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## THE RIGHT TO BE IN DIVINE ORDER IV

#### I CORINTHIANS 11:34

34 And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. **And the rest will I set IN ORDER** when I come.

#### **I CORINTHIANS 14:40**

40 Let all things be done decently and in **\*ORDER**.

**ORDER:** GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5010 taxis {tax'-is} an arranging, arrangement, a fixed succession observing a fixed time, due or right order, orderly condition

the post, rank, or position which one holds in civic or other affairs; and since this position generally depends on one's talents, experience, resources; character, fashion, quality, style

## **COLOSSIANS 2:5**

5 For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, **joying and beholding your order**, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ.

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10-1 And I said, "Somewhere in there I had pointed out to me, one time in an observatory, the zodiac, beginning with the virgin, coming over through the cancer age, and on down until the last was the lion, Leo the Lion. The first coming of Christ by the virgin; the second coming by the Lion of the tribe of Juda." And I said, "I tried my best to see that zodiac, and I can't see it; but yet, it's there. Those who are trained know it's there. Job saw

it; man used to look at it; it was a Bible at one day. **But in that whole great mass of millions and billions of--of light years,** God sets in the midst of all of it, and He looks down. Paul is in there; my mother's in there somewhere looking down."

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10-2 AND I THOUGHT OF THE ORDER OF THAT HEAVENLY HOST. Not one of them's out of place; every one keeps its time perfectly: God's great army. I thought of the soldiers, how that if that moon would happen to get out of order, the earth would be covered again with water just in a few minutes. The earth would be just like it was when God decided to use it for--to have us here on it. It was without form, and void, and darkness, and water was upon the breadth of the earth. And if that moon would ever move, it would do the same thing again. When the moon rocks a little bit away from the earth the tides come up; when it goes down, just follows the tides. It's God's great army.

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army there... Now, we went to bed, and then I begin to think that not one of those get out of their place; they all set in place. And if there's a moving anywhere out of them, it's for a cause and will effect this earth. We just seen the results of it now, from some of them moving into their other spots. It's effective; it effects everything.

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10-4 And I thought then, if that great heavenly host like that has to keep its place to make everything in order, what about the disorder of the earthly host? How when one gets out of order, how it throws the whole thing out of cater. The whole program of God is upset when one member gets out of order. WE

# SHOULD CONTINUALLY TO STRIVE TO KEEP THE ORDER OF THE SPIRIT.

#### **I CORINTHIANS 12:13**

13 **For by one Spirit** are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

#### **II CORINTHIANS 5:17**

17 Therefore if any man be **IN CHRIST**, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

#### **GALATIANS 3:27**

27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have **\*PUT** on Christ.

**PUT:** GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1746 enduo {en-doo'-o} clothed with, clothed in, to sink into (clothing),

## **EPHESIANS 1:3**

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

## **EPHESIANS 1:4**

4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

## **EPHESIANS 1:5**

5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

## **EPHESIANS 1:6**

6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

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# 34.....But the real church is the mystical Body of Jesus Christ.

Now, you cannot organize the mystical Body of Christ. Now, every person that comes to Christ, comes out of the world, comes into Christ, comes into His mystical Body. And you are a member of that Body when you are brought into this church, called-out and are baptized into this mystical Body. You get it?.....

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36.....when a man or a woman is called to the mystical Body of Christ by the Holy Spirit, they become a full member of His Body when they're filled with the Holy Ghost, 'cause God took the Spirit out of Christ, raised up His body and placed it on His throne, and sent back the Holy Spirit to make up the mystical Body of Christ, which will be united at the marriage supper at the coming of the Lord. You cannot organize it. It is a mystery.

THE.SMYRNAEAN.CHURCH.AGE\_ JEFF.IN ROJC 185-227 TUESDAY\_ 60-1206

The Body of Jesus Christ is not, is not an organization. The Body of Jesus Christ is a mystical Body; it is a Body of-and a Kingdom that's a spiritual Kingdom that's set upon the earth by Jesus Christ being the King of this Kingdom, the High Priest to offer sacrifices for the wayfaring in this Kingdom. He's the Prophet, the Word that preaches the Truth and brings the Light of God in this Kingdom; and He is both Prophet, Priest, and King in this Kingdom. And how do we get in this Kingdom? By the denomination? by letter? by handshaking? But by one Spirit we are all baptized into one Body which is the mystical Body of Jesus Christ, and we're baptized in there, not by water, not by sprinkling, not by pouring, not by any kind of water baptism, but by one Spirit, Holy Spirit, we are all baptized into one Body: I

Corinthians 12. Yes, we are baptized into this Body by one Spirit, Holy Spirit; then we don't run to anything but Christ. You are Christ's. It's a mystical Kingdom of God that's set up, that we come into it by Holy Spirit baptism. I love that. Hm.

BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES\_ JEFF.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY\_ 62-1104M 33-3 **The Church is the mystical Body of Christ, borned of the breath of God.** Did you get it? The Church of God is born of the breath of God. God breathed breath into the nostrils, spiritually, of Adam, and he became a living soul. Did you know the Pentecostals, or the true Pentecostal Church is borned of the breath of God?....

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- 96 God permitted Israel to take a law, in Exodus the 19th chapter. When grace had already give them a prophet, Pillar of Fire, a sacrifice lamb, a delivering power, but they cried out for a Law. It wasn't God's will, but it was injected because man wanted it. And he was cursed by the very law that he wanted.
- 97 **IT'S BEST TO HAVE GOD'S WILL.** That's what He taught us. "Thy will be done. Thy Kingdom come. Thine will be done." We must submit ourselves to His will and His Word. Don't question It. Believe It. **Don't try to find a way around It. Just take It the way It is.**

So many wants to go around, get some other way. And when you do, you find yourself going on, you find God blessing you, but you're working in His permissive will and not in His perfect, Divine will.

98 He permits it, as I said, but He will not--He will not let it be His perfect will; but He'll make it work to honor and bless His perfect will....

DOES.GOD.CHANGE.HIS.MIND\_ LA.CA V-18 N-4 TUESDAY\_ 65-0427

46...... He has a permissive will. Now, there, where the trouble lays. We try to work on God's permissive will, and He will permit it.....

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Now we see here that Sarah, after God had told Abraham that the child would be born through Sarah, that would bless the world, now Sarah doubted it. And I want you to notice, it never come by Abraham; but by Sarah, the female. And she doubted it, and she said, "Take Hagar." And Abraham didn't want to do that, but God told him to go ahead and do it anyhow. So he did it, slightly doubted. Now, Isaac, being the free and from the promised woman, could not be heir with Ishmael, the bondswoman, in doubt.....

DOES.GOD.EVER.CHANGE.HIS.MIND.ABOUT.HIS.WORD\_ JEFF.IN V-5 N-9 SUNDAY\_ 65-0418E

146.....Balaam used this phony text for his own conscience's sake, because, actually, he wanted that money. He wanted that dignitary. He wanted that. He wanted that job. He wanted that position, to be looked up to, as Doctor So-and-so. So he--he-said, "I'll try again."

Oh, at the Balaam's in the world tonight, promised positions, popularity! My, oh, my! They numb their conscience by them. Because of their denominations, they say, "If you do that, out you go. I know you're a good man, and we love you," and he is a good man, "we love you. But you can't preach that. Our--our doctrine says you can't do that. Doctor So-and-so said this is the way it is. Now you've got to believe it this way, if you stay with us.......

DOES.GOD.EVER.CHANGE.HIS.MIND.ABOUT.HIS.WORD\_ JEFF.IN V-5 N-9 SUNDAY 65-0418E

149 So now remember, when he come the second night, with this great celebrity, already had his conscience dull and numb, God let him go. NOW, GOD NEVER CHANGED HIS MIND, BUT HE GIVE HIM HIS PERMISSIVE WILL. "Go ahead then." But he found out it'll not work.

150 God knew what was in Balaam's heart. Though he was a prophet, He knowed he hated them holy-rollers, and he--and he just... he--he was going to want to curse them, anyhow. And God done told him not to do it, but yet he come, wanted to do it, again, so God let him go ahead. God said, "Go ahead."

Now, remember, He never changed His mind.

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161......God never changed His mind, His Word. But He is a good God, and He'll give you the desire of your heart, though it be against His will. You believe that?

Look, God told Moses, "You go down there," this anointed prophet. Said, "Go down there and speak to that rock." It's already been smitten.

Moses went down there in his anger, picked up the rod, and said, "You rebels, must we fetch you water out of this rock?" and smote the rock. The water didn't come. He smote it again; it come. It was against God's will. It broke every plan in the Bible; Christ had to be smitten second time. See? Christ was smitten once. It broke the whole plan. But He give him His permissive will. Then, after, he said, "See, we got the water for you. Yeah, I brought it for you, you bunch of rebels!"

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God said, "Come here, Moses. Come here. Come up here on top... You're been a faithful servant." (Like the woman with the high heels, "You climbed," see.) "Look over yonder. See the promised land?"

"O Lord!"

"But you're not going over. You took My permissive will, down here at the Rock. You have glorified yourself, see, and not Me. You sanctified yourself. You didn't sanctify Me. You didn't keep My original Word, what I told you to do." Yet, the waters did come.

You can lay hands on the sick and they recover. You can prophesy, or speak with tongues. **But, the thing is, keep His** 

# original Word! God don't change His mind, friend. You've got to keep His commission, His will.

"Oh, well, that was for the disciples."

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167 Balaam had a gift of faith and could have used it to the perfect, original Word of God.

Many men on the field today, with gifts of healing, could do the same thing. Many men out here, people speaking in tongues, people prophesying, a gift, could use it for the Kingdom of God, but they don't do it. They take... And God blesses them, anyhow, gets the permissive will. But for popularity, and pleasures, personal gains, sold their birthrights, as Esau did, see, sold out to a organization. Sold out, like Balaam did. See? So many are doing today the same thing. We know that's right. They sell out their birthright. Huh! Women professing the Holy Ghost, wearing shorts; man permitting them in the pulpits, bobbed-haired women in the pulpits; paint on their face, with religious gowns on. The biggest stumbling block the church has ever had.

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- Notice, as God said to Balaam, after he had heard the true-cut decision, Word, "Don't go." Yes, then He told him, after He seen in his--in his heart, what it was to do; **He give him His permissive will, so He said, "Go."**
- And you can do the same thing. If you don't want to walk in the Truth, you can go and have--have a great ministry. Certainly, you can. But you're taking His permissive will. You're walking over His Word. He'll prosper you, certainly. The... Just like He did Balaam. He was a success, but he couldn't curse that people. He couldn't do it. Cause, every time he started to curse, he blessed. See, he couldn't do it. But when he come to being prosperous in his achievement, he taught those people, through Balak, to commit adultery.......

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175 Yet, He grants you permission for to make, permit your will, a permissive will, knowing that... What's in your heart, He knows it.

You say, "Well, Brother Branham, I do so-and-so. It don't bother me. God blesses me every day. I sing in the Spirit. I dance in the Spirit. I..." He'll permit it. Go ahead. That's right. But what are you going to do?

176 "I wear shorts, and I do this. It don't bother me. I know my faith is in Christ, not in what I wear."

But, the Bible said there is something to it. See? What'll you do? You'll make a stumbling block, like Balaam did, before every one of the other women. What'll you do to your young girls? You'll have a bunch of Rickettas, that's exactly right, a bunch of little painted-up Jezebels. See?

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177 But God will prosper you. "Why, He blesses me." I don't doubt that. He blessed Balaam, too. See? Certainly He will. You'll walk in His permissive will, not His perfect will. God doesn't change His mind, 'cause He blessed Israel right out there for forty years. What did they

He blessed Israel right out there for forty years. What did they do? Married wives, raised families, kissed the children, paid their tithes, lived right out there. And the God blessed them in the wilderness, fed them with the manna, on and on. And every one of them perished, 'cause they never kept His original, permissive... His original will, His Word. They took His permissive way.

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187.....So, remember, friend, as long as you live, don't you never forget this: God doesn't change His mind. Yet, He will bless. **He will let you go His permissive will, but He won't change His mind.** He won't change His plan. He won't change His Word, for you. No, sir.

You've got to change. You can't have God's Word to match your experience; you've got to have your experience to match God's Word. See?.....

# 368-5 A.RESUME.OF.THE.AGES - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.10

We learn in no uncertain terms that this false vine is the vine of Satan. Their gathering is of him (Satan). They meet in the Name of God and lie that they are Christ's. They preach, they teach, they baptize, they worship, they partake of various rites given by Christ to the church, yet they are not of God. But since they say they are, God will hold them responsible and in each age He speaks of them and to them. They remind us exactly of Balaam. He had the prophetic office. He knew the proper approach unto God as demonstrated in the sacrifice of the clean beasts. Yet he was not a true WORD PROPHET for when God told him not to go to honor Balak with his presence he sought to go anyway for he was motivated by his lust for gold and prestige. So God let him go. The perfect will of God gave way to the permissive will of God because of THE "HEART DESIRE" OF BALAAM. God actually said, "Go ahead." Did God change His mind? No sir. God had His way regardless of Balaam going. Balaam did not annul the will of God. God had His way regardless. It was Balaam who was the loser for he bypassed the Word.

And today we have that very same thing. Women preachers, organization, false doctrine, etc., and people worshipping God, manifesting in the Spirit and going right on as did Balaam, claiming that God has spoken to them even when the commission received is opposite to the revealed Word. And I will not deny that God spoke to them. But it was just like when He spoke to Balaam that second time. As He knew that Balaam wanted his own heart desire above the Word and He gave it to him, yet all the while in the end having HIS OWN way; even so today God tells folks to go ahead in their own hearts' desires for they have already rejected the Word. BUT THE WILL OF GOD WILL BE DONE REGARDLESS. Amen. I hope you see this. It will not only clear up much of what is seen in all ages

but it will especially help in this last age which has so much manifestation and external blessings when the whole period is so against the 'WORD-REVEALED-WILL' OF GOD.

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38......that's what we should strive for, His perfect will, not His permissive will. The Kingdom of God, which He... is in the earth today, will... can never be set up, justly, on a permissive will. It's got to come back to His perfect will.

#### **ACTS 11:29**

29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judaea:

#### **ACTS 11:30**

30 Which also they did, and sent it to the **ELDERS** by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

## **ACTS 14:23**

23 And when they had ordained them \***ELDERS** in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

**ELDERS:** GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4245 presbuteros {pres-boo'-ter-os} a term of rank or office, among the Christians, those who presided over the assemblies (or churches) The NT uses the term bishop, elders, and presbyters interchangeably

197-2 PERGAMEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.5 ......God has never placed His church in the hands of an elected leadership which moves with political mindedness. He has placed His church in the care of God-ordained, Spirit-filled, Word-living men who lead the people through feeding them the Word.....

## ......God wants all to love and serve Him together.

Nicolaitanism destroys those precepts and instead separates the ministers from the people and makes the leaders overlords instead of servants.

Now this doctrine actually started as a deed in the first age. It appears that the problem lay in two words: 'elders' (presbyters) and 'overseers' (bishops). Though Scripture shows that there are several elders in each church, some began (Ignatius among them) to teach that the idea of a bishop was one of preeminence or authority and control over the elders.

Now the truth of the matter is the word 'elder' signifies who the person is, while the word 'bishop' signifies the office of the same man. The elder is the man. Bishop is the office of the man. 'Elder' always has and always will refer simply to a man's chronological age in the Lord. He is an elder, not because he is elected or ordained, etc., but because he IS OLDER. He is more seasoned, trained, not a novice, reliable because of experience and long standing proof of his Christian experience......

## **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 15:6**

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

#### **ACTS 15:7**

7 And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.

#### **ACTS 15:22**

12 ¶ 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 15:28**

28 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

#### **ACTS 15:29**

29 That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.

#### **ACTS 15:30**

30 So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch: and when they had gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle:

#### **ACTS 15:31**

31 Which when they had read, they rejoiced for the consolation.

## **ACTS 15:32**

32 And Judas and Silas, being prophets also themselves, exhorted the brethren with many words, and confirmed them.

## **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.

**DECREES:** GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1378 dogma {dog'-mah} ordinance, of certain decrees of the apostles relative to right living

## **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**.

#### **PHILIPPIANS 1:1**

1 ¶ Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all **the saints** in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, **with the bishops and deacons:** 

#### **I TIMOTHY 5:17**

17 ¶ Let the **ELDERS** that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine.

## **TITUS 1:5**

5 ¶ For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, **AND ORDAIN ELDERS IN EVERY CITY**, as I had appointed thee:

## **I PETER 5:1**

- 1 ¶ **THE ELDERS** which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:
- 93-1 EPHESIAN.CHURCH.AGE CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.3 .......Now I want to say that I believe in leadership. But it is not the leadership of men I believe in. I believe in the leadership of the Holy Ghost coming through the Word. I believe also, that God has set men in the church, men who are gifted by the Spirit; AND THEY WILL KEEP THE CHURCH IN ORDER. I believe that. I believe also that the church is ruled over by men that God sends to take charge. But that rule is BY THE WORD, so

that it is not men really ruling but the SPIRIT OF GOD, for the Word and Spirit are ONE.

Hebrews 13:7,

"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."