

#40 Glorified in His Saints

1 This evening we will speak from paragraphs 86 through 90 of Christ is the Mystery of God Revealed. This will be number 6 in our mini series of God's three fold purpose, and more specifically the second purpose which is God having Preeminence in His Bride.

2 86 Therefore, if any Trinitarian here would just let yourself loose a minute, you can see that Father, Son, and Holy Ghost is not three gods; It's three attributes of the same God. See? It's expression. Father, He wanted to be a Father. He was a Father; He was a Son; and He is the Holy Ghost. And the Father and the Holy Ghost is the same Spirit. Don't you see? You get it? Not three gods, the Devil's told you them things to make an idolater out of you. See? It's one God expressed in three attributes: to be Father, to be Saviour, to be Son, to be Healer (See?) is His expression.

3 87 I want to coast just a little bit so that even people listening to the tape will get the idea, that can see. It would take me around, and around that clock, just each one of those subjects. But I hope I'm making it clear enough that you can see what I'm coming to. See? God, expressed in Jesus Christ, Who was both Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, the Fullness of the godhead bodily. Now, the complete Fullness of the godhead bodily dwells in His Church, the preeminences. All that God was, He poured into Christ; all Christ was is poured into the Church, the believer, not denomination. We'll get to that in a few minutes, and it'll take it out of your mind forever. See? Show you what causes that by the help of God, if He'll just permit it to us.

4 88 What's His purpose now? Express Himself as a Son (See?), and now, that in Him might dwell the Fullness of the godhead bodily. I've got Colossians laying here, right before me. See? That... All through the Scripture that's what God's purpose was. Then it through this Life of this Son, His cross (the Blood, it says here, of His cross), that He might reconcile to Himself a Body, a Bride (which is Eve, second Eve); and God give it in a type like He did Moses and all them (the same thing He did in Adam and Eve, giving a type), that they were Christ and the Bride (He is the second Adam; the Church is the second Eve); and as long as the second Eve compromises against the Word, isn't she doing the same thing the first Eve did? Trying to say it... "Well, it was for some other age." And we'll get to that in a few minutes, whether He said that it was for another age. How can it be another age when He is the same yesterday, today, and forever? But God has purposed that and hid it from the eyes of the prudent and wise and revealed it to the predestinated babes, who were predestinated to receive it.

5 Notice brother Branham said here that it is "through this Life of this Son, ... that He might reconcile to Himself a Body, a Bride. Now, up to this point he has been talking in terms of God receiving preeminence in His Bride. In other words, she has come to the place where she is so dead to herself that it is not longer she, But He that is manifesting Life through her body.

6 Notice we had read earlier where brother Branham said, Now, that's when He can express the preeminences. You see? He's got the man or the person so that he knows nothing but Christ. You get what I mean? All right. That's secondly. First, to express Himself completely: God in Christ. Second, to have the preeminences by this in His Church (which is His Body, Bride) to... He could have the preeminence to express Himself through them.

7 And in paragraph 82 brother Branham said, "And the other night... If you didn't get the tape that I preached here one night on "A Prisoner of Jesus Christ--Paul, a Prisoner..." See? When God gets you to be His prisoner, then you can't do nothing but what the Spirit says do."

8 And in pp 79 he said, "Secondly: to have the preeminence in His body of believers, that is, His Bride, that He might live in people."

9 And in pp. 71...Brother Branham said, "He should be the principal Theme of our talking, of our thinking, of our singing, of our walks; He should be the principal Theme of our life. If He's the principal Theme of the Bible, and the Bible is in us, then He should be the principal Theme of everything that we do, say, or think, should be Christ. Is that right? All right."

10 Now from brother Branham's sermon "The Spoken Word is the original Seed" he said in paragraph 96 When God and His Word becomes one (Hallelujah.) that's when God's Spirit waters the Seed of God, the Word of God, It produces God; and it's not the individual; it's God. For "you are dead"; you're not yourself no more. You reckon yourself dead, hollowed out, waiting for the Seed germ. Paul Said in, 2 Timothy 2:11-12 It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:

11 So suffering and death are essential components of God molding and shaping us into the very image of His beloved first born son. Now, brother Branham continues in paragraph 96...saying, "Then what is it? It isn't you no more; isn't the man; it's God IN the man. It's a Seed germ like the beginning spoken Word. God's Word made manifest IN the man; then it isn't the man; it's the man that's died."

12 So you see this preeminence in the Bride is when she comes to the place where she reconciles herself to be dead to her own desires, but alive to the will of God and that alone.

13 Now, in picking up at paragraph 89 of Christ is the Mystery brother Branham says, "That's the reason... Watch down through the age. Whenever that Light hits some, they turn it away and flashed it away, and great intellectuals and them great priest standing there... There was rabbis from... great teachers in authority like different ones like Nicodemus and them, men polished in scholarship, and he couldn't even understand it. And there was those great priests stood out there, and rabbis who were taught in that Word. My, they knew it intellectually. And He said, "You are of your father, the devil, and his works you'll do." Think of it. Holy men, you couldn't put your finger nowhere on their life, or their father's life, or their grandfather's life, or their great, great, great, great, great-grandfather's life. If they did, they died in shame; they stoned to death. But here stands Jesus calling that group a bunch of devils: religious people."

14 90 "Now. Oh, the great revelation now... Now, to restore back His kinship. To bring back... Now, He had to let them get lost; you understand it? He had to let them sin, put them on free moral agency. He could not make them sin and remain God and then punish them for something He made them do. But when He put man on partnership with Him, then let man act as a free moral agent... See? The same thing that He's got you on today. See, see? You act any way you want to; you're a free moral agent. So therefore, if He put the first like that, He has to put the second like that, He has to put everyone like that, or He acted wrong in the first place. See? But everybody is on that same basis."

15 Now, what is Brother Branham saying here? He's saying that if God left you to yourself, after giving you a free moral agency, you would most certainly die. Because there is a way that seems right unto man, but the end therefore are the ways of death. Proverbs 16 : 25

16 And we all know that man will always choose the way that seems right to himself unless he's insane. But Notice that brother Branham said God put you on partnership with him. "But when He put man on partnership with Him, then let man act as a free moral agent".

17 Now, this means when God baptizes him with the Holy Ghost, because when Speaking of our being partakers of the Holy Ghost as we see in Hebrews 6:4 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost," The Greek word for partaker is metechos which means associate, companion or partner.

18 So that means he has given you a companion, which is the Holy Ghost. And once you are partnered with God by receiving the God-Life, which is the Holy Life, the Holy Ghost Life, then he can put you on free moral agency and you will make the right choices, because it is God in you working to Will and to do.

19 Hebrews 12:10 For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers (associates, companions or partners) of his holiness.

20 Hebrews 3:14 For we are made partakers (associates, companions or partners) of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;

21 Hebrews 3:1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers (associates, companions or partners) of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;

22 We see another Greek word koinonos which also means the same thing in the following Scriptures.

23 2 Peter 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

24 1 Peter 5:1 The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker (associates, companions or partners) of the glory that shall be revealed:

25 1 Peter 4:13 But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers (associates, companions or partners)of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

26 2 Corinthians 1:7 And our hope of you is stedfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers (associates, companions or partners)of the sufferings, so shall ye be also of the consolation.

27 In other words, God tried free moral agency with Eve and she failed. He tried free moral agency with the Jews and they failed. He tried free moral agency down through the church ages and they all Failed. But now, he has at this end-time come down in the form of the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation in the knowledge of Himself and He has given you the same spirit that He gave His Son that you might receive the very same mind that was in Christ and thus you now think as God thinks. Then in this condition, under a free moral agency, you can do whatever you would like to do, but all you want to do is please your Father because this is the hour that He ordained before the foundations of the world to be glorified in His saints.

28 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.

29 He has come to be glorified in His saints. His Doxa in His saints, His Opinion, His Judgment, His Assessment, His Word, His Thoughts - in His Saints.

30 Israel at the Red Sea 35-64 53-032628 God has already glorified His church. Those who He justified, He also glorified in the church, in Christ. If you're justified in Christ, you're glorified in Christ already, as far as God is concerned. Jesus said, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in heaven is perfect." How could you ever be perfect? But in the sight of Christ tonight, every born-again Christian is perfect. I'm just as perfect in God as Christ was. You are too--every other believer. For it's not my holiness, it's His holiness. God can't accept mine; I have none. But I come in Christ, by faith. And by Christ I'm in Him, and perfect in the sight of God.

31 That is why Paul again speaks of this condition of Holiness that we shall possess at the Parousia of Christ.

32 1 Thessalonians 3:13 "to the end that He may establish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God" That's in His very Presence, Then he says, "even our Father, what identification and when does Paul tell us this will happen? "At the parousia of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints."

Let us pray...