

Oneness pt60

It's the Word that gives the test.

The bible is the complete revelation of Jesus Christ, both male and female. The spoken seed Word was Jesus Christ and God always interprets His Word by bringing it to pass. Genesis was the Seed chapter, the beginning of the revelation. Revelations is the completion. Jesus Christ is not completely revealed outside of the complete revelation. Man shall live by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God. No other way for man to live than by that. That was the Word and the Word has to be fulfilled, has to be interpreted by God, brought to pass by God.

With revelation we can read the bible and the message and see how God has brought the Word to pass. We can see how He interpreted His Word. That is why the prophet told us to pray for revelation more than anything else. Revelation is God interpreting His Word. He only reveals it to who He will. He knew who would receive it and who would not. To them gave He the power to become the Sons of God. To them gave He the power to receive revelation, faith, interpretation, bringing to pass power. He interprets His Word, that includes you and I. You and I do not exist in that expression, that interpretation, outside of Jesus Christ. We are not and never have been independent of Him. We are the feminine of God and life always, always comes from the male.

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188 I'm going to ask you something. How can a man or a woman who claims to be filled with the Holy Spirit, which is the Word (that right?), **and how can you be the flesh of that Holy Spirit, has made you part of Him, to reflect the Gospel of your age, and deny the Word that He wrote?**

189 I don't care how good you are. Why, I can take you to Africa, to the Hottentots there, and show you a life that a Christian can't touch. Even if they would be caught in adultery; if one of the women, before she is married, a young woman, she has to be tested first for her virgincy. If she be found guilty, she has to tell what man did it, and they're both killed together. What if that happened in the United States, who would bury all the corpses, see? So, so there you are, see. And they are heathens, see the morale. See, so you can't test it by that. Our Indian brother here can tell you now, the Mohammedans probably live a lot better life than we ever think about.

190 But what is it? It's the Word that gives the test. Them Pharisees was twice as humble as Jesus. He went around tearing up their churches, and throwing them out, and beating them out, and everything like that.

191 And this godly old priest, you know, why, who was... If I was having a meeting against Him, this morning; I'd say, who come to you when you were sick, pray for you? "That godly old priest." Who loaned papa that money when his crops failed? "That godly old priest." Who dedicated you to God, for a life of service? "That godly old priest." Who was it, when you was in jail, come and visits you? "That godly old priest." And this young renegade called Jesus, what does He do? Called your pastor a "snake"! See? **See, it's not by the fruits.**

192 It's by the Word. "Man shall not live by fruit alone, but by every Word that proceeds out of the mouth of God."

193 And He was that Word. They just fail to see It. That's what He was supposed to do. They couldn't see it, because they wasn't ordained to see it. Said, "You can't come to Me." Look at them poor Jews, their eyes were blinded. Sure, He did it. He blinded them, Himself.

194 Think of how it would be to be blinded. You better be thanking God for what sight you got on the Scripture. Now notice.

195 Now, He, He was this Word. Now, after this, He was tested. Jesus' testing. Now we're going through these.

196 See, it doesn't reflect the Word when anybody says, "Well, That was for another age," 'cause the Bible said He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. How the Holy Spirit in you could say that you are a filled with the Holy Ghost?

197 Now can I hurt you a little bit? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Is it all right? Raise your hands. You won't be mad at me? ["No."] If you do, you have to be.

198 How can you women, with bobbed hair, tell me that you are filled with the Holy Ghost? One Word! "Oh, I spoke in tongues." That don't make any difference. I've seen witch doctors speak in tongues, interpret, shout in the spirit, dance in the spirit.

199 How can you men call yourself the head of the house, and let your wife wear shorts and carrying on the way she is, call yourself Christians?

200 How can you pastors ever face God with a thing like that, without standing up and protest it? You can't make them do it. But you get to preaching like that, you won't belong in the seminary very long or with a group. You'll have to get cooperation from somewhere else. We'll get into it, just in a moment, the Lord willing. See?

201 But there you are. Don't, I don't mean to hurt you. I love you. That's the reason. If you were floating down the river, and I seen you was going to drown, I'd be a poor fellow, say, "Well, be a good person, honey." You better warn them. That's right. Tell them!

202 As I said the other night, if I'm a Christian, I have to be identified with every character of the Bible. I had to stand with Noah and preach with him, in the days, and warn the people. That's right. I had to stand on Mount Carmel, alone, with Elijah. I had to stand at Calvary, **and be crucified to myself and my own thoughts, with Him.** But then again, I raised with Him on Easter, triumphant over all things. All the carnal of the carnality of the world, raised above it, in Him.

203 Notice, it doesn't reflect the Word then, no, it doesn't vindicate It. Now, but if you believe the Word, God will vindicate It, Hissself, as He did here in Jesus.

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147-2 What is it that caused this misunderstanding? The answer is, "EXPERIENCE". We have gone by experience and not the Word. Away with experience as your measuring line. There is only one plumb line, only one rod, and that is the WORD. Now watch carefully and get this. Peter said, "Repent and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sin and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Paul said, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost SINCE ye believed?" This is the whole of our problem right here. People repent of their sins, they get baptized in water, BUT THEY DON'T GO ON AND RECEIVE THE HOLY GHOST. YOU BELIEVE UNTO RECEIVING THE SPIRIT. Believing on Jesus is the step in the right direction which is toward the Holy Ghost. But the people stop there. They go as far as water and then stop. They believe, and then stop. The Bible does not say that you receive WHEN you believe. It is, "Have you received the Holy Ghost SINCE you believed?" The exact and literal translation is: "Did ye, having previously believed, receive the Holy Ghost?" The people believe and then stop. You don't receive the Holy Ghost when you believe UNTO Him, having repented. You go on and receive the Holy Ghost. Do you see it? That is what is wrong with our fundamentalists. They have no power for they stop short of Pentecost.

148-1 They are like the children of Israel who came out of Egypt and stopped short of the Promised Land. Now those children of Israel left Egypt about two million strong. They all journeyed together, all saw the same miracles of God, all partook of the same manna and water from the smitten rock, all followed the same cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night but ONLY TWO reached the Promised Land. ONLY TWO WERE TRUE OR REAL BELIEVERS. That is correct because the Word tells us that the rest died

because of unbelief; and because of unbelief they could not enter in (Hebrews 3:19). Then since that is so, and only TWO ENTERED, then the rest were not true believers. What made the difference? Two stayed with the Word. When the hearts of the ten spies failed at Kadesh Barnea, Joshua and Caleb did not stagger for they believed the Word and said, "We are more than able to take the land." They knew they could because God had said, "I have given you the land." After all those Israelites saw of the power and goodness and deliverance of God they did not enter into rest, which is a type of the Holy Ghost. So you can see right now that very few will ever believe all the way to receiving the Spirit of God.

148-2 All right, we have come this far. Now I want to go further, and when I do I know I am going to cause some emotions to rise. But that is something I am not responsible for. I am responsible to God and His Word and the people God has sent me to. I have to be faithful in all He gives me to say.

149-1 In John 6:37 & 44 it says,

"All that the Father giveth Me shall come to me; and him that cometh to Me I shall in no wise cast out.

No man can come to Me except the Father draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day."

John 1:12-13,

"But as many as received Him to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name,

Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, BUT OF GOD."

Ephesians 1:4-5,

"According as He hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love:

Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will."

Now without getting too involved in the subject of the sovereignty of God (for that would take a book in itself) let me point out here that according to these verses, Jesus Christ is choosing His own bride just the same as men choose their brides today. The bride today does not simply decide she is going to take a certain man for a husband. No sir. It is the groom who decides and chooses a certain woman for his bride.

(John 15:16,

"Ye have not chosen Me; but I have chosen you.")

Now according to the Word of God, the bride was chosen before the foundation of the world. This choosing of the bride was purposed in Himself. Ephesians 1:9.

And in Romans 9:11 it says

"That the purpose of God according to election might stand."

You can't read it any other way. The heart purpose, the eternal purpose of God was to take a bride of His OWN choosing, and that purpose was in Himself, and being eternal was decreed before the foundation of the world.

65-0911 GOD'S.POWER.TO.TRANSFORM PHOENIX.AZ SATURDAY

212 Now, what is the transformation? (Quickly.) How do we get it? What does the transformation? God does it by the Spirit of His Word. He transforms. He plants His Seed, throws His Spirit on It, and It brings forth the product. His Holy Spirit transforms the Seed Word in to be vindicated of its kind.

213 What kind of a seed you are, that shows just what's in you. You can't hide it. Whatever you are inside, it shows outside. You just can't keep from it. You can't make that tree anything but what it is. See, it's going to be that way. The Holy Spirit transforms the seeds that's on the inside of it. No matter what kind of a seed it is, It'll transform it. If it's evil, it'll bring forth evil. If it's a hypocrite, it'll bring forth a hypocrite. If it's a genuine Word of God, it'll bring forth a genuine son or daughter of God, through a thinking man's Filter. **When the Seed comes up, it comes through That, It produces a son and daughter of God.**

65-0822M CHRIST.IS.REVEALED.IN.HIS.OWN.WORD JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SUNDAY

89 So, when you watch nature, now we see where every age, and directly designed it out that we're in the last age. The shuck has pulled away. And we've had fifteen years, nearly twenty now, years, of the Message sweeping across from nation to nation, and this morning hooked-up across this nation, see, and no organization. It can't organize. There has nothing ever been like it, or will be hereafter. See?

The thing that's the matter with the Message today, is, those who obtain It in their hearts must lay in the Presence of the Son, to get ripened. See? You can pick up the Message, and then let the Son bake all the greenness out of you, see, making matured Christians. See what I mean? God is coming soon, to receive His Church, and we must have that type of Christians for Him to receive. The wheat has got to get ripe. All right.

90 These three musts must be. Must not misinterpret, or mishandle It, misinterpret It, or mis-... or dislocate It. It must be kept just exactly the way God said it was. To the world, It's a Book of mystery. The people believe It's just a mysterious Book. One time I was talking to a very famous man here in the city, that holds a great

standing of Christianity, and he said, "I tried to read the Book of Revelations one night." Said, "John must have had a big bait of hot pepper and had a nightmare." See, a Book of mystery.

91 But, while to the true believer, It's the revelation of God being revealed in the age we're living in. He said, "My words are Spirit and Life." Jesus said that. Again, "The Word is a Seed that a sower sowed." We know that that's true. It's God in Word form, and can only be interpreted by Himself.

The human mind is not capable to interpret the mind of God. How can the little--little finite mind interpret the infinite Mind, when we can't even interpret one another's mind?

92 And you notice, He is the only One can interpret It, and He interprets It to whom He will. It didn't say, "Mortals of old, as they strode across the earth in sundry times and divers manner." "God, in sundry times and divers manner revealed Himself to His prophets." See?

93 And, notice, "To whom He will reveal It." And He so designed that He can hide Himself in the Scripture, to the smartest theologian there is. Oh, my! He can just hide Himself, set right there in the Scripture, and you look all day long and never see it; look a lifetime, and never see it. He can just hide Himself, setting there.

94 Now, please, everywhere, let that soak in. That, God, in the Word, can hide Himself so in the Word, that there isn't a theologian or a school in the world could ever find Him, and yet He's setting right there.

You say, "Is that right, Brother Branham?"

How about the Pharisees and Sadducees? How about in every age? He's done it. Sure. He's done so in every age. Now we could check that. Let's think about the days of Noah; smart, intellectual age, how He hid Hisself in His promised Word. In the days of Moses, how He hid Hisself. In the days of Elijah, how He hid Hisself. In the days of Jesus, how He hid Hisself. "He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not. He came to His Own; His Own received Him not." See?

95 He hides Himself from the smartest, intellectual man there is on the earth. You say, "Well, this is Dr. Holy Father So-and-so." I don't care who he is, God hides Himself from him; and will reveal it to babies such as will learn, see, babies of God, predestinated seed.

96 Think. The Mighty God, setting in His Own Words, blinding the smart, educated people of this present age, and they don't see it. They think it's just a bunch of fanaticism. Look at Him standing there hiding, to Pentecostals, Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterian. Reveal Himself right out publicly, and showing all kinds of things, even

putting it in the papers, and things like that, yet they don't see it. Oh, our God, how great, revealing Himself to whomever He will.

97 "Oh," you say, "Brother Jones or Brother So-and-so, he's--he's a great man. He'll see It." Oh, no. He reveals It to whom He will. Say, "My wife don't see It, and she's a Christian woman." He reveals Himself to whom He will. "Well, my pastor is a great man." That's right, but He reveals Himself to whom He will. Now, check with what's been revealed, to what's happening, then you'll... you can quite understand.

98 Now we notice then, it makes It a Book of God and not a book of man. If It was of man... Now let us look how It would express Itself. Look how It exposes sin of the men who wrote It, notice, the men who lived in Its day.

Abraham, for instance, he's called "the father of the faithful." Notice how that... Do you think Abraham would've wrote this Book on himself, of his own cowardliness? How you think he would've wrote that he lied to the king that morning, and said that was his sister, when it was his wife? Would it write of his cowardly deeds that he done? Sure, he'd never done that.

99 How about Jacob in his deceit? A little deceiver that Jacob was. Would a man, a Hebrew writing of his Hebrew brother, that in him that all of Israel was called, would he dare to write the deceit of the very father of the whole nation? In Jacob, come forth the patriarchs; from the patriarchs, come forth the tribes. And the foundation stone of all of it, the Bible exposes him as a deceiver. Is that right? You think man would've wrote that? No, sir.

100 How about a man writing of the greatest king they ever had here on earth, as crowned king; David, in his committing adultery? Would those Jews ever wrote of their most noble king being an adulterous?

Oh, we have history, like, "George Washington never told a lie," and things like that. We say, call that history.

But this is a man, a Bible that calls David an "adulterous," and he was. The king of Israel, an adulterous who was to be the son... Jesus to be the Son of David. The very Headstone; and His father, according to flesh, was an adulterous. Jews would never wrote a Book like that. Would man write this of his own self? Certainly not.

101 How would that proud nation of Israel? You know how proud they were. Proud nation of Israel, went and wrote about their own idolatry, wrote about their rebellion against their God, wrote against the dirty, filthy things that they did, and wrote out in a book? They'd have sure hid that. They'd have just showed the good things. But, this Bible, that tells what's right and what's wrong. It's, anyone knows that the Jews

would've never wrote a Book like that, about their own uncleanness, and idolatry, and failure, and everything they had. They'd have never wrote that. Oh, no.

Then, Who wrote It? The Bible said, in Hebrews 1:1, "God, in sundry times and divers manners spake to the fathers through the prophets." Then, it wasn't the prophets, it wasn't mortal. "God!" Not "prophets in sundry time." But, "God, in sundry time, divers manners spoke to the fathers through the prophets."

I got a Scripture wrote down here. I don't know what It is; I can't refer to It. Usually, when these things I'm referring to them, I'm looking at a Scripture. I'm going to look it up just for a minute, if you'll excuse me. It's Second Timothy 3:16. I thought I would remember that, but I'm sorry. I'll just stop a minute to find out what it is.

102 "God, in sundry times and divers manners spake to the fathers through the prophets."

Now Second Timothy 3, 3:16. Let's see what it says in 3:16.

All scripture (yeah) is given by inspiration of (Prophets? No.)... inspiration of (What?) God, and is profitable for doctrine, and reproof, and correction, and instruction in righteousness:

That the man of God may stand perfect, throughly furnished in all good works.

103 All right, then, all Scripture is wrote by inspiration. Jesus, here on the earth, said that heavens and earth would pass away, but His Word wouldn't. He said all Scripture must be fulfilled. So then the Book is not a book of man's writings. It's the Books of God's writings.

104 Now, we know God chose by predestination His Church, His place, His prophets, and all about it. By foreknowledge, He predestinated His prophet. **And when the age arrived, He had His prophet arrive at the same time, and inspired him as He wrote the Bible by him.** Now, God wrote the Bible only using the prophet, because that's His way of doing it. So, see, it is not the word... So, see, It is the Word of God, and not the word of man.