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The Eleventh Hour People
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In pp. 126 of his sermon **The Unveiling of God**, brother Branham said, “*What if you just said **the Word**, and **the Word don't work**? What good would the Sword be here and say It can't rip...?... and **It won't rip**? But when you lay that Sword of God up there and watch her rip, **she's held by an ordained hand sent to do so**. See, **rips it open**, and **there He is**. **There it shows God plainly in view, the great Jehovah. That is His Word made manifest, the portion that's promised to the day**. Do you get it? See? **When the Sword promised of today, in this day, what's supposed to be**, and God takes His Sword and rips down the denominational veil, and pulls it back, and **manifests Himself**, and **shows that He's there**. Still that same Pillar of Fire... Notice, **that is the Word made manifest for today's promises**.*”

Now, what brother Branham is telling us is that “*there is a Word for every age*”, and when that word that is written becomes manifested before you in your day, The manifestation is then is interpretation of the Word. It then becomes the manifested Word. And this is not rocket science, people. If God said it, and you see it coming to pass, then you have the interpretation of what God said in His Word.

Now, William Branham knew this for his day. He saw, **Malachi 4**, and **Luke 17:30** and **Revelations 10:7** and He saw that his own life was a back woodsman, like Elijah, and He saw that God had spoke to him, and told him he had a work to do. Now, it was up to him to find it in God's Word. And when he did, he stepped into it, and it became manifested in his life, and so as he stepped into the written Word, He became the living embodiment of **Malachi 4**, and **Luke 17:30**, and **Revelations 10:7**.

And let me just say this, it is no different with any man that God calls in any age. When Any genuine believer sees the Word that is written for his day, and recognizes it for his day, and acts upon what was written for his day, then he becomes the living embodiment of that written Word, and as he steps into that Word, he becomes that Word expressed for the day in which he lives. And that is no different for you, me or any prophet of God or any man of God throughout Bible history.

If we are to be **written epistles**, it is not because of anything you have written, because the Word is already written, but not yet expressed for your age. The Word written has already been written in this Bible before the foundations of the earth was laid. That is why we call it the Word of God. But what makes us **known and read of all men** is when that Word for our Age becomes manifested in you, and through you, and all around you. That is when we become **written epistles known and read of all men**. Not that we do the writing, but it is God who has already done the writing before the foundations of the world, and He has written a Word or a promise for every group of believers for every age. Then when we see that Word that God has already written, and we understand that it is for the age in which we

live, then when we have recognized it, and act upon it, we then become that Word expressed. We step into that word, because somehow it calls out to you, like something inside says, that's this hour, and that's for me, and when you see it and recognize it and then act upon it, it becomes yours. That is no different than what God told Israel before they were about to cross over Jordan.

In **Deuteronomy 11**, as we read this Scripture it will do you no good unless you read it for yourself and apply your own situation in it. That is how we should read all of God's word. As though He has written it to you personally. Then it comes alive to you. **Deuteronomy 11:18** *Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. 19 Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. 20 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, 21 so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land that the LORD swore to give your forefathers, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.*

In other words, plan on keeping them for an eternity, and to do that you must have eternal Life, and eternal Life comes via the Word of God, for it is the Seed of God.

22 *If you carefully observe all these commands I am giving you to follow, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways and to hold fast to him 23 then the LORD will drive out all these nations before you, and you will dispossess nations larger and stronger than you. 24 Every place where you set your foot will be yours.*

And there are over 800 promises in the Scriptures for our taking. And He said every step you take in this journey with God where you are walking in the Light as He is in the Light, you must claim them for your own or the promise will not do you any good. It is only for them who want it and claim it.

Now, notice in paragraphs 133 and 134 of **The Unveiling of God** brother Branham makes this very clear. "Notice, then we become part of Him, as you are the veil that veils Him. You are part of Him, as long as Christ is in you, as Christ was of God. Because God was in Him, made Him God. And as Christ is in you, the hope of glory, you become part of Christ. "He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he also." See? You become part of Christ as long as Christ is hid in you. Then it's veiled to the unbeliever, but you know He is in you. You're templing Christ that's behind the veil, the skin. Then we become... behind... Because of this veil... The veil again, in human flesh, hides God the Word from the unbeliever.

134 As it is written (See?), written, "You are written epistles," the Bible said. Now, what is "epistle"? Is "a written word." And you are the written... Other words, you read it like this; you... he'd say, "You are written epistles," or, "You are the Word that has been written, made manifest." Nothing can be added to it. You can't say, "I'm a written epistle," and living some other kind of a something but what This has already wrote, because nothing can be added or taken away.

Now, I'm going to skip up to paragraph **138** to keep his continuity of thought here, and then we will look at the paragraphs in between down the road. But notice in **pp 138** he continues here with this thought saying, "***Ye are written epistles, read of all men,***" or, "***You are our...***" *Translate that, turn it around this way (See?), just turn It around, "***You are epistles that has been written,***" 'cause you can't add nothing to It, "***that's read of all men.***" "***Manifested Word of God,***" ***in other words.*** And Peter and John, to show it, when they went up there, they perceived they were ignorant and unlearned; they had no education, but they taken notice they'd been with Jesus. See? ***They were ignorant and unlearned, but they were written epistles*** (See?), read that they had been with Jesus, 'cause Jesus was manifesting Himself through them, Christ veiled in their flesh, manifested, made alive, like He was in Moses.*

That is why the Apostle Paul said in **Galatians 2:20** ***I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I am alive, I am living, yet it is not I that is living, but it is Christ that is living in me, and the Life I am now living in this flesh, I am living by the faith of the Son of God,*** by the same revelation he lived by which is "***I am the Son of God***". I am the written Epistle, the written Word expressed and manifested for this day.

So with this in mind, I would like to look at a Word for this hour that speaks of the people in this hour which are ordained to conform to the image of the first born son.

Now, if you recall last week when we examined the ten servants and the ten talents, we saw that these servants typed the ministry of God at the end time, and that ten means the end of a cycle, so we see they represent the end-time ministry.

In examining this parable we also saw how Jesus told this same parable, and made three examples of these end time ministers, where he said one was given 5 talents, one was given 2 and the other was given one. We saw how the number five represented Grace so we see this was a ministry of Grace which was given an endowment of the Spirit that they could understand the things of God. The ministers given two were presupposed to build upon worldliness and thus when they turned the two into four, which is the number of the world and worldliness, we see this is the Make-Believer minister who builds up a ministry using the talents God gave them but use it for their own purpose. The minister given one hid it and showed he simply was an unbeliever.

But in getting back to the ministers of Grace, that were given Five and doubled it, making it Grace-Grace unto it, were rewarded when the Lord returned and were given the one that had been held back by the unbeliever and thus now ended up with 11. That was there reward and actually shows us when this reward shall be handed out. They receive this eleventh piece at the eleventh hour upon the return of the Lord who called them into duty.

Matthew 16:27 ***For the Son of man shall come in the glory*** (doxa) ***of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.***

So we see ***the rewards*** are to be handed out when the son of Man comes in the glory of His Father with the Holy angels. So all we have to do is to look at that photo over there to my right and see that this scripture speaks of this hour when God the Father of Glory has come

down as Son of Man with His angels to bring us the Shout of **1 Thessalonians 4** which is the Message. It is at the time of this *Parousia - Presence* that the rewards are to be handed out. And we saw in the parable of the ten servants, that their reward equaled 11 showing that it represents this *eleventh hour* that we live in today.

All you have to do is to study **Matthew 24** and see that it speaks of *the Parousia of the son of Man* and the disciple were wondering when the Parousia of the Son of Man would take place. **Matthew 24:3** *And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy Parousia, and of the end of the world? 4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.*

So he tells us that there will be much deception concerning His presence, men trying to deceive you, **Matthew 24:23** *Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.* And then in verse **24** He gives us several scenarios that are to take place at that time, such as two in the field one take the other left, and two in the bed the one taken and the other left.

24 *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. 25 Behold, I have told you before. 26 Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. 27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the Parousia of the Son of man be. 28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.*

And then in verse **44** we read, **Matthew 24:44** *Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not **the Son of man cometh**.*(will arrive). **45** *Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season? 46 Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. 47 Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods. 48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;(arrival) 49 And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; 50 The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, 51 And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*

So we see the reward is to be given at the time of the Parousia of the son of man. When His great Personal Presence arrives and is on the scene.

Now, that brings us to today's topic which is the eleventh hour people and we will study the parable found in **Matthew 20:1-16** which deals with **The 11th Hour Worker**. Because the eleventh hour speaks of the end time, and it is the last hour before the midnight hour, which is the end of the day altogether.

Now, before we read, I would like to say that there are no less than three parables that deal with this subject on the Vineyard. This particular parable we will study deals with the eleventh hour people but there are also some other things that are very interesting about this number **11** that I may touch on as well.

Matthew 20:1 ¶ *For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire laborers into his vineyard. 2 And when he had agreed with the laborers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. 3 And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle (idle meaning slow, barren, free from labor, at leisure, lazy, shunning the labor which one ought to perform). But he saw these standing standing idle in the marketplace, 4 And said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. 5 Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. 6 And about **the eleventh hour** he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? 7 They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive. 8 So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the laborers, and give them their hire, **beginning from the last unto the first.** 9 And when they came that were hired about the **eleventh hour**, they received every man a **penny**.*

The word translated penny was **denarion** {day-nar'-ee-on} or **denarius** was a Roman **silver coin** during the time of Jesus Christ and the Apostles. It weighed about 1/10 of a troy ounce and as you can see it was the common daily wage for a laborer.

*10 But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny (a **denarion**). 11 And when they had received it, they murmured against the Goodman of the house, 12 Saying, These last **have wrought** (have worked) **but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.** 13 But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny? 14 Take that thine is, and go thy way: **I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.***

Notice the principle of Alpha and Omega that Jesus slips in here and how The Goodman, representing God the Father, says He will treat the Alpha and the Omega equally the same.

*15 Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? 16 So **the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.***

Notice the order here. The last shall be first and the first shall be last. This is also the order of the resurrection, so this parable speaks of the time of the resurrection as it is the eleventh hour.

Br. Branham said in his sermon **The Seven church ages 54-0512 P:37** *His great, glorious **Presence** shall strike the earth. "**He cometh in clouds.**" Oh, I love that. "**Clouds,**" there will be wave after wave of His glory will come across the earth, and the resurrection of the saints shall come. When that blessed Holy Spirit that's lived in their hearts, and they died with their corpses laying there, and the tear stains over their cheeks, and things like that,*

they're placed out here in a graveyard. A great wave of that same Spirit, and a "whoossh," wave after wave. **"He that was last will be first, and he that was first will be last."** How can it be that way? **That's the order of the resurrection.** I won't know nobody in the generation before me or the generation after me. **I'll know those in the generation of this.** And **every generation will come successfully, right as it went down.** **"They which were last will be first."** Sure, it has to be. See? **I'll know my people. The next fellow, my dad will know his people; his grandfather, his people, on down like that. Wave after wave, after wave, after wave, and the saints arising from everywhere, won't that be wonderful. Amen. That makes the old people feel young again. Yes. Now, notice closely. All right.... comes in the clouds; and every eye shall see him...** (No matter how far back they died; they'll still see him...

Now, this parable deals with **the eleventh hour people** and so we need to understand who these **eleventh hour people** are.

In order to understand who these people are, I am going to rely on vindication, and read something brother Branham said when he was explaining **Revelations** chapter 7.

It comes from the Message **Questions and Answers 54-0103M** beginning at **Pg. 93 - pp. 205** *But look. Now, he saw all four corners of the earth. There's a Angel standing on the four corners of the earth. Now, you say, "I thought it was round." That don't keep it from having four corners. You see? All right.*

207 Now, **"On four corners of the earth, holding the four winds."** In other words, here went the winds blowing in the wars and strife to come all over the world. **When did that ever happen? Never until the First World War.** **"Holding the winds,"** and they were striving, going in to take over. And now, here come another One. Now, if you'll watch and refer that Angel, He's the same Angel that come out in **Ezekiel 9**, when the men come from hinder their gates with slaughtering weapons and was going through Jerusalem to slaughter the Jews. You remember? He said, **"Hold it. Hold it. Stop it, till you go through the city and put a mark on every forehead that sighs and cries for the abominations done in the city."** Is that right? Then after He did that, then He let them go in and slaughter. **That was the persecution under Titus.** Now, you see, **he's the same Angel come forth again,** coming from the east, from where Jesus shall come, and **He has the Seal of the living God.** Glory.

210 Now, what is the Seal of the living God? Oh, if that ain't a big dispute in the world today. Some say it's keeping the Sabbath day, and some says it's for doing this and that. **But the Bible said the Holy Spirit is the Seal of God. Ephesians 4:30** says, **"Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby you're sealed until the day of your redemption."** See? All right. **It's the Holy Spirit.** Then what come? Now, look. Oh, when I think of this, my heart jumps. Now, He said, **"Hold the four winds until (in other words) we seal the servants of our God in their forehead (The servants, the Jews)."** John turned and said, **"I seen a hundred and forty-four thousand sealed away."** Now, the winds all started in, and they would've covered the earth and **the battle of Armageddon would've took place in the First World War, but...**

212 Now, I have to get another Scripture here to show you. Jesus talked about the people that, He said, "**Some come in at one hour, and another hour, and there was eleventh-hour people, the eleventh-hour people.**" Now, you who are spiritual, read between the lines, 'cause I got to jump here and hurry. Now, look. "**Come in, the eleventh-hour people.**" And right... Now, the first come in and received a penny, and the next come in and received a penny, and **the eleventh-hour people got the same penny that they did at the first.** Is that right? **The eleventh hour...** Now, watch, the Jew is the milepost we're following him now. Now, when the **First World War** come, it took every Jew; they scattered to all the nations. Like the first Scripture that today was asked, how He would scattered them among all nations; there they all are. And here come the winds coming into Jerusalem, everywhere, a world war.

214 And He said, "**Hold. Stop it, until we have seal the servants of our God.**" Other words, "**We're ganging them in from all the nations, everywhere, bringing them in, 'cause we got to get them right in here to seal that hundred and forty-four thousand.** Hold it." And the **World War I** stopped on the **eleventh month** of the year, the **eleventh day** in the month, the **eleventh hour** in the day, **that the eleventh-hour people could come in, the last call for the Jew.** And he's going to receive the same baptism of the Holy Ghost that they got back at the beginning back yonder at Pentecost, be baptized the same way, and everything, the **eleventh-hour people** moving in. He said, "**Hold it now, until we have sealed.**" "How long You going to hold it?" "**Until we have sealed the servants of our God.**" Now, we're sealing the Gentiles; they've been sealed away, thousands times thousands through these persecutions and tribulations; they're sealed away. But wait a minute, just a minute. Don't let the per... **Don't let the time come till we seal these servants.**" And he sealed a hundred and forty-four thousand. Then the winds was let loose again.

218 Now, notice, and since the **First World War** there has constantly been a persecution against the Jew. Up raised Hitler for the Second World War, and when he did, he begin to... What? He was going to tear the whole world right around. Is that right? He was going to tear it up, and right around. Yes, he was. Everything had to be Communism. Do you remember when they was going to put me in this jail down here? I was a-preaching this same thing down here at the...?... Hall that night (Yes, sir.), saying, "There'll be three isms. And they'd all heap up in one ism, and that ism will bring forth a persecution that would send Jesus Christ to the earth again." That's exactly so. That was Communism, and Hitler, Nazi, and so forth; and how that Fascism of Mussolini, and Hitler, and Stalin. I said, "One of them will take the place of it. I don't know which one it'll be, but I believe it'll be the king of the north." Surely you remember those things and how those has been taught in here; and Brother Mahoney, you all from way back there though... And they said, "If you preach that..."

And from his sermon **The Seal Of God 54-0514 261** brother Branham said, "I want to ask you something, church. The Bible says that **the Mark of God** in that day, was the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The Seal that was on the people to make them different from the others, was the baptism of the Holy Ghost. That right? The New Testament said, in **Ephesians 4:30**, that **the Holy Ghost is the Seal of God** for the people in the last days,

unto your eternal destination. That right? Then the Holy Ghost was right. Now, we had the Methodist age; we had the Baptist age; we had justification; we had sanctification. We had all these things, coming along. And **right about forty years ago, the baptism of the Holy Ghost was first learned in the United States.** That right? About forty years ago, when people begin to receive...

264 Now, they used to call it **the second definite work of grace, sanctification.** Sanctification is right. A vessel must first be took up, picked up. It's all full of mud. It's justified, because the man has picked it up. The next thing, it's got to be--cleaned and scoured out. The word "**sanctify**" means "**cleaned, and set aside for service.**" **But set aside for service, don't mean you're in service.** And then Jesus said, "**Blessed are ye when you hunger and thirst for righteousness, for you shall be filled.**" See, the Holy Ghost came on the sanctified, real, true, sanctified believers. And signs and wonders begin to manifest themselves, as soon as that sanctified vessel had got right, and the Holy Ghost got into it. See what I mean?

268 You can't bring oil of that bottle 'less there's oil in there, no matter how clean the bottle is. You can't bring speaking in tongues, and Divine healing, and powers of God, out of something that there's nothing in. **The Holy Ghost had to be brought then.** Look, about forty years ago... Let's think back. We look, around... Watch close. There was a great rumor went forth, **a World War I;** first time in all the world's history, a world war. Where was he starting for? Right straight into Germany. What happened? Change; **no one knows till this day, how it stopped. Nobody knows.** Read "**The Decline of the World War.**" Every volume, I've read it. There's not one person... The only thing they knowed, there was an order come forth, "**Surrender!**" No one knows who give it. Why? Oh, God! You're going to call me "holy-roller," anyhow, so I might as well act my feelings. Look. How thankful I am for the Holy Spirit to be here at the platform, to reveal.

271 Notice. Watch. They went forth, every man coming to the world, slaughtering weapons, to utterly destroy everything in a world's war. But **all of a sudden it stopped. Revelations** the **7th** chapter, said, "**I saw the four Angels coming down with their slaughtering weapons. And there went a Man coming from the East, having the seal of the living God, said, 'Hold the four winds! Hold it!'**" Why? **The Jews ain't in the right place yet.** Glory! The Jews ain't in the right place, as God promised. He told them where they would be setting yonder. He said, "**When you see the fig tree putting forth branches, know the time is nigh.**" And **when you see the Jews returning to Palestine, know the time is nigh.** This generation will not pass off till all things be fulfilled." And brethren, the last seven years is the first time that the Jewish flag has ever flown in two thousand years over Jerusalem, yes, twenty-five hundred years. Amen. The Jews wasn't right where it could...?... but He said, "Hold!" Hold, why? Why hold? Watch, they was some Gentiles yet, between the age of Wesley and the age of Pentecost, had to come in. Before Pentecost went into the Laodicean Church Age, there was "**an open door**" set before the church, open door to, "**Whosoever will let him come and drink from the fountain of the waters of Life, freely.**" Open door, set. Oh, my! And He said, "**Hold it!**" Why?

274 Jesus said, "A man went out, and he worked. And another man went out in another hour, and he worked. Another man went out and worked. And one man went out at **the eleventh hour**. And when he stopped at the eleventh hour, he give every one of them the same portion, **the eleventh hour**. They wondered why. Why did he, got **the eleventh hour**, everyone coming in? Martin Luther's that worked... walked under Luther's dispensation, died in grace...?... others, shouting Methodists, that died under Wesley's age, died in grace. We're living in another age, not back there, here! Mother used to go in an ox cart, and we go in a model V-8 Ford, almost jet propelled. That's right. **We're living in a different age altogether. And we're living in a different dispensation. We're living in the day of the restoration of the powers of God**, and Christ said would be the powers yonder like they did in the beginning. We're living in another age. Don't look back there to Wesley, Methodists, and all those, Baptists, and Presbyterians. **Look here to Jesus Christ, the Author and Finisher of the faith of the Bible. Hallelujah.**

276 Now, watch Him, said, "**Hold it**," until what? The **eleventh-hour people could come in, the last calling of the Gentiles**. Mother worked there; dad and them worked here; grandmother worked back there. **This is our age, the eleventh hour**. That World War stopped on **the eleventh month** in the year, **the eleventh day** of the month, **the eleventh hour** in the day, **the eleventh minute** in the hour, that **the eleventh-hour people might come in**. What?... **Receive the same baptism of the Holy Ghost that they did back there in the beginning, to bring back the power and the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, same signs and wonders**. What is it? The wars are struggling here, struggling there, struggling here, struggling there, trying to... The atomic bombs and everything else are being built up, but they can't do it. **They can't do it until the Jews gets a visitation of the baptism of the Holy Ghost**. The Angel said, "**Hold it, till we seal the servants**," **not the Bride**. **The Gentiles never was a servant; we are sons and daughters. That's the servants, the Jews**, Abraham was God's servant. Hallelujah!

277 Now, now we find thousands times thousands of Jews. God hardened Pharaoh's heart to drive them to Palestine. God hardened Hitler's heart, Mussolini's heart, Stalin's heart. He's driving by force into Palestine, not knowing what he's doing, working right in the hands of God. Them hundred and forty-four thousand will stand yonder. **And one of these days, some Divine, holy, anointed prophet of God will go over there with signs and wonders**. Those Jews will say, "That's what I'm looking for." Yes, sir. **And God will baptize a hundred and forty-four thousand Jews. And the Rapture will come; the Gentile age will cease**. The atomic bomb will explode and take the world. **And the Gentile church will be raptured up to stand there in the Presence of God**. "**Who are these that come up out of the great tribulation? Washed their robes in the Blood of the Lamb. They are before God, without spot.**" Amen.

280 Mark of the beast, confederation of churches, Catholicism, all bound together, go into chaos. The remnant, the Holy Ghost Bride.. And the people today that are laughing at speaking in tongues, that are laughing at Divine healing, that are laughing at prophecy, that are laughing at the manifestation of the Spirit; and the same spirit that dominated those Jews back here, that blasphemed the Holy Ghost back there, and died under Divine

judgment... **This United States is bound for Divine judgment under the power of the Holy Ghost.** They've condemned, and make fun, and turned out, and call us "holy-rollers" and everything else. **But the hour is here when God will pour out His divine judgment.** Amen.

282 Get ready. **The only safe place there is today is in Christ Jesus.** God bless you. If you're not in, press till you get in. **"Those that are in Christ Jesus will God bring with Him in the second coming."** Without the Seal of God, which is the baptism of the Holy Ghost, confederation of apostasy is the mark of the beast. That's **THUS SAITH THE LORD.** See what I mean? But these religious teachers are trying to put it on communism, when they don't realize it's working right in their own midst. He said, **"They'll be blind leaders of the blind,"** He said, **"will have eyes, and can't see."** Said, **"You do in your traditions, speaks the doctrine of men, make commandments of men, making the commandments of God of non effect."** You'll laugh at the Catholic for setting up their catechism, and your men goes right up here to some conference or something, and decide whether they can receive Divine healing, or the baptism of the Spirit, and these things. And they condemn It and turn It down. And you laugh at the Catholic. You ain't got no right to laugh at the Catholic. 'Cause if she was a whore, the Bible said you're a harlot in the same confederation. **"Come out from among it, My people! Be ye separated," saith God, "and I will receive you unto Myself."** That's right.

286 Oh, why can't this **Branham Tabernacle** come out of our wrinkle? I want to know if you people around here believe this Gospel... And **It's been preached, and you've seen It, signs and wonders, and confirmed. And everything the Lord has spoke, has come to pass. Then what's the matter around here, when I hear there's contentions among you, when I hear there's strife? I want you to write out what's the matter from the depths of your heart, and lay it on this platform pulpit tomorrow night. I want to see why this church can't be carried away with the power of God, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost, with signs and wonders.** What's the matter? Your pastor believes It. You believe It. So what's wrong here? There's something wrong. **This should be a lighthouse of the world; this should be a place where the powers of God, and weeping and crying, and seeking for God, ought to be going on day and night. Why can't we have it?**

288 **"I will, but you will not,"** said Jesus. **"You would not. Come and buy of Me. I know you say,"** He said, **"ye are rich, had need of nothing,"** talking to the churches. Said, **"You say, 'I'm rich, and I have need of nothing. We're build an organization.' And you don't know, but you are wretched, poor, miserable, blind, and naked, and don't know it."** If a man is in that fix and knows it, he will help himself. But when you're that way and don't know it... And Christ said that **the churches in this day would be that way and wouldn't know it.** Pinch your spiritual being, my dear, dear brother. Pinch your soul, as it was, with prayer, and say, **"Lord Jesus, check up on me. Let me take inventory tonight, before I go to bed, and find out what's the matter with me. I've been professing for years, and I don't see these things that Jesus said, that He would be with me, and these things would go on, I don't see it. What's the matter, Lord Jesus?"**

291 *Be honest. Be sincere. Come down and talk to Him, as face to face with a brother. He will reveal you. He will tell you. Tear your soul apart, and lay it out there, and say, "Lord Jesus, if it cost me my family, if it cost me my life, if it cost my job, if it cost my membership, if it cost my prestige in the city, I'll take the way with the Lord's despised few." Now remember, Jesus said, "Straight is the gate, and narrow is the way, and but few there will be that'll find it. For broad is the way that leads to destructions." "A million more in '54." Broad is the gate that leads to destructions, and many there be that go in there at." That's right. "He that will lose his life for My sake shall find it. He that loves father, mother, sister, brother, or anything, better than Me, is not worthy to be called Mine. He will put his hand on a plow and start forward, even turn to look back, is not worthy of the plowing."*

293 **Brother, one of these days, the last Holy Ghost anointed Gospel sermon will be preached.** *One of these days, the last gun will fire. One of these days, the last song will be sung. One of these days, the last prayer will be prayed. One of these days, the doors of the Tabernacle will be closed for the last time; the Bible will be closed on the pulpit. And you'll stand in the Presence of God to give an account for what you've heard tonight. What then? What then? When the great Book is opened, what then? When tonight comes on record, what then? Oh, as the song says:*

What then? When the great Book is opened, what then? When the ones that's rejected the Saviour today, Will be asked to give a reason

What then? Your job stood in your way. Your parents stood in your way. Your boyfriend stood in your way. Your girlfriend stood in the way. Your church stood in the way.

What then? What then? When the great Book is opened, what then? When the ones that's rejecting this Message tonight, You're going to... asked to give a reason--What then?

What are you going to do about it? You know what the mark of the beast is. You know what the Seal of the God is. It's up to you. May the Lord bless you, while we stand.

And from his sermon **Mark of the Beast 55-0312 E-52** he said, "Look, God over-shooting now, saying, *"Hold these wars here; don't let total destruction, total annihilation come until we have sealed a hundred and forty-four thousand Jews."* Then at that time... Oh, watch what taken place. *All the world was going to war; and all of a sudden, it stopped. And I've read the decline of the World War One. No man knows today why it stopped; no man give any orders for it to stop. But it was stopped on **November the eleventh** (That right?), **the eleventh month** in the year, **the eleventh hour** in the day, **the eleventh minute** after eleven. What was it? That the eleventh hour people could come in. He said, *"Some come in at one received the penny,"* and on down. And the eleventh hour people got the same kind of a penny that they got at the beginning--eleventh hour people. And along about that time, I want you to notice, John recognized every Jew; he knowed their military rank; he knowed their names by tribe. John being a Jew himself, he said, *"All these are children of Israel."* After this the **9th** verse, *"I looked and behold a great multitude, which no man could number."* No time when they were marked.*

E-53 *The Israel, the Jew is ready to be sealed right now. Their setting in Jerusalem right now. They're waiting for somebody to come and prove to them that Jesus is the Christ. That's right. You can't teach them some kind of a dry eyed theology; the Jews seek signs and they got to find a sign working ministry, or they won't believe it. The Stockholm Church sent a million Bibles to them. They turned over, and begin to read, and said, "If this Jesus of Nazareth be the Messiah, let us see Him do the sign of a prophet, and we'll believe Him." Waiting for the hour... And, brother, when the Jews receive the Gospel, the Gentile day's done. God will return back to the Jew as certain as I'm standing here.*

E-54 *Now, notice this if you will for a minute. Notice. When these people come up, and after this, no certain time... After this I behold... a great multitude, which no man could number, of all the nations, kindreds, tongues, stood before the Lamb, clothed with white robes on... palms in their hand; And crying with a loud voice, Salvation to our God that setteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb. And all the angels stood around about... the twenty-four elders, and fell down to worship God, Saying:... Blessings, wisdom, glory, might, power, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.*

E-55 *If that ain't a old fashion Holy Ghost meeting, I never seen one in my life. Right! Who are this great multitude? Between the times of the Jews being sealed, foreseen, John see them... But between this time (no time set where they were sealed), the Holy Ghost begin to fall fifty years ago here in Azusa street, and scattered all over the world with the old fashion apostolic blessings of God upon them. And that's where those white robed saints come from, out of that great revival that swept the land not long ago. And now we've got lukewarm and run out, and God's going to turn to the Jews, as certain as I'm standing on this platform. **The people has rejected the Holy Ghost**; they're laughing, making fun of It. And the people going along, pretending to have It. And the church has got patterned after the worldly church. They go out, and they used to, they dressed different. Now days, I tell you, you can't hardly get people to come to the altar. Used to be people come to church... "Well, I ain't got..."*

E-56 *Here not long ago a little old girl was going to sing in a choir for me. And she said she wouldn't come because she couldn't get one of them kinky manicures for her hair. And she had to sing in a choir. And when I heard that, I said, "You couldn't sing if you wanted to now." That's right. Brother, I'm an old fashion preacher that believes this: that **a man's got to be proved before he walks behind my pulpit**. You take some of these guys our here in a roadhouse playing their guitar tonight, and tomorrow night come to the altar, and the next night preaching the Gospel; it's a disgrace to the Holy Spirit. Amen. John said, "**Bring forth fruit meet for repentance.**" We need some more Baptist preachers like John, that'll lay the hewing line to the Gospel, let the chips fall wherever it may be. Amen. We've got **Hollywood out in the church**, and it needs to be shook out of there by the baptism of the Holy Ghost. You know that's the truth. The Holy Ghost church dressing, acting, why it's got to the place it's horrible. Call preachers to the platform, they'll go down to the altar to pray, and they can't do it; they got their clothes all tailored made and creased up in their suits, paying a hundred and fifty dollars for a suit of clothes, they can't even bend. Amen. You know it's the truth.*

E-57 And women out there with your painted up fingernails, a fifty dollar coat wrapped around you, and a hundred dollar dress on; you can't kneel down. You won't even have children, practice birth control and pack some little snotty-nosed dog around, calling it something, giving it the love of a baby. Then call yourself the Holy Ghost church! You need to be ashamed of yourself and repent! Amen! That's the truth. What we need tonight is this bunch of impersonating the Holy Ghost, this bunch of people impersonating the Pentecostal church, ought to hit the sawdust trail down here and mourn under that until God comes down and gives you the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah! Amen! That's what we need tonight. The blessed Pentecostal impersonators, the altar's open, the sawdust trail is ready. Amen. If you want a revival, start it in your own soul. Amen. The shame impersonating, acting like the rest of the churches, went out after the Babylon, that little old associate, half cousin you running around with. Amen. God bless you, friends. You know that's the truth.

And from his sermon **QA Hebrews Part 1 57-0925 217-42** brother Branham said, "And they wonder how the world war, first World War... Look, it stopped on **November the eleventh**, at the **eleven o'clock** of the day: the **eleventh month**, the **eleventh day**, and the **eleventh hour**. And immediately after that, the water baptism in Jesus' Name was revealed and the baptism of the Holy Ghost to the church, exactly, immediately after that. And if you take it on over in **Revelations**, how we tied it together, and between the Philadelphian age and the Laodicean... And the Methodists had the Philadelphian age, the brotherly love. And the last age, church age, was the Laodicean age, which is lukewarm age. And He said in there, "**I have set a door (open door) before you**," **an open door**. And if you'll refer those Scriptures back, it'll tie the entire message right into one place there to show you it exactly...

And from his sermon **Jehovah Jireh 61-0209 E-80** Our heavenly Father, the Word is sharp, truly, Lord, and it cuts, but the people has sat just as patiently and sweetly. And, Father God, laying this foundation back to let these Christians know that they have not lost their covenant. It was given to them unconditionally. But **they'll lose their reward** if they don't come back into the promised land. Lost the joy, the world begin to creep into the church, we see how it's getting. And it's according to Thy Word. There's no way we can stop it, Father. But we're trying to get those who are willing to come, for we believe **this is the eleventh hour call, the midnight cry is fixing to be given**. (Remember, this is 1961 here, and the Lord has not yet descended in the cloud with the shout. That is 1963.) **Science says it's less than three minutes till midnight, when the whole world will be blown to pieces**. What if some fanatic would let one of them bombs loose tonight and it'd come into one of the radar screens? Every nation in the world would turn loose bombs. The world can't survive it, Father. But **before this happens, You made a promise that we'd be gone**. So if it could happen before morning, the Sputniks... and the world could come to an end just in a moment, and we see it scientifically; then if it's that close, how close is the coming, when it'll come before that? The rapture of the church, we won't have to stand the judgments. You paid for that for us. We're in You, free from judgment. "**When I see the Blood, I'll pass over you.**"

Mark Of The Beast 61-0217 E-51 Notice, *hardened their hearts...* Now, when was there ever a complete global strife after that time? Was the First World War. All of the armies, the nations, were gathering into one... They was writing on the decline of the First World War. Nobody knows today whoever made a issue of peace. Kaiser Wilhelm said he didn't do it. No general said he didn't do it. But notice, how strange it was. It was on November the 11th at eleven o'clock in the day. The eleventh day of the month, the eleventh month in the year, the eleventh hour of the day, and eleven minutes till eleven. What was it? Hold, stop mysteriously... What did it? **God's issue went forth to hold it. "Hold the four winds." "Winds" means "war and strife";** we know. Until we have got Israel back in Palestine again, **"Hold the four winds," and it stopped right there on the eleventh hour** because... Remember Jesus speaking of **the eleventh hour people**? And the one that come in on the **eleventh hour**, what did He say? Oh, don't be dumb; be spiritual. Look, how did He say? The **eleventh hour people** got the same wage the one did that come in the first hour. **Then the baptism of the Holy Ghost has to go right back and seal the Jew, like the first one was sealed, that eleventh hour people. "Hold the four winds; don't let the world be destroyed until we seal the servants of our God in their forehead."**

From his sermon **The Token 64-0208 235** he said, "Just think, the great Holy Spirit coming, identifying Jesus Christ alive after two thousand years. See, the very nature of Him doing the same thing as He promised it would be done. That's right. I'm so grateful for you, friends. **You're that eleventh-hour people standing here, just getting in.** I'm so glad you come. Each one of you remember, it was God who told you to come. Humanly, you wouldn't have done it. But God told you to do it.

And from **Recognizing Your Day 64-0726M 37** he said, "The time of the Gentiles has been in this Pentecostal feast. The trumpets, all of them was sounded under the Sixth Seal. And we picked it up last Sunday under the Feast of the Trumpets, if you all want to get it. What was it to do? **To rush the Jews from all parts of the world back into their homeland. It must be there. And the opening of the Seals under the Sixth Seal and under... The seven trumpets sounded in the Sixth Seal. Now, the seventh angel's Message is to open the mystery of the Seals, calling the eleventh hour Gentile workers to receive the same pay that the first hour workers got.** See? Now, Jesus taught it. He said there was some peoples went into the harvest. They were hired, and when they did, of a early morning--they received a time, a penny for the day. And then at noontime someone else come in and went to work. And then at **the eleventh hour**, that's the last hour of the day, that someone come in and received the same kind of pay that they did at the first hour of the day, last hour. It's so perfectly, how the first hour messengers with the Word, with the Gospel, with the Truth, they came in at the day of Pentecost. Then there was a dark age that blocked them out. Then at the middle of the day, Luther, and Wesley, and them came in. And then there is to be an evening time Message, and to receive the same thing that they did at the beginning. The evening time Message is to restore back again, to bring back that same thing again.

Exodus 26:7 ¶ *And thou shalt make curtains of goats' hair* (remember the goat was for a sin offering) *to be a covering upon the tabernacle: eleven curtains shalt thou make. 8* *The*

length of one curtain shall be thirty cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: and the eleven curtains shall be all of one measure.

And from his sermon **Inter Veil 56-0121 E-86** brother Branham said, “*That's what the church needs today is an experience that'll take them into, under the Shekinah Glory, where all the curtains will fall and hide the man from the things of the world, till you live in the Presence of God, under His great power, under the interlocked wings of the Holy Ghost, and in the cross you'll stand. And the cross don't become a burden anymore.*

And from **Hebrews Chapter 5 and 6 57-0908M 181-89** Watch. Let's turn just a moment to **Hebrews** the **10th** chapter. Listen close. I want to read a little bit out of the **9th** chapter first, the **11th** verse. *But Christ being come a high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle,... (His own tabernacle, His flesh) See, the old tabernacle... **Did you notice the old tabernacle had a veil in it that hid the ark where God lived?** How many knows that? Sure. Well, that old manmade tabernacle here, **the curtains out of dyed goat skins and so forth, were made a tabernacle to hide the Presence of God.** How many knows that only one man could go in there once a year? Certainly, that was Aaron, go in once a year, and he must be anointed. And, oh, the requirement. And he must have fire in his hand; and if he went without that, he died as soon as he moved that veil back. He'd dropped dead. He must go in there and light these candlesticks, and sprinkle the mercy seat, which called out the blood of the death the substitutionary as... So Christ must come to fulfill it. **181-91** Now, but God then became in another type of a tabernacle. And that Tabernacle was Who? **Jesus.** And **God was inside of Jesus,** and He was hid; but He was reconciling the world to Himself by His expression. Christ revealed God. He said, *"It's not Me that doeth the works; it's My Father that dwelleth in Me. I do nothing in Myself but what I see the Father doing. The Father in Me, showing Me these visions, and then I go do just what the Father told Me to do."* You get it? God was inside of a human body, not behind goat skins dyed, but was a living, moving. God had hands; God had feet; God had tongue; God had eyes; and it was Christ. There He was.*

And from **Hidden Life 55-1006A E-40** “*Have you ever come to the place in life where Christ meant more to you than all the arguing you could do about your church? Has Christ meant more to you than all the world? I don't mean from an emotion or a mental work-up; I mean from the depths of your heart, that something's settled in there, that something's taken place, that you don't know how it come, but you're hid away, and your whole motive is to serve Jesus Christ. Have you entered that place, my dear brother? Have you come into that place where you don't care what anyone says, not to go out and act smart, but **till the love of God is so anchored into you, that you can't see nothing else, you're whole motive is to do the will of God, love for everybody,** flowing free from everywhere? What a place to live. That's the hidden place. That's the place where we got to come to, my brethren. That's the place where God reveals His secret things. That's the place where God does the placing and the calling. You get what I mean?*

Let us pray...