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9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

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10 To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

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HEAR.YE.HIM_ INDIANAPOLIS.IN MONDAY_ 56-0611

E-35 Love, God's love, it'll take the place of speaking in tongues, and that's all right. It'll take the place of gifts, and wonders, and signs, and everything else. If you haven't got love to accompanies that, what good does the signs do you? God's tried to do it across the nation, but it wouldn't work. **The greatest of all the gifts is wisdom, the second is**

knowledge. If you haven't got knowledge, you haven't got wisdom, how can--to control your knowledge, what good's your knowledge going to do? See what I mean? **Seek the first things first.**

We've gone after gifts; we've gone after this; we've gone after that, because the supernatural was done. **But, brother, don't seek gifts; don't seek favor with denomination; seek the love of God. Do it, brethren.**

I.WILL.RESTORE_ PHOENIX.AZ SATURDAY_ 57-0309B

E-15.....Now, if you'll notice the routine of the gifts: **the first is a gift of wisdom.** (Thank you.) The first is the gift of wisdom. **That is the best gift of the group.** And if we don't have wisdom, we won't know how to use knowledge, is the second gift. And if we can't use the second gift without wisdom, how are we going to use the last gift, interpretation? or next to the last, speaking in tongues? Our zeal has eat up our wisdom, and our zeal for our denominations and our enthusiasm has eat up the wisdom off of the vine, brotherly love.....

I CORINTHIANS 12:8

8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of ***WISDOM;** to another the word of ***KNOWLEDGE** by the same Spirit;

WISDOM: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4678

sophia {sof-ee'-ah}

supreme intelligence, such as belongs to God; the wisdom of God as evinced in forming and executing counsels in the formation and government of the world and the scriptures

KNOWLEDGE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1108

gnosis {gno'-sis}

the general knowledge of Christian religion, the deeper more perfect and enlarged knowledge of this religion, such as belongs to the more advanced, especially of things lawful and unlawful for Christians; moral wisdom, such as is seen in right living.

WHERE.I.THINK.PENTECOST.FAILED_ SAN.FERNANDO.CA
FRIDAY_ 55-1111

E-30.....He could take the prophets with the gift of knowledge, and foreshow them what was going to be. And they could speak it, **because it's a Word of knowledge that God gives to His prophet.** And he foretells it before it comes it pass, because God knows all things.

THE.IMPERSONATION.OF.CHRISTIANITY_ JEFF.IN SUNDAY_
57-0120M

E-19.....So God had took Ezekiel high, far up, and let him see around about twenty-six hundred years. Think of it. Now, and let him have... **A--a prophet is also a gift of knowledge.** A knowledge is like an attorney, who studies the books, and when you go to hire an attorney to plead your case, he's only taking what he knows, and you're paying for what he knows to present your case before the judge.

THE.IMPERSONATION.OF.CHRISTIANITY_ JEFF.IN SUNDAY_
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E-20 **And now, a gift of knowledge in the Bible is prophecy which goes up and finds out these things that are to come and brings them back down,** but they must compare with the Bible, with the Book. If they're out of the Book, then they're not received, because the Judge judges by the Book. You see it? So it must be on the Word.

.....And the prophet goes up and sees the time coming. **So it's only a gift of knowledge that he brings down and puts it on the paper.**

Now, Ezekiel the prophet goes up and sees the day that we're living in. Oh, what a trip up Jacob's ladder to foresee what will be. And he brings it down.....

NEW.MINISTRY.WILLIAM.BRANHAM_ LA.CA MONDAY_ 59-0406

E-7.....my ministry, to lay hands on the sick. It's been to make, by a Divine gift, to bring Presence the Lord Jesus Christ in Presence by a discernment of spirit, **which is called in the**

Bible, a gift of knowledge. And in doing so, makes Him manifested before the people, and then they receive Him as their Healer. That settles it.

PALMERWORM.LOCUST.CANKERWORM.CATERPILLAR_ JEFF.IN
V-14 N-1 SUNDAY_ 59-0823

95 I've seen a lots called discernment, I don't believe in. But I know there's truly a discerning Spirit of God, **the gift of knowledge, that calls and speaks, and it's perfect every time.....**

I CORINTHIANS 12:9

9 To another ***FAITH** by the same Spirit; to another the **GIFTS OF HEALING** by the same Spirit;

FAITH: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4102

pistis {pis'-tis}

a conviction or belief respecting man's relationship to God and divine things, generally with the included idea of trust and holy fervor

the conviction that God exists and is the creator and ruler of all things, the provider and bestower of eternal salvation through Christ

I CORINTHIANS 12:10

10 To another the **WORKING OF MIRACLES**; to another prophecy; to another ***DISCERNING OF SPIRITS**; to another **DIVERS KINDS OF TONGUES**; to another the **INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES:**

DISCERNING: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1253

diakrisis {dee-ak'-ree-sis}

discern, a distinguishing, judging

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

536-158 Say, for instance, I'm going to say we spoke in tongues, somebody, we're... This is a--a gifted bunch of men. And Leo raised up and spoke in tongues, and--and a brother here, Willard, give the interpretation. All right. **Now, I want to say Brother Neville and Brother Junie and Brother Willard Collins was the discerners.** See? Now, because Leo spoke... Now, we're just here in like in a little saints' meeting, **a gifts meeting**, and Leo spoke and Willard give the interpretation here, and he said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, Wednesday night there's coming a woman in here, and she's going to--she's going to be violent. Tell Brother Branham not to rebuke her, because she's insane. But tell him to take her over to the corner, because it was in a corner where she did a wicked thing one time and a certain thing taken place." See? That sounds very good, doesn't it? See? All right.

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

536-159 Now, but the first thing, you know, in the Old Scripture, no matter what the prophet said or what anybody else said, it was tested by the Urim Thummim first. See, it went to the Word. And if them lights didn't flash, they let it alone. See? And the first thing now, let's take it back to the Word. Now, this man spoke in tongues, sound all right. This one interpreted, sounded all right. **But the Word said, "Let it be judged by two or three judges first." Take it to the Urim Thummim.** Now, first thing, Willard Collins says, "It was of the Lord." Junie says, "It's of the Lord--Lord." That's two out of three. All right, it's put on a piece of paper; it's spoke out right here in this church. Then when the people who sees it read before it ever happens, and then see it happen, they say, "Brother, that's God. See, that's God."

But what if it don't happen, then what happens? See? (Now, we're going to get to another thing I could hit right here, "Is all prophecy fully--all interpretations and messages prophecy?") Now, just a minute. **Now, what if it don't happen? Then Leo has spoke in a false spirit; he gave a false interpretation; and you gave a false judgment. Then get that thing out of**

you. You don't want that. That's wrong. Leave it alone. That's the devil. See?.....

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

537-163 See, that's a regular saints' meeting. I think that's what it was in the Bible, 'cause Paul said, "If one prophesies and something being prophesied, something be--and something be revealed to one set; let him hold his peace until this one speaks first, then he may speak. And you all may prophesy one by one."

Now, that couldn't be in a regular meeting, you know that, each one couldn't... the gifts...

Now, to be sure that it's of God (See?), 'cause if it's just foolishness it ain't of God. **If it doesn't come to pass, it's not of God.** See? It's got to come to pass. And--and therefore in our churches (You see?), brother, we got a solid ch//urch then (See?), where nobody can say that anything is ever said or done...

JEHOVAH.JIREH_ LONG.BEACH.CA SUNDAY_ 61-0212M

E-15 When in our church, when they give one of them, when I had my church, rather, when I first become Pentecostal, if a prophecy was given... All the gifted people met first. And they used... they're part of the church. They brought out, say, somebody spoke in tongues, and somebody gave the interpretation, **it had to be something directly to the church,** had to be a message: "Tell Brother So-and-so get away from this, and don't do this, or don't be at this corner at time, 'cause certain thing's going to happen." And then before that could be given then, **it had to be discerned by two or three different discerners.** And they put their name on a paper and laid it on my desk, and I give it out to the church. If it happens, thank God. **If it didn't, I wouldn't let them do it no more till they got that evil spirit away from them.** That's right; that's right.

JEHOVAH.JIREH_ LONG.BEACH.CA SUNDAY_ 61-0212M

E-16 We don't have to take a substitute; the Pentecostal skies are full of the genuine. **Why take something that's bogus**

when there's a real one there? Certainly. Make it real, then there's no slip ups. See, you've got it right there. Somebody said, like, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, tell Brother Branham, tonight there'll be a woman come in, she's coming from Ohio. She'd be dressed in a certain garment. She's got cancer. But when she was a little girl, she stole money out of a treasurer, she could never be healed. Tell her--tell her go take that money back and make it right, THUS SAITH THE LORD, she'll be healed." There it is. **If there wasn't a message directly to somebody like that, it was flesh; we didn't accept it at all.**

JEHOVAH.JIREH_ LONG.BEACH.CA SUNDAY_ 61-0212M

E-17 What if I come here and say, "The Lord tells me somebody's got kidney trouble. How many's got kidney trouble?" Sure, it's all over the building. **I seen that so impersonated of a gift of God.** Somebody tells me, "Lord tells me, hallelujah, I feel it's nervous, somebody in here is nervous." Sure, the whole crowd is. No, that's not it. **Who is, and where did they come from, what caused it, and what's going to be the outcome?** See? That's carnal impersonation, which is carnal in the sight of God.....

I CORINTHIANS 12:11

11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

JESUS.CHRIST.THE.SAME.YESTERDAY.TODAY.AND.FOREVER_
TUCSON.AZ SUNDAY_ 61-0205E

E-11.....There's nine spiritual gifts set into the local--each local body, should be in full operation in every body, every church. And in that is gifts of tongues and interpretation of tongues. And now, that just isn't repeating something or making a vain repetition. **It's saying something directly to be interpreted for a certain person in that congregation or something,** to make a way. Tongues, by interpretation, is prophecy, and it's prophetic utterance given to the people to--to tell them what to do or something to correct them. Oh, if the great church of the living God could only be set in order... I find it...

I CORINTHIANS 14:4

4 He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself; but he that ***PROPHESEIETH** edifieth the church.

PROPHESEIETH: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4395

propheteuo {prof-ate-yoo'-o}

speak forth by divine inspirations; to predict

to prophesy with the idea of foretelling future events pertaining esp. to the kingdom of God to utter forth, declare, a thing which can only be known by divine revelation

I CORINTHIANS 14:5

5 I would that ye all spake with tongues, but rather that ye prophesied: for greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying.

I CORINTHIANS 14:6

6 ¶ Now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you, except I shall speak to you either by revelation, or by knowledge, or by prophesying, or by doctrine?

I CORINTHIANS 14:12

12 Even so ye, forasmuch as ye are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek that **ye may excel to the edifying of the church.**

I CORINTHIANS 14:13

13 Wherefore let him that speaketh in an unknown tongue pray that he may interpret.

I CORINTHIANS 14:14

14 For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.

I CORINTHIANS 14:15

15 ¶ What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

I CORINTHIANS 14:18

18 I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all:

I CORINTHIANS 14:19

19 Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that by my voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue.

I CORINTHIANS 14:20

20 Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men.

I CORINTHIANS 14:22

22 Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.

I CORINTHIANS 14:23

23 If therefore the whole church be come together into one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in those that are unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that ye are mad?

I CORINTHIANS 14:24

24 But if all ***PROPHESY**, and there come in one that believeth not, or one unlearned, he is convinced of all, he is ***JUDGED** of all:

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JUDGED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 350

anakrino {an-ak-ree'-no}

examine, search, discern, to investigate, Inquire into, scrutinise, Specifically in a forensic sense of a judge to hold an investigation; to interrogate, examine the accused or witnesses.

I CORINTHIANS 14:25

25 And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest; and so falling down on his face he will worship God, **and report that God is in you of a truth.**

I CORINTHIANS 14:26

26 ¶ How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. **Let all things be done unto edifying.**

I CORINTHIANS 14:27

27 If any man speak in an unknown tongue, let it be by two, or at the most by three, and that by course; and let one ***INTERPRET.**

INTERPRET: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1329

diermeneuo {dee-er-main-yoo'-o}

to unfold the meaning of what is said, to translate into one's native language

I CORINTHIANS 14:28

28 But if there be no interpreter, let him keep silence in the church; and let him speak to himself, and to God.

I CORINTHIANS 14:29

29 Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.

I CORINTHIANS 14:30

30 If anything be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first hold his peace.

I CORINTHIANS 14:31

31 For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.

I CORINTHIANS 14:32

32 And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.

I CORINTHIANS 14:33

33 For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.

A.GREATER.THAN.SOLOMON.IS.HERE_ S.PINES.NC
WEDNESDAY_ 58-0625

E-65.....In our little church, if any man thought he spoke with tongues, somebody thought he did, and somebody had a gift, if them gifts there was no interpreter, they wasn't allowed to speak in the congregation. Find out if that's not the Scripture. They had a place they met; all the gifts, they met together, hours before the church ever come. I was in the study, and when they went in there, if one spoke with tongues, wait, another one give interpretation. **It couldn't be repeating Scripture;** God said, "Don't use vain repetitions, like heathens do." He's already wrote that. **It must be a direct message to somebody.**

Then before it can be received, then two or three witnesses had-- at least three--two out of three had to witness it was of God, or it wasn't received. If they said, "It's of God." they wrote it down. They signed their name to it. "THUS SAITH THE LORD: tomorrow at two o'clock, tell Brother Jones to move away from that railroad track, there's going to be a wreck out there, his house will be torn up in the wreck." They wrote it down. They thought it was of God. All right.

A.GREATER.THAN.SOLOMON.IS.HERE_ S.PINES.NC
WEDNESDAY_ 58-0625

E-66 Then after while, maybe a Spirit of prophecy come among them. **That wasn't in the main auditorium where sinners and things were setting; that was in their own room, the gifts operating.** Then the first thing you know, some prophecy hit one.

Now, there's a lot of difference between a gift of prophecy and a prophet. A gift of prophecy may be on one tonight, never again, on another the next night. It's them nine spiritual gifts that works in the body, but a prophet is borned a prophet. All down through their life it's, THUS SAITH THE LORD. **A gift of prophecy has got to be judged.** But you never seen anybody stand before Isaiah or Jeremiah to judge them. No. **But the Bible said, "If one prophesies, let two or three judge whether it's right or not." See, Satan can slip in there.**

A.GREATER.THAN.SOLOMON.IS.HERE_ S.PINES.NC
WEDNESDAY_ 58-0625

E-67 **And then, these discerners with the spirit of discernment,** then said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, tonight there'll be a woman coming from a certain place; she'll have a green scarf over her head; she'll be brought in. She's from Ohio, and have Brother Branham to lay hands on her, but first, before doing that, tell him to tell her, 'That when she was a treasurer in a certain church, she stole money; that's the reason she's paralyzed. Make that right. God will heal her.'" Discerner raised up and said, "It was of God." The other one said, "It's of God."

All right, they put that message down. When it come to the platform, a little buzzer rang from my study, I walked out; here these prophecies was; I give it to the people, right the way it was wrote here, **with the man with discernment on it.** Right. No slip ups. There they was.

A.GREATER.THAN.SOLOMON.IS.HERE_ S.PINES.NC
WEDNESDAY_ 58-0625

E-68 Then, if they--that night there come a woman in, she's in a wheelchair, cot or whatever it was, she's brought up there, green scarf, all the congregation's looking for it. There she was. I

said, "Lady, you stole money out of the treasury, when you was a--a young. 'That's right, Brother Branham, that's right. God forgive me, I'll make it right.' "Stand up on your feet, Jesus Christ makes you makes you well." There it was.

"Brother Jones, move away tomorrow at two o'clock, it's going to happen." All right, he moves away, it happens. Fine, we thank the Lord, go on. But what if it don't happen?

Now, there's a evil spirit among them. They don't get that no more till they pray that thing away. They... I said, "**You don't want that spirit on you.** You don't want no folly, you don't want no hoax, you want the real Holy Ghost, or don't pass any at all. There you are.

Put your church in that kind of order, watch what Pentecost rises to. See? It's... That's the way Paul had it done. That's the way it's done in the Scripture. But just not while somebody's speaking, one raised up and speak in tongues, go to make an altar call, another one speaks in tongues, no interpretation, to... Well, that's... **No wonder it's Babylon.** You've got something real, and the outside world's a hungering for it, but not the way you're giving it to them. That's right. They long to find God.

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

187 When you go into a meeting, the first thing you do, you go in there and have a bunch of tongues and interpretations, **and somebody raise up and keep quoting the Scripture; and that's carnal. Absolutely.** God said for us "not to use vain repetitions," what about Him? If He's wrote It once, you believe It. He don't have to say It again. Tongues and interpretations is right, **but it's to be a direct message to the church and to somebody, not just carnal and things like that.....**

THE.WORKS.THAT.I.DO.BEAR.WITNESS.OF.ME_ PHOENIX.AZ FRIDAY_ 51-0413

E-22 **After all, I'd rather have the love of God sealed in my heart than all the gifts there is in the Bible.** That's right.

I thought of that here a few nights ago. My little girl called me, and I told her... She wanted me to come home to her. She loves me, oh, my. And so I--I... She's... I told her I sent her a little doll. But she didn't want the doll. She said, "I want you, daddy, not your doll." See, she wants me.

Well, that's the way I think about Jesus. I love His gifts and things to help His people, but I want Jesus.....

THE.WAY.TO.HAVE.FELLOWSHIP_ CHICAGO.IL SUNDAY_ 55-1009

E-18 I'd rather have a church... Listen, just a moment. I would rather have a church that knows nothing about any spiritual gift, and just be so in love with each other and with Christ, I'd rather have that than every spiritual gift operating in the church. Now, that might sound hard in a Pentecostal group, but I would rather have it. Where there is gifts, they'll fail. Where there is gifts, they'll bring confusion. Where there is gifts, they can be questioned. But where there is love, it is perfect. That's right. And if you had perfect love you'd have perfect gifts. That's right. **So work first with love. That brings fellowship, and fellowship brings gifts.....**

DOOR.TO.THE.HEART_ CHATTANOOGA.TN SUNDAY_ 58-0302

E-58.....**It--I'd rather have that experience of love than have all the gifts that God's got in His heaven.** For you can have every gift God's got and still be lost. How many knows that? That's exactly right. It's love, the love of God. "Where there's tongues, they shall cease. Whether it's prophecy, it'll fail. Where there's knowledge, it'll vanish; but when that which is perfect shall come, it endureth forever" Love, love one another, that's a great saying.

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

12.....Now, there is so much in the day that we live in pertaining to gifts. So many people judge people by gifts that they have. Well, I believe that these things are gifts. I believe that what we see take place is gifts, and they are God-given gifts. But we--if

we do not use them in the right way that God intended them to be used, **then we can do more harm with the gifts than we could if we did not have the gifts.** The other night I made a statement at the pulpit, saying this, that I would rather see brotherly love existing among the church, if we didn't have one case of healing or anything else. See, we must know what these things are for.

GOD'S.GIFTS.ALWAYS.FIND.THEIR.PLACES_ JEFF.IN V-6 N-13
SUNDAY_ 63-1222

154.....May the Holy Spirit come to you and bring you ministering gifts and things from God, that you... **a gift that you might live a better life.** That's what I want. I would rather have the Life of Christ in me to live sweet and victorious than I would all the gifts of healing, the gifts of prophecies, all them other gifts; just give me Jesus. **Let me live the Life, the Life is what I want to live.** I want to live so others will know. That's my-- that's my desire at Christmas, and I pray that's your desire. And I pray that God will give us His desire.