The God of this Evil Age # 14

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Shall we pray: Heavenly Father, we know that we might sing this song and there'd be those who do not agree at all especially on the grounds if You're here they wonder why this isn't done and that isn't done, completely failing to understand the truth that all through the ages somebody...in fact the majority of all have asked the same thing, "If You're for us, where's all the miracles? If You're God, why not this and why not that? Why do You even make the devil?" All these things Lord, we know that from Scriptures we have been warned that we are not to have that spirit upon us Lord, directing our lives right into the darkness of perdition. We realize Lord, You sent Your spirit of light and truth and It's there before us, absolutely, vindicated if we only look at the vindication You give and take Your Scripture Lord, and see it all the way through.

Help us to be that people tonight Father, that we see the Light, we come to the Light, we walk in the Light, we have fellowship one with another. You particularly as the Head with the Blood of Jesus Christ cleansing us and we know that it can't cleanse any other way. We submit to You tonight that way Lord, and we're very grateful for Your truth, we appreciate It and we thank You, we Love You for It, in Jesus' Name. Amen. You may be seated.

- 1. Now we're into number 14 of <u>The God of This Evil Age</u>, and in order to begin reading on page 28, and paragraph 117 and to make a proper progression from those messages, last Friday, last Saturday and Sunday, numbers 13 and 14, where Bro. Branham is speaking about women in what would appear to the majority of church members as a very negative or insulting and chauvinistic sermon, we must realize that he has said what all conscientious Bible students have already noted, and that is that women type the condition of the church, even as Israel reveals the hour in which we live. Thus his words though unbelieved by the majority are known to be true.
- 2. Now what I'm saying there is that the Bible students realize that the church is a woman. They realize also though that Jezebel, the false prophetess signifies the power of the church in setting forth a word which is idolatrous and not the true Word of God. And yet in spite of that the people do not want to believe what Bro. Branham was saying as a vindicated prophet. In other words, they want to have their own understanding and yes, the woman types the church, the church is female, but we're going to decide where she stands, even though the Scripture has said otherwise.
- 3. Now, since this is Laodicea which is the Seventh Church Age or our age, and since Revelation, chapter 3 describes this church woman as wretched, miserable, naked and blind, while all the while she is declaring that this is not so, denying the graphic description that God has put in His Word, which to her is a complete put down for she has already assessed herself to be rich, increased in goods, and lacking nothing. So you see what I said a while ago, the church understanding that it is female, understanding that this woman literally in her condition depicts the condition of the church, while Israel tells you the time in which we are living.

She has given her own self assessment which means she's judged herself by her own words, she's approved herself, and she tells God, "Now look here, this is exactly what it is." And you see that in the pulpit, I've said many, many times, he stands up there and he said, "Mary is risen bodily, she tells the world, and whether God likes it or not, God has to do it because the pope said so, in fact she's already there because the pope said so." Now, if you think the Protestants are any different, you are a deceived people. I'm sorry for you but you're just plumb out of the ballpark when it comes to spiritual things.

4. See, God says one thing and the church says another. Now, who do you think the church is going to believe? Not going to believe God. Won't do it, see? She believes herself that she is a queen, as the Bride of Christ, and will never die. So Bro. Branham has no alternative than to show her as she is, and point out the blemishes that she thinks are beauty spots, and modern great good culture and things to be esteemed. So the prophet is at variance with the woman, and of course, he's telling about this woman naturally, and he makes the spiritual premises; he does so.

Now, he just can finish by saying that this church has gone through Max Factor's works, where Max Factor, of course, was until previously a great leading name in cosmetics and known in Hollywood as a brilliant, well, you might say, beautician and Max Factor products were better than perhaps anybody's and what he did and what his company did was used in Hollywood to put on the glamour.

- 5. And so Bro. Branham is using this as a modern illustration to let the people know that the church has got her own beauty works and she's producing fair women that entice sons of God to fall into sin. Women were so fair and so pretty, and they still are. Actually, he's going to make a comparison of paragraph 117 which you've heard him say before.
- [117] Now you take an ordinary woman on the street today. A lot of you...read the story; perhaps, you never heard it, because it was even before my days. It's about Pearl O'Brien, how many...heard of her? (I never did.) Sure, she was supposed to be the world's most beautiful woman. Why there isn't a school kid that goes in the schoolhouse now a days, but what's twice as pretty as she was. Why is it? The beauty of women is to happen in the last days. They've cut their hair. They put them in little girl's dresses. They put them on...put them in shorts, ...bikinis, ...whatever you call...them. They put paint, and rouge, and all these kind of things, to make them something...they're not. See? But through scientific knowledge, they've been able to achieve this. Do you know there's more spent for cosmetics for women than there is, in the United States, twice or three times as much, as spent for food to live on? That's... Proves that (that's right), for cosmetics.

Now you understand that that Bro. Branham is not saying that this is a matter of plastic surgery, although many people have used plastic surgery like that girl Marlo Thomas, of course, she had a nose like her father, so you can understand why she'd bob it. And you know little Jackson, Michael Jackson, he looks like the most weird thing under high heaven; I think Lloyd was mentioning how his nose, that is Michael's nose spread plumb across his face and he sort of brought it in. I don't know if he could breathe too good or not, but that doesn't matter, you know. We're not talking about plastic surgery.

6. The fact is that various types of eye shade and rouge and such is that applied can literally heighten shadows to make the cheek bones pronounced where they're higher and more striking, more sexy, the eyes and everything else, that can be used by the...barber with a beautician, and

the barber swirls the hair in certain ways, cutting it off, and the woman can look absolutely glamorous to what she used to be.

But, however, this is only part of it because Bro. Branham is bringing to our attention, as he does here about Pearl O'Brien. I remember a Pearl White, but not a Pearl O'Brien. But it doesn't matter anyways, but he's talking about this woman here who is a world renowned beauty and if she were on the street today, you would think she was some king of a haggis bag alongside the majority of the young in high school or going into high school.

- 7. In other words, there's an acceleration of the beautiful genes that lie in people and they are becoming predominant in the human race. And it's not just because there's several billion people in the world; you can go almost to any town and small as it is, and you will see beautiful young girls there. This is something that you'll find is in the Book of Genesis as we go along. ...
- [118] Notice, the sons of God saw the daughters of men, not daughters of God, the daughters of men, that they were beautiful. [Gen 6:2]

Now since they're all of one lump, again you'll notice that Bro. Branham is swinging toward the thought of women being fashioned in their beauty by the cosmetics, and the things that they use, and the clothes that they wear in order to appear far more beautiful than they are, because we are all of one lump. But in the meantime, you will notice that over a period of time since people have denigrated character and put it to one side for beauty and the looseness of that beauty in living that these sons of men, actually these daughters of men are now multiplying and they are very, very beautiful.

- 8. Now notice it says, that these daughters of men, they were very beautiful and sons of God looked at them.
- [118] And it caused the sons of God to fall into this delusion, and they took these kinds of women and married them. And it brought a age of prostitution, just like it is today, like it was in Sodom, like it's predicted to be today, that when men and women of this day swap wives and so on. If they don't like this wife, they...go...to Reno, Nevada, ...get married; ...get a divorce, ...and then marry again in...fifteen minutes. (That's true.) ...women so pretty that they're almost irresistible. And what is it? It's the devil! See Satan's still in beauty?
- [119] Notice, notice! That sin was never forgiven them. That pretty, scientific age was the very evil age that God destroyed off...the face of the earth, that pretty, scientific age. Jesus said it'll be that again just before the coming of the Son of man. That's right?
- [120] Notice. Jesus said, "As it was in days of Noah, so will it be in the coming of the Son of man." When they all tried to marry... Now watch, the sons of God married the pretty daughters of men, ...God never did forgive them for it.

All right, having read that all together let's understand Bro. Branham said, "Women so pretty that they're almost irresistible."

- 9. Now the fact of the matter is that they were irresistible: over here in the 6th chapter of Genesis.
 - (1) ...it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them,

- (2) That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; (they were beautiful) and they took them wives of all which they chose.
- (3) And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he...also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

And so we find here Bro. Branham is bringing out the fact that as the downfall in the Garden of Eden was a missexual conduct, so in here there's been a multiplication of sexual desire to the extent that men put that above anything else, and they begin to marry women they feel compatible with their lust which is beautiful women. And so this is going on here where evidently men who have the money are able to have more wives than men who don't have money, and of course, these men then will pick the very best of the female flock. This has been going on here.

- 10. Now, if you go over here to the Book of Ezekiel, you begin to see something about this and you can see it runs in Satan's veins, if he's got veins. All right. In Ezekiel, chapter 28, it says here...
 - (12) Son of man, take up a lamentation (against) the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord God; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.

Okay, this one here was very, very beautiful, and he was perfect in beauty which would mean, of course, that he'd come to a consummate position of it which would mean complete and whole, also, entire and it would be without spot. It would be undefiled, upright; all those things are in there as pertaining to perfect. And so you're looking at the fact that that Satan had gone as far in the provision of God, or I could say, God has gone as far as He was going to go in the provision of His economy to produce this individual which was known as Satan. He was very, very beautiful and perfect. That means he had...he was consummately beautiful.

Now beauty, of course, means brightness. In other words, tremendously attractive, so here was this Satan, he was the arch...he was the arch cherubim that covered and like an archangel, alongside of Michael up there and he was very, very bright. He was outstanding. He was consummate in what could be produced by God as to a magnificent specimen.

11. That's exactly why Eve fell for the beast because he was a magnificent specimen, and he stood right there and she looked at him and he was beautiful to her. See, because she was able to appreciate beauty. Now nothing wrong with that but you better be careful where it takes you. Then again you'll notice that in the Bible it also says there, "pleasant to the eye." [Gen 2:9]

And that's what the Bible speaks of the Tree of Life, there was a real pleasantness there which was a delight, to delight in, beautiful, you know, greatly beloved, greatly desired, goodly, and always that word leans toward the word 'lust' which I want you to understand now, don't get carried away with the word 'lust' the same as people think the word 'sensual' always has to do with sex. It doesn't. The word 'sensual' has to do with your senses of which there are five. So therefore, when you talk of the sensual and you talk of lust, you are talking then of...a desire and for pleasure. So therefore, when you talk of lust and sensual things, you are not necessarily magnifying the end product which is lust or which is, actually boils down later on to filthy sex.

12. What you're looking at is that which comes to your attention, it has a brightness, it is outstanding, there's a preeminence, there's something satisfying about it, there's something

desiring about it, it...scintillates, it's right there catches your eye, and you say, "This is very, very desirable." You say, "Hey this stands out head and shoulders above anything else." Now that's the way Satan was, and that's this beauty that Satan is trying to inculcate within the people. You see?

Now, so therefore, you look then at the fact, a little further then, it's pleasant to the eye, it's means it's worth longing for, it's delightful, it's very satisfying, and it's an object of affection, all of these things are in there, and what it is, it's not wrong within itself, it's what is done with it, just like it says concerning Satan, "I [Thou] was perfect in all thy ways until iniquity was found in thee," [Ez 28:15] which in plain English means that he began to use what he had and given by God and it was a tremendous thing that he had, and therefore, he began to use it in a wrong manner. So all right, here you got this woman given to Adam and here you got this beast come along and he's just about the finest specimen there is and she's absolutely beautiful.

- 13. Bro. Branham on many occasions said to intimate friends, "If you were to look at Eve, you would...she would be like Marilyn Monroe." Now, I do not like Marilyn Monroe. I might not like Eve. But she's the one that everybody raved about. She's the one of whom Bro. Branham had the vision, absolutely, "she died of a heart attack." She was not poisoned. She wasn't murdered. She didn't take too many pills. She had a heart attack. Now at this particular time then she epitomized the beauty of women and I won't argue with Bro. Branham that Eve would look like her. What did she do with herself? She was a scuzzball and sleazy. She's the one that talked about her affair with John Kennedy and then the brother likely, although I don't know. I wasn't there. But she herself admitted to Earl Wilson, you know, the man that came from Ohio here, of Broadway concerning the affair. All right.
- 14. So you can see what we're looking at here, so Bro. Branham is talking of this woman and molded by Satan and the church molded that it's absolutely a dazzling conceptual image that is being built before the people. Now how wouldn't you want to be a part of it? How wouldn't you want to be intimate with it? So you get back here in the Bible before the flood, women typing the spiritual condition, men going right along.

As Bro. Branham said, "Men were to take the act; it's up to the woman to say, 'No'." and she puts herself wide open for the act, like she's doing today, men aren't going to turn it down." So you see here an illicit affair that is carried on starting back there that now comes to the church. And the church opens herself wide, to bring within her arms everybody and everything to join with her, and it's not what God wants. It's actually a case of prostitution; it's what you're looking at.

- 15. So it says here in Ezekiel then, "perfect in wisdom." In the 15th verse
 - (15) Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

There again you find the word 'perfect'. You find the fact that this was a creature that summed up almost every single thing to the point of being irresistible. Now he begins to take it and move in a wrong direction. Now, Bro. Branham talked about that, and he mentions it "as it was in the days of Noah, so it is at this very hour." And in the days of Noah which we read, of course, back there in that 6th chapter, telling you about the condition that there was a multiplication of men upon the earth, and daughters were born to them. So all right, a lot of beautiful women are treading the earth, and the sons of God so far removed from the Garden of

Eden have begun to take notice of them that they were exceptionally beautiful and they presented themselves in such a way that men were more gladly to engage themselves in their own destruction. Now notice Bro. Branham said, "God never did forgive them." Certainly He didn't forgive them; He wiped them all out within a short while. Now watch:

- [120] Just the same as Balaam's teaching, that he caused the pretty, intellectual, scientific women of Moab...with their flirty eyes, (and their paint) and their powders, their fine perfumes, to entice the sons of God; against their own women that worked and had callouses in their hands, with no makeup on.
- 16. Now, a man who works hard, according to the Word of God, who's supposed to work until he sweats, the sweat of his brow, a hard working individual will not have so much time for sexual exploits as the guy that's otherwise employed. And the woman who is working hard with her husband as a help meet, she's not going to be having all her time to mess around with all the cosmetics and present herself to the mailman, the milkman, and everybody else that comes by which they've been doing, which at one time was a joke and it's no longer a joke. Because what was once a flirty situation, a little bit of adultery, has swept the land where it is absolutely right for any man and woman to have any type and number of affairs they so desire. But God has not said so. And this is the same as people joining a church and doing whatever they want to do.
- 17. Now notice he says, "Their fine perfumes." Well, we'll keep reading. "The women with callouses were the Israelite women." Notice now:
- [120] He enticed them over, and Balaam said, "Let us marry one another, because we're all the same people." That was a lie! It was a...lie, and an achievement of the devil, to get the sons of God to marry the...daughters of men. It was the lie of the devil, for Balaam, that false prophet, to try to prophesy against Moses who tried to hold the race together; to say, "Well, we believe the same God. We offer the same offerings. We have the same sacrifices. We do everything alike."

Now Bro. Branham, of course, is talking about himself here. And of course, these people in the church say, "Well, we believe in God. We worship through the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe the baptism of the Holy Ghost. We believe all these things you do. There's little differences between us, but hey, the difference is not that big. Why don't you shut-up? Use the gift you've got to bring the people in because that what you say doesn't matter."

18. Now you see, that's where we have the picture today that Bro. Branham had such a problem with and I feel so sorry to talk about these things but the woman today is anointed with the filthy spirit and you can't tell her that. I bet you a thousand dollars. Want to take my bet? You catch your wife doing some of these things, if you catch her, or if you've got a sister somewhere, and you tell her that's a filthy spirit on her, she'll start screaming and crying and tearing things because she won't believe that there is a filthy spirit on her anointing her. You want to make it a thousand bucks? Of course, get your eyes scratched out, too. Maybe better not go for the thousand bucks and keep your eyes. I'm hitting hard but I'm sorry. You're not going to beat me on this proposition here because I know exactly what happened in Bro. Branham's meetings, and I've preached long enough to know the truth.

They simply will not believe, anymore than the Pentecostals believe you don't get the baptism with the Holy Ghost by speaking in tongues. Yet you can be one hundred percent lined up with the son of perdition and a Judas and have a genuine anointing of the Holy Ghost upon you because they don't understand the Word of God except in a very oblique blimp upon their

TV screens that all power is of God and the devil uses God's own power, perverts It, in a perverse manner. They're not going to believe that. You will not get them. Do you know why? And you know why women can't do it? Because they represent the church, and the church cannot get it because the church is Satan's own structure. Now he takes the human race to do it. God takes the human race to do it. I know it's tough to preach this way but I'm not going to...I wouldn't pull my punches for anybody. It just doesn't work.

- 19. Now listen! He said, "We believe the same God. We got the same sacrifices, the same offerings. We do just alike."
- [120] "So close that it would deceive the Elected if possible." See? Come away from her, you people! You have nothing to do with her!
- 20. Now, let's go to the Book of Revelation, the 18th chapter, all right...
 - (23) And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

Now, he's talking about Babylon, and the sorceries, of course, come from the word 'pharmacopeia' and 'pharmacy' which has to do with the druggist. Now these people are compounding things. Therefore the church, now listen carefully, remember where Rome was, all science died. Galileo could not say the world was round. He could not say that the earth turned, and the sun stood still. They said, "We'll cut your gizzard out." So he pretended he agreed. Wherever Rome went—now get this flat!—science died. The mother harlot dictated. But where Protestantism went—and now get this!—science abounded. Now prove me wrong. Go ahead. I know what I'm talking about.

When France destroyed the Huguenots, they destroyed their nation financially. When England turned from Rome; they became a rich and wealthy nation. Why do you think America is dying now? Because there's more Roman Catholics than Protestants: they destroy everything. Now what am I trying to tell you in a nutshell? I don't care if you're Roman Catholic or Protestant, I don't care if you deny everything scientific, become a complete stupid boob or a Protestant; the devil will trap you, either with the grossness or the brightness. That's right. Always you will find it doesn't matter which a way you go the church is condemned. And you can be trapped in sheer stupidity as Mexico has been all these years, and as Russia, and all the Catholic nations. And you can go where smart men rose up, like the Protestants in Germany, and other nations, and America especially, and you will find that there is a growth but you will notice that Satan is in control of it all. Clever, doesn't matter which way you turn.

- 21. I'm reading here now about how it is within the church at the end time. They are driven to the place of completely running what is known as civilization which has to do with merchandizing. Now let's read about these merchants. Let's start with... [Revelation 18:]
 - (9) And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, (delightfully) shall bewail her, and lament her, when (they'll) see the smoke of her burning,
 - (10) Standing afar off..., saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour thy judgment (is) come.

- (11) And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more: (Now watch everything stand still.)
- (12) The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all (manner of) thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, (Now watch!)
- (13) And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, (everything women use, all the cosmetics, everything is in there)...

Now this is what Bro. Branham is talking about. It has gone entirely illegitimate.

- 22. Now let's keep reading. ...
- [121] Notice, it was not likely that God would interpret His Word to Cain's evil generation.

Now he's swinging right down to reality; the separation of churches. And the true church of Jesus Christ though instrumental in bringing light away from paganism, it always goes then to the end of merchandizing. It goes into a system. God is not interested in making money, although money can be made, and He doesn't say; well, you can't have any, but He's interested only in the true merchandise of His own kingdom that He said, "I want you go get gold of Me tried in the fire," which is definitely then a true distinct revelation that has been absolutely proven to be the everlasting and true Word of Almighty God, which though you suffer for you will come out as pure gold at the end and be blessed of Almighty God. Now these people did not want to stand with the Word.

- [121] Notice, it was not likely that God would interpret His Word to Cain's evil generation. (Now let's face it, God did tell Cain but he wouldn't listen.) God would not interpret His Word to them. (Why did God allow scientific...) knowledge to make a world so pretty and scientific and sinful He had to destroy it? Would God Himself do that, make a world so pretty? Look here, God making His daughters so pretty, and then they would dress them so sexy that His sons would lust after them and...commit adultery? ...God do a thing like that? This naked, stripped off bunch of Laodiceans, worshipping the god of this world through their ethics, and education, ...shrewdness, and prettiness... "Come out of her!" the Bible said, "Be not partakers of her sins and don't receive her plagues." God will rain hail out of the skies one day as big as a hundred pounds apiece, and...destroy her by stoning her like His Word...said what He would do according to... His laws. (That's according to the woman caught in prostitution.) Well, if God did a thing like that, revealed His Word to such a people as that, He would be ... defeating His own purpose. God's not foolish; He's the source of all wisdom. So you see where that stuff comes from? It comes from Satan, (it came from Satan) and it's still of Satan. And the church...believed it.
- 23. Now remember what we read of over here in Genesis, what we saw there in Gen 6:1-5? So this age ends in Sodom conditions where sons of God must be careful of heterosexual illicit

sexual activity. Now they're smart enough to know AIDS and a few other things, but you look around and you're going to find an increase especially around the Branham message where there are going to be more and more turning to those things which are not granted by God. They'll be preaching more and more; it's perfectly okay, in fact the preacher himself must be polygamist because that's what God wants. Where do they find that in the gospel of Paul? Paul was not a polygamist; he wasn't even monogamous. He was a bachelor. Now Bro. Branham took them back to Paul's gospel because you got to get back there according to 2 Thessalonians, the 2nd chapter, and verse 10, or the 1st chapter and you missed it. So these people are talking and they're lying to you.

- 24. Now, Bro. Branham here is speaking of the purpose of God, so let's go ahead and look at the purpose of God, and of course, to do that you're going to go to Ephesians, the 1st chapter, beginning at the 3rd verse.
 - (3) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: (That's the baptism with the Holy Ghost being ascended there with Him)
 - (4) According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:
 - (5) Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,
 - (6) To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.
 - (7) In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
 - (8) Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
 - (9) Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

Now notice, He's got a purpose and that purpose is His good pleasure, He loves to do it, He wants to do it, He's going to do it. [Ephesians 1:]

- (10) That in the dispensation of the fullness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:
- (11) In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:
- (12) That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. (And so on.)
- 25. Now Bro. Branham said, "You think God would have a purpose, would bring in those wicked goats, and those wrong people into His purpose? God would not be so foolish as to defeat His own purpose." Now notice what he says here. He said, "The sons of God saw the

daughters of men that they were fair and they took all whom they chose and God wiped them out."

Now you try to apply that today and think you can bring in these Joneses, Woodruff and these Cleveland's, and all this riffraff and...they're not brothers of mine. I just tell them flat; I don't have a thing to do with them. To me they're the filth of the universe; trying to come here and hide under Bro. Branham's skirt, and the Word of Almighty God. You tell me that that holds today in the light of Noah's day. Now get this flat, it isn't the homosexual; it's the heterosexual. See, you can be out there in the world, you can be a complete heterosexual, and you can be prolife and everything else and miss this flat. See? Now they're condemned back there. Now this is not as bad as the days of Sodom but it's coming to it because this is a part of it.

- 26. Now, let's go over here to Romans, the 9th chapter, and you can take a look at this thing which is called sovereignty, and I won't read the whole chapter but it says here, let's read from 6th verse,
 - (6) Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel: (That's true. You got twelve tribes. You got millions of people, and don't tell me they're all Israel just because they're born there.)
 - (7) Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they...children: (well, Ishmael wasn't.) but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.
 - (8) That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for seed.

Now notice back there in the days of just before Noah, that these men had mingled the seed, and consistently mingled it until there wasn't a true human race. Now I stand here fully convinced that every single child of Adam and Eve was a true human being and somehow in that book of Life.

27. Now, what caused the problem? Sex caused the problem through beautiful women. There's nothing wrong with marrying a beautiful woman. Nobody said there was. But what if she didn't happen to be the right one? What if she's of the other bunch? Now that's exactly what happened. So there was an enticement that brought on the flood. Now what is the enticement now? The same thing, the beautiful women are causing men to fall like ten pins all over the place. And the so-called beautiful people in Hollywood live together, bear children, and they don't give a rip about marriage, and your kids watch TV, watch the movies, and they say, "Well, that's great. We'll do it, too." Now the whole thing is ready for God's judgment.

Now, we're looking at the harlot and her daughters, the condition of the church. What is the condition of the church today, the final church today? Never mind the Roman Catholics. Never mind the Baptists. Never mind anybody but take a look at the Pentecostals. All right.

28. In Bro. Branham's vision, Miss Assemblies of God was coiffed beautifully, short skirts, she had paint on her face and on her fingernails, and she was just a zooming down the street, and Bro. Branham attracted her attention for a little bit, and she listened to him. Finally the devil came by as Mr. World with his twirly mustache and he looked like a fashion plate, this beautiful handsome guy, and he winked at her and she just left Bro. Branham just as flat as a fritter [Bro. Vayle whistles.] and she was gone down the road. And she never even turned around. She was glad to get rid of Bro. Branham.

The next part of the vision was with Miss Oneness, and she looked pretty dowdy alongside of Miss Threeness, the Pentecostals. Now Miss Oneness was a tongue talking woman just the same but she wasn't quite the flapper. So Bro. Branham engaged her, she had her long hair, she had her long skirts, and she looked like she...you know, didn't come out of a fashion plate but she was pretty much of a woman who believed in the sobriety of God. Now she talks quite a while to Bro. Branham but the devil turns right around and he smiles his big smile, tips his hat, he [gives] his mustache a twirl, he looks very gentile with his cane and everything, his cutback coat, and he winks at her, and she turns and takes his hand and she goes down the road and takes one look back and that's it. Now there's your picture exactly. In each case it was the woman.

29. Now because that is your church and now the husband is the denomination and that's the devil. So the church is beautiful; that's exactly why John said he marveled. Now you're going to find this no matter where you go, say, "What's the matter with the church?" Well, she's a whore. They're going to plunk you right and knock what teeth you got left, they're going to knock them out. Because you see, you can't say that, because they know better.

The church has said, "We are rich, increased in goods, we don't lack anything, you stick with us, baby, we will put you in the Millennium." Another thousand years of smog? Oil spills in Houston? And the goofball we've got in the office here is the high priest of United States, Mr. Bush, an oil man? Now who do you think is going to put the army down there in Saudi Arabia? It started maybe another Vietnam, may not even get that far. It's nothing but a rigged deal. It's all it ever was and all it ever will be. The church is into everything. It started many, many years ago. It's typed in the woman; the greedy woman who will take anything at any time. The church takes anything at anytime. Business is in it. Everything is in it. I'm sure that Bush bowed his head and prayed. Oh yeah, I'm sure the Mohammad's bowed their head and prayed, too, when they walked in. See?

- 30. "The church today cannot receive a revelation because," Bro. Branham said, "God would defeat His own purpose." And he said,
- [121] This naked, stripped off bunch of Laodiceans, (the Pentecostals epitomized it,) worshipping the god of this world, through their ethics, and education, ...shrewdness, and so on.

In other words, they are well taught in everything they know. They have been taught a code of morals. They have been taught, "You shall not commit adultery," but they're allowed to take all their clothes off, and they commit adultery with people in their hearts, and they entice people on, and the church is doing that, and Satan is the head of the whole thing.

- [122] Now you see, women, I'm trying my best to show you the Word of God. The Bible said, If a woman cuts her hair, she dishonors her head, which is her husband. And her husband is the head, with God, ...(well, the Bible distinctly said, "The head of the woman is the man, and the head of man is Christ, and the head of Christ is God," so look at the church.) so she dishonors God and her husband.
- [123] Now this shows who is the head of this world church system. This shows...who is the head of it. It's Satan, in the form of a super man, person of knowledge, a super knowledge. He knows more than all the rest of them. No matter what the

Word says, ...he's got his own interpretation to It, see, the interpretation for this evil age.

- 31. What's his interpretation? "Rich, increased in goods and doesn't lack a thing." In other words, what he teaches to the people is, "Don't you worry, it's sufficient to see you through. Your hard times, your tough times, it will see you through death. It will see you right into immortality. It will see you right into heaven. Everything is just fine." They stand there and say, "You believe the church, don't worry. We're proven; everything is all right." ...
- [124] Notice his plans to build a super denominational church, the World Council of Churches, see, a super denomination, so that all the world will worship him, the beast, under the name of united Christianity. Would you like to read that in the Bible? Revelation 13:6 and 8.
- 32. We saw that the other day, but we'll go again because Bro. Branham brings it out at this particular time: the 13th chapter:
 - (6) And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. (And then the 8th verse and he says,)
 - (8) And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of (the) life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Now that tells you. Now what are people going to do now? Everyone's going to claim my name is in the book. "Yup, name's in the book." And they're going to let you know you get your name in His book by coming through their book. That's exactly why the Roman Catholic Church baptism of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost has taken captive every single Protestant that's been baptized that way and they are Roman Catholics and there is no word in the Bible for it, it is absolutely a doctrine that the Roman Catholic church initiated. They tell you, they tell the Protestants, and the Protestants say, "Well, you know, it doesn't matter because you see they had the truth anyway." See, they turn the truth of God into a lie. There is no Father, Son and Holy Ghost; that's a lot of bunk. There is one God who is Spirit.

33. See, now, he says here, "His own interpretation of this evil age." Now what is the true interpretation of this age? Well, it is as we said in Rev 3:14-21. But also what is it? It is the going on to perfection of Hebrews 6, where you leave the principles of the doctrine of Christ, and you go on as we showed you to perfection which is 1 Corinthians, chapter 13, about verse 9, and also, it is Ephesians, the 4th chapter, ending in verse 6...16. You are to go to there which is the headship of Christ Himself which means that every doctrine whether it's...has to do with escotology, or sociology, or any of the other five 'ologies' which I care two bits about what they are, you come to the Person Himself.

Now at the time of coming to the Person Himself, there is a mass of evidence concerning the Person, and at that time the Person Himself you can crucify to yourself the Son of God afresh which is Matthew, the 12th chapter, and Lk 17:30. The Son of man himself revealed through vindication and manifestation.

34. Now, how do they get around it? Simple as a-b-c: in the last days anybody can receive the Holy Ghost, anybody have gifts and all, it doesn't matter as long as you got the anointing; that's a genuine thing. The prophet came on the scene and said, "That is a fooler." The prophet came on the scene and he corroborated, "You're wretched, you're miserable, you're naked,

you're blind, you don't know it." But they said, "We're not! Rich, increased in goods, we have need of nothing." The Word in the God, of the prophet said, "Millions now living are going to die." And they said, "Hogwash, millions now living are going to live."

Now how can you reconcile these denominations to the Word of God? You cannot. They're in the same delusion as Eve. She lost her veil to the devil's trickery. The modern day church is blinded by the devil's veil of deceit and denominational doctrines. She's entirely naked and lewd before God, but she believes she's thoroughly covered which she isn't because the devil's got her completely deceived.

- 35. Now...
- [125] Don't you remember how that Nimrod, that hypocrite, built his big tower and made all the...little cities pay tribute to it? Babble and Babel is the same thing. It just changes...names, and...it comes up on us. ...Rome now is Babylon. (That's right.) Now...the whole world is brought to Babylon, and it's brought in by the World Council of Churches, which...make every one of them bow to her. Now listen! And you took the mark of the beast not knowing what you were doing. ...But those who are elected will hear the Word and come out of it.

So he's telling you there that the mark of the beast is progressive. That's the same as Christ coming more and more into His church, since He came down first on June, the 11th, 1933 when the seventeenth convert was being baptized. And at that time of coming down He came more and more until the last Appearing which was with those mighty angels coming down to take complete headship by the Word which is restored. That's why He came down; that's the 'keleusma' to bring the church in divine order and subjugation. So, that the church is freed once and from all...for all from the deceit of Satan who perverts the Word to deceive and has died right under the complete thralldom and dominion of the Word in which there is a Spirit of Christ to bring immortality. Now how many are going to get it? Eight souls at the time of Noah, maybe five hundred people maximum will be standing here at that day of immortality.

- 36. Now...
- [126] How contrary is denomination to God's Word.

Now you see the Bible is not a denomination. A denominator, a common denominator is what everything can go into and come out to make sense in numerics; numerical production. So that's what the church is doing. They got a common denominator and the common denominator is going to be Father, Son and Holy Ghost with the World Council of Churches and bring them right in the place where the devil wants them, and the rest will be subjected because it says positively, he will be the god to even those which just merely call a force and a power.

- [126] How contrary is denomination to God's Word. He never had one, never dealt in one, and never dealt with one. I want some historian to show me where ever a prophet ever came out of the church. Show me where God ever blessed a church that...after...was organized. She went on the shelf and died with intellectual wisdom from the devil by their leaders and refused the Word of God as It grew up into the perfect stature of Christ.
- 37. Now see that, that's what I told you awhile ago. That is exactly Ephesians, the 4th chapter, which Bro. Branham came to tell us about in its consummation and the women turned It down. That's the church. Now if you don't think the church in main is run by a bunch of miserable women, you got another thought coming because they are. And the World Council of

Churches is a bunch of women come together to take on a headship which is denomination, which is masculine, and between the two of them they're going to bring forth children unto Satan. They've been doing it and they're going to keep doing it. They're going to run the world. All right.

He said here, "They substituted what God gave as the church grew up to the perfect stature unto the Headship of Jesus Christ." Now that is a Word ministry carried on by a five-fold ministry under a prophet because the Word comes to the prophet and we know the church only had one real prophet and that was Paul. So if you're ever going to have a true five-fold ministry and the church is going to get back to Ephesus which it has to, it's going to have to have the same thing that Paul had. Now I know that people aren't going to believe it. They'll say, "Oh yeah, yeah, we get it by reading the Greek." Well, I don't think the Greeks are so smart. Any Greeks I've run across aren't so bright; in fact, they're pretty stupid. I don't think they're even good cooks, if you want to know the truth. I was over there in greasy Greece. I only had one decent meal. Now that maybe sound pretty rough up here but I never was known to be very sweet and kind.

- 38. Now it says here,
- [126] ... Separate from that unbelieving Eve, you children of the evening Light!

Children of what? Children of the Word! See? Perfect faith separates from all unbelief. In other words, there's no way that you can possibly believe anything outside of what Bro. Branham taught because he's vindicated.

[127] Satan, god of this age, by his knowledge, getting the people to eat from his mixed tree of good and evil.

Now that's where it started. See? He knows how to use his power which is the power of deceit. It's allowed of God, and God let's you stand there like Eve and say now, "Are you going to stick with My Words or are you going to go in something else?" Now there's something I believe this church has come to if you caught the same spirit I got, and that is there is a sort of a spirit of hopelessness about you that if this ain't it, you're stuck. You wouldn't know where to look. Now you can't prove anything because the one man that can prove anything hasn't come back from the dead. And there's no use looking for Jesus because He done told you plump and plain, you are going to meet Him in the air. That's what you believe.

39. And you believe the dead are going to come out of the ground and if you got anything going for you, like those people that are supposed to come out of the ground. They better get here first; then you're going to get your change. And you don't know anybody that came back for two thousand years. So look tonight, nobody really knows anything. Now you see what I'm telling you? Science ain't worth a plug nickel. I don't care what you've learned. I don't care what nature says, the history books. I don't care about anything. You are dealing with an intrinsic proposition here and the intrinsic proposition is resting in the thoroughly aesthetic or doesn't have one thing to do with materiality except in the sense it is predominant or materiality and you are depending for this force to come and bend your materiality into it, and you don't know that whoever runs it is going to come and run you because you ain't got what it takes.

Now you're stuck. I know a lot of your buddies out there; they're sitting on the fence. But by now you people listening to me these eight years you ain't sitting on any fence, unless you got me fooled completely. And it doesn't matter if you fool me; you fooled yourself. You know something? After the White Throne Satan's going to come back and try to fight God. I feel that

way right now. Anything get in my way, I'll fight it. What I believe from those angels and this; I'm coming out fighting with every ounce of guts I got and haven't got because there's no place else to go. Now you tell me you got some place else, come on, be...have the guts of a real gentleman. Come and tell me, "Well, Bro. Vayle, I tell you there could be something happen." Well, tell me, what could happen? Don't guess. I don't want your stupid guessing. I can guess, too. I think my guesses can be pretty good, I think. I don't know. No, you're stuck.

40. Science and wisdom is finished whether you want it or not your mind's been taken over. That's the way it's got to be. You've got to come where Abraham was, God...which he believed in a God that raises the dead and calls those things which are not as though they were. You got to believe that time and eternity have mingled. You've got to believe what the prophet said. I don't know. You cannot get away from what we're talking about. There is no way that you can dump it. Now people would like to think they can dump it but they can't. See?

41. Now:

- [127] ...the god of this age by his knowledge, giving the people to eat from the ...from his mixed tree of good and evil. He's taken some Word and perverted It and thrown his own in.
- [127] Notice Satan by his knowledge causing the people of this evil age to eat from a tree of good and evil. (Now that's right. The pure Word of God mixed with their junk, so you're eating both kinds. They won't mix. They'll give you a stomach ache.) He says that he's building a greater Christian civilization by his knowledge of good and evil, a greater Christian civilization. But Christ's little virgin, Word, flock, Bride doesn't care for his knowledge. She keeps...free from him. What is it? See?
- [128] ...let's talk about Her for a minute? She waits for Her Lord and His Millennium honeymoon, (that's right!) with the Word Groom as She is the Word Bride.

Now if you wanted to you could take this one paragraph and go back to <u>Spoken Word is Original Seed</u> and read what Bro. Branham said there as the spirit told him to write it down. He was a scribe. He wrote it down word by word what the Lord gave him. And you know he said, "She takes His Word." He goes right back to the beginning, so therefore, read it again.

- [128] ...talk about Her...? She waits for Her Lord and His Millennium or Millennial honeymoon, ...with the Word Groom as She is the Word Bride.
- 42. In other words, one source. Now that's what she is doing now. And remember, that is a vindicated Word. And the vindicated Word denies every other word that purports to be spiritual truth. You now have the thinking man's filter. Now remember, it's a thinking man's filter mind. I know people who like old Edgar Casey. Edgar Casey was a spiritist. He couldn't remember one stupid thing in school because he was so stupid, and he got in such a dead end with the teachers he was completely gone. So he put the book, what the book was on his chest like this and he went to bed, wake up the next morning, he could tell everything in the book better than the teacher could.

Now people as Christians think that's the way it works. You're crazy. It doesn't work that way; doesn't work that way. Emotions which the heart indicates, the emotional center works from the senses, basically, and the senses need an input of something it can deal with, that's the mind. So we're dealing with the mind here, just as Satan dealt with Eve, he deals with people's minds. Now remember, she had a perfect revelation before Satan ever touched her.

- 43. So the prophet comes on the scene and once he was on the scene every counterfeit followed just like Judas followed Jesus. Remember, the twin cannot be exposed until first of all the genuine is revealed. You say, "Just a minute, Cain was born before Abel." Yes, he was born before Abel, but it was Abel that showed what Cain was by his proper sacrifice. So don't let's get crazy ideas. We're talking about light, and to who it comes: so the light comes and there'll be a Bride that takes It. ...
- [129] Knowledge and civilization, and true Christianity have nothing in common. Civilization and true Christianity have not one thing in common. (What civilization is he talking about? Civilization that is by knowledge. The civilization that we're going to is not by knowledge. It is by God! He's the Architect and He's the Begetter.) We all know that. And knowledge is from Eden—proved it by what he preached in Eden—and knowledge causes death.
- 44. Now what knowledge is he talking about? The tree of the knowledge of good and evil, "mixed." Satan never came and said, "Say, girl, there's no God." Well, she would have said, "Well, tell me what parade did you come from, stupid?" He never said there was no God. He disputed the revelation of the Word of God. He never even disputed the Word of God. He said, "Yea hath God said?" He knew God had said. He gave her his own interpretation.

Now that's the knowledge we're talking about. That's the knowledge that builds the church. That's the knowledge that builds the kingdom. That's the knowledge that puts in antichrist, and rules the world for three and a half years. Now there's another knowledge that goes parallel with that, that is number one, and was the first—See?—before it is violated.

- 45. Now he said, "*Knowledge causes death*." What knowledge caused death? Of good and evil; something was wrong.
- [129] Is that right? What caused death in the garden of Eden? Knowledge. Well, it...can't be of God, ...(what can't be of God? Death can't be of God,) so it's of the devil. Whew, he said, that was...a good one! Knowledge, science, education, is the greatest hindrance that God ever had. It is of the devil. Now I'll get some letters on that... I'm waiting on them.

What's he talking about? Oh say, "All right then, knowledge is of the devil, that's all." Here's this Bible. Is that of the devil? Don't be ridiculous. This is the knowledge of God written right here. But it is absolutely perverted by the devil by using theologians, and attempting to do anything with It outside of a pure God given revelation. Now see, that's what you're looking at here. "Oh, I'll get some letters," he says, "I know that, I'm waiting for them." Okay.

- 46. Let's...find out what I'm talking about here. Let's go to Hosea, the 4th chapter, and read a little bit.
 - (1) Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. (Now there's no truth, therefore, there is no mercy, see, there's no moral creed, and no knowledge of God.)
 - (2) By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood (touches) blood.

- (3) Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, the fowls of heaven; ...the (fish) of the sea...shall be taken away. (That the green monkey already has HIV and subject to AIDS, let's you know that all of nature can pick up this terrible pollution.)
- (4) ...let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people are they that strive with the priest.
- (5) Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother.
- (6) My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: ...

Well, it sure sounds like they got plenty of knowledge down here. They're swearing and lying and killing and stealing, got to break out to shed blood. They know how to commit adultery, mess up the universe, but they did kill the fish of the sea, the fowl of the heaven. Birds can't lay eggs because of DDT.

- (6) My people are destroyed for (a) lack of knowledge: (On the other hand, they're destroyed because of knowledge. Wrong knowledge! Now,) because thou has rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no (more) priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.
- (7) As they were increased, so they sinned against me: (How did they increase? Multiplied in numbers, and multiplied in knowledge.) therefore I (will) change their glory into shame. (Laodicea.)
- (8) They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity.
- (9) And there shall be, like people, like priest: (blind follow the blind.) I will punish them for their ways, and reward them (for) their doings.
- (10) For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD.
- (11) Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart. (All right, he said,)
- (12) My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: (In other words, spiritism.) for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused them to err, and they have gone a-whoring from under their God.
- (13) They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof is good: therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom, and your spouses commit adultery. (Now he's talking spiritually speaking. Let's get that flat. But it comes out in the physical because he said so.)

(14) I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredom, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore the people (shall) not understand shall fall.

He says right here, "I'm letting you go ahead and you are going to destroy yourself." So, the doctors don't agree with me when I say, "Listen, I'm a hell fire and judgment type of preacher. And I believe AIDS has come because God Almighty, (and I'm not really right in this, but I say,) "God sent it. He said, 'It will come'." Now God did not send it—let's understand that—they bring it on themselves. You see the pollution? All right.

- 47. So, let's go to the Psalms. Read the Psalms, we find 107 and verse 11, I hope.
 - (11) Because they rebelled against the words of God, and condemned the counsel of the most High:
 - (12) Therefore he (hath) brought (them) down...he brought down their heart with labour; they fell down, ...there was none to help.

There you are. So, let's go to the Book of Romans, ah ha, that's a good place to go. Let's see about a knowledge there. We just read about a knowledge there.

- 48. Let's read Romans, beginning at the 10th chapter...
 - (1) Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.
 - (2) For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge (because the knowledge is missing).
 - (3) For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, (no knowledge) and going about to establish their own righteousness, (their own knowledge) have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God

So if you are going to be righteous before God, you must be in possession of a certain knowledge. The blood doesn't work without it.

(4) For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

Now put that with Hebrews, the 6th chapter, and where do you come? Right there with the mighty descent of the angels, taking power and authority over His church.

- (5) For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.
- (6) But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise,...
- 49. How can you speak if you don't know? "Well, what's the word for that thing there? Well, hmm, it's got something on it, hmm, sticks out this way, hmm." It's a chair, stupid. "What makes those lights burn?" I don't know. Maybe I wouldn't know either, unless somebody told me: electricity. There's got to be a filament, that's what's a resistor, it becomes incandescent with the heat, and so and so and so. Why don't you just take an element off your stove and say, well that's going to make light? How much light is that going to make? It's got to be a special kind.

You got to have the air out and a few things like that. Right? That's knowledge. So with this, you got to know certain things. See? [Romans 10:]

- (6) But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (That is, to bring Christ down from above:)
- (7) Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (That is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.)
- (8) But what saith it? The word is night hee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach (said the apostle Paul);
- (9) That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, (according to what I preach) and (thou) shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, (according to what I preach. Now somebody thinks what I preach.) thou shalt be saved.
- (10) For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.
- (11) For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

Believes what? Tell me! Bro. Branham is not speaking just knowledge and say just, "What you do, you draw a blank, and you draw a blank and you say [Bro. Vayle mutters.] I'm going to be a Hindu now and I concentrate on the end of my nose, and I look at my nose, and I think and I think nothing." Hogwash! Oh, they do that; I'm not kidding. The way to come to some special peace with some of these nuts over from the East; Eastern baloney whether you slice it Western or not: it's still Eastern baloney. You're supposed to...you know, look at your nose, the end of your nose, and you're supposed to come to the place where your mind's a blank. How long can you keep your mind a blank? Don't ask that, some of you go just twenty-four hours a day. [Congregation laughs.] Not really, I'm just kidding.

50. Show you a point. Hey, look! There's two kinds of knowledge. And one is in direct conflict with the other, and the direct conflict comes by an interjection of the one to the other. Now if you leave science alone, don't have a fear in your life, go ahead and enjoy it. But the minute you begin to apply something to the Word of God outside of divine revelation, you are finished.

You say, "Well, I tell you I could believe that, but you know; there's no such thing as a whale could have swallowed Jonah."

Well, my Bible doesn't call it a whale. It calls it a big fish that God prepared.

"Well," you say, "God doesn't do that."

Oh, how do you know He doesn't?

"Well, you see, you see, you see."

I don't see anything.

"Well, I'm not stupid."

Well, I think you are when it comes to spiritual things. See, you can't mix them.

- 51. What one man said is true; "The Bible is not a scientific book but when it makes a scientific statement it is never proved wrong." Whoever heard of the skin of the teeth? Job did. When did they find out? In the twentieth century, I think. Yeah! Who knew the earth had four corners? Now when the astronauts went up and found that the land mass has four corners. See? The Bible when it makes a statement; it's accurate. But it's not a scientific book. It's not a book of philosophy. It's the Word of Almighty God, and pertains to salvation. That's why, especially as Paul says, "we've got to get back to his testimony in that day which is that day when He came, and He's here now heading His church." Say, "I don't know," and the people make Him a doctrine? Don't you understand you're an organization when you say that? Oh God, I don't...look it, if I had my way I'd quit tomorrow morning, just leave the whole thing alone.
- 52. What science and education of all kinds is about is success. That's what it is about. Why do men go for science and all these things? Why did the Roman Catholic Church turn it down? Because they wanted people bound to their stupidity. But wherever God ever deals with anybody, really deals, always He allows the true scientific light. He's not against knowledge when you keep it where it belongs.

Come on, prove God's against knowledge. God made it all! How can God be against knowledge? "Adam, name these animals." You know He's not against knowledge. But within the kingdom of God there are two separate things. One is the power to produce and the other is a production. So don't get messed up with the production and think you can tell all about the power because you can't because the very God that made waters to swim in, also made a crocodile that the devil got onto to bite your leg off if you go in that water. And don't blame it onto God. Keep your wires straight!

- 53. Now let's talk about success. Success is in Joshua 1, reading the 2nd verse.
 - (2) Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel.
 - (3) Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given you, as I said unto Moses.
 - (4) From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and...the great sea (till) the going down of the sun, (and) shall be your coast (that's your borders).
 - (5) There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Now you try to make that scientific. Well, hey, hey, hey, they got instruments of brass. Let's get bigger instruments. Look at America spending all its money to fight a Cold War and a hot war and the poor miserable stupid Commies had bluffed us all; they couldn't fight a war if they tried. They're bankrupt right now. Oh, they could fight a war but you know what I'm talking about. "Their system," Bro. Branham said, "forget it. They ain't nothing from nowhere." And they aren't. They're finished; so much for human wisdom, the great wisdom of the Lenin and Stalin and Trotsky's and the... Wonder who those Germans were? It wasn't Englebert Humperdink, but something like that. [Congregation laughs.] What was the guy's name? It starts with ...?..., I forget. Doesn't matter anyway; I'll remember later on. See?

- (5) ...not (let) any man stand before (you): as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.
- (6) Be strong and of good courage: for unto this people thou (shalt) divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.
- (7) Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, ...that thou mayest proper whithersoever thou goest.
- (8) This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; (He's got to be thinking it. If you say a thing, you got to think it.) but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, then (you will) have good success.
- (9) Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and (be) of good courage...
- 54. That's real knowledge; that's success, and nobody but nobody has a thing to do with it except God and His Word. That's why Bro. Branham said, "Listen, the Holy Spirit is in the Word. The Word is the conduit, and you pile Word upon Word until you're truly full of the Holy Ghost, and watch that revealed Word do something." The only way I know to get out of here. You do what you want and you think your thoughts. I can't do it.
- 55. Bro. Branham quotes Proverbs. Let's go to the Book of Proverbs, and then we got to quit because my time's run out anyway. The Book of Proverbs, it's the 2nd chapter...
 - (1) My son, if thou receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee; (put them deep in your heart)
 - (2) So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;
 - (3) Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and (lift) up thy voice for understanding;
 - (4) If (you seek) her as silver, and (seek) for her as...hid treasures;
 - (5) Then thou (shalt) understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God (That's respecting God and find your right position).
 - (6) For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. (Now is Bro. Branham talking about that?)
 - (7) He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.
 - (8) He (keeps) the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.
 - (9) Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; yea, every good path. (Hey, how many understand that?)
 - (10) (Then) when wisdom (enters) into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;

- (11) Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee:
- (12) To deliver thee from the way of the evil, (and) the man that speaketh forward things;
- (13) Who leave the paths of uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness;
- (14) Who rejoice to do evil, and delight in the forwardness of the wicked;
- (15) Whose ways are crooked, and they forward paths: (and so on and so on. Why don't you read that?)
- 56. Now the 3rd chapter, [Proverbs] he goes on talking, he said,
 - (1) My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments;
 - (2) For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. (I've been eating vitamins by the handful. They don't do any good. They won't do as good as this.)
 - (3) Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them (upon) thy neck; write them upon the (tables) of thine heart (See, that's the Word):
 - (4) So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.
 - (5) Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not (upon) thine own understanding.
 - (6) In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he (will) direct thy paths.
 - (7) Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil.
 - (8) It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones. (Hey! What's your belly button? That's the belly, it goes both ways. You can be healthy up and down. You got it made.)
 - (9) Honour the Lord with thy substance, with the firstfruits of all thine increase:
 - (10) So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses burst out with new wine.
 - (11) My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord; neither be weary of his correction:
 - (12) For whom the Lord loveth he (corrects)...

He doesn't beat them over their heads; "Just hey, hey, fellow don't do that. Do it this way." What's the correction of God? The Word of God: if you're wrong someplace; say, "What's wrong?" If you're doing the Word of God, then don't worry. Sure you'll be tried to see if you got any guts.

57. You people listening to me about financial things and you go half way and then you quit. You get scared. I went for years on thirty nine dollars and fifty, whatever it was, and paid the twenty percent off the top, laying a foundation. I don't boast but I tell you. I can do anything I want to any cause in this world, I could contribute something. Bible said I could and I can do it. You don't listen to me. You just think you do. I'm giving you solid wisdom of the Word of God. Ask my wife what we went through. You try to live the way we did. You have to learn to stand.

Some of you still pull deals. I wouldn't be surprised if you pull deals; you can't pull deals. Don't do that. I don't want to hurt your feelings but there's a knowledge and there's a knowledge, there's a knowledge, there's a knowledge and a knowledge. There's only one real knowledge: God's knowledge. [Proverbs 3]

- (13) Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, ...the man that getteth understanding.
- (14) For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold. (Sure, because you get all that too.)
- (15) She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.
- (16) Length of days...(and so on.)
- 58. I'm finishing it now. Now right on down the line. Now that's what you see right there. Bro. Branham says, "The church under the devil doesn't supply it." And they would if they just took the vindicated Word of God. Now we have the vindicated Word of God. It opens what? It opens the doors to heaven and shuts the gate of hell. Now there's your answer. Defies death, brings on immortality, in Him is the Resurrection, in Him is the Millennium, in Him is everything, and He's here today to lead us in. And who is He? He is the Word. What more do we want? Nothing. Let's rise and we'll come back another time.

Heavenly Father, we thank You again for the time of coming together, to know Lord, Your Word is true. We know It is true and been vindicated to be true. O God, what a privilege we have as a people. Like Bro. Branham said, "Do this once in Africa; thousands come. But over in America it's become so common, so common, so common." Lord God, help this Word now never to be common to us but to be full of the strength of the Holy Ghost as we boot out every word Lord, in our thinking, and in our mentality, our hearts, our minds that is not of You. Lord, there's a vindicated Word that we can hide in our heart.

Let that vindicated Word that we hear from the prophet be hidden within our hearts, to turn us from the wicked women, the churches who run their house of prostitution and shame because they prostituted the Word of God, defiled themselves and everyone that entereth therein until the blood of Christ is upon their hands and the blood of the martyrs. Lord, we don't know any people, anywhere that hasn't persecuted even unto death Your people. Take it to Africa. Take the Middle East, Europe, take It anywhere. They've killed Your saints Lord, showing where their knowledge comes from, refusing the Word of God. Lord, we thank You there's a people who take Your Word, they've done it through the ages, and there's going to be a Word people Lord, You with the great Word God, and the great Word eternities when we see really as never before because these eyes really can only tell so little, and we'll really see and we'll really know in that day the harmony and the oneness and the true realization that we come from You and we go back to You to be around You and to glorify. We might not do too good a job here Lord, we know that and we apologize. We're sorry.

Thanking You for the Blood that cleanses us Lord, and the living Word of God that corrects and gives us strength to walk therein. Help us Lord, to lift up the hands that hang down, and make strong the knees that are bending with weight. We all might advance toward Your kingdom in the strength and beauty and glory of God. Let the sick amongst us be healed Lord, I

believe that's for us. I don't believe that's something in the past Lord, something in the future. I believe it's a now promise.

So Father, we wait on You; believing that this message is our healing, somehow because the prophet said it. The gifts of the Spirit as they were on the shelf, the sweet Spirit of Christ taking headship and authority in the church, healing men and women's souls, their minds and their bodies. Tonight Lord, let the people, all of us, realize how wonderfully important that Word is, and what It can do, not like Eve who saw all creation and knew that even the beast was a part of it.

Seeing all those things and turned away from the Great One, Lord, help us where we've turned, forgive us and bring us right back to our gaze fixed upon You, O Lord God, as the prophet said when he opened his eyes. He was kneeling there in that field when You turned and he saw You. And like John he fell prostrate, literally passed out to come to finally he'd been in Your Presence, Lord. Help us to understand that, Your great Presence here Lord, to not make light and even not to be over zealous to defend because we know Lord, if they can't see, they can't see, they go this way and we go another way. That's something that You've ordained, and we just learn to thank You and love You and rest in the peace of God, in constant fellowship with the Blood cleansing us. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the one wise God, be all power, honor and glory through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

'Take the Name of Jesus with you.'