

Who is This Melchisedec? # 28

'Stream of Life'

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Shall we pray. Gracious Heavenly Father, if You were not here in the form of the Holy Spirit in the Pillar of Fire we would never be able to shout on that glad day around the wedding supper, "We are here!". For Lord, it is Your presence here that will give us our presence there. We appreciate that so much. We know, Lord, that You've descended with the Shout, the Message, the Word, the Voice of the archangel to raise the dead and the Trump of God to assemble and bring us together and the ascent to that great and glorious wedding supper. Three and a half years, or whatever complete duration, Lord, to come back then and reign and rule with You in a millennial time upon the earth which we know so little of, Father. We really know so little of it, but we know it's going to be wonderful because the glory that You have placed in our hearts and minds at this age, Lord, and the glory we've seen by Your manifestation and revelation will continue to get brighter. Yes, Lord, we know that, really, this is almost a negative in compared to the positive. Now help us in the study of Your Word, Lord, to just relax and to believe, and know the truth, Father, to set us free. In Jesus name we pray, Amen. You may be seated.

1. Now, we're to number twenty-eight in Who is This Melchisedec?, and unfortunately we're just to only about page twenty-one, but pretty soon we'll be able to start just reading and catching up some points that are in that. Now, in looking into and thereby discussing the exact meanings of certain words and especially appellations (names of persons or things), we have found that our previous understandings of certain words were not sufficient to truly give us the same depth of revelation as the prophet had when he was teaching various subjects. And that is true. If we knew exactly and precisely the meanings of the words that Bro. Branham used, we would have been able to follow him much better but we weren't able to. And as we hear or read his sermons, we can still be in that precarious position or we could be in that precarious position of not really knowing what he said.

So it's very necessary to ask help of the Almighty God, in that we learn to accept and use words with the same understanding as Bro. Branham did. Now there again, you'll find that people did not accept the words with the understanding Bro. Branham had, though he had the true spiritual correct understanding, and as he told the Pentecostals--and it could have fallen off on us too--he said, "*You people do not like the word 'predestination', I will use the word 'foreknowledge'.*" And of course that's very bad, although the words are correctly connected one with the other in a sequence. You cannot do that, because even as you could take silicon and make glass, you simply cannot use the word silicon for glass and vice versa. You have to be correct. And so Bro. Branham was not correct with the people on the grounds that they refused to listen to him, and use the correctness of the word themselves, and so the much and good information was completely bypassed. Now we must not fall into that category. So therefore we are still in a precarious position, if we do not know precisely the meaning of the words. Now, it would indeed be a terrible catastrophe to be found wanting as the

Pharisees were in the book of John the 8th chapter. Now let's just see where there is a void of understanding and what happens.

2. In Jn 8:43 Jesus said,

(43) Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word.

Now He says, "You don't understand what I'm saying, you can't hear My word, you can't understand It." There was a great void there. The Pentecostals could not accept predestination when he used it, so he had to just come around about them. Did they ever understand? The answer is no. Now, watch in verse 47,

(47) He that is of God heareth God's words:

Now if we believe God was in the prophet... as Bro. Branham said, *when the Pillar of Fire*--which of course encased God, and he just used the term because the Pillar of Fire was noticeable and seen--He said, "*When God was in Moses,*" or the Pillar of Fire, "*He was God to the people.*" And the words that came forth were the actual words of God. The prophet veiled God, and the Word was veiled in the prophet, but when those words came forth they were no longer veiled, and Moses no longer veiled God, and He was no longer veiled to the people providing they really believed who He was.

3. Now he said,

(47) He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

This let's us know plainly, that Bro. Branham's message is not going to be a mystery to those who are the children of God. Now let's face it, we cannot bat our heads against a door. And bat our brains around and say, "Well, nobody can understand it." Now we had that happen up in a city in Canada. And this man that said he believed the message--and found that he no more believed than nothing--before the man died, he said, "Bro. Branham was not a prophet." And he told my wife and he told us categorically, he said, "Nobody can preach from Bro. Branham's sermons." I don't have much trouble. Now look, not trying to be in opposition to anybody, but we've got to understand these things. Is that [Bro. Vayle points to the picture of the Pillar of Fire] of God or is it not of God? Is that of God or is not of God? Are these messages inspired of God or are they not? Now that's what it boils down to. Jesus categorically said, "You are not going to get it, I cannot come across to you, you cannot apprehend it, because you are not of God." But he said, "My sheep hear my voice." Now that does it. There is no need to fuss and to fume, or to figure you cannot get it. Because you and I can get it. We are able to. And we must begin to understand that. We are... there was a mixed multitude here in John 8. Bro. Branham preached to a mixed multitude. There's nobody that doesn't. There're going to be those who get it and those who do not.

4. Now, let's just take an example of one word, an appellation. A name, a noun. And the word is 'Jesus'. Just look at that word. I've covered it before for you, but just briefly. If one is not aware that Bro. Branham continuously, continually also, used that noun as did Paul, that person will have very great problems. Now, let's find out how the apostle Paul used that name 'Jesus' and how Bro. Branham continued to do so, because Alpha is Omega. He said, *"How wonderful, just think the same Pillar of Fire that brought the Word to Paul is here explaining the Word and revealing the Word."* So therefore, if the One today is here and was here, is here and was revealing through Bro. Branham, then it would have to be the identical Revealer, as it was the apostle Paul.

5. All right, in Paul, let's take a look at Acts the 9th chapter. Beginning 3 to 5.

(3) And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:

(4) And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

(5) And he said, Who are thou Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest:

Now right away somebody said, "Well, that was the light that shone from the throne of Jesus up there in the mercy seat and wham..." That's not true at all. That's not true at all. As Bro. Branham said so correctly, *"You would never get a Jew like Paul to call anything Lord, unless he sure was absolutely identified in his own heart and mind, that was the Lord."* See? He was God Himself. OK.

6. Now to verse 17,

(17) And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared...

Now what appeared? A light. All right? Are you getting used to the name Jesus? It's tough I know. Because you know what? Some people are so hogheaded, they're not sheepheaded, you can't tell them anything. And you can get in the pulpits and preach. Now if I'm right brother/sister, there are people -- preachers today blaspheming the Word of God. If I am wrong, I am blaspheming the Word of God. This is not a fence-sitting occupation you are in whether you know it or not. That's why some of you right now can't understand how some people are so serious and others so fly-by-night. You say, "Well, if the person had something, wouldn't be that kind of a person. Everything comes ahead of God." You can't do that brother/sister. We could go into a lot of points here but we'll just leave it at that.

(17) ...even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the same way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

And look at the predestinating, electing, foreknowledge of Almighty God. This man Paul was already sealed by the Holy Ghost as that man that God would use and he wasn't even born again. Remember, God always does the same thing all through all ages. *"Even Jesus came like us,"* Bro. Branham said. We'll look at that later on.

7. All right, let's go to 2 Corinthians 5. And verse 16;

- (16) Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more.

Because He put off that body of flesh and returned to a Pillar of Fire. Say, "Well I'm going to know Him after the flesh." Go ahead and be a hypocrite, be a fool, it's your privilege. Say, "I don't think I want to get my mind off that man that had the nailprints." That's fine, go ahead, go ahead. You can be a complete fool thinking you're adoring God and worshipping God, that's your business not mine. I'm not going to run your lives. But more and more I talk of Jesus, I know more and more of That Spirit in the Pillar of Fire. You say, "What about the man on the mercy seat, now on the throne?" We'll talk about that. No problem at all.

8. And you connect this with Heb 13:8, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever," which Bro. Branham categorically took back to Genesis 18. God, Elohim, before the tent wherein sat Sarah, and God with Abraham outside conversing just before the promised son. And remember, Alpha is Omega, and the Alpha that Bro. Branham used was always Genesis 18 and God discerning according to Heb 4:12. Just exactly as William Branham did it, that's the Omega right at that point. What we are seeing is Jn 8:42. Plus some other scriptures.

- (42) Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came (out) from God: neither came I of myself, but he sent me.

And in Jn 1:18.

- (18) No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath (thoroughly declared and led him forth by a word).

Now Jn 8:42, and 1:18, what is that? That is what we read over here as Acts 9:17.

- (17) And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared (unto you in the form of a Pillar of Fire, came to have me lay my hands on you that you could then receive the Holy Ghost and be rid of your blindness.)

And notice also, in Acts 22:7-14,

- (7) And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?
- (8) And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom thou persecutest.
- (9) And they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid; but they heard not the voice of him that spake to me.
- (10) And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee to do.
- (11) And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.
- (12) And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt there,
- (13) Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul,

Certainly. This was a son of God. I don't care if he was in the hogpen raising some kind of ruckus and chopping off people's heads. He answered for it, don't worry. He suffered.

- (13) ...receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.
- (14) And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One,

He was a man born out of due season, never saw him. But he saw this One, see? So Jesus is not to be considered exclusively in the realm of the man who has now climbed upon the Father's throne. "Well," you say, "That mixes up my theology, makes it rough thinking." Be my guest. I'm sorry for you baby, that's your tough luck. I go through the same thing. I don't understand all mysteries. But are you ready to receive it? If you don't you don't go any further. You say, "Hey, that's right. There's something there." If you don't you're finished. No, I'm nice to you, you might think I'm being rotten. Like Bro. Don Keller told me, some fellow heard my tape, and he thought I abused you people terribly. Are you getting abused? If you are well I'm sorry for you. You don't go through half what I go through. And you won't either. You won't. No way.

9. Okay, let's go to Acts 26: 12-15. Just see what he said here.

- (12) Whereupon as I went to Damascus with authority and commission from the chief priests,

- (13) At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them that journeyed with me.
- (14) And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

Now hey, we got something added here. Did you ever find that Bro. Branham seemed to add to some of his illustrations and some of his talks with God and things? Oh we're straight laced, say, "Now, now, if that was really God, one two three four, one two three four, one two three four, get the computer, one two three four." Hogwash! The prophet can tell you exactly what God said and spread it in sixteen different directions, it never changes as the essentiality is concerned, what God really said. So Paul has added to this. See?

- (15) And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.

Man born out of due season. But he saw Him. So this Jesus that you're looking at is a little different from the Jesus you were looking at. There is a mystery in here. Absolutely, a mystery. God in office of Son, the Son standing there. Hard to understand, I don't pretend to know it all, I never will.

10. Now from these scriptures we know positively that neither Paul nor Ananias, and now Bro. Branham, were not speaking of the body of the man known as Jesus. We know positively that neither of those and Bro. Branham also was not speaking of the body. This is not now, that is at this time, the Son of Man, who actually was the Son of God by virtue of his source, but today it is the Son of God as the Holy Ghost in a Pillar of Fire. God has given us the gift of his Son in the form of the Holy Ghost. You say, "That's a great mystery." I never said it wasn't. But the point is, are you ready to accept it or are you going to go back to the old Trinitarian concept and your old way of thinking, "Well Jesus is a man, that takes care of that, now there's the Holy Ghost, now there's the Father, and I've got to get Humpty Dumpty do," just rhymes. No, can't do it. You've got to just take it, and I'm saying this, don't try to figure it. Just believe it. Because that's what you're looking at.

11. All right. Now that's enough for that illustration.

We go back to the pronoun 'you', what was 'you' or 'me', according to Bro. Branham. As the prophet sent to give the Bride a message of understanding, 'you' are the real you, which has its beginnings in God. The very beginning of each one of us if we are a son of God is in God Himself. We are a part of God. Now let's go back to Jn 3:16 and look at it. And remember you cannot change what God said. Jn 3:6, I beg your pardon. Jesus said,

- (6) That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Now he tells you that then the spirits can have spirits and flesh can have flesh. Now plain English, dogs have dogs, cats have cats, horses have horses, pigs have pigs, people have people. Now the word 'born' means to issue forth from. The begetting always was there. Foreknowledge and begetting go together in the omniscience and the omnipotence of God. Now I said a mouthful but just let it sit there. We were in him. How? That is God's business, not ours. But it must be accepted that part of us never had a beginning. That which is born of the Spirit is spirit. So God being Spirit to give birth to sons, that which emits or proceeds from him which is issuing forth from a source is birth. So therefore, we to begin with and everlastingly are spirit, and that spirit is God's spirit.

12. Now you say what you want. I don't care about theology. I care about the Bible. [Number] 1, a part of God. [Number] 2, an attribute of God. [Number] 3, a seed or germ of God. [Number] 4, a gene of God. And remember, when you talk of genes, you talk of chromosomes within the genes. You're talking of structure. Life that can structure. See? That's why it's so important to feed on the Word. If you just feed on good physical things, you can help your body. But to become strong internally you got to use spiritual things, because there is a gene and a chromosome spiritual as well as a physical. And Bro. Branham said, "*Feed the Christ within you*". As the Indian said, "The dog, the white dog, he gets the upper hand if I feed him the best."

13. Number 5, a son of God. Number 6, a son of the Spirit. Number 7, a son of Faith. Number 8, a son of Abraham. Number 9, messiahettes collectively called Mrs. Jesus. And other appellations. Now, all these titles with their inherent attributes and designations spell out number eleven, which is soul. So you're soul, part of God, attribute, seed or gene, son of God, son of Spirit, son of Faith, son of Abraham, Messiahette, all of those mean one thing. Each one of us is genuinely part of the Spirit, the life of, of God himself. S-o-u-l. We are definitely, each one of us, a soul. That's what you're looking at. And that soul can be called a part of God, a Son of God, a gene of God, Sons of Abraham, Sons of Faith, every one of those appellations. Thus it is the soul's body and the soul's spirit, and the soul's mind, and the soul's everything because the soul must give account in that day for all of it. So we're looking at then, inherently -- what is the real you, what is the real me. See? Thus the soul's body, it's the soul's spirit, the soul's mind, etc., etc., as we are designating true ownership and responsibility to some owner. So therefore the great thing is looking at the soul.

14. Now, to see something pertinent, we might go back to Gen 1:26-28. And of course, it's the Bible that's always pertinent. And it says,

- (26) And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. (And Bro. Branham said, "*That was God speaking to the Son.*")
- (27) So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. (What was it? It was God was in Christ, so God's in Christ doing this.)

- (28) And God blessed them, and said unto them, Be fruitful, (Jesus said, “The words I speak are my Father’s words.”) and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

And then in 2 and in 7;

- (7) And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

And with it, 2:20-23:

- (20) And Adam gave names to all cattle, (yet there was not found an help meet for Adam).
- (21) And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;
- (22) And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from the man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.
- (23) And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.

Then in Gen 4:25,

- (25) And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For God, (hath appointed another seed).

Now, what we’re looking at here, is God setting in order the formula or the regiment whereby He would bring all of His sons into the earth. Which he did through Adam. You notice, first of all he starts with the spiritual. Now Adam distinctly would have to be a portion of Almighty God. And that would be the life stream that he set up, whereby these souls, because people are called souls, would come into this world. And of course we understand now what God did, He put him into a body here. And in this body, He had it so arranged that they would bring forth children unto Him.

15. Now, I’m going to bring a thought here to you. And we go first of all to Gen 2:7 again.

- (7) And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

Now this is the place where God has the spiritual put into the physical, in order to propagate. Because there's no problem for God to propagate spirit unto spirit, because God is spirit and He bringeth forth His spirits as a part of Him. But now, because He is going to be a redeemer, He puts them into flesh. And now the flesh therefore, has to have a method and does have a method whereby these sons are brought forth, which already possess a soul of some description, whether it be of God or not of God, because remember that Jesus Christ himself said, "The Son of Man is the sower of the seed, and these plants are men." And the one group is wheat and another group is tare. And remember, the Devil is credited for planting the tares. In other words, the lineage is not of God period, though creation is of God. That's why Bro. Branham said, "*Cain was never in the lineage. He never was, he can never be.*" Proving that Adam was not his father. Now we're looking at a vehicle whereby these sons can come into the physical existence and concept.

16. OK, now let's go to the book of Hebrews the 7th chapter. And this is where we're going to clear up some things as we go along, hoping, and trusting the Lord. All right, 9 and 10.

(9) And as I may so say, Levi also, who receiveth tithes, paid tithes in Abraham.

(10) For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchisedec met him.

Okay, where does generation come from? It doesn't come from the woman. Now I'm sorry, but the Jews are so messed up and so horribly cantankerous and miserable, they say that if your mother's a Jewess, you are a Jew. That is a lie. Now let me prove it to you. No woman has in her body what it will take to produce a male. She does not have the Y chromosome. The male alone has the Y chromosome. The male also has the X chromosome. So, the Word of God is explicit, and Bro. Branham in his language confused many people, because he said, *the male has the hemoglobin*. Now why did he say it? Every scientist says, "Well now, Bro. Branham made a tragic mistake." Every doctor, every chemist, anybody that knows anything about anatomy said, "Well he just... there's something wrong somewhere."

17. Let's go back to the Word of God. Now you can do what you want with it but I'm going to take you right to, over here to Leviticus the 17th chapter. We're going to start at the 10th verse.

(10) And whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.

(11) For the life of the flesh is in the blood:

Now you tell me where the chromosomes come from. You say, "They come by the reproductive organs." Just take out the blood and see what happens. It's gone.

- (11) For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your sins: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

Now there you are right there. Why? Because that is where it has got to come from. This is the life that God placed. This is not just an ordinary life we're talking about, this is what you might call a life within a life as it were, although that's not perhaps true. Because remember, there is nothing said about Adam having different kinds of lives. Now he has different kinds of motivation and expression, I better put that back to just not the expression to get you confused, he had different types of motivation. And also motor. We'll look at that in just a little while and show you what I mean here. Now, the Blood maketh atonement for the soul. Why? Because it's representative of the soul itself.

18. (12) Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.

- (13) And whatsoever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, which hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust. (Pour the blood out.)

- (14) For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof:

Now notice what it said, it's making an atonement, because you see, that's where that life is. Now people try to tell you somehow that you are not a son of God, you get a son of God when you're born again, God does some mystical thing. That is a lie from the pit of hell. You always were or you always weren't a son of God. And you have a normal vehicle here that God puts, and Bro. Branham called, natural election. And you've got to respect the fact, you cannot take blood, eat it, or any wise have a thing to do with it, except sacrificially unto the Lord God because the life is in the Blood. Absolutely, the life is in there. That's what happened when the serpent got a hold of Eve and seduced her. And mixed the two lives up. And within the lifestream now of everybody lies the particle of whether you are a child of God or you're a child of Satan, a serpent seed. So there's a great mystery concerning the blood. Now what I'm aiming at to tell you, go a little further here.

19. Verse 14,

- (14) For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: (No need at all.) for the life of all flesh is the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off. (And so on.)

Now, what I'm looking at here, to bring it to you is this: Levi was in the loins of Abraham, and according to this Bro. Branham is a hundred percent right concerning the hemoglobin. He's talking in the lines of the pure stream. Now it is true the woman has a part too. But she is simply the

bedding ground. And she needs chromosomes and genes the same as the man does. Because they're going to produce between them what would have been produced by Adam alone if God had wanted it that way. But he simply split the two of them. So now they're both engaged in procreation. But the woman has no life. She does not supply or become a supplier. It is the male entirely according to the Word of God, and as I say, our proof lies in the fact that the woman does not have the Y chromosome. She cannot produce it, there is no way the female or the female race would continue. That's right. Because she cannot produce. The production of life lies in the male period. Now the woman is a great part of it because she's a help meet, she's like ...?... and so on. But we're trying to get the picture here that you'll have an understanding what we're talking about. Of how this life came on down, how the souls came on down.

20. All right.

You are a soul. And you are a soul on the grounds that God ordained the way you would come as a soul or a gene or seed or a germ of Almighty God. And he put it into the natural. That's why, when the natural went astray which God knew would go astray, he then used the woman but it was exclusively of God for he created an egg that the sperm that God created which was the life of God could go to, and produce a God-being of a structure that was never produced before. Never produced before. You're looking at the only-begotten, remember there's several begotten's in the Bible concerning Jesus.

Now all right, you are a soul. You are a person regardless of body and spirit. That's right. You are a person, just the same as Adam was. You are a part of God, absolutely. So now, let's review what we studied the last week and I'm just going to read it to you. Then I want to go on, we'll try to put it all together.

Now you, seed, that's a seed -- a person, a soul -- but to what degree is the personality advanced at the time a spirit body would have been in order for you? You bypassed a spirit body. So you didn't bypass a physical body. Did you? No way. So therefore God had the physical set up to take care of the spiritual. And he's got the spiritual set up to take care of the physical. Now just let your thinking go. As it says in Job 38, "Where were you when all the sons of God shouted for joy?" Now it says, "All the sons of God shouted for joy." Is it strange then... now listen to me carefully... is this strange in the light of the fact when Mary the mother of Jesus appeared before Elizabeth? Huh? And the baby jumped in her womb at the name of Jesus. So you're getting your picture. Where were you? Recognized, a son of God somewhere around the throne--recognized and known, but bypassing that particular form.

21. Now, historically in time, time has been going on progressively with the stream of God-life, Zoe. The ability to form from created substance, another body. Just like all nature out there does the same thing. In that was God. In God was the ability to bring a body. Started way back in Jesus, that light that appeared, the beginning of the creation of God. God starting to create himself into a human form. God's going to do it. And He starts back there in a form.

Now, time's been going on progressively with the stream of God-life, or Zoe, intermingled with all so called human life. And God calls forth His own in His own time in that stream of life. Election through Abraham. Election, billions and billions of seed all mixed into that stream of life in there, nobody can do a thing about it but God. He calls forth His own in His own time, and though the vessel be earthen and therefore subject to all temptation and sin, there is a treasure unto the glory and honor of God in that earthen vessel. Now that's what people don't want to recognize, they think, "Oh, after I'm born again, then I'm a vessel to glory." Hogwash! That's the time that you have the right to call yourself a son of God when deep calls to deep and the eagle's scream answers back to you.

22. All sons of every kind are now one lump of flesh and blood, there's no difference but there's a life in there. And in the light of physical time, it is almost too much to believe that we could be knowledgeable personalities with prehistoric information and then be reduced to a position of no memory of that period and come into a life of struggle, through sperm and egg, and grow, to get back to where we came from and where we once were. Say, "How could it be?" Well you see, people don't want to believe that. That's cult. It's a tough situation, see? But if one recalls the words of Jesus, "I came forth out of God, (see, go back to God,) glorify thou me with thyself, the glory I had in the beginning." And remember, the prophet said, "*We came the same way*".

So we see that the doctrine of devils that teaches reincarnation is based on a reality but goes into terrible delusion, for there is a preexistence of a stature that we are crying to get back to. Every single thing in the stream of life must have a fulfillment, and the fulfillment has to be what lies in that stream of life that you are in. That's why I said concerning foreknowledge, foreknowledge is absolutely based upon the seed, of what lies in the seed, what is there. Because it can't be otherwise. They can breed a horse and a mule and get some kind of a jackass, I guess that's what it is, or an ass and get a mule. But they themselves are hybrid and cannot actually produce a line. You've got to go back to specie. There can be mutations and various things that are done, but this is the age when the world's going to end because science is attempting to mingling all seed. Not just a spiritual, they're doing it. And if you think we've seen a few grotesque things just with a bit of AIDS and things like that, my brother/sister I can see where Bro. Branham said, "*I would sooner take every thing that the Knights of Columbus' oaths said can be perpetrated upon a non-Catholic, I would gladly take it in exchange for five minutes in the great tribulation.*"

23. Now just bat your eyes right back to God tonight. You're not looking at something foolish brother/sister, listen, this is not going to get to us unless we let it get to us. We've got to realize there's impact in words. And the words that Bro. Branham brought us are necessary to be known to us exactly what is meant, what is a son of God, not a born again being -- only sons of God get born again. It can't born again the hog and the dog and the sow and a rat and a fink. Or a reprobate, we were not reprobates. We might have acted like reprobates, and been too good a facsimile, not so dynamic concerning God, but you cannot be changed from a pig to a lamb. Can't do it. Don't care how you try. See, there's a terrible illusion with reincarnation. We do not get reincarnated, we get incarnated. See?

24. Now, to recall Hebrews the 5th chapter 5 -11. It says here,

- (5) So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee.
- (6) And he saith also in another place, Thou art a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec.
- (7) Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared;
- (8) Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;
- (9) And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;
- (10) Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.
- (11) Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered seeing ye are dull of hearing.

Now parallel it with us in Hebrews 12. Now just what I read there about Jesus, now let's go here to Hebrews 12 and see what it says there.

- (1) Wherefore seeing we also are encompassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.
- (2) Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.
- (3) For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.
- (4) Ye have not resisted unto blood, striving against sin.
- (5) And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you are unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:
- (6) For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

...?... when you get born again, baptized, that's just your reception. The purchase price is consummated as far as you and I are concerned, we're right back where we were, you see?

- (8) But if you be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.

That's what Cain was, a bastard. Bastard to the human race, bastard to his mother, everything else. Completely illegitimate. You couldn't tell him a thing. Rose right up against God. Now if God's in the prophet [Points to the picture] and bringing a redemptive and vindicated Word, an identified Word, what's in people to rise up against it? They don't even want to change their thinking. "Well I want to think about Jesus on the throne up there." Well you go ahead and think that. But look it, what about that? [Points to the picture] You say, "Well that's too big a mystery." Hold it! You're looking at it. What's the mystery? [End of side one of tape] Huh? Come on, tell me. What's the mystery? Here's the Bible. See, here's the Bible, that's it right there. What am I at? Book of Hebrews. What's the mystery? Sheet of paper, I got some printing inside of it. What's the mystery? You never heard of paper or a Bible? That's the trouble. You never heard of that, [Points to the picture] now you're hearing about it. That's all, no mystery, you're looking at it. What's mysterious? So men don't understand don't mean too much. I don't understand how these lights work but I can sure flip a switch. That takes care of it. All right, you're illegitimate.

25. (9) Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: (because stupidly they knew a little bit and they wanted us to learn something that was decent from them. So all right.) shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?

The Father of spirits. "Oh, that's Father of angels." No it's not, it's the Father of you and me. Because what is born of spirit is spirit. God is not looking at our flesh. Bro. Branham categorically said, "*God looks at us not seeing us, because the blood is there, and hears our voice, and sees our representative Jesus Christ.*" Now we're talking, not about the Pillar of Fire, we're talking about the man in whom the Pillar of Fire was. [Points to the picture] Will you buy that's the Son of God? You say, "Well I don't know if I can because you see, Jesus." Well, then you can't buy that you're a son of God. See? You won't let your minds go. Same old Trinitarian hogwash. Catholic, Protestant. "I was a reprobate and Hallelujah, Jesus did something for me, gave me my new soul and a new spirit and Hallelujah." You're Hallelujah, you're a liar. Plain English, I'm sorry. You got to get your thinking moving. The thinking has got to change.

26. See now, let us learn this: if Jesus had total recall, which he evidently did, and His history is Heb 5:5-11, which I read, and then Heb 12:1-2 and he suffered, then you add to it Lk 2: 4-7.

- (4) And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, into the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

- (5) To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.
- (6) And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.
- (7) And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there's the beginning right there, and it's very, very unusual. Yet that same person stood, and he said, "All right now, I had a beginning back there." And Bro. Branham said He [Jesus] remembered everything but you and I bypassed it, so we don't remember, so he's [Bro. Branham] bringing us down to a human level, not some magnified high conception of the Pillar of Fire. He's bringing us right down to a level now, because he said... let me read it for you.

"Now we see here plainly the complete secret of our lives, our journey, our death, and where we go after we die. Also, predestination is in plain view."

So we're studying it. OK, and verse 21 of the same chapter.

- (21) And when the eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Notice, it always goes to conception in the womb. It doesn't go anyplace else because conception is already started in male and female. And they got to get together and that does it, but there's no getting together here whatever, it was simply placed exactly where his gestation should take place. No sex at all.

27. All right, Mt 2:13-15.

- (13) And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.
- (14) When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed in Egypt:
- (15) And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.

Now, the boy's in danger. OK, Mt 2:19-23.

- (19) But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, (he took the boy down there)
- (20) Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life. (Notice he said his mother, doesn't call Joseph the father.)
- (21) And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.

That's what he did. OK. With that we can go to Luke 2 and we could start at verse 41 and it says;

- (41) Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.
- (42) And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.
- (43) And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. (Doesn't say Joseph is his father.)
- (44) But they, supposing him to have been in the company went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance.
- (45) And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.
- (46) And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, (and the learned ones) both hearing them, and asking them questions.
- (47) And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.
- (48) And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.
- (49) And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?
- (50) And they understood not the saying which he spake into them.
- (51) And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.

(52) And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

28. There you are. Now you're looking at him. You see? Now, and yet after chapter 4 when God led him, the spirit led him to the desert once he was full of the Holy Ghost, he resisted the Devil, put him to flight, routed him completely, but in Mt 26: 36-42 he goes to a place called Gethsemane, he's very sorrowful, his soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death, and he says,

(39) ...O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.

See, now what we're trying to do is to show you that we're not any different in our journey than he was in his journey. So let the mind receive this and meditate upon it, until it becomes a part of us. It becomes not then man's dogma which is a product of man, nor dogmatic faith which is faith based upon no vindicated proof, just man saying it--until it becomes principle doctrine--and thereby dynamic faith and the full persuasion of assurance, as with Abraham before he received the promised son in flesh. Now that's what we're looking at. That kind of faith and persuasion came through the presence or Parousia or the seals. Notice, Abraham the prophet saw and believed and Sarah the wife was shocked into faith by the dynamics of Hebrews 4 and 12, the discernment. The Bride needs a shock treatment to clear her mind of dogma, and make that mind free of all man made creeds and accept the true Word of God.

29. Now what I'm trying to tell you here is this: Jesus Christ literally had a pre-existence in spite of everything. There was a pre-existence. And he came just the same as you and I come. In other words, there had to be the Spirit of God forming and doing these various things that we're looking at. Now, adding to this sufficiency of our thoughts, because these thoughts are really sufficient, let us peruse that which is found before we move on in 2 Cor 5:1-5.

30. Now let's just take a look at this so we know what we're talking about. 2 Corinthians 5, all right, we're going to read the first 5 verses.

- (1) For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, (and it will be) we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.
- (2) For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:
- (3) If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. (Now notice what he's saying there. The 'we' is what? The gene, the soul, the germ, a son of God.)

- (4) For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.
- (5) Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the (His) Spirit.

Now notice what he says here. And be very careful. "We know that if our earthly tabernacle were dissolved, we have another one eternal in the heavens. Now watch, for in this earthly tabernacle, we are groaning, earnestly waiting, desiring, to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven." Now I want to ask you a question. Did your body come from heaven? Hogwash. Uh, uh. It's of the earth, earthy. So there is something in the heavens that's eternal that you and I bypassed and we don't know a thing about it. Because it says right here. "Because one is from heaven." These bodies are not it. "Oh," says somebody, "Well God gave the order so it came from heaven." Oh come on, don't be stupid. You know, quit arguing and fussing within yourself. Just be men and women and say, "Hey, I don't believe that hogwash," get out of these doors and never come back. Or say, "Hey, I'm having a job, but bless God, I kind of like my job. And I'm not about to quit." I've got something waiting there for me.

31. Now let's understand this and get it flat. If what you have up there came by reason of what you are, and there was nothing there to create it from, therefore you being eternal must have a spirit body--and Paul speaks of it--which is eternal. You say, "Oh, that's a big mystery." I don't care if it is. You see, you'll never get off the ground until you accept it. I know I never would have got to first base if I would've turned my back on Bro. Branham. He said, "*The shout's the message.*" I said, "Look, I've heard you say a lot of strange things, but that's the strangest. I don't think I can take it." Then something within me said, "When was he ever wrong?" The Shout's the message. No problem. Tabernacle in heaven, I'm going to it. It's eternal, never had an ending, never had a beginning. Why? Because it's made out of something. You say, "I don't understand it." You don't have to understand it. I don't have to understand it. I'm doing my best to explain it.

That which is born of Spirit is Spirit. And Spirit can actually produce. Look it, right out here in the world of spiritism, they produce ectoplasm. Take pictures. It was a proven fact that a man sat in a sealed room with several scientists. And in the clothes closet, nailed up, locked up, padlocked, one entrance only, was a cigar. And as the man sat at the table, a cigar began to form on the table. They went to the closet, there was no cigar. The Devil does all kinds of stupid, hokey, cruddy things. He doesn't heal the sick. He doesn't cast out devils, he can't raise the dead. He's got his own stupid little kingdom he can work with. And he can have it. But God's people can be so dumb, they don't want to take the Word of God, because they've been fed on the Devil's pap, the Devil's religion. And Bro. Branham categorically said, "*The churches are nothing but lodges, and the people are worshipping the Devil through the churches.*" Now where are we going to be today? Where did it start? One word off. How's it going to get us back? When there's no longer one word off. Now the prophet taught us this, I just believe it. And as I believe it it gets better and better. It's gets clearer and clearer. OK.

32. Now, I read it to you. So, the scripture is seen even more vividly by going back to 1 Corinthians 15, where Paul was speaking of the resurrection. And in 35-51,

(35) But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?

Now watch, how are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come when they're raised up? Now 'they' are not the bodies. Although the bodies can be synonymous with the they, on the grounds that they must always have a vehicle because there's never a time when the Saint of God, the child of God, is unclothed. Never. No sir. Can't be unclothed. Got to have a body.

(36) Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die.
(Now he's talking about the resurrection. But put this in you mind o
the actual formation of body and living people.)

(37) And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be,
(but watch) but (of) bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some
other grain:

Now he's talking, what about a seed? And we are the spora of God. That's why he's illustrating. This is spora, [Points to the Bible]we are spora. We are the plants, the wheat of God. Now, what body will it come with? The body that God designates for the seed. Now God designated a body for the Son, a theophanic form, a theophany. He did not designate it for us. He designated we come through a flesh channel. But he said, "Hey, the minute you die, you go right back to the thing you missed." Then He said, "That will come, you will come with it and pick up your body. Because that's what I want for you." And it will be immortal which means it will be eternal. See?

33. OK, let's keep reading.

(38) But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

(39) All flesh is not the same flesh: (Now he's using nature here) but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds.

(40) There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

(41) There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, (And so on. He tells you, see that's the way the government of God is in the heavens. There's going to be coming down from very God Himself, from the Son, then to the apostles, and the fathers and so on.)

- (42) So also is the resurrection of the dead. (Now watch) It is sown in corruption; (Now what is sown in corruption? The body. See? The body that that seed was in that bypassed that eternal form, see, is now going to get an uncorrupted form, an incorruptible one. Now,) It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption:
- (43) It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:
- (44) It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. (Now watch it see,) There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.
- (45) And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.
- (46) Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.
- (47) The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.
- (48) As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.
- (49) And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

Tells you... What is image? Image is a copy. Now we talk of Jesus being the image, the very outraying of God. So we also outrayed a body. We didn't outray that one up there, to keep it, there's no way, but it came from the Spirit of Almighty God and it's eternal. Now we're going to go back and get that one. And then we come back here and we live on earth.

34. OK. Particularly we're going to watch verse 42.

- (42) So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption.

Now, to get what is subsequent to it, that is verse 42, and pertaining to the resurrection of the body in which was once the seed, or that body which you were in at that time. Now we read again from verse 42, and note that Paul is speaking in parallel lines of thought about us and the resurrection. So he said,

- (42) So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption.

You've got a parallel thought there now, see,

(43) It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness;
it is raised in power:

So first of all in verse 42,

#1 It is sown in corruption but it is raised incorruptible. Now never forget it is the same seed that brings it forth. See? It's the same seed that brings forth each body. God gave both seed and body. The Bible says so. And he has to give it according to seed. So we have this body according to seed, when we leave we get that body according to seed, when we come back we get a glorified body according to seed. And God does everything in threes. So now you know you're right. You being a part of God, you've got to come that way.

35. Now, verse 43,

(43) It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

Now,

#2 It is sown in dishonor. In other/words, it was not allowed a body commensurate to it. We weren't. The body commensurate would have been a theophany. See? Raised in honor, a body worthy of the seed. Now, we're talking of the resurrection, so we can go over here to Phillipians the 3rd chapter and see what it says here. Verse 21,

(21) Who shall change our vile body, (see, vile body) that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, (the body of his glory) according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

36.

#3 In other words, Jesus Christ in coming back to receive his body, now has a body fashioned equivalent, and in consideration of, in otherwords, how would I put that? Commensurate to that form that he left. Now think what's going on brother/sister, to have us in a body commensurate to the eternal, and we haven't even got it. That's 2 Corinthians 3, what you're looking at. Now you with me still? I hope you're not losing me, or I'm losing you, because see, we're looking at these things I believe the way the Lord wants us.

Sown in weakness, sin, raised in power. "All power in the heavens and earth is given unto me," no more sin.

37. #4 (44) It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body.

Now that word there is soul. Raised a soul body. It is sown rather, a soul body. It tells you right there, there had to be a body for the soul. So now we're looking at ourselves. We got it. Everybody has it.

Now, it is raised a spiritual body. You don't have to worry anymore about the formation for the soul, which brought us into this life here of degradation. It's raised up in the other form. See? It is sown a natural body, a soul body. Adam became a living soul in order to propagate. But watch it, it's the same seed. See? Raised a spiritual body. Apart from all of this. There's no propagation in the resurrection. Same seed. OK.

38. Then, notice, he repeats. There is a natural body, there is a spiritual body. There's a soul body, there's a body in the millennium. No propagation. That's what Jesus said, "You misunderstand the power of God and the knowledge of the Word." He said, "In the resurrection there's no marriage and giving in marriage." You're not producing bodies for souls, now that's a Mormon doctrine but it's the Bible, I don't care if Joseph Smith did say it. And he's an idiot and a devil possessed man for all I care. There's a lot of truth all over the world that people have, that turn their backs on because some idiot said it. We have a vindicated prophet [Points to the picture] or forget it.

So I'm not worried about Mormons or anybody else said, Bro. Branham was named in the Mormon book of prophecy. He wouldn't even go near their tabernacle. What did he care about what they said or anything else said. What do you think Paul cared about the little girl crying out, "These are servants of the Most High God." You don't pay any attention to the Devil and his dogs that are barking and yapping, you pay attention to the Word. And you don't get thrown from the Word of God by the yapping devils. That's what's wrong today. Phew! God's trying to... The greatest battle we got right now is going on right here [Bro. Vayle points to his temple] Brother/Sister. This is Armageddon, see?

39. Now, he repeats, in 44,

(44) There is a natural body, there is a spiritual body.

Absolutely, see? There. Now, with that, let me see here, when he repeats it, you'll notice the error is corrected of the resurrection where people said, "There is no resurrection." They're going to come back into it. Now, he never said a body is produced by itself, he doesn't say that. He said a body can only be produced because of a certain life. And that life is able to produce exactly what is in the genes of that life. See? Now, you can sorta mess around with things but don't worry, God will bring it all back. All right now, verse 45,

(45) And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul;
the last Adam was made a quickening spirit.

40. All right, now Adam could only bring us death doomed bodies. That's all he could bring. But Jesus came to bring us immortal bodies at his resurrection. Now in verse 46,

(46) Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

Now he tells you right there. Now he's already said in Corinthians, 2 Corinthians the fifth chapter, we don't want to be disembodied spirits floating around. See? You have a soul that brings forth this body, because it has within it the life and creative ability to take substances and make its own cocoon. Its own tabernacle. But when that is laid down, there is a spirit body, not a soul body. You don't need that one; soul body. You go to your spirit body, your theophany. See, that's where you're going. So Bro. Branham told us the truth you see, because you just get the scripture moving in the right direction. All right, now in 46,

(46) Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

That's 2 Corinthians 5: which we read. OK, verse 47,

(47) The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.

Now that tells you something right there. Absolutely. The first man is of the earth, earthy: That absolutely is Adam and his -- what he brings into an order. Now Adam and Christ are contrasted. All right, (1) How did Adam come? How did Jesus come? Tells you. Who was in Adam? All the sons of God. Who was in Christ? All those same sons. Adam was made to fall via Eve. Christ could not fall because the bride could not influence him.

41. Now that's one thing you must know, you can never influence Christ. Always prayers trying to twist God's arm and get our way. Bro. Branham said, "*Prayer is not to twist God's arm but let God twist your arm.*" I'm paraphrasing him, because I like my own expressions better, because they're easier to remember. Can't remember all his quotes. But you don't go to God, he said, to change God's mind, you go to God to get your mind changed. Same way we come to services here see. Christ could not fall because the bride could not influence Him, He influences her. Earth means: On the earth, a part of all that is the earth, it's on the earth. Heavenly therefore is about it all.

42. Now, don't get thrown by verse 47 here, let's read it here,

(47) The first man is of the earth, earthy:

Then also that which is heavenly as though, there is something that is fixed so that it can never ever change, but you have to remember 48 is continuing,

(48) As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

(49) And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

It tells you right there. Like we said a while ago, you had what the soul had to produce here, for what it was required, it is already produced there where you go to it and you take over. So, what we're looking at then is what we saw over in Genesis. And also it was the same thing said in 1 Cor 15 and 45 here, that we see what God was doing in order to bring forth people, and Paul is talking about bodies. Isn't he? Now come on. 1 Corinthians 15,

(35) But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?

So what is the question? How do you get a body after you die? That's the question. So Paul is not talking about the people per se, although he has to include them, he is talking about bodies. Huh? Absolutely. So the soul-body is brought here, the spirit-body is over there waiting for us. Now we go from the image that this projected which brought this out here. Sons of God in sin. We drop the flesh, we go to the projection, which was the original, which was the same theophanic form that Jesus had. We pick it up, and come back, and because of the grace of God, and what God had in mind, He now immortalizes this body, which has gone into ashes and gases, who knows what, and brings it forth, so now you're threefold. See? Sure, you the soul, theophanic form, and the other. Now what's missing? Spirit. Talk about it, after a bit.

43. Now, the second Adam is the Lord identified as in Phil 2: 5-8, He laid aside it all, and is verse 42, the second man is the Lord from heaven. Now he's actually a man. I want to ask you a question. Was Adam actually a man when he was placed in a body? Certainly. What about Jesus, was he actually a man placed in a body? Certainly. You've just got to go all the way. All right, now listen. The Lord from heaven is Jn 17:5. Give me the glory I had in the beginning. Who did not go through the process of 2 Cor 5:1-4, having an earthly body, then dying, and then picking it up. But He laid aside His glory and form, and took our form, and then by death went back or through death, went back to the original image.

44. Now read 48 and 49 together.

(48) As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

(49) And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

It tells you right there. You cannot take in the plan of God and not bypass that theophanic form. Can't do it, you've got to bypass it. There's no way you could get around it. Then verse 50 tells us,

(50) Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

It can't do it. So what's going to happen? Very simple. God Himself descends in the Shout, and changes us in the very processes.

Now, then in 1 Cor 15:51, it tells you how that we are going to be changed here upon earth to get the glorious body that we are supposed to have. And we cannot know it until we possess it, but we're going to get it, we're in the process now of 2 Corinthians 3, and you all understand it. The veil is taken away, we see the image and the glory of Almighty God and we ourselves are completely changed as of this moment.

Now, there's one point I want to cover and then I'm going to quit, because we're not going to have any time to go any further. And that one more point is this: To understand clear issues about the body of Jesus Christ the Lord as in contradistinction from the Pillar of Fire and so on, what is going on.

45. Now Bro. Branham categorically said that we came just like Jesus Christ. Now that's one thing about Melchisedec that we've got to keep in mind. He said it traces our entire history, brings in predestination, and it's just like Jesus. All right, now what happens with us? All right, we know that we are souls from God. We know, and we have a natural carrier, we saw the life is in the blood, we saw how that life in there positively the woman does not have the Y chromosome, just the man has the X and the Y. We know that the life is in the male, it is in the blood, and God set down certain laws in there. We know that life is there and it comes forth and that soul is in there because that is, as the Scripture said, God breathed into Adam the breath of lives, and God [Adam] became a living soul. He himself was a carrier, but he himself was a soul. So every man is also a soul unto himself but he is a carrier of that same life that produces it. And then that has the power to take the chemistry, the chemicals, to bring forth the body that God has ordained. It's according to seed, then the woman does not have seed, only the male has the seed. So we're looking at the scripture, that's Melchisedec, and it says here that Levi was in the loins of Abraham. All right, we established the point.

46. So all right, here is a child to be born. As Bro. Branham said, "*You could not have fellowship with your son or your daughter because they were in that man's loins.*" OK. But, in time, the right time, through holy matrimony, through the bedding ground that God had ordained, that child comes forth in order to have communion and fellowship. Now, let's understand this categorically. There lies a soul, but Bro. Branham said, the nest or the cubicle, the temple, that that soul has the power to institute and begin forming a body. That body in itself is simply a body. What we should have is that theophanic form. But we got this form. So what happens? It is nothing but jerking muscles and nerves. And when the baby drops, a spirit is given to it. It is not the Spirit of God, it is the spirit allowed of God. Now the body has life, and now you are body, soul, and spirit.

47. I want to ask you a question. This being the case, what happened in the birth of Jesus? Now do you believe he had to have a spirit given to him when he was born? He had to have according to

Bro. Branham as I see it. Now here is the thing that I'm looking at to try to show you. Preachers right today think that Jesus is comatosed. The Jesus-only figure he is sucked up, and God knows what's going on. I can't figure anything what they say. But I'm going to tell you, my understanding what the prophet taught. Jesus himself said, "Into thy hands O God I commend my spirit." And so saying, he gave up the ghost. Now the Bible distinctly said the spirit goes back to God who gave it. The Bible distinctly says, "Thou will not leave my soul in hell, nor suffer thine holy one to see corruption."

48. Now that's what we're looking at. What was the real life of Jesus? It was that soul. And Bro. Branham said, "*That's why Jesus literally poured his soul out upon us. We're looking at the real life.*" That's why you're looking at that picture as you see it there. [Points to the picture] Then what about the body? The body took the spirit and went up, it was in the hands of God. So you have an actual man as I see it, sitting on the throne. An actual Son of God. That's why Bro. Branham said, "*He returned to a Pillar of Fire.*" And at the same time there is a man called Jesus, who was at the right hand of the Majesty on high, Bro. Branham said, "*He was on the mercy seat behind the throne of Almighty God.*" That Lamb came forward, what was it? The living individual himself. You say, "What about..." Do you think for one minute that he poured out all his soul? I don't know, I can't give you all answers. The answers come a little notch at a time, a little bit at a time. But it is not too difficult to see these things if you really look at them carefully. Now, so, he definitely had a soul, and a body, and a spirit. And he's that same person.

49. Now look over here in Luke the 23rd chapter. I think I got this here. And in verse 46;

(46) And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

His spirit went, now listen, that's why Bro. Branham said this, when a man dies the spirit goes instantly, but the soul lingers. That's why people can be raised from the dead and not be a resurrection. Because the soul has stayed on. And the soul without that spirit which motivates or causes the life of that body... because Bro. Branham said, it's just kicking muscles and nerves. I don't pretend to understand it all, but I see it here as Bro. Branham taught it... That that body that is motivated by that, the soul... and when that goes, there will not be then any thoughts and in the minds of the person lying there, because of the soul, because already Bro. Branham showed us that that soul does not have recollection and memory from that time back. Then again, Bro. Branham reversed those thoughts of... I'm getting ahead of you I know, but you know what Bro. Branham took the soul, body, spirit, and Larken was wrong. Then Bro. Branham took and he took those various attributes that lay within the soul and then put them back on the spirit. So that man then, although there is without a doubt a certain memory, within the soul, our souls when we go. But in the body there would be no memory whatsoever. Your soul would absolutely have to leave your body to have a memory.

50. So when the spirit goes, the soul can linger. Then when that soul is gone, if it be of God it'll pick up that body and it will have a memory of conditions on earth to a degree, but they will not be

interesting to them, because they're passed over. That which is of interest will be in the future. Then when we come back in these bodies, and the soul and the spirit is all united, and we are that formed creature, whether the spirit's there or not, doesn't matter, but I would imagine it would be there because God gave it to us. Then we have a memory that we take with us to the wedding supper, and at the time when every tear is wiped away, that will be the time there will be no memory upon this earth here. So, we see these things, we understand that Bro. Branham taught us absolutely from the Word of God, they are not abstract thoughts that he brought up, though right at this point I'll be honest, I don't understand them all. And I don't claim to.

But I do know this: As sons of God, we did have that pre... call it preexistence, it's look, pre-flesh, it's just like you got a pre iron age, you got a pre atomic age, so all right, we have a pre soul, physical, age we know nothing of. Way back there, and what it is, it's that life coming through, how God does it all, I don't understand, and I do admit this to you, I'll be honest with you, perhaps I've tried too hard to understand. Once in a while I get some lucid understanding his thoughts, but I know, here's the crux of the whole thing: You and I must take God at his Word and believe exactly what was said concerning us. Because to deny... just like they said to Jesus, "Deny you're a son of God." "Well," he said, "If I deny I'm a son of God I'm a liar just like you." Denial is not, brother/sister, the answer to this hour. Peter tells us absolutely, without equivocation, that at the end time, it's in 2 Pet 2nd chapter, even denying the very Lord that bought them. And that doesn't mean, say, "Well, I don't believe there was a Jesus." That means saying, "No." Literally saying, "No." That's what's happened to our hour.

51. So here we are with the revelation of Almighty God given to us. And I trust by the grace of God we don't just appreciate it, we actually come to the place where we say, "I believe it." I believe it. It's something I've wanted, something that God gave to me. And when we declare with the High Priest of our confession, now remember, that's Melchisedec. That's what chapter three is all about, going right to the Melchisedec ministry. The confession to this very hour, that what everything is brought out in this message, that our journey from the very beginning back to the beginning is what Bro. Branham is showing us here. Now what does that mean to us? It means very simple this, if I understand anything: You do not teach your last year of mathematics to any scientist, physicist, or whatever, or neither do you give the last year of education to your doctor, except in the last year. So we're looking at the complete totality of the plan of Almighty God in this hour, where God is consummating, and we're part of the consummation. Let's just bow our heads in prayer.

Heavenly Father, we want to thank You again for Your kind love and mercy to us. Giving us, Lord, some thoughts, difficult they are, Lord, I admit, that these people will have problems but there's some things Father we've gone over and over to such an extent we should not have and will not have problems with them. Transitions yes, thoughts here and there yes, might not put them all together, but Lord we do know what the prophet told us, and we were back there in that very beginning. And Lord we know that we... we feel, Father, it could be on the verge of an insult to You if we did not really admit to the fact if we were part of You that we must have some kind of a knowledge back there Lord, because You always were, and we always were with You. And though You put it here in earthen vessels which is very true, it makes it difficult, Lord, because we have not that contact by memory any longer. And yet, Lord, because You sent a servant of Yours that did have vindication,

it's true, then tonight Lord once again we accept the vindication theorem by Your grace Father. I can't do it of myself and there's nobody sitting here of himself can do it Lord, we know that.

But by thoughts of grace and faith in You tonight, Lord, we can accept it and do by the grace that You give us. And then whatever comes out of it, Lord, further, it is revelation to us, it's an unfolding, it's expansion. Then that Lord we're so happy to have, we appreciate it so much. Lord may it be just nailed down within our souls, not by a complete understanding, because we don't know how much understanding we're going to get, Lord, because the prophet said he himself couldn't explain it. But whatever we get, Lord, let it be nailed down to us to understand that these are things of the end-time, and the prophet brought it to us by vindication, something we had to have, Lord, and I believe that it's going to do something great for our faith as never before. Unto You we commend every person in this building, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ for the glory of God we pray, Amen.