

GETTING IN THE SPIRIT 121

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.

ACTS 15:1

1 ¶ And certain men which came down from Judaea taught the brethren, and said, Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.

ACTS 15:2

2 When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, **should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.**

ACTS 15:3

3 And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.

ACTS 15:4

4 And when they were come to Jerusalem, **they were received of the church, and of the apostles and elders,** and they declared all things that God had done with them.

ACTS 15:5

5 But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command them to keep the law of Moses.

ACTS 15:6

6 ¶ **And the apostles and elders** came together for to consider of this matter.

ACTS 15:22

22 ¶ Then pleased it **the apostles and elders, with the whole church, TO SEND CHOSEN MEN** of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; namely, Judas surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren:

ACTS 15:23

23 And they wrote letters by them after this manner; **The apostles and elders and brethren** send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia:

ACTS 15:24

24 Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain **which went out from us** have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, Ye must be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no such commandment:

ACTS 15:25

25 It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, **to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,**

ACTS 15:26

26 Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ACTS 15:27

27 **We have sent** therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell you the same things by mouth.

ACTS 15:40

40 And Paul chose Silas, and departed, **being recommended by the brethren** unto the grace of God.

ACTS 15:41

41 And he went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches.

ACTS 16:4

4 And as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to keep, **that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem.**

ACTS 16:5

5 And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily.

ACTS 20:17

17 ¶ And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.

ACTS 21:18

18 And the day following Paul went in with us unto James; and all **the elders** were present.

ACTS 21:19

19 And when **he had saluted them**, he declared particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministry.

I CORINTHIANS 4:17

17 ¶ For this cause **have I sent unto you Timotheus**, who is my beloved son, and faithful in the Lord, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which be in Christ, as I teach everywhere in every church.

II CORINTHIANS 8:16

16 ¶ But thanks be to God, which put the same earnest care into the heart of Titus for you.

II CORINTHIANS 8:17

17 For indeed he accepted the exhortation; but being more forward, of his own accord he went unto you.

II CORINTHIANS 8:18

18 And **we have sent with him** the brother, whose praise is in the gospel throughout all the churches;

II CORINTHIANS 8:19

19 And not that only, **but who was also chosen of the churches to travel with us with this grace**, which is administered by us to the glory of the same Lord, and declaration of your ready mind:

PHILIPPIANS 2:25

25 Yet I supposed it necessary **to send to you Epaphroditus**, my brother, and companion in labor, and fellowsoldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants.

PHILIPPIANS 2:26

26 For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that he had been sick.

PHILIPPIANS 2:27

27 For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.

PHILIPPIANS 2:28

28 **I sent him therefore the more carefully**, that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice, and that I may be the less sorrowful.

PHILIPPIANS 2:29

29 Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness; and hold such in reputation:

PHILEMON 1:10

10 I beseech thee for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my bonds:

PHILEMON 1:11

11 Which in time past was to thee unprofitable, but now profitable to thee and to me:

PHILEMON 1:12

12 **Whom I have sent again:** thou therefore receive him, that is, mine own bowels:

JUDE 1:17

17 But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of **the apostles** of our Lord Jesus Christ;

REVELATION 21:14

14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of **the twelve apostles of the Lamb.**

I CORINTHIANS 4:15

15 For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers: for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.

I CORINTHIANS 4:16

16 Wherefore I beseech you, be ye ***FOLLOWERS** of me.

FOLLOWERS: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3402

mimetes {mim-ay-tace'}

an imitator

I CORINTHIANS 11:1

1 ¶ Be ye **followers** of me, even as I also am of Christ.

II CORINTHIANS 1:24

24 Not for that we have dominion over your faith, but are helpers of your joy: for by faith ye stand.

PHILIPPIANS 3:17

17 ¶ Brethren, be **followers** together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ***ENSAMPLE**.

ENSAMPLE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5179

tupos {too'-pos}

example, pattern, manner, in the technical sense, the pattern in conformity to which a thing must be made; an example to be imitated: of men worthy of imitation;

PHILIPPIANS 3:18

18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:

PHILIPPIANS 3:19

19 Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)

I THESSALONIANS 1:6

6 ¶ And ye became **followers of us**, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost:

I THESSALONIANS 1:7

7 So that ye were **ensamples** to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia.

I THESSALONIANS 2:14

14 For ye, brethren, became **followers of the churches of God** which in Judaea are in Christ Jesus: for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they have of the Jews:

I THESSALONIANS 5:14

14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are ***UNRULY**, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men.

UNRULY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 813

ataktos {at'-ak-tos}

disorderly, out of ranks (often so of soldiers), irregular, inordinate, deviating from the prescribed order or rule

II THESSALONIANS 3:6

6 ¶ Now we **COMMAND YOU**, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh ***DISORDERLY**, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

DISORDERLY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 814

ataktos {at-ak'-toce}

out of ranks (often so of soldiers), irregular, inordinate, deviating from the prescribed order or rule

Used in Greek society of those who did not show up for work.

II THESSALONIANS 3:7

7 For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you;

II THESSALONIANS 3:9

9 Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you **to follow us**.

HEBREWS 6:12

12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

HEBREWS 13:7

7 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: **whose faith follow**, considering the end of their conversation.

THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-2
SUNDAY_ 62-0318

115-5.....You can only serve God as you do and--and believe the servants that God sends. **You can only serve God on earth (See?) as God's servants that's sent on earth by Divine inspiration interprets the Word to you.** You believe that? You want to put down some Scriptures for it? I Corinthians 14:16. Paul said, "You follow me as I follow Christ."

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFF.IN COD THURSDAY_ 61-0112

519-52 So always do this, brethren, whenever you feel that you're supposed to do a thing, first find out if it's Scriptural for you to do it, if it's in the Scriptures, not just wrote in one place, but I mean completely Scriptural through the Bible for you to do it, your position, say if you'd be an evangelist, pastor, teacher, prophet, whatever that God might've called you to be. You see? Or if you have the gift of tongues, gift of interpretation, gift of any--any kind of the nine spiritual gifts in the church, and the four spiritual offices of the church, any position, first see if God called.

Then, usually, way I watch it for myself, just... This is me. I watch the nature of the person and see what kind of a gift that they're professing. See, God will work with His creature the way He's made him. See? He'll make a creature...

QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS_ JEFF.IN COD THURSDAY_ 61-0112

520-54 If you see him real flighty and going on, you--and he says, "The Lord called me for such and such a--to be a pastor." Now, a pastor can't be a flighty person. A pastor's solid, sound. See?

"God called me to be a teacher." **And watch him how he interprets the Word.** See? He gets It all mixed up and everything, then you can tell. See?

But then, the thing to do, your position is usually known whether you can do it or not.

THE.QUEEN.OF.THE.SOUTH_ WATERLOO.IA SATURDAY_ 58-0125

E-3.....Sunday, we do not ask people to leave their post of duty unless the church has fully cooperated and you have no services at your church. We're here as a visitor. **We don't want to pull anyone from their post of duty.** We're trying to help that church to grow. And we want every member at his own church. And then, if you have sickness and you want to be prayed for tomorrow night, **get permission from your pastor.** Tell him what you want to do.....

THE.MIGHTY.CONQUEROR_ MIDDLETOWN.OH SATURDAY_ 58-0329

E-4.....Now, if your church is having church tomorrow night, you sick, **just ask your pastor; I am sure he would excuse you to come if you don't get into that line or get prayed for tonight.....**

JEHOVAH.JIREH_ RICHMOND.VA SUNDAY_ 61-0312

E-9.....Some of you, maybe, wrote me letters. I answered the best I could. Now, to the questions you ask me in doctrine, **I just referred you back to your pastor** (You see?), because I don't-- I don't do that. See? It's nice. I appreciate you putting that much confidence. But you see, all of us wouldn't agree just... On basics we all--we agree the same thing, but each man, maybe two or three setting there, wouldn't. That's the reason **I said ask your pastor (See?), because sometimes it causes A LITTLE FRICTION IN THE CHURCH, and we don't want that. We-- we want you to be in harmony and one accord.**

I think of your pastor like the song, "Amazing Grace."

It was grace that brought me safe thus far,

Grace will take me on.

JEZEBEL.RELIGION_ MIDDLETOWN.OH V-6 N-14 SUNDAY_ 61-0319

19.....So many people writes me questions about marriage and divorce and so forth, which is a tangle in the church; I always refer them back, and say, **"Ask your pastor."**

People's wrote me letters here and said, "What about this? And what about that?" I refer the letter back; you'll get it. **See your**

pastor on little things, because, after all, he's your shepherd. See, he's the--he's the one that God sent to watch over you. And we might disagree upon it, and then that causes confusion in your church. We don't want that. No, no. We just want you quit doing things that's sinful, things out of the Bible, just keep moving on towards God. See? **And if you cause little frictions and things like that,** that upsets the church. So I'd rather your pastor tell you about marriage and divorce, and these things and them things; let him do it. **He's God's servant too, and he's equipped to do that.**

ABRAHAM.AND.HIS.SEED.AFTER.HIM_ BLOOMINGTON.IL
SUNDAY_ 61-0416

E-25.....Now, many you people are writing me letters and saying, "Brother Branham, should we do this or do that?" I always say, **"Ask your pastor."** See? Because I'll do anything I can answer you on the great fundamental evangelical doctrines of the Bible. But when it comes to about: "Should we do this and do that." **I always refer to your pastor,** because we might... Each man, there isn't two here, but what would disagree with one another on little technical things, whether we should comb our hair on the right side or the left. And mine, I have no trouble with that. So--so... But you know what I mean. We--we have those things, so I always just say that every congregation, **"Ask your pastor those things." If he has led you far enough to be saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, can't you trust him the rest of the way through? If God honored him for that...**

THE.GODHEAD.EXPLAINED_ CHICAGO.IL V-2 N-24 TUESDAY_
61-0425B

13-5.....I have always told the people who write me questions, outside of what I preach on the platform... And here's my secretary and so forth. If they ask me a question, "What about this?" or "What about that?" I said, **"Ask your pastor, because if he's led you this far, till you received the Holy Ghost, he'll take you on."** You see? "You ask your pastor," because little things like that **causes confusion; and therefore, I leave away from it. You see?**

WE.WOULD.SEE.JESUS_ VICTORIA.BC FRIDAY_ 62-0727

E-20.....the religious questions that you might have in your mind, I'd advise you **ask your pastor** and not me, because every man's leading his flock. **And if he's--the pastor has led you safely this far, trust him the rest of the way.** He... If he brought you up to be filled with God's Spirit, and living the life that I trust that you're living, why, **trust him the rest of the way. He will be able to answer your questions.**

A.TESTIMONY.UPON.THE.SEA_ PORT.ALBERNI.BC THURSDAY_ 62-0726

E-82 And I want you all to know, you don't have to wait till some special gift come through. **If you have any need of spiritual things, consult your pastor. He was the one who led you safely this far, he will take you on.** That's right. God's servant...

And I want you to know that... The other night I stood in a line where about thirty or forty pastors, and I jumped up the other end of the line and picked up the people like that. And a great, biggest percent of them was healed 'fore they ever got to where I was standing, **them Holy Ghost filled pastors, laying their hands on them....**

PERSEVERANCE_ NY.NY V-18 N-12 SATURDAY_ 63-1116E

7.....Now if you have a post of duty, you go there. **That's what you're supposed to do.** Always stand at your post of duty. **That's your--that's your duty to God and to your pastor, to the rest of the congregation.....**

Last night was top notch buddy. I know that situation in it destroyed lives and still is destroying lives.

Another minister from another country where the event happened

I was just a young minister in the church at the time. As the split occurred, he invited me to come and be an associate with him, saying the people loved me and my ministry... and it would be a blessing.

It was a strong pull, and even though I had close friends that had left, I could not do it, somehow I could not identify with it.

Years later, and now much has happened... transpired. I am always grateful for that little something God placed inside even back then. It is still holding me today.

53-0729 - Questions And Answers On Genesis

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.

LIFTING.HIM.UP.OUT.OF.HISTORY_ JEFF.IN WEDNESDAY_ 58-1001

E-19.....**It should be that a man was called of God to a community.** And if he had to lay there like Elijah did, on top of the mountain at the brook Cherith, and expect the crows to feed him, he ought to stay till his divine mission is fulfilled. No matter if he gets a penny or not, it should be the call of God, first.....

WHAT.DOES.THOU.HERE_ JEFF.IN SUNDAY_ 59-0301E

E-13.....Oh, there's a lots of times they don't want to claim it, **but a God sent man to a community is a pastor of the entire community.** Whether he's Baptist, Presbyterian, or who it

is, God anoints His man and he will not compromise. And the people sometimes hates him, because that he stands for truth. But yet, he's God's pastor for the hour.

IDENTIFICATION_ PHOENIX.AZ WEDNESDAY_ 63-0123

202 Let some pastor come into a community and build up a nice work. And then they have the meeting, general meeting somewhere, and they take that fellow out, and take some little pet little Ricky and put him in there, and it only scatters the sheep. If God puts a man in there... But, oh, they do that at the conferences, many times; pick on, send some poor brother away, and that's really built up the work. **Then, they don't know they break their own neck in doing so, and hurt the church.....**

REVELATION 2:2

2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast ***TRIED** them which say they are ***APOSTLES**, and are not, and hast found them liars:

TRIED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 3985

peirazo {pi-rad'-zo}

examine, make trial of, test: for the purpose of ascertaining his quantity,

APOSTLES: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 652

apostolos {ap-os'-tol-os}

Messenger, he that is sent, a delegate, one sent forth with orders

THE.EPHESIAN.CHURCH.AGE_ JEFF.IN ROJC 131-183

MONDAY_ 60-1205

84..... **THE PROPHET READS THIS SCRIPTURE**

.....thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:

See, that apostasy had already begin to set in in this first age, already started right there; because the elect and true church who wanted to keep the precepts of the Bible, and keep the

Words that Jesus said in His testimony, **they'd already begin to pull away.** Something begin to happen, and there'd been false teachers rise up, **people who were teaching wrong, contrary to the Scripture, trying to bring in something or add something.**

That's the reason He gave this revelation to the church and said, "Whoever takes away or adds to, your part will be taken out of the Book of Life." That's lost, brother. Just don't meddle with God's Word.....

83-1 EPHESIAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.3

"Thou hast tried them that say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars."

My, that is a blunt statement. "Thou hast tried them who call themselves apostles." Isn't that presumptuous? What right has a people to try those who call themselves apostles? And how do they try them? Oh, I love this.

Here it is in Galatians 1:8,

"But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have (already) preached unto you, let him be accursed."

It was the apostles who brought the original Word to the people.

That original Word could not change, not even a dot or dash of it. Paul knew it was God Who had spoken to him so he

said, "Even if I come and try to give a second revelation, **try to make one little change in what I gave originally, let me be accursed.**" You see, Paul knew that first revelation was correct.

God can't give a first revelation, then a second revelation. If He did, He would be changing His mind. **He can give a revelation and then add to it, as He did in the Garden of Eden** when He

promised the Seed to the woman, and then later designated that Seed had to come through Abraham, and then later said it would come by the same blood lines in David. But it was the same revelation. **It only gave the people MORE INFORMATION to help them receive and understand it.**

But God's Word can't change. The Seed came exactly as revealed. Hallelujah. And see what those false apostles were doing. **They came with their own word.** Those Ephesians knew

that Word as Paul had taught it. They were full of the Holy Ghost by the laying on of Paul's hands. They looked those false apostles in the eye and said, "**You are not saying what Paul said. You are, therefore, false.**" Oh, that sets my heart on fire. Get back to the Word! It is not you that really tries the apostle, and prophet and teacher, **IT IS THE WORD THAT TRIES THEM.** One of these days there is going to come a prophet to the Laodicean Church Age and you will know if he is the real one sent from God or not. Yes you will, for if he is of God HE WILL BE IN THAT WORD EXACTLY AS GOD GAVE IT TO PAUL. HE WON'T DEVIATE FROM THAT WORD FOR A MOMENT, NOT BY ONE IOTA. In that last age, when there will be many false prophets appearing, **watch and see how they keep telling you that if you don't believe them and what they say, you will be lost;** but when that LAST DAY PROPHET comes on the scene, if he is truly that prophet, he will be crying out, "Get back to the Word or you are lost." He won't build on a private revelation or interpretation, but on the Word. Amen, and Amen!

84-2 EPHESIAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.3
.....Already they were denying the Word and setting up their own creeds and philosophies instead of the Word. That is antichrist, for Jesus is the Word. **To be anti-Word is to be anti-Jesus. To be anti-Word is to be antichrist,** because the Spirit and the Word are ONE. If you are anti-Word, you will have to be antichrist. AND IF IT STARTED IN THE FIRST CHURCH IT WILL HAVE TO GROW UNTIL THE END WHEN IT TAKES OVER. And that is exactly what you will see as we cover all the ages. It starts out real small in the Ephesian Age and it grows in every age until the anti-Word, antichrist system takes over entirely and the infallibility of the Word is repudiated by the false apostles of the false church.

85-1 EPHESIAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.3
Now it is easy to get a wrong impression of what we are talking about because I am making this so strong. It could sound to you as though this anti-Word, antichrist spirit, **is a complete**

repudiation of the Word, a denial of the Bible culminating in its rejection. No sir. It is not that.

What it is, is Revelation 22:18,19,

"For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book. And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the Book of Life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book."

It is the changing of even just ONE word by taking away or adding to it. It is the original trick of Satan in the Garden of Eden. He just added one little word to what God had said. That did it. It brought death and destruction. And in Ephesus, it was just the same. **Just a word added, just a word taken away, and the anti-Word, antichrist spirit began to flourish.**

THE.GOD.OF.THIS.EVIL.AGE_ JEFF.IN V-4 N-9 SUNDAY_ 65-0801M

144.....**Remember, it was a unpardonable sin, three times in the Bible,** for any persons to add one word of their own interpretation to God's Word after It had been vindicated the Truth.

In the garden of Eden, right, in the garden of Eden, one word added caused death.

When Balaam added the word, that, "We're all the same," they, God never did forgive Israel that. Every one of them perished in the wilderness, except the three that God brought out.

Jesus said, "They're, every one, dead," that's Eternally separated. They're all gone; never was forgiven. **It's a unpardonable sin; never forgiven them. Oh, my!**

Flee it, children of the evening Lights!

REVELATION 2:3

3 And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.