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JOHN 1:26

26 John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not;

JOHN 1:27

27 He it is, who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose.

JOHN 1:28

28 These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.

JOHN 1:29

The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

JOHN 1:30

This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me.

JOHN 1:31

31 And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water.

JOHN 1:32

32 And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him.

JOHN 1:33

And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.

JOHN 1:34

34 And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.

JOHN 1:35

35 Again the next day after John stood, and two of his disciples;

JOHN 1:36

36 And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God!

JOHN 1:37

And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.

Proverbs 4:18

"The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day,".

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212...... The revelation, it is Christ's way of making Himself known to His Church.....

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- Did you notice? Paul never knew Jesus, physically. Paul never knew Him. The only way that Paul knew Him was by a revelation, by a vision. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Paul only knew Jesus by the revelation, just like Peter did.
- Peter had seen Him in flesh, but he didn't know Him by flesh, 'cause Jesus said so. "Flesh and blood didn't reveal it to you. Even My Own life didn't reveal it to you. But My Father which is in Heaven has revealed the thing to you,

that He is the Word of God, and upon this rock I'll build My Church." Peter didn't know Him by flesh. Man walked, and handled Him, and everything else.

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248 Paul only knewed Him by--knew Him by revelation. Peter knew Him by revelation.

249 He walked with Him, talked with Him. Therefore, you can set this Word. Now, I've just said that He was the Word. Now, a scholar can sit down and read that Word till he can just tie your mind up in any way, see, if he wants to do it, 'cause he's smart, brilliant.

Get a Catholic priest, or, not so much as that, as a real good trained theologian in the Bible. Brother, a Baptist, or a Presbyterian, or something, he'll make you think that you don't know nothing, see, when it comes TO TALK. What? See, because that he has knowed Him in the flesh, the Word.

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250 But the only way you're saved is by know Him by revelation!....

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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.

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! See? Not you joined a church, you shook a hand, you done something different, you said a creed, you promised to live by a--a code of rules.

But Christ, the Bible, He is the Word that was revealed to you. And no matter what anybody says, what takes place, it's Christ; pastor, priest, whatever it might be. It's Christ in you, that is the revelation that the Church was built upon.

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The new Birth is Christ, is the revelation. God has revealed to you this great mystery, and that's a new Birth. Now what are you going to do when you get all that group together,

where the revelation is perfectly in harmony, and God expressing it through His Word by the same actions, the same things that He did, making the Word manifest! Oh, if the Church only knew its position! It will, one day. Then, the Rapture will go when it knows what it is.....

AN. ABSOLUTE_ PHOENIX. AZ SUNDAY_ 63-0127 89...... the only way that you're ever going to know Him, is to meet Him. See? Now, "To know Him is Life," not even know His Word, as good as It may be. Yet, you've got to know Him. "To know Him is Life."......

I THESSALONIANS 4:3

3 For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:

I THESSALONIANS 4:4

4 That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;

I THESSALONIANS 4:5

5 Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God:

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

E-12 And the word saints comes from the word, "sanctified one." And "sanctify" is a compound word which means "cleansed and set apart."

And the vessels that was put on the altar cleansed the vessels; the altar sanctified the vessels, and they were set apart for the service of the temple.

And a vessel of God, which we are, is sanctified through the Blood of the Lord Jesus and set apart for the service of God......

HEBREWS. CHAPTER. SEVEN. 1_ JEFF. IN HEB SUNDAY_ 57-0915E

34...... He spoke to the Church in the form of a Man, His Son, Christ Jesus.

And He is speaking through His Church today, through the anointed Church of the living God, through vessels of clay.

"Ye are the branches. I am the Vine." God is still speaking, and the world sees Jesus as you present Him. That's how the world is. . . "You are written epistles, read of all men." Your life tells what you are.

PERFECT. STRENGTH. BY. PERFECT. WEAKNESS_ JEFF. IN V-8 N-1 SUNDAY_ 61-1119

340 Oh, God's strategy is to take empty human vessels and shake the world with them.

.....At Pentecost what did He do? It taken them ten days to get all emptied up. But they was all standing there with their vessels turned up, and God took Himself and filled them up. That's all. They shook the world. Poured Himself into them. . .

That's the need of today. That's what we need today, is the empty vessels (Yes, sir.) so God can fill them up. And you cannot take them. . . (I got to bypass a lot here.) God cannot use them as long as they're already filled up.

If you're full of theological training, God can't use you. God's got to have empty vessels so He can fill them.

355-1 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 9

Herein is now set forth the love of God. He desired in love a family of His own, a family of sons--sons like Himself. There before Him lies all mankind as ONE lump of clay.

Out of that same lump He will now make vessels unto honor and unto dishonor. The CHOOSING will be His own choosing. Then those chosen ones, born of His Spirit will be trained to conform to His image in their walk. He REPROVES with all long-suffering and gentleness and mercy.

He CHASTENS with nail scarred hands. Sometimes this Potter must take the vessel He is working on and thoroughly break it down in order that He may rebuild it exactly as He desires it. BUT IT IS LOVE. THAT IS HIS LOVE. ANOTHER WAY OF HIS LOVE THERE IS NOT. THERE CANNOT BE.

JEREMIAH 18:1

1 The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

JEREMIAH 18:2

2 Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.

JEREMIAH 18:3

3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels.

JEREMIAH 18:4

4 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

JEREMIAH 18:5

5 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

JEREMIAH 18:6

6 O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.

CALLING. JESUS. ON. THE. SCENE_ CHICAGO. IL V-21 N-8 SUNDAY_ 63-0804E

73 Oh, if we tonight could only catch that vision! The very Jehovah, that made the heavens and earth, is right in this little vessel of ours, while we're sailing life's solemn main.

For, the Holy Ghost is Jehovah, in spirit form, in you. See? God, the Holy Spirit, is God Himself in you.

INVESTMENTS_ NY. NY V-18 N-11 SATURDAY_ 63-1116B 62......They know what you are by the life you live and the things that you do. If the Life of Christ is in you, then, therefore, the works and Life of Christ you live, because that's His Life living through you. You're just in a vessel to carry on the work of God.

EPHESIANS 1:3

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

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.

FPHFSTANS 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:

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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That's what God, Christ, is doing to the Church. See? He is letting Her know the secrets, just the secrets.

Not these flirters; 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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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.

- 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.
- CHRIST. IS. THE. MYSTERY. OF. GOD. REVEALED_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY_ 63-0728
- 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.
- CHRIST. IS. THE. MYSTERY. OF. GOD. REVEALED_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY 63-0728
- 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.

- CHRIST. IS. THE. MYSTERY. OF. GOD. REVEALED_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY_ 63-0728
- 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.

- CHRIST. IS. THE. MYSTERY. OF. GOD. REVEALED_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY_ 63-0728
- 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.]
- A35 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......
- CHRIST. IS. THE. MYSTERY. OF. GOD. REVEALED_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY_ 63-0728
- 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.

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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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.

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......

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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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?

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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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.

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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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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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 Hisself through His promised Word for the last days......

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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!

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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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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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.

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?

CHRIST. IS. THE. MYSTERY. OF. GOD. REVEALED_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY_ 63-0728 593......There is the Body of Christ living, standing redeemed. Redeemed! Oh, my!

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.