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Assurance Love satisfaction and Life

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

We are still studying What the Holy Ghost was Given for and we are about 10 paragraphs from the end. Tonight we will study what brother Branham said in paragraph number 89 and 90.

89 As Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob sojourn, dwelling in tents in the land, they professing they were pilgrims and strangers, the seed of the heir, the heir back there; the father, the heir. We are their seed. And they was looking for a city whose Builder and Maker was God. Amen. They were searching. And today their seed is still looking for a city that comes in... I don't want to get adjusted to this world. I don't want nothing to do with this world. I'm looking for a city that's built foursquare. I'm looking for a city that's got Eternal Life, where the sun will never go down, where there'll never be old age, where there'll never be a crepe on a doorknob or a grave on the hillside. I'm looking for that city whose Builder and Maker is God.

90 There's only one way to find it. There was a Stone cut out of the mountain without hands that rolled into the world and smashed it out, and it become like wheat, or chaff on the threshing floors. Let that Stone, the Christ Jesus, that Stumbling Stone to the world, a Stone of an offense, a laughing Stone, a Stumbling Block to the church; but a precious and a Lodestone to the believer, a Stone of assurance, a Stone of rest (Oh, my.), resting... I know that I've passed from death unto Life. My soul is at rest. Oh, "Come unto Me all ye that labor and heavy laden, and I'll give you rest to your soul." "A Sign that's to be evil spoken of," said the prophet to Mary. It'll be a Sign. Sure it will. But It'll be (1) an assurance; It'll be a (2) love. It'll be a (3) satisfaction. It'll be something that (4) you know you've passed from death unto Life.

So what was the Holy Ghost Given for? He said, *For Assurance, for Love, for satisfaction* and *for knowing you have Life*.

May the Lord add His blessings to His word. You may be seated

We read for our text from **1 John 5:12** where we are told, *He that hath* (echos) *the Son hath* (echos) *life; and he that hath* (echos) *not the Son of God hath* (echos) *not life*.

And we find the word translated as "***hath***" is used several times in this verse and it was translated from the Greek word "***echo***".

Now, if the translators had left the word ***echo*** un-translated as they left the word ***baptisma*** un-translated, which we can see our English word baptism, then our understanding of this verse of Scripture would be completely different than what most men will read this using the word *hath* instead of *echo*. In reading this verse with the word un-translated we read it as: ***He that echoes the Son echoes life; and he that echoes not the Son of God echoes not life.***

Now, that means that since "***God is the fountain of Life***" and in **John 5:26** we read, "***For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;***"

therefore, we see that the life comes from the father and then into son and sons. And in reading this scripture also with the word *echo* left un-translated it reads, it reads, **John 5:26** ***For as the Father echoes life in himself; so has he given to the Son to echo life in himself.***

And as the heart pumps the blood over and over again to echo forth the life in the body, so too the father's word echoed over and over and over again in His mind and then when it begin to come forth from the Father this same echo of life moved forward into manifestation, first into His Son and then into Sons. Listen carefully to what brother Branham says about this.

Who Do You Say This Is? 64-1227 P:31 *You have an attribute. It's your thought. You think of something, then you speak it, then you take it. **That's God.** He, in the beginning... If you ever was or ever will be in heaven, you was in heaven to start with. **You're part of God. You were His thought.** He knew your name. He knew who you were before there ever was a molecule, before there was a light. Before there was anything, He knew you and your name, and put it on the Lamb's Book of Life before the world was ever formed. See, **you were His thought.** And Then you become a Word. And a word is a thought expressed. Then you're manifested.*

P:32 *That's the way He was. He was in the beginning by Himself. God dwelt alone with His thoughts. He'll never do that again 'cause His thoughts are being made manifest. And that's why we are right here this day: is **God fellowshiping with His thoughts being made manifest.** See? There we are. So you, by taking thought, cannot add one cubit to your statue. You cannot do this, that, or other. **It's God that showeth mercy. It's God. "All the Father has***

given Me will come to Me, and no man can come except My Father draws him." That settles it.

Now, we can see that **1 John 5:12** is a perfect echo of **2 John 9**, in the sense that both speak of this great echo of Life that comes forth from God and was echoed by the Son of God and then by us who are able to receive the doctrine of Christ..

Let's just read **2 John 9** again. *Whosoever does not keep pace with, or goes beyond the limits of the doctrine of Christ, echoes not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he echoes both the Father and the Son.*

Now, let's look at what Jesus said about himself. Notice in the next 4 verses of Scripture Jesus tells us exactly what Brother Branham said here.

John 12:49 *For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.*

John 12:50 *And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me, so I speak.*

John 14:31 *But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.*

John 15:10 *If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.*

Now, let's examine again what William Branham said concerning this echoing back of God's word.

Why I'm against Organized Religion 62-1111E P:117 *Notice, this is the Angel of Light. Remember, the last Angel, it's the Angel in the church age to the Laodicea. It's the Laodicea messenger, that it's the last... Because the very next chapter is the 19 chapter, which is the coming Bride. And this is in the Scripture, the last Angel that came to bring Light before the coming of the Bride to go meet Christ. It was the Laodicean church age then. What was the Laodicean church age messenger? Calling them out of Babylon. Look. Churches caught in her cage with her, with her dogmas, denying the Word and accepting dogmas. This is the Angel of Light to the Laodicean church that had rejected Christ and His Word for dogma and had put Him outside. And He stood at the door, knocking, trying to get in. See it? The church age had rejected the Christ, and Christ is the Word, and had rejected It, and He was on the outside. The only church age that we have of Christ on the outside, knocking, trying to get in. And **this angel's Message**, messenger come from*

God, was echoing his message on the earth to come out of Babylon; come out of the organizations." The Holy Spirit today, the manifestation of the Holy Spirit is that Angel trying to get the people back to the Word, 'cause the Holy Spirit will only vindicate the Word. It can't vindicate dogmas; there's no life in them. He's Life. Notice, the Laodicean church age had denied Him, rejected Him, and had put Him on the outside.

P:118 Notice, this Angel is the last messenger before the coming of Christ in the 18th chapter of Revelation. The messenger's voice, if we notice, when he gave his voice on the earth, there was a voice echoed again in heaven: 4th verse, if you want to read it (All right.), 4th verse, the 18th chapter. This messenger on the earth was so inclined with God until, when he spoke it on the earth, God echoed the same thing out of heaven. What is that 4th verse translation? What does it mean? God's voice speaking to His predestinated people, saying, "Come out of her," just exactly what the voice was. He's got people all out in there, all out through Babylon. Come out of her, that you be not partakers of her sins (Yes, sir.), out of that dogma and creeds to the Word made Spirit and Life. Amen.

And that is exactly what we see in **1 Thessalonians 4** as well. The Lord Himself descends with a Shout. That is exactly Revelations 10, the Mighty angel descends to earth with a loud voice, which is a shout, and he gives that shout to the 7th angel that's on earth at the time of this coming, and then he echoes it to the world.

Greater than Solomon 64-0306 P:13 There must be a supernatural sign from God to vindicate. No matter how real, how deep it was in theology, how great it sounded, still, if God's supernatural sign didn't vindicate it, it wasn't so, to the Jew. Now, the Old Testament, the Aaron's plate was done away, with the old covenant. But in the New Covenant, God still remains with the Urim Thummim. That is, if a prophet, dreamer, theologian, or whatever it is, speaks something that's contrary to the Word, and God don't echo it back through the Word, I'll let it alone, for It's God's Urim Thummim. And I believe it with all my heart, that It's God's Word.

Demonology 2 Religious 53-0609 P:55 *Now, then the Urim Thummim today is this Bible. If somebody has give a prophecy or a dream, and it don't compare or echo with God's Bible, it's false; don't believe it.*

Spoken Word is the original Seed 62-0318M P:23 *The Word of God continually goes on. I'm told that if we could pick up an instrument that could*

*catch it, that a man's voice, my voice that I speak today, ten thousand years from now could still be picked up in the air. It's like dropping a pebble in the middle of a pond. And the teeny little waves after they fail to be seen by the eye, continue on till it hits the bank. And the air-wave of our voices continually travels around and around the world; therefore, then **our voice, what we say will be our judgment.** Our testimony will rise right against us. **Our own voices will echo in our own ears at the judgment bar of God** when His great instrument catches every voice that's been spoke--every word that's been muttered.*

So what are you echoing today? Because what you echo today will be played back at the white throne judgment. Then if all our words are the Words of our Father, God, then won't it be a wonderful experience at the White throne judgment? Won't it be wonderful for our Father God, and all the saints, and all the angels to hear our Father's words being repeated back at that time as our Life is reviewed before all to see? Then what will your echo be? Will it be His own words being spoken from your mouth? Or will it be worldly echoes? Worldly songs of lust and sin? Will we all hear songs of praises at that day? Or will we hear country song lyrics when your life is played back for everyone to hear?

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

In other words our life in Christ becomes an echo of the Father's Words for everyone to hear. For the Son of God echoes forth the Words of the Father and when we echo His Words we are echoing the Words of Life.

And did you know that the Son of God was so single focused that He shut out everything that was not from the Father? Remember when we spoke on the parable that Jesus told.

Matthew 6:22 *The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.*

Remember when we studied this parable we found that he is not speaking if we have but one eye like a Cyclops, but rather when he says: if therefore thine eye be single he is speaking of our being single focused. And if we are single focused as Jesus was single focused, then we will be full of light. **23** *But if thine eye be evil, (that means if your focus becomes deviated from the Truth) thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!*

We find in **Isaiah 42:19** *that the Scriptures teach us that the Son of God was blind to everything except God's Word. And he was deaf to everything but God.*

KJV Isaiah 42:19 *Who is blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger that I sent? who is blind as he that is perfect, and blind as the LORD'S servant?*

Rothetham Translation *Who is blind if not My servant? Or deaf like my messenger that I send? Who is blind like an intimate friend is blind, or blind like the servant of Yahweh?*

Jerusalem Bible *Who is so blind as My servant? So deaf as the Messenger that I send? In other words, it should read Who in all the world is as blind as my Servant ? Who is designed to be my Messenger of Truth. Who is so blind as My dedicated one, the "servant of the Lord"?*

So we see here that Jesus Christ was absolutely blind concerning anything that was contrary to God's Word, God's Will and God's purpose.

Now, this brings us to the fifth benefit in our series, and The fifth benefit to us in believing the relationship between the Father and the Son is to know that we have Life, Now, this is different than to echo life, for to know that we echo life brings the benefit of rest. And if we know we echo Life our whole nature changes, and thus our relationship with God changes, and thus we enter into such a peace that no man could ever rob you of your confidence in your relationship to God and thus God's word. We find the text for this study in **1 John 5:13**.

1 John 5:13 *These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.*

Again we find that the word have here, not hath as before, but the word have was translated as have from the Greek word echo. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have (that you echo) eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

So here is not the fact that you echo but the fact that you know that you are echoing. Because then the echo is not just something being done out of a rote learning, as though you are able to simply repeat, because to just repeat does not mean that you truly know and understand what you are doing. But to know that you are echoing back the same words as the Son means that you also understand what those words are that you are saying.

How many people can quote the scriptures verbatim and not even know what it is that they are saying. The denominational world is full of such people. And Jesus faced those kind of people all the time.

Who Do You Say This Is? 64-1227 P:34 *And again, the church seen Him in His great power of manifesting. Manifesting what? Not manifesting a creed, He was manifesting the Word. He was the Anointed Word, Himself. And when they seen that taking place, the manifestation, the anointed Messiah, they turned It down. They didn't want It. It wasn't in their taste. That's the pitiful part. How many... Just think of it. Just as in other days. See, each had their own interpretation of the Word. That's what the reason Israel didn't recognize Moses. That's the reason the world didn't recognize Noah. That's the reason all the prophets wasn't recognized. They had their own interpretation of the Word. But God in every age has had His Messiah. See? To reject Noah's Message was to rejecting God. To reject Noah was to perish. To reject Moses was to perish. It was... They were the anointed messiah's for that age, the Word that was promised for that age. And when Jesus came, He was the Fullness of the Word, God, Himself, made into a man's structure, with bones and flesh; the anointed One. And they should've seen that. But you see, their church world had so added here and taken away here and so forth, until it was so messed up till they trusted in their church in the stead of the Word. And when they seen their church anointed, then they thought something great was taking place. But when they seen the Word anointed, then they said, "That's fanaticism. This man is a devil, a Beelzebub." 'Cause it was so contrary to their church creeds and what they had done. And it was that way in every coming of a prophet, the church would be so messed up.*

P:42 By the way, did you know the Word of God never did come to a theologian? Find the Scriptures where It ever did. The Word don't come to theologians; not at all. But, you see, if the Word was made manifest today, the Word for our day, It would be in the taste of God's Word, not in the taste of somebody's idea. God would take His Word that He promised for this day, and anoint It, and It would happen. That's all. There's no way to keep It from happening. It'll do it anyhow, no matter what the church says and what the rest of them believes and it... God will do it anyhow. There'll be just a very few that'll ever know about it. That's right, just a very few. It's always was that way.

So you see, when we speak of the echoing of God's Word the understanding must be there or the echo will not truly give a certain sound, but an uncertain

sound. But we are looking at the benefit of knowing that we are truly echoing the Son of God and thus the life that was manifested in the Son.

These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye "Echo Eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

As I said earlier the benefit of knowing that we echo is that we receive a certain peace and rest from our own works, and enter into an assurance of Faith that brings us into a peace that surpasses all understanding.

We find ourselves saying the same thing as the prophet said, when we are confronted by the same unbelief he was confronted with. I do not know how many times this has happened to me when men will bring up a question, or will challenge our understanding of the doctrine of Christ, and I find words coming out of my mouth that I had not even thought about, but when I check them out later, I find brother Branham had said those very same words and so it brings comfort.

Remember, Jesus said, "He that will confess me before men, I will confess before My Father which is in Heaven." And knowing the word confess was taken from the Greek word Homo-logeo which means the same words, I find it quite comforting to find myself saying the same words as the Son of God said, because those are the Words of Life that came forth from the Father. For Jesus said, "*My words are spirit and they are life.*"

Now, this rest is spoken of to take place in this hour, and it is called by the Greek Word parrhesia which means a certain boldness to speak.

Parrhesia (*Assurance, Openly Confident, Absence of fear in speaking.*)

This word ***parrhesia*** is a Greek word used in scripture to show *assurance, open confidence and an absence of fear*. I am placing this scripture among those which refer to the end - time condition of the Elect. ***This condition of assurance, confidence and absence of fear are a direct result of the Parousia of Christ***, His manifesting in His true character and the fact that when He openly reveals Who He is and Why He is here, this brings the Elect into a place where they now know and understand their own position in Christ. This makes them bold, and unashamed before Him. And so we shall examine in this section the word parrhesia and how it ties in with the revelation of Christ in this hour.

John 7:13 " *Howbeit no man spoke parrhesia of Him for fear of the Jews.*" This shows plainly that **parrhesia** has to do with *having no fear* and these people could not have **parrhesia** [*absence of fear*] and then have fear at the same time. They were too concerned with what others thought, and not concerned enough with what God Himself thought. This is where parrhesia comes. When we have become so filled with a sense of honor to God that we have no other thoughts but His thoughts that we are willing and wanting to express. But when people are looking for position with man, they will then trim their words to please man. But those with parrhesia are those who because they know who they are and that He is here, they are willing to say only what He said, and do what He says do. They have placed the highest esteem in the Vindicated Word of the hour, and no other words have value to them.

I John 2:28 " *And now, little children, abide in Him; that when He shall phaneroo, (To manifest in His True Character) we may have parrhesia, and not be ashamed before Him at His Parousia.*"

This lets you know that God's Children are to come to a condition of Parrhesia or an absence of fear when Christ's great presence and disclosure (His manifesting Himself in His True Character) takes place. Remember in **1 John 3: 1-2** we are told that *when he phaneroo's we too will phaneroo because we see his phaneroo.*

So in essence, we begin to **echo Him**, and in **echoing Him**, we begin to **manifest his Word** to the world, and thus as His true character is revealed or openly manifested to us, we in turn begin to manifest openly our true character that was predestined in us from before the foundations of the world, which is the Word coming into manifestation again, which the word again means another echo off from the original. And we know that since the Spoken Word is the original, and then each time it manifests, it echoes forth from the original, again and again and again.

Therefore at this time we come into a condition of uninhibited assurance and open confidence. This condition is a result of the unveiling of Christ. He comes not only as Husband, but as our Advocate and Judge. As Husband He does not have to testify against us, and as our advocate He is our defense attorney, and as our Judge the case is sowed up. We are predestined not to fall. He that has begun the good work in you shall perform it. He is the Author and finisher of our faith. As Paul said in **Galatians 2**, "*we live by the faith of the Son of God.*" It is His faith we live by, not our own. Therefore, "*whom the Son*

shall make free is free indeed." What else could we ask for. This brings confidence as never known before, when, *"He which gave the Word is here to confirm it."*

I John 4:17 *" Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have parrhesia in the Day of Judgment: because as He is, so are we in this world."*

Notice, there is that echo again. *"As he is so are we"*. In the Day when the Judge is present, which we find in **James 5: 9, Rev 3: 20** and **John 12:48** we shall have parrhesia, which is an absence of fear. It also let's us know that this parrhesia comes as a result of seeing Him as He truly is. Because, *"As He is so are we"*. And thus we know that we echo eternal life.

This statement alone ensures us of tremendous blessings and confidence or absence of fear. How could God deny any part of Himself. He can't. Then how could He deny His Seed? He can't. Then what have we to fear? He is here to ensure that we do not fall this time.

In **Ephesians 3:12** We read, *"In Whom we have parrhesia and access with confidence by the faith of Him."* Notice, this uninhibited confidence or absence of fear comes by receiving His Faith. It tells us that it comes by the faith of Him. It is not our faith, but His faith that does this. Jesus was the first one to display this uninhibited boldness because He knew who he was and Who sent Him as we find him in **John** chapters **6,7,8,9,** and **10** really letting into the Pharisees and religious leaders of His day, and letting them have it with both barrels.

Again we find the Apostle Paul speaking of the *parrhesia* in **Hebrews 4:16** *" Let us therefore come with parrhesia unto the throne of Grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find Grace to help in time of need."*

God wants us to come into His presence by revelation with full assurance and He has assured us that in so doing we shall receive not only His mercy but also His Grace that will meet whatsoever requirements we might lack. "He that cometh to God must believe that He is and that He is a Rewarder of them who diligently seek Him." We must come in confidence that He hears us.

The very fact that He has come down in this hour and has unveiled Himself to His Seed and has let us know Him as never before and has established a relationship with us let's us see how much He loves us and wants to fellowship with us. Then, seeing through the revealed Word for this hour our place in Christ, and our relationship to God as our Loving Father, we understand more fully our relationship that began in Him before the

foundations of the world, where we were in His thoughts and made manifest finally in this hour. What confidence this should bring to us.

Again we find in **Hebrews 10:35** "*Cast not away therefore your parrhesia, which hath great recompense of reward.*" He has already blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus, but we fail to receive what He has already assured us by promise. Therefore, Paul is telling us here that we must first receive this **Parrhesia** in order to receive every other predestined blessing; especially those promises that have to do with our placement and inheritance. And notice here that he says, "*the parrhesia has great recompense of reward.*"

Now, the word Recompense is an award given as a form of retribution for hurt or damage. God knows that "all that live Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." So He gives us a boldness to stand when we have done all we can do to stand, and "through faith and patience we shall inherit the promises." We also see in **2 Thess 1: 4 - 5, 7, 10-12** that we receive a manifest token of God's judging us worthy, and thus we receive His very mindset, His Glory, His Doxa.

In **John 16:25-29** "we find Jesus speaking to the disciples the following about this parrhesia. "*These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: But the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall show you parrhesia of the Father. At that day ye shall ask in my name; and I shall say unto you, that I will pray the Father for you: For the Father Himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father. His disciples said unto Him, lo, now speakest Thou parrhesia, and speakest no proverb.*"

Jesus Himself is full of **parrhesia** and He says that in the day when He discloses or unveils the Mighty God before us, that we will also come into this state of parrhesia and will not be inhibited in our prayer to God. We will know the will of God and the mind of God. He will show parrhesia to us. This let's you know that we get this parrhesia from something that is shown us or disclosed to us. And thus echoed to us, and we thus echo it back to God from whence it came originally.

In our text we read of the importance to know that we echo the Son of God. And we found that it brings us into a rest and assurance of Faith. In this next scripture we will find the evidence of our parrhesia with God.

I John 3:21 "*Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we parrhesia toward God.*"

The condition of our heart is the only inhibiting force in our parrhesia toward God. As we saw earlier, our parrhesia comes by His faith. We are assured of receiving His parrhesia if we receive His Faith, *if we echo Him, we echo the Father*. And *how could God condemn you for echoing him?* Every Father wants his child to echo himself, and His Words.

1 John 5:13 *These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye echo eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.* And now **I John 5:14** "*And this is the parrhesia that we have in Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us.*"

Notice he said "*according to Your will.*" That's what Jesus said, "*I have come to do thy will O God*". *I have come to manifest openly thy thoughts and echo thee Father*. What uninhibited confidence we have in Him, that we are assured that He will always hear us. And always remember, "*It is God working in you to will first and then to do*".

Let us pray.