THE CONTINUATION OF THE BOOK OF ACTS 42

ACTS 28:21

21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judaea concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee.

ACTS 28:22

22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against.

ACTS 28:23

13 ¶ And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening.

ACTS 28:24

24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.

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LUKE 16:16

16 The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man *PRESSETH into it.

PRESSETH: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 971
biazo {bee-ad'-zo}
suffer violence, to use force, to apply force, to force, inflict
violence on

ROMANS 14:17

17 For the **kingdom of God** is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

I CORINTHIANS 4:20

20 For the **kingdom of God** is not in word, but in power.

I CORINTHIANS 6:9

9 ¶ Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor *EFFEMINATE, nor *ABUSERS* of themselves with mankind,

EFFEMINATE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3120 malakos {mal-ak-os'} effeminate, of a catamite (boy kept for homosexual relations with a man), a male who submits his body to unnatural lewdness

<u>ABUSERS:</u> GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 733 arsenokoites {ar-sen-ok-oy'-tace} one who lies with a male as with a female, sodomite, homosexual

I CORINTHIANS 6:10

10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

COLOSSIANS 1:12

12 ¶ Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

COLOSSIANS 1:13

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

FAITH.IS.THE.SUBSTANCE_ LA.CA TUESDAY_ 51-0508
E-35 Our bodies are groaning, and we have an inheritance.
And we're children now, heirs of the Kingdom (Oh, my.), kings and priests unto God offering spiritual sacrifices.
What does a priest do? Make a sacrifice. What is a sac--a spiritual sacrifice? That's what these sons and daughters do, which are kings and priests, **yet not in full possession**, but they're

making sacrifices, offering to God spiritual sacrifices: the fruits of our lips giving praise to Him (Amen.), fruits of our lips.

You say, "Brother Branham, I just don't feel like praising Him." That's the time to make the sacrifice. Praise Him anyhow. Kings and priests, sons and daughters offering spiritual sacrifice, the fruits of our lips, giving praise unto His Name.

FAITH.IS.THE.SUBSTANCE_ LA.CA TUESDAY_ 51-0508
E-36 While we're groaning, veiled in this tabernacle of humiliation, we have the earnest of our perfect, complete redemption back like we was in the beginning when God created Adam in the garden of Eden. We have a foretaste of glory divine by the baptism of the Holy Ghost, the refreshment coming from the Presence of God to water the Church to make it grow in grace. And when we're sick we have redemption, the blessing, the attributes of the death of Christ. Divine healing as a fore-sign to us that someday this mortal will take on immortality. Yes, sir. Amen, Oh, my, marvelous. He's here to do it. Glory.

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFF.IN SATURDAY_ 54-0515 188-241 Now, He said, "Some standing here will not see death until they see the Kingdom of God coming in power." Just a few days later till Pentecost. See? "Some stands here," right in that same place--thing He was saying it, "Some of you stands here..." He just been transfigured, said, "You won't see death until you see the Kingdom of God coming in power."

The Bible said the Kingdom's within you.

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFF.IN SATURDAY_ 54-0515 188-243......They went up to the city of Jerusalem and waited there for ten days and nights, and all of a sudden, the baptism of the Holy Spirit (the Kingdom of God) come with power upon them. Is that right?

THE.UNITY.OF.ONE.GOD.IN.THE.ONE.CHURCH_ JEFF.IN V-16 N-8 SUNDAY 58-1221E

45 God's Kingdom is not of this earth. God's Kingdom is in our hearts. It's the spiritual Kingdom, that we're born into It. Jesus said, "The Kingdom of God comes, but not without violence. And the Kingdom of God is within you." The Holy Spirit, God's Kingdom, moving in the man, and governing and controlling him, that's the Kingdom.

THE.SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE_ JEFF.IN ROJC 185-227 TUESDAY_ 60-1206

But the Body of Jesus Christ is not, is not an organization. The Body of Jesus Christ is a mystical Body; it is a Body of--and a Kingdom that's a spiritual Kingdom that's set upon the earth by Jesus Christ being the King of this Kingdom, the High Priest to offer sacrifices for the wayfaring in this Kingdom. He's the Prophet, the Word that preaches the Truth and brings the Light of God in this Kingdom; and He is both Prophet, Priest, and King in this Kingdom. And how do we get in this Kingdom? By the denomination? by letter? by handshaking? But by one Spirit we are all baptized into one Body which is the mystical **Body of Jesus Christ**, and we're baptized in there, not by water, not by sprinkling, not by pouring, not by any kind of water baptism, but by one Spirit, Holy Spirit, we are all baptized into one Body: I Corinthians 12. Yes, we are baptized into this Body by one Spirit, Holy Spirit; then we don't run to anything but Christ. You are Christ's. It's a mystical Kingdom of God that's set up, that we come into it by Holy Spirit baptism. I love that. Hm.

14-2 THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.1

Now I said that this Book of Revelation is the revelation of Jesus and what He is doing in the churches for those seven ages. It is a revelation because the disciples, themselves, didn't know these recorded truths. It had not been previously revealed to them. You remember that they came to Jesus in the Book of Acts and asked Him, "Are You at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" And He said, "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons." Those men were still thinking of Jesus

having an earthly kingdom. But it was a spiritual kingdom that He was going to build. Even He could not tell them about His place in it, for the Father had not revealed it unto Him. But now after His death and resurrection, and at this particular time in His mediatorial ministry, He is able to set forth here in this revelation of Himself to John what His glory and presence in the church would mean and do.

24-1 THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.1

............He will come forth in power and glory and take His authority to reign as King. He is the coming King of this earth. Of course, that does not say He is not King now. For He is our King, King of the Saints. Right now it is a spiritual kingdom. It is not of this world system even as we are not of this world. That's the reason we act different from the world. Our citizenship is in heaven. We reflect the Spirit of the world of our rebirth where Jesus is the King. That is why our women do not dress in men's clothing or cut their hair or use all those cosmetics and other things that the world likes so much. That is why our men don't drink and smoke and carry on in sin. Our dominion is the dominion over sin and it is in force through the power that is in the Spirit of Christ That in-dwells us. Every kingdom on earth is going to be torn down, but ours will remain.

35-2 THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.1
KINGS AND PRIESTS
Revelation 1:6,
"And He hath made us kings and priests unto God and His

Father; To Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen."

35-3 THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.1

"He hath made us!" **Oh, there are certain truths we need to emphasize. This is one of them. HE! HE HATH MADE US!** Salvation is His doing. Salvation is of the Lord. All of grace. He

redeemed us for a purpose. He bought us for a purpose. We are kings, spiritual kings. Oh, we are going to be kings upon the earth with Him when He sits on His throne. But now we are spiritual kings and we reign over a spiritual kingdom. It says in Romans 5:17,

"For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ."

And in Colossians 1:13,

"Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom (reign) of His dear Son."

Right now we reign with Christ, having dominion over sin, the world, the flesh, and the devil. Showing forth His praise and glory; showing forth HIMSELF, for it is Christ in us, willing and doing of His good pleasure. Yes, indeed, even now we are seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

36-1 THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.1

"And made us priests." Yes, priests unto Him, offering the spiritual praise of sanctified lips. Spending our lives as a sweet offering unto Him. Worshipping Him in Spirit and in truth. Interceding and petitioning. Priests and kings unto our God. No wonder the world does not appeal to us and we are a peculiar people zealous unto good works. We have been recreated in Him to be children like unto our Father.