Various Subjects # 3

Godhead, and that which is relative to It Bro. Lee Vayle Oct.10,1998

... Heavenly Father, we are so happy that You came down here Yourself, Lord, to put all things under the feet of our Blessed Saviour, Your only Begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who is truly the Head of the Church. And we thank You for that, Lord, knowing also You put the Church in order by Your Word, and we're grateful for that, Father, getting us ready under the Shout for the great Resurrection and the Rapture which will take place for all the Saints that have been transformed, either from the grave or their bodies at this particular time.

And we praise you, Lord, that we are privy to that...that we know that. We know the difference between the Appearing and the Coming. We understand these things, Lord God, because we have been faithfully taught and we are Your children, Lord, and Your Own Word said, that "All Your children shall be taught of God". And we know, Lord, You've come down and stand before groups of men as ever You did and declared Yourself. We realize that and our hands are lifted to it, Lord. We understand this and appreciate it; we're a part of it, Father. And we know that was not of our own doing, Lord... any more than those waters are that are going to carry us over...any more than the sun we bask in, drying us out, getting us ready for that Great Day. We know that Salvation is of the Lord, and we appreciate that because You're our Saviour and we thank You, Father. You have shown us these things and You're showing not to the wise and the prudent -- to the theologians and those that can quote and sing ever so greatly-- but the little ones like us, Lord, who are willing to listen, who are willing to take the lowly position and hear from you and know that this is, in Truth, indeed the Truth; that this is our God upon Whom we have waited.

Bless us in the service tonight, Lord, every single one of us through the Spirit of the Living Word, the Living Word tonight, the Living Spirit, the Living God. And we're a living people, a part of You. In Jesus' Name we pray. You may be seated.

Now, first of all, because we have tapes going out, I want to thank everybody for their cards and good wishes and their gifts sent to me for my birthday. And so, I'm on my 85th year which is nothing to boast about but I appreciate everything that has been done for me -- the kind words and all...telephone calls and all. Especially was I glad to hear from all the folk in Buffalo. They've been so faithful all the years of my ministry, I really --not that other people haven't been too, but they're the ones who have been the longest with me --and sort of like...been pastor to them by every way and shape I could helping them, which I admit wasn't very much except it was the Word of the Lord and that is much ...especially when God enlightens It enlivens It to them. So, I just thank all the good people.

Now, before we...or just a while ago when I was greeting you folk, I was thinking-- we mentioned the fact of lying in the sun and ripening, drying out. And just back there behind the pulpit, just in that little office -- I was thinking: Do you know that one thing that's very, very popular today are sun-dried tomatoes. Now, sun-dried tomatoes... tomatoes happen to be a fruit -- that's what they tell me; I'd never guess it -- but years ago people used to sun dry vegetables

and fruit. And you know the beauty of that was? It never killed the enzymes. Enzymes die at 110 degrees maximum; 104 is about the right temperature. And you wouldn't get fruit except in very heavy deserts or somewhere where the enzymes would be shot because the temperature'd rise up, and it doesn't rise that much. And you know, people lived on sun-dried fruit. And so, here we are at the end-time; we're the sun-dried fruit of God... lying in the sun. So, if the rest of the folk want to rot, it's fine by me. I'm not going to I don't know who would be doing it and I'm not even going to try and find out. I was just thinking along the line that there isn't anywhere you can turn anymore but you find, as I said, everything is ...?... reflected in the natural. There's a lesson here because always it's the spiritual, and, where that's the way we like it.

Now, I've had some phone calls but I'm not going to deal with their substance. Only to say that the calls (a couple of them) were very, very disconcerting and one especially confirming to my mind again -- now, this is not Bro. Branham. This is not THUS SAITH THE LORD. This is my own observation-- that if you sit under a ministry that's wrong, too long, you're not going to get it. Didn't Bro. Branham say that, "If you talk to a person one time, they didn't get it, two would be about the maximum?" And didn't Paul say, "After the first admonition, the second at the most, reject as a heretic?" How long can you sit under a person's ministry and not know if that's the truth or not? I've had people walk into my meetings or hear a tape. They didn't know me from a blue moon or a hunk of cheese, didn't know anything about the message... say, "Just a minute! That guy's telling the truth." Same thing as I didn't even hear Bro. Branham except very little and saw what he was doing in that meeting-- God through him, the prophet; God manifested in human flesh -- whatever was in me said, "If you ever listen to any man, that's the man you listen to." And I've done it and I'm doing it right now, because he is my authority.

I'm sorry for those that have turned on Bro. Branham, who at one time said that Bro. Branham was infallible, only to find out they were just like the Pentecostals who said," You can listen to Bro. Branham when he's discerning; Oh, he's a prophet then. When it comes to the Word, forget it!" How could you ever judge a prophet? The prophet's your judge. If you judge a prophet, you're judging God, because God is in the prophets. And I said previously -- and it's the truth -- this man, William Branham, saw the Pillar of Fire and the camera took It. Now, that's not God; that's the Shekinah Glory. That's the Light, the Glory that's attendant upon the personal Presence of God. So, God's behind that, and "He let us capture His picture," as Bro. Branham said, because that's all you'd get anyway. No man has ever seen God, not even a camera. Let's face it. He revealed Himself in a Pillar of Fire, through prophets, and then through the flesh of Jesus Christ. So the point is this: That, as they said to Moses -- Now look! I want you to get this because this is the second time I'm telling it. This is very, very important -- They said to Moses, "We don't want to see that Pillar of Fire. We don't want to hear the Voice of Thunder. We don't want anything to do with that. But here's what you do, Moses. You go up there and you get it, and we'll take you for that, from whence it came."

Everybody that believes this message and listens to Bro. Branham, you are face to face with the Pillar of Fire, whether you know it or not. You don't have to see Bro. Branham. You don't have to see that; I don't. We are in the Presence of God and that is the Pillar of Fire to us. So, anybody looking for something else ...?... Pentecostal women and men who open their refrigerator door..." Oh, there's no light. Oh, something terrible is going to happen...?... Oh, the light's on. Goody! It's over now." I...I'm serious. It may sound silly but I'm serious. For you and me to go beyond reality is abject folly and stupidity and we'll get the derision of God because the Bible said, "God will laugh at them in derision." You think God's not derisive at

times, I'm going to tell you... in so far as God being derisive, it's no different from God Almighty prophesying about what happens when people go off the Word. It's not God slapping people around and pulling a big judgement; it's people facing what they must face because they change the Word of God. Now, people will change God, Himself, into three people, or His own Father and all those other things. Don't think that they'll have any trouble changing the Word of God and fooling with It. The Devil didn't even try to change God. He just changed the Word. And from that time on, one Word off put them outside of the Garden of Eden, which was God's Kingdom on earth (...right?), God's Headquarters, into what? Satan's kingdom! And from there on, it was nothing but materiality. In the light of what we know to be true, in materiality and Satan's kingdom, we ought to be rejoicing and shouting and screaming the praises of God, that He's brought us out of darkness into His Light.

So, I won't worry about you with the telephone calls -- I got what was in them. One fellow said that he...followed Bro. Branham now for thirty-nine years and he's sixty-six years old (so, he'd be twenty-seven years old) and he was feeding me such junk...I said, "Listen, fellow ..." (I didn't know his age at that time, I don't think)...I said, "Listen, Brother, before you were born I was into that kind of nonsense. Forget it." I don't know what he was but, 'Merciful Heaven', he... follow Bro. Branham? What did he mean? Well, Bro. Branham went fishing, he went fishing? Where he hunted deer, he went hunting deer? Another fellow... he was asking questions that he hadn't any business asking. Of course, he sat under a certain couple of Brothers for about eight years, and he'd been away from them for seven years-- and I don't know how much good it's done him. I hope it's done a lot of good...I really don't know -- but he wasn't placing at all what Bro. Branham was saying. But I don't think he'll phone me back. I wasn't unkind to him, but ... I don't suppose he'll phone me back.

All right, we're going to talk tonight about 'Godhead, and that which is relative to It.' And before I begin working on the board, I want to simply read to you some notes here, then we'll start working so that we get an understanding as clear as we possible can...?... the Virgin Birth. And you'll find that's very, very important to believe certain things at this hour that's relative to your welfare and ...Did you hear what I said?...relative to your welfare. Did you hear what I said? Well, you'll start listening for it later on then.

The great mystery of: (a) the Oneness of Godhead, and (b) the Oneness of the Father (the Godhead) and the Son (not Godhead...the Son's not Godhead) is no mystery whatsoever. The explanation of that Oneness by students is a mess of confusing ideas supposedly based in Scripture. And we will strip aside all folly by simply going to the Word. Our first examination of the Word is that in the Old Testament there is absolutely no confusion about Godhead; there isn't any at all. All thirty-nine books in the Old Testament testify to one God, as Bro. Branham said, particularly in 'Joshua Parallels Ephesians'...vice-versa... [Adoption, Part 1 : 60-05.15] El... El, Elah, Elohim ... sovereign as self-existent, one sovereign creator. Number 2: It is only in the New Testament that we have myriad's of Scripture speaking of the 'Son of God' but never 'God, the Son'. In the same New Testament you find God (Elohim) set forth as the Father of Jesus and Jesus is called the Only Begotten which means "Uniquely Begotten": in a way that no other person was ever begotten...a one-of-a-kind, set aside. So in the same New Testament you find that God, Who is Elohim (El, Elah, Elohim) -- the Self-existent One, also set forth as Jehovah-Elohim -- set forth as the Father of Jesus ...Jesus, who is called the Only Begotten Son and is the Son of God in a way in which no other person is a son, not even Adam who is called a son of God. Now remember, this caused the Pharisees to really be angry, really angry, because they

considered themselves the sons of God through Adam, and the very Elect through Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. So when Jesus said he was a Son of God in a way which no one else was a son of God, that did it. That's grounds for crucifixion, see?...right off the bat. It is also plainly declared that God (Elohim) is the Father of Jesus in a way that He's a Father to no other one. And that's true... because if he's a son in no other way anybody else has it, then the opposite holds true-- that's co-lateral.

The literal birth of this flesh-born son, as to his conception and delivery, is set forth in the Gospel narratives, especially in Mt 1:18-25 and in Lk 1:26-38. So we might as well take Matthew first of all-- it's open here, anyway...

[Mt 1:19-25]

- (19) Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily
- (20) But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. (Now the Angel is testifying to that... same as in Luke.)
- (21) And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.
- (22) Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying
- (23) Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

So, all right, you got that. Also in Luke now, which is the major one, the most complete and perfect where Bro. Branham takes his understanding, more than any other place-- and I certainly do agree with him-- it's in the 26th [verse]...
[Lk 1:26-28]

- (26) And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,
- (27) To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.
- (28) And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.

Now, "the Lord is with thee" ... Now, what do you think that meant? Do you think maybe this [is] just simply a divine favour -- He's with everybody in Israel?...or He's just with her...and the with meant actually there? Well, you got to make your minds up. Most people never make their minds up; when they do, it's all made up wrong. I can tell you, right now, it

meant "the Personal Presence of Almighty God"... if I know anything about it. This was not an act from a distance. And we'll get what Bro. Branham says about this, later. O.K...

- (29) And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.
- (30) And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.
- (31) And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. (That's Jehovah-Saviour, Joshua... it's the same word in the Hebrew)
- (32) He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:
- (33) And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.
- (34) Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?
- (35) And the angel ...said ..., The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, (Did He or didn't He?) and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. (So this is a spiritual thing, actually done to Mary by God to bring forth the Son of God.)
- (36) And behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.
- (37) For with God nothing shall be impossible. (And that means, with the very Presence of God...God Himself, there. That's the literal Greek. So you who believe that this was really God come down-you're right...you're right..)
- (38) And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord (...didn't say, Behold the wife of God or somebody else...the mother of God... "handmaid of the Lord") Be it (done) unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

Now, this union of the Father and Son -- this One that was born of the Virgin Mary, and God united Himself to him-- this union of the Father and Son was God manifested in flesh, which we read in Mt 1:23 ... "whose name shall be called Emmanuel which is, God with us." The flesh being the flesh of His son which flesh was through a created sperm and egg placed in the womb of Mary for a nine month period of gestation. The Gospel narrative set forth the ministry of Elohim manifested through the son of God, which son never made any claims of or by himself and for himself. Nor did he accept any claims by anyone that he was God, or as a part of

Godhead for he admitted, himself, that the wisdom and power manifested was of Elohim, his Father, and not of himself -- that he was an agent and God used him to manifest. Here then, is the principle or truth of one God, one and one alone,(not two Gods, or three or four or any number, period) it is this: Though the Son of God is set forth in the Old Testament with many details concerning him-- as to who he is, what he will do, what his ministry achieves, his position in the plan of God, his entire history -- we do not receive the actual revelation until God, Himself reveals by bringing the son into the world in flesh, that we actually have the clear and unadulterated truth.

Now, this is exceptionally true in the fact that though we're well aware of a virgin having a child apart from male intervention (that's the virgin Mary), the actual Hebrew does not say that. It says, "A young woman shall bear a child." And though Bro. Branham did use the term-- as we all use it, 'factual'...that...this was a virgin -- you will notice that he said, "Every man said, This can be my virgin daughter, my daughter, which would be a young woman" ... because they didn't know it was going to be without male intervention until it was manifested, actually brought forth and done -- and he said, "Everyone buying the booties and the bird's-eye." And that, in my books, makes me to know that nothing ever came from Bro. Branham's lips without the permission of Almighty God. And any time anything looked a little bit out of line was immediately lined up again to the Scripture. So the people didn't know that this one would be virgin-born. In fact, they would really believe that a young woman would bear this one and there would be a great Messiah come forth and God would be dealing in and through him, no doubt, like a prophet because Moses said so. And this would be of their line from Abraham, going way back of course to Adam, but specifically through the election, (And remember, even Jesus was in the election, natural as well as spiritual) and so they were believing that this one would come forth and be born of a woman, young woman...were looking... And so when Jesus was born and qualified himself as virgin-born, they said, "No, unh-unh... this is an illegitimate one, and he's the son of a Roman soldier and just cover it up and now he's trying to make himself something as though he's really important just because he's got this great ministry. Once we kill him...Pffftt!!...he won't have much of a ministry, will he? We'll just get rid of him. "

So, you see what God was doing... even though in the Old Testament you can find many Scriptures concerning the son -- even in the Book of Proverbs there's a question: "Do you know His son's name?" And you'll find the Psalmist bringing forth many times (and it's only right that he does) because he's supposed to be the seed of David and sit on David's throne -- So you find much concerning this son of God, the Messiah, in the Bible...Old Testament. But as Bro. Branham said, so correctly, "God interprets His Word by bringing It into manifestation, by bringing It to pass." And so they did not know until after that particular period of time... Jesus is on the scene.

Now, if you can simply accept the fact of the virgin-birth of the flesh of the son of God-wherein the Father (Elohim) even the Holy Spirit came upon Mary in a creatorial act and she became, as it were an incubator, lending her body to elements required to bring forth this baby who later became in turn the vehicle of Elohim, as Mary was the vehicle of Jesus -- and never depart from that concept, you will have no problem with Godhead (Elohim, one Person, one God, Sovereign, Omniscient, Omnipotent, the Spirit of Love)...you won't have any trouble. But if you want to look at every Scripture and get scared... "Oh! my, my, my! What could it really mean? I thought it meant this."...Look! Settle down! You've got to come to a tie-post. And if you don't come to that tie-post, you're going to get spooked every single time -- and Bro.

Branham used the term 'spooked'... that's concerning cattle.. they hear a gun-shot and they just go on a wild stampede. All they had to do is stop and realize that not one got hit. They didn't have to stampede. But you can't trust cows anyway. It's the sheep you've got to trust -- This has to be your ultimate, your tie-post, no matter what you think you see in any other Scriptures. No matter that God created all things through His son and so positioned him for a glory next only to God. Do not be confused about this precept: One God (Holy Spirit, Elohim) and His son who is not a part of Godhead, but so positioned by the same grace of God in election and predestination as we are, that he assumes by virtue of his unerring obedience to God, the Word, that he was and is entrusted as a vessel in whom and through whom Elohim works His wondrous works as is afforded to no other one nor all other ones put together. That's what you're looking at.

Now, remember, he's heir to his Father as the First-born. He actually has the ability to control fifty percent of everything the Father has but he doesn't control the Father. Show me one place in Scripture, concerning the birthright of the first son that he controls the Father...he doesn't! He controls what the Father has, up to fifty percent..... that he doesn't think for God, he doesn't talk for God, he doesn't act for God...none of those things. He is the obedient son...and obedience is the greatest thing in the world. And when you go to the first chapter of Hebrews... I mean the eleventh chapter (which precedes the twelfth) which deals with obedience, you will find you cannot under any circumstances please God without faith. And the Bible speaks of the obedience of faith. As Bro. Branham said, "You say you believe me . Then, why don't you obey me?" That's where you get the passive faith and the active faith because if you really believe it, you'll be a part of it and you'll be a part in doing it.

So...the constant confusion of wondering and bickering about Bro. Branham's various statements is folly. In the light of Bro. Branham's treatise on the Father and His son wherein he categorically, in many sermons, showed us the exact Scriptural truth: that Elohim is one God and Jesus is His son. If there is a constant attempt to try to figure out all the ramifications of the time of the birth of the pre-incarnate Jesus and what all was involved in or not involved until his incarnation through the womb of Mary—"Coming, (as Bro. Branham said,) even as we came" --we come to an unsteady and confusing position (or a position of confusion). And that's the thing people look at. They try to figure, "Where was the son as part of the Godhead? " or "Where was the son before pre-incarnation?" ...because he absolutely, decidedly said, "Restore the glory I had with You before the worlds were" and God's Voice thundered back, "I'll not only restore that glory but even greater glory ... This is My beloved son in whom I am pleased to dwell."

You can't get away from the terse statements: that you have to know that no matter what you think you see, what you think you hear, there is one God --self-existent, eternal, omniscient, omnipotent, Who is Love -- Who brought forth a son. And that son is not God; he is the son of God. And there's no difference between the son and the Father except sons have beginnings. And so, therefore, the Life that was in the son came from the Father and did not manifest Itself as an individual apart from the Father until the Father brought him forth. That's your unique begetting and birth...and you understand that. And when anything comes up here, bring your mind right back to it ...otherwise you're going to look...[for it]?...and you'll see confusion., everything that Bro. Branham said. You'll have a problem. But if you'll stick with the truth and don't let yourself err and waver from one side to the other, everything will come into perspective.

Now, I know what I'm talking about because I have as big a trouble as anybody. See? Look... the truth is so simple. And everybody wants everything so complicated, it has become

horrible... and there is no complication to it any more. So it doesn't matter what you think you think, or what you thought you thought or anything else, there is one God, period "El Elah or El Elah, Elohim"...and it comes down to that. And there is where you see the son, and the son is not a part of Godhead. Remember, the Scripture distinctly says, that "the head of the woman is the man, and the head of the man is Christ, and the head of Christ is God, and all things are of God. So, therefore, God stands as the Author of all things and is inviolate, completely separated (on His Own terms of God-'hoodedness') from every single thing that came out of Him either by birth and reproduction or by creation, period!

Now, I'm getting very definitive here because I have to be. The reality of Jesus, the uniquely begotten of son-- as to his pre-incarnation, his incarnation, his death and resurrection and glorification and priesthood and enthronement and final position in New Jerusalem -- is very clear and is the only guide one needs as to Godhead. God! God!--never mind the Father. Every single time Paul eulogizes the Almighty: "Blessed be the God ... and Father ... of Our Lord Jesus Christ." So, therefore, if God is his Father, Jesus has an authority that is absolute and wonderful. And having that complete authority, why would he want any other authority when he has the Authority, and that Authority working for him, see? So therefore...God (Father), Begotten son, and all the others that descended from Him.

[**Diagram** # 1]

Now, what we're going to do to try to get an understanding here that is unequivocal—we go to the board (and I say this for those who only have the audio...they don't have the video)—so we start up here at the very top and we have in here, green [Bro. Vayle draws a green rectangle at the top of the board] signifying Life, and we have up here [1.] God...OK. That is 'El Elah Elohim' the Self-existent One Who is bound by an oath. Well, what-in-the-world is an oath? It's a bunch of words put together that spell out, irrevocably (in this case irreplicably) a contract. Because, if you've got an oath, you've got to have someone involved beside yourself. Now, "God swore by Himself an oath", but God did not swear by Himself in this oath to Himself. So, when you understand the definition of " the Strong One bound by an oath", you are not just presupposing but you are actually calling to attention: there's somebody there besides God.

So, all right. He wasn't that [1] until there was somebody there so that He could bring out what lay within Him --that Word that He could swear to that person or persons He would choose. Even, as I said, "Blessed is the one...the man that thou chooses and causes to approach unto thy throne." So you got this picture up here [1] this Great One up here, [1] Almighty God all alone. Now, we know that instantly there flowed from here [2] and this is Infinite...and this is finite [3] ...(ooh, got to put more up here [2... Bro. Vayle makes the circle larger])...This here is the son [3]. Now, what lies in that son is infinite as to its eternality but it is not infinite as to its ability to rise above itself. And if at any time it attempted to use its ability to rise above itself, it would be in rebellion to God. And don't think for one minute that God wouldn't snuff it out at the right time. Understand what I'm saying? Now I said, "You come against God, you will be snuffed out." Now, listen again...if this one here [3] attempted to use what lay within him--which is Eternal Life and one half of anything and everything that God would allow to come through Him--and he use one Word, one ounce, he is in rebellion against God-- he's gone! I hope you begin to see how it is that the elect of God cannot disbelieve even one Word because it isn't in them to do it, anymore than it was in him to do it.

Now, God begins to move through the son and the moving through the son, [4 Draws four lines out from 3] we have (as I have outlined here many, many, many times but perhaps not with the clarity I'm doing tonight because this is a grave purpose of mine) ...we have in here -- now, look, I haven't got a clue as to when this Light came, what the conditions were before the Light came, when God was all by Himself and this son was within Him even as we all were within Him (a part of God), I don't know...I don't know if anything was ever done (...no doubt some things were done ...) but, because God created all things by Christ Jesus ...we don't have an understanding. That's sort of...oh, oblivion to us. We can't follow that, but just take it at face value: God created all things through Christ Jesus. So, therefore, whatever God [1] wanted created is identical to when God paraded all the animals before Adam. He didn't know a horse from a cow or a pig from a dog...ain't no way he would know it. How could he know it? Because the Holy Spirit taught him, and Bro. Branham talked about .. "In the Garden of Eden they were moved by the Spirit of God and according to the Word." (I forget just where that is on a certain tape and the exact words he said but...so I'm using those words.)

All right, now... God is now moving through the son to create and we have...[Bro. Vayle prints on the board] the Cherubims [5] and we have Archangels [6] and we have angels [7]. Now... I'm not sure there's anything else...plus all the grandeur of the scenery, everything...I'm not sure, and personally I don't care...I'm not really interested. All I know is that... we have an Archangel here [8] which is Satan, and we have over here [9] another great--(well, he's a Cherub, actually, he's a Cherub [referring back to Satan])--and over here [9] we have an Archangel and he's Michael. Now, you remember now ...very, very, concerned now...that this, [4] Bro. Branham said, was a Light. So we're not dealing with a personality as intimately (though he is a personality) as we deal with the intimate personality of Michael, right! So, now we have, in the leading of worship...the great Throne of God, everything up there in great order (I really don't know too much about it and, personally, I'm not too interested), but now we have, then, in the worship of God... Satan...this one [3] comes down -- and as I say, we're not looking at a personality in the sense we're looking at the definitive because Ezekiel had visions of the Cherubim and we know that Satan manifested himself in the Beast in the Gardenso, here [8] is a spirit-figure of some description which you and I might not see but to me there's a substance called 'spirit' and there could be...there's no doubt some evidence. So, when I say this one here [3] is not in the full manifestation... I mean it. So he comes in here [9] and he uses this one [9] even as later he has a body [10].

So, O.K, now... We've got every single thing set up there. We've got millions of angels. How many Cherubim? I don't know. What all there is there? I don't know; I haven't a clue. All I know is that when after the earth is formed and is put into a position of habitation -- and we have the Garden of Eden, we have all the beautiful earth and we have all everything down here [**Draws circle 11**] and here's earth [12] and all there-in ...And I'm not going to worry about dinosaurs and certain things that took place and all that. I'm just saying look...now, you've got it all there [Bro. Vayle points to the diagram on the board].-- Now, what if God should be capricious? "Hey", He said, "I change My mind!" OK., let's help Him change His mind.
[13...Bro.Vayle erases a section of the board] Now, I ask you one thing... What have you got left ? ...?... Now, there's your answer:...[the]?... one God. Now, if you don't see that I'm sorry for you. Now, let's face it. God is not capricious... any way, shape or form.

[**Diagram # 2**]

So we understand that He's not going to change the son [14] and all those that come down through Adam [15] and now are in the universe here [16]. But this gives you the understanding why there is one God period, and you don't have any other thoughts.

Now, there is coming a time when God is going to vaporize the very earth and the heavens. But before He does it, He's going to have a Lake of Fire that will actually destroy by annihilation, eventually, everything that is not of God which would mean that it does not have the approval of God because it is out of line with the creative and maintaining Word. [End of side one] So, we have successfully got rid of everything except the offspring of God and all Spirit-beings that did not fall [17]. You'll have new heavens and new earth. You'll have the New Jerusalem. Now, in the New Jerusalem, with the new heavens and the new earth, God comes down again with a full-fledged Kingdom on earth. Now, when you see that full-fledged Kingdom on earth, what have you got? You've got a great pyramidal City,[Bro. Vayle draws a large triangle] 1500 miles every way... and who are here [... referring to the triangle]? Here's the Lamb on the Throne [18] and here's the Bride (all the Bride) up here [19] and here's the 144,000 Attendants [20] and what have you got? Well, you've got all out here [21] everything else (which would be Foolish Virgin, maybe billions)... and there it is.

Now, what's my point? The point is simply this: The Pillar of Fire, God, [22] is above the Throne ... and He has to be, because if the Lamb is on the Throne and the Kingdom and everything else is handed back to the Father, then the Father must be above the Throne! And if you believe a vindicated prophet, he said "It's the Pillar of Fire" -- and that's Elohim.

So, all right (never mind the colours, just mind the writing)...Elohim! [22]...Lamb! [18] ...Bride! [19]...Virgin Attendants! [20]. Now, where do you get three Gods or two Gods out of that? And where do you get Jesus is his own Father? You can't do it! You see? It's the trick of the Devil. And if you let the simplicity get away from you, you're going to be hounded by every single thing that Bro. Branham said. And if I can have problems, you'd better believe I know you're going to have problems! Not that I'm smarter than you... no, no. Not that I'm better than you, or got anything more than you -- I have a gift, as a teacher and I go to the Word of God and I find all the things that Bro. Branham said and what I can't find I simply rest and know that I have principles. See? That's why the man phoned and wondered about 'eternal security'. I don't have Baptist eternal security! Theirs is not worth a plugged nickel.

It's like the person said to Bro. Branham, he said," I don't...I don't believe in your Divine Healing." He said, "Certainly, I don't either because I don't have any. So I agree with you. No problem!" I'm not a Baptist...[with]?... 'eternal security'; they don't have any. As Bro. Branham said, "Look! God did not lose something just in order to find it." Neither does He save you in order to let you backslide and get away from Him either...[again]?... You can't do it. The same prophet said, so perfectly concerning election, concerning predestination, "There'll come a time when you realize you always were saved." What does that mean? You always were safe !...S-A-F-E... because you're a part of God. As John put it, "The seed of God cannot sin." How could you make a seed of God sin? How could it be in unbelief? And then he tells you that's why Eve was out of the original creation because it was not becoming to God for a son of God to sin, to fall.

So, Eve was the 'fall-guy', so-to-speak. But don't feel bad. She's just as much a part of God and the Plan of God as the man is... because "God being a Saviour, He had to predestinate a sinner in order to give Himself reason and purpose of being". And so, she was the one in disbelief. And the Church is in disbelief. But Adam wasn't in disbelief-- he simply sinned ... the same as David. He never said, "Oh, Hey!...It's OK. to covet your neighbour's wife". He never said that. He just did it. He never said, "Oh, Hey!... It's OK. to commit adultery with your neighbour's wife." He just did it. He knew he was wrong. He knew he was wrong in killing...he killed anyway. You say," Hey!" Don't 'Hey' me. I'm not here preaching Lee Vayle; I'm here preaching William Branham, prophet of the Living God. And, let me tell you one thing: If I preach exactly what he said, I am a part of that same Pillar of Fire. You got the same; you got a part, too. That's just equating God to the manifestation.

So, here we see the perfect picture of what we're looking at... what all this [Bro. Vayle points to the diagram on the board] is here, now . And remember, the Kingdom is handed back to the Father, the same One that's here now putting all things under the feet of Jesus -- putting the Church in order because that Word 'kalousma' (shout) means 'subject to' -- so the Church is now subject to the son, getting ready for the great Marriage Supper. How could He marry anybody else than a Bride who says, "I love You and I make You my Head and I'll obey You." ?...because the bride is supposed to obey the husband, in the Lord. You've got these dumb Baptists putting out a treatise and a dogma: "Oh, now, the women are to be in obedience to their husbands in love." And the women come right behind, "Oh, yes, we're to be in obedience...". Oh, shut up! The men are to act like Christ, and the women to follow. Don't give me this 'missymissy' ...[philio]?... love and sexual love and all that crud, because it ain't so! Now, I may be a jerk and a fool but I'm not going to preach like one. I'll stick to the Word of the Living God because, I tell you, I'm obligated to that... kind of like David. I can mess up (anybody can mess up) but not with the Word. Anytime you make God a liar... you make a perversion of that Word, you make God a liar. And that's exactly where Satan fell and that's where it still is and people don't realize we've got to get back to the Word, back to Ephesus.

[**Diagram** # 3]

Now...So, OK. we can sort of dissolve this. (So... to those that are getting just the audio, I'm erasing the board...) All right, going back to the board now... We've come to the place where we...we brought down here [23] the son, and...he's a part of God but he's not God. He has the Life of God Who is Spirit, Who is living, see? "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life"...See? ...Got the whole thing hooked up. Now, having created all this [Bro. Vayle draws a rectangle] in this area here [24] -- we got Satan...everybody else there [24] -- We find God saying, "Let us make man in our image." So, here's God [25] Infinite...here's the son [26] part of Infinity (or part of the Infinite) because he has a measure... "Let us make man in our image." So, all right, now. They make man [27] and ... you notice in there, in the making of man, that "male and female created he them", and Bro. Branham distinctly says that, The male spirit and the female spirit... the female was made for one thing: was for propagation." Now, I want to ask you a question, so be very careful: What are they going to propagate? Now, get my picture, here. I want you to get what I'm talking about. What are they going to propagate? They are going to propagate.-- not a male and a female, although they'll come -- they're going to propagate a Life which will come forth in males and females. So here it is right here [27...Bro. Vayle draws a dot in the circle]. So now what does God do? He puts this [27] into a body.

(Now...lots of colors here)... aha!... He puts it in a body [29]. Now then, He separates and ...we got a female over here [30]. Now, she's [30] got a female spirit and he's [29] got a male spirit, but they're propagating a certain Life. And what is that Life? Hah! He (God) [Bro. Vayle draws arrow ...31] breathed into him [29] "the breath of lives" [32...Bro. Vayle prints on the board]. And Bro. Branham categorically said "That was the Holy Spirit, (He said) I'm just the person 'breathing' in there."

Now, I read an article a long time ago and it really struck me as wonderful and I was just about ready to believe the Devil. In fact, for awhile I think I did... yes, I did (to be honest with you) and in there, this fellow was in touch with spirits . Remember, I told you the Devil can beat God to the time as a certain Word would be revealed . That's why the Devil said, in the Garden of Eden, "You'll be as gods discerning good and evil". And God came right behind and said, "Ah, that's right! He told the truth, but he's wrong! He used My Word in a bad way. He used My Word and he should not have used it . He's a Devil. "So, if you use the Word in the wrong way you belong to the Devil.

So, "He said... He breathed into Adam the breath of lives" which was what? The Spirit of God...[33] "and man became a living soul" [34]. So what were they here for? They were here to propagate the Life of God in human bodies... and it takes a male and a female. I'd like anybody to put the sperm and the egg under a microscope and tell me whether it's male or female... not the egg and the sperm, now, but what lies in it... because, you can't photograph 'spirit'. You're not photographing a spirit there.[Bro. Vayle indicates the photograph of Bro. Branham with the Pillar of Fire over him.] That's a Life. That's why I don't give two cents ... I'm not interested in the 'male and female spirit' thing... not at all. I don't see anything to it. My Bible tells me, "There is neither male nor female in Christ"... There's neither male nor female in Christ now; there never was in the beginning neither, then. I can't see it. I'm not interested. I don't want a thing to do with it.

So, all right, here now... these two [29 and 30] are to come together. So what happens? OK. The woman was made for the particular Fall...[35] so she goes with the Serpent. [36] Now, remember, she's got a soul, she's got the spirit which is Life. Now remember with that, in there [30] is a life of the body that is apart from the intrinsical soul because the soul [38] is on the inside of the inside... body [a], spirit [b], soul [c]. So now, male and female spirit... she's got a spirit, she's got a soul. The spirit-life of this woman [30] -- and Bro. Branham said "A baby is not physically alive (kicking, jerking, muscles and nerves) until the air is in the lungs and it cries." But he also told the Mormon fellow who said, "My wife had a still-born baby." He said, "Don't worry. You'll see it in heaven." And the spirit and the soul are two different things and when you die the spirit leaves and the soul lingers for a little while. Now, you've got to believe this or not. I don't care what you believe. No problem to me... I know what I'm talking about.

So, all right... you have then, this one here [36], the Beast that got with Eve over here [30] bringing forth this one down here [39]... and he had a place for a soul but he didn't have a soul, but the animal had that life and it could breed with the woman. And Bro. Branham said truthfully They tried taking the male with every other creature (chimpanzees and all)... the male won't take, but the male Serpent did to the female because, see, she didn't carry the life. She was just a living object with that living thing there from the Spirit, and able to bring forth a Serpent seed... and now you've got somehow -- and I can't explain it; I'm not even interested -- but he had a place for a soul and Bro. Branham said that, "No Bible-teaching anywhere ever tells you

that." So, by Divine Revelation you know, then: If that [36] had a place for a soul, then his son, Cain [39], had some kind of a soul..[d]. some kind of a spirit [e], and he had a body [f]. That's all I know. I can't explain it. But if God showed me something, I'd be glad to tell you. But I haven't got anything I can tell you that's going to be important.

[**Diagram** # 4]

Now, let's just go a little further here, now..[40...Bro. Vayle erases the board]. We have the Infinite Father, God, coming down and we have His son, here [26]... now, coming down from this Infinite One [41]... we have a withdrawal of this portion over here [42...Bro. Vayle draws a curve line to isolate 26 and 27] ... a part of the Infinite God, which is the son... Just leave that all over there [43]... because you can't trace very much in the Old Testament and know about it. Now, Paul makes a statement that the Rock that followed them was Christ. I go to all of my Old Testament and I found that they were led by the Pillar of Fire by night to keep them warm and the Cloud by day to keep them cool. They followed that but it said, "if the Rock followed them, and that was Christ", I can understand, then, that God was going to come down in His son and give them the water of Life... because the son followed... sure he did. Nobody can deny that. I don't understand all these things. I'm just trying to help you and go as far as I can go.

All right, now, look... So the Father is operating all the way down here [44 and 41]. We're putting this [Refers to 44 and 41] in abeyance [43] because I can't... I can't give you too much; we'll just put it to sleep here [43]... put it in a corner. Now, Bro. Branham brought out that, "God came down and He was Melchisedec." And this is the thing here that, it seems, that rattles some people. So, all right, concerning Melchisedec: Did He pick up a handful of dust and breathe in it and it became Melchisedec, as He did? -- Bro. Branham spoke of "God breathing in a handful of dust," I think at the time of Genesis 18 where God came down with two ministers, two angels, with Him (one wasn't the son...they're just angels. The son of God was not an angel). So, all right... we have Melchisedec, here [45]. And Bro. Branham said, contrary to the students, "Without beginning (and Jesus had a beginning, right?)... without father and mother" (Jesus had a father and mother). Can't do a thing about it. So then, who was it? Elohim! [46] Now, let's look at this picture: Elohim is not a High Priest. [Bro. Vayle prints on the board] So who is? Melchisedec is the Priest. [Bro. Vayle prints on the board] Who is Melchisedec, actually? You're not saying... you can't say it's Elohim, in the sense that Melchisedec is Elohim. You're looking at a person. So you're looking at the outside here [47], which is the flesh, is Melchisedec. Now, He never took flesh again till He came down to Jesus [48].

Now, how are we going to figure this out? Well, my own understanding is -- and I brought it to you the other day -- is the fact here that...here's Jesus [Bro. Vayle draws a square] ... here's the body [49] and here's God in that body [50]. Now, also in here [51...Bro. Vayle draws a dot] is son. Here's Father [52] indwelling the son. So, is it not true that he said "No man can come to the Father but by me. No man can get a revelation outside of me. Nobody can know the Father ...no way except by me."? So what have you got? You've got a High Priest right here [49] in this body and God in His temple [50] and he is the High Priest to it. You've got the same thing right here [45]... a body of flesh... God Almighty in that temple... and that body, at that time, the animation, and in that body offering wine... giving it to Abraham even as Jesus broke the bread in remembrance as Priest. He [45] could do the same thing. So therefore, in my

understanding -- and to me it's very clear... it might not be to you, but if you understand this here [49], it is very clear there [45] because he [49...50] said it's the same thing -- never appeared again until the body of Jesus Christ and that is absolutely Elohim. You can't do anything else... coming down here [53] the line of the son...you can't do that. Whatever he was doing, whatever he was positioned to do, whatever God required of him, I don't know. But over here [54] we do know.

Now, you can fool around with everything Bro. Branham said and everything in the Bible and you can get yourself all mixed up beautifully... and you can wonder if you're getting it. You can be sure one day and absolutely unsure the next day ... that's up to you. But as far as I'm concerned, I've cleared my skirts, my mind and everything, with what I've given you here. And I don't think you need any further lessons. All you've got to do is to simply believe it, because it's just that simple!

There is one God! And in the very beginning there was only one God. [55...Bro. Vayle erases the board.] And if He wanted to at any time, He could go back to being one God and wipe every single person out, except He can't do it because He's God who is El, Elah 'the Strong One bound by an oath' Who's absolutely Love and He's a Father to His family. And He could rip out a part and dissolve every single thing but Himself, which is His family. Well, He's not going to have a family just 'floating around'. Bro. Branham made it very clear in one of his sermons—and I can't remember just which one it was. It 's one of the last four or five he preached. But I spent a lot of time on it, showing you the perfection of that sermon in 'Predestination' -- where he brought out that, "A father, going to bring forth a child into this world by the woman he married, would positively have everything absolutely perfect for that child...better than anything the child could ever even want." It's got to be just right. And do you think that God wouldn't do the same thing? He said, "If you being evil know how to give good gifts, how much more will the Father give you the Holy Ghost." There are two Scriptures on that and they're both equally right.

[**Diagram** # 5]

All right, now...we're going to look at something here. We're going to look at some statements Bro. Branham made. So, we have here [56] the son coming down, and he [57] is now about to become flesh [Bro. Vayle prints on the board] No, he ...?... going to become flesh. Now, as he is about to become flesh, he says here, [58...Bro. Vayle prints...]" Lo, a body hast thou prepared for me." OK. You got a body prepared. So he's going to come down, now, and become flesh and at that particular time... we read about it ..."The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and... " of course...this is...Mary -- I don't know what colour this is...well, this is not a good colour [Bro. Vayle spends a couple minutes searching for a different coloured pen...] -- all right, here's Mary [59]..." The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called son of God." Didn't say God the son, although it's a part of God and He needs a vehicle because He's got to become a man because, you see, Melchisedec was a man in the sense of the human structure, the frame-- eating and drinking with Abraham. Now, He's got to be a kinsmen... Now, this is 'the Strong One bound by an oath'. His whole purpose and plan has got to come to pass... So now, He's got to have a High Priest after the order of Melchisedec and we saw how that was...God in Him, God dwelling in Jesus Christ.

So, Bro. Branham says a lot of things ... Well, all right... we'll start reading the things that he says and discuss them... what time have we got? How many [minutes]? Twenty?... we'll get through. [Quote from the Message: 'Law or Grace' 54-10.06]

[51] But in this place, God Himself created this Blood cell, without any act of man at all. And out of there came His own Son, Jesus Christ Who God Himself dwelt in, making Him Emmanuel on earth. And he was God on earth. That's why they could call Jesus 'God on earth' because that's exactly what it was...the same as you could call him Melchisedec, the Priest of the Most High God... Now listen... That's the picture. That's what you have to believe, to be saved.

Now, remember that. There is something that comes out of this... and he says salvation comes out of this. Now, you've got to believe what Bro. Branham said about the Virgin-Birth. You just can't say, "Well, he was born of a virgin. Hallellujah, Glory to God! The son came down... God the Son."... unh, unh! You lie... you're lying, you lie, lie... OK.[The next six quotes are from the Message: 'He Swore By Himself' 54-12.12]...

- [146] When God condescended, overshadowed the virgin Mary, He was... Life. And the Life overshadowed and created a Blood cell around Itself. Why? Because it's Life and if it's got the chemicals, it'll do it under the right conditions.
- [147] Anybody knows, ...the blood cell comes from ... the male. Is that right? The life lays in the blood cell and the blood cell is coming from the male, not the female. For that is where the life is, is in the male sperm.

Now, why does Bro. Branham say that? Because the life is in the blood. And so therefore, if there's going to be a life, there's got to be the blood. So the sperm is the one which signifies where the life is, which is the blood. So you're looking at the blood. OK.

[148] He made Himself really little...No...[Bro. Vayle began reading the wrong quote]... God Himself came into the womb of the virgin Mary Now watch it ... God Himself came into the womb of a virgin Mary and wrapped Hisself in a created Blood cell. Hallelujah!

Now, He wrapped Himself in that Blood cell. God came down, made Himself as small as a sperm and an egg -- that's where he says that, too --

[157] ...He made Himself... little, came into the womb of Mary,... created around Himself, a wall, which was the Blood cell; no man knew anything about It. Created this Blood cell. The Blood cell pushed to another, another, another, another... and all the nerves and everything came together. And God, Himself, living in this, making a tabernacle, and He dwelt in Christ.

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Now, it sounds as though God's making Himself a tabernacle, so now He's His own son and His own Father... It doesn't say that. He said, "And He dwelt in Christ." So he's telling you now, how God fathered this body that was the body of Jesus, how it really came forth.

- [218] Now, what happened to the Blood cell? Did It just run out? Perish? No sir, It sprayed ... loosened up... loosened up, so many sons could be born. No sons could be born by this one Blood cell, this one Man;
- [219] This one Spirit came on the inside of the Blood cell and It created around and around ... like that. No one, had ever entered, never... before. But God Himself came down, ... was made a Baby, in a manger; ... came up, and was made a Man.

Now... the Bible said, "God is not a man." And He can't make Himself a man, but He can make Himself a man to dwell in. God can never become a man; there's no way about it. If the heavens cannot contain Him... and the earth... do you think a man's going to contain Him? Only on the grounds of what God wants to come from that. OK. here it is...

[The following quotes are from the Message: 'Law' 55-01.15, paragraph 32]

[32] ...In this case it was not only the life of human, but it was the Life of God. There, now watch that... not only human, but the Life of God. Mary, a human life, providing the elements...always necessary. At ... God the perfect One... came into the womb of the virgin in the form of the Holy Spirit, the Creator Himself bottling Himself up in a blood cell. Can you see, the life has got to come from the male and He's the male, and that's how it's done. You'll find Bro. Branham says that... He had no earthly father. Mary was not touched by man. She was a virgin... God Himself overshadowed her, ... in other words the immaculate conception...

You see, he's wrong on that. The Immaculate Conception means, Mary was without sin. He's taking this to mean Mary didn't have a man. That's not true. Most everybody gets mixed up on that. But a Catholic... Hey, Joe! You're a Catholic...and Jan...Isn't that right? The Immaculate Conception is: Mary didn't sin. But Mary did sin, on the grounds that David sinned, and he was her father. The Protestants threw that back on the Catholics... a very tough one, that one.

[32] ...that God Himself created the blood cell. And life comes from the male, not the female. The female's the incubator... life comes from the male. And if life comes from the male and God was the male in this place, the Holy Spirit, God Himself came down in the womb of a woman and formed around Him a blood cell. See, now watch. Oh, my. Believe that and watch what happens to your blinded eyes. Believe that and watch what happens to your cancer.

Now, here's the secret I'm telling you about. If you don't believe this, the healing of the stripes of God are not available to you, unless except through the false-anointing and then you'll answer to God..." I never knew you. Depart from me." Here are two things for salvation:

You've got to believe what Bro. Branham said how the Virgin-birth took place: "That God Himself came down (which is what the Scripture said), created around Him, making Him that male, the sperm and the egg to bring forth through the virgin body as an incubator, human life, God Life – ("a body hast thou prepared")— the son living in it, coming forth from the virgin Mary... the son of the Living God, then God at the River Jordan coming in and taking over." Sounds complicated but it really isn't. You've just got to believe it.

[32] ...This blood cell, that God got in there Himself and created, like He did the first cell, and created Himself a cell. It began to spring forth life and brought forth the Son, Christ Jesus...Roman spear, by sin and condemnation, pierced His sacred heart at the cross, the Blood cell broke to spray, tearing down the middle wall of partition... bringing the believer into the body of His Own Being through the shedding of... Blood... That's talking,now, about Redemption...

[The next quote is from the Message: 'Christ' 55-02.21]...

[42] God came down out of glory, brought Himself into the womb of a woman. And there, God, the Creator, wrapped around Himself and created a Blood cell, the virgin not knowing any man. If you don't believe that, you're still in sin. She had nothing to do with a man. God, Himself... Christ was not a Jew. His blood wasn't a Jew, neither... Gentile. It was God's Blood. The Blood comes from the Male, and the Male was God. The Bible said we're saved through the Blood of God, no sex in it at all. There it is.

The next two quotes are from the Message: 'Expectation' 55-10.01, paragraph 19]

[19] ...Jesus made it so simple until the weakest Christian could do it. Look when Jesus was on earth; He was the son of God, do you believe that? He was conceived in the womb of Mary and... born of virgin birth.

Now, that's coming like we come; through a womb. But we bypassed that body... that virgin... that...Spirit-body or Word-body... and Bro. Branham called it theophany sometimes. Fact of the matter is we are theophanies because we're the manifesting and the showing forth of God. Are we the living epistles testifying to God or testifying to our flesh and disobedience ?... you see, that's the thing you've got to watch. OK.

[19] ...Almighty God overshadowed Mary and created the Blood cell that brought forth the Son, Christ Jesus. And God tabernacled Himself, Jehovah, in that body, in His Son. The Father indwelt the Son, being the tabernacle.

So, you see what happened? "Lo, a body hast thou prepared..." That's the whole sum and substance and intricacy of it: that God did it... it was a spiritual conception, but God being the male. Oh, I know, people are going to ...[fuss]?... about that one, but they're stupid anyway.

You know... I... I don't have time for stupidity; I got enough problems of my own. You know, really, let's face it.

All right... That's the understanding I have and that's all I wanted to bring to you tonight. And I wanted to show you, as I've already shown you... Look! Do you understand that there's a big dividend in you understanding the Virgin-Birth... Salvation and healing? In other words, the uncorrupted Blood doesn't work for you and the stripes do not work for you until and unless you are willing to take what Bro. Branham said, which is the unadulterated, absolute pure Truth of the birth of Jesus Christ and the Indwelling of the Father and how it was all done. And it's all linked up as I showed you. That's what I had in mind tonight and I've done it.

I don't think I'll be taking any service tomorrow morning. In fact, I'm quite sure because I feel pretty good up here (being up here) but let me assure you, that in the meantime I go around pretty groggy. I still haven't got the kink out of my neck that cuts the blood off. And I haven't got a lot of things going for me except I'm happy to have God going for me, and I'm happy. And I'm happy with you all. The Lord richly bless you. Let's bow our heads in prayer...

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the time of fellowship we've had. And now, Lord, we look to you in the Communion Service and Foot-washing, knowing "by grace are we saved", knowing, Lord, we're wide open for healing tonight. Wide open, Lord, for anybody to get saved, anybody to receive the Holy Ghost, anybody right down the line... All of us in line tonight because we do believe the Virgin Birth as Bro. Branham put it forth, that this is actually the unadulterated, revealed Truth of the Living God. He explained It perfectly. We see It, Lord, right down to the 'n-th' degree as we have It in our hearts. We thank You for It, Lord. We know now, we can claim the promises. We know now, we can claim so many things that are available and open to us.

Even as Bro. Branham said, "If you only knew who I was..." He was speaking through him, and for all I know, he said "You'll all be healed."

And we know that he was Elijah which was to come, according to Mal 4:5-6. And we know Almighty God, Elohim, that You are here in our midst. And we know that You indwelt the Prophet. He veiled You and You veiled him, as it were, and the Word came forth and now we have the Truth of the end-time, as Bro. Branham said, The perfect revelation of the hour, the Seventh Seal open, all the mysteries of God made clear to those that are of the Seed, Lord... all the children taught of God... all Your children. We appreciate that tonight, Lord. We believe we're marching to Zion, beautiful Zion. We believe we're part of her. She's going to her destination. Thank You for that tonight. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Communion Service

We're going to go to the Communion Service and as we do, I want to just talk about worship because that's a very important thing. Worship, of course, doesn't presuppose God but it does presuppose something or somebody that's in a very high position or, in your judgement, to be a very valued thing or person so that you can actually enter into worship... very highly prized.

Now, in the Hebrew, to 'worship' means to: prostrate oneself, to bow down humbly, to humbly beseech, to do obeisance (that's to bow down, again...curtsy, and so on), to revere and to worship. In other words, worship...to do it properly (and if you really are worshipping), you know that you have or are in the presence of somehow that which is infinitely superior both in position and in character and in quality, power, wisdom, to yourself. So that you would actually then, revere and humble yourself before that person, that spirit, that power--whatever you've got your mind on-- and become very low, so that there is no exaltation of self but exaltation of what you have in your mind as to whose presence or what presence you're in. Now the Greek says: to kiss as when a dog licks the hand, to faun or to couch, to prostrate oneself in homage, to revere. So there, again, we have the idea as one of acknowledging the positions and relationships of the worshipped and the worshipper. And to do... and without due understand and appreciation of the subject that you are supposed to worship, you really couldn't be called a worshipper. There's got to be an understanding, a clarity that is required by God, because that's what we're talking about. Now, over here in Mt 15: 7-9, it says...

- (7) (You) hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you saying,
- (8) This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and (honor) me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.
- (9) But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrine the commandments of men

Now, he tells you why the heart is afar off, though the mouth is bleating a lot of things..." Oh, God, yes! Hallellujah! We believe the God of Isaiah, the God of Moses, the God of Abraham and all those things, you know." And they're shouting up a good shout, but there's nothing in their hearts and their worship is vain because they don't have the Word of God. That's pure and simple. So, their worship..." Hallelujah, Lord! Bless You, Jesus!... Well, it's fine, but it's not fine. "Depart from me. I never knew you! "So, over here in John, we find, here, in the ...what is it?...the fourth chapter, I guess...something like that...verse 19:

- (19) The woman (said ...), Sir, I perceive (...you're) a prophet.
- Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and (you) say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.
- (21) Jesus (said ...), Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when (you) shall neither (worship) in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.

- (22)[Bro. Vayle paraphrases and expands on v.22] (You don't even know what you worship. And I'm going to tell you something-- get this flat-- we know what we worship and salvation comes by the Jews, no matter what else you say. Now, Ishmael and Esau, you can say what you want. And the Muslims can say what they want-- the whole bunch of them, from the Tallahband to the Shiites to God-knows-what, because there's a whole mess of them (like Christianity). It doesn't come by you. It doesn't come by the Chinese, doesn't come by the Buddhists-- No. Doesn't come by the mythological gods...comes by the Jews. { If you don't understand ... then, Jews, here, is not so ethnic as it is geographical, because remember, there were two divisions at that time: Judea and Galilee. So he's talking here...} I want you to know something. If you don't understand the geographical division which you try to make a mountain you make Jerusalem, forget it! It comes through Judah. Comes through the tribe...comes down from David. There's a lineage there. { Now, in other words, Messiah comes through that route.})
- (23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.
- (24) God is spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. (And remember, Jesus' own Word is Spirit and Truth. It's Life.)
- (25) The woman (said)... I know, that (when) messiah cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things.
- (26) (And Jesus said, I am the one that speaks unto you.)

So, now, my thought tonight is, as we look at Communion and Foot-washing, particularly Communion... I want to ask you a question: Is Communion an act of worship? Certainly is, it's a part of it. So, what if you take Communion apart from the Word that's been revealed and proven true? What if you're back there in the Pentecostal Age, or Luther and three Gods and falling away...hating predestination with a holy horror: "I couldn't believe in a God who predestinated."... Well, I'm sure glad I do! My Bible says it's a great cause for rejoicing! Not for being angry and hateful. My Bible also says, quoting John, (when Jesus stood as the Prophet, which he was, not just Messiah... now, if we're Messiahettes, the Prophet is more Messiahette than we are ...Jesus was the Great Messiah)... and he said, "Father (he said) if they had not seen the wonderful works that no man did, they had not sinned, but now they have both seen and hated me and my Father." The same people who saw the works at the end-time and turned them down, as vindication for the authoritative Word of Almighty God, the Pillar of Fire -- that's what the Prophet and the Word is to you...the Pillar of Fire, whether you believe it or not. I'm sorry, you're wrong if you don't believe it... out there in 'no-man' land... [End of Side Two]