

#144 Christian Life no 24 Believing Every Word

1 This morning we will continue with our study from Christ is the Mystery of God Revealed. Last night we read from paragraph 228, so this morning we will begin with paragraph 229 where brother Branham says, "Not say, "My church done..." My church has nothing to do with it. It's an individual, one person. All hell is against this teaching. All hell's against this truth, but it is the truth. Jesus never said, "Now, Peter, you, and John, and all the rest of the people, now that you've got the revelation now; the whole church is saved." No, it was to him personally.

2 Then why in the world do people believe that they are saved because God sent a prophet and gave Him revelation. Isn't that what he's essentially saying here? He's saying the whole group was not saved because God gave the revelation to Peter, and neither are those who follow William Branham just because they believe he was given the revelation from God. You've got to have that same revelation or you are lost. That's what he's saying.

3 Then brother Branham continues, "I say unto thee ('thee,' not to them,) to thee, thou art Peter, upon this rock I'll build My Church." And the word "Peter," means "a stone"; "stone" means "the confessed one, or the separated one." Upon a certain stone, upon a certain thing (See?), a called out, the Church called out, upon this stone, upon this revelation. "Flesh and blood never revealed it to you, but upon this revelation (called out group) I'll build My Church in them, and all the gates of hell will never be able to withstand it. Not one hair of your head shall perish. You are Mine; I'll raise you up in the last day, give unto him Eternal Life and raise him up at the last days." There it is, the revelation. Not them, but him, an individual: not a group, an individual. All hell's against it.

4 Now, listen in case you are one of them who think he's talking about himself here. he just told you the whole group isn't saved because one is saved. The whole group isn't revealed because one is revealed.

5 Now, Paul does tell us in Romans 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: 13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

6 Now listen, it is very apparent by what Paul is saying here that you don't even have to have entered into the unbelief of the one man Adam to suffer the consequences of His unbelief. because he says, 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned (that had not disbelieved) after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

7 From the translation called the VOICE we read, 13 Before God gave the law, sin existed, but there was no way to account for it. Outside the law, how could anyone be charged and found guilty of sin? 14 Still, death plagued all humanity from Adam to Moses, even those whose sin was of a different sort than Adam's.

8 And isn't that saying the same thing as Hebrews 10:26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

9 So if the sin is before the knowledge of the truth, then there is no way to account for it. But if you sin willfully after you have come to a knowledge of the truth, you will not ever be forgiven unless you can undo what you did,

but what are the chances of that happening to someone who knowingly snubbed the blood of Jesus Christ and trod it under foot with their disrespect?

10 15 But not as the offense, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

11 Let me read it again from the VOICE 15 But the free gift of grace bears no resemblance to Adam's crime that brings a death sentence to all of humanity; in fact, it is quite the opposite. For if the one man's sin brings death to so many, how much more does the gift of God's radical grace extend to humanity since Jesus the Anointed offered His generous gift.

12 Now, how did the gift of that one man abound to many? Because when he died, his spirit was released from that body and came back upon many. They many, were baptized with the same Spirit of the One man when he the one man gave up His spirit on Calvary. so Paul is not saying that because Jesus was saved you will be saved. He is saying that if that same Spirit that raised up Jesus from the dead comes into you and dwells in you, it will also make alive your mortal body just as it quickened and made alive the body of Jesus.

13 Romans 8:11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies (plural) by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

14 Now, back to Romans 5:16 And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offenses unto justification.

15 16 His free gift is nothing like the scourge of the first man's sin. The judgment that fell because of one false step brought condemnation, but the free gift following countless offenses results in a favorable verdict--not guilty.

16 17 For if by one man's offense death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.

17 18 Therefore as by the offense of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift (the baptism of the Spirit) came upon all men unto justification of life. 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous. 20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: 21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

18 Therefore, righteousness being defined as right-wiseness, comes by revelation. Therefore you must have the same revelation and the same Life of the one (Christ Jesus) for you to receive eternal life.

19 So we continue with paragraph 230 where brother Branham says, ... "But His mystery is only revealed to His beloved Bride. That's the only one could see it. He said, "Well did Isaiah speak of you, you hypocrites, you snake in the grass. You go out here and say, 'Oh, the great holy prophets, we mark their tombs; we polish them.'" He said, "You're the one that put them in there." Did He say it?

20 And don't they do it today? They go to Jeffersonville and weep over the tomb of William Branham prophet of God, and garnish his tomb with flowers, and yet when they go away are just as much unbelievers as when they came. Now, not all. But when you have the same sin and attributes of unbelief in this Message at about the same % as you have in the unbelieving world, doesn't that tell you something?

21 Then brother Branham says, "Same thing they'd say to the Catholic churches in their days. When they were sent the prophets of the Old Testament before they had Nicaea, Rome, up there and let them old prophets come out of there eating grubs and things out of the ground not even with clothes on, with sheepskin wrapped around them and tried to stand for that truth of the Bible... But the Catholic church wanted their intellectual conception. Then they brought out... There come St. Irenaeus, Polycarp, Martin, all the rest of them. And what did they do? They put them in the tomb: Joan of Arc, St. Patrick and the rest of them. They put them in there, and now come back and whiten the walls like they did in Joan of Arc. What did they do? They put them in there.

22 231 May I say this. His Spirit calls unto you, "whited walls, you hypocrites, calling yourself something when you take the intellectual conception of men and leave the Word go, instead of come pregnated with the Seed of God, the Word in you. You've taken every other hybrid..."No wonder she set as a whore, because she commits spiritual fornications, (now listen to his definition of spiritual fornication) teaching the people things of man and not things of the God.

23 Like for instance what things? Like saying "if God cant forgive that sin what sin can he forgive?"

24 Now, back to brother Branham, "But He said, "Fear not, little flock, it's your Father's good will to give you the Kingdom." That's right. Certainly. There we have it.

25 232 The Bible in Revelations said this great city reigned over all the kings of the earth, said she was a whore. What is that? A woman that claims to be a lady and commits fornication. She had a cup in her hand of toast to the world filled with the filthiness of the abominations of her fornications. And she had daughters: the Protestant churches. They every one come out of her with her same false doctrines, same baptisms, and by shaking hands instead of the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and their false doctrine of Father, Son, Holy Ghost and all of that instead of taking the Name of the Bridegroom and so forth... You say, "It don't make any difference." It does. If I put my name on a check and say, "the Reverend," "the Minister," or so forth, that won't cash nothing. That's right. It's turned down at the bank.

26 233 Notice, All right. But all this mystery is revealed only as He promised to His Bride. Hell is against this truth of the revelation of this mystery. But the Bride is standing on it. That's Her stand. Why do you hunger, Church? Why do you thirst? It's the Father trying to reveal this hidden secret to you, but you let so many things get it out of you. You let your job, you let your wife, you let your husband, you let your children, you let the cares of the world, you let some pastor, you let somebody else get that out of you, when you know that way down in your heart you're a-thirsting, hungry. It's God trying to reveal it to you (See?), the revelation. The last day is here.

27 234 Notice, now, Let's look back again; I can't pass all of this. See? I just want you to look here just a minute now, and we'll close just in a few minutes. If you just give me your undivided attention for a minute.

28 235 Notice, Colossians the 18th verse here, in the Book of Colossians, 18th verse. Now... "he is the head of the church, the body,... who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence". He is the Head of the Church which is His Body, and He wants the preeminences. Listen now. Listen close while we're going.

29 236 Watch. He is to be the Head of the Body, His Bride's body, which is taken from Him, flesh and bone like in Adam (See?), Bride, born from the dead (See?) that's born from the dead, sin of unbelief. What killed Eve? Unbelief. Is that right? The unbelief in what? What? For the unbelief in God? No, she had faith in God. Sure. Did she say, "There is no God"? No, sir, she wasn't an infidel. "Well," she said, "you know, I don't believe His Word at all." Oh, no, she believed all but one little thing. See?

30 Now, listen carefully to this next paragraph, because brother Branham says something that is very important for us to hear.

31 237 Now, didn't the Bible say over in the Book of Revelation--Jesus said Himself, "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify these things unto you. Whosoever shall take one word from It or add one word to It..."

32 And what does the book of revelations tells us? Take one word away and your name is taken from the Book of Life, and add one word and you get the plagues and tribulation.

33 "And if all this heartache and sorrow had to come because a woman doubted one Word of God, will He let you back doubting one Word? He'd be unjust. See? See, that wouldn't be right. Condemned... Here's one man standing: he caused all of his heartache because of one Word doubted, then he goes ahead and takes years of experience and everything in the Bible and so forth and the others who's give their lives for it and then say, "Oh, you can go ahead and eat it. That's all right. I'll let you back anyhow." Oh, God is no respecter of persons. See, see? God is no respecter of persons.

34 That's like the guy who plans to commit adultery against his wife, and sleeps with another woman, and then because his conscience bothers him he divorces his wife and marries the woman he's been sleeping with, and then says, God will forgive me, because I am so wonderful.

35 No, I don't think so. I think you will end up in the lake of fire because you are a shmuck, and you have trodden underfoot the Word of God and done despite to the blood of Jesus Christ.

36 Oneness 62-0211 P:26 Now, let's think seriously, because we never be able to think anymore after this, after this mortal life is over. Your thinking is now. You cannot choose after this; you must choose now, for this is the day of choosing, making your choice. Now she... One Word, not a whole Decalogue, just one Word, she questioned God, because it was presented to her in that light that that Word was questionable.

37 And isn't that what they are doing when they say, "if God can't forgive that what can he forgive?" Oh, the prophet is too confusing, so I have an excuse to not listen to what he said. Oh the prophet has been gone for 50 years so how do we know what is right and what is wrong?

38 Now, listen, brothers and sisters, he didn't lay up those tapes for something to do. He laid them up so we would have spiritual food in due season, and we would have the answers to our questions.

39 Notice what brother Branham says next. "God's Word cannot be questioned; He meant just what He said. But she questioned it because it was presented to her, "Oh, God surely didn't mean that." But He did mean that. God means every Word He says. And It doesn't need any private interpretation. It's just the way He said It. Well, you say, "How do you know about the Bible?" I believe that my God has guided this Bible; He watches over His Word. He knowed that atheists and infidels would rise in the last days, so He's watched over It. This is exactly the way God meant It. It's the way It's to us now. Now, we must believe It. One Word off of It, and we lose our fellowship, go off into death, eternal separation from God, just as Adam and Eve did. We must believe God's Truth.

40 No, you suppose brother Branham was just kidding here? Listen, when you begin to doubt one little thing God says in this bible or on those tapes, that is the minute you die right there. That is the minute you go one Word off, and that is the slippery slope the devil wants you to take. Get you away from the Tapes so he can confuse you even more with the Bible which has been debated by man for centuries, because man does not want to take God

literally for what he said.

41 Unfailing realities of God 60-0626 P:79 But the Holy Spirit will bring you back to Pentecost, every time; they did in the Scripture to everybody, and it will in this day to everybody. It'll bring you back to that reality. It'll bring you back to a baptism of power of the Spirit, that'll lead you and will never take one Word off the Bible. It'll stay right in the Bible. Where It says this, it'll follow right on through it. The Holy Spirit will. It brings a reality. What did He do? He had to get these ignorant fishermen, didn't even have clothes, just something wrapped around them, fish-aprons, and so forth, no clothes; so ignorant they couldn't sign their name: unlearned, no education. But He found somebody. He had to get somebody. But He found men in that kind of a state, that was willing to surrender, that was willing... They had nothing else to hold. They didn't have any churches, any denominations and anything. They were just ignorant fishermen, shepherders; didn't know how to write, didn't know how to read, nor nothing. But they had nothing to lose, and He got to them, and they surrendered. They said, "Whatever You say, Lord, we'll do it. We'll follow You."

42 In Revelations 22:18 we read, "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: 19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and [from] the things which are written in this book.

43 So don't mess with this Word brother or sister. Leave it as it is. Find out what Word promises are yours for this hour. And don't try to make it say something it doesn't say. That's where people go off. And remember, one word off and your finished. Your adding to it will put you in the tribulation, and your taking away from it takes your names out of the book of Life. God don't want you to mess with His Word. Keep it just as He said it.

44 2 Thessalonians 1: 7-12 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; 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.

45 Let us pray...