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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.

<u>I TIMOTHY 3:14</u>

14 ¶ These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly:

<u>I TIMOTHY 3:15</u>

15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the ***CHURCH** of the living God, the pillar and ***GROUND** of the truth.

CHURCH: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1577 ekklesia {ek-klay-see'-ah} assembly, a gathering of citizens called out from their homes into some public place; an assembly In a Christian sense; an assembly of Christians gathered for worship in a religious meeting

GROUND: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1477 hedraioma {hed-rah'-yo-mah} a stay, prop, support

156-2 SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.4 In every age we have **exactly the same pattern.** That is why the light comes through some God-given messenger in a certain area, and then **from that messenger there spreads the light through the ministry of others who have been faithfully taught.** But of course all those who go out don't always learn how necessary it is to speak ONLY what the messenger has spoken. (Remember, Paul warned the people to say only what he said, I Corinthians 14:37, "If any man think himself to be a prophet or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the COMMANDMENTS OF THE LORD. What? came the Word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?") **They add here, or take away there, and soon the message is no longer pure, and the revival dies down.** How careful we must be to hear ONE voice, for the Spirit has but one voice which is the voice of God. Paul warned them to say what he said, even as Peter did likewise. He warned them that EVEN HE (PAUL) could not change one word of what he had given by revelation. Oh, how important it is to hear the voice of God by way of His messengers, and then say what has been given them to say to the churches.

REVELATION 5:6

6 ¶ And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, **having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.**

THE.BREACH.BETWEEN.THE.SEVEN.CHURCH.AGES.AND.THE.SEV EN.SEALS_ JEFF.IN SUNDAY_ 63-0317E

101-4 {231} Seven horns was the seven churches (See?), the Seven Church Ages, because that was the Lamb's protection. What He protected His rights with on earth was a God-sent group of people that's protected. See, the horn on the Lamb...

Seven eyes are the seven messengers of the Seven Church Ages: seven eyes, seven seers.

MATTHEW 6:22

22 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.

MATTHEW 6:23

23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

EPHESIANS 1:18

18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

MATTHEW 6:23

23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

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 **<u>ensamples</u>** 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.

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, **<u>APOSTLES</u>**: 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 <u>MORE INFORMATION</u> 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.3Already 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.

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 <u>A LITTLE</u> <u>FRICTION IN THE CHURCH</u>, 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.