

GETTING IN THE SPIRIT 40

MATTHEW 16:16

16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

MATTHEW 16:17

17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

MATTHEW 16:18

18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my ***CHURCH***; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

CHURCH: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1577

ekklesia {ek-klay-see'-ah}

a gathering of citizens called out from their homes into some public place; an assembly of the people convened at the public place

[STOP]

MATTHEW 16:13

13 ¶ When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?

MATTHEW 16:14

14 And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.

MATTHEW 16:15

15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?

MATTHEW 16:16

16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

INCAPABLE OF BEING DESTROYED, RUINED, OR RENDERED INEFFECTIVE

MATTHEW 16:18

18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not ***PREVAIL** against it.

PREVAIL: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 2729

katischuo {kat-is-khoo'-o}

to be strong to another's detriment, to prevail against; to be superior in strength; to overcome;

ISRAEL.AND.THE.CHURCH.2_ JEFF.IN IC 35-64 THURSDAY_53-0326

178.....Listen to this, and I say this with respect. Hallelujah. **All hell can't stop it.** It's ordained of Jesus Christ to be so, and it will be. "For upon this rock I'll build My church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." How, what is it, what kind of a church? "Flesh and blood has not revealed it to thee, Peter. But My Father which is in heaven has revealed it to you (Spiritual revelation by the Holy Ghost, of the Word of God). On this rock I'll build My church, and the gates of hell can't prevail against it." **She's moving on.**

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179 Now, brother, being she's been made fun of, and persecuted, and pushed back, and everything, one of these glorious mornings (Hallelujah.), the Great Master Who stands in glory, pointing out His servants... "Not by power, not by might, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord." Not by theology, not by grammar, not by these other things, but by simple, holy,

unadulterated faith in the Son of God and what He said in His Word...

REDEMPTION.BY.POWER_ LVL.KY V-25 N-7 MONDAY_ 54-0329
116.....**God's Church shall never fail.** "The gates of hell shall not prevail against It." Showed they'd be against It, but they cannot prevail. **The Church is going to triumph through the Blood of Jesus Christ to the victory march.** I'm positive of this one thing, that God will have a Church without spot, wrinkle, or blemish. Amen. I'm so happy about that.

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFF.IN SATURDAY_ 54-0515
166-105 Don't pay no attention to what the world's got to say. Look what God's got to say. This is the Word of God. **We have to build it according to this blueprint,** 'cause He said to Peter, "Upon this rock I'll build My church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Everything else will take place. It showed the gates of hell would be against it, but it'll not prevail. **And the people thinking they can stop it? You could stop the sun quicker. That's right. You can't stop it. God has ordained it to move on.....**

I.WILL.RESTORE_ ZURICH.SWITZERLAND SUNDAY_ 55-0626E
E-21.....And upon this rock, I'll build My church, and the gates of hell can't prevail against it." Is that right? Say, "Amen."
[Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.]

I.WILL.RESTORE_ ZURICH.SWITZERLAND SUNDAY_ 55-0626E
E-22 Showed the gates of hell would be against it, but it could not prevail. Don't try to stop this revival; you're only putting your hand in God's Word. **All the tools that's formed against God will come to naught.** For Jesus said, "All gates of hell can't prevail against it." The day is here. Now, how did--how did Peter know that? He said, "The spiritual revealed truth of God has revealed it to you."

So the Church of the living God (Hear me.) is built, not upon the experience of a seminary, or upon a bunch of men's creeds, **but it's--it's built upon the spiritual revelation of God's Word**

(Amen.), the spiritual revealed truth from God's Word, coming from God out of heaven to every heart. Amen.

THE.POWER.OF.GOD_ CHICAGO.IL THURSDAY_ 55-1006E

E-10.....**God's Church will move on just as sure as the world.** They tried that before, fed them to lions, and burned them to the stake, but God's Church moved on just the same. Said, "The gates of hell cannot prevail against It." Showed that all the gates of hell would be against It and the powers of hell, but It would never prevail. **God will move right on with His Church. It always will be that way.**

THE.POWER.OF.GOD_ CHICAGO.IL THURSDAY_ 55-1006E

E-11 They've tried to stop it. They've tried to burn it out of people. They've tried to feed it to lions, and the lions wouldn't eat it. And so they--they tried a lot of things, to stomp out this old-time religion, **but it'll be good on till Jesus comes. Amen. So there's no way of stopping it.....**

HEAR.YE.HIM_ CHICAGO.IL SUNDAY_ 56-0930

E-19.....upon inspiration of the Lord Jesus Christ through His Word. "I will build My church; and the gates of hell will not prevail against it." Though it shows all the gates of hell would be against it, but they cannot prevail.

God said, "When the enemy comes in like a flood, I will raise up a standard against it." God will do it. **And when all the gates of torment is pressing against that little church, yet it will never prevail. She will go right on.....**

TIME.TESTED.MEMORIALS.OF.GOD_ JEFF.IN SUNDAY_ 57-0818

E-55.....Time-tested material: "Upon this rock," not upon some rock of fanaticism, not upon a bunch of emotion, not upon a bunch of church theology, not upon some denomination, but "upon this solid Rock (Christ's Word) I'll build My church; and the gates of hell can never prevail against it." It'll be there; **it'll be a memorial of His grace in the presence of the Angels.**

SPEAK.TO.THIS.MOUNTAIN_ BROOKLYN.NY SUNDAY_ 57-1215

E-1.....Nothing can stand in the way of the great, mighty Church of the living God; it shall prevail. Though all hell is against it, it will prevail, **because going ahead of it is a great and mighty Conqueror, the Lord Jesus.....**

DISCERNMENT.OF.SPIRIT_ PHOENIX.AZ V-9 N-3 TUESDAY_ 60-0308

87.....And upon this rock I'll build My church, and the gates of hell can't prevail against it. "Will never be able to prevail," showed they would be against it.

Now, watch and see where the gates of hell is against. It ain't against the denomination. The government recognizes that. It ain't. The world recognizes our denominations, all of them. We have the right, each one of us as American citizens, we have the rights of denomination, which is fine; we appreciate that. **But that's not what the gates of hell's against. It's against the spiritual revelation of Christ being here now, the same yesterday, today, and forever.** That's what it's against. "The gates of hell shall be against it, but it shall never prevail."

QUEEN.OF.SHEBA_ BEAUMONT.TX THURSDAY_ 61-0119E

E-53....."Upon this rock I'll build My church. I don't care how many persecutions, how many lines they draw and cut you out, I'll build My church, and the gates of hell will never prevail against it." That's right. Shows all the gates of hell will be against it, but could not prevail. "I'll build My church," **the Holy Spirit moving, working, the resurrected Christ moving. Who can stop it? Try it. You never be able to do it.** It's going right on, and on, and on. Rise all the critics you want to, it'll only strengthen the church every time you do it: going to move on.

GREATER.THAN.SOLOMON.IS.HERE_ TUCSON.AZ WEDNESDAY_ 63-0605

143 But there is a safety place, and that's in Jesus Christ. "Upon this rock I'll build My Church, and the gates of hell can't prevail against It." **That's the believer's protection, just under His wings, safely abiding. Certainly.**

15-3 THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST -
CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.1

Now remember this. Christ in the True Church is a continuation of the Book of Acts. But the Book of Revelation shows how that the antichrist spirit would come into the church and defile it, making it lukewarm, formal and powerless. It exposes Satan, revealing his works **(attempted destruction of God's people and the discrediting of God's word)** right down to the time he is cast into the lake of fire. He fights that. He cannot stand it. He knows that if the people get the TRUE REVELATION of the TRUE CHURCH and what she is, what she stands for and that SHE CAN DO THE GREATER WORKS, **she will be an invincible army.** If they get a true revelation of the two spirits within the framework of the Christian church, and by God's Spirit discern and withstand the antichrist spirit, **Satan will be powerless before her.** He will be as definitely thwarted today as when Christ withstood his every effort to gain power over Him in the desert. Yes, Satan hates revelation. But we love it. **With true revelation in our lives, the gates of hell cannot prevail against us, but we will prevail over them.**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E
100 **HOW MANY KNOWS WHAT THE GOSPEL IS? NOT THE "WORD."** Paul said, "The Gospel come to us not in word only, but through the power and manifestation of the Holy Ghost." **THE GOSPEL IS THE POWER OF GOD TO MAKE THE WORD ACT WHAT IT SAYS IT'LL DO.** Preach the Gospel all the world. Preach the Gospel to just the white people or just the brown, yellow, black? "To every creature." Amen. Every creature: you believe that means that? I seen God baffle a bull one day. I seen Him cause hornets not to sting. I seen Him raise up a opossum that'd been laying dead all night. Every creature... **The Gospel will take effect upon anything that you ask.** You say, "That's wrong, Brother Branham." It isn't wrong.

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

102 Jesus said to that tree, "Cursed be you; no man eat from you, from henceforth," and **the Gospel was preached to that tree**. Amen. I feel religious right now. To every creature... Amen.....

ROMANS 1:16

16 ¶ For I am not ashamed of **THE GOSPEL** of Christ: **for it is the power of God** unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

I CORINTHIANS 2:4

4 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in ***DEMONSTRATION** of the Spirit and of power:

DEMONSTRATION: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 585
apodeixis {ap-od'-ike-sis}
A making manifest, showing forth, a demonstration, proof

I CORINTHIANS 2:5

5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, **but in the power of God.**

I THESSALONIANS 1:5

5 For our gospel came not unto you **in *WORD only**, but also in **power**, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.

WORD: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3056

logos {log'-os}
speech, a word, uttered by a living voice, embodies a conception or idea, what someone has said,

SPEAK.TO.THE.ROCK_ JONESBORO.AR TUESDAY_ 53-0512

E-5 **Now, the Gospel is not altogether the Word.** This is the Word of God, and all things must be based upon this Word. If it isn't, it isn't true. This is... But Jesus said, "Go ye in all the

world and preach the Gospel to every creature." **Now, He did not say "Teach the Word," He said, "Preach the Gospel."** So the Gospel consists more than teaching the Word, for Paul, confirming that, said, "The Gospel came to us, not in Word only, but through power." **Demonstrations of the Holy Spirit would come and demonstrate the Gospel, bring the Word to a living reality.**

If you just receive the Word by knowing the Word, that doesn't do you any good. "The letter killeth; the Spirit giveth life." **Then you must be borned again, and then the Holy Spirit quickens the Word to you.....**

HAS.THE.LORD.SPOKEN.ONLY.TO.MOSES_
WEST.PALM.BEACH.FL MONDAY_ 53-1130

E-5.....He didn't say go teach the Word. He said, "Go preach the Gospel." He never did commission, **"Go teach the Word." "Go preach the Gospel."** And the--the Word is the beginning or the forerunner of the Gospel. **The Word goes out, and the Gospel of the power of the demonstration of God follows the Word--makes the Word manifest.** That is the Gospel.....

WHY.I'M.PRAYING.FOR.THE.SICK_ COLUMBUS.OH SUNDAY_
54-0314

E-28.....But after all, passing tracts is not preaching the Gospel. "The Gospel came not in word only," said Paul, "but through power and demonstration of the Holy Ghost." See, you're... **Not just teach the Word, but preach, make manifest the Word.** The Word has to be made alive. It's a dead letter until it's made manifest. And then it's quickened, and it's brought to pass, what God said about it. **That's the Gospel in action, the New Testament Christianity.**

THE.HAND.OF.THE.LORD.CAME.UPON.HIM_ LOUISVILLE.KY
SATURDAY_ 54-0403

E-24....."Go ye into all the world and manifest the power to all nations": **Mark 16. Preach the Gospel, not teach the Word; preach the Gospel.** The Gospel is not through teaching the Word; it's the Word made manifest. These signs shall follow them

that believe. They shall cast out devils, and heal the sick, and great signs and wonders... You see it? **There it is; the Gospel made manifest.....**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

111 **Now, another thing this church will teach, will be Divine healing, the message of the church.** I just quoted it, Matthew 10, when He sent His church out. Let's just go to Matthew 10:1, and find out just a minute. Watch what Jesus said when He ordained His church and started it out. And then he... called unto him his twelve disciples, and gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast out--cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases. **(the first commission to His church)**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

112 **The last commission, "Go into all the world, preach the Gospel.** He that believeth and is baptized..." Let me quote it the way it should be, the way it's broke down. "Go ye into all the world and to every nation and **demonstrate the power of the Holy Ghost.....**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

117 **Now, also the church must teach baptism.** It must be baptized. That was the commission. Jesus said here in Mark 16, we'll just use it. "He that believeth and is baptized." Believe first, and then be baptized for the remission of your sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. "And the Holy Ghost will also come upon..." **will be a teaching of the church,.....**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

127.....**The fourth thing, How Do We Become A Member Of It?** "How do we join it? We see what it is; now what--how do we join this church?" You don't join it. You can't join it. There's no way of joining it. **You're borned into it.** I've been with the Branham family fifty-one years and never did join the family. I

was borned a Branham. **And you're borned a son of God or a daughter of God.**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E
131.....You can't be joined into it. **You got to be borned into it.** Not "come and join," come and born.
.....**See you don't join it.** It's a mysterious thing. **You're born into the mystical Body of Christ.** That's how you get into it.

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E
134..... How do we come into that Body, how do we get into it? **By one Spirit we're baptized into one Body. And when in that Body, free, guarantee of the resurrection.....**
..... "And when I see the Blood, I'll pass over you," and are free from death, free from pain, free from sin. "He that's born of God, does not commit sin, 'cause the seed of God remains in him and he cannot sin. No sin... "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your heavenly Father is perfect," Jesus said. How can you be perfect? You can't do it. You was born in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world speaking lies. But when you accept Christ **AS YOUR SIN-BEARER**, when you accept Him by faith, you believe that He saved you, and He died in your place and took your sins, **then God accepts you and baptizes you into the Body and cannot see no more sin. How can I be a sinner when there's an atonement on the altar for me?**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E
135 How could a policeman arrest me in the city, when the city ordinances give me rights to run any speed that I want to? You cannot arrest me. If the mayor says, "Reverend Branham, you're going on sick calls, make any speed you want to in any zone," gives me a letter of recommendation of that, no policeman can take me in. **Because the mayor has put confidence in me, that I wouldn't do it 'less it was on emergency.** And when God accepted me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost, **He had confidence in me that I would not sin willfully. Amen. I would not sin willfully.** Therefore, His Son made an atonement for me, and I cannot be a sinner as long as

I'm justified and He's took me in His Body; I'm redeemed with Him. Not what I do, but what He did for me. **That's the Gospel.**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

142.....All right. Now, I Corinthians 12 and 13, "By one Spirit we're all baptized into one Body."

Acts, here's the way we entered. **Here's the inauguration of the church:** Acts the 2nd chapter. When the first message was preached to the church after the day of Pentecost, they were all filled with the Holy Ghost.....

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

154 Now, Doctor Simon Peter wrote out the prescription. What about you doctors? Why are you trying to put something with it? Don't add nothing to it. Take it the way it is. **That's the commission of the church. That's how you get into it, by repenting and being baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of your sins; and a promise that you will receive the Holy Ghost.** Now, that's what the Bible said, "Baptized into the church, baptized into the church..."

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

159.....**here's how we come to the church, by repenting, being baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of our sins, and a promise that we will receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.....**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

162 Now, **Can We Get To Heaven Without The Church?.....**
.....No, sir, you cannot get to heaven without being a member of this church.

Now, first thing, in John 3: and 5 Jesus said, "Except a man be borned of water and of Spirit..." Repent, and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you shall then be borned of the Spirit, born of the water, borned of the Spirit. **Except a man gets this, he cannot even enter the Kingdom of heaven;** he cannot even see the Kingdom of heaven." Then if you are borned of water and Spirit, you are in the church. If

you're not borned of water and Spirit, you're not in the church, and cannot see the Kingdom of heaven.....

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

164.....You say, "Well, Brother Branham, I believe," well, listen, "and I've never received the Holy Ghost." **No, you don't believe yet. You are just believing unto belief.** You have hope. For in I Corinthians the 12th chapter and the 3rd verse, Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaketh by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and... no man can say... Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

165 **You don't know nothing about it until you've received the Holy Ghost.** You say, "I accept Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour." Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed? If you don't, you can't even call Him the Lord, because He's not Lord, **He's a historical Being that you by faith have accepted. But when He's come into you by the Holy Ghost, He is your Lord.....**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

168 God is the only thing that's Eternal. **Therefore, we are part of God by receiving His Life.** Jesus said, "I give unto them Eternal Life." The Greek word there is "Zoe," means, "God's Own Life." And the only way that you can ever live again, is to have Eternal Life, which is God's Life. **Because your life will perish. But His Life will be raised up again, because God is Eternal..**

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

169 **Now, can we get into heaven without be in the church? You can't be in the church until you're borned again.** You can't go to heaven until you're borned again. If you're borned again, you're in the church. **So you can't go to heaven until you're a member of this church. And you can't be a member until you're borned into it.**

And now, let me smother you a little. And you can't be a member unless God has called you to be a member. Now, how happy you ought to be for that, for you were predestinated before the foundation of the world.....

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E
175 Whew. **You got to be in that church, brother, if you make it**, for He's coming for a church. Well, what kind of a church? A church that's without spot or without wrinkle. How can we be that? By being dead in Christ, baptized by the Holy Ghost into His mystical Body, and the Blood atonement of the Son of God **laying there for us every hour of the day: found blameless**, that's the church, without spot, or without wrinkle.....

FIVE.IDENTIFICATIONS_ JEFF.IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E
180 What is the identification of the church? What is she to be? What was she? What is it? The called out group. Who set it up? Jesus Christ; not a bishop, not the Catholic church, not Methodist, not Luther, not Wesley. No, sir. **Who set it up? Jesus Christ. What is its message? Repentance, water baptism, baptism of the Holy Ghost, Divine healing, salvation. How do we become a member of it? By being borned into it. CAN WE GET TO HEAVEN WITHOUT IT? NO, SIR.....**