

#11 Alpha and Omega Comparisons no. 8 - False Brethren

1 Last week we spoke about the Message Vindicated and we saw how that it is God's very presence that He did the vindicating of the Message. Because Power and Presence are synonymous with each other. When you have the supernatural taking place it is because the supernatural One is present. Now, so far in our Alpha and Omega comparisons we have looked at the following characteristics which took place in all three Exoduses under the Pillar of Fire.

2 I) There was a system or organizational spirit that held the people in Bondage. It showed its ugly head as either a civil or ecclesiastical organizational system.

3 II) The people needed to be delivered from that system of organization but were incapable of doing so themselves, and so they cried out to God for help.

4 III) God therefore came down Himself to deliver His people in each of these three

5 Exodus's. Here we find the Presence of God is the sole essence of each exodus.

6 IV) At each exodus God then chose a man to deliver His Message of deliverance to the people. The Message was the avenue of deliverance. If the people followed that Message they would be delivered. If they did not, they would not be delivered, and furthermore, they would receive a temporary judgment for failing to obey the Voice of God.

7 V) The Message that God came with He delivered first to a Prophet and then from that prophet to men who would be faithfully taught. Then out from those faithfully taught men, the Message would go out to the world and deliver the world from that organization system that held them in bondage. This second part of the Exodus was the teaching ministry of the Holy Spirit. This is the part that brings the people in. First we saw how that in each Exodus the Pillar of Fire anointed a prophet to lead the people out, using the supernatural Presence of God performing supernatural feats that attracted the people's attention to the message of deliverance. Once the people came out of that system of bondage we then found in each Exodus God removed the prophet Messenger but did not go off the scene Himself. Then came a period of testing, where we find the Pillar of Fire remained on the scene in a teaching or placing ministry. The First exodus with Joshua, the second with Paul a teacher to the gentiles, and the Third Exodus we once again see the Holy Spirit who is the teacher bringing men into a more fuller understanding of the Message for the hour and being positionally placed as promised in God's Word as we see in Ephesians chapter 4.

8 VI) We found that God gave the Prophet of Each Exodus a Message of deliverance and then vindicated that Message with His very own presence.

9 VII) Once that Message was delivered by the Prophet the prophet was taken from the scene and God tested the people's faithfulness to that Message. He did not leave the people without a witness, for the Holy Spirit in the form of the Pillar of Fire remained on the scene and anointed men who were faithfully taught by the prophet Messenger to teach others. It is at this time we see the full rejection and drifting away from the original Message that was Given by the Mouth of God to the people. Because the Supernatural was pulled back in its fullness the people were now open to testing to see if it is the Word that caused them to follow the Messenger or the Supernatural

itself. It is at this time that those who faithfully teach the Message are rejected by the people because the people, most of them came out following the supernatural, but paid no attention to the Words that had been delivered by that Prophet messenger.

10 The Pillar of Fire remains on the scene after the prophet messenger is taken off the scene but God leaves His word in the hands of men who have been faithfully taught to continue to present that word before the people. During this time false brethren come in and sit down among the believers and bring in alongside of true doctrine destructive heresies, evening denying the One that bought them.

11 This evening I would like to examine this scene of how the false brethren come in, and what they do to take over the Message populace and bring rejection to the true understanding of the Message for the hour.

12 VIII) False brethren among the people.

13 In the 1st Exodus: There arises false brethren among the people who pervert the message, confusing the people.

14 Numbers 26: 9 And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This is that Dathan and Abiram, which were famous in the congregation, who strove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, when they strove against the LORD:

15 Modern events made clear by prophecy 65-1206 P:48 Balaam, he couldn't see the difference. Many can't. Pharaoh couldn't see it, though vindicated right before him. Dathan couldn't see it. Dathan come out there, and he seen Moses and knowed. He went out there, said, "You try to think you're the only one in the bunch. The whole congregation's holy." God never did deal with--like that. He ought to have knowed better than that. And he said, "Well, the whole congregation's holy. You try to make yourself (If we'd say it today, the street expression) the only pebble on the beach." And Moses knew that God had sent him down there for that. He just said, "Lord..." fell in the doorway of the tabernacle. And God said, "Separate yourself with him." And He swallowed them up.

16 Who do you say this is? 64-1227 P:65 Now, Satan, he didn't believe it. Dathan... He got Dathan and them not to believe it, caused all of them to perish. But you say, "Wait a minute, Brother Branham, you said three: Moses, Joshua, and Caleb." That's exactly right. That's what there was. "But here you only say two. Are you saying here that there was a..." You say, "The supernatural Satan..." But there was supernatural God too, anointing these three. Now, Satan's only anointed. But the other one's coming; the other one's coming; just watch for a few minutes. He comes on the scene; his name's Balaam. He's a money-loving prophet (so-called prophet), false prophet.

17 2nd Exodus: There arises false brethren among the people who pervert the message, confusing the people.

18 Galatians 3:10 foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

19 Galatians 1:6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: 7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. 8 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. 9 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. 10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ. 11 But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. 12 For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the

20 Acts 15:1And certain men which came down from Judaea taught the brethren, and said, Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved. 2When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question. 3And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren. 4And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them. 5But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses. 6And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter. 7And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe. 8And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us; 9And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith. 10Now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear? 11But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

21 Galatians 2:1Then fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.2And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain. 3But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:4And 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:5To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you.6But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: God accepteth no man's person:) for they who seemed to be somewhat in conference added nothing to me:7But contrariwise, when they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision was committed unto me, as the gospel of the circumcision was unto Peter;8(For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)9And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.10Only they would that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was forward to do.11But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.12For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.13And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation. 14But 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?15We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles,16Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.17But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.18For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.19For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.20I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.21I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

22 2 Corinthians 11: 26In journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils

among false brethren;

23 2 Corinthians 11:1 Would to God ye could bear with me a little in my folly: and indeed bear with me. 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. 3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him. 5 For I suppose I was not a whit behind the very chiefest apostles.

24 [2 Cor 11: 1 - 4] These men came in and brought with them false teaching which also introduced the people to a false Gospel, which then brought the people to believe in a false Jesus and thus gave them a new birth but a false new birth which was not the Spirit of God but another spirit which was a false spirit. And who were these men?

25 And then let's forward to verse 13.

26 13 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. 14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

27 In [verses 13 - 15] Paul tells us they are Satan's ministers, posing as ministers of Righteousness. Now to you this may be puzzling but to God it is not. He has warned His people from the very beginning to be careful what they hear and to whom they listen to. We see also that this false spirit comes via a false word, and thus a false new birth takes place. Not a new birth by an incorruptible Word but a false birth by a false word, bringing forth a corruptible life. And this brings us back to what Jesus said about being Truly born again of the Spirit of God. If we are born of the Spirit of God and God's Spirit is His Word, then our new birth can only come by God's Word becoming alive in us, quickened by His very Presence. [1 Peter 1 : 23] And so here in 1 Peter we see two forms of a new birth. One form is Corruptible, and the other which is not corruptible is by the Word of God entering in and setting your Soul aflame. That is why we find in [2 Peter 1: 2 - 4] That every thing we have need of in this life comes through the Word of God. Even the Divine nature which is God's own Nature in us. Therefore you can not escape the fact that every thing must come back to this Word. We can not go by feelings, we must go by the Word of God. Brother Branham many times said, " the Bible never asked you if you feel it, it asked you if you believed it." And that is the crux of the situation.

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29 [Deut 13: 1 - 5] Now notice that God allows these men to rise up in order to test you. But I also want you to notice that God has never left His people without a voice. And we know that God's voice is a vindicated one. The voice of God is His Prophet's.

30 [Jer 5: 21 - 31]

31 [2 Tim 4: 1 - 4] Now this scripture was given to brother Branham by the Angel of the Lord as His Calling.

And we see that the people have itching ears and so they will heap to themselves a multitude of teachers who will tell them what their itching ears want to hear.

32 [Deut 18: 15 - 22] You will notice here that God will give us a True Prophet to speak His own words, and in this Prophet God will vindicate the man by not allowing His words to fail which he speaks, because it is not the man speaking but God Himself is speaking through His lips.

33 Earnestly contending for the faith 53-0614A P:15 Now, when He rose from the dead, He done the same things after He rose from the dead, through the apostles, that He did before He died, even greater and more of it. Now, "Yet a little while," He said, "and the world seeth Me no more, yet ye shall see Me (the Church, the believer), for I'll be with you, even in you, to the end of the world." Now, that was what the apostles believed. And they believed that what He was in the flesh, He was also, and more, in the Spirit. And that's what they taught. That's what they believed. And that's what they practiced, and that's what God confirmed. But during this time, this thirty-three years of lapse, there become many false brethren who'd raised up, and had brought in heresies, and brought people off to theology, and different things like that.

34 3rd Exodus: There arises false brethren among the people who pervert the message,

35 confusing the people.

36 How is it that even among those who would claim to believe the prophet of God that the majority can not see what the prophet actually taught. False doctrine abound amongst them that have not turned the corner into the Word. They seek signs, but they turn down the Voice of the Sign. We know from our studies that God has given us a sign in this hour but with each sign God gives a Voice. And throughout the ages God's prophets have been God's sign of impending disaster but would the people take heed and listen? No, sir.

37 And so they wander off as they have in other ages gone by. In Luther's age it was not a miracle that he could hold up against Catholicism, but that he could hold his head up against all the fanaticism that followed his Message. When Luther went into hiding the make believers took over his message and made a mockery of what he had preached. So too today the make-believers have taken over the message of this hour. Not the Message itself but the Message vehicle or platform. They claim to believe that God sent a Prophet with a Message, and yet they deny the message and doctrine that He taught.

38 In 1965 before brother Branham left Tucson on that fateful day, he told one of the brethren that there were already something like 13 or 17 different versions of the Message. And today there are hundreds, because they refuse to believe the doctrine that He taught and they just use his words to make up their own doctrines. Brother Vayle told me several years ago that the make believers have taken over the Message, and no wonder, they tried in Moses day, and in Paul's day and why would they not do so today.

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40 2 Peter 2:1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. 2And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. 3And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

41 Jude 1: 10But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves. 11Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran

greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core. 12These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots; 13Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.

42 Resume of The Ages - CA Book 380-1 Thus at this very moment we are in the complete fulfillment of Matthew 24:24 "insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect." And who is it that shall attempt to deceive the very elect? Why, the spirit of antichrist in the "false anointed ones" of this last day. These false ones have already come in "Jesus' Name" claiming that they have been anointed of God for the last day. They are the false Messiahs (anointed ones). They claim that they are prophets. But are they one with the Word? Never. They have added to it or taken from it. No one denies that the Spirit of God manifesting in gifts is upon them. But like Balaam they all have their programs, make their appeal for money, exercise gifts, but deny the Word or by-pass it for fear that a controversy might diminish their chances for greater gain. Yet they preach salvation and deliverance through the power of God, just like Judas, with a ministry imparted by Christ. But because they are wrong seed, consequently they have a wrong spirit motivating them. Religious? Oh my! They outshine the elect in effort and zeal, but it is Laodicean, not of Christ, for it looks for big crowds, big programs and startling signs amongst them. They preach the second coming of Christ, but deny the advent of the prophet-messenger, though in power and signs and true revelation he eclipses them all. Ah yes, this false spirit that in the last day is so close to the real, can be distinguished only by its deviation from the Word, and whenever it is caught in being anti-Word, it falls back on the one argument we have already shown to be false: "We get results, don't we? We have to be of God."

43 Fifth seal the 63-0322 P:57 And watch the one that went to meet him, the Lion, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, which is the Word. When his false teaching went forth, the true Word went to meet him. That's the reason we had an Irenaeus, and a Polycarp, and--and--and those fellows, Saint Martin. When that antichrist was riding with his false teaching, God sent His teaching out, the Word, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, which is the Word made manifest in the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit there to manifest Himself which is the Word...That's the reason the early church had healings and miracles and visions and power, is because it was the living Word in the form of the Lion of the tribe of Juda riding out to combat that. Amen. Now, you got it? He sends his power, antichrist; God sends His, the Word. Antichrist, false teaching: the true teaching went with it to combat it. Now, that was the first one. Now, this was the first church, apostolic, that went to meet him.

44 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:15 Now, anointed one is "one with a message." And the only way the message can be brought out is by one that's anointed; and that would be a prophet--anointed. "There shall rise false anointed teachers." A prophet teaches what his message is: anointed teachers, but anointed people with false teaching, anointed ones: christs, plural; prophets, plural. And if there is such a thing as a Christ, singular, then these would have to be anointed ones that their prophecy of what they were teaching would be the difference, because they are anointed ones, anointed.

45 Second seal the 63-0319 P:110 Look, notice. When Satan... Now, everybody that realizes that Satan controls all political powers of the world... He said so (Matthew the 4th chapter and you get it, and the 8th verse). All the kingdoms belong to him. That's the reason they fight, war, kill. Now, remember, isn't that strange? They was given this sword to kill one another. Oh, my. Notice now. Now, when he did that he did not have the ecclesiastical power yet; but he started in with a demon of a false teaching, and that teaching become a doctrine. That doctrine become car--incarnate in a false prophet, and then he went just to the right place; he never went to Israel now, he went to Rome, Nicaea, Rome.

46 Baptism of the holy spirit 58-0928M P:97 Now, if you're a Methodist, those kind of fruits follow you, that

you're not quick tempered to fight a buzz saw; if you got patience, and you got love, and you--consideration to everybody; if your first love is Christ, your second is your fellow man, let you be third down like that; if you're moving on, got long suffering, gentle, patience, faith...My, you say, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me. And there's--there's Divine healing. The Holy Ghost is the same today." Now, you say, "Wait a minute I'm taught in the Church of Christ, days of miracles is past." You got a devil. That's right. You say, "Well, we got to be baptized. In the Bible there's no such a thing as being baptized in the name of the Father, Son, Holy Ghost. I see it right now; it's in the Scripture. It's the Name of the Lord Jesus; everywhere it's the Name of the Lord Jesus." "Wait a minute, we'll kick you out of the Assemblies." And you duck down to that, you got a false spirit in you; you're listening to a false teaching or a false prophet. Now, you just find one place where they was ever baptized in the Name of the Father, Son, Holy Ghost, and I'll give up to you. I'll show you every place they were baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus. Now, who's right, the Assemblies or the Bible?

47 Proving His Word 64-0816 P:42 Don't reason with it. You--you say, "Well, I believe..." You ain't got no right. When God says anything, just--just the way He said, that's the thing to do. You say, "Well, I think..." But you ain't got no thought coming. Let the mind that was in Christ be in you. And Christ is the Word. Let the Word be in you. All other words be wrong, Christ's Words is right. Others believe him and all of his reasons, like she did, reason, "Well, why would God do this? Now, isn't this just as good as that?" If it's contrary to the Word, it's not. So anything, any teacher, any Bible expositor, anything else would teach you or try to get you to believe anything one little iota different from what this Bible says it, it's a false teaching. It's Satan again just exactly like it was to Eve. God goes right on, no matter what he does, what Satan does, God goes right on proving it to be so.

48 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:185 Let's go now, close. Anointed ones, christs in the last days, but the false teachers as false prophets... Notice how striking. Now, I want you to compare this (We haven't got time to read it out.), Matthew 24:24 with II Timothy 3:8. Matthew 24:24 said in the last days (See?) there'll come false christs, false anointed ones, false prophets, and shall show signs and wonders exactly like the real one--real one and shall--and shall almost deceive the very elected.

49 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:50 Oh, you false teachers, listen at these tapes all these years and seen God confirm exactly what He said, and you set in your study and know it's the Truth, and because of your denominational differences, you dispute them and tell your people they're not so. Woe unto you. Your time is close at hand.

50 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:43 But you might see that the anointing gets on the unjust, the false teachers, and causes them to do exactly what God told them not to do; but they'll do it anyhow. Why? They cannot help it. How can a thistle be anything else but a thistle? No matter how much good rain's sprinkled on it, it's got to be a thistle. That's the reason Jesus said they'll be so close it would deceive the very elected (which is in the roots), if it were possible. But it ain't possible. A wheat can do nothing but bear wheat; that's all it can bear.

51 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:31 Notice. The same anointing water brings forth the wheat, brings forth the weed. The same Holy Spirit that anoints the church, that gives them desire to save souls, that gives them power to perform miracles, It falls on the unjust the same as the just: the very same Spirit. Now, you can't make it another way and understand Matthew 24:24. He said, "There shall rise false christs," false anointed ones, anointed with the genuine thing, but be false prophets of it, false teachers of it. What would make a man want to be a false teacher of something that's Truth? Now, and we'll get down to the mark of the beast in a few minutes, you'll see it's denomination. See, see? False teachers, false anointed, anointed christs, but false teachers. It's the only way you can see it.

52 Spiritual food in due season 65-0718E P:17 Now, that type there that I'm going to type Elijah with the church today, or the church of today... Just before judgment he received this message. Elijah, he represented,

being cared for in the natural, his natural food, because it wasn't going to rain now, according to the Word of God, for three years and six months, or until Elijah called for it. "Whatever time you say, Elijah, that's what it'll be." Therefore he walked up to the king and said, "There'll not even be dew fall till I call for it." That's quite a--a load, isn't it? That's quite a message. And now we're going to type that with the spiritual drought of today. Now, we all know, we're very aware that there is a great spiritual drought in the land today, spiritually speaking. And, you know, that was predicted by the prophets, just before the second coming of Christ would be, said, "There will come a famine in the land, and it won't be for bread alone, but for the hearing of the Word of God." And that day is now, "hearing the true Word of God." Now, this types the natural drought with the spiritual. Sin and unbelief, by false teachers and modernists in the church had brought the place to this coming, oncoming judgment. Then they had turned from God's Word and His prophet to a modern theological terms of the Word.

53 You must be born again 61-1231M P:94 False keep enough of the true to make a form of godliness. And listen, now I'm saying something here; I want you to listen. Them kind of false conceptions (You know what a false conception is?) lead millions of people to a false birth. False teachers lead the people to believe in a sensation, "'Cause you jerked all over, you got It. Oh, because you got a real funny feeling went over you, you--you seen lights in front of you, and got blind and staggered, that's Elijah's jacket put on you. That's right, you got It. Oh, you know what you are? You're a manifested son of God." Where do you find yourself? Defeated. That's right. "Glory to God, I went one night and I had a dream." Oh, yes, uh-huh. See? "Oh, I seen this, that..." Yeah, uh-huh. "You--don't you believe in dreams?" Yes, sir, I certainly do. But if that dream didn't back up God's Word, then it's wrong. This is the Truth here; stay in This. Yes, sir. Lead million to false birth, just think...

54 You must be born again 61-1231M P:92 Now, false teachers will bring false births. True prophets will bring the Word, the birth of the Word, Christ. False prophets will bring false birth, the birth of churches, the birth of creeds, the birth of denominations. And here you are, Pentecostal brother, false sent--or sensations, and tell a man he's got the Holy Ghost 'cause he speaks with tongues. I've seen devils speak with tongues, pencils lay down and write in unknown tongues. That don't mean a thing. See, it's got to be a life: by their fruit you shall know them. "Brother Branham, do you believe in speaking in tongues?" Yes, sir. "You believe in shouting?" Yes, sir. To be a Christian, I believe that. I believe God's Word. But if the life isn't there to back it up...

55 Ephesian church age 60-1205 P:46 Now, the 1st verse. What's He doing? He's saluting them. Unto--unto the angel of the church of Ephesus... (to John)... write; These things saith he that hold the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks; (It's a salute.) Now, the 2nd verse and the 3rd verse, He commends them. I know thy works, and thy labors, and thy patience... how that thou can not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars: See, that apostasy had already begin to set in in this first age, already started right there; because the elect and true church who wanted to keep the precepts of the Bible, and keep the Words that Jesus said in His testimony, they'd already begin to pull away. Something begin to happen, and there'd been false teachers rise up, people who were teaching wrong, contrary to the Scripture, trying to bring in something or add something. That's the reason He gave this revelation to the church and said, "Whoever takes away or adds to, your part will be taken out of the Book of Life." That's lost, brother. Just don't meddle with God's Word. Just no matter who It hurts or what It hurts, just say it anyhow. Just the way it's wrote there, that's the way. We don't need any great something else; we don't need any priest or anything to interpret it to us. God the Holy Spirit is the Interpreter. He gives the interpretation.

56 Baptism of the holy spirit 58-0928M P:78 Remember this, I said in the beginning... Now, if I hurt you, I don't mean to. This is for the church. If you're setting along, we like to have you here, but this is what we stand for and why we're not a denomination. Now, the denomination is to begin with, is false and false teachers. And I said it would hurt, and I want it to hurt. They are absolutely false teachers. Any man that knows those things and will stand and compromise for the Baptist, Methodist Lutheran, or Pentecostal, knowing that the Bible teaches

different, he's a false prophet: no sticking around it. That's exactly. That's why I didn't join the Assemblies. That's why I didn't join the oneness. That's the reason I didn't join the Baptist, the Methodist, or Presbyterian, because they're false. I don't mean their people's false; I mean their theology's false, because it don't compare with God's Word. Paul said, "If a..." He went over here... Let me show you what Paul said before we leave this water baptism.

57 Questions and answers COD 62-0527 P:88 And it left me setting in the room. I didn't even know it was a vision. I didn't know what to call it then. I was laying the cornerstone that day of the foundation there. It's wrote, laying right there in that cornerstone now, and said:... do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of your ministry. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall... heap for themselves together teach--teachers, having itching ears;... and shall be turned from the truth unto fables. (That's both oneness and trinity; they've missed the...) Now, He never said, "You are evangelist," He said, "Do the work of one." See? Now, has the time come? Shall I continue on with that or has the time come for something else? That I know not.

58 Power of transformation 65-1031M P:108 But when it come to the showdown between the Word between two prophets, one of them on the Word, and the other one off the Word, both of them, prophets... You understand? Say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] One on the Word, and the other one off the Word, both of them prophets, proven to be prophets; but one was with the Word. See? False anointed ones in the last days. See? One prophet... Both of them, prophets; one on the Word and one--one vindicated by the Word, and the other one was not vindicated by the Word: Cain and Abel again. See the two, false--false and true? All right.

59 Things that are to be 65-1205 P:83 And now, there'll be false anointed ones in the last days, not false Jesus; they wouldn't stand for that, but false anointed. They are anointed. Yes, sir. But they are antichrist. They are anointed with the Spirit to do the signs and wonders that Christ did, but won't line up with His Word. See? "Many will come to Me that day and say, 'Lord, have not I prophesied and cast out devils in Your Name?' "He'll say, "Depart from Me, you that work iniquity, I never even knew you." "I was Pentecostal, Lord. Glory to God. I shouted; I spoke with tongues; I laid hands on the sick and healed them, cast out devils. "Depart from Me, you that work iniquity, I never knew you." See what I mean?

60 Christ revealed in His own Word 65-0822M P:20 Today's so confused about the evidence of the Holy Ghost and so forth. Satan can impersonate any kind of a gift that God's got, but he cannot bring that Word, word by word. That's where he failed in the garden of Eden; that's where he's always failed. That's where them... The tape on false anointed ones or anointed ones... They can be anointed with the Spirit, speak in tongues, dance, shout, preach the Gospel, and still a devil. It's the inside. Now, remember, Jesus said. "All the Father has given Me, will come to Me. No man can come except My Father draws him first." Now, we taken through the lesson to show that in--you were in your great, great, great grandfather all the way back, physically speaking. Then that's what you are in physical being, nature. Sometimes a child will be born in a family red-headed. It astonishes the father, 'cause there's nobody he knows of his people red-headed, or the mother's. But if you'll go way back to several generations, you'll find out somebody was red-headed. That seed keeps coming on down, and you come the nature of one from way back. Like the--Hebrews the 7th chapter said, that Melchisedec... Abraham paid tithes to Him when he was returning from the slaughter of the kings. And Levi, who received tithes, paid tithes, for he was in the loins of Melchisedec at--or the loins of Abraham, rather, when he met Melchisedec.

61 Rapture the 65-1204 P:85 Don't the Bible say in the last days there shall come false christs, not false Jesus now, false christs, anointed ones, falsely anointed to the Word. Denominational anointed but not to the Word, for the Word will bear record of Itself. It don't need nothing else; It'll bear record to Itself. And there will come false anointed ones. You got my tape on that. And that anoint... Oh, if you'd call one and say, "Oh you--are you a Jesus?", "Oh, certainly not." They wouldn't stand for that. But when it comes to an, "Oh glory, I got the

anointing..." And it's a genuine anointing. Remember, Caiaphas had it too and prophesied. So did Balaam have it and prophesied, but that don't have nothing to do with this inside. Unless that was God's seed, His gene from the beginning, predestinated, you're finished. I don't care how much you shout, speak with tongues, run, shout; that has nothing to do with it. A cocklebur can count just as much as any of the rest of them. I've seen heathens raise, and shout, and speak in tongues, and--and drink blood out of a human skull, and call on the devil. See? So you don't... Any of them sensations and things, forget it. It's your heart in that Word, and that's Christ. Bring it in there, and watch It make Itself known just as It opens up like any other seed and declares Itself for the age It's living in.

62 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:85 "Oh, America, how oft God would've hovered you, but now your hour is come. You lead the world in filth."... blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affections,... (No true love even for one another, man to woman, woman to man, not even natural affections: filth sexually.)... truce-breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, and despisers of those that are good, (In other words, say "You bunch of holy rollers." Someone asked the other day about coming up here to the church, said, "Don't go up there; all it is is a big bunch of noise and carrying on." See? Despisers of those.)Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; (You say, "Brother Branham, that's Communists. What's the next verse say?)Having a form of godliness,... (But what?)... denying the power thereof:... (The Word, Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever manifested a promise for the day... Just exactly like Hananiah, just exactly like Zedekiah, just exactly like Balaam, on back, other false prophets...)... Having a form of godliness,... (Anointed. See? Having a form, anointed, ordained ministers)... having a form of godliness, but denying...That He's the same yesterday, today, and... denying His Word. How did they deny Jesus in that day? Who did they deny when they denied Jesus? The Word. They were religious. They taught from their Bible but denied the present day Word. What are they today? Same thing, anointed, preaching the Gospel of Pentecost, but denying the present day promise of the Word being vindicated: Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do you see it?For this is the sort are they which creep into houses, and lead... silly women laden with sin, led away by divers lusts,..."Our sewing parties and our so-and-so's." Somebody come around trying to misinterpret the Word, and saying this, "It's all right, sister, for you to have short hair. Don't pay any attention to that nitwit." See? "Aw, if you--you wear this... It's not that, it's what comes out of a man's heart that defiles him." See? And do you realize that you are anointed with an evil, lustful, dirty spirit?... care, you might sing in a choir with short hair, but you got an evil spirit. That's contrary to the Word. That's right. It's what the Bible says. And you say, "Well, I wear shorts, it don't condemn..." Whosoever... If a woman puts on a garment that pertains to a man it's an abomination in the sight of God. The unchanging God said that.

63 Trying to do God a service 65-1127B P:65 Like on my Message of the antichrist, "There shall rise false christs." Now, He didn't say false Jesus's. See, nobody would stand still to be called "Jesus," in the term of the Lord. But false christs means "the anointed." "Oh, they, each one thinks they got anointing, "Glory to God, he can do this and do that." But put him on the Word test and find out where he comes out at (See?), on the message of the hour. They had anointing in the time of Jesus, but not on him. They had anointing in the time... Even Dathan had anointing in the time of Moses. He said, "Now, don't you think you're the only holy one among us; God's got plenty. We'll just start an organization here, a group of men." God said to Moses, "Separate yourself from him." He opened up the earth and swallowed them up. He had give His original Word to Moses, His prophet; that's the only way He ever did do it, and the only way He ever will do it. He doesn't change His plan. See?

64 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:93 Reprobates concerning--not reprobates in--in--in living, they're fine, cultured men. Now, notice, when Moses went down to Egypt with a message of THUS SAITH THE LORD, and was vindicated, called on Israel, which was a people, not a church... Israel was a people; they never was a church, 'cause the word "church" means "called out ones." They were the people of God. Then when they become anointed under the Word and called out, they become the church of God, and then backslid, because they believed not the Word of God and listened to a false prophet. I hope that sinks in. Israel being a people of God,

come out under the hand of God, anointed with the Word--with the power of God, seeing the signs and wonders of God; and then when God was moving on with them, a false prophet come in, anointed, and taught something contrary to the original Word of God, that they heard; and every one of them perished in the wilderness besides three people. Now, hold it.

65 Questions and answers COD 64-0823M P:25 Now, the next question follows.²³⁷ Matthew 24:24: "And there shall rise false prophets, and false christs, and false prophets, and will show great signs and wonders." How shall we recognize them?" "There shall rise..." In that now you're coming on down into another age. See? "... raise false christs and false prophets." A false christ is a false anointed, because Christ is the Anointed. How many knows that the "Christ" means "the anointed One"? There will be false anointed ones, and they'll call themselves prophets. But how will you recognize them? By the Word; that's how you'll know it: by the Word, whether they are right. How will we recognize them? Will be by the Word. If they're... If they say that they have the Word, and then deny the Word, then there's nothing to it, no matter what they do. They might heal the sick; they might open the eyes of the blind; and deny the Word, stay away from it. Don't care what it is, stay with that Word regardless (See?), because many times I've seen voodoo and all kinds of things take place under--under healing.

66 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:121 Notice. The anointed ones, only the Word will separate them, not the signs. Oh, no. They'll do the same signs. But the Word's what separated them. Sure. They all prophesied; they all done this, that, and the other, sure, just the same. Jesus said they'd do the same thing. But the Word's what separated them, notice, not signs. Did you notice, Jesus said here in Matthew 24... He didn't say, "There shall rise false Jesuses in the last days." Oh, no, they'd never stand still for that. No. You get a Pentecostal that's a real Pentecostal say hisself he's Jesus. See? You get a false Methodist, or a Baptist, or somebody like that, or one of the organizations say, "We're Jesus." They know better than that. They ain't going to do that. But the Bible said they'd be false christs, not Jesuses, but false christs.

67 Falling apart of the world 62-1216 P:84 Now, anything that pulls you away from That is wrong; that's a false messiah, a false anointing. Oh, he said, "The brother had such anointing." What kind of anointing? That's it. Hitler had an anointing too. Khrushchev's got one also. Pope Pius has one also. What kind of anointing you got? If it's not anointed with this Word and vindicate every Word to be Truth, leave it alone: wrong. If it don't produce itself, then it isn't germitized. It'll show its color. Oh, say, "But That was for another age. We..." Leave that thing alone. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Yes, sir. So when this world falls apart, we are born into a Kingdom that cannot fall apart. You believe the world is falling apart? Its systems are falling apart. Do you believe that? Do you believe the--the economical system's falling apart? The political system's falling apart. The national, U.N. system is falling apart. The church is falling apart. The denominations are falling apart. Everything is falling apart. But we got a Kingdom that cannot be moved; It's a eternal Kingdom of God; it cannot be moved.

68 Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:54 Notice closely as we study along. We'll take another instance over in the Book of Kings. There was a--a prophet, and his name was Micaiah. He was the son of Imlah, and he was a prophet. He was. And there was another prophet, the head of a organization of prophets: anointed ones. The Bible said they were prophets, just the same as It said Balaam was a prophet: anointed ones. And there was one of them by the name of Micaiah who was anointed with God and sent by God with the Word of God. There was one, Zedekiah, who thought he was sent by God. He was anointed of God, but his teaching was contrary to the Word of God. "Rise false christs, show great signs, would deceive the elected if possible."