Bodies

2 Corinthians 12:1-2 KJV

[1] It is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. [2] I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven.

Dimensions

21 Now, when we come along, we remember that we live here in three dimensions. And I don't know whether I can name them or not. One of them is light, and the other is matter. Tommy, you remember what the third is? [Someone says something—Ed.] Huh? ["Atom."] Atom? [Someone else says, "Time."] Time. Right. Now, light, matter, and time. And our five senses contact them dimensions. Our sight contacts light, our feeling contacts matters, and so forth.

22 Now, but we have contact through science, the fourth dimension, as it was. Because coming right through this building now comes pictures, voices of radio, pictures on television, that our senses does not contact that, but yet they have a—a tube or a crystal that picks up those ether waves and manifests them. So, you see, right in this building now is live actions of people, in the air, live voices. They're here. We know it. They're absolutely the truth. And the only thing you do, they—they catch it on...I don't understand the mechanics of—of those things that science has invented, but we know that it proves to us there is a fourth dimension.

23 Now, the fifth dimension is where the sinner, the unbeliever dies and goes to. The fifth dimension is the, kind of the, well, the horrible dimension. Now this man...

And when a Christian dies, he goes into the sixth dimension.

And God is in the seventh dimension.

24 Now then, you see, the Christian when he dies, he goes under the altar of God, right into the Presence of God, under the altar. And he's at rest.

62-0908 - "Present Stage Of My Ministry" Rev. William Marrion Branham

Type Bodies

1 Corinthians 15:40 KJV

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

68 All this exists in the heavens, or atmospheres, and the earth which is now. This earth holds those things, but it wasn't made for that purpose. Sin caused it to be like that. See? It was made by God, the Creator. But all...

69 And all of our bodies, that we live in now, was put on the earth when God created it, because you're out of the dust of the earth. It was all laid out here. When God Himself create it, you were in His thinking. And in Him, the Great Eternal, was the thought, which is His attribute.

64-0802 - "The Future Home Of The Heavenly Bridegroom And The Earthly Bride" Rev. William Marrion Branham

32 Our bodies was on the earth before the...well, well, before there was any light here, any life here, or anything; the calcium, potash, petroleum, and cosmic light, whatever, it was here—was here when God created the earth. It only taken His spoken Word to bring it into existence, just like it did botany life, or tree life, what, or whatever life there is to be.

33 Nothing can live, natural or spiritual, without His Light, and His Word is Light and Life.

64-0125 - "Turn On The Light" Rev. William Marrion Branham

58 This is a dying spirit in a dying body; but now, you can't be in two bodies at one time, but there can be two natures in you at one time. Now, the nature of the Spirit of the Lord...When you're borned again, you're not borned of physical, like the baby was; but what's happened, the spiritual birth has come to you. And while this spiritual birth is growing into your heart, of God, there is a physical or a celestial body growing to receive that spirit. And when the life leaves this body, it goes to that body. Just as when the body is presented to the earth, the spirit comes in, and when the spirit goes out of the body, there is a body waiting. "For we know that after this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one already waiting." See? That's it, the spiritual body of the people.

64-0830E - "Questions And Answers #4" Rev. William Marrion Branham

22 And it helped me, because I used to have an idea: when a person died, just their soul went off. But then when He quoted that to me, that "If this earthly tabernacle of our habitation be...we already have one." See? And we got to have everything in threes, to make a perfection. See? And there's one body here, then that body there which is the—the celestial body, and then the glorified body in the resurrection. See, that makes it complete. See? So it's a...It's not a myth, it's not an idea, it's not a spirit. It is a man and a woman like you are, just exactly.

65-1128M - "God's Only Provided Place Of Worship" Rev. William Marrion Branham

The theophany

57 His—His first being was Spirit, God, supernatural, all right, the great Eternal. Second, He begin to form Himself towards flesh, in a theophany it's called, "the Word, a body." This then is the state He was in when He met Abraham, was called Melchisedec. He was in the form of theophany. Now, we'll get to that and prove it in a few minutes, the Lord willing. He was the Word.

58 A theophany is something that you could not see. It could be right here now, yet you cannot see it.

65-0221E - "Who Is This Melchisedec?" Rev. William Marrion Branham

How Jesus come

64 Now, God, in this stage of...It's this stage of His creation, later formed into flesh, Jesus. From what? From the great beginning, Spirit, then came down to be the Word, bringing Itself out. The Word doesn't yet make Itself, it's just spoke out, en morphe, later He becomes flesh, Jesus, mortal, to taste death for all of us sinners.

65-0221E - "Who Is This Melchisedec?" Rev. William Marrion Branham 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!

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70 And then, you see, He come right down, the regular line, from attribute to...Before the foundation of the world, His name is put on the Lamb's Book of Life. Then, from that, He become the Word, the theophany, that could appear, disappear. And then He become flesh and returned back again, resurrected that same body in a glorified condition.

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How we come

2 Corinthians 5:1 KJV

[1] For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens

68 Now, the different between Him and you, as a son. See, He was, at the beginning, the Word, an en morphe body. He came in and lived in that, in the Person of Melchisedec. Then, later, we never heard no more of Melchisedec, because He became Jesus Christ. Melchisedec was the Priest, but He became Jesus Christ. Now, you bypassed that. Because, in that form, He knowed all things, and you have never been able to know that yet.

You come like Adam, like me, you became from the attribute to the flesh, to be tempted. But when this life is finished here, "If this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one already waiting." That's where we go; that is the Word. Then we can look back and see what we done. Now we don't understand it. We have never become the Word; we've just become the flesh-man, not the Word.

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76 Now, this body is subject to the Spirit. Have not yet entered into the Word form, but we are still in the flesh form, but subject to the Word. Death in the flesh will take us there.

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79 Second Corinthians 5:1, "If this earthly body be dissolved, this earthly tabernacle, we have another one." See, we have bypassed 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 and tested. If we'd have come through that, there'd have been no temptation; we'd knowed all things. That's the reason Jesus knowed all things, 'cause He was Word before He was flesh. Then we become the Word.

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