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## The Great Mystery, Part 2



WE ENDED THE MAY ISSUE AFTER READING FROM PAGE 564 OF THE SEALS BOOK, WHERE BRO BRANHAM HAD BEEN SPEAKING OF HIS EXPERIENCE IN SABINO CANYON AND THE THIRD PULL, SO WE WILL BEGIN

HERE, BY PRINTING THE LAST WORDS OF THE MAY ISSUE AND CONTINUE ON FROM THERE.

God sent that man to turn a people back to His (God's) Word, to become a supernatural Church; not a bunch of dead people, holding quotes, quotes, quotes. You who are called to be in the bride, are to be a reproduction of the same kind of people that knew what it was to talk to a true and living God, and to have a true and living God living in their heart, a God that can lead you, guide you, and direct you. Is it not written, As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God? It is essential, that we be led of God. On the next page he goes to the dream I had, so I will avoid saying anything about the dream,

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as it speaks for itself. I made reference to it this morning. I will say this, He said this Third Pull would be so humble, and it cannot

be impersonated. Now I can say this with all honesty, Through these years we have printed the Contender, there are a lot of things that was revelation. I could not stand and testify and say, Oh, I heard a voice, but it is how God dealt with me on the inside to cause me to look and search in the scriptures. As I look back to the first message we ever printed, “The Testing and Fall of Satan,” that came to me by divine revelation, not because I heard a voice, but when God began to deal with me about the prehistoric world, you have heard me tell about going through a museum in Springfield Illinois and seeing all those fossil bones. I came from a Methodist background, and they do not believe in a prehistoric world. They believe the planet earth was made in six twenty four hour days, period. The Church of God and all the rest of them believe that, because they are all alike. After seeing all those fossils, I just thought, There has got to be an understanding here: This has to be accounted for. Shortly after that, they opened a gravel pit near

Mauckport, Indiana. One day, as they were dumping gravel into a big earth carrier, they saw huge bones mixed in. There were two big pieces of bone. They shut the operation down and called Purdue University, for the scientists to come down there and check out those bones. Their determination was, These bones are fragments of the tusks of the old mastodon elephant. That mastodon elephant does not exist on earth today. It existed in the prehistoric hour. This was published in the local paper, the Corydon Democrat. After that, I was permitted to go to Baltimore Maryland for a meeting. The brother up there, took us to Washington D.C. where we went through the Museum of Natural Science. In there, were long lines of fossils and things from the prehistoric era. I looked at all of that and took it all in. It caused me to realize, There has got to be something here, that we know very little about. Then I remembered something from the seals book, so I want to say to you critics wherever you are, I sat there when Bro. Branham said what I am about to

read. It is on page 292. This is what he said. *“I was talking to a person not long ago. He was trying to discuss to me and saying, “Aren’t you ashamed to say that God created the heavens and earth in six days?” I said, “That’s what the Bible said.” He said, “Well, we’ve got evidence and can prove that the world is millions of years old.”* (I will never forget this, because I was waiting for his answer.) *I said, “That didn’t have anything to do with it. In Genesis 1:1, it said, ‘In the beginning God created the heavens and earth’ period. Now the world was without form and void. And I said, I believe every seed was laying right there from some other civilization or something, and as soon as the water lifted off and the light struck it, up come the trees and everything.”* When he said that, that was just like taking a big lid off of something. Never did I hear him preach on it as a subject, but that was a stepping stone. From there on, I began to read and study. When God had created Adam, He said, Be fruitful and multiply and replenish. After that, the Bible really began to talk. All through the

Bible, here came scriptures we had just always read right on over. When I got finished I said, Now I can see: this has all been hid in the scriptures, by the way it is constructed. The prophet did not even preach it as a subject; he just made reference to it, but that was enough to give me a stepping stone. I can say, The article we published, which we titled, "The Testing and Fall of Satan," was absolutely a divine revelation; and I have to tell you, I have not had one critic from anywhere that paper has gone. No one has ever criticized it. In 1974, when we were in Africa, we were in the city of Takoradi. They asked me to speak at a college in the afternoon class. I thought, What will I preach to college students? When we got there, all the students came into the auditorium. I say again, They were college students, not high school students. I thought again, What am I going to talk on, that will interest them? During the time they were conducting the preliminaries, suddenly it was like a bolt of lightening in my mind, and like the Lord just said, Preach on the prehistoric world. I took that as

my subject, not knowing how they would respond, and very quickly, I noticed that they were sitting on the edge of their seats, taking notes instead of laughing and talking as they had been. Saints: I would never tell anything just to glorify my flesh, but I wanted you to know the response I received, because it was by the leading of the Lord. God knows what people need to hear. I had one hour to preach, so I preached the prehistoric world in the time I had. When they dismissed and we were ready to leave, the teacher had all those students lined up outside the door; and every one of them shook my hand and said, Thank you for what you have said to us: please come back again. I knew I had to deliver something that would get their attention, so I was thankful to God for helping me through that; and through all the years of my ministry. I have done my best, trying to set an example and stabilize something about the message, what we believe about the man, what we believe the man was sent for, what the true message is; and let people know that I am

standing for truth, waiting for the time when God will raise up a ministry of men that will fulfill the ranks of what His word declares His end time Church will have. Year by year, I have seen that taking place. I am thankful for what God has raised up in this hour of time, as we approach the end of grace for Gentiles.

### **BROTHER BRANHAM'S OWN WORDS**

I want to get back here in the seals book, what I turned to on page 567, and read that: It is important, that we get this in his own words. To those on the internet, and to those who would hook on later to hear what I have said, brothers and sisters, never have I stood here just to be a one man showpiece for anything. I have never liked that. I said, I have got to stand until God raises up men to fulfill the ranks of the end time ministry. They will do the job, and they will do it by divine leadership of the Spirit of God: That is what will make it so perfect. Perfection is not in man: it is in God's leadership. Those men will take the things of truth and put them in a simple way that people

around the world can understand and be edified; and be brought together in unity, so that we all can truly become one. I say to you, Any movement that winds up with only the image of one man at the head of it, is not going to be in the Bride of Christ. God never sent His man to this generation for anything like that. I pray you everyone understand what I mean. Let us read now. On page 567 , Bro. Branham has talked about the Third Pull being so humble. I read it this morning: where he was asked about the ministry, Will the Bride have a ministry? He said, Yes, apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, and it will be so humble. I ask those of the movement, When is that going to be fulfilled? You have had thirty eight years to fulfill it; and you do not even think that way. I can say this tonight, Right now, the quoting element of the movement would not even listen to such a thing. They do not want a ministry: they just want it to stay on paper. Yes, the prophet said it, but....but....but....you see, it is like this, and you get no scriptural answer. Those buts become big

excuses that are going to get all of you in trouble. As I read these words, I know they were not spoken by that man in vain. If he said the third pull would be so humble, and if he said there would be a ministry so humble, that is exactly what he meant; and what I have seen fulfilling it has been just like that. After thirty eight years since he left us, it is fulfilled. On page 567, in the first paragraph, he is just giving remarks about the seven thunders, but in the middle of the page, notice how he says this. *“Now, when this gets on tape, which it is, that’ll probably send ten thousand of my friends away from me, because they’re going to say that Brother Branham is trying to put himself and make himself a servant or a prophet or something before God.”* Well I certainly did not have any problem with that. I saw that the man was a prophet. He sure was not a doctor of divinity. When I saw that little man stand and look over an audience, and describe the type of dress or clothing that someone had on, and then say, You are not from this state, you are from such and such a

city, and your street address is such and such, Is that right? Do you believe God can heal you of that cancer? I knew that was not coming from a doctor of divinity: He was a man God was using to re-characterize Jesus Christ, because he was exposing the secrets of their hearts and telling society what was wrong. I will never forget, one night in Columbia South Carolina. We had already been in North Carolina, where he had a meeting. He was only to be at this place for two nights, so we went. That first night he preached a simple sermon on Jesus in the boat with his disciples, sailing across the Sea of Galilee. He took the same occasion and began to dramatize it. As he would come to certain points, you could see he was telling how the disciples were discussing everything one with another. It made you feel like you were right there in the boat with them, but it was all based upon Jesus, there in the boat with His disciples. It was how God used him to dramatize this, that made it so real. Right there from that platform, he told people what was wrong with them

and that God had healed them. I said, This is none other than God using the same gift that was in Jesus Christ, demonstrating the power of God to this generation. That is what made me say, The man, (from the standpoint of Malachi) was that prophet, but the gift of healing that was in him was the same gift that was manifested in the person of Christ. I believe all of you understand that. He characterized two individuals, biblically. As I studied this whole thing and examined it carefully, I realized, if he was sent by God to restore us back to the faith of our fathers, (as we express it) then God would raise up a ministry of apostles. Why? Because the apostle is the next thing that comes on the scene. As I said this morning, True revelation does not start with evangelists. It never started with teachers either. Do you get my point? When Jesus left the scene, there had been no evangelists on the scene, neither the prophets of the New Testament era: All that were sent forth in the work of the ministry were apostles. From the congregations that were formed by

the ministry of the apostles, the other ministries all rose up and began to fill the ranks. There was perfect harmony in purpose, because they were all working to accomplish one intended purpose. Later on, that antichrist spirit began to muddy the water, but Jesus had said that would happen.

### **BROTHER BRANHAM** **REVEALED ANOTHER** **MINISTRY**

Let me now get back to reading from the seals book. Bro. Branham said, *“Let me tell you, my brethren, that is an error! (So he refused to have people refer to him as a big shot or something.) I’m only telling you what I seen and what has been told to me, and you do whatever you want to. I don’t know who’s going to...what is going to take place. I do not know. I just know that those seven thunders hold that mystery, that Heavens was quieted. Everybody understand? (Now watch.) It may be time. It may be the hour now, that this great person that we’re expecting to rise on the scene may rise on the scene. Maybe this ministry that I have tried to take people back to the Word has*

*laid a foundation; and if it has, I'll be leaving you for good. There won't be two of us here at the same time.* (I will never forget the time when he said it. There won't be two of us here at the same time. I wrote here at the bottom, It is Jesus in his ministry. How many understand? That is all it could be. It is not Jesus in person, but it is Jesus in the ministry that is to raise up and fulfill exactly what he was sent here to do.) *If it is, he'll increase, I'll decrease.*" That is exactly the same thing that John the Baptist said. As I look at this, I can say, Yes, as humbly as I know how, I can see now, why God used his image to keep encouraging me, because God knew I would not get out here and make a one man show out of this work that is left to do. I have stood for this revelation for thirty eight years; and everywhere I have gone, I have stood to give God the opportunity to raise up a ministry for this hour of time. There has got to be a ministry of God called and God led men around the world here at the end. God knows what their callings are, what their potentials are and what

their efforts will produce for His glory. It is not up to me to do the calling: It is God that will raise it up. As I look at myself, I can see how I have been used by God, by His grace and leadership, to spearhead and set something in motion that has got to come. After thirty eight years, thank God, He has done it, because it has all been done by His direction. I can honestly say, We have touched every major subject, prophetic-wise, that is found in the Bible. We have done our best to keep it simple. Nobody in this world, has been given a reason to hang a rainbow on us. Do you understand what I mean by that? He said, It will be so humble. Well I can say now, God knows how to humble you and keep you humble. He knows how to use you, how to lead you; and how to restrain you when necessary. As long as you do not see some end picture that reveals to you that you are going to be something great, you have nothing to strive to be like. You just go from year to year, from day to day, by the grace of God, doing what He shows you to do. I can say tonight,



God has fulfilled His purpose. We are approaching the end; and we can be sure of this one thing, God makes no mistakes: He moves everything and every one according to what His own purpose dictates.

### **EXPOSING ERROR**

Now I am going to show you something. Let those squawk who want to squawk. Here is the Church Ages book. (I was there when Bro. Branham preached the Church Ages messages, December 1960, so I know what I am talking about. I am reading this to every believer that has trusted in us to present something of truth when we stand to minister. Down at the bottom of page 327, Dr. Lee Vale says this, Bro. Branham did not say it. I say again, Dr. Lee Vale injected this himself: It does not belong here. When Bro. Branham preached on the seven church ages, he did not make a statement like this. This particular part I will read to you was not even in the original seven church age sermons. *“Now this messenger of Mal. 4 and Rev. 10:7 is going to do two things. (This is what Lee Vale says: Bro. Branham*

did not say it.) *One: According to Mal. 4 he will turn the hearts of the children to the fathers. (Well, that is true.) Two: He will reveal (notice) the mysteries of the seven thunders in Rev. 10 (Bro. Branham did not even preach anything like this in December 1960. He never even said these things. He was preaching on the church ages, and said nothing about thunders. Notice now what he says, seven thunders in Rev. 10...) which are the revelations contained in the seven seals. It will be these Divinely revealed ‘mystery-truths’ that literally turn the hearts of the children to the Pentecostal fathers.”* In the original church age sermons, that was not even there, because what he is actually saying, that the seven thunders back here is the revelation of the seven seals. Well, here is the seals that he preached, and he never even said a thing like that. He only brought six seals, not seven. Right up here, he is talking about the seven thunders, but he plainly tells you they have not even been revealed yet. I say to Dr. Lee Vale, You have brought reproach upon a man God greatly

used in our time; and there are some that do not have enough backbone to admit it. Why do you say that Bro. Jackson? When Sis. Branham was still alive and in the hospital, it was quite awhile before she was able to be sent home. When she did come home, my wife and I went to see her one day. While visiting with her, Sis. Branham said to me, Bro. Jackson, have you seen the book yet, the one Lee Vale has edited? I said, Well, I just got it. She said to me, Billy said, that if he had gotten to read the manuscript as he would have liked to, he would not have allowed it to be published. That is what she said to me; and I am telling it to the world, because believers have a right to know the truth. Spoken Word Publications has pushed that out there for this number of years as though it was Thus saith the Lord, when in reality, the man who edited this, projected a thought and idea of his very own into it, which made Bro. Branham say something he did not say at any time, ever. When you do read what he says about the thunders in the seals messages, he does not say anything like that at

all. Regardless of how many of them want to climb a wall, fume and fuss and denounce me, it is time for people to know the truth about these things. Those legalist church order enforcers are all alike: They get something in their head and there is no changing their thinking. When church order was made, right at the ending of 1963, Bro. Branham did not make that for it to be a universal doctrine for the Church of the living God. He made it to correct an error of misconduct that was disrupting the services. During the time the church ages were preached, and also the seals, people were moving into this area from just about everywhere. Some of them were not even half living what they were supposed to be believing. I look back, at how I helped some of those people move here, and think of how we took food to some of them, simply because we felt sorry for them. I even bought coal for some, as well as take them groceries. Many of them moved here, out of the will of God, just to be where Bro. Branham was. One particular man, they could not open up to for a

testimony, because he always had a testimony about half a mile long. You would just as soon hear a bunch of dogs barking, as to listen to all he had to say. It got so terribly disgusting, because he was one of those long winded talkers that thought every word he uttered was glorifying God. It was monotonous to listen to, and was getting on peoples' nerves. When they got to playing the tapes to Bro. Branham, he realized something had to stop this particular stuff, because he did not want his congregation to be known to have that kind of characters in it. It was also a misuse of certain gifts. Things like that, are why he made an order, (not a doctrine), but an order. Well, Bro. Jackson, how do you know so much? I will let you decide that. After church order had been in effect through 1964, one of the deacons of the Tabernacle took that tape that was just for that assembly, made copies and sent them all over the world. When Bro. Branham had that tape made, that was just for the Tabernacle, he said, at the end of it, Now when you have done this, then we will see what God would have

us to do. However people began to call, knowing that Bro. Branham was going to do something and asked, Can I have the tape? Can I have the tape? So six months later, that church order tape had gone all over the world. A church that I had been in for meetings before that, where they had played a banjo and tambourines, and the gifts operated, they shut everything down. Well out in Depauw Indiana, there was the family of people Bro. Branham was real close to, the George Wright family. (Many of you have heard their name mentioned on tapes. They had a daughter, Sis. Edith.) Before Bro. Branham would leave Tucson to come back here, he would always call the Wright family and tell them, I am coming back. In late 1965, he told the Wright family two things, I am coming back for the Christmas season, and I have a sermon I am going to preach. "The Trail of the Serpent," and I am going to take out church order and do away with it. We were good friends of the Wright family, so Sis. Wright called us and told me these words. The sad part was, he never

got back here, so he never got to take out church order, because they did not know he was going to do it. How many understand? He never did get to preach, "The Trail of the Serpent." I am saying these things tonight, knowing we have done our best to stand for truth, I will not lie about anything. I have no reason to lie. I have no reason to try to build myself into something God has not called me to be. As I look back through thirty eight years, I say, Thank you Lord. They can throw all the stuff at us they want to. Every last one of you are a product of what we have labored to do. Around this world there are men that are going to take this truth, and I want them to know, I defend every word of it with my own life. I will not bow nor bend to anybody, because those who would have me to are just looking for an argument. I am not worried about how many e-mail letters of criticism I get. I am going to say in return, You do not tie my shoes and you do not butter my bread, so I owe you nothing but the truth. If it were not for you, my faithful brothers and sisters sitting here, what good would it do me to

stand here and say these things? Well I believe God ordained this time to prepare us for whatever lies ahead.

## **IDOLATRY AND** **ABOMINATIONS**

When we started this message titled "The Great Mystery," I introduced to you what that great mystery is, how it came into a time of fulfillment, and how it is progressing to this point. Well we are living in the ending of the age of Grace, the time which that mystery pertains to; and we are the end time product that is being perfected before the coming of the Lord. God has been calling Gentiles out of denominational bondage, restoring the apostolic faith and doctrines of the Church in the book of Acts; and leading the entire called out group into a bond of total unity. God's purpose in all of this, is to bring the true Church of this hour of time back to the apostolic picture we see in the book of Acts and set everything in motion for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. That is only accomplished by those who stand for a pure revelation of truth, so

naturally Satan has his evil forces coming against anyone who fits into this picture. That is why I was not surprised to receive an e-mail from a man out west, (I will not mention his name.) which is very critical of anybody that says anything about what should be going on, now that Bro. Branham has passed off the scene. He has meticulously gone through Bro. Branham's sermons and taken out of them every word he ever preached, every vision and statement, and put all of it together to make it an infallible proof (in his mind) that Bro. Branham has to come back from the dead to fulfill all the unfinished things he did not get a chance to fulfill while he was here, such as the tent ministry, the third pull, the trumpets, and on down through the book of Revelation. He emphatically states, Bro. Branham is supposed to be on earth at the time, and he is supposed to be the one that is going to perfect the Church and get it ready for the coming of the Lord. Now if you know anything about the Bible, you know better than that, but there are an awful lot of people on earth

today that worship Bro. Branham and attribute to him what belongs only to God, so let us just look at a little background the Bible makes so clear to us. John the Baptist came on the scene two thousand years ago, coming right out of the Law Age, (You can find that in Matthew 3:1...) to fulfill his calling. He said, Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. What he was announcing was a new dispensation, a new order. He did not explain what all it consisted of: he just announced a new dispensation. A short time later, Jesus came on the scene and picked right up on the same thing, saying, Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. He began to bring out some details and things that pertained to the kingdom of heaven. When we read on over into the years just prior to His crucifixion, He gave to the disciples, in Matthew 13, seven parables that have a definite purpose. The denominations read those parables and treat them as though they are unimportant. Well we know He was breaking down this dispensation of the kingdom of

heaven into seven distinct periods. He was showing you in advance, that the Church, within this period of time, will go through these seven stages as it moves through time, and will be affected by the different things brought on by the onslaught of Satan. In each period, Satan's presence was different. We find, that as the Church began to lose her original founders in death, (the apostles that preached a pure revelation) Satan had his instruments on the scene to pervert the true revelation just a little at a time, but over a period of time this really made a difference as to what the apostles of Jesus taught the people. Eventually, what was referred to as the gospel, did not even come close to the original teachings under the ministry of the apostles. Let us take a look at how the Church started. First, here came John the Baptist. He did his part and did it well. Here came Jesus, and for three and one half years, He fulfilled His ministry, and fulfilled it perfectly, but He did not put the Church in her earthly state. He promised them this, Tarry in Jerusalem until ye be endued with

power from on high. All this was on a certain condition, that they who believed tarry in Jerusalem. When the 120 tarried in Jerusalem, in an upper room, then the Holy Ghost fell and the Church was born. Jesus was not there in person when that took place: He was on the Father's throne, sitting there as High Priest, interceding before the Father for all who believed and confessed their faith in what was accomplished at Calvary, when He (Jesus) suffered and died to pay the sin debt of all mankind. He began to perform the intercessory work for each and every individual that will ever be called into this glorious plan of salvation.

### **ABOUT THE CHURCH**

When the Church started, there were only the twelve apostles, but a short time later God brought Paul, (which was Saul of Tarsus) into the number of apostles, and he was ordained to be the apostle to the Gentiles. I want to speak this very clearly: The Church started out in the first age with only the apostles leading the way, preaching the doctrines by the revelation God had given them. All of the doctrines we

find here in the epistles of the New Testament were by pure revelation. None of it is written by teachers, prophets, evangelists and pastors. Every bit was written by apostles. It was necessary for the Church to go forth under that headship. Then, a few years later, we see Paul writing about how God has set in the Church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers. Of course he did not bring in all the ministries at that time, but rather said, After that the gifts of miracles, healing, and so forth. Then later on, in the Ephesian Epistle, he named a five fold ministry, and specified what they, working in unity, (my words) would do for, and in the Church. (Eph 4:11-13) "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ." That is the five

fold ministry in the Church, that we have heard so much about; and once it has come into its fullness there will be a definite work for it to perform, but not every man with his own idea about things: they will all be in total unity concerning revelatory things and conduct.

### **SATAN'S ATTACKS**

By the time 500 A.D. rolled around, Satan had attacked the Church from every possible angle until little by little, every doctrine of the New Testament Church had been gnawed at until they were not recognizable as being what the apostles of Christ taught. By the time the first century of Christianity closed out, all the original apostolic ministry was dead. There were no more men being raised on the scene that were like that early five fold ministry. They were all different men, having different capacities, but none of them were ever called apostles or any such like. The reason I am bringing this out, is because, as time reached 500 A.D. the Church had been robbed of so much of the foundational teachings that they started out with, she

finally went into the Dark Ages. There was no gospel light shining. From 500 until 1520 A.D. when the Reformation started, the Church had lost its foundation; and that resulted in it losing its faith in God: Faith rested in the system of religion with its traditions and ceremonies, and in its rituals of so called Christianity. God was not going to let the true Church be raptured in that kind of condition. That is why it was necessary, starting in 1520, after Martin Luther had nailed his 95 theses to the church house door in Wittenberg Germany, to start a process of restoration through what we refer to as the Reformation. Following Martin Luther, came others such as Calvin, Knox and John Wesley. Then, at the turn of the twentieth century, here came the Pentecostal move of the Spirit of God. Still there was not a five fold ministry in the Church. Furthermore men were still debating about the things that God is seeking to restore to the Church. Denominations of every sort multiplied in the realm of what was supposed to be Christianity and

remain yet. However for the end time windup, God sent a prophet messenger to this age of Laodicea, a man He used, to clear up misconceptions of what true Christianity really is. His name was William Marrion Branham. He fulfilled what God called him to fulfill in this generation and God called him home. Some received the revelation he stood for, and others just clung on to him and made him a god, still believing he is going to return from the dead to finish up what they believe only he can fulfill in the plan of God. I have said over and over; and I say it again today, He is not going to be resurrected to finish up anything they are expecting. His ministry on earth was completed. I just want to say at this time, as a rebuttal to the man who wrote the e-mail to me about this. You can write all you want to and try to explain whatever you think you can explain to me, but you will not change my mind one bit. Regardless of how old or how educated you are, I say emphatically and will not change, Bro. Branham is not coming back to finish up what you think he left



undone, or did not get to fulfill before he was killed in that automobile accident. What you are believing and trying to force off on others, is just your own carnal ideas, with no scriptural foundation whatsoever. You are a man, and there are many more like you, that do not want God to use anyone else for anything pertaining to further revelation of his word. Well Sir. You are on a cold trail, with a lost cause: I refuse to be a puppet or a copy cat catering to your kind. God did not call men to be puppets: He called men to be individuals that could hear his voice and be led of Him. I am fully aware of what God used Bro. Branham to do, but Bro. Branham did not restore everything that the true Bride Church must have. You can go on saying he was supposed to, but the simple fact is, he did not; and he will not! You need to get hold of some common sense, scripturally speaking. God is going to do some restoration His own way, without your approval.

### **THE VOICE**

Let us turn to the book of Revelation. We are living in the hour when what we find written

here, is hanging over our head and we are passing through that season. We find in the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter, 7<sup>th</sup> verse, “But in the days of the voice (Notice it said voice. That does not necessarily mean the articulating sound of his vocal chords, because when the apostle Paul was writing in the book of Acts, concerning the writings of the other prophets of old, he spoke to them as a voice in their hour of time. Therefore what they wrote, is a voice to man coming along later. Though the man himself is dead and gone, his message is still a voice because it is the truth. In the days of the voice, and I am going to say, In the days of the message...) of the seventh angel, (He himself has come, fulfilled his earthly work and left the scene.) when he shall begin to sound, (That goes back just shortly before God took him, when he began to express the various things. God brought through him the revelation of six seals, not seven.) the mystery of God (The message, began to be sounded to this age, and a short time later God took the physical man from us, but He did not take the voice, because that

pertains to the things that had been spoken.) should.” The word should be a progressive word, that does not mean instantly: it means progressively. It literally means all that the man brought, has to be understood by the elect people that will be the Bride of Christ in the end time. They have to see clearly what it all points to. Also within that frame of time, God will raise up a ministry which will be the third phase of what He is starting to do in restoring the Bride to originality. This is the part, I have to say, that the overall movement does not want anyone else to do or even have any part in. You can say that God sent a prophet, but then if God was to say he was going to raise up other men, you deny that fact and refuse to listen to anyone else. That is to your own hurt. I am so thankful that God, by His grace, allowed me to live and sit under the ministry of the prophet messenger to this age. After having known the man and being able to sit under him, I have been able to minister in many places throughout this country and around the world. Needless to say, I am thankful to

God for what He has allowed me to see by divine revelation, as well as what I learned from him. Those who refuse to accept anything he did not preach will tell you, There cannot be any more revelation after the death of the prophet. Well I will say to everyone in this world that hears this, That is as far from the truth as anyone can get. Bro. Jackson, you should be careful when you say that. I had a man tell me that years ago, when I spoke the truth about that sort of thing and I said to him, That is exactly what I have been doing. I do not speak carelessly about these things. He had said to me, How do you feel about 1977? I said, It would not surprise me a bit, when 1977 comes and goes, if we are all still here. He replied, Oh Bro. Jackson, I would be careful! I was careful. The fact is, 1977 has come and gone, and the rapture has not taken place. He is still here and so am I, but he never has said, Bro. Jackson, you were right. I say this morning, I do not want to sound foolish, but I have to say, when God begins to deal with a human being to show some revelation of things, He is not going

to do it in a way that the old crowd is going to run and jump in His lap. They never have and they never will. I was privileged to sit under the ministry of Bro. Branham and I enjoyed every minute of it, but I realize his death did not leave God without human vessels He could use in the ministry. When he taught serpent seed, back in the early 1950's I thought, My goodness, how is this ever going to be accepted? Back then, the American language was very different and the word sex, was not commonly heard in a public way. Nevertheless as we went on through the years, more and more things changed, so by the time we came to the middle of the 1950's, they were teaching it in schools. Then it became apparent that America was on its way toward a great invasion of tearing down our old culture and language barriers, and there would be things exposed and said in places where it would have made you blush fifty years ago. Now look how it is today on TV, and what a shame it is. Well what I started to say was this, God gave me by divine revelation what I brought out last Sunday, about the

prehistoric world. I am thankful to God for what He has seen fit to reveal to me through the years. It was for the Bride Church, so we put it in print and sent it around the world. In all this time, none of these characters who are opposed to this teaching have ever touched it themselves. Many times I have asked, Why do they not teach something? Why do they just sit back and find fault? But no, they always wait, saying, Bro. Branham has to do that: it takes a prophet to speak revelatory things. Well I want to say in rebuttal to that, The New Testament was not written by prophets: it was written by apostles. Bro. Branham came on the scene and did his part, but that was not the end of what God anoints His ministry to do. There was yet many things that God would reveal to the Bride Church before the end of her journey on earth.

### **GOD'S ORDER- BRINGS** **ABOUT HIS PURPOSE**

Let me explain something to you. Coming out of the Old Testament Era, John the Baptist was a prophet. Was he not? He introduced Jesus

the Messiah, so he was the Messenger of the Old Testament, ordained to fore run His (Jesus') first advent. God said to Moses, (Deu 18:18) "I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in His mouth; and He shall speak unto them all that I shall command Him. (19) And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which He shall speak in my name, I will require it of him." Jesus was the prophet that God said He would raise up, that would be like unto Moses. Was he not exactly that? once He goes to the cross and gave His life to pay the price for reconciliation of the world, since He is raised from the dead, we look at Him from this side, and He is now the Apostle and High Priest of our profession. (Heb 3:1) "Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus; (2) Who was faithful to Him that appointed Him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house." The word apostle means one sent with a

message. He does not have to have a halo hanging over his head or anything like that: It is the revelation and understanding he has of God's word. What I want you to know is, As the years came and went, I said, Lord, I will never teach serpent seed until I know what the tree of life in the midst of the garden was. I meant it: I had to know that first. We passed through the year of 1966. I already explained last Sunday what God had done with me by showing me different dreams of Bro. Branham coming and telling me certain things, but I kept going ahead with the thought in my mind, I will never touch the serpent seed teaching until I know what the tree of life symbolized. In my mind, I knew that if the one tree was introducing a sex act, the other tree had to pertain to something about a sex act: I just needed to know how is fit together. I had listened to Bro. Branham through the years, and I have heard those other characters repeat first one thing and then another, like, Well he said in one place that sex was not the way to repopulate the earth, but it was by

the spoken word. I have said this to the various critics, Then who was supposed to speak the word, the man or the woman? Think about it. It is one thing to throw a statement out there, but there has got to be a basic meaning somewhere behind it, if it is to be worth mentioning. Well in 1968, I was in another state, in a meeting. The meeting had already gone on for a week when I was asked certain questions one night, Bro. Jackson, when are you going to teach on serpent seed? In answer to that, I said, I will do that when God leads me to, but in my heart I said, I will never teach it until I know what the fruit off the tree of life was. I heard someone ask Bro. Branham the question, What was the tree of life? He replied, It was Christ. In Africa I said, If that be the case, then in what form was it Christ? Was it the man standing there? Can you see how foolish it is just to quote a statement when you yourself, have no idea whatsoever how to apply it to an understanding? There has got to be some basic meaning to anything worth hearing. I will never forget, one night after the

meeting: I had already gone back to the motel, I had prayed, Lord, I will never touch on this until I know what that fruit from the tree of life was. I was very concerned about ever dealing with this subject, but during the night God gave me a dream that gave me the answer. That is when I knew I could speak the truth on this subject and not offend anyone.

### **AN ENLIGHTENING DREAM**

I went to bed one night and fell into a beautiful dream, a dream in which I saw myself like I was a sick man in a hospital. In the dream, I knew I was to have an operation. I saw myself in the hospital bed, I saw two men dressed in white come into the room, they pulled my bed out, took me off of it and put me on another type bed and wheeled me down a long hallway. In my dream, I knew I was on the way to the operating room. I then saw myself pushed into the operating room. It seemed like they hooked me up to a bunch of different things; and then someone else in white walked in. I could never see a facial feature: I only remember the white

uniform moving about me. As it moved up to one side of me, it seemed like these interns took the other side. Then I heard the last one in white begin to say, Hand me such and such. It seemed like I could see myself being given an anesthetic. As that happened, my spirit left my body. Do not ever let anyone tell you your spirit is just a bunch of hot air: I know better. I have a reason for saying that, because your spirit is the real you: The real you, is not that body of clay you live in. That spirit is the real you: That is what your life is. Well I saw my spirit raise up out of my body and just float over it, so I just stood in the air looking down and watching them work. The physician cut my head open, and I saw him lay my skull open, just like there were hinges on the back. I saw my brain lying there. I saw his hands, so delicately, take my brain and lift it up and place it in one hand. With the index finger of his other hand, he began to trace lines. It was not done in a hurry: it was very slow and delicate the way he traced the lines. As I stood in the corner watching, I thought, When

they are finished, I am going to know something I did not know before. I kept watching until finally the finger reached a stopping point. Then he very cautiously took the brain and laid it back in my skull. I knew from that, the minute he took my skull and closed it, I would know something I did not know before. When my skull was closed, I was immediately wide awake, with the thought, Genesis 3:16 on my mind. Let us turn to that and read it. After I had this dream, I said, Lord, I ask that you give me the right language and the proper way to express certain words in these things, because this is a mixed congregation of my brothers and sisters, and Lord, I do not want to make my speech sound vulgar or in any way derogatory. I want my speech to sound like you have ordained every word that is spoken. That was the one thing that always held me back from wanting to become involved in dealing with this subject. You can read where God has called for Adam, and Adam comes out of the bushes, God has asked Adam, Where are thou? He said, (Gen 3:10) "I heard

thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. God asked him, “Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?” What did Adam say. Well, the woman that you gave me, she is to blame. God said to the woman, “What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.” That is like the old saying, The devil made me do it. (Gen 3:14) “And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; (That serpent was not a snake hanging in a tree, he was a two legged creature, and looked much like man. He might have looked a just like the Neanderthal man we hear so much about, one of the last prehistoric creatures. I will say for sure, That serpent creature had a vocal communicating ability, because God had made him to be a servant to mankind. God then cursed the serpent saying...) Upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy

life. (That did not mean he would literally eat dirt, but rather, that his food would be gotten in the midst of the dirt, because he would have to pick out insects from which he would have to get his livelihood.) And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; (God said, I will put enmity between thy seed, what is the serpent’s seed? It is his offspring. What is the woman’s seed? It has to be her offspring.) it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. (That is pointing to the time the Lord would do that at His crucifixion. In verse 16, we find these words to the woman...) I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee. (If there are any college students listening, I know you have heard all you want to about evolution, that we all came from some cell life somewhere. I am so sick and tired of that cell life junk, I am going to say this, That cell life they speak of, did not have brains enough to know to grow into what it has become today. I have

some things to say along that line during this message.) I will greatly (greatly) multiply thy sorrow (Now let us look at that. When you multiply something, what do you do? You work from something that is already there. You cannot multiply zero times zero and come up with a number. This lets us know that somewhere in the process, on the woman's part, there was to be a certain amount of physical suffering or sorrow.) and thy conception; (When you take that word and use it in the medical term, it means a woman's ability and act by which her body produces a certain thing called the egg, at a certain time in her period. That, and that alone, as she has relationship with her mate, is where there is a seed, and a sperm mated that is conception which then produces pregnancy on her part. Notice though, I will greatly multiply, not only thy sorrow, and thy conception, but a period.) in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; (Here are the end results. The Lord was saying to her, (and it was passed down to every woman since then) You will not only have

sorrow in childbirth, it will be multiplied, so there can be much agony, much suffering. Only God knows, how many women have suffered and died in childbirth. Think of Jacob's wife, she died in childbirth. The Jews still have her tomb today. I am not here to specialize on this, but I want you to notice these words. I will greatly multiply, meaning I will multiply something that is already there. The Lord is saying to Eve, I am going to multiply the physical sufferings that you normally would have. I am also going to multiply the periods by which you would get this way.) and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee." From that you would have to say, God, to a degree, took away a part of her headship. When I woke up from that dream, I went and got my Bible and read this. I could then see for the first time in my life, Eve would definitely have born children in the plan of God, if she had not yielded to the seduction of that sly serpent. Listen carefully now, and do not take my remarks and treat them lightly. I have asked God to help me say these things in



a godly way, to have a saintly meaning. If Eve, the day that serpent came to her and began to start a conversation, (*I will say this, That conversation lasted longer than one day. You know that dirty devil, how he can come slipping around. He began to introduce through this conversation, certain words. Why do you talk like that Bro. Jackson? All because the Lord said, Because you hearkened. When you hearken to somebody, it does not mean you yield the first time they say something. It means they just keep ding donging, ding donging, until finally, Well O.K., let's get it over with.*) would have said to the serpent, (*Since he was a servant, created to be a servant to Adam and Eve, she could have spoken so.*) Listen George, (*just a name I use*) you had better leave me alone, or I am going to tell Adam what you are trying to get me to do, then it would have been a different picture for the entire human race. I can see him tuck his head and run off. But no, over a period of hours, a day or two, or whatever, she finally hearkened and submitted herself to his advances. Therefore

when she ate (or partook) of this forbidden fruit, she entered into this relationship strictly for pleasure: not to bring children into the world according to the plan of God.

### **EXPLAINING ADAM AND EVE'S DISOBEDIENCE**

Because Eve's period was coming in when she submitted to the serpent's persuasion, she conceived by the act with the serpent; and then went right to her husband and persuaded him to do exactly what God had forbidden them to do (enter into this act strictly for pleasure) and she conceived by him also. That is how she gave birth to two sons, one by the serpent and the other by her husband, (Cain and Abel) but it was all a result of partaking of the sex act strictly for pleasure, instead of for the purpose of repopulating the earth according to the law of the tree of life. I am saying this to give everyone an understanding of why we have so much trouble in the world. When she entered into this relationship with the serpent creature for pleasure, and then went to Adam, she was not talking about

something Adam knew nothing about. Adam did not want to listen to her for awhile, but when he got to thinking it over he realized, if I refuse her, then God is going to kill her and I will be left here alone. Therefore he submitted to his wife's persuasion and partook of this relationship strictly for pleasure, just like she and the serpent had done. Neither act was for the purpose of conception to bring forth children. Because of their disobedience, God drove them out of His presence. It speaks as though He drove them out of that geographical area, but in reality, He only removed His overshadowing presence, or as I have explained many times, He removed the heavenly atmosphere He had placed them in. They would no longer be able to move freely between heaven and earth. They became earthbound creatures. That is why, when you read in Genesis, it is on the outside of the garden that she bares two sons, Cain and Abel. I will say this, to bring it back to the tree of life, If she would have said, Get away from me George! she would have waited according to

God's plan, until this period which would have set up in her body, would cause her to go to Adam and say, It is time for us to make love. Then that relationship between her and Adam would have brought forth offspring by the law of the tree of life. Those children would have had eternal life abiding in them, and death never would have been in the picture at all. At those times in her life, that relationship would have been her choice, because it was given unto her to know the correct time. When she would feel this period begin to set up in her body, she would have known precisely when to have said to Adam, It is time for us to make love. There would have been nothing derogatory about it, or sinful in any way. Their motive would have been pure, and strictly to serve God's purpose. That relationship from either tree, fills the earth with offspring, but those from the tree of knowledge of good and evil have filled the earth with sin and evil; and only those who are reborn through faith in the work at Calvary, fulfilled by our precious Lord and savior Jesus Christ, are

ever delivered from the ultimate consequences awaiting lost, sinful and unrepentant mankind. In that right relationship, Eve would have conceived from her husband only. Since it was not introduced to her spirit for pleasure, but only as a means to reproduce one of their kind, once the act had been partaken of and fulfilled, she would have conceived by that and bore a son or daughter. Nine months from conception, there would have been another Christ-like child born. That is the best I can explain it. Do you understand that? In Isaiah, Christ is referred to as the righteous branch, so He is out of the tree of life, grafted into this tree of flesh down here, yet He is eternal life. To speak plainly, If Eve would have waited according to God's commission to them, she would have given birth to a son or daughter that would have been a reproduction of a divine person, sinless and totally innocent. However because she dually conceived, she gives birth to Cain as well as Abel. Because they were conceived from an act of pleasure, then death was imputed. Is it not written, By the disobedience of

one, many were made sinners? We are all born in sin, because of the pleasure relationship in the garden: That is because God had already established a law. Everything in God's creation works the way it does, because God established a law regulate it. Naturally man had messed around with the genetics until he is able to regulate some things, but otherwise the law of reproduction is as God started it out. Ever since the day God cursed the woman's reproduction abilities, no young woman has ever been able to know exactly when to have that relationship in order to conceive, or whether she will not conceive, because that knowledge was forfeited in the disobedience. She has lost that and it cannot be restored to God's original plan in this era of time. That is why, for six thousand years, when a young man and woman meet and decide to get married, they are living under a pleasure relationship, because we are living off the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

## **WHAT GOD TOOK AWAY** **WE NOW HAVE ACCESS** **TO BY THE NEW BIRTH**

Let us now look at what we have been talking about in reality. Out in the denominational realm of religion, they want to think that those two trees grew out of the ground. That is nonsense. It tells you there that out of the ground the Lord brought forth all the various trees that were for food, but the other two trees were in the midst of the garden. It does not say those two trees grew out of the ground. Does it? They did not: They symbolized two laws; that of good and evil, or obedience and disobedience to the will of the Creator. When they had partaken of this forbidden tree, it brought condemnation upon all mankind. The Lord has said to His angelic helpers, (Gen 3:22) “And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: (23) Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from

whence he was taken.” Sure, I know it sounds like he drove them away from that area of the world, but in reality, God just lifted that heavenly presence He had placed around them. That is when they became earthbound. That is carnality, to keep thinking God drove them out of a geographical location. When God lifted that garden presence, which was a touch of paradise they had become accustomed to, they could no longer communicate with that wonderful place we all long to see. Would it not be nice today, living here on this earth, if we could live also in a little bit of heaven like Adam and Eve did in the beginning? At times, when the anointing of the Lord comes into a service and everybody begins to rejoice, everybody is shouting and praising the Lord, and you feel the closeness, the goodness and mercy of the Lord, you think, Oh, this is a little bit of heaven on earth, but to actually see the interior of this heaven, like Adam and Eve did at first, that would really be wonderful. We cannot do that because sin separated man from

that access. I say again, They were not driven out of a geographical spot of the earth. That is why the entire Bible was written and originated around the Fertile Crescent of the Middle East. From the Nile to the Euphrates, is where the human race started out, and there, is where the Bible happenings and the entire story originated. The point is this, when He drove them out of the garden, He lifted heaven and took away from them the knowledge of what it had been like inside. They could no longer see that tree of knowledge, so do you know where it is? It is in the mind. How many realize that? Well where is the tree of life? People will ask, Bro. Jackson: it speaks of the tree of life being in paradise of God. Yes it says that, but it is still just a symbol: It cannot be seen. In Revelation 2 it says, To him that overcometh, (This is to the believer down here.) will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of my God. What is it to eat of the tree of life now? It is to receive the Holy Ghost, which is eternal life. That is why we have to

be born again, not by a physical birth, but by a new birth which is spiritual. What we were cut off from, what we could not have access to, through the redemption work of Calvary, God has given us access to once again. Yes saints, when we receive the Holy Ghost, that is God giving back to man eternal life; and therefore the promise that in the day of God's time, this body will be changed to match what we could have had all along, if not for sin. Throughout the world I have preached this message this way, but I will never forget the first time I preached it, other than the place where I had the dream, and then preached it, was in Lordsburg New Mexico, on the last night of the meeting. I did not know who all was there. When I was finished, a young man came walking down the aisle, grabbed my hand and said, Bro. Jackson, I am a young person studying to become a medical doctor: That makes more sense to me than anything I have ever heard. A young woman walked up and said, I am a nurse, and that makes more sense to me than anything I have

ever heard. That was because it took the mystery out of what the fruit of the tree of life was, and is. It just goes to show, that if Adam and Eve would have left the tree of knowledge alone, there would later have been a relationship between the two, but it definitely would have been just for the purpose of producing another one like themselves, that would have had eternal life. That would have been according to God's perfect plan, just exactly like He wanted it to be. Their disobedience did not surprise the Creator, because by foreknowledge, He knew everything that would ever be, even before He ever started to create anything, but to have the kind of fellowship He wanted with His creation, man had to be given the choice as to whether he would obey or disobey, whether he would worship or not worship his Creator. The world today, is overrun with mortals who want nothing at all to do with God. On the other hand, there are those who delight in worshiping and serving God. They are the ones God delights in. As for the revelation of the two trees, God

did not resurrect Bro. Branham to preach it, He just picked up a little hill billy like me to do it. I was raised on a farm, with very little formal education like the society requires today, so as I look back, I thank God for a dad that knew how to teach me some basic things of life when I was around 12 or 13 years of age. He did it in a right way and a very wise way. He taught me what I needed to know, and I did not have to hear it at school, from some professor of ignorance. I am thankful to God for all He has done for me in this life. I believe children should be taught the basic things of life in the Church or at home, rather than in our carnal schools.

### **THE TRUTH ABOUT THOSE WHO REJECT THE TRUTH**

I want to say to all you young people, We have a lot of denominational people today that will say, Oh that is terrible, to teach that Eve had a sex act with the serpent, that caused man's fallen nature. Well I have to say, You who feel that way are just poor, ignorant creatures, void of revelation on what you try to teach. Take a look

at the world today, what do you have going on out there? This God hating crowd just laugh in your face, because of your feeble explanation of many things in the Bible. Sure, they laugh at us too, but not because we think the world was created in six days of twenty four hours: we know the world is millions of years old. No scientific fact takes away from what we teach, because we know about the prehistoric world; and what caused Lucifer to be cast down from his exalted place with God. Some who know the truth will ask, What are the denominations teaching and preaching like they do for? It is because the devil has come in the door of Christianity and perverted the true revelation, and they have refused to acknowledge God's prophet messenger that could have gotten them back on the right track. What the world acknowledges as Christianity today, has never had a voice loud enough and wise enough to lift up the truth. Because of professing Christians rejecting true revelation, we have a world like it is today. We can see the Spirit of God lifting from America, because

the leadership of our nation has allowed America to be turned over to Satan and his crowd. Our institutions of learning, have become institutions of teaching ignorance to our youth. They want you to know all about what science teaches, but God is kept out of the picture. They want you to know all about algebra, geometry and so forth, but spirituality and morality and anything at all about God, they want nothing said about it. I believe God wanted the society to grow up, first, to know how to appreciate Him. We went to South Africa in 1979, I believe. Johannesburg is a large city. We had been invited by a Spoken Word congregation, a large congregation, to come there. I thought, These people are so into the quotes, quotes, quotes of what Bro. Branham has preached, but I am going to preach to them about the tree of life, so I took it slowly and broke it down to make it as simple and plain as I could. When I ended that service the whole congregation was coming to me and saying, Bro. Jackson, the way you brought that out, the way you explained it made it so clear. I

could say this, There are a lot of other things in this book we call the Bible, that God has brought revelations out of since the death of Bro. Branham, and I say to people around this world, Not one of the Spoken Word preachers have dared to touch any of them, because they believe it takes a prophet to come back and straighten everything and finish what they think he was supposed to do. I want to say this, We have explained every trumpet. Right here they are, (chart.) and you do not have to be an educated professor to understand what is revealed. If you know how to read the scriptures and what the scriptures are pointing to, you know when those two prophets step on the scene, the Bible says they will have the power to shut heaven, that it rain not, they will smite the earth with all manner of plagues and so forth. That is their ministry. It says that in Revelation 11. If you notice those trumpets, they are the executing and sounding of the judgments that the two prophets will execute. There is no other way you can get a meaning out of that. Some might say, Oh, but it takes a

prophet. Well I say to you, It does not take a prophet: That is the ministry of an apostle, because it was written by an apostle. Let us understand the book and not just play with it. It was written by an apostle, not a prophet, so why should it take a prophet to preach a true revelation of them? When we come to that fourth trumpet, it is very simple. When it sounds, then the sun shown not for a third part of the day. What is that a sign of? The antichrist. Because as Christ died on the cross, what happened? The sun shown not for a certain number of hours. If that celestial light gave a sign that they have crucified the Christ of glory, then God will give the natural world the same kind of sign, but in reverse. How many understand that? From there on, is the other trumpets, it fulfills that last part of the 70<sup>th</sup> week of Daniel. There will not be an Old Testament prophet here explaining it, but God will have His apostles and His other ministry of this day explaining it. The reason I am saying these things this morning, we are standing right now at the threshold of the end of this age. In



the days of the sounding of the voice of that seventh angel, the mystery of what God has been doing, should be finished. God will bring it all to a climax. As Christianity has suffered conflict from opposing sides, sometimes young men get the feeling, Why do we have to put up with all that, in order to hear this? That is the battle, just like it always has been. You want to go to church where you can sit down and cross your legs, sing a song, get up and go home and have a good time. It does not work like that. When you endeavor to put on the Lord Jesus Christ in your life, you endeavor to live like Him, spiritually, morally, in principals and every way. It is the devil out here on the sidelines, that always takes every kind of negative thing and throws it in your pathway, to get some people confused, some people side tracked, and make havoc in the Church. True Christianity has fought its battles down through time. When the Lord first led my wife and me to sit under the ministry of Bro. Branham, I thought, This is the most beautiful thing I have heard in all my life. I

just wanted to sit and bask in it from then on until Jesus comes. All the time he was alive, I thought, We have got it made now: we have a prophet standing in front of us, so just believe what he is saying and you will have it made. Then the day came when God took him. No sooner did God take him, when the hurt was over and everybody began to look ahead, they began to say, Oh he has to come back from the dead. I have had that thrown in my face ever since Bro. Branham laid in the casket. No sooner did I walk into Coots Funeral Home that day, there stood a man, Bro. Jackson, he has to rise again. I said, No he does not. He said, Yes he will. True Christianity, if you are going to walk in the light as He is the light, you are going to meet opposition and conflict. You just as well get used to it. If you were ever in the army, you do not live just to get up in the morning when the trumpet is blown: there comes times when there are conflicts and battles. That is the way the devil is, concerning your Christian life. He tries his best to make life miserable and hopeless. It is up to you as an

individual, to show forth your steadfastness and courage. I know how, when Bro. Branham had passed away, I began to hear of all those negative things. I was a man who, growing up in life wanted to love everybody. I did not want to cause anyone any trouble. I will stay out of your way, there is the road, help yourself, if you want to go sixty miles an hour or ninety miles an hour, have your way. Later then, I began to realize, if you are going to live for God, there comes a time you are required to show your own determination and steadfastness. There are some that think Bro. Branham not only has to finish the tent ministry, but that he also has to finish the third pull, and finish the dream, I will ride this trail one more time.

### **SIMPLE EXPLANATION**

I want to explain something else at this point. I know exactly where that idea, I'll ride this trail one more time, came from. There was a preacher out west that had this dream. His name was Walker. He came here a week before I gave my dream to Bro. Branham on August 1, 1965. When I told Bro. Branham

in the prayer room about my dream, he said, well Bro. Jackson, there was another minister that came here last week and told me a dream almost like this. I have the dream, because it was given to me by his son. The analysis of it was, as this man saw in the dream, when he came to a fence along a big highway, it led way back to the Midwest, and that caused him to come and tell it to Bro. Branham. Because it was said, I will ride this trail one more time, everybody immediately interpreted it that he has to come back and have another ministry. Having said that, now let me say this, When I look back to the days when Bro. Branham began to be led by God in the latter part of 1948 and 1949 and on into 1950, he lived here in this area. His ministry always went westward toward St. Louis, maybe down into Arkansas, or across Texas, around into California, then back this way. That seemed to always be the route of his ministry. Going back to 1965, from the time that dream was told to him, and he was here when it was told, but he left here, and later he was in Shreveport Louisiana. From

there he went to Yuma Arizona for a Full Gospel Businessmen's breakfast. From there, I believe it was to Bakersfield California. Then up the coast for another meeting in California. From there he came home to Tucson. There, he made his plans to come back here to preach The Trail of the Serpent and do away with church order. Now I say to you, If he did not ride that trail one more time, my name is not Raymond Jackson. How many understand? It was not pointing to the future whatsoever. From the time that dream was told to him, that is exactly the route his ministry took. Therefore I have to say, He is not coming back to fulfill something that somebody has carnally interpreted. The third pull has been going on and they are just looking at what the prophet said, because they cannot see anything else beyond that. They will not even look in the right direction. For thirty some years, closer to forty, we have been publishing the Contender. I have an e-mail from Africa, Bro. Jackson, we appreciate what you and your faithful ones in Faith Assembly have done, you

have sent this Contender, it has answered our questions, it has helped us understand the message, and may God bless you. Year in and year out, I get these kinds of letters. No, I do not and will not get them from the Spoken Word type of people, simply because they are all hung up on looking for something they are never going to see. We get our mail from another type people, those who have eyes to see and ears to hear, and they have let the Holy Spirit lead them. I pray you will all understand that we have been doing our very best to uphold the word of God all these years and take no delight in finding fault with anyone, but from time to time, error has to be dealt with, lest unsuspecting and innocent people get hurt. Regardless of what some may say, the Spirit of revelation is still here for all who recognize it.

### **GOD IS NEVER WITHOUT A SERVANT HE CAN USE**

In the hour we now live, It is very obvious that there is something stirring in the spiritual atmosphere. Somewhere, there are people going to be dealt with in a way they have never thought about. God is

definitely going to have a people on earth that recognize truth, and they are going to know how to walk in that truth. No one should ever think God would ever be without a ministry sufficient to fulfill His word. He has raised up a ministry for this end time revelation; and He is dealing with each one to enable them to step up and fulfill what He puts upon them to do. I am on the internet tonight, so I am speaking to people around the world. I have no way of knowing how many of the followers of Bro. Branham, from the Spoken Word angle, are listening, but those who are, I want them to understand that my words are not to be understood in a negative way. For the thirty eight years since Bro. Branham's death, I have preached what God has impressed upon me to preach. If any of you who are listening out there have propagated the idea that Bro. Branham has to come back and do this and this, I will say this to every person that names the name of Jesus Christ, You will never see William Branham again until you see him in the rapture. To those that think I am speaking

negative of him, I am not speaking negative. I am only speaking negative in this sense, that there are elements among his following that are making people believe it has to be that way. You just simply do not try to understand the Bible that way. I am going back here to the beginning, where out of the Old Testament era came John the Baptist. His ministry was not long, but he introduced the Messiah. Once he introduced the Messiah, attention soon shifted to Him. Well the ministry of Jesus was only three and one half years, then He died on the cross. Did His death leave the Church to be negatively led? No. There was a ministry of apostles chosen to pick up where Jesus left off and go right on. Like I said Thursday night, That scripture in Isaiah 52:7, that Paul used as he wrote the letter to the Romans, "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of Him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!" That was Paul's revelation. John the Baptist

never referred to it, neither did Jesus refer to it, but it was the apostle Paul, the apostle to the Gentiles that could write that, months after he had been in the ministry. As he began to see in his travels, what a joy this was to people that would begin to hear the wonderful, good news of God's plan of salvation, Paul used that. That prophecy has been in fulfillment for two thousand years. Little did people realize, that one day that prophecy would come to its end. God would turn around and begin to deal with an element of people to perfect them and bring them to His last day purpose. I stand here and give thanks to God tonight, that I know beyond the shadow of a doubt, that no man told me about William Branham until after God had dealt with me in February 1952. Bro. Glenn came to my house in August and told me about Bro. Branham and what had happened down at the river. When he told those words to me, inside my heart I said, If these words be true, then this is that Malachi 4:5-6 fulfillment of the latter part, that which is to come in the last days. I

was privileged to see the man and sit under his ministry. Anything that I may say, that you may think is negative, it is not negative. I am exalting the man in the part that he was ordained to fulfill. I will say, that when we came to the hour of his ministry, he was certainly not John the Baptist, but he was to our age what John was to the era back there. He came on with a strange message, but he also came with a gift of healing. This was his introduction to the church world. When we look at this man and how he taught, the things he preached, his was truly a prophetic spirit sent to the confused end time Gentile realm of religion that was drifting further and further into confusion and chaos all the time. None of those systems could have ever produced the Bride of Christ. They all preached and propagated certain things, but they were in no shape whatsoever to be united and become as one body of true believers. It took a certain ministry to call them out of those systems of religion. These words have been used by different writers, The Malachi of our day did not restore

us to the faith, the prophecy said he “will turn the heart of the children to their fathers” thus eventually restoring the faith. You have got to stay long enough to do the job completely, but when you turn the attention of the people back to their fathers, then much is left up to something else to take over what is left off. It was in three phases back there, John the Baptist, Jesus, then the apostles. When we come over here, we start with Malachi 4 for our day, but instead of Jesus in our day, I have said this many times, Bro. Branham characterized true biblical subjects. He not only characterized the Malachi of our day, but when he reached a certain place and a certain gift was imparted to him, God was preparing him for the later hours of his ministry, the time when he would actually characterize the life and ministry of Christ: When he would stand on the platform and discern conditions and things wrong with people that were so far back in the auditorium, there was no way he could have actually described the person, except by the anointing of the Spirit of God. God

would lift the person up before him in a vision. I have to say, This man was used by God, a Gentile, yet anointed of the Spirit of God to characterize Jesus to the end time church people. He was not Jesus, but he characterized Him, therefore he was truly the angel of the seventh church age, the prophet messenger of the hour. Yes he truly characterized those two biblical subjects.

### **GOD WORKS IN STRANGE WAYS**

When God used Bro. Branham and projected him into that third pull, I realize this, I had heard him tell about the tent ministry. I told a man one time on the telephone when he asked, Bro. Jackson, how do you feel about his ministry concerning the tent? I said, I had no doubt, when I first heard him tell it years ago, when he had come down home hunting in the fall of the year. We were rabbit hunting when it began to drizzle rain: We stepped over under some trees and sat down on an old stump. Sitting there, listening to the drizzling rain, he told me about the vision he had about the tent. He said, Bro.

Jackson, I believe the day will come, I will not have to depend on the Full Gospel Businessmen or any kind of ministerial association: I could have a campaign manager to go into a certain city to acquire the facilities, like a ball park or something. Then we would move the tent in by the leadership of God, and set it up. I could stay there and preach as long as the Lord lets me preach, whether it is two or three weeks or a month. That is what he said, but after he began to relate this vision openly before a lot of people, you would start hearing the conversation around you, I want to be a truck driver, I want to drive tent stakes, I want to be a tent manager. There were some carnal minded men that were so caught up with an ego of wanting to press into this man's life and ministry to do this or do that, it was disgusting to hear them talk. When we came into the 1960's and Bro. Branham had to preach the message, The Bruised Serpent, he stood there on the platform that morning weeping: That was after he had cut short his meetings in Canada and came back home, because he found out there

were some medallions being passed around among the people, which said, William Branham is our messiah. Some were already baptizing in his name. Do not tell me, that when God looks down upon such carnality as that, He does not have some plans. He knows how to deal with idolaters. I do not say these things to be arrogant, but I said to the young man on the telephone that day, I have no doubt in my heart and mind, that had carnal minded people stayed out of the way of what God was doing, that man's ministry could have gone on into a ministry in the tent, and only the Lord knows some of the things that God might have done. Did God make a mistake, allowing him to be killed in that automobile accident before he had an opportunity to fulfill the tent ministry? Absolutely not! We have Bible examples of such as this. You must remember this, When Moses left Egypt under the authority and leadership of God's Spirit, he felt at that time, that he was going to lead the people to a place of promise, to a land that flowed with milk and honey. (It is commonly referred to

as the promised land.) Forty years of wandering in a desert did a lot in changing the mind and attitude of the people he was leading. Right down at the very last, God let the rock stop flowing water. Then the people began to murmur, I wish we had stayed in Egypt. You know the story. When Moses went to the Lord in prayer, what did God say? Moses, speak to the rock. It had already been smitten once, so he was told, (just) Speak to the rock. By that time, after putting up with their belly aching and grumbling for so long, all of that began to get on his nerves, so Moses stepped up and said, "Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock?" Then he smote that rock twice, bang, bang. Well the rock gave forth water as it had the other time, but Moses had not done as God instructed him, so it cost him something he had not thought of. It was not the people grumbling there, that caused God to respond like He did: it was what Moses had done. I say these things for a reason: because there are no bunch of educated minds going to write and put together their philosophy,

and then force God to adhere to it. That is the reason I say that. When Moses did that which was contrary to what God told him to do, not only did God not allow Moses to go over, He forbade Aaron also and caused him to die there in the mountain. Why did God look upon their act the way He did? He said to them, (Num 20:12) "And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, Because ye believed me not, to sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them." Do you see how important it is to do exactly as God tells you to do? Because you did not sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, You will not take them over. To Moses God said, I will let you see the land from this mountain top, but you will not lead them over. In the case with Bro. Branham and the tent ministry, it was not what he did: it was what God began to see the people doing. It was ministers in South Africa, that ruined that 1952 meeting over there. I have to say, A bunch of carnal minded men puffed up with an ego, each one



saying, I am going to be this, and I am going to do that, and I am going to be so and so, caused God to withdraw. God has a way to cut something short when it gets out of control. That does not mean that God will not do something else, just because He puts an end to something. Always remember, no man stands in God's way to block Him: God will do what suits His purpose. Well Bro. Jackson, do you think somebody else will fulfill the tent vision? No. God will do what He has purposed, with whoever He has purposed to use; and no man will ever dictate it. I say these things because, as I brought out in the message this morning, how God dealt with me on the revelation of the tree of life. I cut it short from what I have preached it in other lands, for the sake of our time element. I have told people in prior times, that Genesis 3:16, was not open to my understanding. I could see the words, but I did not know how to place those words in the context of a proper revelation. There had to be an understandable picture before I would touch it. However when I had that dream I

described this morning, I then understood the terminology God used. I have lived in the country all my life. I grew up on a farm. In my latter years I raised horses, cattle and sheep. I know the breeding techniques, their cycles and all of that, so to make that particular part of the message stand out, I say, If Eve would have just said to the serpent, Get away from me with that stuff! Every last one of us would have been born off the fruit of the tree of life. We would not have had to be redeemed, because there would be no sin or death in us. Every child that would have been conceived by woman, (her being the one that was ordained to be the bearer of life and to know when her time came in) would have eternal life. I will say to any student in any college that might be listening, Your theory of evolution is not all that great: It has no foundation of reality. Just imagine one little cell of life floating around out there somewhere: What caused it to survive the big bang? That big bang had to consist of a lot of heat. In the medical profession, they use heat to sterilize instruments. I have read of

the probability of the heat of that big bang, so I have to say, It was utterly impossible for any kind of life, microscopic or whatever, to survive all of that. In a small piece of cell life that you would have to have a magnifying glass to see, I can assure you, what we see in ourselves and the animal kingdom today, did not come out of such a thing. When I stop to think, every form of life that is propagated on this planet, is brought about by a sex relationship between the male and female, that tells me God ordained that relationship to be sacred, a holy thing in His sight. Look what the devil has done with it. Fifty years ago we had a reasonably clean society. Certain things were not mentioned in a public place. Then all of a sudden a bunch of educated characters got the idea, our younger generation needs to know this and this and that. Well, look what they taught them, that it is alright to be sexually active. Now according to the records, there have been forty three million pregnancies aborted. Think of the young life that has been snuffed out. In the animal kingdom,

the female does not live like the woman of our modern world. She is regulated by this cycle, designated by the Creator. As she comes into this cycle, (I told this in Africa one time.) in parts of the world where you have extreme cold regions, the elk, the deer, moose, at a certain time of the year when the sunlight begins to last longer, it begins to have an affect upon the pituitary gland of the female and it is then that she begins to come into the cycle. Only at that time do you hear about the mating season. That is not a derogatory word; it is a fact. It is the female that begins to look for the male, and choose the male that she wants to mate with. As I studied all these things, common sense would tell you, that had man not gotten off on the wrong foot, you would not see this moral thing as it is today. What we see everywhere today in our modern society, is a result of the devil taking the divine relationship that was used by God to propagate life on the planet, and perverted it to be a thing of immoral behavior and entertainment; and that has brought the very act to the lowest ebb since

the first advent of Christ. I just have to say, What a dirty mess he has made out of the whole thing. Think of the little babies born, malformed, two heads, some with no ears, some with no eyes, and all of this because of man leaving the perfect plan of God.

### **THOSE IN THE PLAN AND PURPOSE OF GOD**

Thanks be to God, that He made a way for those who will enter in and accept His grace and mercy by sending Jesus, His only begotten Son, to die in our place, pay our sin debt and set us free from condemnation, enabling us to have eternal life through Him. What I am about to say, I have never said it in a way to make it sound derogatory: I always want to make it sound in a way that can be acceptable, because, it was God's divine plan for life be propagated by a proper relationship between a son of God and a daughter of God, at a time when that period in her body would be known by her. At that time, she would have said, Honey, it is time for us to make love. Yes, there would be pleasure temporarily, but when it was over, they would have

known they had done what they did in the perfect plan of God. It is the same way with the animal kingdom. They enter into this act strictly for the purpose of propagating offspring. I have had horses for several years. I have had stallions on the farm and let them run with the females. Never do you see the stallions following the mares around like males do females of the human race. The only time you will ever see that, is when that mating time is close. They can sense by the body odor that the mare gives off, that she is beginning to come into that season. I say this, because in the plan of God, there was a sacred way to look at it. When the Bible says, (And Adam knew Eve), it pertained to that act, but it does not say he had an affair with her. That is the devil's way of expressing it. All through the Bible, with the patriarchs of old, it was a sacred relationship, nothing to be ashamed of, and it was only talked about in a divine, or sacred way. Look what the dirty devil has done with it today though, sex is the theme of the day. I say also, I have not heard

of one man out of the Branham following that has risen up to contest it. I have to say, This is a divine revelation, and just as important as the seed of the woman, and the serpent seed. To me, it sets the record straight. It was the grace of God that helped me understand that. I realize that some of the articles that are being written today, are propagating the idea that Bro. Branham has got to come back, he has got to do this and that; so I will say again, and not to be arrogant or a smart aleck, but just to state a fact, You will never see the face of William Branham until you see him in the rapture. However God is dealing with a certain element of people now, (the bride Church) and somewhere up the road in front of us, it is very possible God will use the image of that man to portray to some people in dreams and visions, what they need to understand, and to confirm and set the record straight for them. It has already been done on certain occasions: I received a letter a few years ago from a brother in Africa. He had a dream at a time when he had already heard some of the

negative things spoken about the Contender, that those in the message should leave it alone, because Bro. Jackson is not in the message. In his dream, he saw himself standing alone, after he had found a Contender laying somewhere. He picked it up, and in his mind he thought, Lord, they say we should not look at this. Just then, in his dream, Bro. Branham came walking up to him, looked right at him and said, Young man, don't be afraid: that is the truth. Now why would God use his image like that? The same thing happened years ago in Haiti. I met a young black man from Haiti: He had heard about Bro. Branham prior to his experience. He had come to the United States and passed through here after being out in Tucson. In one trip back to Haiti, a friend of his seemed to be very hungry for spiritual things. He gave this young man a sermon book of Bro. Branham to read. The young man was very reluctant to take it because he had heard a lot about the religious side of things. Nevertheless, he began to read it. That night the young man had a

dream; and in the dream, Bro. Branham came to him. He had already seen Bro. Branham's picture in the book, so he recognized him. These were the words Bro. Branham said to him, "Fear not to read the book the young man gave you." Why would God use his image like that? Because in this way He is confirming to a certain element of people that he and no other, was the prophet to the age. We need not look for another prophet to the age, nor for Bro. Branham to return for any kind of work: It is just not going to happen. What we are talking about, is just like Moses and Elijah being seen talking with Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration, when He had taken Peter, James, and John up there. They saw in a vision, (not the literal men in person) the images of Moses and Elijah talking to Jesus. The point of it is, It confirmed to them that Jesus was showing them at that time, what will happen just before His second literal coming. The two prophets were not telling them anything about Jesus' second coming, they only heard them

saying certain words to Jesus, how He was going to suffer on the cross and so forth, but the fact that they saw the images of those two prophets, goes to show those two prophets will precede the second coming of Christ. A lot of denominational people would say, Well that is spiritualism. I say right back, It is not spiritualism: It is the way God uses the images of certain men to convey and confirm something of truth. I will say right now, It would not surprise me, when people begin to get their mind straightened out and get rid of all those negative thoughts like, Don't read this, don't read that; and really begin to hunger and search for truth, if God would start doing some things like that. God has a very definite way of confirming truth to people who are genuine believers. If He needs to take the image of the prophet to do it, that is not hard for me to understand. I wondered a long time through those early years, Why do I keep seeing the image of Bro. Branham coming to me, but you know, I look back now and see that there was a purpose in it. It just made me begin

to realize, God has a purpose to fulfill, and He is going to raise up a ministry of men that will know exactly how to exalt Him, give Him His rightful place in their lives, and each one of those men will fulfill the ministry we have spoken of, right over here, just before the rapture takes place. Jesus did not complete the Church over here in the first age: It was the apostles He had chosen that set the Church in order back then. Over here, in this generation, God sent one man that characterized two biblical subjects. He has characterized the same as John the Baptist, and also the ministry of Jesus, and that makes him the seventh Church Age messenger. When he said what he did in the seals book, about a ministry, it let me know something. I am going to read it, because in that eleven page letter that I gave to my brothers to read, not one thing is said in there about what Bro. Branham said here. I just thought, He has used every other quote, why does he not use that one? When Bro. Branham said this back in 1963, while preaching the seals, it was enough, if you know what I

mean. The book is titled, "The Revelation of the Seven Seals," but in reality it is not the revelation of seven seals: it is the revelation of six seals and a mention of the seventh. We are on page 567. *"Now, when that gets on tape, which it is, that'll probably send ten thousand of my friends away from me, because they're going to say that Brother Branham is trying to put himself and make himself a servant or a prophet or something before God. (I never did say anything like that, and I never did think anything like that. I only knew that man was doing exactly what God told him to do. I believed that, and respected that, and I am going to do my best to uphold that. I have no reason not to. I am looking at these little statements along with the other things.) Let me tell you, my brethren, that is an error! I'm only telling you what I seen and what has been told to me, and you do whatever you want to. I don't know who's going to...what is going to take place. I do not know. I just know that those seven thunders holds that mystery, that Heavens was quieted. Everybody*

*understand?"* After Bro. Branham's death, I was the first preacher that ever went around the world saying that those seven thunders would be seven men. Why? Because of what it says about them it in the scriptures, in Revelation, chapter 10. Seven thunders uttered their voices. Their voices, plural, is the key to understanding it. How many times in that whole episode did Bro. Branham refer to Revelation 6:1? When that was opened, there was a mighty thunder, singular, when the first seal was opened. He emphasized, only one thunder brought the revelation of six seals: Not seven. Therefore there is no way anyone should think these seven thunders are all from just one voice. The revelation of six seals was brought by one voice, the voice of the messenger of Revelation 10:7, which was Bro. Branham. These seven thunders sound **THEIR** voices, so we have to keep in mind, that voices is plural, not singular. Do you understand that? I have said this also, These men are going to be men out of the ranks of the Bride of Christ collectively,

from over the world. They will certainly not be seven men all out of America.

### **GOD'S ORDAINED** **MINISTRY**

At the completion of seven church ages, as the Church has collectively been brought together and unified, (Please do not go away and say there are just going to be seven men of the five fold ministry. Do not mix up the seven thunders, with the five fold ministry, because the five fold ministry will consist of many dedicated and Spirit led ministers.) God will wrap it all up with the ministry of the seven thunders. The five fold ministry can consist of dozens and dozens of men, because wherever the Bride of Christ is located in the world, they all have to have access to what that ministry teaches. Afterward, those thunders will come upon the scene. Somewhere, God is going to raise them up; and those seven voices are going to be the voices of seven distinct men that God has ordained from certain localities. When the time has come that the Bride has really proved herself loyal and faithful to the leadership of God's

Spirit and to the ministry that has been set before them, that seventh seal will be fully broken, and then the seven thunders will sound their voices, because there is going to be an anointing come on those men to cause them to do so. I will say this, It would not surprise me, if some or all of those men are dealt with by God sending the image of Bro. Branham to them on occasions. If He can send the image of that man to me and other people I know of, what is wrong with God sending him to seven distinct men, when there is something about these thunders that is distinctly prophetic to be made known? To me, that would confirm, that this is not the work of men. This has got to be the work of God. The critics have had thirty eight years to poke and gouge around. I do not say these things to be negative, but if you think Jackson is wrong after these many years, I challenge you, Build your platform, build it high; and let us hear what you have to say. If you are right, and the time comes that Bro. Branham does come back alive, you notify me, I will be the first man on board. I will not run

and hide, because I want to make it. I hope you everyone understand what I am saying. I told this to another man years ago. He thought, Oh my, that Jackson didn't keep church order. He thought I had done a terrible thing. I said, Well go on and build your platform, tell the world I am wrong. If it becomes a proven fact that I am wrong, I will get up on your platform and apologize, but until then, leave me alone. Well, he has never built his platform. I can say, Thank God for His grace and mercy that has brought us to this hour of time. When I mentioned this morning, how in October of that year when God let me understand the tree of life, it was a short time before that, in the third year after his death, I had been talked about in a negative way so many times, that I had made up my mind, It is not doing any good for me to go on preaching when they are not going to listen. I almost came to the point that I would just stay in Faith Assembly and mind my business, leave them alone, and do what God gives me an opportunity to do.



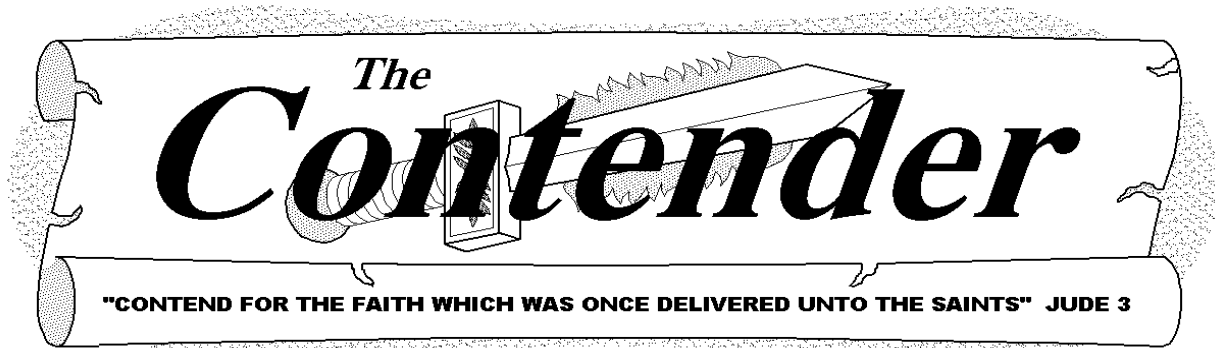
## **HOW GOD MOVED ME**

### **FORWARD**

When I had made up my mind to just stay at home and mind my own business, that is when I had the dream I mentioned. Here again, was the image of Bro. Branham. I am only going to tell certain parts of it, for a certain reason. I saw myself on a cross country highway, something like I-65, only this was going west, and it seemed like I had been driving for two or three days. All of a sudden I looked in front of me and saw one lone car. After a while I began to overtake that car. As I got closer, the car became visible and I soon realized it was Bro. Branham. I thought, Well I will set my speed to stay behind him, juts like the rest, and not invite problems. Well here I am, all set to drive down the highway behind the man, but as I looked closer at him I could see him motioning for me to Go on, go on, go on. I could not hear him, but I could see his motions, Go on, go on. I thought, This will not look right, passing him, so I will just stay right here. However I could still see him motioning, Go on, go on. All of a

sudden it seemed like something hit my foot and pushed my accelerator to the floor. My car jumped into passing gear, so I knew I had to do something. I had to go into the passing lane; and here I am, going by him with the motor of my car just roaring. I thought, This just don't look right: Lord, help me stop this thing. But as I passed the car he was driving, his window was down and he was saying, Go on, go on, go on. Then I asked myself, Why is he saying that? When I stopped wrestling with my foot, my car went on up the road a little way and I moved back into the right lane. It seemed like I traveled for days going west. After a while, slowly the highway made a big turn. I began to see myself heading back east. I have been back and forth across this country by car before. I could see myself coming back across the different western plains, the Mississippi, through this area, into the Appalachian area. The thought came to me, I will soon be at the east coast. After a moment of time, I could look ahead of me and the highway suddenly left the land and began to rise into the air. Then

the thought came, This is the end of the world. I literally saw the end of time looming before me as I went off into it. That is why I can say, There is going to be a live ministry as the headship of the Bride of Christ, and they are going to exalt Bro. Branham in the proper way, respecting him and the things he preached.



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