

When He, The Spirit of Truth is Come Pt9

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« 60 † If He is a Redeemer, He come, a redeem is to "pick up that which has fallen," to redeem back to a place where it was at the beginning, so none will be picked up but them that was in His thoughts at the beginning. He come to redeem, not this cannon fodder that we see around professing to be Christians; but that He came to redeem, that was in God's thinking at the beginning.

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« 61 † Now, this reflected His loving, noble character, God reflected in a Man, called Christ. He was only one that could do this. There was no other character in Heaven could do it, see, was God. He was the sinless nature. He was the Word, sinless nature of God. He was the Word expressed. Which, the Word was the beginning.

62 And if you are in the Lamb's Book of Life, you was God's expression from His thought. He seen you and seen your desire, before there even was an atom, or anything else, and you are His thought made word, and expressed in what you are now. Amen. That's God, in you, reflecting Christ today. You know what I mean?

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See how this works. God always had His thoughts for Adam. Adam, as His thoughts, was yet unexpressed.

Psalms 139:15-16 will give you a little idea of this,

"My substance was not hid from Thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in Thy book were all my members written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them."

That, as I said, was not written about Adam but it gives you the idea and knowledge that the thought was there in His mind, and that thought was eternal and had to be expressed. So when Adam was formed of the dust of the earth and his spiritual being created by God, then Adam became God's thought expressed, and those eternal thoughts were now manifested.

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Down through the centuries we could go. We find a Moses, a Jeremiah, a John the Baptist, and each one of these were God's eternal thought expressed in its season. Then we come to Jesus the LOGOS. He was the perfect and complete THOUGHT expressed and He became known as the Word. That is what He IS, and forever WILL BE.

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Now it says that "He hath chosen us IN HIM (Jesus) before the foundation of the world." That means that we were right there WITH Him in the mind and thoughts of God before the foundation of the world. That gives an ETERNAL quality to the elect. You can't get away from that.

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« 63 † Now, I hope that don't interfere with nothing, you see, and I wouldn't want to say nothing contrary to what you've been taught.

64 But just so that you would understand what I'm trying to get to here, a reflection, **you've got to be identified. And if you are, and you were in God's thinking at the beginning, see, and was His reflection here on earth, you will bear record of the Heavenly, and as He bore record of the Heavenly, also.** And when He raised up from the grave, and was given a body; we, when we raise up, will have a body like His Own glorious body.

65 The resurrection is sure. It's a guarantee, and we have the earnest of it now, as the Holy Spirit comes in and identifies us as God's redeemed person. Amen! When you receive the Holy Ghost, you're sealed till the journey is over. That is your Token that you hold, that shows that your--your fare has been paid. You are a redeemed character. Satan has no business with you, none whatever. Just pick up your Token and show him, "My healing is paid for. My trip to Glory is."

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« 66 † A Token is what you use to ride on a bus line, or an airplane. Your ticket is your token. See?

67 Take your Token; you're redeemed; the Blessing, the Holy Spirit. And if Satan tries to push something on you, just show This. That's your identification. Amen. You are identified in the resurrection of Christ. You are identified in His death when you die; you're identified in His resurrection. And, by that, It identifies you, that you were with Him before the foundation of the world, 'cause you are redeemed, that's, "brought back."

"All the Father has given Me will come, and no man can come unless He the Father has give it, see, in the beginning."

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« 68 † Now notice, He was sinful... sinless, to take a place of the sinful, the

antidote. He was without sin so that He might redeem sinners. God was expressed in Him and properly identified Himself in Him. Now notice.

69 You say, "Brother Branham, did you say, 'God identified Himself'?" He did.

70 Now, "In the beginning," said Saint John 1, "*was the Word, and the Word was with God.*" Now a Word has to be a thought before it's a Word, 'cause the Word is a thought expressed. "*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God,*" see, "was God. And the Word, the Word, was made flesh and dwelt among us."

71 Identified how? Now Hebrews 4, see, "*The Word of God is sharper, more powerful than a two-edged sword, cutting asunder,*" cutting both coming and going, "*cut asunder, and a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.*" And when He did that, that's how the prophets was identified, because they... God would speak and tell them just what was wrong and what was going on. See? That is the identification of the Word of the hour, being made manifested.

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« 72 † He was the fulness of God's Word, for He was the fulness of the Godhead bodily. He was God in human form, and it took God to express such a character as this. *And then that lovely life had to be taken from Him, so that He could save these that God's foreknowledge saw in the beginning, which was His thoughts of you and me.* Jesus came to do that; His perfect life had to be sacrificed, to redeem that person. Then, if they do, and you were with God in His thoughts at the beginning, how can you deny His Word being true, when you are part of His Word. Amen. Certainly. A vindicated, properly, there could be no mistake about it. He said, *"It's not Me that doeth the works, it's My Father that dwelleth in Me."*

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« 73 † Now we find out that in

the great turmoil of the day, the people, about understanding God, "God in three persons?" **God, it's three attributes of God**, like three offices: God above us, in the Holy Spirit up there, in a Pillar of Fire; God made flesh and dwelt among us, a Man that we could touch and handle; now God in the Church. God above you; God with you; God in you. See, the same God, in three different manifestations, but the same God all the time.

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« 74 † Notice, to be no mistakes.
His sinless Nature expressed God's Word. And the only way that you will ever be able to express God's Word, that you believe It and watch It act behind you, **you will have to have that sinless Nature that come from God.**
Before the foundation of the world, **you was recognized with Him.** Before the Word can ever express Itself through you, **it takes a sinless Nature to do that.**

75 So much, till, He was the Word in full. The Word of God flowed through Him so freely that even He could

Speak a Word, it would create. See, that showed Who He was. Who can create, but God? See, God is the only creator there is. And He was so perfect in harmony, Him and the Word was so perfectly together, until He created, even He had, He and the Word being one.

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« 76 † No other nature could do this. No other nature could. No character, nothing in the Heavens, nothing else, could do that but Him, for He was the beginning of that Character, Saviour! The Angel wasn't born a Saviour; He was created a Being to worship God, not a Saviour. But in God was a Saviour. An ordinary man born of an ordinary woman couldn't be a Saviour, 'cause his nature is carnal. But it taken God, Himself! Amen. I--I hope you see it. Look, that was the expression, to manifest such a Character as that. For others, it was a fallen character; nothing could save. Angels wasn't created for such. Man was a fallen character. Look, how could this man...

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« 77 † Look, to show it's the ones that He thought of, His thoughts is the Christian of today, the thoughts before the foundation of the world. Now remember, *"Man, when he was born in sin, shaped in iniquity, comes to the world speaking lies."* Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] There is nothing in him at all. So, you see, if he was in God's thoughts when he come to the world, he's come (in God's thoughts at the beginning) to display His attribute. Do you follow me? ["Amen."] Then Jesus came to break the clouds back, so that attribute could display itself. Amen. That's it. He is God's expressed Word. Now, nothing else could be manifesting; other characters had all fallen. Then, you see, what did Jesus come, to bring back those characters? No, no, they were born in sin, shaped in iniquity.

78 He came as a Redeemer. And to redeem anything, is to "bring it back." Amen. Bring it back! It was God's thought, you! Think! Little you, little me; no

one in the world could take my place, nobody can take yours. You being a Christian and filled with the Spirit, God, and before the foundation of the world, seen you and knowed every feature that you got, see, and Jesus come to bring you back. That's what Jesus was here for, the Redeemer, the human body, to bring you back. That had to come to be a human, as a Redeemer, to display His attributes as Saviour, come to redeem you and bring you back from where you come from. You were...

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« 79 † When you receive Eternal Life, there is only one form of Eternal Life. That's the Greek word, Zoe. Is that right, brother? [The brother says, "Yes."--Ed.] Zoe, "God's Own Life." So you, being a son, you become part of that Life. **So the Life that's in you never did begin and It never can end. Think of it. It can't end, because anything that's Eternal never began. The Life that's in you never did begin, that is, if you've got Eternal Life. And that's God, for you was in His thought from the Eternal, and now it's expressed here**

in a human being, for His glory. Jesus came to redeem that, being the Son, the fulness of God had to come and become that. The sinless character of God did that, that He might redeem these other thoughts that was to come to Him, to make a Wife. See what I mean? Oh, it's a glorious story! We ain't... oughtn't to get on that, anyhow. Let's go on. All right.

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« 82 † And His character was, that, He did everything that pleased God, and He stayed with the Word. That's what He wanted us for, we'd stay with God's Word, find our place, and then know where we were at. Stay with His Word! And, think of it, we are invited to shape our own character to His. Now we're going to find out what we've done. Shape our character to His Own, by His Own Spirit. Then we, by Him, are sons of God, just what I've expressed, by having His mind in us, to shape our character to His, His mind. *"Let the mind that was in Christ be in you."* If that mind is in you, then, you see...

83 He only did that which pleased God. He knowed Who He was. He came, the Son of God. He knowed He was to take that place. His character had to be that way. And then when He, having taken this place, He knowed what the Messiah was required of, and He always sought at God to do those things, and did nothing until the Father showed Him.

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« 84 † Now if you find your place, sister, don't let me hurt you, or brother, but you'll find your place in the Word, as a Christian. Not what the creed said; that's down here in this lower **cannon fodder** that's going to be destroyed. See, you find your place as a Christian, because your character is molded as Christ's. You are Zoe the same as He was Zoe.

85 He said, "Search the Scripture. They testify of Me." In other words, "If I don't do exactly what the

Scripture said I'm to do, then show Me where."

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« 86 † Now what if God stood on the platform today, and said, "What's required of a Christian?" Then where would we all be? See, the character isn't expressing itself.

87 His mind was to stay with the Father's Word.

Their--their mind was to... The same mind that was in them was to be in us. And if His mind is in us, we'll do like He did. If His character is in us, we'll be as He was. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] All the prophets had that, we know. We took, take about Noah, how he did in his day, Moses, how he did in His day, Daniel in his day, the Hebrew children, and so forth.

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« 88 † The Word molds God's

character to us, and anything that's tried to be mixed with that character, breaks the mold. You can't mix creed with Word. You can't mix the world with the Word. Jesus said, *"You can't serve God and mammon."* Mammon means "the world." You can't be; one or the other. *"If you love the world, or the things of the world, the love of God is not even in you."* Is that true? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Then, you see, you can't mix it.

89 You can't mix oil and water. It just won't mix. You can churn it up-and-down, do anything you want to, it won't mix.

90 And your character will not mix with the world, if you are being molded in the form of God, by letting the mind that was in Christ be in you. That's the control tower, the direction.

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« 91 † Now let's look into God's mirror, His Word, and identify our present character by

some Bible character. And we'll close just in a few minutes now. Identify yourself. Now This is the mirror that you want to do like that little boy did, look into. Let's look into This and see if can see ourself reflected by some Bible character. See what they did under certain circumstances, and see what we are doing now. Now get me real close now, see what your present character as a Christian is.

92 Now you can judge. That won't make nobody judge you; you judge yourself, see. Nobody is judging you. I'm not passing judgment. But let's just reflect, see how it reflects from some characters of the Bible, as we mention them, and see what your character is at this present time. Now notice, the--the--the Word creates a character, we know that, now we look into His mirror and identify ourself by some--some person in the Bible.

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« 93 † If you lived in the days of Noah, and was in your present character... If you

understand me, say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] If you were living in the days of Noah, and in your present character, what side would you a-been on? Be careful, see. In your present character; now think of what you are. **When the groups... What group would you be identified with, if your present character would have been living in the days of Noah? Would you been with the prophet and God's vindicated Word, standing in the minority, the little group, or with the popular-opinion folks of that day? What character?**

94 Would you have been belonging to the churches, and things, was making fun of that prophet up there? Would you have been walking up with a group that went up and said, "Well, I ain't got nothing against that old man; he might be right," or would you be in there pitching away with him? Now think of your character now. What would you have done when everything was against it?

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« 95 † Remember, the world was criticizing the prophet and his message, and--and everything, the world, was criticized. All the churches was criticizing him. All the science said, "The man is crazy." As they said about Jesus, *eating the flesh and drinking His Blood*, they said, "The Man is a cannibal. He's a vampire." See? So you see where the sensible, what we call the world's sensible people, the scientists?

96 Did you know, when you get more education and more culture, did you know that's what side it puts you on? It puts you on the devil's side. The Bible said that, *"The children of the darkness are wiser than the ones of the Light."*

97 Look at the sons of Cain, every one of them become scientists, dealers in buildings, and making great progress. But the sons of Seth was all humble, peasant, shepherders. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Man renown, of old, as it was in the days of Noah, how they build and made, and built the pyramids and everything, scientists. Watch real close now, see. This people criticized this man's message, though he had the evidence of God with him.

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« 98 † Or what if you would have lived in the days of Elijah; Elijah, when him being the pastor at that day? And Jezebel, the twenty-five hundred years ago, Hollywood was starting, with all of her paint and fashions, had got all the daughters of Israel doing the same thing. And one old man standing up there and battering against it! And all the priests saying, "Oh, well, the old fellow, let him alone, he'll come to his end after a while. There is nothing to it. And he, our fine king who is dressed just like we're dressed, and got the finest clothes, and the best fed nation, and everything, what does it make any difference whether you do this, or that, or the other? What difference does it make?" The pastors had been saying it.

99 But there stood one man, alone, with THUS SAITH THE LORD.