First Covenant has three things that goes with it.

- 1. It was based on what man would do.
- 2. It was given at the same time that Eve was made outside the original creation.
- 3. It was given with man going around the theophany Word.

So lets see what Bro Branham said about all that so that we can realize just exactly what God's sovereign grace done for us.

47-0412 FAITH.IS.THE.SUBSTANCE

E-65 And when Moses came to the age of maturity, he went out and seen two Egyptians mistreating a Hebrew, and he slew the Egyptians and buried them. And the next day when he met the Hebrews striving among one another, "Why," they said, "will you kill us as you did the Egyptian?"

Now, look, be quiet people. Moses, the very deliverer, God's gift to the people, they did not understand him. You see what I mean? They did not understand Moses. And Moses thought, surely, that they would understand that he was their gift to deliver them. But they did not understand.

And now, friends, don't get me wrong. May I say this with reverence in my heart, knowing that I'm an eternity bound person that'll stand before judgment someday. Thousands of people are missing their gift. See? They can't understand it. And they'll look and say, "Oh, he's just a man."

That's true. Was it God or Moses that delivered the people? It was God in Moses. See? They cried for the deliverer. And when God sent the deliverer to them, they failed to see it, because it was by a man. But it wasn't a man; it was God in the man. [End of record--Ed.]

E-66 "... that dwelleth in Me. He's the One that doeth the works." You see? But He was God's Gift to the world. God gave Him for you and I. Aren't you happy about it? Look, God gave Him.

Well now, the people that believed that God give Him, they can be saved. But those who do not believe it, they can't be saved. Is that right?

And there's no other way at all to enter the Kingdom, only by Him. Is that right? Well now, if you believe it, you can be saved. But if you don't believe it, you can't be saved, because He is God's Gift.

Look, the Scriptures say, "No man... We know that God was with Christ, for no man could do the works that He done except God be with Him." Is that right?

Then what was it? God was testifying that that was His only begotten Son. Is that right? God testified that; He said: "This is My Son." He said, "If you don't believe Me, believe for the very work's sake." Is that right? He said, "The man testifies of himself," you know how the Scriptures read, "but if he testify and that what he says is not true, then believe Me not. But if I testify and that what I say is true, My Father will testify of it." And if I tell you about a gift of Divine healing and God doesn't testify of it, leave it go; it's wrong. But if God testifies of it, believe it's God's gift to you. That's right. You see what I mean?

62-1111E WHY.I'M.AGAINST.ORGANIZED.RELIGION

63 Now, we notice that Jesus was a manifestation of God. Now, "No man can do these things except God be with him." They knowed that there was something different in that Man. He was the Light of the day. He was God's Witness.
64 So did Korah see the same thing in Moses. They didn't have a man that day like Moses. He was God's Divine witness, of that day, to the power of God. Korah and his group saw it in Moses. They understood that it couldn't be Moses; Moses could not open up the Red Sea, Moses could not send plagues upon the earth. It was God in Moses, and, because God that represented Himself in a witness or a light of the day, they failed to see It. Korah wanted to make a whole group of men, bring in anything.

65-0425 GOD'S.PROVIDED.PLACE.OF.WORSHIP

29 He had a covenant with Adam, the first man on earth. And that covenant was on conditions, "If you do so-and-so, I'll do so-and-so." Adam would had something to do in order to keep this covenant alive before God. He had to walk in God's ways, keeping all of His Word, not breaking one Word.

65-0429B THE.SEED.SHALL.NOT.BE.HEIR.WITH.THE.SHUCK

35 He gave Adam the promise, first. And that was, or, the covenant was on conditions. "If you won't do this. If you will do This."

65-1128M GOD'S.ONLY.PROVIDED.PLACE.OF.WORSHIP

75 Now, there's got to be then one place, because there is a desire in the human heart to find It. And I think that the Word of God has the answer for everything that we have need of. So God has the answer, and let's search for it now in the Scriptures. And then if God will show us by the Scriptures the only place, the only ground, (the only

denomination, if it's so), the only way that God will meet a man, then we should hold to that 'cause we found the Truth of the Bible, what It says.

76 Now, the word Deuteronomy, the word itself means "two laws," the word Deuteronomy. And God has two laws. The two laws: one of them is disobedience to the Word, and die; and the other one is obedience to the Word, and live. That's the two laws, and Deuteronomy means those two laws. They have both been absolutely displayed to us in the Scripture. One of them is death, the other one is Life; Life and death. God deals only in Life, Satan only in death. And these was displayed to the world publicly, openly before every eye, and there's no excuse for it. One of them was, displayed on Mount Sinai when the law was given, which condemned the whole human race to Life, when the penalty was paid in Jesus Christ. The two laws of Deuteronomy was fulfilled in these two, great things.

77 I want you to notice again, there was also two covenants give. One covenant was given to Adam, which was on conditions, like law: "If you will not touch this, then you will live; but if you touch this, you will die." That was a law. Then there was another law given to Abraham, which was by grace, unconditionally: "I have saved you and your seed after you." Amen! That is a type of Calvary, not the type of Adam covenant, it's a Abrahamic covenant.

78 But now we hear Him say there is only one place where He will meet man to worship. You heard it right here in the text. We'll refer to it, back, in a few minutes.
79 Then if there's only one place that God meets man, we had better be very careful. Now let's lay aside our traditions this morning, and... in this Sunday-school lesson, and be very sure that we find that one place. Because, God has said here, He will not receive you in any other place. Any other church, He won't receive you in. Only in His Church, the only place He'll receive you.

65-0221M MARRIAGE.AND.DIVORCE

199 First was just a covenant, Adam and Eve was co-equal, one man and one woman. Now the woman sinned, and (what does she do?) that throwed them all to death, and God had to make a covenant by that, another covenant. Here it is right here in Genesis 3:16, He made another covenant.

151 Now argue with That a while. God did it! He had to make it this a way. It had to be there. Now listen now for about five minutes, I want to call your attention to something.

152 What is God? God is a great Eternal. At the beginning, way back before there was a beginning, He wasn't even God. Did you know that? God is an "object of worship," and there wasn't nothing to worship Him. He lived alone.

153 And in Him was attributes. What is an attribute? A thought. Now you'll get something that will border on the lesson for tonight. Notice, He was His attributes that was in Him. Now, it was in Him to be Father, it was in Him to be God, it was in Him to be Son, it was in Him to be Saviour, it was in Him to be Healer. And all these things here are just displaying His attributes. There is nothing out of order. You think God didn't see the end from the beginning? Certainly, He did. There's nothing out of order, it's just displaying His attributes.

154 Now, He could not be just and make a man to fall. He had to put him on equal basis, of free moral agency, to make his own choice, but knowing he would fall.
155 Now, He can't be a Saviour unless something is lost. He can't be a Healer unless something is sick. These things had to be that way. God made them thus so that His great attributes could be displayed. If there wasn't that, He'd have never been a Saviour. But we know He was, even before there was a time, He was a Saviour. He was a Saviour. He was a Saviour, so there has to be something lost. How is it going to be?

156 If He takes and loses it, just in order to save it, then it isn't justice to His judgment. He couldn't send a man to hell, and be just. He is kind, gentle, true, honest, and He is a great Judge. See, He would be working against Himself.

157 So He had to put a man out here, and make him on free moral agency, so he would, knowing, would fall; and the man, in His Own image, how could he fall? Now you seeing daylight? So, He had to make a by-product, something out of the original creation. Now you see it. See? There you come. See? Then, that's what fell. He made it, knowing it would fall. And it's put over in the hands of Satan, for a vessel of dishonor. Where is honor bestowed today? You think on that. Notice closely now.

158 Then again, why she was designed this way and not like other females, why was the woman designed so and not other females? None of the other females was designed like that. They're not, today. They can't. Not being made that way, she can't do it. Why did He not make this female then, a woman, just like other females, so she would just be the same way, could just raise her babies? Then she would have her husband, and live; and when it come time for her baby, she would have her baby. Why, why didn't He make her like this?

159 I can't say these words. And you understand what I'm talking about, don't you? If you can understand, say "amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Yeah. See? There is young girls setting here, and young boys, see. But you know, the animal has to come to

a certain time of the year, then her mate, then that's all. But, a woman, it's any time. And why did He make her like this?

160 Now watch His great program unfold, as we go on through here now, just as perfect as perfect can be. I didn't know this till the other day.

161 Why didn't He make her like that in the beginning, like the rest of His females? Because it would be unbecoming to Him. He is the Fountain of all purity. That's the reason He had to let Satan get a hold of her, what he done in the perversion. Such a creature would be, would not be becoming to Him, originally designed for.

162 All His works that He designed, in the original, is in continuity. All of His original works was in continuity. The female dog, the male dog; see, female cow, the male cow; everything in continuity. All nature is in continuity. Seed die, go in the ground; just like death, burial, resurrection. The sap goes down out of a tree, drops its leaf, comes back the next year with the resurrection of a new leaf. See what I mean? Everything, even nature, of God, is all in a continuity, in one; and here is one designed out of the continuity of God. Nature is so designed so it can't sin. Think! The original creation, of God, could not sin.

163 Oh, don't you see it now, in this view here, the perversion of the church? The original is God's Word! There is no sin in God. See what I mean? Here is a creature that come into existence by a perversion. God is going to have a Church, but look at this perverted thing they got out here.

164 God has male and female. But, this woman, see, the very symptoms of it shows back what was in God's mind. We could take an hour, or two, and break that down. She, made this creature for that way, He made the creature and turned her so Satan could get a hold of her, and he did. He has still got her. She had better flee to the Cross, like man, too.

165 Notice, all nature runs in continuity. If He'd have made the woman in the same original creation, there'd have been no sin, because she couldn't have done it, she couldn't have done it. She is a perversion of the original creation.

166 So is all sin a perversion of the original Truth! What is a lie? Is the Truth perverted. What is an adultery? Is the right act perverted. So there is the perverted creature, there is the perverted whole thing. And the whole thing is spelled s-i-n, laying right there. That's why the question is so great.

167 Only a piece, scrap, made of a man, to deceive him by; God made it, right here has proved it. That's what she was made for.

65-0221E WHO.IS.THIS.MELCHISEDEC

78 Then, when a man is born again, from Heaven, he becomes a spirit babe in Christ. And, then, when this robe of flesh is dropped, there is a natural body, theophany, a body not made with hands, neither born of a woman, that we go to. Then that body returns back and picks up the glorified body.

That's the reason Jesus went to hell when He died, and preached to the souls that were in prison; turned back into that theophany. Oh, marvelous! Thank God!

79 Second Corinthians 5:1, "If this earthly body be dissolved, this earthly tabernacle, we have another one." See, we have by-passed that, to come straight from God, the attribute; to be flesh, to be tempted and tested by sin, like Adam did. But when testing of His Word is over, then we are taken up to this body that was prepared for us before the foundation of the world. It is the Word there that we skipped, to come right around, down here to be tempted and tested. If we'd have come through that, there'd have been no temptation; we'd a-knowed all things. That's the reason Jesus knowed all things, 'cause He was Word before He was flesh. Then we become the Word.

80 Here we are formed to the Word image, to be a partaker of the Word, feed on the Word, by being predestinated since the beginning; you see that little spark of Life that you had in you from the beginning, when you started your journey. Many of you can remember it. You joined this church and joined that church, you'd try this and that; nothing satisfied. That's right. But one day you just recognized It. Right.

64-1205 THE.IDENTIFIED.MASTERPIECE.OF.GOD

69 See the love of God! After man had fallen and deliberately opened the door to the enemy, and come in and marred him, and set death in him, still God was not willing this be defeated. He came down and started all over again. He was going to make that man again.

70 He put Adam on a covenant, "Do this, and not this; this, and not that; touch not, handle not, taste not."

71 But we find out, when He started again, He started with Abraham. And in Abraham He started him on an unconditional covenant. Not "if you will." I have. I've already done it. I've blessed you, you and your seed, and so forth, after you." It was an unconditional covenant. He started with Abraham, His workmanship again, and now with His unconditional covenant. Then, when we find out, He based on Abraham and give him the covenant, unconditional, with the promise.

62-0714 THE.UNCERTAIN.SOUND

E-75 God made two--three covenants. The first covenant He made He made with Adam. Broke it. The second covenant was Noahic covenant. It was broke. When God made His covenant with Abraham, He never said, "If you'll do certain things, I'll do certain things," He said, "I have..." Unconditional covenant, God determined to save man. No uncertain sign about that.

"Abraham, I have saved you and your seed after you, and I'll swear by Myself that I'll do it." Amen. Nothing uncertain about that. "I've done it, already done it." See, man's rotten to begin with. Anything he does is rotten--anything he does.

E-76 A brother back here in the church (I met him the other morning.), his car... We both bought new Fords, and when we come down, why, mine went wrong, his went wrong. Billy bought a new Chevy and it went wrong. I said, "Anything that man builds is corruptible. There's only one thing that's incorruptible. That's Christ. Amen. He lives forever."

E-77 Noah broke his covenant, or Noahic covenant was broke. Adam's covenant was broke. Anything that God makes with man... But God was determined, and would save man, because He foreknew man. And He was determined to save him, so He saved man by an unconditional covenant. Amen. No uncertainty about it. He said, "I will." It's wholly by grace, and unconditional, which makes it by grace. Not, "If you will", "I will". Oh, how glad I am for that. Not what I am, but what He was. Amen.

E-78 Abraham, when he heard that covenant, he was so glad and so happy, even being an old man, and God told him he was going to have a baby by Sarah. Years passed, and he didn't have the baby. But he kept saying, "We're going to have it anyhow."

"How do you know?"

"God said so." Nothing uncertain about that. "We're going to have it anyhow. God said so. That settles it." If God said so there's nothing uncertain about it.