ELECTION IN THE GALLERIES Pt. 84

ROMANS 9:10

10 And not only this; but when Rebecca also had conceived by one, even by our father Isaac;

ROMANS 9:11

11 (For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to *ELECTION might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)

ELECTION: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1589 ekloge {ek-log-ay'}

chosen, the act of picking out, choosing; used of the act of God's free will by which before the foundation of the world he decreed his blessings to certain persons;

the decree made from choice by which He determined to bless certain persons through Christ by grace

ROMANS 9:12

12 It was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger.

ROMANS 9:13

13 As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

149-1 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

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.

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.

LET'S LOOK AT THE LOGOS A LITTLE CLOSER

WHO. IS. GOD_ CLEVELAND. OH TUESDAY_ 50-0815

E-15 And there, that great space where no one can fathom in their mind beyond that, that space, eternity. That's Jehovah God out there. And we're taught in the beginning, that the Logos, or the Son of God went out of God.

Now, I do not believe in eternal sonship. That's even radical to even mention such a thing, eternal sonship. How. . . He had a eternal sonship. . . ? . . . way, it's even eternal sonship, how could He be a Son? He had to have a beginning. See?

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E-17 And in there. . . Now, see, this is just like a child playing before the door. It was the Son of God, the Logos. And I can see Him out there, and He spake, and said, "Let there be light." And there was nothing. But there was something happened, and a atom turned there and begin to whirl around this a way. The sun begin to come into existence, because He said, "Let there be." There's the authority.

Where did He make it from? I don't know. There was nothing to make it from. But He believed His own Word, and there was light. I can see a piece fly off of that; it's a meteor. After a few million years, or a hundred billions of years, if you want to call it, and it circled way out. I see Him standing there watching it. And it falls down in here. He stops it after it falls a few million years, and let it hang there in orbit. Here goes another one flying off the sun. It goes over here and hangs down, stops it there.

WHO. IS. GOD_ CLEVELAND. OH TUESDAY_ 50-0815

E-18 What's He doing? Writing His first Bible. Notice, the human beings once looked towards the heavens. And He puts all the stars in the heavens, the zodiac, starting off with the Virgin, ending up with Leo the Lion. First coming of Christ, the second coming. Came by the Virgin, come again as the Lion of the tribe of Juda. There He puts the first Bible......

...... And I can see that Light moving over here and pulled the earth over near the sun to dry it off. And He begin to. . . ? . . . raise the water up, separating the land, earth from the water, and so forth.

Then He begin to create. And He made the fishes of the sea, the vegetable life. Put the cattle on the hill. It all looked good to Him.

Then He said, "Let us make man in Our own image, after Our likeness." Is that right? All right. So He made a man. God was Spirit; he had to be a spirit man made in His image. He put him here on the earth to lead the animal life and so forth, like the Holy Spirit should be leading the Church today. That was man.

THE. CRUELTY. OF. SIN. AND. THE. PENALTY. THAT. IT. COST. TO. RID. SIN. FROM. OUR. LIVES_ JEFF. IN V-25 N-4 FRIDAY_ 53-0403

51....... He said, "Let us (plural) make man (plural) in our own image. Let us make man in our own image. " So then when God made His first man, He was a spirit man. He was something on the order of God, or the Son of God, the Logos. That was the first man. Then He gave the man jurisdiction over the--to lead all the animal life, just like the Holy Spirit leads the believer today: "Go here. Do this."

Now, if we were perfect in submission to the Holy Spirit, God would lead us by the Holy Spirit, just like Adam led the animals of that day.

SHOW. US. THE. FATHER. AND. IT'LL. SATISFY. US_ CONNERSVILLE. IN WEDNESDAY_ 53-0610

E-65 And when He made everything that looked nice and good to Him, now He said, "Let us (plural) make man (plural) in our own image. " What was He? There is a supernatural Being. There's the One that could not be seen. God the Father never was seen, never will be seen. He's all nature. And there He is. And now, here's the Son, which is the Logos that went out of Him, made in His image, a supernatural Being that went out in the beginning.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 14-21......Adam, the first man in the lower creations of God. . . The first creation was God Himself; then out of God came the Logos, which was the Son of God; then out of the Logos, which was the Word ("In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. "), out of the Logos came forth the-the man.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 14-23...... Let's go back a hundred million years before there ever was a star, moon, or anything in the world. Now, there was a time when there wasn't nothing here; it was just all forever and

eternity. And all of ever and eternity was God; He was there in the beginning.

Now, let's go out here on the edge of this banister and look over and see these things happen.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 15-26 Now, "No man has seen the Father at any time. " No man can see God in the bodily form, because God is not in body form; God is a Spirit. See? All right. "No man has seen the Father, but the only begotten of the Father hath declared Him," I John. . . See?

Now, but notice now, there's nothing; there's just space. There's no light; there's no dark; there's no nothing; it's just seems nothing. But in there is a great supernatural Being, Jehovah God, Who covered all space of all places at all times. He was from everlasting from everlasting; He is the beginning of creation. That's God. Can't see nothing, can't hear nothing, not a move of an atom in the air, not nothing, not no air, no nothing, but yet God was there. That was God. (Now, let's watch for a few minutes, and after a while. . .) No man has seen That, now; that's the Father. That's God, the Father.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY 53-0729 Now, notice. Then after while I begin to see a little 15-28 sacred Light begin to form, like a little halo or something; you could only see it by spiritual eyes to look now, while we're looking, the whole church now. We're standing on a great big banister, watching what God's doing. And we'll get right down to this question here and you'll see how He brings it in. Now, no one has seen God. And now, the next thing we begin to see, by eyes of supernatural looking, we see a little white Light forming out there. What is that? That was called, by Bible readers, "Logos," or "the anointed," or "the anointing," or the--as I was going to say, the--the part of God begin to develop into something so human beings could have some type of an idea what It was: it was a little, low--a little Light moving. He. . . That was the Word of God.

Now, God gave Himself birth to this Son which was before there was even an atom in the--or air to make an atom. That was. . . See, Jesus said, "Glorify Me, Father, with the glory that We had before the foundation of the world." See, way back in yonder. . .

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY 53-0729 Now, in St. John 1 He said, "In the beginning was the 15-32 Word. " When the first. . . "And the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us. " God unfolding Himself down to a human being, now, watch how He did it. Now, back there, then, when this little halo comes. . . Now, we can't see nothing yet, but just by eyes of just supernatural we see a halo standing there. Now, that's the Son of God, the Logos, Now, I can see Him playing around like a little child before the Father's door, with all eternity. See? And now, then in His imaginary make-up He begin to think of what things would be, and I can hear Him say, "Let there be light." And when He did, an atom bursted and the sun came into existence. She whirled for hundreds of millions of years, forming clinkers, and burning, and forming like it is today: still burning, still breaking atoms.......

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 19-52 And then, God, before there even was a star, knew that this world would be. And He knew that I'd be William Branham preaching the Gospel from the pulpit and you'd be John Doe setting there listening to It, before the world ever began. Hallelujah.

Now, that's where people sometimes, in the--the legalistic Calvinists, get all mixed up. See? They say, "Well, why was some ordained to be lost?" God's not willing that any should perish. He don't want no one to perish, but yet, being God, He knows there's some that won't accept It. See? See, He's got. . . He had to know the end from the beginning in order to be God, didn't He?

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 20-54 So He knew He was going to have some women, so He just made their spirit right there. The Bible said He would in 1, Genesis 1:26, "He created he him, man in a prefigure, male and

female. " Amen. See? In a prefigure He made the woman and the man before they was ever formed out of the dust of the earth.

And then God made the man, not in His Own image. This body's not in the image of God; this body's in the image of beasts.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 20-57 Now, notice man. . . God knew in the beginning that He was going to have men and women, and He knew that the Saviour would be here; He'd have to bring Jesus, and He'd be crucified. And Jesus told the disciples when He was here on earth, that He knew them even before the foundation of the world, before the world ever come into existence. And God said also, or Paul speaking in Galatians, said that He ordained us and called us in Him before the world was ever formed. Think of that.......

...... Before there was a foundation of the world, God knew Orman Neville and knew that he'd preach the Gospel. Isn't that wonderful? "Has chose. . . " Why, he's a member of the church, and God knew He was going to have that church. And he said, Paul was speaking to the church of Ephesus, said, "He has chosen us in Him. " Now, we're all the members of the Body of Christ. Is that right? And God, before the world was ever formed, chose you and I in Him before the world was ever formed. Whew. My, isn't that wonderful?

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 21-61 Now, the first man, now, He made the first man in His image, and we're returning back to that image (That's right.), to our first created image.

When God created me, William Branham, I was before the foundation of the world; He made my being, my spirit. I wasn't conscious of anything as far as I know of, but the. . . I was there. Oh, I--I don't believe you're getting it. But now, just a minute, Jesus told the disciples that He knew them before the foundation of the world; and Paul said here that He chose us in Him before the world began. Now, there was some part of me,

Orman Neville, and the rest of you all here, that's in Christ Jesus before the world ever began. And here's to my analysis of that. I think that the people today that are possessed with this Spirit, or the spirit, a part of these angelic beings, spirits which rotated off of God, that never fell in the beginning and resisted the devil's lie in heaven. . .

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 25-86 Now, notice. Many times. . . How about dad or mother when they were dying and saw their loved ones standing there? They recognized them. But it's in the supernatural body. But now here's the glorious part. On the return of Jesus at the resurrection, it won't be that body. That body then, that supernatural being that God created in the beginning, that will return to the earth to get another body not born by woman, but created by God (Hallelujah.), to never get old or have a wrinkle, never have a gray hair on your head, to be perfect forever. Hallelujah. Oh, brother, that would make me shout on a hot night. That's right. Oh, this robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise and seize the everlasting prize. What in the world we got to worry about?

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. ON. GENESIS_ JEFF. IN COD WEDNESDAY_ 53-0729 25-88 There's the whole plan laying right there, how God created me in the beginning. I come down here on the earth, taken my place as a Gospel preacher, or you as a man or woman to salvation, when you live the life by the grace of God. . . Hallelujah. And that same Spirit leaves here that was back there in beginning. I'll go back to the conscious of knowing I been here (Hallelujah.), and then wait there under the altar, blessed forever, in rest. And then when returning back, I take up my body in its very peak of best, before death ever struck it......

THE. CURTAIN. OF. TIME_ PHOENIX. AZ WEDNESDAY_ 55-0302 E-18......God seen what the end would be, from the beginning, and the Logos come to the earth, which was Christ the Word, spoken Word of God, part of God, and was made flesh and dwelled among us. And then, we come out of Christ, which

makes the same life that was in God, in Christ, in you. And just as sure as God raised this up, we've got to come with the same thing, if the same Spirit's in us. Because it's the Spirit of God making us sons and daughters of God.

Oh isn't it marvelous?.....

THIRSTING. FOR. LIFE_ CHICAGO. IL SUNDAY_ 57-0630

E-12....... And the Logos, which was the Son of God went out, created by these great fountains of purity, God, as those Spirits went out, and it created the Logos. And it was a body. It was in the form of what we are now, which is called in the clergy way of speaking it, a theophany. It's a body that doesn't have a spirit in it. It's a body that's waiting for you Christians. As soon as the life leaves this, you go into that body. When this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one already waiting, a theophany.

HEBREWS. CHAPTER. ONE_ JEFF. IN HEB WEDNESDAY_ 57-0821

129......The Logos, and this great Fountain, this great Fountain of Spirit which had no beginning or no end; this great Spirit began to form, in the creation, and the Logos that went out from It was the Son of God. It was the only visible form that the Spirit had. And It was a theophany, which means a body, and the body was like a man.

130 Moses saw It when It passed through the. . . by--by the rock. And he looked at It, said, "It looked like the hind part of a man."

It's the same type of body that we receive when we die here. "If this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one already waiting. " That was It. And that was the theophany which was the Son of God. That Son, that Logos, became flesh, because we were put in flesh. And the theophany, the Logos, became flesh, here among us, and It was nothing else but the dwelling place, for that entire Fountain dwelt in Him. Oh, do you see it? There It is.........

HEBREWS. CHAPTER. TWO. 3_ JEFF. IN HEB WEDNESDAY_ 57-0828

278 And now the Logos that went out of God, which was thethe Logos, all this begin to form into a--a body shape. And this

body shape was called, in the scholar's teaching, Logos, the Logos that went out of God. In other words, a--a better word for it, was what we call a theophany. (Theophany is a human body that's glorified.) Not exactly with flesh and blood like it will be in its glorified stage, but it is of a form of a human body that doesn't eat, neither does it drink, but it's--it's a body, a body that's waiting for us as soon as we leave this one. Now, in there, we enter into that body. And that's the kind of body that God was, for He said, "Let us make man in our own image and in our likeness."

A. PARADOX_ PHOENIX. AZ SUNDAY_ 62-0128A

E-83 Every time you see a man receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost, it's a paradox, how the God of heaven makes Hisself known in this man, talking through him, working through him, living through him. It's a paradox. And we are in the image of God, and God took His own images and brought Himself into the image of His own image that He made. A paradox.

WHAT. THINK. YE. OF. CHRIST_ PHOENIX. AZ SUNDAY_ 57-0303E E-52........ The Holy Spirit is nothing in the world but the Spirit of Christ back working in the Church. If the Spirit of Christ worked in Jesus, the Logos worked in Jesus, and He gave His Blood that He might cleanse us. . . And God by foreknowledge set orders in the church of different things. That same Logos working in us, will do the same thing: got to.

FAITH. ONCE. DELIVERED. TO. THE. SAINTS_ INDNPLS. IN MONDAY_ 57-0610

E-54...... The Christ that lived in the body called Jesus is the same Logos tonight, that lives in the body of the Church performing the same things, living the same ways, loving the same ways, doing the same things, the same Spirit producing the same things: the same Jesus yesterday, today, and forever......

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. 2_ JEFF. IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0823E 1019-105...... The Pillar of Fire is the Anointing. The Pillar of Fire. . . Now, this may go a little deep unless it's some of you theologians, Dr. Vayle, probably Brother here, and some of these ministers here from Arkansas, and the--my good friends around, they'd probably know.

Now, that Pillar of Fire is the Logos that went out of God, the Logos, which is actually the attribute of the Fullness of God. When God become into a form to where It could be seen, It was the anointing of the great Spirit that went forth, It's condescending, coming down, God, the Father, the Logos that was up over Israel, that. . . He was holy, could not bear sin. There had to be a blood offering right in Eden. Then that Logos become flesh and dwelt among us; and where this Logos dwelt in a human body, which was the Sacrifice. . .

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. 2_ JEFF. IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0823E 1019-108 When man was made in the image of God. . . And then God came down in the image of man to redeem man; that brought man and God together. Heavens and earth hugged and kissed each other; God and man embraced each other as Fatherhood and Sonship when the Logos became flesh and dwelled among us.

Jesus said, "I came from God, and I go to God." Is that right? After His death, burial, resurrection, and ascension, when the body was taken up to set at the right hand of God. . . Now, I don't mean God's got a right hand; God's a spirit. But at the "right hand" means "in power and authority of God. " That in that Name everything in heaven is named after It and subject to It. Everything in earth is named after It and subject to It, a Name above all names, Jesus Christ.

Now, this Logos that was in Him, which was the Spirit of God, the Anointing, through the sanctifying grace of the Blood, brought many sons to God, which is anointed with this same Logos.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. 2_ JEFF. IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0823E 1020-111 Now, on the day of Pentecost It come down, that Pillar of Fire, and broke apart like that, and tongues of fire set upon each of them, not their tongues, but tongues of fire set upon each of them, a elected, selected group, identified by this Pillar of Fire, showing that God had separated Himself into man. Do you get it? God, the Logos, separating Himself into men; God, not in one person, He's in His Church universal.......

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. 2_ JEFF. IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0823E 1020-113...... Now, in this last day the Logos that was upon Jesus--which He has become from that back to the Pillar of Fire again and has descended down on the earth to (I was going to say something, but I watch the tape. They wouldn't believe that if you told them. It wouldn't make any difference. They. . . People wouldn't believe it, but I'll omit that)--but has come down for, like an investigating judgment goes on.

THE. SEED. SHALL. NOT. BE. HEIR. WITH. THE. SHUCK_ LA. CA V-18 N-5 THURSDAY_ 65-0429B

He was God, the Logos, the Word that went out of God. When, He begin to brood upon the earth, and brought forth marine life. When the Spirit of God, the Logos, the Word, which God said, "Let there be," and there went the Logos, which is the Word. And the Word begin to. . . 'cause all this was in the Logos; the whole Word of God, the whole Bible, for every age. And as the Logos begin to breathe upon the earth, there come marine life; and building up, the bird life, on up to animal life. And finally there come something in the representation, or looked like the thing that was brewing it, brooding over it, God, a man in the very image of God.

80 That man fell, like the seed has to fall. And then God begin to brood over that, after the fall. He brought up a--a Enoch, He brought up a Elijah, He brought up a Moses, He brought up prophet after prophet, trying to restore that image again. And,

finally, upon the earth came the genuine image of God Himself again, which was God, the Logos made flesh and dwelt among us. Now that same Logos has a part, He has got a Bride, and the same Logos, this Word that cannot be tampered with, is brooding over the churches today, trying to bring back the Word to Its full manifestation. Which, the--the prophets was carriers to that Seed, and the church denominations has been carriers to the Seed now. Now notice, quickly, but like the shuck hugs, holds in the Seed now, then it leaves her.

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.

QUALITY: peculiar and essential character, an inherent degree of excellence: superiority in kind,

151-1 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4 These who are of the Royal Seed are the elect of God; are the predestinated, fore-known of God, and were in the mind of God and His thoughts.

In very plain language the True Bride of Christ was in the mind of God eternally, though not expressed until each came forth in the designated, decreed season. As each member came forth it became EXPRESSED and took its place in the body. Thus this bride is the literal SPOKEN WORD SEED BRIDE. And though she is feminine in designation she is also called the "body of Christ". It is very apparent that she ought to be called that for she was predestinated in Him, came from the same source, was eternal with Him, and is now manifesting God in a many membered body whereas once God was manifested in ONE MEMBER, even our Lord Jesus Christ.

152-1 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4

Now then, here we are coming to a conclusion. As the eternal Logos (God) was manifest in the Son, and in Jesus dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and that Eternal One was the Father manifest in flesh, and thereby gained the title of Son, even so we, eternal in His thoughts in our turn became the many membered Spoken Word Seed, manifest in flesh, and those eternal thoughts now manifest in flesh are the sons of God, even as we are so called. WE DID NOT BECOME SEED BY THE REBIRTH, WE WERE SEED AND THEREFORE WERE REBORN FOR ONLY THE ELECT CAN BE REBORN. Because we WERE SEED is the reason we could be quickened. In NON-SEED there is nothing to quicken.

Hold this carefully in mind. Now take the next step. Redeem means to buy back. It restores to the original owner. God, by His death, the shed blood BOUGHT BACK HIS OWN. He bought back the Spoken Word Seed Bride. "My sheep hear My voice (Word) and they follow Me. " You always were a sheep. You never were a pig or a dog turned into a sheep. That is impossible for every kind of life produces the same kind and there is no change in specie. As we were in the thoughts of God and then expressed in flesh, there had to come a day when we would hear His voice (the Word), and hearing that voice become aware of our Father calling us, and recognize that we are the sons of God. We heard His voice and we cried out as did the prodigal son, "Save me, Oh, my Father. I am returning to Thee."

Before I close this subject, I know there is a question in your minds. You will want to know if I believe in the doctrine of preexistence. I don't believe in that Mormon doctrine of the preexistence of souls any more than I believe in reincarnation or the transmigration of souls. Be careful here and see this. It is not the person that comes predestinated eternally from God, IT IS THE WORD, OR SEED. That is it. Way back there, too far back for the human mind to grasp, the Eternal God with eternal thoughts, thought and decreed,

"JACOB HAVE I LOVED, BUT ESAU HAVE I HATED, (Romans 9:13)

AND NEITHER WAS BORN, AND NEITHER HAD DONE GOOD OR EVIL. "

See, it was the THOUGHT, and then that thought became expressed, and God bought back Jacob, because Jacob alone was SEED. Jacob, alone had the seed; that is why he had respect to the birthright and covenant of God. If you are true seed, you will hear that Word; the Spirit will baptize you into the body of Christ, filling you and empowering you, and you will receive the Word for your day and age..........