

**Unveiling of God no 149**  
*As Long as Christ is in You*  
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Let us remain standing as we turn in our Bibles to the Book of Colossians and we will read from the Word of God.

**Colossians 1:25** *Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given **to me for you, to fulfil the word of God**; 26 Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: 27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of **the glory** (the doxa) of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is "**Christ in you, the hope of glory**": (Christ in you is the hooe of your manifesting the doxa.) 28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus: 29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.*

Let us bow our heads in prayer,

Now, this morning we will read from God's Prophet's Message **The Unveiling of God** and we will pick up at paragraph **132**.

**132** *The veil, **tradition of unbelievers, taken away, you see God. When the veil of traditions has been removed, you can see that God is still God of His Word. He still keeps His Word. He's The God, Author of His Word that is hid behind skin veils to others. Yes, that is right. To those who cannot go behind the veil, He's still behind skin veils.***

And that is what Paul is telling us in his letter to the **Colossians**, which we will get back to in a few minutes.

Now, let's read from paragraph **133** *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.*****

Now listen, right after saying this, *Because God was in Him, made Him God he then quotes from what Paul said in **Colossians 2** And as **Christ is in you, the hope of glory**, and then he adds, you become part of Christ.*

*Therefore as long as Christ is in you, and remember Christ is the Word, then he says, "**He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he also.**" That makes you a part of Him. He says, "you become part of Christ."*

Ok, now let's continue..."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.

Now, why is Christ in you veiled to the unbeliever? Because **Christ is the Word**, and He is a Spirit, "**the Spirit**", and therefore as The Spirit, he is invisible, and it is your flesh that hides His Word, His Spirit inside that veil.

And since you are born with the same veil that was born in sin, and shaped in iniquity, they look at your flesh, your veil and cannot see the tabernacling Deity, because no man has seen God.

Then brother Branham says, *"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, let's go back to our text that we read from this morning to see what Paul was saying in **Colossians 1:25** *Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; 26 Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: 27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory (the *doxa*) of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is "Christ in you, the hope of glory": (Christ in you is the hope of your manifesting the doxa.) 28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus: 29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.*

Now, notice Paul speaking to the Colossians and he speaks here of how that he was given a **ministry** from God, and that **ministry** was for the dispensation of God's Word that he was living under. And that **ministry** was to fulfill the Word of God for his hour, for his dispensation.

Now, the word dispensation is defined as: ***an act or instance of dispensing; distribution. Something that is distributed or given out. a certain order, system, or arrangement; administration or management.***

### ***In Theology.***

- 1. the divine ordering of the affairs of the world.*
- 2. an appointment, arrangement, or favor, as by God.*
- 3. a divinely appointed order or age: the old Mosaic, or Jewish, dispensation; the new gospel, or Christian, dispensation.*

So we are talking about a true God called, God sent ministry is always sent by God to dispense what God given for the hour in which the man lives in order to dispense that portion of God's Word for that particular hour and time.

Notice The apostle Paul also said *it was given to me, but it is for you. "according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you."*

That is how God works with every gift he sends to earth. The ministry is never for the one ministering, it is for them he ministers too. The very word ministry he used here is *diakonos* where we get our word deacon from. It is not a position of great exaltation, but rather it is a position of a servant.

The word minister or *diakonos* literally means “*to run on errands, an attendant, a waiter, a Christian Teacher or pastor.*”

So we see the purpose of God calling one to the ministry is to attend to the needs of those he is sent to. To be a waiter. And what does a waiter do? As a waiter he brings the meal. Hallelujah. He is not responsible to cook it up. It is already given by God, but he is there to make sure those he is sent to receive what God has already given.

And Paul says, all of this is “*to fulfil the word of God:*”

That is why Jesus when he went to be baptized by John, John recognized him and said, You don't need me to baptize you, it is I who should be baptized by you. But Jesus said to him, it is written in the Word so suffer with it John for it behooves us to fulfill all right-wisdom. Why? Because the lamb had to be washed before it could be sacrificed.

And that is what brother Branham told br. Vayle when they discussed being baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Br. Vayle already had the Holy Ghost and that was acknowledged by God's prophet. He even saw a lick of fire above him when he came to visit and told that to sister Meda. And we know the lick of fire in the testimony of Jesus Christ. So brother Vayle did not understand if he already had the Holy Ghost then why go through the exercise of being baptized in the name of Jesus Christ? And brother Branham told him about why Jesus was baptized, and told brother Vayle to suffer it to be so. And so he took brother Vayle and baptized him. Because as he often said, it is not the baptism that gives us the Holy Ghost, the baptism in water is what we do to show the world we have died to self and are buried in Christ's death and we are no more our own.

Then we also see that the food, the spiritual meat in due season the minister is to bring, Paul calls it in the next verse *the hidden mystery. 26 Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:*

And so we see then Paul tells us what that hidden mystery is, for in the next verse he tells us. *27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory* (that word is *doxa, the opinions, values, and judgments of God*) *the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles;* (and what is this mystery? He says) “*which is Christ in you, the hope of glory*”:

Now, remember the *glory* of God is from the Greek word *doxa*, and it is *the opinions, values and judgments of God*. Therefore, “*Christ in you, the hope of glory, is Christ in you the hope or earnest expectation of his opinions, values, and judgments.*”

So Paul's ministry was to bring this great mystery, this great revelation to the people God had ordained to receive it. It had been hidden for ages, but God used Paul as his waiter to bring this revelation (This spiritual food in due season) to the people.

Now, from the **Church Age Book Chapter 4 - The Smyrnaean Church Age P:2 INTRODUCTION** we read, *"In order to refresh your minds I want to point out again how we arrive at finding the names of the messengers to the various ages. God in His sovereign will has seen to it that the history of the New Testament church was not lost, even as He saw to it that the history of Israel would not be lost by placing it in the Bible and corroborating it today from multitudes of scrolls, earthen vessels and other artifacts that archaeologists have discovered and interpreted. We actually have a running commentary of Bible history from the first page up to now. Thus **by reading history we can find out what man or men in the various ages were the closest to God's original pattern, the Apostle Paul. The ones that God used to bring His people back to the Word of Truth would be the ones to examine.** Then out of those there would be one for every age who would stand out the clearest as the **closest in Word pattern and power.** That one would be the messenger. The ages also are found by a study of history. One simply needs to read the ages as found in Revelation and it all patterns perfectly with history as **INDEED IT MUST.** Since the church ages were foretold by God and their very conditions revealed, then of necessity, the history that would follow would be as the Bible sets forth. It is that simple, but then simplicity is the key to the Word.*

**Church Age Book Chapter 4 - The Smyrnaean Church Age P:140** ***In every age we have exactly the same pattern.** That is why the light comes through some **God-given messenger in a certain area,** and then **from that messenger there spreads the light through the ministry of others who have been faithfully taught.** But of course all those who go out don't always learn how necessary it is to speak **ONLY** what the messenger has spoken. (Remember, Paul warned the people to say only what he said, **I Corinthians 14:37,** *"If any man think himself to be a prophet or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the **COMMANDMENTS OF THE LORD.** What? came the Word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?"*) **They add here, or take away there, and soon the message is no longer pure, and the revival dies down.** How careful we must be to hear **ONE voice, for the Spirit has but one voice which is the voice of God.** Paul warned them to say what he said, even as Peter did likewise. He warned them that **EVEN HE (PAUL)** could not change one word of what he had given by revelation. Oh, how important it is **to hear the voice of God by way of His messengers,** and **then say** what has been given them to say to the churches.*

Now, I am going to read this again for emphasis, because if we read it clearly we will not get caught up into wrong teaching.

Notice he says, *how important it is **to hear the voice of God by way of His messengers,** and **then say** what has been given them to say to the churches. **to hear and then say.***

It doesn't stop at hearing, it must be spoken also. There has got to be a ministry to say it after having heard it. How then can the third pull come if the Bride is not speaking what she has heard. For the third pull has to do with "speaking the Word," and the word manifesting what was spoken.



From **Church Age Book Chapter 3 - The Ephesian Church Age P:20** brother Branham tells us *“Paul founded the church at Ephesus about the middle of the first century. This enables us to set the date of the beginning of the Ephesian Church Age; about 53 A.D. 21 His manner of ministering set the pattern that all future messengers were to aspire to, and actually sets the pattern for every true minister of God, though he would not attain to such heights in the prophetic realm as did Paul. Paul's ministry had a threefold quality and was as follows:*

So we see there is a pattern God set for all true ministers of God, and Paul was used by God to set that pattern.

Next we see what identifiable characteristics make up that pattern.

**22** ***First** of all, Paul was absolutely true to the Word. He never deviated from it no matter what the cost. Galatians 1:8-9, "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed."*

Now, we are still reading from the Church Age Book where brother Branham adds another Scripture, **Galatians 2:11,14**, *"But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed." "But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the Gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?"*

**23** ***I Corinthians 14:36-37**, "What? came the Word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?(did it only come to you?) If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord."*

**24** *Notice that Paul was unorganized, but Spirit-led, as when God moved upon Moses to lead Israel out of Egypt. Jerusalem's council never sent Paul out, nor did it have any power or jurisdiction over him. God, and God alone, did the sending and the leading. Paul was not of men, but of God. Galatians 1:1, "Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, Who raised Him from the dead:)" Galatians 2:3-5, "But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised: And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage: To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the Gospel might continue with you."*

So we see the pattern is first and foremost being true to the Word of God. It didn't matter what all the other preachers were doing or teaching, he did not follow the crowd, he followed the leading of God and God alone. That is the first part of the pattern God was setting forth for the ministries to follow in his footsteps. The Word first.

**25** ***Secondly**, his ministry was in the power of the Spirit, thereby demonstrating the spoken and written Word.*

This **second part** is what sets apart a God sent man from a man who has called himself. A man that has called himself can go and read word for word from the prophets but is not vindicated by God through the supernatural display and demonstration that God's presence is with him. This part you cannot fake. Either the demonstration of the spoken Word, and the written word are to be prominent in the ministry or it isn't.

Now false anointed can come with a **part of the Word**, and they may have some signs and wonders but their signs and wonders are not a demonstration of the Spoken and written Word for the age but rather are the product of obedience to the Word by laying hands on the sick as in **Mark 16** and God being obligated to his Word brings the healing that was paid for on Calvary.

The reprobate Jew understands perfectly sowing and reaping, and so he knows if he sows he expects to reap. There are certain identifiable laws and principles that God has given to man, and if man acts accordingly to those principles, he knows he will reap because God is not a man that he can lie. God is obligated to His own Word. He is not obligated to your word, unless you are quoting His Words, "**Thus saith the Lord**", or "**the Lord has said thus**." Many times I have heard God's vindicated prophet say, "Thus saith the Lord" and he was quoting Scripture. And that is correct. But other times He is not quoting Scripture but something that is present tense and proclaims "**Thus Saith the Lord**." And he was sure because the vision from God showed him the result before he proclaimed it.

A man can go forth praying for the sick and you may or may not see people healed. But show me a fake ministry can speak to the storms and the storms stop, or pray to God for rain like Elijah did and the rains come, or pray that God hold back the rain and the rain is held back.

That is what brother Branham is telling us here in the church Age book **25 Secondly, his ministry was in the power of the Spirit, thereby demonstrating the spoken and written Word.**

**I Corinthians 2:1-5, "And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God."**

We are still reading from the Church Age Book where brother Branham adds another Scripture, "**Acts 14:8-10 And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked: The same heard Paul speak: who steadfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed, Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.**"

We are still reading from the Church Age Book where brother Branham adds another Scripture, "**Acts 20:9-12 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead. And Paul went down, and fell on**

*him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him. When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed. And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted."*

We are still reading from the Church Age Book where brother Branham adds another Scripture, "**Acts 28:7-9** *In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously. And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him. So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed."*

We are still reading from the Church Age Book where brother Branham adds another Scripture, "**II Corinthians 12:12**, *"Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds."*

And now we come to the third identifiable characteristic or attribute that a True ministry is in line with the pattern set forth in Paul and that is...

**26 Thirdly, he had the evident fruit of his God-given ministry. **II Corinthians 12:11**, *"I am become a fool in glorying; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, though I be nothing."***

We are still reading from the Church Age Book where brother Branham adds another Scripture, "**I Corinthians 9:2**, *"If I be not an apostle unto others, yet doubtless I am to you: for the seal of mine apostle-ship are ye in the Lord."*

We are still reading from the Church Age Book where brother Branham adds another Scripture, "**II Corinthians 11:2**, *"For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ."*

Then brother Branham says, "**Paul had been the means of bringing in multitudes of the Gentile sheep; he fed them, and cared for them, until they brought forth righteous fruit and were prepared to meet the Lord as a part of the Gentile bride.**

And so will every true ministry of God that fits the pattern Paul established. They will feed the flock the spiritual food in due season, and they will also care for them and help them in their genuine needs. And we abide with them until they begin to manifest rightly wise fruits being prepared to meet the Lord as a part of the Gentile Bride.

In other words as Paul said in, **Philippians 2:12** *Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. 13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure. 14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings: 15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; 16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain. 17 Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all.*

Paul was not saying look what a great thing I did for you. He was saying I cannot help to be poured out for you for it is not me doing this but God who has worked in me His Will, and it is also Him in me doing the performance of His will.

Then brother Branham continues, **27** *At the time of the giving of the Revelation, according to tradition, Paul had already died a martyr, but **John was carrying on in his stead exactly as Paul had done** in the days of his ministry. The death of Paul, before the Revelation was given, does not at all annul the fact that he was the messenger to the Ephesian Church Age, for the messenger to every age, regardless of when he appears or goes, **is the one who influences that age for God by means of a Word-manifested ministry.** Paul was that man.*

Notice God worked the pattern of son-ship into and through His first born son, and then in Paul and then in John and then in Irenaeus who was tied to John's ministry as his mentor, and then in Martin, and then in Columba but also in others like St. Patrick who was not a church age messenger but a real man of God walking after the pattern that Jesus first set forth, and then Paul walked in etc.

And what is that pattern? **John 14:12** if you have **the same Spirit in you that was in Christ**, you will have the same nature, the same life, and thus you will speak what he spoke, which means you will preach what he preached, and you will do what he did and therefore you will do the same works that he did, for as it was in him "the Spirit of God worked in Him to will first and then to do His "Gods" good pleasure. Then so it must be in you. The same Spirit of God will work in you to will and to do His good pleasure, just as he did in his first born son, in Paul, in John, in Irenaeus, in Martin, in Columba, in St Patrick etc all the way down to the prophet of Malachi 4 and into the Bride of Christ who will have and who will manifest the third which is the spoken word.

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

And from his sermon **Harvest time 64-1212 P:112** Look, hurrying, **there must come a true Seed.** There has just got to be, because He's coming for the Bride without spot or wrinkle. He's coming for it, **a Word-vindicated Bride.** Oh, **she'll be such a little bitty group.** Jesus said, **"As it was in the days of Noah (wherein eight souls was saved, is that right?), so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man." How many? I don't know. But, see, the Bride's going to be made up of all down through, that's had the Word in their age. It's not just this**



*last group, God's going to take the whole thing out of here. Oh, no. **It'll be so small**, it'll be surprising. They'll come up missing; you won't even know they're gone. What if He took five hundred in this last day? You'd never know it. Took five hundred in a few days' time, two or three days, there's that many people comes up missing across the world, don't even know where they're at, never hear nothing about them. **The secret coming of the Lord Jesus, She'll be taken away. And the rest of them go right ahead preaching**, just like it was in the days of Noah, "Glory to God, we got It (Hallelujah.)," and sealed to their death. That's what the Bible says, and It can't fail.*

And inclosing let me read again what brother Branham said in **Church Age Book Chapter 4 - The Smyrnaean Church Age P:140** **In every age we have exactly the same pattern.** *That is why the light comes through some **God-given messenger in a certain area, and then from that messenger there spreads the light through the ministry of others who have been faithfully taught.***

That same light spreads through the ministry of others.

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