**Luke 24:1** Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them. **2** And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre. **3** And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus. **4** And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments: **5** And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead? **6** He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee, **7** Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again. **8** And they remembered his words, **9** And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest. **10** It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles. **11** And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not. **12** Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass. **13** And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. **14** And they talked together of all these things which had happened. **15** And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. **16** But their eyes were holden that they should not know him. **17** And he said unto them, What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? **18** And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass in these days? **19** And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people: **20** And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. **21** But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, today is the third day since these things were done. **22** Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; **23** And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. **24** And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said: but him they saw not. **25** Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: **26** Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? **27** And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. **28** And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further. **29** But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. **30** And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. **31** And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight. **32** And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures? **33** And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, **34** Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. **35** And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread. **36** And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. **37** But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. **38** And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? **39** Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. **40** And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet. **41** And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat? **42** And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. **43** And he took it, and did eat before them. **44** And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which
were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me. 45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures. 46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: 47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 And ye are witnesses of these things. 49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. 50 And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. 51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: 53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.

This afternoon I wish to talk to you about the season of the resurrection which we are now entering into, so I can help you to embrace it as it comes more and more into a climax with the literal resurrection that we are looking forward to taking place.

In order to be able to understand and to be able to read how close we are to the time of the resurrection, we must go back to the first resurrection to see what the atmosphere was like there in the Alpha ministry of Jesus Christ.

Br. Branham made the comment that after the rapture has taken place many of the churches will go right on with their programs as though nothing has even happened, because they will miss it. I hope that does not happen to any of you listening in this afternoon.

So let’s go back to the Alpha and look at what happened in the first resurrection, and the build up to it.

Now, if we read from the Gospels in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John to find many words that describe and characterize the atmosphere in which the people were living under at the time of the resurrection, we see words like perplexed, and Sad, and unbelief, and hardness of heart in not believing, and wondering in themselves, and why do these thoughts arise in your hearts?

We did not see a rah rah attitude among the people at the time of the first resurrection, now should we see it at the second. For many did not even understand there would be a resurrection then, much less living through that time of it.

Therefore, this afternoon, I would like to take some thoughts on the Resurrection since this day we have assembled to Honor the Resurrection of God’s first born Son. But in doing so I pray to God that I can paint the picture in our minds of the atmosphere the people were living under in that day, when it seemed all hope had been lost, and all the people could see was the wrath of the Roman legions controlling every aspect of their lives.

The people were forced to live under military curfews, and martial law, and when they went to the grave in despair to tend to the wounded body or Jesus, they had to travel like a thief in the night lest they be found out. There were not any real freedom to travel, and freedom of assembly, everything was under the watchful eye of Rome, and the people were prisoners in their own country. There was nothing to rejoice about, everything was pessimism, doubt, uncertainty, and despair.

Now, I know there are churches that seem to be full of zeal and ambition, and rejoicing and claiming they believe the Message, and claim they looking for the resurrection, but their attitude does not live up to the Alpha Omega principle. I do not understand how anyone who is living today can be so rah rah enthusiastic when all they have to do is to open their eyes, and see this world is dying very quickly and the masses of people are being poisoned to death by a COVID Vaccine which is not a vaccine, but a medical procedure that will zap and dull their senses to God and the things of God.

When we see abominations done daily in the city (DC) we ought to be a people who are sighing and crying because we see those abominations being done right out in public. So the Apostle Paul tells us in 1 Thessalonians 4:13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.
So the apostle Paul speaks of a time when there is no hope, just hopelessness, and a time of sorrow. And that Greek word for sorrow here was the Greek word: Lupeo from 3077; to distress; reflexively or passively, to be sad; --cause grief; to grieve, be in heaviness, (be) sorrow(-ful), (full of sorrow) be (make) sorry.

Now, this is the same atmosphere he speaks of here as was prevalent during the Alpha Resurrection season of our Lord Jesus Christ. There seemed to be no hope, and the people were at their end of hope.

Because remember, and don’t forget that just a week before they crucified Jesus he road into Jerusalem as their King, fulfilling Scripture and the people were full of joy, and victory and celebration rang out in the streets, and then a week later that joy and rejoicing was suddenly broken without hand, as we read in the Book of Daniel about the 2020 election we just went through.

America had its King, and it seemed he was restoring many of the good things about America that made her great in years gone by when she was a Christian nation, and it seemed like it was certain that another four years of peace and safety were ahead, and then just as suddenly as our Messiah King was broken without hand in the alpha, so the peoples champion was suddenly broken and out or office in this hour.

So if you were to recreate the atmosphere in the early church today, I do not know any way better than to have it everything turn out just the way it did. And that set the mood, and the atmosphere to reflect the same sullenness, the same loss of hope, the same dejection that filled the air in the alpha, now repeating in the Omega.

Remember, Jesus as King road into Jerusalem on the Donkey fulfilling Scripture, when he was taken an crucified, that hope and joy was dashed to pieces, just like the joy the people had when seeing President Trump looking to walk away with the election and give us another 4 years of peace and prosperity, and then wham. It was all gone in a moment’s time. Jesus was crucified, and Trump was suddenly broken without hand. And so the natural types the Spiritual, and with that sudden change in the Alpha, we see the same thing in the Omega.

The man that would be King, broken without hand, and crucified, and with it the atmosphere changed suddenly. Isn’t it amazing how God uses even politics to create the atmosphere to fulfill that portion of Scripture for the season?

And so the season of Resurrection in the Alpha was not set up with great victory, and pomp, but with sadness and dejection, doubts and despair. But just as the atmosphere in the Alpha has repeated in the Omega, yet the apostle Paul warned us this would happen, and to be above that despair because we have a true hope in the resurrection, for those who are in Christ have already a hope or earnest of the resurrection living in them.

“14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.”

Now, how can these words be a comfort to us if we do not believe them. Therefore these words are not for the unbeliever but for the believer only. And they are not for the Christian world in general but for those who follow the Pillar of fire. For these Words speak of the Lord Himself, God Almighty coming down with a Shout which is a military command, which brother Branham called the Message. And this Shout is to gather together an elect people to a Message that will get them ready for the Voice of the Resurrection.

He said “comfort one another with these words.” And so the time or the season of the resurrection will be a time and season when comforting words will be needed much at that time. Last week we spoke to you about how that He is our refuge in times of trouble.
And we read from Psalm 27:1-5 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? 2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. 3 Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident. 4 One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple. 5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

And so we see that Brother Branham used this scripture to take His text for his Rapture Message. And notice that it speaks of a time of trouble. And yet notice how we are told that during this time of trouble we are to keep our focus on Him Who is our Refuge.

In this time of trouble God will hide us in His Secret place. And we find where that place is in Psalm 31:19-20 Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men! 20 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy Presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.

And so we see that at the end time, the atmosphere will be one of great tumult, uncertainty, much stress and just everywhere you look sin, and oppression.

2 Timothy 3:1-17 AMPLIFIED: But understand this, that in the last days there will set in perilous times of great stress and trouble - hard to deal with and hard to bear. For people will be lovers of self and utterly self-centered, lovers of money and aroused by inordinate and greedy desire for wealth, proud and arrogant and contemptuous boasters. They will be abusive, blasphemous and scoffers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy and profane. They will be without natural human affection, in fact callous and inhuman, relentless-admitting of no truce or appeasement. They will be slanderers-false accusers, trouble makers; intemperate and loose in morals and conduct, uncontrolled and fierce, haters of good. They will be treacherous betrayers, rash and inflated with self-conceit. They will be lovers of sensual pleasures and vain amusements more than and rather than lovers of God. For although they hold a form of devotion and sanctity, they deny and reject and are strangers to the power of it - their conduct belies the genuineness of their profession. Avoid all such people-turn away from them. For among them are those who worm their way into churches and captivate silly and weak-natured and spiritually dwarfed church members, loaded down with the burdens of their sins, and easily swayed and led away by various evil desires and seductive impulses, These weak women will listen to anybody who will teach them; they are forever inquiring and getting information, but are never able to arrive at a recognition and knowledge of The Truth. Now just as Jannes and Jambres were hostile to and resisted Moses, so these men also are hostile to and oppose The Truth. They have depraved and distorted minds, and are reprobate and counterfeit and to be rejected as far as The Faith is concerned. But they will not get very far, for their rash folly will become obvious to everybody, as was those men mentioned. Now you have closely observed and diligently followed my teaching, conduct, purpose in Life, patience, Love, Steadfastness. Persecutions, sufferings, such as occurred to me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra, persecutions I endured, but out of them all the Lord delivered me. Indeed all who delight in Holiness and are determined to living a devoted and Godly life in Christ Jesus will meet with persecution—that is, will be made to suffer because of their religious stand. But wicked men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and leading astray others and being deceived and led astray themselves. But as for you, continue to hold to the things that you have learned and of which you are convinced, knowing from whom you learned them. ... 16 Every Scripture is God-breathed, given by His Inspiration - and profitable for instruction, for reproof and conviction of sin, for correction of error and discipline in obedience, and for training in righteousness which is holy living in conformity to God's will, in your thoughts, purpose and actions. So that the man of God may be complete and proficient, well-fitted and thoroughly equipped for every good work.
So we see then that there is coming a time of trouble, and Brother Branham said, we are now sailing through dangerous, treacherous waters. But notice the Message we see here in the Psalms and 2 Timothy 3. During these times we are to stay focused and tucked into the cleft of the Rock.

And in getting back to what Paul said in 1 Thessalonians 4:13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

But Paul went on to tell us during this time of His Parousia, that God would come, His great Parousia Presence, would bring forth three great and wonderful things, a Message first, then a Resurrection, and finally a being caught up with Him and taken on home.

Now, because we are human and must live in these three dimensions over space and time, we have had to live through these three great events, with much time in between each of them to the point that one loses sight of the first and then becomes desperate for God to bring on the second. That is much like what even Jesus himself went through from his time in Gethsemane to the Cross. In the garden, we saw the desperation that even Jesus had gone, even to the point of sweating great drops of blood.

And this atmosphere of desperation is what brings us to our knees in more sincerity than ever, crying out to our God to deliver us. We need something more than just knowledge of the day and hour which we live because we hardly have faith for healing much less a resurrection. And so we have a people who sit helplessly by not having learned from this Man of God that God indeed hears our prayer.

Many are waiting for brother Branham to come back so that he will teach us that something greater that will give us Faith for a rapture. But that only shows we do not believe what God has already shown us. God took one man who trusted in Him to demonstrate to the world that “with God all things are possible”. We believe what that man taught to be “Thus Saith the Lord.” Now if what he taught was from God and Thus it was “Thus Saith the Lord,” Then we ought to believe God, for not to believe God is to call Him a liar.

Now, we know that soon the Resurrection will come and whether you are ready for it or not it will happen. But I believe when it does there will be no looking back. In fact several years ago I received a dream from the Lord where I was talking with brother Branham in his home over there in Jeffersonville. I described the entire seen to brother Vayle the time and he said that is exactly the way it was.

In this dream I could feel the presence of God mightily as brother Branham came into the living room to sit down. I was the only one there but there were chairs in a circle as though more were expected. As he sat down there was silence in the room for the space of time which I do not recall but it seemed for several minutes. Then I spoke very humbly to brother Branham and I asked him if I could ask him a question. He said, that I may. I asked him, “what will it be like at the time of the resurrection?” And He replied, “It will be like suicide.” I knew instantly that he was not saying it will be suicide, but like suicide which meant it will be a time where there will be no turning back. Our minds will be made up in such a manner that there will be no second thoughts. We will be prepared to walk forward not knowing what the next step will be.” A great time of despair and uncertainty, yet a commitment to go forward, knowing there will not be any last minute changing our mind once we step forward into it.

Now, I believe that dream was from the Lord. And so as Abraham was asked to start walking toward the land of Promise the Scriptures tell us that he knew not whether he was going to but he knew Who He was walking with. Hebrews 11:8 tells us, “By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, he obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.”

And “if you walk in the light as He is in that Light,” then you’re walking with Him, and it doesn’t make any difference to you where you’re going, the only thing you’re concerned with is that you’re walking with him. That is what Faith is all about. Walking with Him, and trusting in Him. “walking in the Light as He is in the light.” Then you are walking with Him. In fact the very evidence that you’re believing what He’s revealed to you, is that you’re walking in the revelation He gave you to walk in. Especially when no one else knows that you’re obeying the hidden voice of God to you. Not hidden to you, revealed to you but hidden from them.
Now, we read this morning in our text from 1 Thessalonians 4 that we will be caught up together with the resurrected saints and then we shall go together with them to meet the Lord in the air. Them that have gone on before us, shall be gathered together with us first, and then we shall be caught up together by the Trump of God and away we go to meet the Lord Jesus, the Son of God in the air, which is a higher dimension than these three dimensions that we now live in.

The Apostle Paul said in 1 Corinthians 15:50 “Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trummp: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. 55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? 56 The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

From his sermon God In Simplicity - 63-0317 1M 58-5 brother Branham said, “God just speaks and the Rapture will come. It ain't going out there and them Angels come down and shovel out the grave and get out an old dead carcass here. What is it? It is born of sin to begin with, but "a new one made in its likeness". If we have this, we will die again. See? Nobody can say, "The graves will open. The dead shall walk out." That may be true, but not open the way you say open. That's right. See? It won't be like that. It'll be a secret, because He said He would come like a thief in the night. He's already told us this, the Rapture, then judgments will strike - sins, plagues, sickness, and everything. The people will cry for death to take them from the judgment. "Lord, why is this judgment upon us when You said that there would be a Rapture first?" He will say, "It's already come, and you didn't know it." God hiding Himself in simplicity. Oh, my!

All right. "It's already happened and you knew it not." Why don't believers believe the simple signs of His coming? They're expecting all this things that's spoke of by the Scripture, and the moon is going to go down in the middle, the sun in the middle of the day, and there's going to be all kinds of things... Why don't believers believe the simple signs of His coming? They're expecting all this things that's spoke of by the Scripture, and the moon's going to go down in the middle the sun in the middle of the day, and there's going to be all kinds of things. Oh, if we just had... I got the notes wrote here on it (See?), to show what them things are, and we'll get it on the breaking of these Seals this week anyhow. See, see? There it is, just where it's already passed and you didn't know it. See? See if it is. If the Angel of the Lord will break them Seals forth to us... Remember, it's sealed with them seven mysterious thunders. See?

Now, why can't people believe the simple simplicity of a humble bunch of people and the Voice of the signs of God? Why can't they believe it? Just like it always been. The true Word of God being made manifest. They're too smart and too educated to believe the simple form of the written Word. They want to put their own interpretation to it. "It don't mean this." "It don't mean that." It DOES mean that.

So what is the simple form of the written Word? When it manifests what it is. That is how God interprets His Word, by bringing it to pass. “Listen. May I say this right quick now? Even the visions that God gives here at the place, it's so misunderstood. That's the reason you hear me on the tapes say, "Say what the tapes say. Say what the visions say."

And how are you going to “Say” what the tapes say, if you are only allowed to push play. He didn’t say push play, he said “Say” what’s on them tapes? And how you going to do that without preaching it?

And from his sermon Seven Church Ages - 54-0512 "Behold He cometh with clouds." Now, let me stop here just a moment. Clouds doesn't mean that He's coming on a big thunderhead as mama, bless her heart - she's sitting here somewhere. I remember her voice, she used to set and tell me, said, He's coming on a
great big cloud, gonna raise someday and God's gonna come on. Now the Cloud that He's coming is, if we just had the time to get this back, and get the real background and the whole thing.

Now the Cloud He's coming in is not a cloud, like a thunderhead, but it's a Cloud of Glory He's coming in. See? Now, when Jesus was overshadowed by God on Mount Transfiguration, Clouds overshadowed Him and His raiment. See? And when Elijah would come down, a cloud come down and received him up, not a not a thunderhead, but a Cloud of Glory. His great glorious Presence will strike the earth. He cometh in Clouds! Oh, I love that.

Clouds, there'll be wave after wave of His Glory will come across the earth - and the resurrection of the saints shall come. That blessed Holy Spirit that's lived in their hearts and they're dried with their corpse laying there and the pierced veils over their cheeks and things like that and they're placed back in the graveyard. A great wave of that same Spirit and a sshhewwww, wave after wave - He that was last will be the first. He that was first will be last. I'm kinda see 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 with me. Every generation will come successfully right as it went down.

They which were last will be first. Sure, that's me. See? I'll know my people, the next time my dad and his people, my grandfather and his people, on down like that, wave after wave after wave. And the saints will rise from everywhere. Won't that be wonderful, Amen. That makes the old people feel young again, yes. Now notice closely, for I come to you in a Cloud, and every eye shall see Him, no matter how far back they died, they'll see Him.

So we are looking at a trans-dimensional breach that will take place that will call them from the sixth dimension down into our three dimensions so they can pick up their bodies and unite with their Spirit bodies. But that dimension where they live in right now, there will be something happen that will open a breach to this dimension and when they come back they will pick up the bodies that lay in the grave and unite with that carbon based elements and together they will become glorified.

From his sermon Mother's Day 59-0510M 81 And as the light begins to spread we'll know as we're known; we'll understand. And we'll remember our acquaintance and the ones that's been there. And there'll be many there that we didn't even think would be there, for you know it's at that time that I believe that the bread that we have cast upon the human troubled waters will return to us, on that day. When we see the effects of our testimony on people that we didn't understand their actions towards it, will probably be there. What a day that will be! And then the seeds that we sowed not even thinking what they would do, but here they are. They brought forth precious fruits and we'll see them on that day.

Now, before we go on to talk about this coming resurrection, let me just say that when God Himself came down in this hour he did not hide Himself from mankind. The whole world knows of this coming because the Message was not performed in a corner of the world in some obscure place.

God showed Himself present to the entire world through the ministry of His end-time prophet, William Branham, and through this man, God traveled around the world seven times and in this ministry where God made known His own personal presence in such a way which has not been done since the Lord Jesus Christ embodied the fullness of the Godhead.

Now, we know that many miss Him by the way that He comes, but He does come according to His Scripture. And the first time He come they missed Him because they were so indoctrinated into their own church theology that when God incarnated His only Begotten Son the very people who claimed to Worship the One and True God killed the very expression of that God when He came and dwelt in His Son. He said why do you want to stone me, because I tell you that I am the Son of God. And by saying He was the Son of God, they said He was making Himself God, but He never said He was God, He said he was the son of God. They said he was making Himself God, not Him. He only claimed to be the Son of God, and He said the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He seeth the Father doing, that doeth the Son Likewise.
And so He was dependent upon God to show Him a vision of what he was to do, or say. And He was an obedient son and he did only whatsoever God showed him to do. He said, “Not my will be done but the Will of Him that sent me.” You see when God chooses a servant to use and declares Himself through, the people always miss that representation of God on earth because they are blinded by the vessel of God’s choosing. Jesus Himself said, “which one of the prophets have they not slain”. And Jesus said those words himself to the most religious of the religious, the Pharisees.

Now, William Branham said “my ministry is to declare Him, that He is here.” And there are two things in this statement. **Number one** he said, “My ministry is to declare Him,” that is one statement. And a declaration is a revealing by words, therefore **the Shout is the Message**. The second thing is he said, “My ministry is number one, to declare Him”, and “that He is here”. So to declare the invisible to make Him visible is what the end-time ministry of the Elijah prophet was all about.

Now what if He-God, is here but no one knows it. You see God is invisible, and unless there is something that strikes the vision the vision will continue to be unseen. That is enmorphe. It means something strikes the vision, making the vision visible.

So God wanting to make Himself known, made himself visible by vindicating His personal Presence. He vindicated His personal presence by performing an **Epiphanaea. A Shining forth**. The supernatural signs and wonders then declared his presence before all.

Now, William Branham said “the entire new Testament speaks of this hour.” There are several words I would like to cover this morning because unless you understand what God has done in this hour, unless you have heard the shout and the shout has become alive to you, you will not hear the Voice which is the resurrection.

You see the Bibles speaks of a **Parousia of Christ**. That is the Appearing of the Lord Jesus Christ in the form of the Pillar of Fire which is to take place before the actual 2nd Coming.

William Branham taught that there is a difference between the Appearing and Coming, He said the Appearing is now, the Lord Himself has been Appearing in these meetings in the form of the Pillar of Fire making Himself known.

Now if you do not understand this difference then you will not understand the day in which you are living, and the ministry of God to your day. Now, what if He appeared and no one knew it. What if God descended in His personal Presence but no one perceived what was taking place. Then that **Presence**, would do them no good.

So God in order to show Himself Present, manifested Himself in what the Scripture calls an **Epiphanea**, which is shining forth. The miracles and supernatural demonstration were not the end all purpose of God in this hour, but they were a tool that God used to show forth His very **Presence** among man. So God came down in the form of the Pillar of Fire over the Ohio River in 1933 where hundreds of people not only saw it, but the newspapers declared it.

Then once God got the attention of the people he began to unveil Himself. This unveiling is known in Scripture as the great **Apokolupsis**, or Unveiling of God As God then began to unveil Himself he made known to man His very nature and attributes by manifesting in His true character. That is what the Scripture calls the **Phaneroo of God**. And it takes this Phaneroo of God to the people for the people to manifest what they are.

John told us in 1 John 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

Now, this making manifest in his true character brings on a certain confidence that we have in our relationship with the Father. And in 1 John 2:28 And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his Parousia.
And this word confidence was translated from the Greek word Parrhesia which means a certain boldness in the very presence of God because we know and understand our relationship with the Father because we understand the relationship that He had with His first born Son, Jesus. And if Jesus was God’s firstborn son then that tells us that there are other sons in this family as well. And John said we are already sons, but it just doesn’t appear to us what we are, but When God appears, when He shall Phaneroo, when He shall declare Himself in His trueness of Character, then something happens to us that we not only see Him, but we shall also see or understand who we are as His sons.

And once you see Him, you cannot help but to know and understand who you are and your relationship with Him. And the same God that raised up our Lord Jesus from the dead will raise up all that sleep in Christ in a very short while. And this seeing Him as He truly is, allows us to know Him, not only with our intellectual understanding, an understanding from the mind, but we know Him in an experiential way which is the Ginosko of God that is spoken of in Scriptures. And as we receive His Shout, we receive His very thoughts that He came down to give us that we might become one as he and the first born son were one. Therefore, we shall know Him in an experiential manner the same as Mary had known no man yet conceived of the Holy Ghost. She had experienced in her flesh no man.

Now, once we have experienced the Presence of God in this manner and have received the Shout which is the declaration of Who He is and Why He’s here, then we begin to receive the very mind of God. That is why I believe understanding the Godhead, and the relationship between Father and son, and sons, is so very critical for the believer. It is not enough to know God sent a prophet, because the Parousia of Christ I not about the presence of a prophet, but the Presence of God Himself.

And the adoption cannot come until the adopted sons have the mind of their Father. When God took Jesus up on the Mount of Transfiguration to adopt Him, He said, “This is my Beloved son, IN Whom, I am pleased to dwell, Hear Ye Him.”

In 1 Corinthians 2: The apostle Paul told us that “no man can understand the thoughts of God unless the spirit of God is in Him.” So God has come to give us of His Spirit by the receiving of his Word, which Jesus said “My words are spirit and they are truth”.

And he promised to come down and “to give us the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of himself.” And in receiving the Shout which is the end-time Message it brings sons into relationship with the Father as we saw in Jesus Christ the first born among many brothers as the Apostle Paul said in Romans 8.

Romans 8: 29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

And the receiving the very mind of God is the Glory in which we are to glorified with as Jesus said in His Prayer to the Father and in which we see in 2 Thessalonians 1.

2 Thessalonians 1: 10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day. 11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power: 12 That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Now, this word glorified was translated from the Greek word Doxa and it means the opinion, assessment and judgment. So you see it speaks of the very mind of God coming into the people in that hour. And notice Paul tells us that this is to come in the hour when The Gospel He preached, His testimony would be believed in that day. And William Branham told us that He only preached what Paul Preached.

So you see this is the hour that Paul’s testimony is to be believed. And now let me just say a few words about the next phase of what God is about to do. We know that the same God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ raised up His own Son and will raise up all sons, except for those who do not sleep. And we have a promise of being raised up if we believe the God who also raised up Jesus from the dead.
Now to believe this you must believe that God raised up Jesus. Jesus did not raise up Himself. There are 18 verses of Scripture that tell us that God raised up His Son Jesus.

**Romans Chapter 4: 24** But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;

Now, in closing I just want to read for you a few things brother Branham said about the resurrection since this is the next phase of what God is in the process of Doing, and this concerns us here because one day soon we will see our loved ones back again but this time in a young body that is commensurate with a restored body.

From his sermon **Mother's Day 59-0510M 86** brother Branham said, “As that great light begins to spread all - as we begin to look around, and the great circle will be getting and greater and greater; it's all just reflecting the approach of Jesus. And after while, as the song said, And I shall see Jesus at last. He will be waiting for me, Jesus so kind and true, On His beautiful Throne, He'll welcome me Home After this day is through. Then as we see Him...and we'll not be as we are now. We'll know how to love Him more. We'll not stand back with a little fear, because we'll be like Him. He'll be more of a relative to us than He is now. We'll understand Him better, because we're so far away in the mortal bodies. Then we'll have a body like His glorious body. We'll know how to worship Him.

And when we see what the Presence of His Being has done to us, changed us, the old back young, all the deformed straightened out, oh, we'll understand then why His power healed us. The questions that's been in our mind, "How can He do it? What would this?" somehow, mysteriously, they'll all fade away. The knots that's been tied in the back of our minds, "Will it be this? How could it be?" somehow, or another, majestic fingers will just untangle, unravel those knots, and it'll all fade into the one big crown of love.

**Jehovah Jireh #1 - 62-0705** And then, remember, if we go before He comes, we will be up and in His Presence, or, raised before the others are changed. "The trumpet of the Lord shall sound, the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which alive and remain shall be changed in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, and be caught up together with them, to meet the Lord in the air." Look at the order of the resurrection. See, God knows that we long to see our loved ones. And if we got there to meet Him first, we'd be looking around to see if mother or dad and the rest of them was there. But see how, the Holy Spirit in His wisdom? We meet one another first, and then when we get there and sing "Amazing Grace," that's when there's going to be a time of worship.

**Invisible Union - 65-1125** There will come forth a resurrection day which the first will be last, and they which are last will be first. The old prophets will come breaking forth first, and they see that procession going marching up in the air, and we which are alive and remain shall not hinder them which are asleep, for the Trumpet of God shall sound, the dead in Christ shall rise first, and we will fall right in line with them going in! Hallelujah! All down through the age of Luther, Wesley, Methodist, Presbyterian, on down to the last age who receive the Word in their age.

**Uniting Time & Sign - 63-0818** We find that now the time comes when the Trumpet sounds, and those sleeping saints back there that could not be made perfect without us (there's many of those Hebrew brethren), and when they come together, they unite with the living ones. The Church uniting with the Word, then the Church and the Word uniting together, being come one. The dead saints with the living saints uniting together to be one; and all going together to unite with Christ yonder, for the Wedding Supper of the Lamb. And to think of us standing, (in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye, when the world won't know what's going on), but all of a sudden, you'll see appear before you, your loved ones that's gone on has come to unite with you again. And we'll be changed in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye; and be caught up, together, to meet our Lord in the air. Let's get ready Let's get ready for this midnight cry. It's coming in a hour when you think not. There'll be a cry, not amongst the unbelieving world: it'll be a secret.

**How Can I Overcome - 63-0825 1M** Sooner or later we're going to have to give each other up. But that won't hurt the rapture now. See? No. They come first then. Them are privileged that's gone on.
They come first. See, we which are alive and remain to the coming of the Lord will not hinder or prevent those that are asleep. The trumpet of God shall sound, and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then when our eyes behold our loved ones, then we'll be changed in a moment in a twinkling of an eye, and with them shall be caught up together.

Going Beyond The Camp - 64-0719 2E And you know, we'll be caught up together to meet the Lord in the air. Think of it! Missing people, they can't see you no more, but you're getting together with the rest of the group. "They which are alive and remain to the coming of the Lord shall not prevent (or "hinder," the word is) those which are asleep." Not dead, no, Christians don't die. They're just taking a little rest (see?); that's all. Oh, my! "And the trump of God shall sound, and the dead in Christ shall rise first, appear to many." And all at last you happen to stand and look, and "Well, there's a brother..." And you know it ain't long. In a few minutes we'll be changed in a moment in a twinkling of an eye, and together with them be missing on earth, caught up to meet the Lord in the air.

Questions & Answers - 64-0823 1M Now, the first thing happens when we're resurrected ... The ones which are a-living will just still remain ... The resurrection will set in first, the resurrection of those that are asleep. There'll be a wakening time, and those which are asleep in the dust now ... will be awakened first, and they'll - these corruptible bodies will put on incorruption in the rapturing grace of the Lord. And then we'll all get together. And when they begin to get together, then we which are alive and remain shall be changed. These mortal bodies will not see death, but just of a sudden, there'll be like a sweep go over us, and you're changed. You're turned back like Abraham was, from an old man to a young man, from an old woman to a young woman. What's this sudden change? And after while you're traveling like a thought, and you can see those then who are already resurrected. Oh, what a hour! Then we'll gather with them and then be caught up with them to meet the Lord in the air. Yes, the Church will all be together, but after, after the resurrection and the rapture has set in.

Questions & Answers - 64-0823 1M The time of the rapture will be the awakening of the dead and the get together with the living, for the rapture to take place. And Jesus cannot come until a church, a body of believers and the ministry that He once ...?... will have to be the same as it was then to... And then, that brings... "Them without us is not made perfect," Paul said, Hebrews 11. "Without us they cannot be perfected." They have this ministry to raise up the Lutheran, Wesleys, and all them down through their ages.

Questions & Answers - 64-0823 1M And then shall he send his angels, and ... gather together his elect from the four winds, and the utmost parts of the earth to the uttermost parts of heaven. That's talking of the resurrection, the translation, going up. He will send forth His angels to gather. Did you ever think what the angels are? Huh? Messengers. He will gather them together, congregate them together (see?), bringing them, bind them together from the utmost parts of the earth to the utmost parts of Heaven, the Word that was been made manifest on earth. See? Get it? The Word's been spoken; here It's manifested.

Easter Seal - 65-0410 Now, the promise of in this last days what would take place, if you become part of that Word, you are redeemed with Him, because the same Spirit that dwell in Christ is dwelling in you, quickening your life to this age. And it will also in the end time quicken your mortal bodies, resurrect them, bring them up again. That takes the gloom away when we look at it in that, and that's the truth. Romans here, Paul has proved it to us. See? "If the Spirit that raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, it will also quicken your mortal bodies." This is the same Spirit that raised Him up that quickened the true believer to Eternal Life. The Spirit that raised up Jesus from the dead dwells into the believer, quickens the believer to Eternal Life.

Rising of the Sun - 65-0418 1M 50-6 And now (see?), now you are already resurrected. When God raised Him up, He raised you; the Son is just now on you. And now you're growing into a blossom Life like He was, to be resurrected completely in that last day. Your potentials you have now. Why do you know? Your soul changed, didn't it? Your body come in obedience to It, didn't it? Into obedience to what? A Church? The Word, which is the Life. Then you are now resurrected from the dead. You
potentially have the Earnest, the waiting. Now, when you get the Dynamics, you have been quickened from mortal to immortality. It makes the whole body come subject to the Word. It'll make you act different, look different, live different: It'll just make you different.

Questions & Answers - 64-0823 1M And if you call me a prophet, I don't say I am; but if you call me that, remember, I'm saying to you in the name of a prophet (see?) - in the name of a prophet, the resurrection and rapture will be general all over the entire world! No matter where you're at, when that hour comes, you'll be caught up to meet Him! That's all! There's nothing going to stop you, no matter where you are. And I only hope that I'm there, one of them. I just only trust and hope in God that I'll be one of them and each one of you will be in the - in the same.

Questions & Answers - 64-0823 1M Across the world, they won't be gathered in one place to have things in common. But little groups of them will be scattered all over the earth. I believe, maybe if the Lord permits, this is a little group of It. Maybe another little group in Asia, one down in Germany, one down somewhere else. When I seen a vision of the Bride the other night, They was made up from the international. See? So the Bride won't be gathered from one place, It'll be gathered from all over the world.

Letting Off the Pressure 62-0518 Can't you see we're at the end time? It's all over. The next thing will be a sweep of getting that little group together, and in a month or so she'll be gone - as soon as she's gathered together. We're at the end; there's no hopes left anywhere. Run to Christ, people!

I Know - 60-0417 1S And if Job by a vision could stand so firmly upon a promise, how much more ought we to do, after Christ has raised from the dead and become the First Fruits of those that slept, and sent back the Holy Spirit as a seal of promise, upon us, that we too shall live. "Because, I live, you live also!" Seeing His great Presence among us, working, doing the same signs and wonders that He did on earth, giving us a hope. And we come to the resurrection, and then remain on our ash heaps? Let's get off the ash heap today, with a new vision, with a new Power, with a new determination that we see God in His Power. We see the resurrection of the things coming.

The Entombment - 57-0420 Our own life is just a pattern. It's just a shadow, and not the real thing. It's the negative side. It takes death to develop the picture, to put us back in the theophany we come from. Then in the resurrection we come in His likeness, a resurrected body, what a beautiful, not only beautiful but it's the real, solemn truth of God's eternal Word, that we'll be like Him.

Rising of the sun 65-0418M P:46 There was the first Sheaf come up from all the prophets which was the Son of God, the King of all prophets. There has been churches, churches, brides, brides, churches, brides, but there's got to come One. Hallelujah. There has to come a real Bride. There must come One that's not only got the mechanics, but the Dynamics of It, makes that church live, move in the power of His resurrection. Until we come to that place, until we find that place, what good does it do to polish the hubs? What good does it do to give her a face-lift or a simonize job, when there's no Dynamics in it? No matter how much the mechanics prove to be right, there's got to be a Dynamics to make it work. That's what He proved. Hallelujah. That's what Easter proved. He wasn't only the Word, but He was God Himself, the Dynamics in the Word, that made the body of Jesus Christ, cold, stiff, and dead in the grave, shake into Life and rise again, and roll away the stone.

God's provided place of worship 65-0425 P:54 Now, notice, when this great moving power of God comes into a son of God, it quickens him; the Spirit of Life enters into him. Then what does it do? It seats them in heavenly places, right now, not they will be, we are now. Now we've already resurrected; the dynamics and the mechanics is gone to work quickened to us, and we are quickened up into the Presence of God, where His Spirit is. And now we are seated together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: in Christ Jesus, setting in there, that great seat that's already fired up, been raised from the dead. We're a part of it. If you're a part of the Bride, you are, because the Bride's part of the Groom, you know. So we find out that it's the same thing, and She'll do just exactly what's predicted for Her to do in
this day. She won't be a Laodicea, not by no means, a lukewarm. But She'll be on fire for God, She'll be moving on in the Spirit of God.

Rising of the sun 65-0418M P:82 Notice. Then they was so quickened in that Quickening Power, now, I... (Listen close now. I'm trying to show you.) The Quickening Power wasn't only in their soul, but It was all over them. It... Not only the Dynamics come in to quicken, but It quickened the mechanics. You see what I mean? They were so quickened till their tongues begin to speak in another language. They were so quickened by the power of the resurrection of Christ, until they laid their hands... They were so quickened with Quickening Power, till when they laid their hands upon the sick, they got well. It quicken your mortal bodies. They were healed by laying on their hands.

Rising of the sun 65-0418M P:62 Why? You are that Seed that the resurrection of the S-o-n has dawned and the wave Sheaf upon the earth to make you recognize that you are a eagle and not a denominational chicken. You see it? Now, if the Spirit that raised Him from the dead, the Word, the Dynamic of the Word, dwells in you, It also quickens your mortal body. Now, how are we flesh of His flesh and bone of His bone? Because (quickly) while we were yet mortal sinners (mortal, ready to die, these bodies), It quickens that body. What's quicken? Brings to Life. The Spirit that once liked to drink, run around, commit adultery, and all these... It's quickened. Why, the thing's died and you're resurrected. It quickens your mortal body. Therefore, your body is the temple of the Dynamics. Because why? From the beginning you are part of the mechanics. Oh. There's your resurrection. There's the church in the resurrection with Him. These bodies right now are quickened. See? You've heard; you believe; it changed you from a denomination to the Word. See?

Rising of the sun 65-0418M P:48 Until the church or the people... All these Easter bunnies, and ceremonies, and big churches, and finery will fail and pass away, until that church becomes both Dynamics and Mechanics, and the Spirit of God that moved Him to do the things that He did, if He hit on sixteen cylinders, so will the Bride. Amen. For He said in John 14:12, "He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also, I'll give him a charge of My Dynamics in his mechanics, that the world will not be able to withstand it, and I'll raise him up again at the last day."That's the Easter message: the Dynamics and the mechanics together. The mechanics without the Dynamics, no good; neither is the Dynamics without the mechanics. You can scream and shout and jump up and down all you want to, and deny this Word; it won't do any good. You're just cranking around the pistons got spark there to fire, but no gasoline to fire it by. It'll only work as they come together. Amen. So one will set still and the other one'll go up; that's the only thing there is to it. Yet they both might look like, both claim to be churches, both claim to be brides, but one has mechanics and Dynamics. It brings it to pass. But what He said is the Truth. It just won't move, no matter how good the mechanics is, until the Dynamics come. When the Dynamics come, that Fire is made to connect with that octane in the gasoline. And when that explodes it, it causes a combustion, and that combustion moves every motion, every move, for He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. That's the resurrection; that's the real power of God: mechanics with the Dynamics.

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Rising of the sun 65-0418M P:44 Until... No matter how much theologians claim, how well you got your church set, how much education you got, how much like the Bible, until that wave Sheaf, until the Holy
Spirit comes upon that person to quicken that Word (The gasoline represents the Word; It's the Truth.); but without the Spirit it won't move. We've put too much stress on the mechanics and nothing on the dynamics. It needs the dynamic power of God, the resurrection power of Jesus Christ upon the church to manifest and to bring to pass that this is gasoline. It might be in a gasoline can; it could still be water. See? But the only proof of it is put the Life on it, and it'll prove whether it's gasoline or not.

Absolute an 63-1201M P:61 He is the Dynamics of the mechanics. The mechanics of the Church, what is it? Apostles, prophets, teachers, so forth. And He's the Dynamics that works that. And it's worked by a certain dynamic which is called like... He's the Fire that fires off the gas. He's the Fire that's in the combustion chamber, that when the gas, the Word, is poured over that combustion chamber, He's the One that sets Her afire. He's the One that confirms it. He is the power of the resurrection. He is God. He's the Fire; that's what He is.

Why little Bethlehem 63-1214 P:4 Even nature everywhere speaks of Him. And nature is a great testimony in another way; that is, that we cannot have this resurrection Life unless it serves God's purpose. Now, if a seed is planted, and that seed is germitized, it brings forth a new flower. But if it isn't germitized, it will not bring forth a new flower, if it doesn't serve God's purpose. Yet, not just because it's a flower it rises, because it serves God's purpose. That's the reason the sun rises, is because it serves God's purpose. And we rise when we serve God's purpose.

I know 60-0417S P:29 Oh, blessed be the Name of the Lord. I'm so glad that I'm part of Easter, that I'm part of that resurrection. And we are part of it this morning, because in us dwells that resurrection Life, that as a partaker, brought Easter. "I know that my Redeemer..." What do you know? I'm not guessing at it. We got too much guessing today. "I know my Redeemer liveth." Yes, sir. Now, what was He? If He lived, He was a Redeemer to Job. "My," personal, my, "my Redeemer liveth." And what else do you know, Job? What did you see in that vision? "And at the last days, He shall stand on the earth. And though the skin worms destroy my body, yet in my flesh I shall see God, Whom I shall see for myself. I know my Redeemer liveth, and He will stand at the last day upon the earth. Though my reins be consumed within me, though the skin worms destroys my body, yet in my flesh I shall see God." Through there was the greatest vision.

Go tell my disciples 53-0405S P:66 And when the Life that's in Jesus Christ comes to the tomb where our loved ones are sleeping, there'll be a resurrection. Life and death can't dwell together, no more than darkness and daylight can. Just as soon as darkness, as daylight comes, it presses the darkness away. Daylight has to shine. No matter what takes place, when that world moves around there in front of that sun, it's got to come daylight. It has to. And just as sure as eternity, as it pulls around to the time of the coming of the Son of God, there'll be a resurrection over this world. And all that sleep in God, Christ will bring with Him in His resurrection. It'll have to be. There's no way out of it. You've got to have it. And how can you have it unless it's in here?

Let us pray…