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THE ORDER OF GOD'S CREATING

Turn to **Genesis, chapter 2**. As He commissions man to be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth, God took a good look at everything. Did you know that at that time there was not so much as one little rose blooming yet? There was no bluegrass growing yet. There was no birds in the trees singing their songs. Look at the breakdown of the scriptures here, how the progression goes. In the **31st verse of the 1st chapter** it says, "**And God saw every thing that He had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.**" We get in trouble if we make this a day of twenty four hours. I read the **31st verse** to lead right on into **chapter 2**, which begins to give us a breakdown of what has been going on. "**Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.**" This is not talking about a prehistoric finishing: It is talking about the fact, that in the mind of God it is all finished, everything that He had determined to do. God does not wait for tomorrow to get here before He decides what was going to take place. He designed everything trillions of years ago, as we mark time. That is why Paul could write in **Ephesians 1**, like he did, how God counseled with Himself. It simply means He meditated, He chose, He reached certain fixed thoughts. Before the foundation of the world, before there was an atom or anything, God thought, counseled with Himself, and settled in His mind everything He would ever do. In **Acts 15:18**, we find the apostle James saying this, "**Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.**" Therefore though it says that God labored six days and rested the seventh day, I want you to notice there are no birds chirping, and no cows mooing yet. No. We can say this, He has spoken, and the planet is slowly being drawn back in relationship to the proper light that will generate light, life, and heat and climatize the planet. The spirit world has now got every law established that is to govern the repopulating and refilling of the planet with plant life, animal life and such. Every righteous angel, again, is in position, and they know their jobs. "**Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made.**" I am going to say, When God rested, that became His Sabbath. There is still not a thing crawling on earth. Why? God is waiting until the planet is slowly pulled back into proper relationship with the sun. As the planet is slowly being pulled, it is not brought back in relationship by a gigantic catastrophe taking place. It is a gradual process brought about by the angelic hosts. We will know more about it when we begin to get into our Millennium over here, and we begin to see what takes place on this earth, since we will be alive forever, then. Then, when we reach that eternal age and we see there is no more sea, that does not mean there will not be bodies of water. That goes to show us, that through that Millennium, that thousand year reign of peace, some of the redemptive process will relate to

things that are going to be done on the planet for its redemption. The planet is slowly going to be brought back into relationship with the sun, because that is an era of redemption for the earth itself. Therefore it being an era of redemption for the earth, the righteous are ruling and reigning, and the divine laws of God and knowledge is going to be taught. That is why the knowledge of the Lord will cover the earth. **Isaiah 11:9, "They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea."** It is a process of redemption. As the earth is slowly brought back to the way it was, by the time it reaches the end of the Millennium and Satan is tested for a period, by turning him loose to gather a following, he does not affect the earth at all, in marring it again. He will not have the privilege of polluting it again in any way whatsoever. It is only an element of mortal flesh that has been born and raised during that thousand years, that he will be allowed to test. Then when time takes that on over into the eternal age, worlds, ages, eons of time without an end, again it is an earth that has a proper time balance. Time will be 360 days in a balanced year. 12 months of 30 days each. The moon regulates that. Everything will be back like it was in Adam's beginning. Well God rested the seventh day and the question could be, How long did He rest? A day, it says. I am wording this like this, and you critics, you religionists and you scientists will have to think about it: How long was that day of rest? There is really no way to know, but if we could look at it in this light, I am convinced that the day of rest as well as the other days was approximately 1000 years each. I have a verse of scripture here, to look at. It is the **4th verse, "These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created,"** I am going to say this to you, This was not an initial beginning of creating, but really the creating by redeeming it back, to become an inhabited planet once again, to start this process of replenishing it. Therefore we can refer to it as a recreating, to be more accurate. As this planet comes through this process, God has instilled times by what He does to the earth to set and establish certain types of what He does for mankind and how He will relate and deal with mankind upon this earth. Because, if God is justifying the earth out of a darkened, cursed state, bringing it slowly back, He is renewing it and justifying it, so once mankind was on it and became vessels with a fallen nature, we are in the same cold, dead state the planet was in. As the Bible says, and this is because of the fall, *We are born in sin, shapen in iniquity, we come into this world speaking lies*, so really, we are actually, in a spiritual sense, in the same cold, dead state the planet was in. Do you follow the point? Just as it took light shining to justify the planet when it was in that shape, it takes light shining on our pathway to bring us back into a justified relationship with God so He can begin to deal with us. Therefore we need to realize, that as God would justify the planet from this point to this, and it is not really creating it but redeeming it back to its initial beginning state, it is redeeming it so He can recreate on it, a likeness of atmosphere and life that He can show Himself through. When man is cold, barren, indifferent toward God, then God reaches out and justifies him and speaks life upon his soul, and his soul begins to respond, what does the scriptures (in the New Testament) say about us? It says we are a new creature in Christ. We are part of God's new creation. That is why, in the book of **Revelation**, Jesus is referred to as being the beginning of the creation of God. Not the initial creation, but the renewing, the recreating, which is a redemptive process. Well it says, These are the generations, so let us look at the word generations used here, in the light of our natural understanding. That is related to human existence. We are not choosing the existence of a particular animal to set the stage, we are choosing the existence of man. That is why when we say generations today, we are dealing with mankind in a short limited span, but generations back then would be different: They would be according to the life span that God had allotted to man, and we know that man back then lived more than nine hundred years. That goes to show that a generation then was referred to in the language of centuries, not decades. Therefore looking at that, then these creative days would be more like one thousand years

each. I hope you understand my point in looking at this in that way. Instead of creative days, they are re-creative days, they are the gradual time that evolves while God is slowly beginning to justify the planet, beginning to bring it back, that life may eventually come forth on it. There are six stages of this, and each stage involves a period of time equal to a thousand years. In the sixth stage, which is the sixth day, the last thing He made was man, the spirit man. He is still in the spirit world: he is not walking here on the planet immediately. Think of it, (as we would say) God just sat back and rested. I have to say, when God sat back and rested, He was assessing all that He had done. Well I have done this, I have said, Let this be. He was looking at His entire plan in its full scope, and He saw that everything was good. He was pleased with what He had purposed to do. There was nothing He needed to change. Now if that was six days of twenty four hours, and He had already put Adam in the garden, then God would have been resting while Adam would have been falling. Do you see the point? No saints, while God rested there was no one doing anything. He was looking in the spirit world. Every law was in place, every righteous angel had his orders. There was nothing left to be done in that way. I know this sounds like a fantastic story to the scientists. Let it be that way. I have to say, Stick around, we are going to have the last word before God winds up his ball of yarn and wraps this thing up. Because one of these days the saints are going to judge that bunch of infidels and say, Why did you do this, why did you believe like that? With this in mind, when God's Sabbath day was over, let us take a look at the planet. Everything was finished in **verse 4**. Let us read about four verses. **(4) "These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, (5) And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground. (6) But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground. (7) And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul."** What does it mean, in **verse 5**, **"And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew?** He had already created it in the spirit. for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, (Notice the comma, that ends that phrase, the planet was still in the process of being pulled back into a proper balance while God was resting, but as God's Sabbath was over and as He takes a look, now the planet has been brought to its proper state of conditioning and God, (if you want to use this terminology about Him who is Spirit) rises up from His throne, and now He is going to execute His plan and set everything in order,) **There went up a mist from the earth**, (yes, only when God said for it to) **and watered the whole face of the ground**. (Now here is how God, after his Sabbath was over, began to take out of the spirit world, along with his angelic assistants who are ministering and functioning in the position they have been assigned to, begins to establish all this into a productive, finished state of existence.) **And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.**" That is the first physical thing He puts on earth. Notice, in the spirit He created the animals first, and established the law that will reproduce them, but they were not down here munching on grass while God was sitting on his throne resting. There was nothing here during that time. I am saying this, Of these seven thousand years, the last one was his rest day, so all you young people that are still going to school, listen carefully how I say this. This could be why many students reading books of human technology today, try to relate to certain organisms existing, let us say, ten thousand years ago, or such like that. You take those seven thousand years and put them together with our known Biblical record of six thousand years, you have thirteen thousand years from the time God began to deal with this planet, bringing it out of that chaotic, judged state. I cannot

help but believe that as the planet began to be dealt with back then, things did begin to change. That is why they try to figure, when did the last Ice Age appear? I am bringing all this in to show you, We are against a wall, if we just say six thousand years takes us back to a time when everything was not, and the planet was in that void state. Try to keep in mind that those days of regeneration were a slow process of time. When you add that on to the time when He activates what He has established by laws and such, you get a long period of time. How many understand my illustration? Let us not fuss over it. That is not the purpose. Well God now forms the man's physical body from the dust of the earth. What does He form man for? He formed him to be a Godlike creature, to rule over the rest of His creation. The time had come for Him to put the man in his physical body and put him on earth, because it has warmed up down here. He was not putting him down here in an ice box. No, the earth was sprouting, bringing forth life in all kinds of vegetative forms. God knows when his Sabbath is over, it is time for Him to activate what He has already spoken into existence, so He just says, Now let it be so. It is man He puts here first, in the physical form.

THE TWO DIFFERENT TREES-IN THE MIDST OF THE GARDEN

What did God do next? It says, **(Chapter 2, verse 8) "And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden."** I love this word, **planted**. Do you know why? Because the carnal minded religionists in the world see God like some hunch backed old man with a hoe, going along dropping seed and covering them over. That is the way in ancient times we would have done it. But you have to transpose that word planted into an action altogether different than how man sets about doing things. The word Eden here, is pointing to a geographical spot. Right here it is between the Nile and the Fertile Crescent. That is where He planted the garden. I am going to read it like this, That is where God placed a little bit of heaven, which was the spirit world, over that part of the geographical earth. We look upon that as the heart of the earth. I will say, at that beginning of time, that is the part of the earth that had warmed up, where everything had become suitable for God's purpose. That part of the earth responded first, to what had been going on through that long period of time. Now He can put man there. He did not put Adam in that physical body and then place him down in a spot that was barren and desolate, a place that looked like the Mojave Desert? I hope you know what I mean in saying that. That was not the purpose He made man for in the first place. **"And the Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there He put the man whom He had formed. And out of the ground (it was already going on) made the Lord God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; (That is talking about all herbal plant life in that geographical area, I can see the bananas, oranges, citrus of every description, apples, pears, peaches, and all such growing there, but notice) the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil."** Now please notice, that not one time does it say that these two trees grew out of the ground. It establishes the fact they were in the garden. All of the other trees grew out of the ground, because of the garden being over that. There was a natural garden, and there was a spiritual garden. It was a little bit of heaven on a little spot of earth. What a beautiful beginning. It could not have been any better. Adam really had it made, but the dirty devil ruined it all. It tells the geographical description, a river went out of Eden and watered the garden, from there it parted and so on and so forth. Then it repeats it again, **"And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."** I do not want to get started on

serpent seed yet, because I want to get this beautiful picture established first, as we are moving from the prehistoric era into the beginning of our era, that this was not some gigantic explosion and again a catastrophe takes place, boom, there is man. No. It is a gradual process of time, moving from a darkened, judged state back to where eventually, an environment becomes established. Adam was male and female, complete. This is going to hit the evolutionists where it hurts. Of course it means nothing to them, but there is no evolutionary man that has ever been put to sleep and a rib taken from him, to make him a wife. Let us follow this. He puts the man here first, in a beautiful garden, in the beginning. **"And the Lord God said, it is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. And out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field."** When it reads that way I have to say, out of the ground, God resurrected the bodies of every animal that He wanted to be a part of the existing animal kingdom we have here today. Notice, God said these would be Adam's help mates. Did you know, if we look at the animal kingdom just right, that is what they are. It is hard for us to be able to communicate it in our day and time, but it was not like that back then. When I look at the types of animals we have domesticated over the earth today, and the joy they bring to human beings, I realize we are living in a time when Satan is in charge, and there is enmity between the animal kingdom and us; therefore I have to say, Wait until the Millennium comes. Wait until you see the hour when the lion comes walking out of the forest and the child no longer runs, screaming. The bear and the cow shall feed together, and the lamb and the wolf shall lie down together. A child shall play at the hole of an asp and a child shall lead them, and so forth. Scientists, can you change the animal kingdom, and make them do that? No. It is becoming more and more important that all those animals we take for granted and look upon as nothing, they were put here to be our friends. It is just hard to conceive of that now, because the devil has changed the nature of all of them. **PRECIOUS IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD IS THE DEATH OF HIS SAINTS, Psalms 116:15.** As we read here, Out of the ground the Lord resurrected, we will say, an element of the previously existing animal kingdom, and brought them over here and gave them a beginning with this man who now is set in charge. As God resurrected them and brought them to man, it was this man that He put there first. He is the last in the order of creating the spirit, but when it comes to putting them on the earth, he was the first that was put in the garden. Then God brought the animals to Adam and says, Adam, you name them. Every lizard, every bat, every elephant, every tiger, every hippo is in likeness to their previous ancestors. But God gave them a size that He wanted in relationship to Adam being able to rule and reign over. What helped me come to a conclusion on that was by watching that man on the documentary in Idaho, while he was walking over his range, and discovered that place where they unearthed the fossil bones of 150 some hippos, just like in Africa. God did not need to create a bunch of new hippos, he just resurrected a couple of what was here before. Why do you believe that Bro. Jackson? Because I believe that God is a resurrector. If He could not resurrect those animals and bring them from that era over to Adam, I would not have much hope of a resurrection over here, at the end of this age. If we can see God in all this, as evolution moves along, then we are going to see how resurrection plays a part in it all. We do not make it evolution all the way, because after a while we have to find redemption is portrayed in here. As He brings the man into the garden, He then brings him the animal kingdom that He resurrected. When the last one is brought before Adam and has been named, the **21st verse** says, **"And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam."** He said, it is not good that Adam should dwell alone. I have to say at this time, We are in the initial beginning of man's purpose on earth, and we are going to see an operation here that is not evolution. God brought a deep sleep on Adam and took one of his ribs. If God took one of his ribs I do not think He reached in there and just pulled a bone out. I believe He took a little flesh with it. In the first place, when Adam came to himself and saw her, he said, **"This is now**

bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. (Do you see my point? He knew that God had taken an equal balance.) **And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made He a woman, and brought her unto the man."** That is not evolution. Eve was not evolved: she was taken from the very side of Adam. This again sets up a type, that if this man that has been created in the image of God is destined to fall, not that God willed him to fall, but He knew he would choose to fall, then to give him a help mate to populate the earth, this sets a type that one day God would have to bring forth a begotten Son, and He would give him a wife by death. What a beautiful picture, redemption, and God working in harmony to establish types, so that unlearned men, knowing the reality of these events, cannot help but see God in His love and mercy, looking way ahead, wanting to plan a means to redeem His creation back to Himself. Be sure of this, We are not evolved children of God, we are redeemed children of God. Yes, when God brought the woman to him, Adam said, **"This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed."** There was no reason for shame. There was nothing but pureness in the picture until the serpent seduced Eve. I will say this, Out of the ground the Lord God brought forth that animal kingdom to Adam to see what he would name them, and this fellow we see up here on the chart was among that resurrection, and Adam called him SERPENT. He was the most intelligent, the most wise. I can see the eyes, I can see the nose, Professor Fosdick as seen in the comics. You name those educated, God denying, big wigs of this world, this fellow is the daddy of them all. He is the fellow that yielded himself to Lucifer in our garden of Eden, that got you and I into the trouble we are in, needing redemption. If you talk about him and preach about him and the extent of his plot, you get our religionists today pulling their hair out, screaming, That damnable doctrine of serpent seed is of the devil. They do not understand the prehistoric world, neither do they understand this one. It is very strange, yet Hollywood capitalizes on all this stuff. If that devilish place knows it, what in the world is wrong with these religionists? I thank God that He has a few people on earth that has a mind that is willing to open up to Him for the truth. The truth will set you free.

A LOOK AT THE PYRAMIDS

I want to talk some on the great Pyramids of Egypt, and I know some will say, What is your purpose in talking about and using the pyramids as a Biblical subject? I believe we are a people scattered throughout the earth, that truly make up the Bride of Christ, but I do not believe we ought to be a people that has passed through this life and not kept our ears open to what is being said in the world at large. It is true, there are many followers of Bro. Branham, that will take everything verbatim, just as he said it, never investigating history, and never indulging into reading for themselves. I want to say to the reader or the listener, My remarks are not to be considered derogatory, but only to show you, if you are passing through this life and are expecting somebody else to do the digging into facts and things relative to truth, and you have no sense of responsibility yourself, to indulge into what I am saying and find out if this is a fact, or am I just standing up here beating the air, you need to rethink your position. I do not believe the Bride is to be made up of ignorant people. I believe as she passes through this era of time, somewhere along the line some of them are going to be asked, Do you go along with everything the Branham movement advocates? We are going to have to be able to look them in the face and say, What are you talking about? Make them come to the point, then stress what

you really know. When Bro. Branham would say the pyramid was never capped, he believed that. I believed that too for a while, because of the book he gave me to read, until I found out later, that a lot of this is just handed down stories. Some of this is taken for granted, because on the dollar bill you see the picture of a pyramid with the cap off. Right above that you see an eye. Above that you see what was supposed to be the cap stone. People just assume, because Bro. Branham was a prophet, that this has to be right. Indeed he was a prophet, and personal opinions have no effect on that, so we must face reality. That is why I am saying, Moses was also a prophet. As I read out of the Bible, **(Acts 7)** Moses was learned in all the ways of the Egyptians. Do you think he did not know what those things were? I have to believe he walked around them, and looked them over many times. I also believe he had been inside of some of them. As far as Egyptian history and science, it says he had been taught in all the ways of the Egyptians. That is what the Bible says. He was a man mighty in words and in deeds. God chose that man. Keep in mind before the hour of Moses, there was no written Bible. Everything that transcended, has more or less been oral, from patriarch to patriarch, and generation to generation. I believe, when Noah built the boat, God did not remind him, now don't forget to take the books: There were none to take. He built a boat, and God gave him the specifications of what that boat was to be in size and so forth. It was for the saving of an element of the animal kingdom and eight people. I have to believe when the flood was over, Noah never carried out of that boat a library of ancient writings. I am fully aware we have writings in the earth today, both from Judaism and Catholicism. They call them the lost books of the Bible. It is very strange Moses never mentioned them. Think these things over. Why did God set Moses to write the account we find in Genesis, if they already had a pile of other books that had been carried over from the flood? What would have been the purpose? God knew men would be creatures that would like to write. A lot of times men write traditional things. They get carried away into the fantasy of it all. It is a strange thing, that in every major court today, when they go into session, somebody is ready to write a book. Ninety percent of what you read is just the way the listener interprets what he is hearing. He is going to express things he saw and heard for himself in a way to stimulate and encourage an audience that becomes fascinated by what he says. I have been reading from this history book, a book written by a man named Peter Tompkins. He has conferred, written, and recorded after every historian you could think of. I am using this subject, but when you indulge in it too far, it becomes Satanism. It is even scary. The history here goes into French history in the time of Napoleon Bonaparte. Every great man in his era has become fascinated with the pyramid. He had to go see for himself. Napoleon Bonaparte took men of learning with him. On one occasion it says he requested of his officers, I want to be left alone for a little while in the king's chamber, meaning where the body was to be buried. After being in there for a period of time he came out, and it is said he had such a scared, pale look, that his commanding officer asked him, what is wrong? Napoleon said, I have nothing to say. It is believed by others who investigated this pyramid and became so engrossed in the mystery of this thing, that the thing was haunted. They were supposed to have seen spirits and just about everything else. My approach to this is, There is no spirituality about it at all. It is just a memorial to an era of time when man lived, and in whatever era it was, whether before the flood or shortly after the flood, I am convinced, regardless how historians want to put the record together, that most of those things go back before the flood. They testify of a knowledge of human learning that was as unspiritual as our scientific research in space is today. To think that our nation is spending billions of dollars to help the Russians build a space platform, which could be one of the nine wonders of the universe, is almost unthinkable. The pyramids used to be one of the wonders of the world. Just think though, man had become so intelligent he no longer has any need of God. He has left God out of his planning, out of his program and everything. He is putting a monster platform together out there in space with the

idea, Somewhere in the next few decades we will be able to put plant life out there also, but I ask, Why? They want human beings to be able to go there and live, using that as a launching pad for further exploration into space, investigating the universe as to whether there is a God anywhere. Saints, if God had any purpose in it, He could open their blinded eyes and let them have a look at the spirit world. That would make them look like small fish in an ocean of whales. I believe the Bible is a record of man's fall, but it also testifies to some of man's foolishness and ignorance of his God.

GOD SPEAKS TO ABRAHAM

Turn with me back to the book of Genesis. I am reading from the **15th chapter**. According to the chronology of the writing here in **Genesis**, this is some 1900 years before the advent of Christ. We are talking about Abraham. God has told him to leave the land of the Chaldeans and come down into a land that He would show him. From his departure out of the land of the Chaldeans, he has already passed through this land and gone as far as Egypt, right where those pyramids stood. However when we pick up and read in the **15th chapter**, he is back in the land of Canaan, realizing he should never have gone down there in the first place. Abraham has come to a point in life, he is becoming concerned about, Why am I here? What is the purpose of my being here? I will begin reading in **verse 7**. **"And He said unto him, I am the Lord that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it. And he said, Lord God, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it? And He said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon. And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, (in other words, cut them into and lay them out) and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not. And when the fowls (meaning the buzzards) came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away. And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him. And He said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; (I said earlier four hundred and thirty, it is four hundred years here the Lord is telling Abraham) And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance. And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age. But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full."** The reason I have chosen this setting, is because I read this morning in the **7th chapter of Acts**, as the speaker there is introducing the subject to preach Christ to the Jews, he picks up how the Lord had brought the children of Israel out of the land of Egyptian bondage. There is something about the land of Egypt in its ancient Biblical times, it was somewhere a society, a nation of the embodiment of intellectual learning. But when it came to spirituality and the things of God, they were pagans. It is known in ancient times the Egyptians worshiped the god of Osiris. They worshiped the god of the planets, the god of the sun. Just like other uneducated pagans, except they were educated, they were the first modern society this side of the flood. I want to explain to you the word Egypt. It is very strange, how that name stands this side of the flood era, because the word Egypt itself, in the Hebrew, is referred to as the land of Mizraim. When you look at the genealogy of Ham, after the flood, he fathered Cush, Phut, and Mizraim. When they all got together to build the tower to Babel, and a city, God let them build to a certain point and He said, There is nothing that man cannot do, when he imagines to do it, so He said to his angelic body, Come, let us go down and confound their language. When He did that, it set in motion what followed

after the effects of it. That was all in the land of Shinar. It was from that point God began to separate the people. It was necessary for him to separate them by confusing their language. He never divided husband and wife. He never divided family structures, but He did divide them from clan to clan. This was the beginning of how He separated the races and began to send them on their way. I chose to say that, and I want my listeners and viewers, wherever they are, when you study history from the secular standpoint, notice that the chronology of secular history is the opposite of the Bible. You cannot get them to correlate together. That is why they will say the last pyramid, Cheops, was built 2700 years before Christ. It is the last of the pyramids, and there are many of them. At one time, I read an article that told the number of those things. I am saying at this time, that after the flood, I have my doubts that very much of this was going on in the land where the pyramids are. For a long time, in the land of Shinar, you would have nothing there. Yet a civilization came up. It was after that, the tower of Babel, the descendants of Ham began to spread. Canaan peopled the land of Canaan, or Palestine. Cush peopled part of North Africa, like the Sudanese. Phut, Ethiopia and Libya. Mizraim is the Hebrew name for Egypt. So after the flood, all that part of Africa eventually became peopled by the descendants of Ham. I have to believe that the builders of these pyramids were long before that hour. I believe there was something that had been going on in time, but because man existed for a long time without keeping any kind of records, you have a gap there. However I am not going to stand here and argue or debate that point. My point is, Whoever these people were and whenever they lived, that time lasted long enough that it covered thousands of years. Do not forget what I am saying: There was close to a hundred pyramids built by a people who had reached an extreme level of human intelligence. That human learning, in the era it was learned, really stood out and achieved such a height that God did not like any of it. I have to say, That is what hits **Genesis 6**. When the Canaanite women, and the sons of God line began to cross, it does not tell us in full detail, every deed, every act, everything they thought and did, but it does tell us this, that those from the Cananite line became inventors of evil things. From the Cananite line came the world magicians, the world musicians, the world philosophers and such like. I have to believe before the flood, as time went on, there was an era of knowledge from a carnal standpoint that eventually grew to a Satanic level, and that it got to such proportion God was forced to destroy it. I bring that right back around by reading this text, because when the time came for God's people to leave this land of Egypt, just think of how it is in our day> We are living in a time when the world as a whole, from the pagan world, from the Hindu side, the Buddhist side, and all of them, as well as the so called Christian side of the world, religiously speaking, we are a modern society that has drifted far from the concepts of the Bible. It is a tragedy to think the pope is now ready to say that it is possible that Adam and Eve evolved from a lower level of human life, and will now try to interpret the Bible, that when God took Adam and breathed into him the breath of life and he became a living soul, that is when He changed him from an evolved creature into that of a son of God. I have to believe there is a realm of learning in the carnal that leads you into a Satanic era and I want nothing to do with it. To me, that is exactly why the devil has incorporated himself into every world phase of human government, and into our whole intellectual system of education. I am not anti education: I am just anti what much of education produces. Learn enough to do the job, but don't forget God while you are learning. He has a right, at any moment, to snuff our life out. This is a day we parade the professors, we parade the philosophers, we parade the mathematicians and all the rest. These are the men the world loves and worships. They adore them. They are the pinnacle of Satan's learning, because they will not open their mouths and tell you one thing about God. Now allow me to introduce you to the natural history of this monster. I am not going to read it to the extent that it will be boring, but I do want to read certain sections, not to distort it, but to let the reader and the viewer know I am reading from the

writings of things compiled by historians, as they have viewed this monster, this pyramid. The reason, I have to believe, somewhere if there was a Bible flood, and it was a flood that covered all the earth in that day, common sense would tell me from the time the flood struck some 1600 and some years after the beginning existence of Adam, it took a while for the earth to become populated again. Then when I read here, that it took thousands upon thousands of people over a period of hundreds and hundreds of years to build every one of those things, I have to draw my own conclusions. It was several years after the flood before the world became populated enough to build a canal, let alone start that kind of work over again. I hope you are listening to me. I will not argue with scientists: They can go ahead and dig all they want to: I just have to look at this in a simple way. There is not a mathematician, nor a historian, not a modern scientist that has been able to study it and come away satisfied that he has learned anything. Before this is all over, I am going to read to you, I believe it was 1985, that some scientists went to one of those pyramids to set up some scientific instruments that could put forth ray beams and such like. All this was fed through some kind of computer. While in the process of looking at this, examining this and taking these pictures, they were pleased while they were in the pyramid; but when they take all these hundreds of feet of film back to California to run all this through newer, up to date computers, everything they had photographed and analyzed, all went completely backwards, giving them the impression that there is something about this monster that is a mystery we are never supposed to learn. Embodied in that, is all the powers of mysticism and the devil is the author of that, not God. Are you listening to me? It is a fact, societies can become so Satanic infested through ignorance, that through certain types of learning the devil has them under his spell; and Catholicism is an institution and spirit just like that. I will not point the finger at any individual Catholic person, but that system is none other than the embodiment of a Satanic, religious spirit, cloaked in so called Christianity. It has ruled the people for thousands of years and kept them in utter darkness. Is it not strange, that from one standpoint the devil can give some people the gold of the world. On the other hand, from another standpoint, and especially in another continent he can lead them into nothing but poverty and ignorance? That is a devil for you. Here is what it says, and I will make it brief, but enough to let you know how great writers, great men who have traveled to see this thing, report it. There is a chapter in here about Ulysses S. Grant, our president. He took a group of tourists there. Standing on top of that thing, after they had looked it over, he had something to say. I will read it before we finish this article, I want you to hear what he has to say. It was like he was standing on the top of Cheops tomb and says, We cannot say anything good about you. Now for your learning, listen to what we read.

READING

"Ten miles from the modern city of Cairo, at the end of an acacia (an avenue or boulevard) tamarind and eucalyptus avenue stands a rocky plateau. A mile square, it dominates the luxuriant palm groves of the Nile Valley from a height of 130 feet. On this man-leveled plateau called Giza by the Arabs, stands the great pyramid of Cheops. To the west stretch the vast wastes of the Libyan desert. The pyramid's base covers 13 acres, or (the equivalent of) 7 midtown blocks of the city of New York. From this broad area, leveled to within a fraction of an inch, more than two and one half million blocks of limestone and granite, weighing from 2 to 70 tons apiece, rise in 201 stepped tiers to a height of a modern 40 story building, etched against the cloudless blue of the Egyptian skies. In terms of solid masonry, the structure contains more stone than all the cathedrals, churches, and chapels built in England since the time of Christ; as a feat in masonry it was not to be matched until the construction of Boulder Dam. (Yet Boulder Dam is not looked upon as one of the wonders of the world.) Near the pyramid of

Cheops stand two more pyramids, one, slightly smaller, attributed to Cheops' successor, Kephren, and another, smaller still, partly sheathed in red granite, attributed to Kephren's successor, Mykerinos.

What the great pyramid looked like when it was completed, or even for the first one or two millennia thereafter, is not recorded in history. (Listen to this) No description of the pyramid has survived in Egyptian texts. (Then where do they get this? They have to get it from all other world historians, scientists, and leaders who have gone there to write, to study, and do research. It will tell you here, where this literature or learning went to.) The first eyewitness description from classical authors are pitifully sparse. Thales, the father of Greek geometry, who visited the pyramid some time in the 6th century B.C., is reputed to have astounded its Egyptian guardians with a correct computation of its height by measuring its shadow at the time of day when his own shadow was equal to its height. Unfortunately he left no detailed description of his visit. (Now here is the work and the writings, the men's names.) The works of other classical authors known to have written about the pyramid, such as Euhemerus, Duris of Samoa, Aristagoris, Antisthenes, Demetrius of Phaleron, Demoteles, Artemidorus of Ephesus, Dionysius of Halicarnassus, Alexander Polyhistor, Butoridas, and Apion are all lost, and survive only in fragmented quotation. Herodotus, who saw the pyramid about 440 B.C., by which time it was as ancient to him as his period is to us, (here is what he says) says that each of the structures four perfectly triangular faces was still covered with a mantle of highly polished limestone, the joints so fine they could scarcely be seen."

That tells you that when he saw this thing in the 4th century, it was a complete object. It tells in here also at what time in history it came to look like this. Modern drawings and photos of this, which is the core stone, this is with that highly polished stone. It tells in one chapter since this was covered with white limestone rock, it was known that white limestone rock, did not deteriorate with age, it only hardened and the surface became more polished. That was the reason for making it from such stone. This core stone is of a cheaper, lesser quality. That is why it is called the core stone. Naturally when you remove the sides, you have got to take the cap off. Who did that? The Arabs did it in the 8th century A.D. There was four hundred years in the Christian era, up until this time the pyramids and Egypt have become a drawing factor to all the known world, Europe, Asia, the Middle East, wherever they were, men of learning came there to learn, to study those things. Every geometrist, every mathematician came to study this thing. As for me, I am about as interested in that as I am in rabbit hunting. Why do you say that Bro. Jackson? I know there is a place for math, but I want to look at something in simplicity. I hear them teaching what they call new math. Well what is the difference between new math and old math? Can you change the equivalent of numerical figures? This is one. There is only one of them. That is a standard identification, one. But when I get to the place, well why is it one? Why? Then tell me why the sun shines. Why can we not accept it as a standard, a fact, and reality, instead of having to investigate, why, why, why? When I went to school one was one, two was two. Well what makes two? Take two singular items and put them together, that makes two. They never asked why? It was just a fact, and the truth is, it still is a fact. When you take more than one, you have to deal with plurality. I just have to say this, even though you might say I am digging. I am digging, because I see where it is driving this world's society to today, straight to hell. When a man can not take and study his human learning and keep God before him, he will wind up in the pit. To me, it all goes to show that this thing it is a memorial, along with all the rest of them, to a society, a human element of people that have reached the highest peaks of human intellectual learning. What happened to them? God did not want

anyone else to pick up their life style and study their culture. He erased it from the face of the earth. Well, on another page here, we will read a little more.

Diodorus Siculus, the Greek historian who lived soon after the time of Christ, described the great pyramids 22 acres of polished casing stones, as being complete and without the least decay. (This was shortly after the advent of Christ, so at that time the pyramid was a complete item. Did I not hear Bro. Branham say, well we know the pyramid was never completed. He was only saying that from what little access he had to read from.) *The Roman naturalist Pliny gives the report of natives frolicking up the polished sides to the delight of Roman tourists.* (In this drawing the ascent is too steep, because we have to put it on such a small scale. But imagine barefoot kids running up and down this, just to entertain Roman tourists, shortly after the advent of Christ.) A man who may have had a lot to say about the pyramids, in the 47 books of his history, was Strabo, the Pontine geographer, who took a trip up the Nile in 24 B.C., but his history is lost: In the geographical appendix which survives, he does little more than describe an entrance on the north face of the great pyramid made of a hinged stone which could be raised, but which was indistinguishable from the surrounding masonry when it lay flush. (There is a drawing here, high up on the side there was one of these stones. From the natural, it looked like the rest, but a certain way it could be moved, it would swing in. That was the entrance, according to the drawing they have here.) Strabo reports that this small opening gave way into a narrow and low passage, less than 4 feet by 4 feet."

Now here is what happens. Those men that existed before Christ, and those that existed around the time of Christ and shortly after, they have been there, they wrote their books and gave their description. Time has caused some of their writings to become extinct, of course, but it tells us here, that in this era of time, Christianity comes in. As Christianity comes in, by the second century A.D. all of Egypt and North Africa had become greatly affected by the gospel. As time moved into the fourth century, I am going to read another part here, that covers that period.

"Sometime during the early centuries of the Christian era, the precise location of the movable door was lost. It was a period when information of all sorts began to grow scarce, when worldly learning came to be despised and denigrated. (In other words, by the account of the Christian world at that hour, they looked upon it as evil. Regardless of all that I have said, that sounds like I am against education, please do not make me anti education. I am not. It is a shame though, that a man of this high caliber of education today cannot walk up to you and say, Good morning brother, I love the Lord, and then sit down and talk to you. These creatures, all they have in their head is a bunch of figures and historical data that they have learned and compiled, and stored there. They like for you to listen to how smart they are, how much they know, but you just open your mouth to talk about God and they will say, Well it is hard for me to even believe there is a God. It is hard for me to believe a God of love would send poor people to hell because they don't know this and they don't know that. You read articles written by these types of minds today, they think the God we talk about is an evil god that sends people to hell for no good reason. God intended for everybody to have a chance. We were made free moral agents; therefore we were made to be able to make a choice. However if I fail to make the right choice, I can educate myself, and make myself into an educated idiot. If I go the intellectual route, God no longer leads me: I am on my own. The Bible portrays the spiritual people as farmers, sheep herders, a common people of a simple lifestyle. Think of it. There is a place for the smart man and his learning, but when that smartness and that intelligence can only brag

and boast and deny the existence of a Creator, they are of no benefit to God. Now that type of humanity are very concerned, Is there water on Mars? What difference does it make? We can prove this rock came from there. So what? How can that help us? I am about as interested in that rock, as a crocodile that lived three hundred years, and is now petrified, lying in the bottom of a swamp somewhere, is. I say these things only to establish this one fact, The Bible is going to have the last answer to all the questions of mankind. When this thing is all said and done, the Bible will have the last answer, and all man's worldly, intellectual achievement is going to go down with the trash. That is why I say, To have assumed that this tomb never did have a body in it, then why was there a boat that carried it? The boat brought the body down the Nile. The capital, in the days whenever this was, was in upper Egypt, and is now in lower Egypt. Whether it was before the flood or after the flood, does not make a bit of difference when you look at it. The boat was made to carry a body that was to be placed in a chamber in the top of that thing. If that body was never carried down the river, there would have been no boat buried just outside of it. Do you understand what I am saying? It tells us here, that in this Christian era, as we are coming into the 4th century, that the Catholic spirit that was settling all over the Catholic world, caused them to begin to shut down institutions of learning.) *The great library of Alexandria, accidentally damaged by Julius Caesar and restored by Mark Anthony, was intentionally destroyed by a Christian mob on orders of the Christian emperor Theodosius in 389 A.D.* (I said earlier, that it was 397, so I am correcting it here. This was the beginning of the destruction of all Egyptian libraries and writings. This is what caused the four hundred years, from the beginning of this until the 8th century, to be lost to the world. This is what created the gap of knowledge between the time that it was seen by writers as complete, to the time when now the world sees it as incomplete, and as a deteriorating object. As they set this in motion, they became serious and intent.) *All that was ancient was pagan, and therefore sinful. Those interested in mathematics and astronomy were persecuted and put to death for their inquisitiveness. Even women weren't spared, as with the lovely Hypatia, who was seized by an angry mob, incited by the monks under the control of St. Cyril, then bishop of Alexandria, dragged into a church, stripped naked, and scraped to death with oyster shells. Her crime was to have been the daughter of the celebrated Alexandrian mathematician, Theon, to have edited her father's works, taught mathematics, and became a leading philosopher in her own right, renown for her beauty, modesty, and learning. As the Dark Ages continued, little or nothing more was heard of the great pyramid of Cheops."*

That is what Roman Catholicism did to education in that sense. Now do I justify that? No. Anything I have said, I trust you to hear me the right way. There is a right place for mathematics and so forth, but I have to say, Look at me and tell me plainly, that you can prove by all your mathematical learning, that you can prove by figures and calculations, that there is no God, I will have to say, Take your mathematics and go somewhere else: I know better. Mathematics in all of its learning, was never meant to annul and discredit this blessed old book (the Bible). Well, after I read another little section here, we will get back on some Biblical things. I want to read where it tells about the American money, and here is the picture. If you like, get out a dollar bill and look closely at it. Notice on one side, on the left hand corner, there is a picture of a pyramid. You see what appears to be, but the capstone is not there.

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