you eternal life.

Then not to know God and His Son shows the person is lacking eternal life. Because if William Branham's ministry was to declare God, that He is here and to declare means to make you know this one that is here, then to not know this shows you do not know his message, and if you do not know his message, then you do not have the evidence in your life of the new birth. Because to just know that God sent a prophet is not enough. You've got to know the message, and believe that message, but if you take and push that message aside and make your own message to be that God sent a prophet, and that is all you have to believe, then you are just fooling yourself to what the message really is, and it shows you are not even born again. Now, let's continue with the Prayer of Jesus.

Now, in getting back to **John 17:4** ***I have glorified thee on the earth:*** (I have shown the world your opinion, estimation, and judgment while here on earth) I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. ***5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self (and now father impart this opinion, estimation and judgment that is yours to me) with the glory*** (opinion, estimation, and judgment) which I had with thee before the world was.

6 ***I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.*** (now, the word kept here is from a Greek word that means to attend to carefully, so we see when Jesus tells us they have kept God's Word, it means that they have been very careful and attentive to it. They have paid close attention to the Word of God and know that it was given to Jesus by God Himself.) for Jesus says,

7 ***Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.*** Now, notice in verse **8** ***For I have given unto them the Words which thou gavest to me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.***

Now, I want you to notice here what Jesus is saying in this prayer. He let's us know that He gave us the Word which God had given Him, **8** ***For I have given unto them the Words which thou gavest to me,*** and he then tells us that not only did He give us the Word God gave Him, but we received that Word. and they have received them,.

And the word received was translated from the Greek word Lambano which means: *to take to one's self, to lay hold upon, to take possession of, to appropriate to one's self for the purpose of using it for our benefit as though it belongs to us.* And then Jesus lets us know that in receiving the Word God Gave to Him and He passed on to us, we come to an understanding of God, and how and why He sent His Son. For I have given unto them the Words which thou gavest to me and they have received them and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.

Now, this is important because Jesus is witnessing back to the Father that the word He gave to His Son, was passed on to us, and in doing so, we received that Word and knew where it came from, and thus Know the difference between the Father and His Son. And this is not just a mental understanding he is talking about. But the word receive means *to take it to yourself that we might apply it to our self.* In other words *it speaks of a living Word that when received becomes alive to us and in us, and we live out the very Word which was given to us.* thus we become that Word manifested in our vessel. For it was given to us for our benefit, and that is *to come alive in us that we might have eternal Life* and that means we will know the Father and we will know His Son, and how God works in all of His children, making His very word live Itself out in each and every one of us.

ACTS 17:28 *For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.*

EPHESIANS 3:19 *And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God. 20 Now unto him that is able to do* (not you and I that do, but *unto Him that is able to do*) *exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,*(so it is not us doing but Christ that worketh in you) and Paul says, **21** *Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.*

Now, remember the real gift of God is to get yourself out of the way. Then the man has nothing to do with it. Then it's not Brother Branham that was a mighty prophet or brother Vayle is a profound teacher, that is all a bunch of nonsense. We should say, that it is God this, and God that, and God did this, and God did that, *for by one Spirit we are baptized into one Body.* Its God that is doing what needs to be done. And Brother Branham was quite frank when he said God needs me no more than the hole that is left when you stick your finger in a bucket of water.

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. 1 John 5: 12* *He that hath the Son hath life; (He that echoes the son echoes life) and he that hath not the Son of God (He that echoes not) hath not life. Echoes not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God. And how did Jesus get his name? He was given it by inheritance.*

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.* **Let us pray...**