



Promise-Consummation of Marriage

1 Shall we pray. Heavenly Father we know that we are not heard from much speaking or particular eloquency or anything along that line. But we are heard because of Your Word, of our faith in that Word, especially the faith of this hour with You, and the Word of this hour that we are such... [blank spot on tape] ...by various ways, and we thank You for the care that You exercise over this service Lord, we ask you to ...[blank spot on tape] ... even as the Word came to the prophet.

So Father, we thank Your care and what You have done for us Lord and what You will continue to do for us. We ask these mercies in Jesusâ€™™ Name. Amen. You may be seated.

2 Now last week we were still talking about the question that had been brought to us, which I know many people are still concerned with, and I do not blame them for being concerned. The only reason that I myself look at this question with a jaundiced eye is because I never am certain as to what the preacher has in mind when he wants to enforce it on the congregation. As is the case of this young woman who was vowed out to marry a man who was worldly and she was worldly.

And when she came to the Lord Jesus Christ, she said, "The Bible said, "I cannot be unequally yokedâ€™™, I will not marry him." Now evidently the pastorâ€™™s attitude is, "I donâ€™™t know what to do about this," or he is demanding of her that she admit that she is already married to the man, because the vow was there.

3 Now, I believe that this is an absolute misunderstanding of what Bro. Branham was saying according to the Word of God which Bro. Branham could not say anything outside of this Book. Now letâ€™™s under-stand that. He took us back to the Book, the Bible and quoted from it.

Now, I donâ€™™t think anybody in his right mind would argue the fact that even though the Israelites actually united their children rather than their children united themselves, so that the bride and groom were the choice of the parents, yet non the less there was a wedding ceremony. And we understand very well that Bro. Branham was aware of that wedding ceremony.

4 So we want to read again what Bro. Branham said about this business of vowing out. And in "Marriage and Divorce" we read to you more than once.

[MARRIAGE.AND.DIVORCE JEFF.IN V-3 N-13 65-0221M]

[45-2] This is an awful strong thing. I didn't know how to bring it out! What will I do when I got man and women setting in my congregation, some that's been married twice or three times? Good man, good women, all mixed up! What done it? False teaching. Exactly.

Now, letâ€™™s say that they had false teaching. But what about those that had false teaching and still didnâ€™™t marry two and three times. Well we have... guy came out of churches that had false teaching on this very subject according to Bro. Branham who said, "If you believe that one partner has to die before the other can remarry, you are plumb out of the ball park, you go overboard." Then he said, "If itâ€™™s a matter of adultery, youâ€™™re of the ball park, youâ€™™re overboard."

5 So this question is more complexed in a sense then people want to realize or itâ€™™s simpler

than they want to realize. Because now evidently one partner does not have to die and that person can remarry, or why did he say what he said? Youâ€™ve got to look at it. Also concerning adultery doesnâ€™t have to be even that. Actually the prophet ended up by saying, â€œIt was proven by your marriage you could not live together, so donâ€™t try to go back.â€•

Now we could look at this subject a long, long time, but I donâ€™t intend to take all the ramifications of marriage and divorce.

6 So we just look at it. Number one:

[45-2] False teaching, exactly.

But, thereâ€™s a number two:

[45-2] Not waiting on the Lord.

So therefore, you can have false teaching and wait on the Lord, and have a perfect marriage. You can have true teaching and not wait on the Lord, and youâ€™re messed up. Otherwise I donâ€™t know what heâ€™s talking about. Why bother talk?

7 Now notice,

[45-2] â€œWhat God has joined together, let no man put asunder...â€•

In other words, there is no court, there is nobody can interfere legally before God if that marriage was ordained by God, by these people waiting upon God and thatâ€™s the key right there.

Now letâ€™s read on.

[45-2] When you get a direct revelation from God that's your wife and the same thing, (that would be the woman) that's yours the rest of your life.

Now what if you didnâ€™t get the revelation? It means that you could have a separation on this side and certainly if itâ€™s on this side, and it wasnâ€™t right, it ainâ€™t going to be right on the other side.

[45-3] See? But what man joins together anybody can put apart.

Now listen to the rest:

[45-3] But what God joins together no man better dare to touch it. â€œWhatsoever God joins together,â€• He said, â€œlet no man put asunder.â€• (Now watch,) Not what some half-drunk magistrate or somebody else put together or some backslidden preacher...

8 Now notice what heâ€™s doing. He is combining your vow with the legal instruments of the land or youâ€™re not married. Now if I proposed to my wife and I said, â€œI know youâ€™re for me,â€• and she said, â€œI know Iâ€™m for you,â€• we have prayed about it and God vindicated that thing, there is still this legal ramification. Whether God or the devil put it together in the marriage vows and the proposal, youâ€™ve still got to have somebody perform that ceremony. Now make up your minds.

You say, â€œWell then youâ€™re half way married, and according to what this woman did,

she better get married all the way.â€•

But you mean to tell me any man of God that has anything to do with the Word of God is going to tell a woman, or any man to go against the Word of God that said, â€œDonâ€™t you be unequally yoked,â€• and itâ€™s in two propositions: itâ€™s number one the proposal, and number one [two] the binding of whoever performs it according to law.

9 Yet the same preacher knows you cannot, you should not join two people unequally yoked. So now this man becomes a part of a felony. Forget it! I wouldnâ€™t touch that with a forty foot pole. I never marry anybody thatâ€™s been married before, I donâ€™t understand the ramifications.

You know my stand, youâ€™re hundred percent: you get married, you been divorced and remarried youâ€™re hundred percent divorced remarried on your own apart from me, but I will take you as a brother and sister. I would not turn anybody aside, because I donâ€™t know whatâ€™s in the books. Only God does.

You say, â€œWhat about communion?â€•

You drink damnation on yourself, not unto me. Iâ€™m not condemning anybody, Iâ€™m just telling you I made my stand what I believe the prophet taught, what I saw him do, and I try to abide a hundred percent by it.

[45-3] Not what some half-drunk magistrate or something else put together or some backslidden preacher with a bunch of creeds in a book that would let them do anything in the world and the Word of God laying right there. See? I'm talking about what God joined together.

10 Now is this preacher willing to stand there and say, â€œYouâ€™re married to that man, now Iâ€™m going to take part in joining you.â€•

â€œOh no, I wonâ€™t dare do that, Iâ€™ll send you to somebody else.â€•

Well hey, he better declare himself just where he stands, or thatâ€™s going to be just like Veldez the old man not the younger guy. When a woman came to his church and her husband, she had been divorced and she married this good man, and he took good care of her and good care of the children. And Veldez says, â€œMy woman, youâ€™ve have got to leave that man.â€• (I guess the man was divorced that was it.) â€œ... and youâ€™ve got to leave him, youâ€™re in adultery.

And she said, â€œIt didnâ€™t ring a bell.â€•

What is she going to do about it with those children and all? And according to the courts [she was] free to marry the man. And as she prayed she came to one resolution, she came to Reverend Veldez and she said, â€œYes, I will leave him. Are you willing to take responsibility then for me and my family?â€•

Well that may not be a hundred percent scriptural, but listen, you have got to deal with things and not just throw it to one side. And I say, â€œYouâ€™re married, you stay that way.â€• I donâ€™t know what to tell you anything else. And just pray to God, and just keep on going as good Christians. Do the best you can.

11 Because you may be like a friend of mine who really got ...?... after â€œMarriage and Divorceâ€™, because he had divorced his wife, because she was actually a street prostitute when it came down to it. Yeah, I donâ€™t think he knew if all the kids were his, a whole flock of them. And he married this widow and they all went to Bro. Branham, they were good friends to Bro. Branham,

they were very good friends of mine, known them for years. And they said, "Bro. Branham what about us?"

"Oh," he said, "You're perfectly safe and secure. You were meant for each other, and you should have had each other in the beginning but you didn't."

Now then, now you're going to hit the guy in South Africa who will say, "Well, that's just Lee Vayle, he ain't no prophet."

Well, I've got news for you. The Bible was written by men that were Jesus Christ and they knew exactly how He conducted Himself and what He did. You've got a problem with me, that's your tough luck, I've got no problem.

But I want you to realize this, Bro. Branham is saying right here: That the joining together is not just you and that person making a vow, because that half-baked, cock-eyed, drunken JP judge, or anybody else wasn't there when you made your vow and proposal and neither was that idiot preacher. So you've got to get your vow together with the drunken bums and the idiot preachers after you've done vowed, or you better get with someone with the Word of God.

12 Now, let's go to Scripture and find out the absolute what the Bible says that this woman now having been converted, what does the Bible say, where do we go? We go to Romans the 6th chapter, and we read exactly what the Bible has to say about what we're dealing with. It says in 16-23,

(16) Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

Now, the only obedience there positively has to do with the obedience of faith, which is a revelation that you know you're doing the sacraments, the worship and the rightful things toward God. Or what you are doing then is evil.

(17) But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. (That's the obedience of faith.)

(18) Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

(19) I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: (Now he's going to argue and reason, so they'll understand what he's saying.)
for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

(20) For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.

(21) What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death.

(22) ... being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.

(23) For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And it says right here, If that woman continues the way she was, what does it say,

â€œDeath.â€• Now you canâ€™t have your cake and eat it.

13 All right. Letâ€™s go to 2 Corinthians the 6th chapter. As I gave the illustration the other week about the young person that I knew positively, had been engaged two times, both girls proved that their character wasnâ€™t right; he thought it was, but they betrayed themselves as to their character. He said, â€œThereâ€™s no way that we can consummate this marriage. The ceremony is off, the whole thingâ€™s off. And yet Bro. Branham congratulated him in getting the right girl and married them. Bro. Branham wouldnâ€™t even marry his own son whose marriage was annulled. The kid did not get a divorce, the parents annulled it.

Now, what are you going to do in the face of God? Bro. Branham said, â€œAn annulment is the same as divorce.â€• Hold it! Not when your parents rip you apart. He wouldnâ€™t even eat a meal in his sonâ€™s home until afterward, just previous to the time he passed away. Bro. Branham was a stickler and a hack. But that I can tell you other stories and I wonâ€™t do it, because it might be too personal, and Bro. Branham commenting to me on day complaining to me as I would complain to him, and he said, â€œLee I donâ€™t understand it.â€• He said, â€œThese young men carrying on,â€• (he was talking on to sexual intercourse,) he said, â€œdonâ€™t they think that I know whatâ€™s going on?â€• And Iâ€™m not naming names, but let me tell you I have proof of the marriage in spite of that condition to another person or persons.

14 You say, â€œWell Bro. Branham then did not live up to the Word.â€•

I just think you donâ€™t know the Word. Youâ€™re back in Pentecost or some organization where you refuse to listen to Bro. Branham according to what he is saying. Still listening according to what you think. I have read what he said here on page 45: â€œSome drunker putting you together.â€• The drunken bum wasnâ€™t there when you proposed. He never stuck a pin in you and said, â€œThis is the one.â€• So you better be careful.

You say, â€œWell Bro. Vayle if that man is still in doubt as a minister, what would you do in his shoes?â€•

If I was still in doubt and I worried about it, I would simply commit her to God, the God that he claimed saved her, and if Heâ€™s not big enough to help her and guide her, and He isnâ€™t big enough to save her. I think too many people, are too many people.

15 2 Cor 6:14-18.

(14) Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? (And there again this is a revelation.) and what communion has light with darkness? (Again revelation.)

(15) And what concord hath Christ with Belial? (Two headships.)

Canâ€™t serve two masters! That youâ€™d deliberately marry an unsaved person, knowing that personâ€™s unsaved and you claim to be born again, you now have two heads, you are a liar. Now you can understand why it gets so angry to the point of bitterness, where people want to dabble in peoples lives, in marriages and everything else, to put them together, tear them apart, to take their money, to do this and the other thing. I hate it! And I would take a four by four and smack him across the teeth. Yeah, Iâ€™m vengeful I admit it, youâ€™re not looking at a pretty guy up here, I give him a taste of hell to go to hell in. Why do they do that to Godâ€™s people? You are not my heritage, you are Godâ€™s heritage, and you show me where Iâ€™ve treated any one of you wrong. Iâ€™ve stood up for my ministry, thatâ€™s all you can say. If I ever treat you wrong, youâ€™re liars and Iâ€™ll take each one of you and prove it.

16 And you say, "You're not talking love."

I'm talking like John.

"John was full of love, love, love, love, love, the apostle of love."

But when Diotrephes [3 John 9] came against him to take away his office he wasn't all love, love, love, love. Oh yes he was. He stood up for what he knew was in Christ Jesus and his ministry to people who loved the Lord according to the Word of Almighty God. Do you want two heads?

(16) And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? (What are you talking about? Your body is a temple of God, the living Church.) you are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

(17) Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,

Now listen,

(18) And will be a Father unto you, and (you'd) be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

And Bro. Branham said, "If a man would tell his wife she cannot go to church divorce him, vice a versa. If you cannot pray, divorce; if you cannot take the Word, divorce."

17 Now are you going to set a trap that this woman now converted is going to... because she made a vow back in the old days? She sinned in making a vow.

Now, let me ask you a question: does the Blood of Jesus Christ wipe away every sin except that one? I went to Bro. Branham on these statements and he said, "Now you ministers when I talk about this, a minister can't have more than one wife." And he said, "When I preached "Marriage and Divorce" you come back to this."

I went to him, and I used John Martin, because everybody was talking John Martin's back and I wanted to get him off John Martin's back and I wanted to get off John Martin's back. Because we had a letter that positively said when Jack Bell asked him, he said, "Could John Martin preach in my pulpit saying he's been married and divorced and remarried?"

And Bill Branham wrote in his great bold hand writing "Yes, I would have him preach in my pulpit."

18 So I brought out the question and Bro. Branham was very grieved and he said, "Lee if God cannot forgive a man for that, what can He forgive him for?"

I was humbled in a split second and less and I said, "Bro. Branham forgive me you're right." There's only one unforgivable sin. I consider to have a pretty high IQ and I'm quite intelligent, but you can see how stupid even I was. You say, "Even I?" Sure, because I was around the man for years.

I ask this question having studied very thoroughly the Seven Church Ages and other sermons and studied with him when the book [was] written. Then I said, "Bro. Branham what do

you mean then when you said this?â€•

Why he said, â€œLee that refers in my thinking to polygamy.â€•

Now you go to the Aramaic which is supposed to be even more original than the Greek, which I donâ€™t know, but I suppose it is, and right in there youâ€™ll find the word â€˜polygamyâ€™. And Iâ€™m not lying, Iâ€™m telling you something. Iâ€™m not saying now, â€œJust a minute, you can do what you want and you can revoke your vow.â€• Iâ€™m not saying that, Iâ€™m just telling you the conditions concerning these things that come into the church.

19 So, weâ€™re not afraid to look at anything and everything that Bro. Branham said. I donâ€™t have everything before me as to a matter of quotes, but Iâ€™m not afraid to bring up the quotes that seem to indicate and do indicate that you better be very careful.

Now listen, Bro. Branham says in a sermon, this is in the Hebrew series, â€œSeparate yourself. Donâ€™t yoke yourself with unbelievers.â€•

Now, that would have to do as a general statement not only concerning marriage, but concerning business and concerning churches. â€œCome out from among them, be ye separate.â€•

20 Now watch, [HEBREWS.CHAPTER.3 JEFF.IN HEB 57-0901M]

[173] Young man getting married, marrying some girl that don't believe; or some young girl marrying a boy that don't believe. Shouldn't do that. I don't care how cute he is or how cute she is, and what those big eyes she's got; all fade out one of these days. But, brother, your soul's going to live forever. You be careful what you're doing. She isnâ€™t a real believer or him a real believer, don't you yoke yourself up like that. Stay away from such, it'll cause you trouble down the road.

Now, did he mention anything then about people intended to get married? He doesnâ€™t qualify anything, because the statement is blank concerning everything. Itâ€™s the legitimate statement that you cannot yoke with anybody thatâ€™s an unbeliever, itâ€™ll cause you problems. How many people have done that in business and found that they are ...?... the truth, we all find trouble by doing this very thing? We donâ€™t listen.

God called men or women, no God calls men or women. When He does, He calls a separation. Now thatâ€™s what the real trouble with the churches is today, they donâ€™t want to separate themselves from the old carnal unbelievers, thatâ€™s why we canâ€™t go any further. We just get in that carnal flow, we say, â€œOh Jimâ€™s a good guy if he doesnâ€™t drink so and so, he doesnâ€™t go to pool rooms, I could go with him of course but I donâ€™t play,â€• in other words, all the excuses.

21 Now, hereâ€™s something else in the Hebrew series.

[HEBREWS.CPT.7.PT.1 JEFF.IN HEB 57-0915E]

[294] What a blessed privilege that men has that challenges (him) to follow the Lord Jesus, (Now, itâ€™s a blessed privilege to hear the challenges of God) to separate himself from all his carnal associates, and follow the Lord. And if any person seems not to behave himself rightly, and to present himself as Christian but love the carnal things, it's best for you to hunt another partner right away. (Partner? Partner.)

â€œWhy hey, that could mean youâ€™re married.â€• He didnâ€™t say that. Heâ€™s talking the subject of single people as far as I can understand, I couldnâ€™t put any other way, because he talks about a man, a woman, same thing.

That's right. And if no one will walk with you, there's One Who promised to walk with you: that's the blessed Lord Jesus. He will walk with you.

If fact the apostle Paul says, â€œIt's best if you just dump everything and live for God, but you canâ€™t do it after youâ€™re married.â€• But before youâ€™re married you can make your vow if youâ€™re able to if youâ€™re gifted.

22 And remember the Pharisees went to Jesus and said, â€œCan a man put away his wife for any cause?â€• That was what the Herell? said.

Ammonodies? said, â€œNo, no way.â€•

You have two types of philosophers and great students back then, and great teachers, Herell and Ammonodies, and Herell said you can do if for any cause, it doesnâ€™t matter. Hey, Iâ€™m going to tell you something you read what Moses said and youâ€™re going to come to the place where a man could just about trump up something on his wife and get away with it, except God knows the heart. You read it all what it says, they might find someplace, â€œI donâ€™t want to take her back, Iâ€™ll get me another floozy,â€• thatâ€™s what he wants anyway, some sex-pot. See?

23 Okay, letâ€™s go on. [HEBREWS.CPT.7.CHURCH.ORDER JEFF.IN HEB 57-0922]

[362] Marriage is honorable, but it should be entered prayerfully and reverently. And genuine love for that woman will bind you together forever. "What you bind on the earth, I'll bind in heaven." When they walk down the street yonder, she may get old, and gray, and wrinkled, but that same love you had for her when she was a beautiful young woman, you'll still have.

[363] (And you as a man) may get stoop-shouldered, bald-headed, and wrinkled-faced, (thatâ€™s sure accurate) and everything else, but she'll love you just like you did when you (sat) with wide shoulders and curly hair, (I guess it wave goodbye that particular time. He said thatâ€™s what itâ€™ll be) if it's really God. For (you should be) looking to the time when you've crossed the river yonder, when you'll spring back again to young men and women, to live together forever. That's God's eternal promise. He said He would do it. Not only that, we'll get to it in a minute, He swore He would do it.

24 So you see what youâ€™re looking at here; youâ€™re looking at the fact that the Word of God has been constantly broken by people valuating, men and women, each other, on the basis of the carnal instead of the spiritual. See?

Like Bro. Branham said about the young girls criticizing the old girl that had a spare tire, you know her hair done up on her head, and he said, â€œSheâ€™s got a character you know nothing of.â€•

Now he said, [KINSMAN.REDEEMER JEFF.IN V-6 N-8 60-1002]

[45] Yesterday morning, we were lying in bed a little late, and the children didn't have to go to school, and we got to speaking about different things, and how, "What was hatred?"

[46] I said, "Hatred had a beginning so it has to have an end. Love had no beginning, so it has

no end. Hatred is forever. Love is eternal. Hatred begins and hatred will end. Love never did begin and it never will end, it (was) eternal. See?

[47] And when a man loves a woman and marries her because she's just pretty, there'll be an end to that. But when a man finds a woman that he loves, he don't know why, but he loves her... And she finds the man that she loves, no matter what he looks like... He loves her. She loves him. That's an eternal mate in glory. Death nor nothing else can ever separate them. Because they are from eternity, and they stepped out into space of time, and will return back to eternity. Eternity has dropped down in a body called time, then it goes right back up into eternity again. It cannot perish.

[48] A woman that's beautiful, that beauty will fade just as sure (as you're alive.)

[83] When I accepted Christ, I was turned out of my own home. When I accepted Christ, my boyfriends, girlfriends, everybody threw me down. I went in with a bunch of old people that had the Holy Spirit and believed in God, to serve Him. The girls were down there in that church was different (from) what the girls I'd been going with. They looked different. They acted different. They were strange, and I was scared of them. They were different people.

25 Now even in his state though he was predestinated as the prophet of God, you will notice in his carnal state, though he drew away from the carnality because he couldn't help himself, he still wasn't able to join up with those who were spiritual until he himself became spiritual. You see what I'm talking about? There isn't anybody in the world that can have an honest to God marriage unless they're born-again, or a special divine act of intervention by God. That you come together and saw it was He that did it down the road. Like Bro. Branham said, "You'll come to a time when you'll realize you always were saved."

Now there are some of you here today that I know that you weren't born-again when you were married. But you did have that something in there which gave you the right and true marriage, and therefore, absolutely you were joined together by God and your lives prove it today, your understanding and faith prove it today, and you have an eternal companionship and you can say what you want, that's exactly true.

26 Now, let me tell you something here that you'll need to know: I have used the statement of Bro. Branham's many, many times as a little tiny statement, but it means everything to me like nothing else has. Because I'm a very carnal type of person, I reason everything else, and you know that I do.

All right, listen, he said, "The Millennium is a further time of sanctification," just growing up more and more in God. What we missed here we're going to pick up over there and go on, and over there you will have the marriage and not as we know marriage today, because marriage and the resurrection being children of the resurrection you are sexless in the sense of procreation. You are not sexless in the sense of male and female. But what you have is that same child like beauty of fraternizing with no thoughts of that which has to do with procreation or sexual desire. It just isn't there. So it is the true compatibility that we've always wanted and never did get, and it's going on with God. I trust you understand what I'm saying. I know you do.

27 All right, listen... [pause on tape] Now here's where we're going to get one that people can get confused with over marriage and divorce, but marriage and divorce came under the Seven Seals and this didn't. But I'm going to read you now to my knowledge I can't remember just exactly what...

This question was answered in '64, and marriage and divorce under the Seven Seals never came in being as the answer until 1965. So don't forget to put this together as you hear

this.

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS JEFF.IN COD 64-0823E

[313] Brother Branham, what is the meaning of an annulment? Are people free to marry or is this just another word for divorce? I would like some information.

Sure they're married. As long as they take that vow, they're married. Just like a boy, if a boy promises a girl to marry her under good faith, he's obligated to that girl. He's just as good as married her. The only thing the law does, is give you a bill of rights to live together to keep from being common-law husband and wife. But when a man tells a woman, "I will marry you, Honey; I will take you for my wife. Will you take (me?)" (In other words, he's saying, he leaves that out there, lowers his voice or something,) he's married.

Your vow is sacred; that's what marries you anyhow. There's not no preacher can marry you, no magistrate, or nothing else; it's your own vow to God and to this man. When you promise, you are married.

But he doesn't say, you don't stand before them and take your vows. So the man standing, a drunken bum and all, marrying you, it's not that. That's the legal part, you've still got to make your vows, saying your vows right there. But what if you haven't come to that place?

Then all right, according to law if the marriage isn't consummated where does it place you? They haven't become one flesh even though you made a vow, because the Bible says, even laying with a prostitute makes you one flesh, so you know what you're talking about now. See?

28 In my books everything that Bro. Branham says is important, and you don't pit one against another. That's what theologians do and that's what the churches do. I can take the Bible here and destroy every one of us. I can take Bro. Branham and destroy every one of us. The Word has got to come together. He never denied that you have to stand before those that constitute the authority whereby otherwise you'd live as common-law, which the law does not recognize a true marriage. You are not married, and you must obey the law of the land. I don't care how that law came into being, that's not the point. That's the same as Bro. Branham said, "Zionism put Israel in the homeland." God decreed it, whether it's right or wrong.

In other words, where Zionism is right or wrong doesn't make any difference. It's like the woman praying, "Oh God send bread, oh God, send bread, oh God send bread." And the kids heard her and they threw a loaf of bread at the door. She said, "Thank you Lord for sending the bread."

And the kids said, "God didn't send it, we sent it."

She said, "I don't care honey, if the devil brought it, God sent it."

29 Zionism put Israel there. Zionism is hokey. Come on, I've read enough since I was twenty years of age to know these things. People still don't know that Rome has the gold and Israel has the paper. Are you sitting here this morning and can't put it together? You don't understand what Bro. Branham is saying? Who wants all the stocks and bonds? You think that Bosky was anything but a Jew? Come on, look it over.

When Hitler walked into France how come Rothschild wasn't completely destroyed and

everything he had destroyed? I want some answers. How come when Hitler took over Europe certain people came to America and was so loaded. Who heads the Federal Reserve? I'm not against the Jews. I'm not a Jew baiter. Bro. Branham said, "They got the paper," so listen to it. Don't become a racist over the Jews; this is predestination the plan of God. But Rome has the gold.

30 Now I'm going to tell you something I didn't dare tell you before, because my time didn't fit in. I've got a good friend he's over on the east coast. And he's got a good friend who is an outstanding Jew. And this outstanding Jew has two outstanding sons. Number one a rabbi in New York; Number two, a legate with an unknown office and title in an unknown place in the Pentagon, straight from the White House. He takes papers to Europe every single week. For years he would go straight to every place where the papers were indicated. Today he goes first to Rome. Now can you understand what I'm saying? Who runs the world? Rome.

31 Years back I told you that I believe that America built the image to the beast when the Marshal Plan came into existence, when they saved Europe for the Catholics and they gave the rest away to Communism. I have an apology to make, that was only the seed. That was only the seed.

Today Bush stands up as the number one man in the world, and the United States as the number one nation, bar non, we can lick the whole world with our hands tied behind our backs, and don't think we can't. But we're not going to, because Bush is now the great God who speaks with a big mouth that talks about the general nation, but is now like old Teddy Roosevelt, "Carry a big stick, speak with a small voice." And he's let the whole world know and America know, he doesn't care two-bits about America, he's just number one. And the pope says, "George, sit down."

Three men according to Malachi Martin were in conflict. Popey old boy, Georgie old boy, Mick Halavich. Mikhail Gorbachev ain't no mold and George Bush better sit down and shut up, because he knows he's number one and he is. All this ties in don't worry. It's about time that people really know what the prophet said and why he said it, and where we're going.

32 All right, he says here,

Your vow is sacred..

Not what that preacher says or anybody else, but it's what you say before Him. And remember in the mouths of two witnesses it's confirmed.

What if you took a woman and said, "Well you're married to me and I'm married to you, let's go to bed." Well that's a good start, because that's what they do usually before marriage even. You know that statistics show that amongst the so called and absolute Christians that the percentage of sex without marriage is just the same as the young people who are not Christians were infidels? "Oh we're married honey we take our vow."

I'm going to tell you something, the law is getting good now tracing these birds down and say, "You've made the baby, you better support him." But really, she ain't got a leg to stand on legally, because she's just common-law. And I wouldn't want to be com in anything. Right. I'd sooner be uncommon; uncommon with the Word of God. That's not your vow, no magistrate, no preacher, nothing else, that you're vowed to God. Now just a minute he said, "It's your vow to God."

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What if heâ€™s got his fingers crossed and said, â€œWeâ€™re going to get married.â€ Now sheâ€™s supposed to say, â€œNo,â€ under every condition, and weâ€™ll talk about that. What are you going to do with women who become aggressive? Itâ€™s too late, vowed to God.

33 How many of you people when you got married knew that you made a vow to God. â€œOh I made a vow before God.â€ Hey, the mafia that murders, the rapists he does it all before God. Do you think that God closes one eye for you? Two eyes?

Iâ€™m before God this morning talking here, Iâ€™m mean as a snake. Now Iâ€™m not, just kidding you. But look, youâ€™re before God. I have a hard job with this, because my heart says, â€œListen, with you itâ€™s right, but these guys itâ€™s not right, theyâ€™re not going to listen anyway.â€

Anytime anybody casts a doubt, that thing can take a hold pretty easily, because they are not reading the whole thing. If I make a vow to you, though I make it before God, it is not the same what weâ€™re talking about here. Why? Because God has said, â€œThis is your wife.â€ God has said, â€œThis is your husband.â€ What happened when God presented Eve to Adam? â€œThis is now bone of my bone, and flesh of my flesh.â€

You say, â€œBro. Vayle I donâ€™t believe that could be happening today.â€

Then you are nuttier than a fruit cake and a liar and a disbeliever, because God has changed. And if God and His Word has changed, you ainâ€™t got a lick to stand on, why call yourself a Christian? Why donâ€™t you admit youâ€™re an unbeliever and a heathen?

â€œWhy,â€ you say, â€œBro. Vayle youâ€™re mean.â€

Iâ€™m not mean; Iâ€™m just trying to show you the truth.

34 I told you I prayed, my poor wife I donâ€™t know if she prayed, she must have prayed, because she had lots of guys to turn down. I she would have married a certain guy that thought the sun and moon, the stars rose on her when she wrecked his car. â€œOh, thatâ€™s perfectly okay my dear, hereâ€™s another car to wreck.â€ If she did that on me, sheâ€™d likely find out it wasnâ€™t so great. [Laughter] He died a millionaire. She could have been a millionaireâ€™s widow. He married a girl that looked so much like her it was pitiful. Before he died he told her brother John, â€œI still love her.â€ No way, no way. It wasnâ€™t there. How could she fall for a gook like me? Because I needed her as my other half the part missing.

We have of difference, but phfft, what that? I look back and say, â€œMy God...â€ Itâ€™s been a perfect marriage the way sheâ€™s been with me. Not with me with her, because Iâ€™m the tough egg, but Iâ€™m going to tell you something: When you know thatâ€™s the one, you may not even know thatâ€™s the one for a while. Thatâ€™s the one God gave me and I wondered for a while, I thought, â€œGee now, I hope I havenâ€™t made a mistake,â€ most people go through that. And one night I had this dream that she belonged to somebody else, and I knew that I knew that if she was gone Iâ€™d die. Doesnâ€™t God do things in dreams? Canâ€™t you understand this is real? Sure you understand, you wouldnâ€™t be here if it wasnâ€™t real, youâ€™d be some place else with the goo-gauze, down in some church, Baptist, Methodist, that didnâ€™t know nothing from nothing.

35 All right. Weâ€™re looking at this thing: The vow then is made unto God. And I donâ€™t care in whose presence it is made, but the big thing is this: The vow has not been made to God, itâ€™s made before God and these people marrying in most cases donâ€™t even have an idea of the sacredness of marriage.

Now I will say this about the Catholic church: They're way ahead of the Protestants, they use to be anyway, because they say, "You ain't going to get married and divorced and remarried around here. See, you better be careful." Now they're getting goofy too, like the Protestants, too bad, too bad, too bad. Nope too bad. See?

36 Now he says here,

Your vow is sacred; that's what marries you anyhow. (That's true.)! no preacher can marry you, no magistrate, or nothing else; it's your own vow to God and to this man. When you promise, you are married.

Now, he's telling you when you're married. You say, "I want to marry you."
"You want to marry me?"

All right, that's a ball in motion. Now you go before who's supposed to do it, now before Almighty God. You're married period, but not before that time.

37 I told you how it was, I asked Roy Borders to send a letter out, because I let him take over the printing. I didn't want to do it anyway... I preach, teach. Well, he wouldn't do it. Oh he still could have got the letter... in his [Bro. Branham] big bold hand writing, they said, "We were engaged to be married, we found we weren't suited, are we married?"

He said, "No you're not, until you get the legal documents."

See, they're not putting this together. How many true legal marriages do we have this morning in this church? By pure grace a whole bunch, thank God. You talk with Lloyd and Dawn, even the preacher who married them said, "There's something different about you kids. You're meant for each other, this is God." Lloyd knew it. I don't think they listened to Nat King Cole when he sang that song, "They say we're too young to love." I don't believe they went by Nat King Cole. Lloyd was a bit of a hop-head, Dawn a whole lot younger, came across the path of salvation and soon as they heard the Message they knew this was it. Soon as they went down to Jack Bell's what happened? His hair and his beard came off. The hippy part and all was gone.

38 Listen, there are people sitting here, there is no doubt in my mind that I don't care what you thought and when you thought it, God was in your lives. Or do you think I want pas... not pastor, to teach here, I don't pastor, Brooks is your pastor, he's a good one. He believes like I do don't worry. I don't bug the guy to make him believe like me, not for fifteen seconds, he can do what he wants, that's his business. But I want you to understand, we're putting it all together here. You don't skip something you want to skip because you've heard something else. Yeah, see? Your vow's sacred.

[195] Look it, You say, "Brother Branham, is that...? You say... You said you'd only answer that by the Bible." Did you want the Bible on it? Raise your hands(and so on.)

Now watch,

"Joseph, her husband, being a just man (her espoused husband, already called her husband)... being a just man, was `mindedly' to put her away privately on this wise; but before they came together,(Now he's not quoting that in actual sequence, the Bible actually says, "Joseph before they came together Joseph her husband) she was found with a child of the Holy Ghost.

And being a just man, tender and kind, he could have put her away and brought her before the people and all. See? He said, "Well if I got to do that, I'll do it in such a way nobody catches on." Now what trust and love he had in her to even do that, because they say her child was a... an illegitimate child by a Roman soldier. They still say that. Bro. Branham didn't con that up... that's absolutely the truth, that's history and everything else.

39 But, he was her husband according to the vows that were made and she had to be faithful to him no matter how long it took them to get together, that was accomplished, but there still would be that ceremony. Now, we looking at that particular time, and you will notice: "Fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife," is no different. Get this: when He said to Adam, "This is your wife," he said, "Bone of my bone, flesh of my flesh, she's part of me."

I'm trying to show you something, that marriage was a hundred percent of God. And let me tell you this, if he would have put her away, God would have to have slap him around. You say, "That's not nice." I'd sooner be slapped around and get right with God than let Him just let me go. I'd sooner have Him do something to wake me up. I got waked up many years ago believe me I got waken up many years ago. That's why... I tried to go on the straight and narrow and stay with the Word of God day in and day out, and it sure paid off, because I got to the prophet bless God that was my destiny.

40 Now you see, that was her husband, because God said it was. And that's what he said before in "Marriage and Divorce", so don't try to change it. We're not finished yet; time going to run out pretty soon and I want you to get this.

Paul the apostle was speaking to the new Bride, and so was William Branham speaking to the last Bride. In "Marriage and Divorce" he said, "This is to my church, not anybody else." We'll hit some more on marriage and divorce; I'll go into that for you. See?

41 Now,

[195] The Angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and saying, "Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee, Mary, thy wife." Already married, he'd already promised her.

Why? Because God did it. What if Adam had said, "Now, hey that's pretty good, but I think I should try a little harder."

He was one with God and she was one with him, and she was from him, they were all one together like Bro. Branham said, "The Bride is today." We're right back to Eden. In a state of innocence we didn't even do it.

Now then, will Bro. Branham expect less of anybody in this church that believes in this Message, or his own church, or anybody that says, "They preach this Message," which is his from the Word of God, and then you stand here and say, "I cannot hear from God, I cannot have the right wife and the right man." That's why I say to you people, you young people, "If you marry and botch up don't ever come back to me and say, "Bro. Vayle could I marry again, I botched up."

I'd say, "Life fun you can marry again."

And if you go out there and be a whore, or you be a whoremonger man, don't come around this church, well turn you over to Satan. You can't get away with not paying your income tax, and neither can you get away from this Word in this hour. You understand what I'm saying?

Iâ€™m nailing this down the best I can, because I will not become part of what the preachers are doing out there to people. Iâ€™m trying to save you and save you good.

42 I donâ€™t abuse you, you prove Iâ€™ve abused you; people get my tapes: One guy said, â€œWell, Lee Vayle is too tough.â€• What does he mean, too tough? Iâ€™d like to go to his church and see what crap goes on in there. Thereâ€™s enough junk goes on in here now; preaching the straight Word of God without preaching something â€˜wishy-washyâ€™. What if I took the hands of the Word off you, where would you be? Where would I be? Come on! The Life is in the Word! Nothing outside this Message is going to come to life and be eternal, and we are the Word by the grace of God. See?

Already married, heâ€™d already promised her. How was he already married? These two were married in the mind of God in eternity. Otherwise, what if Bro. Branham say, â€œelf you crossed. your great grandpa, with your great, great grandma, great, great, great.... down to you, to get the exact characteristics you are bring forth today in an natural election as a child of God.â€•

And you know what? We all hate ourselves. Phsst! Now I donâ€™t mean to be some puffed ignoramus. Itâ€™s hard to get spiritual minded, but itâ€™s the truth. Maybe itâ€™s hard with me the way I preach and teach. Iâ€™m sorry.

43 Now,]

[197] And little lady, if you promised to marry that boy, you're obligated to do it. If you marry another after that obligation, you will--from now on anyhow--you'll be living in adultery.

Now, who is he talking too? â€œBro. Vayle I believe Bro. Branham was talking to the people down in the bar room.â€• Oh come on, come on.

He was talking to the Bride. You better be careful young people. Thatâ€™s why Brooksâ€™ is teaching as heâ€™s teaching. Youâ€™d better be careful, and I mean doubly careful. You parents, you canâ€™t make your kids do things, but theyâ€™re out of your hands in the hands of God the minute you tell them the truth. But if you shilly-shally and donâ€™t tell the truth and stand with him, as Bro. Branham said, â€œYou make your home such a place that theyâ€™ll love the home and love you, and people come in and see Christ, then you are on the stand before God and your kids are on the stand.â€•

You say, â€œI just let things go.â€•

You canâ€™t. Listen, my generation did it, we did it too much to our kids, though anytime they asked a certain question I would answer. no matter if my face got red or anything else. Never told them lies, but I was far neglectful and not telling them half enough. I just trusted it would be great that they could go down the right road. It didnâ€™t work that way.

44 Some of you are lucky, because your kids have grown up real fine kids and you didnâ€™t do much about it. You can hang you heads in shame this morning too and determine it better at least by your grandkids and something else to make up for it. Come on, weâ€™re responsible, donâ€™t try to kid me weâ€™re not responsible. If Adam wasnâ€™t responsible, now how come he got in all that trouble? How come God had to have an interruption?

Now I ...?... youâ€™d be in adultery. And notice the same thing to a boy promising to marry a woman. Now, whoâ€™s he talking to? As Moses talked to Israel, the elect children of God, not to the Moabities. Right. Because polygamy is a thousand times better than Hollywood marriage and divorce, but itâ€™s still wrong. They could do it, and will do it, but it canâ€™t be named among us.

What is the safeguard? Hearing from God. Now it's tough, because a naked woman is a symbol of Godhood in America.

Why did the sons of God get all messed up? Because they saw the daughters of men were beautiful. The daughters of men came from Cain, and Cain was a giant. So they had that beautiful natural tan complexion and a build, you couldn't how they were built. They were every man's idea of paradise. They got their minds entirely off of God and they married them. Now it wasn't... God didn't say, "Marry them." God said, "Don't you dare marry them." They did it anyway.

45 How did they get messed up at Baal-Peor? The very word in the Hebrew shows that it was a sexual festivity, a fertility rite; an immoral sexual bash, first come, first serve. Everybody have a great time, pick anybody. As Bro. Branham said, "The same thing allowed is today, they have a hat: throw your key in, pull a key out that's the woman you sleep with." What a wonderful nation. Jack Kennedy ...?... two women in one bed at one time with him.

Listen, wake up brother/sister that's what you're facing and your kids are facing worse than you are. You don't like blunt preaching? You're stuck, why don't you go home? I don't mind if you go. But don't come back next Sunday if we have a good Mother's Day dinner. [Laughter] I'm sorry, if you don't like it I'm still sorry for it, but I'm not that sorry, I'm going to preach, quit preaching what's in my heart to lay it on the line blunt, because you've got to be blunt or forget it. Even bluntness doesn't count with the world if... the bluntness that is of the world like our great hero Magic Johnson. [Former basketball player who has HIV] You ought to hear what Ryan Nolan [former baseball pitcher] has to say about it. Read it. I think I threw my copy away. He said, "He [Ryan Nolan] sent the wrong signals. He said, "I had one wife, I loved her in high school, we got married young, twenty five years, we're still in love. I wouldn't have anybody else but her; she wouldn't have any man but me." That guy's got more on the ball than many people who say they follow the Word, Bro. Branham Message. Oh he could put us to shame that guy. But then he fouls up other places, gets all messed up, because he plays ball on Sunday and everything. How can you do things on the Resurrection morning? How do you play baseball on Sunday which honors the Resurrection? Whooping up with a bunch of criminals out there. Who do you think runs the ball games?

46 Yeah, see?

[198] Don't you make your vow to anybody 'less you mean to stick with it. Remember, there's the Bible for it. Joseph promised to marry Mary. And God said that was that.

[199] Read the Old Testament laws on that. See? The Old Testament law, if you promised to marry a (woman,) and you married another one, you was committing adultery; and it throwed you out of the camp. Yes, sir. You have to keep your vows when you promise a woman that. She's a sacred little vessel, (Now watch, she's a sacred vessel) that brings child life into the world again. So when you promise her, you must marry her.

Now why did he throw that in there? What's the first thing a man says to a woman? "We're going to get married honey, it's okay to do it." And you hear the big time rag time church that say, "The bees are doing, the birds are... let so do it." Don't do it! If you do, you're obligated double to marry her, but the point is if you don't go through the court of law I got news for you. I told you awhile ago, such as those cases came before Bro. Branham, when he complained to me he knew what was going on. But he married them, because they hadn't been before the judge or... so Bro. Branham then turned on his own word. Don't you ever believe that little kid. Don't you ever believe it. You aren't reading the whole thing. They go together.

47 What about if you make a false vow? Do you think God's going to back your false vow? Again I want you to notice: To whom is this Bible written? The laws on marriage and divorce were written specifically for Israel going into the Promise Land, wherein I read to you many times that Moses said, "When the people see that you have this great word, this great law, they will stand back and wonder at awe, this was written to the elect of God."

Who do you think Bro. Branham was preaching to? The elect of God. That goes to every young person here; you better start learning about marriage right now. You better learn how to contain your self, and you better learn to pray to God and get the right one, because when you mess up it's your tough luck. And you make one move you're living in adultery. I'm sorry, but that's exactly the way it is and I can't pull my punches on it. You know, you people come you say, "Bro. Vayle what will I do?" You've got to go to God. I can't tell you one thing, and I won't tell you one thing. No way shape and form, because I'm not a prophet. I do the best I can and that's the way it is. The people even get mad, because I tell the things I know privately from Bro. Branham, I'm not supposed to do it. You know why? So they can hog wash their people and get a claw on them. You can't say that Lee Vayle put you under bondage, no way shape and form. No way shape and form. See?

[198] Don't you make your vow to anybody unless you mean to stick with it.

There you are. Remember there's Bible for it. Joseph promised to marry Mary, see? Old Testament says the same thing. She's a vessel for child bearing. Now there's a thing to remember right there. (I'll leave these other part out too; I'll get these other things later on.)

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[13-2] (Now) you know, you have to plan, and look, and pray when you're choosing. For we see by this, the Word of promise, she, the bride that a man would choose is going to reflect his character. (Ha ha) It reflects what's in him. Now, could you imagine a man filled with the Holy Ghost take something like that to be a wife? (He's talking about, you know the world.) I just don't see it, brother. Now, maybe I'm just an old crank, but you know, I just can't understand that. See?

Notice, for it's going to reflect what is in him. She's going to help him make his future home.

That's why he said, "Look, if you're looking for to home, you're looking for to children, that's what marriage is about." Some people never have children, but you better have one with character. Because if you did have children, what's it without a woman with character?

49 Now, let me read the last one here, and I'm going to close with this:

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[14-2] Notice. Now, she has a sacred trust of virtue that's been given to her, trusted to her by the Lord. God gave her that virtue. Just as it was in the garden of Eden, she can say, "yes" or "no." She has a sacred trust of womanhood committed to her that she must not break. The womanhood, I'm speaking of here, is her conduct, her character around men, not letting every man... Look on these screens and see these movie stars kissing and hugging and slopping around over these women. A woman does that is of a bad character.

Now, I know that many people think that's just acting. Have you ever read what Hitchcock said? Hitchcock said, "He likes to stand back and see his leading lady and the leading

man slop over each, because that's what it literally said, and they felt they're in love with each other and they always made down to some old motel where they got with each other. Then he said, "stand back and laugh, later on they found they weren't in love and they fought like cats and dogs." Now there again, you're seeing too many pictures on VCR in your homes, because you're giving the kids idea you can kiss and get away with it.

50 Let's keep reading.

A woman does that is of a bad character. She might be virtuous otherwise, but, see, in her heart--when those glands... Sex glands are in the lips. A man kisses a woman, he's actually, potentially, committed adultery.

Now notice the word "potential" that describes the whole thing what Bro. Branham is saying. Now this is known as erogenous zones. Erotic zones, call it what you want, and in that particular case the lips are primary. And he said, "They cross the sex glands which means neurologically they are hooked up to the sex glands." So let a male and female start to kiss, immediately they are out of control as far as their desire is concerned. Now they may repress it and in my day that's what you did, because in my home as a kid we were literally heathen, I was not taught you could not kiss. But no matter how roused I got, I did not enter into any sexual act.

But the danger was there and could have destroyed me, and I don't care who you think you are you cannot kiss period and get away with it. And if you do not become aroused there's something that either is a lying devil in you to make you lie in your teeth, and somebody else's teeth, because you're lying about it. Or you just got some kind of a spirit that you like to tease somebody and see how far you can get to go, because you weren't going to go anywhere your self. Hey, that's putting it pretty blunt isn't it kiddo? Well let's keep it blunt. One kiss is one too many.

51 You say, "Bro. Vayle you're telling us trade secrets."

Are you crazy? I don't have to tell anybody anything. You just naturally go for it. Did you have to read a book to get what I'm telling you? You think your kids woke up knowing exactly how to do certain things? Maybe not perfectly, but they'll soon get the trend of it.

What is it Dr. Dobson says, "The first thing you may shake hands, the next thing an arm around the shoulder and the next thing it slips down to the waist, and the next thing it goes where? One joint lower." Right? Come on, it's in the books, it's on the radio, it's on the TV. Its nothing is hidden when it comes to sexology let's face it. You think your kids don't know that already? They see it. Now where is the straight forward, honest to God teaching to tell the kids, "Look, we know you got problems, we had them? The whole world out there is doing it, we know that. But why do you think there's judgment?"

52 You know something that stopped me from looking a women years and years ago, I was just a tiny kid, well a little kid maybe ten, twelve years of age, we had a woman who was a trained nurse come to our town what they called ...?... which was a blessing, because we had else by way of entertainment. And she gave an entire lecture on syphilis and how it that the prostitutes out there were infected, and how you could be infected and get sick and have children with blind eyes and everything else. And I said, "No way shape and form will I do anything like that as long as I live."

But today you've got safe sex told everywhere, "Oh yes, yes, yes." That's a lie from the pit of hell. It's a lie from the pit of hell. And if you sell your kids short and I sell you short this morning over this pulpit, I may never preach again, because this is an X-rated sermon and I

care less. I will say things that Bro. Branham only hinted at. And I say with him and itâ€™s true, â€œThe man who kisses a woman and she returns that kiss, or she starts it has the potential of adultery.â€• Because Iâ€™d like to see you take your boat within one hundred feet of Niagara Falls and not go over. Because you know why? The kids are steamed up all ready. The hormones are running without even putting the clutch in gear, which ...?... woman hugging her and kissing her.

53 Now, if you think this is bad and the kids are want to going to do it, well you can say, â€œBro. Vayle, Iâ€™m not coming back to hear you preach anymore.â€• I think you better move someplace else, thatâ€™s fine by me. But Iâ€™m not preaching for me and my kids, not anymore, I love you as young people, and I love your kids even more than I love you.

And I know Bro. Branham sat with me that day in a restaurant and I told you I couldnâ€™t understand it at that time, he said, â€œWeâ€™d of love a lot of young girls ...?...â€• He said, â€œLee you know what Iâ€™d like to do?â€•

And I said, â€œWhat Bill?â€•

He said, â€œSee those young girls?â€•

I said, â€œYeah?â€•

â€œIâ€™d love to go over there and buy them a drink, to by them a soda and sit down and talk with them, and let them know what is in the future. But Lee, if I do it theyâ€™d pick me up and throw me in jail.â€•

But Iâ€™m going to tell you, you canâ€™t pick me up here and throw me in jail. Oh you could lay a charge and I could... you know, sure you could do something. But you couldnâ€™t do it honestly, you know that. Youâ€™d be just a bunch of crooks and hypocrites.

But Bro. Bill did not dare go to those girls, but heâ€™s telling you right over the pulpit here. Heâ€™s saying to young people, and then he said, â€œLee donâ€™t they think I know whatâ€™s going on?â€• Sure I could name you names, what good would that do?

54 Could I tell you about one man... one fella that slept with a certain girl, a beautiful young girl then left her? Wrecked her life, hastily she married the wrong guy, sheâ€™s divorced now.

â€œOh, that was great, because this guy believed Bro. Branham to be a prophet.â€•

But Bill said, â€œHey, donâ€™t they think I know whatâ€™s going on?â€•

And Banks Woods one day said, â€œYou believe heâ€™s God?â€•

â€œYeah.â€•

â€œWell itâ€™s strange youâ€™ve been around him all these years and nothing has rubbed off. Why donâ€™t you start living it?â€•

So you see Iâ€™m talking from being around the man. I didnâ€™t go around Bro. Branham fishing and hunting. I went around talking the Word, and he talked to me the Word. See?

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[14-2] Notice, she has a sacred trust of virtue that's been given to her, trusted to her by the Lord.

God gave her that virtue. Just as it was in the garden of Eden, she can say, \"yes\" or \"no.\" She has a sacred trust of womanhood committed to her (See?) (She's not a woman with bad character.)

[14-3] (And so therefore,) all this nonsense (you see in) Hollywood (the) slopping, and loving (men and) women, and so forth; and little girls looking at that. (See, little kids look at it.) No wonder our morals are rotten, and decayed, and filthy. Because it's put before the children. That's right. It has to be that way for the last days.

But he's talking to a Bride. And you say kids, "Look it around are going to be doing it." Maybe you should take them to where the AIDS wards are and show them what AIDS does; where they actually rot while they're living. TB has risen by leaps and bounds. Why? Because that's what AIDS patient get. And now when you sneeze and when you blow your breath it's air born, and anyone of us here, and you kids especially know this: you fool around with that gang you can end up with TB that's virulent and you'll be dead in no time. Do you want to lie there skin and bone? Go ahead! I know that sounds mean, but you see I'm talking to some of you older ones that know what I'm talking about. You're old enough to understand, and your parents in a sweet loving way if they want to do it, can do what Lee Vayle in a sweet loving way doesn't do it. I say it up here with a club to get the impression to make you know on thing: Look I can make you laugh and you'll remember, I can repeat and repeat and you'll remember, or I can hit you so hard with the club you don't dare forget. I prefer the last one. Hoping we all get hit so hard we'll begin to smarten up. And don't let them fool you on this AIDS business.

56 And now they're finding out and it's very hopeless that the carcinoma they're getting has its own little virus even apart from HIV now, and HIV 1, 2, 3, 4 and it's coming down the line and not one type of (you know) cure is good for all 3, 4, 5, 6 and they all mutate. And you can blast them out of people's system with oxygen. Use ozone, but what if the ozone only goes so far into certain cells and it then throws up a barrier and mutates? Now the mutations come forward, you think ozone will touch it? Not a prayer. Nothing will touch it.

You think we're not at the end-time? Come on, at the end-time of the days of Noah, the last person was going to go down in the ooze and the muck of his own deterioration gasping his last breath and God had pity and said, "I'll take them all out."

What did it? Radiation was one thing. Look at Russia, it's finished, finished unless they come over here and chase us out of America, they haven't got a prayer. There's hundreds and thousands of years down the road that those chemicals are still bubbling and radiation going on.

57 Listen; understand you're at the last time. You say, "Then Bro. Vayle if that's the case, why bother talking about the subject. Our kids will not be old enough to enter into a wrong liaison when it comes to sexual things." You can be a hundred percent wrong. They're picking up twelve year olds, eight year olds for rape. I'll lay it on the table right here in Dayton. You want to know the truth? I'm going to tell you the truth. I told you God always gives me the right things read. You say, "I don't think that's the right thing." That's your business. You think that, I think otherwise.

58 So, I'm not embarrassed to cover the whole thing that this question asks. And I say this again to those preachers: I take my stand that William Branham categorically told us in 1965 that his Message was to the Bride; that his sermon on "Marriage and Divorce" was for the Bride. It was instruction in righteousness for the people of Almighty God that sat before him that God had given him as their leader. And that's what I'm doing this morning, by the grace of God I believe I'm absolutely preaching to a Bride Church. And I have the same words that the prophet gave to me on tape here and he's giving to you. I made my mistake in my days; I don't want

to see you make those mistakes, because in my day we could get by with it, today you can't. Why? Because the Word wasn't there.

Whatever some of you people did in the past is a hundred percent forgiven you. There's no way you can be accountable, because you did not have the truth; the Seals were not opened. The truth was not given to you, but this is a different thing today. Now raise your children in the light of this Word in the admonition and the strictness of this gospel; and remember, God will give you grace and your children grace, because that's the promise.

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Listen carefully to me: I'm one of the last breed that was with Bro. Branham. I could die tomorrow, I praise God if I could and will, that's great. Trouble is I feel better than I felt the other day. It's you young people that will be going in. You'll be the ones standing here in that day when the dead come out of the ground. If I'm in there, I hope I come out too by the grace of God it will, to see you again and to see your children transformed in that moment take away from here. Is it worth it? Or isn't it worth it? Come on tell me. Is it worth it? I want to know the answer. If it isn't worth it, forget it. Or aren't you like me this morning hungering for further sanctification. You know this side of the grave, this side of resurrection, there isn't perfection with living pulsating bodies that want to do the will of God, that want to reflect God. Let me tell you it's started now. The people still don't believe time and eternity has mingled, therefore mortality and immortality has mingled. You understand what I'm saying? Well, I'll be honest, I don't myself, but I know it's true and I know it's there and as long as I testify to it, and at least I'm a friend of the Bridegroom if I'm not Bride.

Do you understand now why the Millennium is further sanctification, why further growth and all? We have no reason to be disgusted. We have no reason to lock ourselves into some type of morgue and leave our faith on one side; but now's the time to rise and shine because the glory of God has come upon the people. It's true, it's true.

Heavenly Father, again we want to thank You for Your goodness and mercy to us Lord, which You have given us so wonderfully in this last day and so manifest that no one can deny the truth Lord that is in Christ Jesus and has been presented to us, positively vindicated as a reality in this hour. May it go with us Lord, and if the message this morning was rough seem to berate people I pray Lord that they will understand that I'm not standing here as a goodie-goodie. What my day was Lord; it was more glorious than Wesley, but no comparison to this hour. And you know Lord even when I was a young person, before I was saved I wanted counseling and teaching, and after I was saved Lord I wanted the same thing and it was no way near.

And when You taught me the series on faith Lord, I knew that was something I never had and I was so glad to pass it on to others that they might have it even though I didn't have it. And so today Lord with this Message I cannot say for one minute I've been a good person, I've been honorable, upright. I've done things that were absolutely wrong, though I've only had one woman in my life absolutely. I've kissed other girls, never should have done it, never messed beyond that.

But Lord it was wrong when I did it. Wrong teaching, wrong doctrine, not hearing from You, but it's a different thing today Lord. And I pray, that though I've been harsh and I know that I have been, that in the sweet spirit of Christ that this Message was given, by the prophet, by You through the prophet, may our families here, especially children coming up, may it come to them in the sweetness and preciousness of life, because that's what it's all about is life, and the life lived in the flesh by the faith of the Son of God, so that they are standing here Lord, when Bro. Branham comes back this earth, because if he doesn't come back upon this earth, who is going to come back upon this earth? Live, die, sink or swim we've come here, and we believe that

somebody is going to swim. Lord may these children be here, the ones that swim, because that's what the Bible said about Ezekiel's river, as it flowed from the eastern gate to eternity. Waters to the ankle, waters to the knee, waters to the thigh, waters to swim in, waters to carry across.

Lord I believe that's for people right here this morning. As the image to the beast has raised to where the head man can come and take over, and thank God, before he takes over the head man even Jesus Christ, will take us over and the incarnation the wedding supper, and there'll be little children there. There won't have to be a family that's locked out, but everyone upon whom the token has been displayed lived in that home, and the Word of Life given that life may come, I believe they'll be there. Father, the prophet said that, because he said it, may our hearts be set upon it, because it will come to pass. And as he said it, "Oself we're not Bride, there's a Bride out there that will come to pass." And he said, "Oself there's even a town full of believers, each one must believe he's that one, even though one might be taken, each one believes he's that one in that area."

Help us Lord to be upright, sincere and Godly in our walk. You'd been that way with us Lord sincere and upright through a prophet. He never shilly-shallied, he never minced words, he never went back on the Word, he stood there, he lived the life; even defined people to lay hands upon his character. I wouldn't dare try that Lord for one minute, I honestly can't and You, that's a different story. But I pray this morning as You hear our prayer in each one of us a crying in our hearts, may we entire into that full river on sanctification that's flowing now, right now into the Millennium, into eternity past the White Throne to the New Jerusalem where there breaks upon.... [tape ends]