

Once in God's Mind, Now in the Body of Christ pt5

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185 Samson, caught out one day (off guard) in a prairie, and here come a thousand Philistines upon him. And he looked down on the ground, and there's where a mule had died, and he picked up the old jaw, jawbone, dry as it could be, and took out after those Philistines, beating them over the head with this old dry jawbone of a mule, and as far as I know, not a tooth ever fell out of it. And them Philistine helmets was probably a inch thick ('cause they beat one another with war clubs in those days), to keep a man from beating them on the head. But he took the jawbone of that mule and beat down a thousand Philistines, and the jawbone never broke. He just kept beating them, like that, as they come up. So, the rest of them took off for the rocks, see, they was getting away from him. Why? He believed it!

186 Sometime, to show you,... I want to tell you something else. Work on that pulsation, that spare of the moment, like Joshua did, like Mary Magdalene, all those. **Just that moment when something is revealed to you, grab it. Hold to it, that spare of the moment.**

187 Yes, it was revealed to him. He went to meet these thousand Philistines. Now what do you think when those Philistines said, "Now, look, coming there, that little shrimp; only about four feet and a half tall, to begin with; with seven little curls hanging down his back, like mama's little sissy, see; come along there with a jawbone of a mule. And look at us, what a great army we are! Isn't that ridiculous?" But what was he doing? He was expressing to those Philistines what had been revealed to him by God. He grabbed the jawbone and took off, because that's what He put in his hand; He put that in his hand, that's what he believed: he could do it! And by doing so, he was expressing to those Philistines what God had put in his heart to do.

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4 Lord, we would ask that You'd go out among the people and seek out that predestined seed out there, Lord, and bring it around, in some way, that the Light will fall across the path, Lord. For, we believe that the hour is getting late, the sun is swiftly sinking in the west, then will soon be that "time shall be no more." **Time and Eternity will blend together when God and His people blends together. And we pray, God, that, at that time, that we will be numbered among those that'll be blended into Christ, that's called His Bride.**

42 And then, there, you take a Christian, that's supposed to be a Christian, let the Life of God go from him, and the experience, the joy of serving Christ; and, living in a church where such is going on, he rots twice as quick, right, living right under.

43 So, if we are trying to follow the Message of the hour, or at least this part of the Message, we should live constantly in the Life of Christ. See? Cause, if it don't, you lay around, and know That, these things that you're supposed to do, and don't do it. The Bible said, "He that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it's sin." Then you become doty, rotten, when you're separated from the Life of God. So, strive with all that's in you, to stay in the Life of Christ, that you be fruit-bearing.

44 We see this age that we're living in. It's one of the grandest ages of all ages. This Laodicea Church Age is the grandest of all the church ages, because it's the ending of time and the blending of Eternity. And, then, it's the greatest sinful age. It's more sin in this age than there's ever been. And the powers of Satan is many times harder to fight against than it was in any age. See? Here!

45 Back there in early ages, a Christian could, for his profession of in a church, of belonging to Christ, could be beheaded for it. He could be killed, and put out of his misery, and go to meet God, quickly.

But now the enemy has come in, in the name of the church, and it's so deceiving. This is the great age of deception. When, Christ said so, "The two spirits would be so close in the last days till it would deceive the very Elected if it was possible." See? See? See? Remember, Christ spoke of an elected people for the last day. See? "It would deceive the very Elected if it were possible." So close! The people so live, people can live a clean, holy life; not be sinful, adulterers, and drinkers, and liars, gamblers. They can live above that, and still not with It. That's right.

46 This is the age of Life, personal Life of Christ, where, the chemical of His Body, what was in Him.

First, under justification, the water baptism. Second, under the new Birth, of Wesley, sanctification, which cleanses. And thirdly, under the baptism of the Holy Spirit, putting that sanctified vessel into service. See? The word sanctify means, it's a compound Greek word which means "cleaned and set aside for service," set aside for service. Now the Holy Spirit puts it in service. See?

49 And then look at the Laodicea Church Age after has received the Holy Ghost, and with the knowledge and the Spirit of God within It, and then the works of God is denied by It, and call It "an evil work." Then what about that? There is where Christ is put out of His Own church. See? He... **It never showed Him in the church until it come**

to Laodicea; and when He got to Laodicea, He had been put out of His church, trying to get back in.

50 Now, see, justification never put Him in. Sanctification just cleaned the place for Him. But when the baptism of the Holy Spirit come, it put Him in the people. And now they turned Him out, when He begin to show Hissself, that He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. They turned Him out because they have denominated, and the Spirit of the Lord don't agree with their denomination. You understand now?

[Congregations says, "Amen."--Ed.] That, they put Him out. "We don't want nothing to do with His telepathy. It's of the Devil. It's fortune-telling. Or..." See?

They don't understand. "Eyes and can't see; ears, and can't hear." See? God only opens eyes as He will. "He hardens who He hardens, He wishes to, and gives Life to those who He desires to." That's what the Scripture said.

51 Now, we see these hours that we're in, this stage, and we see what it was. And the Holy Ghost is rebuking the age that put Him out. But, in all that, did you notice, "To him that overcometh"? [Congregation says, "Amen." —Ed.] Even in that worldly, wicked church age, "Him that overcometh."

52 We find here that God has always had overcomers. He's had overcomers in every age. There's always, every time, in every age that there's been on the earth, **God has always had somebody He could put His hands on, as a witness in the earth.** He's never been without a witness, though sometimes just one. But somebody overcome, now, like the saints of old.

69 "How will I know then, Brother Branham, that I'm in There?" Watch what kind of a life you're living. Just look around. See if it's just lived out of you, automatically. Or, do you have to strain and pull, see, then you're doing it. But don't try to do it. Did you ever try? Yeah. Don't.

70 Just like putting a little baby's arm in a sleeve hole, you see. He's just up, down, over, and everything else. See? He can't do it. "Put on your coat, honey." He can't do it. Little arm is up, down, around. It takes your steady hand.

Oh, how glad I am, I can just yield my hand to Father, say, "Lord Jesus, I can't get in There. You help me. Put the coat on me." I quit trying. Just let Him do it. See?

71 If the little baby keeps trying, "Oh, I can do it. I can do it." And he's just everywhere. He can't do it.

Neither can you, neither can I, but if we'll just hold still and let Him do it. Just yield to Him, "Here, Lord, here I am. Just let me be nothing. I yield. You put my hand in the right place." That's the victory. That's overcoming.

72 The thing you have to overcome is yourself, your idea, your thing, and surrender yourself to Him. He overcome for you. He knows the way; we don't.

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188 John the Baptist expressed his faith by his works, and when he said "There stands One among you now." Just think of that. Saint John, I got the Scripture, Saint John 1:26, see. He said...

189 They said, "You say, 'The Messiah's coming'? Why," said, "man, what's the matter with you? We been looking for Him for four thousand years."

190 He said, "He's standing right among you now." Hallelujah! So is He tonight! Uh-huh.

191 He expressed his faith by his revelation, because it was revealed to him that... he knowed he would baptize the Messiah. He was a man, thirty years old. He knowed He had to be there somewhere; he had never knew who He was, and there He was standing right among them. He said, "There's One standing among you now, Who you know not, and I'm not worthy to loose the latches on His shoes, but He'll baptize you with the Holy Ghost. And He's right among you now." He expressed it, his faith, because he knowed, in his day, he was to see and baptize God's Messiah. So, you see, the people could see the expression upon him, in the way he was preaching and the way he was acting, was expressing that he had a true revelation from God.

192 Now, to prove that it was true, walking right out of the crowd come the Messiah; just an ordinary young man walking down through there, dressed like other man. John said, "Behold, there's the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world."

193 "How do you know Him?"

194 He said, "He that said to me, in the wilderness, 'Upon Whom thou shall see the Spirit descending, that's the One that'll baptize with the Holy Ghost.'"

195 See, he knew Him because there was supposed to be a sign about that time. (Are you catching It?) John knew just about the hour, 'cause he was a prophet. It was revealed to him, that he know would be about that time, he'd see a sign. And when he seen that sign, he said, "He's standing among you." He knew It was there.

196 Oh, I see the sign that the end time is here. I see the things that's promised, for this end-time Message, coming to pass (unfolding) just exactly like the Scripture said. And I know that the time is at hand! I say that without hesitance. I believe it's right at hand, for I see the signs that He said would happen just before that time. It's ready to happen now.

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19 Jesus said, "You haven't chose Me, but I chose you." See? So you're chose before the foundation of the world, or you wasn't chose at all. He just come to redeem that name. And all whose names are not on that Lamb's Book of Life...before the foundation of the world, is the only ones going to be there, anyhow. See? You were chose in Him before the foundation of the world. When the Lamb was chosen, then you were chosen with Him, before the foundation.

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65 There is no Judgment to the royal, spiritual, predestinated Seed of Abraham, for they are predestinated to Eternal Life. They have accepted God's provided Sacrifice; and that Sacrifice, which was Christ, the Word.

"And there is therefore now no condemnation." Saint John 5:24, if you want the Scripture. "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus," Romans 8:1, "walk not after the flesh, but the Spirit," in Romans. 5:24, "He that heareth My Word," the word there is, "understandeth." Any drunkard, anything else, can hear It and walk away. "But he that heareth My Word, understandeth My Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting Life, and shall not come into the Judgment; but is passed from death unto Life." Yes, sir.

He that this great mystery of the God made known, understands, how that God was in Christ reconciling Himself to the world, how that He and the Father were One, how that the great mysteries of the fulfilling of God taking and bringing Hisself, manifested in the age of human beings, and in the stream of human beings, and in the company of human beings; to make His Word manifested in the day, in the eastern rising of the sun, and to do the same thing as the sun sets in the west, to make Hisself manifested in a Bride Church, the Word made manifest. See? It will, too. "He that understandeth," that is, "to know, that's been revealed to him, of Him that sent Me, has everlasting Life, and will not come into the Judgment; but is passed from death unto Life."

66 The natural seed was only a carrier of the spiritual, the Seed. Like the stalk, tassel, and shuck. We've went through that before, at another Message, but I'd like to preview it a little, in it, or go back to it again just for a minute.

67 Now here there is three stages of the seed, shows us the true picture, the three stages of the natural seed in the earth. Like a seed is planted, brings forth a stalk, little blade shoots from it; then the tassel, then the pollen hangs on that; and then the shuck; and then the seed again.

68 Watch these stages of this perfect parable here, and how it works out exactly in the type, 'cause God is the author of all nature. Therefore nature cannot fail no more than God can fail, because He was the One Who set the thing in its condition for us to look at and to see.

69 Notice Hagar, the stalk, which was the **first beginning of the Seed springing up**. Now, **it didn't look anything like the Seed**. It was the stalk, because she was a bondswoman, **not in the promise at all; nothing to do with the Word, just a transporter of the Seed**.

70 Notice Sarah, the tassel that had the pollen, that Jewish nation raised from her. From, come out of Sarah, brought Isaac; through Isaac, brought Jacob; Jacob brought the patriarchs; and through the patriarchs, **brought forth a nation**.

71 **Mary, the virgin's faith, produced the true, spiritual Seed Word made flesh**. See? **The three women, three women that this Seed was carried through**. One of them was actually an adultery, under polygamy; the second was a freewoman; and the third one had no sex affair at all, but by faith she believed the Word of God. Hagar, Sarah, both Sarah and Hagar, was sex; but Mary was virgin, by the power of the promised Word of God. That's right.

72 The stalk, Hagar (two wives), doubted the promise, but watch what that brought forth. When Hagar, the second wife of Abraham, which was just a absolutely a concubine wife, but she brought forth a man, but (what kind of a man was he?) the Bible said he was "a wild man." He lived by his bow, and no man would conquer him. He was untamable, unconvertible, unregenerated. He could not be tamed. He was a wild man, because he was of the contrary to God's Word.

And anything that's contrary; any preacher, any lay member, any church, that's contrary to God's Word; will bring forth a wild, adulteress bunch of worldly Hollywood, and cannot stay with the unadulterated Word, because it's not even included in the promise. No.

73 Sarah, the true wife of the promise, being the tassel, brought forth a gentle man. In the returns, brought forth a promised nation that served God. [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]

But, Mary, by no sex at all, but believed the promised Word; when she was a virgin, knowing no man. And the Angel of the Lord met her, said, "Hail, Mary, blessed art thou amongst the women, for God is with thee."

74 And she said, "How will these things be?" He... She said.

75 The Angel said, "The Holy Ghost shall overshadow thee."

76 **It had never been done in all of the ages**, but Mary believed God. And she said, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord." She believed the Word.

How is she going to have it? She knewed that Hagar had the baby by a sex desire, with Abraham; and Sarah had the baby by sex desire, with Abraham, children of promise; the bondswoman and the freewoman. But here she is asked to believe. That's a contribution to the faith that was in Abraham, who believed the impossibles, "As long as God said it's so, that makes it right."

77 She believed God, never questioned. She said, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord. No matter how much criticism I have to bear from the world, be it unto me according Thy Word." There come forth the genuine Seed.

78 Sarah could not do it, because it was sex. That's right. And neither could Sarah, because it was sex.

Neither can the church, under sectarianism! It takes a virgin belief in the Word of God to make a promise, to bring forth children. Sectarianism will never bring forth the re-born Church. It cannot do it. It'll bring forth a substitutionary something. It'll bring some forth, something that imitates It, something that tries to be like It.

But a genuine, born-again Church of God believes the Word of God in the face of anything, regardless of what it is, because it's unadulterated. It's by the promise of God that these things come.

79 Mary, the true one, said, by the... -out sex, said, "Be it unto me according to Thy Word. Behold Thy handmaid!"

And she brought forth. What did she bring forth? **Not a wild man; not a nation. But she brought forth the Word, God Himself made manifested in the flesh; amen, the true Seed of God that manifested every promise that God made in the Bible; without Him, no man can live without Him.**

80 She was the true seed, she was beyond the ta-... she was the shuck that brought forth the Grain. Now, the other two was carriers of Life, only as the natural seed.

Mary... Now, remember, I said the other two... Now, Mary, don't make her God, as some people tries to make her. She was not a god. No, sir. **She was only a carrier of the Seed, like the rest of them was; but, like faith in the Word, brings more to the real image.**

81 Like as the corn matures, or the wheat. It comes forth, a stalk; then it comes forth, the pollen; then it comes forth, a shuck. But when you think, that shuck, if you don't watch, it'll look just exactly like the real wheat. But when it's opened up, the real wheat is on the inside. It's only a carrier, again.

82 So, you see, Mary, not through sex, but through faith; something exactly like It. Mary was not that Seed. Mary was a carrier of the Seed.

He was the genuine, faith Seed, because the Word of God is by faith that He give to Abraham. And only faith can produce what God said He'd do; faith in His Word.