

**#107 Conformed to the Image of The Eldest Son no 2**

**1** KJV Romans 8:28-30 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. 29For whom he did foreknow, (That's Ephesians 1:3-4 we were in Him before the foundations of the world) 29For 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. Now, if Jesus Christ is the firstborn amongst many brethren, then He is the Eldest Son in a very large family of brothers.

**2** 30 Moreover whom he did predestinate beforehand, them he also called beforehand: and those whom he called beforehand, them he also justified beforehand: and whom He has already justified beforehand, them he also has glorified already in His thoughts before the foundations of the world.

**3** That is why the same Apostle Paul said in Ephesians 1:3-5 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: 4According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy (consecrated and set apart for Him) and without blame before him (or in His Presence). Then 5: in loveHe Has predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, So not only did He choose us or selected us out while we were yet in Him before the foundations of the world, but He that selected us out also for-ordained our end to be adoptable sons, conformed to the Image of His Uniquely born, first born son Jesus. So he pre-destined our path to that very conforming to the Image of the first born son.

**4** Now, in the Message Spoken Word is the Original Seed, in paragraph 83 we hear brother Branham say...All of God's sons must be the same. Yes, sir. To be born of the Word and Spirit brings us back to the spoken Word again like in John 3. See? To be born of the Water and the Spirit, what does it do? Then it brings you right back again unto the place of where you should've been at the beginning...

**5** And I would like to add, where were we at the beginning? The way God saw us in Himself before the foundations of the world.

**6** Then brother Branham says, ...See? That's the reason of Christ's death: brings us right back again to where? Sons of God.

**7** Now, then let's see what some of those attributes are that we are to be conformed to.

**8** 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? Seeing many things, but thou observest not; opening the ears, but he heareth not. 21The LORD is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; he will magnify the law, and make it honourable.

**9** Speak to this rock 53-0512 P:40 Now, He said, Saint John 5, that He couldn't do nothing. They was questioning Him, I suppose, about why He didn't heal all those people, see Him pass through the pool of Bethesda.I was noticing them checking the prayer cards here of these twisted and afflicted laying here. Don't be weary. Now, if a--some unbeliever come by and say, "Heal that man that's crippled up, twisted up, then I will believe it." Look at Jesus going through the pool of Bethesda where the lame, halt, blind and withered was laying: never healed a one of them, walked right by every one of them, full of love and virtue. Is that right? And walked

over to a man laying on a pallet, and said... For Jesus knew he was laying there, the Father had showed Him. And He healed that man, went away.

**10** Results of decision 55-1008 P:91 And we find Him going through the Pool of Bethesda, and many places, or other places in the Scripture. And we find Him there at the Pool of Bethesda, going through there; a few days after that, woman touched His garment. There that had a great multitude, hundreds of people of lame, halt, blind, twisted, withered, waiting for the water to move. And Jesus went down through them, never said a thing, and went over... For He knew... See, the Father had showed Him. That... He knew where there was a man at was going to be laying on a pallet. So He found him and said, "Will thou be made whole?" He said, "I have no one to put me in the water." Said, "Take up your bed and go unto your house." He picked up his bed and went walking away. The Jews questioned Him. And He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing: that doeth the Son likewise." Now, if Jesus told the truth... You believe that? Yes, sir, we could take it from Genesis to Revelations. No prophet, no time, no time did Jesus, at any time, ever done anything without first it being revealed to him.

**11** Who do you say this is? 64-1227 P:61 God had called Moses. He didn't want to go. Those prophets had such things to do till they--they... It was a hard thing to do. They didn't want to be going out and be scorned at. They wanted to have fellowship, and go in with the rest of them, and--and go along with brothers. But you see, just like... I believe... I forget what prophet it was, said, "If... I don't want to do this (in other words), but my whole heart will catch afire. God has spoken and I must deliver it." Whether they liked it; whether they crucified him; whether they stoned him; whatever they did, God has spoke in his heart, and he must say it, not to be different, but be obedient. "Obedience is better than sacrifice; hearkening, unto the fates of rams." See, It was in his heart. He must do it. It was his life. He couldn't hold it. There was something, a pulsation, that pushed them. They couldn't bless it or curse it. God had so much complete control of them till He--He was their voice, their action. Hallelujah. Give me a Church that's so completely anointed with God till their every action and move is **THUS SAITH THE LORD**, right in that Shekinah Glory, I'll show you a Messiah (anointed one of God) standing upon the earth.

**12** Patriarch Abraham the 64-0207 P:2 What a promise because of obedience. Obedience is what God wants. It was once said, "Obedience is better than sacrifice." To obey the Lord is better than any sacrifice that you could do. We're facing now a grand text tonight: "The Patriarch Abraham," which was called the father of the faith, because that God made him the promise to inherit the earth, and his seed... And it's through Abraham, we, being dead in Christ, become Abraham's seed, and are heirs with him according to the promise.

**13** Souls in prison now 63-1110M P:94 May no woman's blood be upon me at that day, or no man's. I've told you the Truth. I've hated to do it, not hating because I don't want to do what God tells me to, but I love you. I don't want to hurt you, so what am I going to do? But pure Divine love will drive you to do it. Jesus even prayed to dodge the cross. "Is it possible that the cup should pass," said, "nevertheless, not My will, Thine."

**14** Communion 57-0418 P:14 Now, if God did not spare His Own Son from the cruel testing, then He will not spare you or I from the cruel testing. And Jesus was here confronting the greatest test that He had ever had. Gethsemane laid just before Him, where that once and final all-sufficient test must come, when the burdens of the entire world laid upon His blessed shoulder. There was no one in all heavens or earth could ever stood it but Him. And to know that all of the sins, of past sins, and present sins, and future sins, rested upon this decision. And it was one of the most greatest victories that Christ ever won or proved His great Messiahship, as when He said to God, "Not My will; Thine be done." That was the greatest victory He had ever won. All the demons of torment was around to tempt Him and try Him. And when we get right with God, when our hearts become pure and the Holy Spirit has taken Its place in our heart, it's the most glorious thing to have testing. The Bible tells us that our testings and trials are more precious to us than silver and gold of this world. So we should be thankful.

**15** Mark 14:32 And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray. 33 And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy; 34 And saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch. 35 And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. 36 And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

**16** Matthew 26: 36 Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder. 37 And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy. 38 Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me. 39 And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.

**17** Conference 60-1125 P:43 Now, Moses cried to the Lord and the Lord said, "Rise up and go forward." And when Moses went right straight and stepped his foot into the water, when that taken place, the Red Sea opened back, and Israel crossed over to a great victory. They had a conference. That's the way we always have to do, is have conferences. Now, I want to speak of another one right quick. There was a conference. There's many of them we could speak of, but let's just not pass this one by. There was a Gethsemane conference one time. When it had to be brought after a victorious life had defeated sickness, defeated everything in the world, He came to Gethsemane, and Father had to check up to see if He really wanted to go through it or not.

**18** Hebrews 5:5 So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee. 6 As he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec. 7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared; 8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; 9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him; 10 Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec. 11 Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing. 12 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. 13 For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. 14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.