

Spanish speaking Ministers meeting

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This morning we have many questions from ministers overseas, so we will break this meeting up into 2 meetings for the church, but one meeting for the ministers.

Question no 1) Pastor's Question Segundo Nuñez (Peru)

In what order did God put His attributes into action over time and what attributes would yet be displayed and in what order?

Answer no 1) To answer this we will just focus on the major attributes of God because there are so many we do not have time to examine them all.

But the very **first expression** of God was when the thoughts of God begin to take on expression, so John calls that **the Word** or **Logos** which we know the word logos speaks of **the Divine expression of the thought**. So as the apostle John describes how it all began, he is using the word Logos to describe to us how or in what format God began to express himself.

John 1:1, "*In the beginning was the Logos and the Logos was with God and the Logos was God.*" So that is John explaining to us what **Genesis 1** is all about.

Now, let's read carefully **Genesis 1:1** "*In the beginning Elohim*, the self existent one, and the we read "**and God said**"...

Ok, so we are looking at the first expression of God's thoughts or attributes was the Logos going out of God. The word **Logos** means **the expression of Divine thoughts**.

Who is this Melchisedec 65-0221E P:24 Now, *in the beginning God dwelled alone with His attributes as I spoke of this morning. That's His thoughts. There was nothing, just God alone. But He had thoughts. Just like a great architect can set down in his mind, and draw out what he thinks he's going to build, create. Now, he cannot create; he can take something that's been created and make it in a different form, 'cause God's the only One can create. But he gets in his mind what he's going to do, and*

that's his thoughts; that's his desires. Now, it's **a thought, and then he speaks it, and it's a word then**. And a word is... **A thought when it's expressed, it's a word**. **A thought expressed is a word**. But it has to be a thought first. So it's God's attributes; then it becomes a thought, then a word.

Who is this Melchisedec 65-0221E P:28 Notice now **His attribute**. Then the attribute was first God, **the thought, the attribute** itself all in one, **without being expressed**. Then **when He expressed**, secondarily, He became **then the Word**. And then the Word was made flesh and dwelled among us, **St. John the 1st** chapter and the **1st verse**. Notice, this is in the beginning, but **before the eternal**. Notice, **in the beginning was the Word**. **When the time begin it was Word, but before it was Word, it was attribute, a thought**. **Then it was expressed**. **In the beginning was the expression, the Word**. Now, we're getting where Melchisedec is. That's this mysterious Person. **In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God**.

Easter seal 65-0410 P:31 There's only one life, one Eternal Spirit, one Eternal Life, and that's God. **God alone is the Eternal**. And then we, being **His children, are part of Him; that is, the attributes of His thinking**. And **the thought is expressed, and becomes a word**. Then each individual in here that possesses this Eternal Life was before the foundation of the world **in God's thinking**. That's the only way it could be, **cause you are a attribute**. **That's an expression of a thought has become a word, and a word has taken life, and it's eternal**. That's the reason we have Eternal Life. In the same principle that the great Son of God, the Redeemer... We become sons and daughters of God through that same Spirit, by the same foreknowledge of God. Look at the millions on earth that didn't receive it when Jesus was here. But how thankful that we should be this morning to know that we have the direct evidence and the Bible proofs that we are included in that great resurrection morning coming, that great Easter. We have the earnest of it right now in our mortal bodies.

Marriage and divorce 65-0221M P:53 Now, listen. Now, for about five minutes I want to call your attention to something. What is God? **God is a great eternal**. **At the beginning, way back before there was a beginning, He wasn't even God**. Did you know that? **A god's an object of worship, and there wasn't nothing to worship Him**; He lived alone. And **in Him was attributes**. **What is an attribute? A thought**. (Now, you'll

get something that'll border on the lesson for tonight.) Notice, **He was His attributes that was in Him.** Now, **it was in Him to be Father; it was in Him to be God; it was in Him to be Son; it was in Him to be Saviour; it was in Him to be Healer.** And all these things here are just displaying **His attributes.** There's nothing out of order. You think God didn't see the end from the beginning? Certainly He did. There's nothing out of order; it's just displaying His attributes.

Ok, so we have established that before God began to express his Attributes, we was just a fountain of attributes, and thoughts, but when he begin to express those attributes, he used what we call the logos which is the expression of the thought or attributes which in English we call the Word. Now, the English word "Word" does not have the fullness of thought that the word logos has. Logos means the expression of Divine thought, or Divine attributes. So you see when God dwelt all alone as the great Elohim, or self existing one, he was comprised of his attributes which are his thoughts and that alone. And as we just read brother Branham said back then in him was the attributes to be God and Father and savior and healer and protector and provider, etc.

So the very first expression God began to bring into manifestation was that of Creator, and then Father and then God. Let me explain by going to scripture.

Lets read what took place when God began time which is "*In the beginning.*" **1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. 2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. 3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.**

Notice the very first attribute God expressed was to be a creator. But notice as we read in **Genesis 1:1** "*In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.*" And I want you to know this for certain that so far what we read in **Genesis 1:1** was the creation in the thoughts of God, for if we continue to read in verse 2 those things that he created were not yet expressed. **2 And the earth was without form, Which means an empty space, And** therefore if it was **without form**, meaning an **empty space**, then it was not yet in a physical or material expression. Thus it was still in the mind of the creator as a thought.

And then the second thing Moses tells us is that the earth was also **void**; And the word void means an emptiness, a vacuity which means an empty space. “*and darkness was upon the face of the deep* (which word means an abyss, a great emptiness) *And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.*” Now, the Hebrew word that was translated as “waters” is “*mayim*” and one of its meanings is “semen”. Which means seed.

So the “*the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the seed attributes of God.*”

Now, we go to verse **3** which ***begins the beginning***. Before this there was no beginning because there was no expression. Everything was still in the mind of God at this stage.

But now we see in verse three is where the apostle John picks up and says, “***In the beginning was the Word.***” Therefore, the creation Moses spoke of in verse **1** and **2** had not yet manifested, nor had it materialized. But then something begins to happen in verse **3**. We see those thought begin to move into expression. God begins to speak. **3** “***And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.***”

Attitude and who is God? 50-0815 P:16 So He first was God, Jehovah. And out of Him... Let's just picture now as a little drama so you can get it. Let's see **coming out of space where there's nothing, let's make it a little white Light, like a mystic Light, like a Halo.** And that was **the Logos that went out of God in the beginning. That was the Son of God that came out of the bosom of the Father. That was what was in the beginning was the Word,** and ***the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelled among us. In the beginning was God. And then out of God came the Logos, a part of God that went out of God.*** Let's notice this. Now, I have to make this before going back into it, just like a little picture drama here for you a moment, in order to get one point to you, Who... What is in our midst tonight.

So he says *that Light at the beginning* which is **Genesis 1:3**, and he called that **the birth of the Logos** which was the birth of the son of God. “**the Logos that went out of God in the beginning. That was the Son of God that came out of the bosom of the Father. That was what was in the beginning was the Word,**

So the question was what was the first expression of the thoughts of God. Well, there you have it just what the prophet taught, and I have taught for years and ministers made fun of me, as though I am some stupid idiot who would dare present my own thoughts.

Let's read another quote from brother Branham concerning this light in **Genesis 1:3**.

QA on Genesis COD 53-0729 P:13 Now, notice. Then **after while I begin to see a little sacred Light begin to form, like a little halo** or something; **you could only see it by spiritual eyes** to look now, while we're looking, the whole church now. We're standing on a great big banister, **watching what God's doing**. And we'll get right down to this question here and you'll see how He brings it in. Now, **"no one has seen God."** And now, **the next thing we begin to see, by eyes of supernatural looking,** we see a **little white Light forming out there**. **What is that?** That was called, by Bible readers, **"Logos,"** or **"the anointed,"** or **"the anointing,"** or as I was going to say, **the part of God begin to develop into something** so human beings could have some type of an idea what It was: it was a little, **a little Light moving**. **That was the Word of God. Now, God gave Himself birth to this Son** which was before there was even an atom in the--or air to make an atom. That was... See, Jesus said, **"Glorify Me, Father, with the glory that We had before the foundation of the world."** See, way back in yonder...

Notice that br. Branham ties the light to the giving birth to himself a son, you can't get any more plain than that.

Again from his sermon **Cruelty of sin 53-0403 P:14** Let's go back a hundred million years before there was a world, before there even was a star or anything, and **there you can see nothing but space**. And **all that space was God. In the beginning was God**. And now, **we'll watch coming into existence a little white Light**. We'll call it, **like, a Halo**. And **that was the Son of God, the Logos that went out of God in the beginning**.

Notice he also says this and ties it with **Genesis 1:1-3 "in the beginning"** as well.

Now, in this next paragraph he talks about the son of God coming forth and then after that the s.u.n. sun came into existence. So this **son** was there before the **sun**, and the light in **Genesis 1:3** came well before **Genesis 1:14-19** the **sun** created on the 4th day.

17 And in there... Now, see, this is just like a child playing before the door. It was the Son of God, the Logos...

and then lets skip to pp 18 ... **I can see this little Light go out. Now, we got two now. The Father, and out of the Father came the Light, the Son.** And I can see that Light moving over here and pulled the earth over near the sun to dry it off. And begin to...?... raise the water up, separating the land, earth from the water, and so forth. **Then He begin to create.** And He made the fishes of the sea, the vegetable life. Put the cattles on the hill. It all looked good to Him. Then He said, "**Let us make man in Our own image, after Our likeness.**" Is that right? All right. So He made a man. God was Spirit; he had to be a spirit man made in His image. He put him here on the earth to lead the animal life and so forth, like the Holy Spirit should be leading the Church today. That was man.

Notice in this last paragraph, he speaks of the son of God coming forth and then he says then the creation begin.

Now, in **Hebrews 1:3** the apostle Paul goes into this as well. **Amplified Version 3** "**The Son is the radiance** (there's our logos light) **and only expression of the glory of God reflecting His Shekinah glory,** (again there is reference to that **shekinah Logos light**) **the Light-being,** (could not be any more plain that this refers to **Genesis 1:3** than this.) **the brilliant light of the divine,** (the Logos Light that went out from God) **and the exact representation and perfect imprint of His Father's essence,** (and the word essence means *the inward nature and true substance*) **and upholding and maintaining and propelling all things the entire physical and spiritual universe by His powerful word carrying the universe along to its predetermined goal....**

So you can see that the apostle Paul is actually beginning his epistle to the Hebrews as John did and Moses did.

In his **QA on Genesis COD 53-0729 P:7** Brother Branham said, "**Well now, if you'll notice close now, in Genesis 1:26, let's get the first part first. God**

said, "Let us..." Now, "let us," **us is a...** "Let us make man in our own image." Of course, we realize He's talking to someone; **He was speaking to another being.** "Let us make man in our own image after our likeness, and let them have dominion over the cattles of the field." If you notice **in creation, the first thing that was created, of course, was light.** You come on down through the creation; the last thing was created was what? **A man.** And woman was made after man. All right, the first... Last thing that was created of God's creation is **mankind.** But **when God made His first man, if you noticed, He made him in the likeness of Himself; He was made in the image of God.** And what is God? Now, if we can find out what God is we can find what kind of a man He made.

Therefore to answer your question the first expression was the Logos or the Word itself which birthed the son of God. Then on down God created the angels and now he became an object of worship, and then on down until he created man in his own image and then in **Genesis 2:7** he clothed that spirit man in a flesh and now could express Redeemer, healer, savior, provider, protector etc. But none of those attributes could have been expressed until The thoughts became Word, Logos, the expression of Divine thought.

Question no 2. Pastor's Question Boris Aguero (Chile) Rev. Lee Vayle preached in July 1988 a series titled: "**God's Fulfillment.**" Can you tell us about that?

Answer no 2.) Now, brother Boris, I am only going to do this because I like you, but I usually do not answer such questions as this because you are asking me to break down a complete series of brother Vayle's and give you a "**CLIFF Notes**" version of it, which is a very shortened version. And this will be the last time I do this. But because I was there when he preached these, and therefore I heard first hand these sermons I will do it this one time.

And for you that do not know what "**CLIFF Notes**" are, well, in school we were assigned to read some pretty large novels, but we could kinda cheat by reading the "**CLIFF Notes**" which gave a summation of the novel in about 1/100th of the reading. Therefore to give you the main focus of his thoughts in each sermon in that series, let me just share a few of his own thoughts from each of his 4 sermons in that series.

Fulfillment of God no 1 God's consummate plan, His ultimate communication. July 2, 1988 "Now, God is what He is and He will act on that and fulfill Himself. God is no more and no less than exactly what He is. And He cannot do anything other than what He is. And we are in His image. He's Creator, He's Restorer; especially the Restorer of the Word and the Bride in this hour. He's Saviour, He's Healer, He's the Prince of Peace, the Lover of souls, He's the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. We know all of this. We are aware of this. All these attributes make up His longings, and being God, He will be fulfilled by the attributes and the potential that lie within Him according to His ultimate and infinite wisdom. Now, this purpose for us can only be a purpose in Himself, of Himself, by Himself and for Himself. And that's true."

Fulfillment of God no 2 A greater plan than Zoe? July 3, 1988 "Now, last night we began the message, **"The Fulfillment of God"** and spoke on the fact in a little preface before the message that **it would seem unusual that God would desire fulfillment when you understand that God Himself is sovereignly omniscient and omnipotent.** That He can do anything He wants to do, at any time He wants to do it. And we would think, well, if I was in that position I would be fulfilled just to be in that position. That is not true. What lies within the person should be fulfilled in order for the person to have fulfillment. It's like **Irenaeus** said, **"God being a Saviour, was necessary that He predestinate a sinner who would require salvation, in order to give Himself a reason and purpose of being."** And also, it'd be the same, God being a Healer, God being a Shepherd, God being a King, God being a Lord, God being a warrior, God being a strong man. All of those things would have to have some manifestation accruing to it. And also the progression of it in order for God to be fulfilled.

He lets you know that *This is why this is under the Seventh Seal, my brother, my sister. When time and eternity blend, and the eagle which follows the face of the man, discounts everything that was in the man because it's gone to seed. The lion has died, but he brought forth honey. The ox dying, but it brought forth obedience and gentleness and sacrifice. The man died, and it brought forth what? The prophet. Which is a revelation which is resurrection.* Because under that is a final. We live under it. All the rest are gone. It's dead and there's nothing stinker than a dead man. I don't know, I suppose a horse stinks just as much, but I don't know.

Now: It is a perfection of His wisdom and His infinite mind. It is what becomes Him. It is what becomes Him. Not He becoming, but what becomes Him, is complementary to Him. It is His glory. And the word “glory” means assessment. And the assessment is based upon what is produced.

So he is showing you that this is the fulfillment of God when we used to see in darkly but in this hour we know him as we are also known. He says this is the hour of God’s full glory, which is his doxa, his assessments, his opinions, his judgments and to know him makes you one with him. And since this is the final fulfillment of the expressions of Gods attributes, then we have it all, and it will not change from here on out. We know as we are known.

You see very few people if any, in fact I do not know any that picked up on that as I did and went into it in a greater measure because brother Vayle would give you droppings and expect you to study it for yourself. And no one has shown the doxa of God like I have and its importance to our being united with Christ the Word and becoming one with God in the same way Jesus was one as you see in Jesus payer in **John 17:20-22**

John 17:20 *Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; 21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. 22 And **the glory** (the doxa, the opinions, assessments which are values, and the judgments) *which thou gavest me I have given them; in order that they may be one, even as we are one: 23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.**

So there is no way you can become fulfilled as a son without the doxa of God, just as there is no way God could fulfill himself without his great doxa, which are his thoughts opinions, values etc.

“Listen, William Branham left, but that Pillar of Fire didn’t leave. Because he said it’s going to lead us to the Millennium. The same One that came down with a shout is the same One here to raise the dead. Is the same one here to take us up. Then our eyes had better... better be on him. Now, it has to be so. It is already started as to the chain of events that will bring the consummation. And that consummation of course is in 1 Corinthians 15:23-

28, where He's now putting everything under the feet of Jesus, ready for the Millennium and then the New Jerusalem."

Fulfillment Of God #03 Goodbye death, I'm going to live! Jul 06, 1988

In this sermon brother Vayle makes the statement *"To begin with, we might say that the majority of orthodox Christians, ... In other words, the majority of people who call themselves Christians, even those that are saved, perhaps born again, are only vaguely aware that their earnest desire to live completely fulfilled lives, is the exact desire that God has for them in fulfilling that desire. And God helps them to fulfill it because he has that same desire for them."*

He talks then about how Eve like the church got fooled from the complete fulfilled life God had given them by looking for something that was beyond what God had given her, and thus she fell and Adam fell with her. And even Adam did not partake of the tree of life to restore what he had fallen from, so the apostle Paul shows us in Romans 8 the desire of all creation to come back to that life that God had given to us and through the fall in the garden we lost our first estate.

Romans 8:16 *"The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God;" in other words, the baptism with the Holy Ghost seals in that yearning. In other words, He witnesses to that yearning and lets you know that you are a child of God. 17 "And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ." There again you see fellowship with the Father through the Son. You see there's one God and He had a Son; He's still got that Son.*

Fulfillment of God no 4 The Last Greats step Jul 10, 1988 Here brother Vayle reiterates *"there is nothing that we really desire, but what that desire was put there by God and is what God desires for us. And, in us receiving that, God Himself is fulfilled, because that's what He wants. In other words, it's a predestinated plan of Almighty God that is in us by foreknowledge and predestination, and it's the deep calling to the Deep. The little deep calling to the big Deep, which is the baptism with the Holy Ghost, calling to the Holy Ghost Himself. Now, we are unique people in this respect, that we're not just born again, that that is the Holy Spirit looking to God for the revelation, but we are those who believe that God in the form of the Holy Ghost and the Pillar of Fire is here, leading and directing us, so that we're not looking down the road and looking back, we are looking at*

what obtains. And if we ever lose sight of that, let me tell you this, you're either backslidden or had nothing to begin with.

Now to put it this way, let me read you a quote from Brother Branham that puts it all together in a nutshell.

Contending for the faith 55-0220E P:66 *Jesus said, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom." You can't understand it. It's a mystic, mythical thing until you're born again. There the very Life of God comes in you. Everlasting, Eternal Life, Zoe, God's own Life comes in you, and then you're a part of God. You're a Son of God or a daughter of God. And then you see as God sees. You believe as God believes. Then you'll be a new creature in Christ Jesus.*

And as I read earlier from **John 17:20-22** Jesus prayer is that we all might be one and the only way that can happen is for us to receive the same Doxa that God gave to him to become one with God as Jesus the first born son is one with God, and then as Jesus said, then it will be possible for us to always be with him. That is when God is completely fulfilled.

Question no 3. Pastor's Question Christofer Cruz (Chile) What do you think about the subjection of a pastor to another pastor?

Answer no 3). Each church is sovereign, and there should never be any hierarchy outside of the local church that would try to dictate to your local church what you must do and don't. Now, that doesn't mean that we shouldn't try to seek out the very best understanding we can get and if another pastor has answers that can help you, you should go to him and ask, but he should never go to you to tell you what to do in your church.

As brother Branham said, **Hebrews Chapter 3 - 57-0901M** *There's something about where you go, what church you go to, and what teacher teaches you. Do you know that? It's got something to it. Therefore, we ought to seek out the very best that we can find, so we're getting the best; not because it's sociable and so forth, but the real Bible teaching.*

But that does not mean a pastor should subject himself to another pastor. It means if that pastor has the Holy Ghost then if he needs answers he should go to someone he considers an elder in this Message and he should not be

hesitant to seek out that knowledge to help him. But as far as a pastor from outside the local assembly telling you how to run your church that is Nicolaitian, and should never be done.

I have stayed as far away from that as any man possibly can. That is why as I have gone around the world I speak only to the ministers and not to their congregations, unless the pastor asks me specifically to talk to his people. I have never wanted people to come to me that have a pastor, because I do not like an outside ministry usurping the authority away from the local pastor. And if a minister tries that he is out of order.

Brother Branham said in his sermon **Key to the door 62-1007 P:6** **The church is sovereign**. *What the church says, that's what... Trustees or nobody else... The trustees is just, each one, a vote. The pastor is just one vote. It's the church, that it's the democracy of the church, the sovereignty of the church. The church in whole, speaks. That's all. And we like that, because we have no bishops, or hierarchies, or overseers, or so forth to tell us this, that, or the other. It's the Holy Spirit in the church, does the speaking; I like that rule, and it's very fine.*

And from his sermon **Baptism of the holy spirit 58-0928M P:108** he said, "And **this church is sovereign**. *There ain't no board of trustees or deacons going to tell you what to do. This church in a whole vote tells you what to do. That's exactly right. If there's a decision...If you don't like your pastor, and there's two or three people gets something against the pastor, they can't raise up. If they're deacons, trustees, they just... Or what officer they are here they just got one vote; that's all. If he's assistant pastor, he's just got one vote. He's just like the lay member sets back there. The whole vote of the church settles the matter. And that's right; that's right. No deacon board put a pastor out, or no pastor put a deacon board out. The church does that in a general vote of the whole thing. It's sovereign in itself. We have no bishops; we have no general overseers; we have Jesus. Amen. He's the Bishop. He's the General Overseer. He's the head Pastor. He's the King. He's the Lord. He's the Healer. He's All and All. And we're just His subjects walking in the Light. Amen.*

And from his sermon **He was to pass this way 57-0727 P:3** *And each church is sovereign in itself.*

Now, I know there are pastors out there who try to usurp other churches, and some even try to usurp all churches and tell them you have to conduct your service the way we do ours. Just play a tape. And that is totally unscriptural and Nicolaitan.

Question no 4. Pastor's Question Horacio Damian Blanco from Argentina
The prophet says in 1963 in the message of **the seventh seal** that the tabernacle was opened to form new servants? What is the correct way to carry this out in our churches?

Answer no 4) I believe the brother is referring to the following quote;
Seventh seal the 63-0324E P:10 *And remember, it's your church, for you are a servant of Christ, and that's what it's built here for, a open door to make servants, and for servants who are already servants of Christ, to come in and enjoy themselves around the fellowship of Jesus Christ. And we want you to know that everybody's welcome. ...*

All brother Branham is saying here is that the church is open for anyone who is a servant of Christ or wants to become a servant of Christ. And that is what every church should have their doors opened for. To serve and teach others to serve the body of Christ. That is what he is saying. For Eternal life is living for others. Too many people, especially ministers want people in the church to serve them, and they do not have a servants heart themselves. That is wrong. Church should be where everyone in it serves one another in love beginning with the shepherd serving the people.

Jesus warned against ministers ruling over the people. **Luke 22:24** *“And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. 25 And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. 26 But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. 27 For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth.”*

Matthew 25:11 *But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. 12 And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.*

John 13:12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you? **13** Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am. **14** If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet. **15** For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you. **16** Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. **17** If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

The Bro. Horacio sent an update to his question, he refers to giving training in his own group to each minister. **62- 0601 Putting ourselves next to Jesus.** *83 And so then, give training in your own groups to other ministers—men that you see have a calling on their life for ministry. Train those young men; bring them here to the old man. All of you get together in a ministerial meeting and teach the deep things of God there.* **62-0601 Standing Next to Jesus**

Ok, so the correct translation should be **“Taking sides with Jesus.”** That is what Brother Branham titled his message. **62- 0601 Taking Sides with Jesus.** *49 Taking sides with Jesus COD 62-0601 P:49 Now, I think this church... If you men would, when you build this church, make this like your headquarters and like Brother Neville here being like **the senior elder** among you. See? And sometimes you get a question that you can't discuss out with your church out there, **then bring it in here to Brother Neville** and you all discuss it together. If you can't come to any decision, **I'll be coming by pretty soon, then we'll all come together with it.** And then in there, **get training in your own groups other ministers, men that you see that has a calling in their life for the ministry. Train them young men; bring them in here to the elder. All of you set together in a ministerial meeting and there teach the deeper things of God.** Don't go on the bad end. Keep **someone who, can have confidence in to be kind of like a leader for you.** And then sometimes if you don't see it just exactly the way he does, that's all right, **you're in the faith anyhow;** just move along. Maybe when we come together then, all of us together, we'll pray, the discernment of God come down, and He'll give it just exactly what it is (You see?) and let us know just how to do it. And in there, churches can go hear. And **training up a group of men.** And if I'm in evangelistic work somewhere, there's places I can place them worldwide.*

50 *What if I was in India, go back to India. And there I'd say to these people... Maybe they'd have thousands of them, stay there for a week or two, and they'd see the ministry, they'd love it, they'd believe it's the Truth, they'd come out of heathenism. There I've got... And maybe in two or three weeks, when I was over there two nights, and maybe a hundred thousand converted to Christ, no where to go. The next day take a plane and start back to Rome, then to the United States, leave them just like sheep put out among wolves. **What if I had a group of men, young men trained in the Message** (See?) to say, "**Now, wait a minute, before I leave here, we're going to set in order these churches. I'll have a man who I've already telegraphed him, and they got the money; they're on their road here right now to take over this, a good man. There's two or three young men with him who'll be his helpers and assistants.**"**And a church of this faith can be set there which will be a outpost in India, outpost in Germany, outpost in Switzerland. While right now, we should've had them all around the nations where I've been. And the Message... Then from there comes another, from another comes another. See what I mean?***

This also very similar to what brother Branham said in the Church age book,

Church Age Book Chapter 4 - The Smyrnaean Church Age P:140 *In every age we have exactly the same pattern. That is why **the light comes through some God-given messenger in a certain area, and then from that messenger there spreads the light through the ministry of others who have been faithfully taught.** But of course all those who go out don't always learn how necessary it is to **speak ONLY what the messenger has spoken.** (Remember, Paul warned the people to say only what he said, **I Corinthians 14:37**, "**If any man think himself to be a prophet or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the COMMANDMENTS OF THE LORD. What? came the Word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?**") They add here, or take away there, and **soon the message is no longer pure, and the revival dies down. How careful we must be to hear ONE voice, for the Spirit has but one voice which is the voice of God. Paul warned them to say what he said,** even as Peter did likewise. **He warned them that EVEN HE (PAUL) could not change one word of what he had given by revelation.** Oh, how important it is to hear the voice of God by way of His messengers, and then **say** what has been given them to say to the churches.*

So there has to be men who are faithfully taught, and then those men can take the Word out to regions where they live, and that is how the revelation of Jesus Christ gets spread. But too many people go and try to establish themselves and that is where the message becomes cloudy and dark. That is where the Message has gotten to today, where each man goes and tires to establish themselves instead of staying faithful to establishing the doctrine of Christ.

So these two quotes lay out how it should be done.

So here is a third quote which leads to the next question.

Satan's Eden 65-0829 P:56 *There you are. Man mustn't establish their self. We find it amongst... Let God do something for a person, send him out, you find every man trying to impersonate it. See, they're trying to establish themselves. Every man, "I did this, me, I, mine, my denomination, me this," establish themselves. What are we preaching about, ourselves, or the Kingdom of God? Establish the Word of God. Take out the unbelief and establish the Kingdom of God in a man's heart. And the Kingdom of God cannot be established in a man's heart, 'less God made that man thus. He cannot be established in a... **And remember, the deceitful part, that men think that it's right. See? "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man."** Every intellectual being seems right.*

Question no 5. Pastor's Question Pastor Jofre Cabana (Peru)

Paul established churches in different places. When can a local church be said to have been properly established?

Answer no 5). Ok, so the question is how to properly establish the local church. We have already seen how it is a must to have someone who has been faithfully taught under the tutelage of the Pillar of Fire Ministry which I believe was Lee Vayle was that man who sat at the feet of God's Prophet who himself received the light directly from the Pillar of Fire. Then from that faithfully taught ministry goes forth the light from those who have been faithfully taught.

Now, I have been sat directly under brother Vayle for 36 years before he passed over, and as brother Vayle said, "for there to be ones faithfully

taught there must be two things. 1) One who is faithful to teach and 2) one who is faithful to just shut up and listen.

The problem is that many and I will say most of the ministers today who claim to be a minister are not even called by God. Because if they were called by God, then God would be obligated to back them up in their ministry with signs and wonders, in which it is very clear this is not happening in majority of cases.

From his sermon **E-7 Balm in Gilead 59-0707** Brother Branham said, "Now, there's five offices that God put in the Church; there's nine spiritual gifts that accompany that offices and all the members of the Body. **The first is apostles**, which is missionaries. The word "**apostle**" means "**one that's sent**." The word "missionary" means "**one that's sent**," the same word. **Apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors, evangelists, these offices God sets in the Church. They're all in operation, or should be. We cannot bypass one and say there's teachers without saying evangelists. We cannot say there's evangelists without saying there is apostles. We cannot say there's apostles without admitting there's prophets. All of them are for the perfecting of the Body of Christ. The Lord gives me visions. Those things begin when I was a little baby. I do not believe that man can be called of man and be a successful minister. I believe gifts and callings are without repentance, that God by His foreknowledge foreordained His ministers into the Gospel, and the gifts into the Church. Oh, I know there's many rise up and go out and say, "Oh, I don't need to go to church anymore. Praise God, the Holy Ghost has come; He's the teacher." When you get that idea, you're just wrong. For why did the Holy Ghost set teachers in the church, if He was going to be the teacher? See? There are first apostles, prophets, teachers, evangelists, and pastors. The Holy Spirit set teachers in the church, so He could teach through that teacher. And if it isn't according to the Word (God doesn't confirm it) then it isn't the right kind of teaching. It must compare with the entire Bible, and be just as alive today as it was then. There's the real thing made manifest.**

So therefore, we must see the hand of God in that ministry, not only in a supernatural way, but also it must be just as alive today as it was in the first church age, in the alpha ministry. He said when those two things occur, then "**There's the real thing made manifest**".

Now, I know where this ministry that God has given me stacks up. I'm not saying that to make you think more of me, but I'm just testifying about His Supernatural Presence has been very apparent in accompanying this ministry because many have witnessed his supernatural presence in so many ways, from changing weather in several places, to stopping storms, and other supernatural things like coming down in three rainbows over where I was preaching, and a whole host of supernatural experiences showing His Presence just as real as it was in the early church.

And I can say just as brother Branham said, "**Anointed ones at end time 65-0725M P:193** Now, I want you to know this is sure. And you that listen to this tape, **you might have thought today that I was trying to say that about myself, being that I was packing this Message. I have no more to do with it than nothing**, no more than just a voice. And my voice, even against my better judgment... I wanted to be a trapper. But it's the will of my Father that I declare to do, and determined to do. **I wasn't the One that appeared down on the river; I was only standing there when He appeared.** I'm not the One that performs these things and foretells these things that happens as perfect as they are; **I'm only one that's near when He does it.** I was only a voice that He used to say it. It wasn't what I knew; **it's what I just surrendered myself to, that He spoke through.** It isn't me. It's God.

I'm just a witness of what God has done, and he has allowed me to experience His supernatural presence in so ways and in so many places around the world. And more importantly, this Word we preach is a living Word, and it is just as alive today as it was in the days of the apostles. And most people who follow it testify the same.

But the problem is there are many others who've gone forth trying to impersonate what God has done here. And instead of always pointing the people to Jesus Christ and his relationship with the Father, they try to get you to look to them. Like one fellow who claims to be teaching the same thing, and he goes around to places where I've already established the doctrine, and he teaches the people that now because they have a correct understanding of the Godhead then they must get re-baptized. Now, brother, that is adding to what the prophet taught us. Show me where God's prophet ever taught that. These are just carnal impersonators.

I've never pointed people to my ministry nor to my church. I've always pointed them to the Voice of God for this generation through his vindicated prophet of this hour. And I've taught them to take what God's prophet said and run it back and forth through the scriptures so the people will have be established and have a scriptural basis for what they believe.

From his sermon **God's power to transform 65-0911 P:92** *What are we trying to do anyhow? Are we trying to establish our church or are we trying to establish the Word of God? What are we trying to do? What are we working at? Are we trying to get the people back into this?*

And that should be your question to yourself no matter what sermon you preach and to whom you preach it to. I have not benefitted personally, and neither has my church. It still remains small like the apostle Paul's church, yet we have 300 places around the world viewing our streaming services, and reading the sermons in 14 languages. But I have not done this. I was just obedient to what God told me to do back in 1983 when he said to me, 'write down your sermons word for word and one day they will be read all over the world.' And I can say as the apostle Paul said, "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision." And today over 2,600 of my sermons have been translated into 14 languages and are read in most countries in the world. Yet never have I asked for their money. Never have I asked them to come to my church. Why? Because my ministry goes out to the ministers, and I do not wish for their people to come here. I just want to help the ministers to be able to guide the people God has given them to shepherd, so they can receive their adoption.

Some preachers want no preacher to preach except them, and then they want everyone to watch their streaming service at the same time all over the world which puts undue hardship on the people, but do they care? No, they have eyes only for their own ministry. My ministry teaches the ministers, then they are responsible for what they have been taught. I do not even know if they are teaching their people correctly, but that is not my business. My business is to teach it correctly myself, and if they want it, they have free access to it.

From **Satan's Eden 65-0829 P:55** Brother Branham said, "*Now, hatred, and death, and eternal separation from God in this Eden, lust, filth, perversion. How? By sowing the wrong seed. Reminds me of the vision I seen before I ever met the Pentecostal people, of that man going around*

*the world in white. You've heard me tell it many times. One came in behind him sowing seeds of discord, ... The thing of it is, is today we don't try to establish the Word of God in the people's hearts. We're trying to establish **ourselves**. Churches are trying to establish **the doctrine of the church** in a person's heart. **We are commanded to establish the Word of God**. Paul said, "I didn't come to you with enticing words of man that your faith might rest up in the knowledge of men, but I come to you in power, in manifestations of the Holy Ghost that your faith might rest in God."*

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But, some people want to change that word "say" and call it "play", but that is not what he said we must do. We must hear it, recognize it and act upon it which means to teach the same thing, not just play the tape but say what is on it.

Revelation chapter 4 pt 3 throne mercy 61-0108 56 Nowadays they're so, "Well, we don't believe in saying 'hell' in the pulpit." Oh, mercy. So...?... **We need men of God, men who won't hold back.** Now, everybody can't be a preacher, but you got a voice. And if you can't preach the people a sermon... **If you're a preacher, you're called to the pulpit to preach.** If you're not, you're still a preacher, but live the people a sermon. Let your sermon be lived, and it's the voice of God that'll bring reproach to them who reject it. They say, "No one can put a finger on his or her life. They're sweet, living... They... If there ever was a man of God, it's that man or that woman." See, live your sermons. **Don't try to preach them if you're not called to be a preacher; get all mixed up, anyhow, and messed up, and you'll get people tangled up, and you won't know... Well, you'll ruin them and yourself too.** Just live your sermon. **The preacher's called to preach his and to live it too.** **If you can't live it, then stop preaching it.** But you're supposed to live your sermons.

Jesus Christ the same - 56-0426 *But the Holy Spirit is here working through His sanctified vessels. And **God has set in the church what? First apostles, then prophets, then teachers, then evangelists, then***

*pastors (Is that right?), for the perfecting of the church. **God has did it. It's not the preacher that preaches; it's God preaching through him. It's not the prophet that sees the vision; it's God speaking through him. "I do nothing except the--the Father shows Me first what to do."***

*Queen of Sheba - 61-0219 And now, His Holy Spirit is here, which the Spirit was upon Christ, which is God, in human flesh, your flesh, my flesh, as the Blood cleanses us. **He preaches the Gospel through the preacher, prophesies through the prophet,** and reveals the secret hearts, speaks through tongues, interprets tongues, and everything's setting in order. You believe that? All right.*

*Total deliverance 59-0712 P:34 Now, **Moses, when he was called by God, he was a total, complete prophet. When God sends a man to do anything, He completely equips him with everything that he has need of. If God calls a man to be a preacher, He puts something in him to preach with. If He calls him to be a teacher, He puts something in him to teach with. If He calls for him to be a prophet, He puts something in him to see visions and to be a prophet. God always completely equips His man.** And that's just what He done when He sent Moses into Egypt. He raised him up in a certain way, and He schooled him in a certain way, and He molded him and made him and fashioned him. After He'd promised Abraham, hundreds of years before, that He would deliver the people, then He--He even had in mind that He would make Moses just the way Moses was made. Moses was a complete prophet.*

A local church must have a pastor. As for other offices it depends on the qualifications of the brethren in that church. If the church votes in a pastor, then that pastor can also be voted out. But if that pastor begins that work, and the people come to that church to hear his ministry, then there is no vote. The people did not vote for or against brother Branham. He founded that church. Those that were voted on were associate pastors, deacons and trustees. There was no vote in the early church for the apostles. The people came to hear from them to learn. We are told in **Ephesians** that **God set in the church Apostles, Prophets, Pastors, Evangelists and Teachers. God set them** in there, not man. But through church traditions over the past 2,000 years when churches moved away from the Word of God they turned to organization and then men took the place of god and put a man in here and there. That is totally unscriptural. And when man calls man, he is bound

to flop. He will manifest that he has nothing to offer the people concerning the word of truth, and God will not vindicate that man neither.

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Br. Vayle said it is the elders that come in and because they are an elder they think they are entitled to an office in the church. But God sets men in those offices by foreordination.

Lee Vayle Stewardship #14 Munificent, Magnificent God P:6 *So what you begin to see then is 'What happened?' What happened? as Bro. Branham taught from the book, how did it all happen; how did it happen? It happened by the fact that people, given an office* (in other words, men elected into an office) *and they were the elders, given an office--they were allowed to preach, and the error came in. They vaunted themselves by reason of the fact of an office and ministry. They took upon themselves to advance from where God put them and become what God had not wanted them to be. Now they are in complete conflict with God. That's exactly why you have a conflict at the end time...*

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You must be born again - 61-1231M 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.

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