

#3 Understanding Omnipresence

- 1** This morning we will continue at paragraph number 4 of brother Branham's sermon, "What the Holy Ghost was given for". Our Subject will be the Omniscience of God taken from a statement brother Branham makes in this paragraph we are going to read for our text.
- 2** 4 And now, tonight before we read the Scriptures, let us bow our heads just a moment for prayer. And just before we pray, you with your heads bowed, would you have a request, just raise your hands and say, "God, I solemnly raise my hands; I have need. And I pray that You'll help me, oh, Lord." God bless each of you. He sees your hands. The Angels have taken your request down.
- 3** I want you to notice that brother Branham is making a statement here that God sees your hands that are raised up. We could go a step further and show you by a dozen or more quotes that brother Branham called God "the all seeing eye", and even said on our dollar bill the eye at the top of the pyramid shows God is watching over everything.
- 4** Therefore this morning I would like to take a rather simple sermon, and show How God is omnipresent. we know that since God is a being, brother Branham said he can not physically be in all places at the same time, but since he is also "Omniscient" which is "all knowing" he can be anywhere he wants just by his knowing all things.
- 5** Now, there are some make this an issue more than they should, as though since God can only be in one place at a time, then he can not be over here if He is over there. As though they somehow have a claim on him that no one else has. That's the same kind of thinking Rebecca Branham had at the age of 5 when she held onto her daddy and told Sarah She had all of Daddy, as if there was no daddy for Sarah. But Sarah replied was smart enough to reply back, "you may have all of daddy, but daddy has all of me".
- 6** And by teaching the way they are doing they would like for you to believe that God can not be here in America if he is over there in their country.
- 7** Personally, I do not see what there point is, seeing that God Himself is invisible and you wouldn't know by site whether he's here or there or any other place for what it counts. But by making this a doctrinal issue, they are trying to make this idea of God being in only one place at any given time a truth that is more truth than truth itself.
- 8** In doing so they are using a Bible truth to set themselves up as though they have something very special that we do not have and thus they have God and no one else can have God. In other words they say, "see, God is here, because we have this special truth, and that means God is here with us, and if he is here with us, he can not be any place else." "We have all of God, and there's not enough for anyone else". just like thf vive year old little Rebecca Branham said.
- 9** The real question people should be asking is this: "if God is here and he is not over in the USA, then why are the miracles taking place over there and not over here?"
- 10** After all, brother Branham preached the Sermon, "If God be here then where are all the miracles?" And in that sermon he showed how that God is Supernatural being, and wherever God is there is supernatural presence

following Him.

11 Yes, God is a supernatural God, and wherever God's presence is, there are miracles and supernatural things taking place. So if your theology wants to limit God to one place, then based on the supernatural nature of God, He would have to be where the supernatural is taking place.

12 So if any claim they have God to themselves and therefore He can't be in any where else, then where is His Supernatural taking place among them?

13 And how could you deny John 14:12 and claim and the supernatural manifestations of the Holy Spirit in your midst, and claim to have God's presence among you?

14 No one has a right to claim God's presence is with them if there is no supernatural taking place among them.

15 Brother Branham vindicated prophet of God said in his sermon, Why it had to be shepherds 64-1221 P:70 "there cannot be the Presence of God without supernatural things happening. Never did Jehovah ever appear without supernatural following Him. It has to be."

16 Now, some of you have been around long enough to have been eyewitnesses to the supernatural Presence of God moving among us in this church and when we were in Kentucky. Some of you here were eyewitnesses to some of the supernatural events which took place, such as lightning striking the same tree causing the church power to blackout three different times on three different days. And that was due to a prayer request, because we as a church had been talking about whether we should move from Kentucky to Ohio, and within days of that prayer, Lightning struck the same tree and grounded out the transformer to the church property three different times within three different days, and this was confirmed by the Duke Energy company.

17 Further yet, one of the deacons who witnessed this took a day off from work and fasted and prayed all day because he did not want to move and so he asked God that if He wanted the church to move that he would allow the lightning to strike yet a third time, and this he asked after visiting the church to make sure the power was working. Then he went home to pray and fast, and that night when we came to church the power was off again and Duke Energy came out and confirmed the third lightning strike to that tree.

18 If you recall that was an answer from God whether we should move from that church in Kentucky or not, and we asked God to show us and He did three different times, as a witness that He wanted us to move from there and move up here.

19 Some of you also were around when God took a brazen sky without a cloud in it, where the temperature had been a steady 102 for 6 days and within a couple hours after we asked God to change the weather by 30 degrees, the sky was filled with the biggest blackest clouds I have ever seen and the winds swept through and dropped the temperature by 30 degrees within minutes. The same thing happened in Africa and again in Argentina in 2013.

20 The entire church was witness to the man that came with his heel sawed off by the VA and his leg full of gain green, and after praying for him, God delivered him instantly from that gain green and grew his heel back muscles, tendons, three layers of skin and all, and he didn't have to get his leg cut off the following day as the VA had promised him they would have to do, because God not only heeled this man with Gain green and diabetes but he grew the entire appendage back.

21 So we've seen many answered prayers, where impossible things took place. And not only here in this church but all across the world where I've traveled God has been doing the same things.

22 So the question should be asked, "has God been doing the same for these brothers who deny John 14:12? I think not. So then where is God's presence?"

23 Now, I do not claim that we have all of God. I think that would be foolish to say that, even though I know His presence is here with us. But just because His presence has been vindicated to be here among us, I still believe God's Presence is wherever His Word is believed and wherever the believers are taking a stand for His Word.

24 Influence 63-1114 P:49 God's omnipresence knows what you're doing, and even your thoughts. One time while I was in a vision, I was speaking to a Being standing by me; and He said back; He said, "Your thoughts are louder in the heavens than your voice is on the earth." He knows what you're thinking. You might say you do this and you do that, but (You see?), down in your heart, if you think different, you're doing something wrong. You should be just what you are. See? The mouth should speak what's in the heart. See? And so we find that the people doesn't realize the Presence of God. You know, they ought to be like David, the man that was after God's Own heart. He said, "The Lord is always before me." Wherever he goes, he remembers God is always before him. "He is on my right hand, and I'll not be moved," because God is on his right hand.

25 Notice brother Branham keeps bringing it all down to the omniscience of God. He knows, period, end of story. And I believe that God is with those who have His truth and who are living His Truth, and He backs up those who have and are living His truth with His supernatural presence.

26 Birth pains 65-0124 P:10. Divine healing is a minor in the Gospel, and you can never major on a minor. Anyone knows that. But it's a bait that's used to get people to believe in the supernatural Presence of God; the supernatural is present; and then by that, if they can recognize His Presence, then they are healed (See?) by faith believing it.

27 So if your camp does not believe in John 14:12 and the supernatural presence of God, the you are in the wrong camp. That's what brother Branham said. In fact he said you've got to go beyond the camp to find God in His Supernatural presence, and we did.

28 Going beyond the camp 64-0719E P:39 If you ever leave the camp of your own reason, that's the place you'll find God. Notice, as they went out into the wilderness, there were miracles, signs, when they moved into this camp. Now, remember, they left Egypt's camp and moved out into the wilderness with God's camp. How do you know it was? God said, "Your people shall sojourn for four hundred years, but I'll bring them out with a mighty hand, and I'll give them this land here." And they were on their road by a vindicated Light, a vindicated prophet, with signs, wonders that God was in the camp, and they were on their road. They had a Pillar of Fire; they had a prophet; they had manna; they had living waters. Amen. They had changed campgrounds. They had to do it; they couldn't see those things in Egypt. They had to change the campgrounds in order to see the supernatural. So will the people of this day have to change the camp from them denominations that say, "The days of miracles is past. There's no such a thing as the baptism of the Holy Ghost," and; "All these Scriptures are wrong; and they were for another age." You'll have to change your campgrounds. Go beyond that camp to where all things are possible. All of them was vindicating His Presence in the camp.

29 If God be with us 61-1231E P:36 God is a supernatural Being. And wherever a supernatural Being is, He'll do supernatural signs, because the supernatural is in Him. You just can't get out of it. How can you stand in the face of wind, without having wind blowing? How can you get in water, without being wet? Water's wet. That's the chemical of it. It's wet. And when you get in water, you're going to get wet. Right. And when you get in the Presence of God, the supernatural, there's going to be supernatural signs and supernatural workings of a supernatural God.

30 So now, I ask the question to everyone in this Message who belongs to any camp in this Message. "if God is in your camp, then where are all the signs of His Supernatural presence in your camp?"

31 Now, getting back to our topic tonight, and that is the omnipresence of God. And brother Branham says in his sermon, What is the attraction? 65-0725E P:5 remember, God is omnipresent, He's everywhere. So down in Texas, over in California, up in Arizona, wherever you are, lay hands on those that are sick when we start praying for the sick. And I'm sure God will hear and answer prayer.

32 Now, don't forget he is everywhere because He knows all things. God is not everywhere as the Hindus believe. Breathe in God breathe out God, breathe in God breathe out God. That is heathenism. God is a person, and as a person his being can not be in all places at all times. other wise he would fill the eternal spaces of the trillions of galaxies, and then his form would not be as the form of a man. His form would be like the wind or more so.

33 No, as a person He has set limits for himself, but as an omniscient Mind, He knows all things, and therefore on the merits of His omniscience he can be in all places, because he created all places and knows all places, every detail to the nth degree to the nth power.

34 And from Who is this Melchisedec 65-0221E P:25 And if He isn't infinite, He isn't God. God has to be infinite. We're finite; He's infinite. And He was omnipresent, omniscient, and omnipotent. If He isn't, then He can't be God: knows all things, all places because of His omnipresence. Omniscient makes Him omnipresent. He is a being; He's not like the wind. He is a being; He dwells in a house, but being omniscient, knowing all things, makes Him omnipresent, because He knows everything that's going on. There can't be a flea bat its eyes but what He knowed it. And He knowed it before there was a world, how many time it'd bat it's eyes and how much tallow it had in it, before there ever was a world. That is infinite. We can't comprehend it in our minds, but that's God, infinite.

35 Now, I think that is about the best quote we have from brother Branham concerning how God can be in all places at all times, even though he restricts his physical presence because He is a Spirit Being. But because He knows all things, and he has known all things before those things even took place, He knows, where, when, what duration, and everything about it. He knows it by being omniscient. So whether he is actually physically here or there it makes no difference with God. He knows.

36 And brother Vayle reads this quote in one of his sermons, and he makes a comment I really like. Let's read it, because this is where the brothers are missing the boat. I'll read it and you note what he says. I'll have to place brother Branham's words in bold Blue and brother Vayles in black like mine but italicized so you can see he's reading from Br. Branham's sermon here.

37 Lee Vayle Things That Are To Be #8 Living Oracles - In other words Bro. Branham is saying 'omniscience'. Foreknowledge is part of omniscience. That's the whole thing, see? ... He's omnipresent because He's omniscient; (Now that's true there, but he doesn't go far enough.) omniscient because He's omnipresent. Therefore, by His foreknowledge... (Now he breaks it up.) Now, He can't just be like the wind over the earth, because He is a being. He isn't just a myth; He's a being. (In other words this is not pantheism.) He dwells...even dwells in a house. He dwells in a place called heaven; and therefore, by His omni... (Now see, missed out there.) ...being omniscient, knowing all things, then He is omnipresent because He knows all things. And, what he actually says in another place is the truth. "He is omnipresent, because He's both omniscient and omnipotent." So therefore, it is needless to be omnipresent. As the Presbyterian Church defined it so beautifully, "God is not omnipresent, but all things are present to Him," or "God is not present to all things, but all things are present to Him." So therefore, that is omnipresence. The point is: there are three things: omniscience, omnipotence, love. Without that love, that nature, forget the other two. You can be a Joe Stalin, a Hitler or a devil. But, when you're

love, you got no worry. Now, that's the thing right there that amazes us all, because God is Love and God is Holy Spirit; so therefore, the Holy Spirit is that Spirit of Love, and He comes through the channels of the Word.

38 Now, I wouldn't mind if those brothers would quote brother Vayle if only they would quote all he said on any given subject, but they don't. They leave out the most important pieces of what he says, and that is that omnipotence and omniscience would be disastrous if God wasn't also Love.

39 And if they were teaching it like brother Branham taught it and like Br. Lee taught it, they would not be making statements where they add to it and say things like God can not be in America because He is in some other country? You won't ever find brother Branham or brother Vayle making statements like that. So why do they make statements like that? Because they have their own version of what the Message is and they don't understand what brother Branham nor what brother Vayle were saying.

From His sermon, Harvest time 64-1212 P:47 brother Branham said, "Now, you see, God scattered His Word out, 'cause He could...He's infinite, and He's omnipresent, omniscient, therefore He knows all things. He can't be present everywhere. By being omniscient, knowing all things, then He can be present everywhere.

40 Now, I hope you just caught what he said here. Although God can not be physically present everywhere, yet because of His omniscience he can be present everywhere.

41 Therefore I like his definition, "God is not present to all things, but all things are present to Him." So therefore, that is omnipresence." Because this really brings it all into omniscience. All things are present to Him because He knows all things. And if they would teach it like he said it, I would amen what they say, but they don't, and so I won't.

42 Now, back to Br. Branham..."Therefore, by His foreknowledge He can predestinate. And He makes everything work to His glory. That's what His attributes are doing, displaying to His glory. One vessel of honor and one of dishonor, but it's God that maketh it. "Not him that willeth or him that runneth, but God that showeth mercy." See?

43 Masterpiece the 64-0705 P:103 Now, you cannot be omnipresent without being omniscient. God's not even omnipresent; God's omniscient. Omniscient which makes Him omnipresent (He knows all things). But in order to be a being He has to be in one being. But being omniscient He can be omnipresent, 'cause He knows all things, and knowed it before the... He knowed before the world begin how many fleas, lice, how many bugs, and how many times they'd bat their eyes, and everything about it (See?), 'cause He's omnipresent. And you can't be omniscient without being infinite. See? There's only one thing infinite: God. Amen.

44 We would see Jesus 61-0208 P:34 God was in one Man, Christ Jesus; in Him dwelt the fullness of the Godhead bodily. Now, when that Pillar of Fire come down at Pentecost, you notice, tongues of fire set upon each of them. Before they begin to speak with tongues, there was tongues of fire. That was God separating Himself from the Pillar of Fire into each member of His church: God separating Himself so He could be universally all over everywhere at one time. Right now healing meetings is going in Africa. The lame's a walking, the blind's a seeing, all around the world, the universal church of the Lord Jesus Christ in individuals, men who's living and serving Him. God separated Himself and placed Himself out among." That day you'll know that I'm in the Father, the Father in Me, I in you and you in Me," See, see? "A little while and the world (cosmos there, the world order) will see Me no more. Yet ye (the church) shall see Me, for I ('I' is a personal pronoun.), I'll be with you, even in you, to the end of the world." That's right. "I, I will be with you..." See, the universal church of the Lord Jesus Christ. "I'll be with you. The works that I do shall you do also."

45 Now, I suppose those who believe that God can only be in one place and not anywhere else, don't believe in John 14:12 either. Because if you believe in John 14:12 then you believe that God can be doing works in His church in Africa at the same time he is doing them in the USA and in Canada, and all over Europe. And if you believe like I do that John 14:12 is for all believers, then you will have to agree that God is working all over the world in His church.

46 And not only does the works of Christ bring His presence, but preaching the Word will do so as well, as long as it is being preached in the Power of the Holy Ghost. And remember to preach it means to have the power and demonstration of The Spirit along with it.

47 Approach to God 55-0123A P:70 And the Holy Spirit is ordained in the church as symbols: Apostles, teachers, evangelist, gifts of healing, miracles, speaking in tongues, interpretation of tongues; signs and wonders to accompany the church as it goes along for your article. Divine thing, something to represent, that the Divine forgiveness, the Holy Spirit is present, which came out of the very Life of God, the Lord Jesus Christ. His Presence is here. The preaching of the Word brings His Presence. The working of miracles brings His Presence.

48 Led by The Spirit 52-0727 P:32 Paul said, "The Gospel come to us not in Word only, but through power and demonstration of the Holy Ghost." Yes, sir. When He said, "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," He also said, "Demonstrate the power of the Holy Ghost in all the world." Yes, sir. It never come to us through Word only. The Word's got to be quickened and made alive in the demonstration of the power of the Holy Ghost. I said, "Then if you call that the greater things, surely you can do the lesser things then. Go heal the sick. Pray for the sick. Cast out devils. Do those kinds of work." Jesus said, "The things that I do, shall you also." And if you'll do them, He will do them. "The things that I do, shall you do, and greater then this; for I go to My Father." To be greater would be more of you... more of it. Oh, my. Isn't He wonderful?

49 In fact we have a promise in Philippians 2:13 which says, "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Now, who does it say is working in you? it says, "it is God who is working in you". Right?

50 So are we supposed to believe that God is not working in us? because if God is only in one country overseas, then He can't be working in you right here in America, or down in Africa? Now, do you see how dangerous this doctrine is that says God can not be in America if he is in some other country?

51 Philippians 1:6 Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:

52 And how many more Scriptures are we supposed to throw out the door to fit the doctrine that says God can not be in America if He is in some other country.

53 The Apostle Paul tells us in Colossians 1:27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

54 Does that mean that there is only "a hope of Glory" for those in who think God is only in their country, because they believe that if Christ is in their country he can't be in the USA or Africa at the same time He's in their country?

55 And are we not promised that God's presence, His Parousia will be universal?

56 Luke 17:24 For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part

under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day.

57 Matthew 24:27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming (parousia - presence) of the Son of man be.

58 Now, how can these brothers teach these Scriptures concerning the Parousia which is universal if in fact as they believe God is limited as to being in one place ie: Their country and therefore God can not be in the USA?

So I guess according to their understanding, we in America are missing the Parousia of Christ because we are not in their country. And I would like to ask the question, what evidence do they have that God is in their country? If God is in their country then where are all the miracles in that country?

59 And we read in God's Word certain promises we are given concerning His presence, wherein he said, in Psalms 100:2 Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

60 So we might as well stop our singing in the USA because according to them God's presence is not here to sing to anyway.

61 And in Psalms 95:2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms. So I guess we can not make a joyful noise unto him with songs, and thanksgiving, because according to their doctrine he's not here.

62 And in 1 Chronicles 16:27 Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are in his place.

63 And since glory and honour are in His presence, and according to their doctrine God is only in their country, therefore, glory and honour can only be found in their country. And you know, that doctrine seems to be a little bit into self adulation, and self aggrandizing, don't you think?

64 But what it comes down to is this. Some men are not ordained to handle the holy fire of God. They are incapable of understanding it, and therefore should not place themselves in a position of leadership, because they end up being the blind who lead others who are blind. The Word of God is not a toy to play with. It is not a book of riddles to try to figure out. It is God's purpose and plan that he has for all His children no matter what country they might live in and what color of skin or hair or eyes they might have.

65 The problem is that men try to figure out the word of God and the mind is incapable of doing so. God Reveals to us by His Spirit, and unless you have His Spirit you are incapable of understand the Word of God.

66 Uncertain sound 55-0731 P:21 Now, notice close now. I want you pay close attention. Put a lie detector on you, and you try to impersonate that truth, and try to say that it's truth, but down on the inside of you, in the subconscious, lays a place called the soul. And this intellectual mind does not govern that vibration of the system. The mind is only a director. It will direct you, and it's very incapable of bringing you to God: your mind. You cannot know God by your mind, intellectual. It's one of the resources, or the channels that would lead to it, but your soul is what governs you. You are what you are, by your soul. Jesus said to the Pharisee, said, "Why, you hypocrites. How can you speak good things?" When, they was calling Him, "Good Master," and so forth. Said, "Out of the abundance of the heart speaketh the lips. And in your heart you hate Me. And in your lips you call Me, 'Good Master.'" He said, "You hypocrites." See, your soul is thinking one thing, and you're speaking with your lips another thing. What a case. What a horrible thing. What a deceitful thing is a hypocrite. For out of their mind they say one thing, when their soul says another thing.

67 Now, I know where these brothers are coming from, they are trying to teach that God is a being. I do not have a problem with that, but you see where they take it with statements like God can only be in their country and not the USA because he can't be in two places at one time. It shows there is a motive that is wrong. And their motive and objective is to get you to look to them for truth, when they don't have it. They use truth to create error in men's thinking.

68 Just say it like the prophet said it, and say only what he said. He said because God is omniscient he can be omnipresent. Omniscient makes Him omnipresent. He is a being; He's not like the wind. He is a being; He dwells in a house, but being omniscient, knowing all things, makes Him omnipresent, because He knows everything that's going on.

69 The Apostle Paul said in 2 Corinthians 4:2 But we have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth we commend ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

70 In other words, don't preach me a sermon, live me a sermon. and don't use the Word of God for your own personal gain, don't handle the word of God with deceit in your heart using craftiness and dishonesty, for we have renounced that kind of behavior, and we live our Lives as an open book and our lives manifest the truth, so their is no second guessing our motives.

71 And that is what the Word of God is all about. It's not about building camps, and holding people to you and your opinion. It's not about us, it's all about Him.

72 Let's pray.