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COLOSSIANS 1:15

15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

COLOSSIANS 1:16

16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

COLOSSIANS 1:17

17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

COLOSSIANS 1:18

18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

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102 Now, God's secret mystery, He had before the world began. Now, back in the back part of God's mind, there was something that He was trying and was going to achieve, and He had a motive in doing it, in order to let Himself be expressed.

Because, first, there wasn't even a moon, star, atom, molecule, or anything. He was God. But He exactly wasn't God at that time, because God is an object of worship, and there wasn't nothing to worship Him.

103 So, in His great mind, He wanted these attributes to be expressed. And in Him was love; in Him was to be Father; in Him was to be Son; in Him was to be a Saviour; in Him was to be a Healer. And all these great attributes that we see already expressed, they were in God.

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233 Look, Christ in you makes Him the center of Life of the revelation. See? Christ's Life in you makes Him the center of the revelation.

Christ, in the Bible, makes the Bible the complete revelation of Christ. Christ in you makes you the complete revelation of the whole thing, see, what God is trying to do.

234 What is the new Birth then? You'd say, "Well, Brother Branham, what is the new Birth?" It is the revelation of Jesus Christ personally to you. Amen! . . . . .

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236.....And when the Word is revealed, It expresses Itself. See? That's God's purpose for Jesus Christ, was to express Himself, to take His Own laws and live by His laws, con-. . . and fulfill His law, by death.

And Christ, God, died in flesh, in order to condemn sin in the flesh, that He might bring to Himself a glorious Bride, redeemed back, that will believe only in the Word of God; and not swap It, like Eve did, for intellectual conceptions of man..... .

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380 And in there, there would be a time come forth when He could express Himself in fullness of His Godhead, Deity, through His Church, have the preeminences in this Church.

Oh, my! What? The anointed Man; now the anointed people; oh, my, to bring back the anointed Bride and the Bridegroom. Anointed by (why?) accepting what Eve turned down, and Adam;

coming back with the anointing of the Word, because He said, "My Word is Spirit." See, anointed with the Word. What Eve turned down, He comes back and we accept.....

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394 Notice, next, secondly, the manifested Christ in you, the hope of glory. That great, manifested God in Christ; now Christ manifested in you.....

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395 Look! What was once God's great secret, great mysterious secret in His mind, is now put in the hearts of the believer, that is, the Body of Christ.

What was God's once great secret in His mind, before the foundation of the world, is now made manifest.....

COLOSSIANS 2:9

9 For in him dwelleth all the FULNESS of the Godhead bodily.

COLOSSIANS 2:10

10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

COLOSSIANS 2:11

11 In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

I CORINTHIANS 1:30

30 But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

## II CORINTHIANS 4:6

6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

## II CORINTHIANS 4:7

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

## EPHESIANS 1:3

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

## EPHESIANS 1:7

7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

## EPHESIANS 1:8

8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;

## EPHESIANS 1:9

9 Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

## EPHESIANS 1:10

10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

## EPHESIANS 1:11

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:

## EPHESIANS 3:18

18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;

## EPHESIANS 3:19

19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

## EPHESIANS 4:13

13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

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397 But God's great mystery, what the Eternal God had as a mystery, has now been unfolded in Jesus Christ, then given right down to His Church.

What was once in God's mind is now in the Body of Christ. Jesus making love to the Church, His Bride, whispering secrets to Her.....

398 You know how you tell your wife things, you know, the little girl you're going to marry. You love her so much, you just tell her the secrets, and get her up next to you, and love you and everything. You know how it is.

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399 That's what God, Christ, is doing to the Church. See? He is letting Her know the secrets, just the secrets. Not these flirts; I mean His Wife. See?

All right. Now look. No. By having the revelation of His secret made known to them, by His grace! . . . .

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413 Look! God in His Body, Christ; and Christ in His Body, the  
Bride. Oh-oh-oh, my! God made manifest in Christ; Christ made  
manifest in the Bride!

And as God took from the body of Adam, the woman, and she  
fell; then God has took from the Body of Christ, His flesh, His  
Body, which is His Word, and is bringing a Bride out that won't  
fall by denomination or creed. No, sir.

415 She is the second Eve, but She is not breaking and--and  
spoiling Her skirts of purity and holiness, to Her Husband. She'll  
stay with His Word regardless of what anybody says; you can  
have all the ecumenical moves you want to, and all the  
affiliations.

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418 Notice, God manifested Himself in His body, Christ. Now  
you see the threefold, beautiful thing?

419 Christ in His Body, the Church, vindicating His promised  
Word, like God did through Christ.....

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421..... As God did His promises in Christ's body, so is Christ  
doing His same works in Christ's Body, the Church, see, now  
making His mystery known to His Bride Tree in the last day,  
bringing forth the fruits that was in the Tree at the beginning.

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430 And when He come on earth, He was the Tree of Life. Do  
you believe that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed. ] And Rome,  
what did they do? He had to be chopped down.

And He was put on a tree of disgrace, "cursed is he that hang on a tree," become a curse for the human race.

431 And now through that, He brings forth a Bride Tree, which will be the Tree of Life restored back to Him, as Husband and Wife in the garden of Eden, (oh, glory to God) by the same Word and the same God made manifest in Husband and Wife, the same Bride Tree back again.

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432..... Notice, the Tree of Christ's Body in the garden, making. .  
. now making His mystery known to this Bride Tree.

433 Watch, redeemed by Christ, the second Adam! You believe He was? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed. ] Going back Home, to Eden, with His fallen wife redeemed back Home again. That's Christ, and the Church today, taking His Wife back. See the threefold mystery now? ["Amen."]

God manifested in Christ; Christ manifested in the Church; all together, to bring back the original Adam and Eve again, man and woman, which are one, made out of the same Blood and same Spirit, and everything else.

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434 The Church is the Blood of Christ, by the Spirit, because the--the Life is in the Blood. That's the baptism of the Holy Ghost that baptizes us into His Body, that recognizes only His Body, His flesh, His Word. [Brother Branham pats his Bible--Ed. ]

435 Denomination won't, never touch that. It's a revelation. She knows it. So did Eve know it, but she fell; but this one knows it, and won't fall. She is ordained! Hallelujah! Whew! She is ordained to not fall. She won't fail. She is predestinated to it.....

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442 Making His mystery known to His Bride Tree; redeemed by Christ, the second Adam; going back Home, to be restored back to the original Eden, free from death, sickness, sorrow, shame, going back with Eternal Life.

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458..... now Christ, the second Adam, in Life, redeems His Bride from death; and now on His way back to the original Eden, restoring back His Bride in fellowship, back with God, as Husband and Wife, in the Garden of Eden, sure, Christ and His Bride.

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474 This is God's great mystery of love expressed, that God and man became one. See? The whole thing is God and man, one.

God and man was one, there; and God and man is one, here. See? What is it? Being filled with His Spirit, Him having the preeminences. That was God's achievement, that's God purpose to do that: that He might be in Christ; and Christ in us;

and all of us together, one. The Holy Spirit, same thing; It revealed it to Christ, reveals it here; the supernatural creative Power. Oh, my!

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503 But all this mystery is revealed only, as He promised, to His Bride. Hell is against this Truth, of the revelation of this mystery. But the Bride is standing on it. That's Her stand.



504 Why do you hunger, Church, why do you thirst? It's the Father trying to reveal this hidden secret to you. But you let so many things get it out of you. You let your job, you let your wife, you let your husband, you let your children, you let the cares of the world,

you let some pastor, you let somebody else get that out of you, when you know that way down in your heart you're thirsting, hungry. It's God trying to reveal it to you, see, the revelation.....

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524 Now you see the Seals? When He was in His mediatorial work back there, redeeming, but some day He comes forth to get this Book that He's redeemed.

And all that's in this Book would be Him, for that's the believer, the words in the Book, and the Word is Him. And all that's in that, He come forth for this Book of Redemption, whose names are written on the Book before the foundation of the world, when He was slain as a Lamb.....

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517 As the Head was took from the grave, so must the Body follow Him back to Eden. Where, the Head of the family, the Man, the Bridegroom; the Bride being the Body of the Bridegroom, must follow, the Bride, because that's the Head.

And the Head is revealed, and come back with Eternal Life; and the Body must follow that, because it is Husband and Wife again. Amen! And as long as you're pregnated with the same Word, which is His Body; you've took His Body, become in Him, when you took the Word. Not the creed; the Word! Oh, my!

519..... The Body, therefore, cannot recognize any other headship but the Word. Cause, the--the Head is connected with the Body, and the Head is the Word, and it's the same Word, one Headship!

Therefore, denominations, and holy fathers, and everything else, is dead dung. There is one Headship, that's Christ. The Body only recognizes one thing, the Word!

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521..... God living among His people, doing the same things, then you can recognize a headship in Rome?

522 Our Headship is in Heaven. I'm not going to Rome; I'm going to Heaven when I die. See? See? The Headship is in Heaven.

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525 And here He is today, in His Word, manifesting the same thing He did there. She can't recognize another headship. No, sir.

There's no bishop, no nothing. She recognizes one Headship, that's Christ, and Christ is the Word. Oh, my! Whew! I love that. Uh! Yes, sir.

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526 As the Head was took up from the grave, so must His Body follow Him into Eden. Therefore, the Body cannot recognize any other headship, but the Headship of the Word.....

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528..... See? He, the Word, properly vindicated, is the Headship, the Head of the Church. He is the Word, the Headship. He is properly identificate, identified, vindicated, by His Own Spirit being in the Church Itself, the person.

Showing forth Himself, in vindication, is the direct proof to the entire Body. You don't need creeds, then. Denominations has perished. But the Headship Itself, recognized in the Body by personal identifications, see, identifying Himself, proves the Headship to the Body.

Then, we are united under One vindicated Headship, that is, Christ, the Word of God [Blank. spot. on. tape--Ed. ] not under any church.

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529 Then, our Headship is a Kingdom. "The Kingdom of God is within you," said the Bible, Jesus. The Kingdom! We are not a denomination.

We belong to a Kingdom, and the Kingdom is the Word of God made Spirit and Life in our own life, bringing to pass every promise in this day, as it did in that day when the Word and God was one.

And the Word and God is one in His Church today, making It the Headship of the Body that is redeemed, to bring the Message in the last day; and be taken up from the dead, in the resurrection, to go back and restore again, as Adam and Eve, in the beginning in the garden of Eden. The threefold mystery of God, His Body!

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536..... . His body was not held in the grave, but was recognized with Him in the resurrection. Do you get it? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed. ]

Then, the Body of His believing children will not be held in the grave when He comes, but will be recognized with Him, because He died for the purpose to resurrect His Bride, the Body. Recognized, because it is His Body, because it's the Word.....

REVELATION 20:5

5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

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537 His body was not held in the grave. Recognized with Him in the resurrection, same as He is now, listen, which means this: His Word, which He is, has been begin to be risen.

The Word, that down through the age of Luther, Wesley, see, has begin to raise up to Its power; there It begin to move, then It moved a little more, now It's coming up to identification. See? Watch. Now, to the Life in the Body, is a vindication of the Rapture is at hand.

When you see the Headship and the Body becoming One, and the fullness of the measure of His manifestation, shows that the Body is about ready to be received TO THE HEADSHIP.....

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578 Now we see the promise being fulfilled. Christ, the true Headship going in, coming in His Bride, doing the same works that He did at the beginning, and making ready and fulfilling His Word as He did, at first,

in John 14:12, "He that believeth on Me the works that I do shall he do also." Then, the Head and the Body are becoming One, in works and in sign and in Life, vindicated by God Himself through His promised Word for the last days.....

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580 When, we see all these, great threefold revelation: God in Christ; Christ in the Church; the Kingdom coming.

Adam and Eve redeemed back to the Garden of Eden, in the representation of Christ and His Bride, and then the Kingdom is going to be restored according to His promise. Praise be to God! Now, by the revelation of the threefold mystery, the secret, and by the personal vindicated Word by His original Headship!

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582 But I'm talking about the Headship of Christ. Notice, being personally identified by the original Headship, we have the answer to the devil's question. Amen! Glory!

We have the answer to the devil's question. He, Christ, is risen and has paid the price, and raising up the Head. . . or the Body.

583 The devil can't stand it. That's the reason these ecumenical kingdoms are setting up. That's the reason they're all coming into what they're doing now. The devil, that's the reason he's howling the way he is.

His wickedness has been. . . his scheme has been uncovered by the risen, resurrected Christ in the Headship over His Body.  
Glory!

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585 Christ is risen and has paid the price for our redemption.  
What God in Christ manifested, He gave that flesh, that and  
Blood;

that in the Blood might come the Life, and the flesh be redeemed,  
that--that God in this redeemed flesh could manifest His Word for  
the day as He did in that day. Whew! Glory!. . . . .

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588 We have Satan's answer. God has vindicated Himself.  
God proves Himself, to His promise in this day. Hallelujah! The  
Headship is here. Amen!

Christ, the risen Lord, is here in the same Power of His  
resurrection that He ever was, manifesting Himself. There's the  
devil's answer.

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591 What is it? Not them people. The Headship and the Body  
has become one unit. It's God manifested in His people. That's  
the reason the husband and wife is no longer twain;

they're one. God and His Church is one, "Christ in you," God's  
great revelation.....

It's the anointed Body of Christ, proving, manifested God like  
That body did. And That body redeemed every of this, these  
bodies, and through there God works His threefold manifestation,  
going to the Kingdom.

Risen, paid the price! We're redeemed. God has proved it,  
vindicated it. See?

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593.....There is the Body of Christ living, standing redeemed.  
Redeemed! Oh, my!

594 Justified in His sight! Why are we justified? We are His  
victory. The Church is His victory. We come forth in this last  
days with this glorious Gospel, showing His victory. He died for  
this purpose, and we are proof of His victory. Amen!

When we see Him coming down and living among the Church,  
that's His victory. Shows that he couldn't keep Him in the grave,  
neither can they keep us. That's right. He. . . ?. . .

And we're already, potentially, arised, because we've raised from  
dead, unbelief in His Word, from denomination creeds, to an  
Eternal Word of the Eternal God; which is Him, Hisself, working  
through us, manifesting Himself that He is the same yesterday,  
today, and forever.

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595.....that same Word moves from the Head, as the Day comes  
close, down into the Body, down into the Body, vindicating that  
they are One. They are Husband and Wife.

They're flesh of His flesh, Word of His Word; Life of His Life, Spirit  
of His Spirit. See? Amen! How do you know it? Bears the same  
record, same fruit, same Word. See, manifests Christ; same Life,  
same God, same Spirit, same Word, same Book! Amen! Same  
signs, "Things that I do shall you also." Oh, hallelujah! My!

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596 Notice, the vindicated Word in His Body is His very victory  
and the reason of His death. See, the death, not in the Spirit;  
when He died, He only died in the flesh.

His Spirit went to hell and preached to the souls in prison. That right? His flesh, only, died, then He raised it up again and quickened it. Quicken means "made alive," His flesh, which was His body.

And that's the Word. It's been laying dead for years, but It gradually begin to come in the reformation, and now She is standing upon Her feet!