

## Zero Comes After Laodicea pt8

Do It Themselves or Let God Do It  
Law or Grace

### **65-1031M POWER.OF.TRANSFORMATION PRESCOTT.AZ**

**131** And then Adam deliberately, knowing he ought not to have done it, walked out with his wife and did this act. Which, finally he would have come to it anyhow. But, see, it had to be that way, the wisdom of God, 'cause this then, that, displays His attribute to be a Saviour, Father, Healer. You've heard me preach on that, see. Now if that hadn't have been done...

**132** He just let them out there on free moral agency, to let them act. He couldn't make them do it, and then still be just. But He could put them equal with Him, and free moral agency, and then let them do it themselves. And He knew they would do it.

### **59-0612 ALL.THE.DAYS.OF.OUR.LIFE CHICAGO.IL**

**E-12** .... *The oath which he sware unto our father Abraham,  
That he would grant unto us, that... being delivered out of the hands of our enemies  
might serve him without fear,  
In holiness... righteousness before him, all the days of our life.*

I like that: **All The Days Of Our Life.**

**E-13** **When we receive Christ, it isn't just for a few hours, or just for the time of the revival, but it's to last all the days of our life.** I think each person coming to Christ ought to set down first and think, before you even go to the meeting. "If God should call me, am I ready? If He should speak to my heart tonight, should I stand up; am I ready to surrender all my life to Him?" **That's the only way that He will accept you is when you give all your life.**

Man is prone to have his own way. Man wants to do things in--but he wants to do it in his own way. He showed that just a few hours after his fall. In the garden of Eden he wanted to do it his way. Because man is always satisfied as long as he's doing it his own way.

**E-14** Did you ever notice when you're driving with somebody else. There's just all kinds of mistakes that they make. You push the floorboard out on the other side almost, trying to stop the car yourself. And in your mind you say, "Well, why did he do that?" or, "Why'd he turn this a way? I would've did it so-and-so."

See, that's just the nature of man. He wants his own way. And God did not make man to desire his own way. God made man to depend on Him, to forsake his way to crucify his way. He likened us unto sheep. And the sheep is one animal that cannot find his

own way. He must be led. A little lamb can lose himself from the fold, and he's just totally lost. He just stands there and bleats.

And that's the way it is with the human being. If he becomes a lamb, if his nature is changed, he depends wholly upon God and upon God's leading. **But the earth man, when Adam realized that he had fallen from that estate, where God had him wholly depending on Him, Adam quickly showed his second nature, his fallen nature.** And he wanted a way back, to be redeemed, but he wanted to do it his way and after his own thinking.

**E-15** I trust that the church will understand this: that we have no right to use our own thinking about things. When we become Christians, we totally surrender every bit of our mental powers to God and follow after His leading. And as long as we try to go after our own feeling, then we are using the fallen state of the being.

'Cause God led Adam before the fall; and after the fall, Adam wanted to lead God. Now, God provided Adam a way, but he didn't want that way. He wanted to make himself a religion. And as we see that he wanted to do it himself. He wasn't willing to wait on God, and say, "Lord, You led me before this. And now I'm fallen; I'm lost. Now, help me and show me how to get back to You, Lord." We'd have never had all this trouble we got today.

**E-16** **And if man will just come that close to God,** that when you're lost, don't try to find your way back. Just surrender to Him, and He will lead you back. Don't try to figure it out. That's the mental powers.

I said sometime ago in a meeting, a message. I said, "In the garden of Eden, God and the devil chose their part of the man. The devil took his head; God took his heart." **The devil tries to show him with his mental powers some great something he can do.** And he only wants to see with his eyes, what he can see. God come in his heart, and makes him believe for things that he cannot see. "For faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." He just believes it. Because God said it; he don't have to see nothing. Or no sense of his body has to declare it; he just believes it in his soul where God lives. But the devil took his head, makes him smart, figures himself out a religion, a way of escape. God wants to lead him to the path of worship.

**E-17** And so, Adam quickly sewed some fig leaves together, and not waiting on God... I think that's where we've made the mistake all along. **If that was wrong in the beginning, it's wrong now. And it will forever be wrong. If God depended wholly and complete surrender, and to be led by His Spirit at the beginning, that's the way it'll have to be forever. God made the way, asked Adam to come to it.** But Adam didn't

want to go that way, he wanted to hurry up and make his own way. So, we can stay a long time on that.

But notice. He made himself some fig leaves together for an apron. Well, it's still the same spirit, but they changed the name of "leaves" to "creeds." He's sewing some creeds together now. But it's still the same objective. It's still the intellectual thinking of man, and not the plan and will of God. You can never be saved through creeds. You must come God's provided way. God made the way, but man wants to make his own way.

**E-24** Now, we hear so much today about, "We are free. Oh, we live in a beautiful America. We are free." Oh, the air's full of it. Books are wrote of it, thousands of them. But you are a million miles from being free. You're not free. Don't you be deceived by that. America is one of the greatest deceived nations, and in more bondage than any place I know of. They're worse in bondage than communism could put them in. Communism can only hurt the body; they can only put the body in bondage. But when the devil comes in, he puts the soul in bondage.

And man is a slave. America is a bunch of slaves. You may be a slave to pride. You might walk up and down the streets and go through every store and every fashion that you can see on television, and go from store to store trying to buy something. You become a slave to it. You become a slave to your dressing. You can become a slave to your money. That's the only thing that you think of is to make money, grab, and put it up here. If you do that, you're a slave.

**E-25** You may be a slave to your religion. You may be a slave to a bunch of creeds. And let me tell you, a creeds is nothing but framework for a communism. It's the scaffold work that the devil can use to build communism, is a cold formal church. For men and women will go to that church, and become a slave to their religion, become a slave to the devil. Going into the church, and putting your name on the book, and paying money into it... Or either they'll go there and there's never nothing said about wrong. ....

### **63-0123 IDENTIFICATION PHOENIX.AZ**

**96** His sinless nature expressed God's Word. See? He was the Word, **so God expressed Himself by that sinless nature.**

**98** Notice, see, His sinless nature expressed what He was. **He, then, if His sinless nature, God expressed Himself through that sinless nature, it shows that our nature**

is evil. And, is no matter how much we try to patch it up, or how much we try to indocumate it with other things, **it's got to become sinless like His was, and then God's Word can flow through it.**

**99 That don't mean perfection in yourself. You can't be that.** But, you see, even our people are getting away from the practice of holiness. We begin to let down so many bars. See? We got to come to that place of our profession. He is our example, and He is our sin Bearer. And then if we profess that He is our Peacemaker, He is our Propitiation, **then if we profess that, then that is supposed to reflect Him back in us. And we are a written epistle, a looking glass, that people can see Christ in us.** And now, if they don't, then we're looking at something else, and we're not looking to Him. "Look to Him, all the ends of the world, and live." The only way you can. His sinful...

**100 Sinless nature expressed the Word of God, so much, that He and the Word was One.** He said so. "I and My Father are One. I do always that what pleases. I and My Father are just One." **He was so perfect in the image of God until He and God was the expressed same thing.** He was the flesh, the Son, that expressed the Deity of God. **So that made Him deity in a Man,** in order to redeem a man. See? He and the Word was One. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh." **So, He and the Word became one, that the Word could express and could show to the world that Example of what man should be.**

**101** And man can't be that in himself. There's no way to educate it to it. There's no way to join it. There's no way to baptize it. There's no way of doing nothing to it, only kill it.

**102** And let it be born again, and a new Nature come in. That's the only way, kill that nature of yourself, that you might become... **And then the Word becomes a living thing, It just expresses Itself through you.** See? Then you're looking in the looking glass, when people sees you as a mirror. **Because, you know, God has made a way. People won't read the Bible, so God has made you a Bible. You are. What you do, people is looking at you.**

**106** Oh, no other nature could do this. **No. Cause, He was the molded perfect character of God.**

**107** For, it was a fallen character that all nature had. All men had a fallen character. **Even everything that was under man fell.** Everything has got a dying character.

**108** And He had a living character, so He expressed it in Christ, and He paid the price. And then because of His obedience, He raised Him up on the third day. See?

**109** And then He gives to us. That gives to us the proof. It gives to us the assurance, that, as long as we're in Him, we're already risen with Him. **We won't raise with Christ; we're already raised with Christ. That's right. We are in Christ now.** And if Christ be risen from the dead, aren't we raised from the dead with Him? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Amen. "Now we're setting together in Heavenly places in Him." Oh, my! That ought to make you Presbyterians shout. Uh-huh. Yeah. Certainly. **Expressed images of God, molded after the fashion of Christ, that the world can see Him in you. That's the looking glass to look at.**

#### **64-0402 JEHOVAH.JIREH.1 LOUISVILLE.MS**

**57** Another thing I want you to notice here in the 12th chapter, that the covenant was altogether unconditional. It was not any strings attached to it. "I have," not "if you." There wasn't no if's to it. "I have already done it." He give Abraham the covenant, unconditionally.

**58** And now know, in the Adamic covenant, it was, "If you don't touch this tree, then I'll do so-and-so. But if you do, then I'll have to do so-and-so." See, that had law attached to it.

**59** But in this covenant, "I have already made you a father of many nations." And He, all, it's all unconditional. The covenant is purely grace, just absolutely grace. Only thing they had to do to maintain this covenant was stay and abide in the land; and every blessing, went with the covenant, was with them. Only thing they had to do was stay in that land. Now we find out, when they went down in Egypt, they lost their blessing, but not their covenant. The covenant was still there. They lost the blessing, but not their covenant, because their covenant was grace, unconditionally.

#### **63-0728 CHRIST.IS.THE.MYSTERY.OF.GOD.REVEALED JEFFERSONVILLE.IN**

**182** "Heavenly places." Oh, how I wish I had time! Here I've got it marked right here in my Bible, about Heavenly places, what is Heavenly places. Heavenly places, just for a moment, is "the believer's position in Christ," see, "where the believer stands in Christ," in Heavenly places.

According as he has chosen us... (listen close)... chosen us in him before the foundation of the world,...

**183** **When did He choose us? "Before the foundation of the world," when His great hidden mystery, His great secret.**

*... He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in (what?) love:*

*Having (what?) predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,*

**184 "Predestinated!" There's the mystery.** He, before Christ or anything else was ever on earth, you see His great mystery, that He chose the Bride. Knowing Eve would fall, from disbelieving the Word, knowing that she would fall; but He would choose a Bride that would not fall, that would hold to that Word regardless of what all the rest of the world had to say about it. **They would hold to that Word! They are predestinated to stand there, "the adoption of children by Jesus Christ," predestinated the Church to that great, glorious stand!**

### **336-4 LAODICEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.9**

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**This New Creation is not the old creation made over,** or it could not be called a new creation. This is exactly what it says it is, "NEW CREATION". It is another creation, distinct from the old one. No longer is He dealing by ways of the flesh. That was how He dealt with Israel. He chose Abraham, and of Abraham's issue through the godly Isaac line. **But now out of every kindred, tribe and nation He has purposed a new creation. He is the first of that creation.** He was God created in the form of man. **Now by His Spirit He is creating many Sons unto Himself. God the creator, creating Himself a part of His creation.**

**This is the true revelation of God. This was His purpose.** This purpose took form through election. That is why He could look right down to the last age when all would be over and see Himself still in the midst of the church, as author of this New Creation of God. His Sovereign power brought it to pass. By His own decree He elected the members of this New Creation. **He predestinated them to the adoption of children** according to the good pleasure of His will. By His omniscience and omnipotence He brought it to pass. How else could He know that He would be standing in the midst of the church receiving glory from His brethren if He did not make sure? All things He knew, and all things He worked out according to what He knew in order that His purpose and good pleasure be brought to pass.

Ephesians 2:11

"In Whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of Him Who worketh all things after the counsel of His own will."

Hallelujah! Aren't you glad that you belong to Him!