

QUESTIONS 2024 #15

QUESTION:

Can you explain why Bro. Branham is a vindicated prophet and why the message is correct? I have a difficult time speaking to why I believe what I believe.

MATTHEW 26:56

56 But all this was done, **that the SCRIPTURES OF THE PROPHETS might be fulfilled.** Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

MARK 1:2

2 **As it is written in the prophets,** Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

LUKE 1:69

69 And hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David;

LUKE 1:70

70 **As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets,** which have been since the world began:

LUKE 1:71

71 That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us;

LUKE 18:31

31 ¶ Then he took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things **that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished.**

LUKE 24:25

25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart **to believe all that the prophets have spoken:**

LUKE 24:27

27 And beginning at Moses **and all the prophets,** he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

LUKE 24:44

44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, **and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.**

JOHN 6:45

45 It is written **in the prophets,** And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.

ACTS 3:18

18 But those things, which God before had shewed **by the mouth of all his prophets,** that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.

ACTS 3:21

21 Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken **by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.**

ACTS 3:24

24 Yea, and **all the prophets** from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.

ACTS 10:42

42 And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead.

ACTS 10:43

43 To him give **all the prophets** witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

ACTS 11:27

27 ¶ And in these days came **prophets** from Jerusalem unto Antioch.

ACTS 13:1

1 ¶ Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain **prophets** and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

ACTS 13:27

27 For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet **the voices of the prophets** which are read every sabbath day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him.

ACTS 15:15

15 And to this agree **the words of the prophets;** as it is written,

ACTS 15:32

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

ACTS 24:14

14 But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law **and in the prophets:**

ACTS 26:22

22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which **the prophets** and Moses did say should come:

ACTS 28:23

23 ¶ And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, **and out of the prophets**, from morning till evening.

ROMANS 16:25

25 ¶ Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,

ROMANS 16:26

26 But now is made manifest, **and by the scriptures of the prophets**, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

EPHESIANS 2:19

19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

EPHESIANS 2:20

20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and **prophets**, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

EPHESIANS 3:5

5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and **prophets by the Spirit**;

EPHESIANS 4:11

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

HEBREWS 1:1

1 ¶ God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers **by the prophets,**

HEBREWS 1:2

2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

REVELATION 10:7

7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to **his servants the prophets.**

QUESTION:

IS IT WRONG TO PLAY LOTTERY SCRATCH OFF TICKETS?

THE.SEAL.OF.GOD_ JEFF.IN V-26 N-4 FRIDAY_ 54-0514
101.....Go down in the churches and play these old bunco games, that's nothing in the world but common, low-down lottery. That's right. And you do it, and then holler about a bookie. You're just as bad in your churches.....

THE.WATERS.OF.SEPARATION_ MACON.GA MONDAY_ 55-0606
E-25.....**HE'S SPEAKING ABOUT THE WORD**

Now remember, It was to be kept. Now listen close. It was to be kept in a clean place (You get it?), not in dirty, foul place:
playing cards, having bunco games, playing a little lottery in the basement, having social parties, and dancing.....

THE.REACTION.TO.AN.ACTION_ CHAUTAUQUA.OH MONDAY_ 59-0810

E-15.....Card playing used to be wrong for the Christian. And now, millions of so-called Christians have entertainment in their churches **playing cards, giving away little cars and so forth, bunco. It's all nothing but plain lottery.** And it's wrong. And it's degrading to any nation, let alone a church of the living God.

A.GUIDE_ JEFF.IN V-12 N-7 SUNDAY_ 62-1014E

29.....They'll get their money by bunco games, **playing lottery,** gambling, anything that they can do.....

THE.WORLD.IS.FALLING.APART_ NY.NY V-18 N-10 FRIDAY_ 63-1115

125.....Oh, my! Gambling, lottery, bunco, dances, oh, when it gets to a time that people have to do stuff like that, to entertain the church!

126 The Church, born-again, the Holy Ghost entertains the Church, with Eternal Life. See?

QUESTION:

IS IT WRONG TO WEAR ANKLETS?

ISAIAH 3:16

16 ¶ Moreover the LORD saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet:

An anklet, also called ankle chain, ankle bracelet or ankle string, is an ornament worn around the ankle. Ancient Egyptian women were the first to wear anklets according to history.

Barefoot anklets and toe rings and also have been worn by girls and women in [Indus Valley](#), in [South Asia](#).

In the [United States](#) both casual and more formal anklets became FASHIONABLE from the 1930s to the late-20th century.

Anklets are an important piece of jewellery in Indian [marriages](#), worn along with [saris](#).

Anklets were worn as an everyday ornament by Egyptian women of all social classes in [ancient Egypt](#) from as early as [predynastic](#) times.

Anklets were also worn by dancers like those shown in the tombs of [Kagemni](#), [Ti](#), and [Akh-hotp](#).

Anklets are still commonly worn by dancers in public events.

Neolithic and chalcolithic periods at Mehrgarh indicate use of anklets. Jhon Marshall describes dancing girl statue as being adorned with armlets, bangles, and anklets.

Sri Lanka

The dancers wear anklets. Anklets are worn on both ankles.

In America in the 1970s, the women who were into the so-called ["sexual revolution,"](#) were seen wearing anklets, too.

Anklets can be considered sexy by some and can be worn for a variety of reasons, including as a fashion statement, decorative accessory, [or to signal interest in a relationship:](#)

Although many women these days may think of the anklet as just a [mere trinket](#), it is actually a widely recognized symbol that a woman is married or committed yet available to other men for sexual activity with the husband's consent and encouragement. When a married woman wears an anklet, it is a symbol that she is a "Hotwife" and open to relationships and sexual encounters with men other than her husband

MAKING A TINKLING WITH THEIR FEET.

Small silver bells were fastened on the ankles, and so the beauties of Jerusalem carried, as it were, their music with them. The custom still exists in Syria and Arabia, though forbidden by the Koran. English nursery rhymes seem to recall a time when it was not unknown in Western Europe.

The influence of women upon men was intended to be helpful, purifying, and refining.

Woman is naturally more pure than man, more modest, more retiring, more instinctively right in her moral judgments.

Good women exercise an extraordinary influence over the best men.

They read men far better than men read one another. But as the power for good which they wield is great, so is their power for evil.

Bad women are far worse than the worst men; and the ruin of a state is always partly, sometimes mainly, caused by its women. The sins of women chiefly noted by Isaiah in this passage are:

ISAIAH 3:17

17 Therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will discover their secret parts.

ISAIAH 3:18

18 In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet, and their cauls, and their round tires like the moon,

ISAIAH 3:19

19 The chains, and the bracelets, and the mufflers,

ISAIAH 3:20

20 The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the tablets, and the earrings,

ISAIAH 3:21

21 The rings, and nose jewels,

ISAIAH 3:22

22 The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins,

ISAIAH 3:23

23 The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the veils.

ISAIAH 3:24

24 And it shall come to pass, that instead of sweet smell there shall be stink; and instead of a girdle a rent; and instead of

well set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding of sackcloth; and burning instead of beauty.

The allure of ankle bracelets dates back to ancient civilizations. In ancient Egypt, for instance, anklets were more than mere decorative items; they were imbued with protective qualities, believed to shield the wearer from negative energies and evil spirits.

In our modern world, ankle bracelets continue to be adorned for their aesthetic appeal, but many of us also wear them as symbols of our personal beliefs and as expressions of our spiritual journeys. Whether it's to feel protected, to honor a significant relationship, or to invite positivity into our lives, choosing an ankle bracelet can be a meaningful act of self-expression. As we select our anklets, we can reflect on their rich history and the shared human experiences they represent.

Is it wrong to follow certain trends?

How and Where do you draw the line on what we do and what the world does, on things that the Bible and the message don't explain?

Is it wrong to dye your hair? I know women's hair is our glory and covering and my interpretation is to take care of it the best you can. Dyeing your hair harms it and makes it break easier and eventually get shorter. Am I reading too much into it to think it's wrong? If not, is it wrong to dye it blonde if you're brunette and vice versa?

Is it wrong to wear mascara/dye eye lashes? I know many women dye their eyelashes black to avoid wearing mascara, but are you not achieving the same goal? I wear mascara sometimes, but feel people look at that differently than dyeing your eyelashes. Are they both wrong? Neither?

I often hear that you have to love everyone, but you don't have to like them. I'm confused on how you can actively dislike someone and still love them, as that doesn't sound like love to me. I understand that people can Rub you the wrong way and some are more prickly than others, but I always feel like I'm supposed to like them anyway.

- (This question can be answered through email if you feel it would be uncomfortable to answer in mixed company.) Is masturbation wrong? In or out of marriage?

If we have a question about a subject, doctrine, scripture, what is the best way to start studying it? How do you and other ministers study something? There is so much in the Bible and the message, how do you know where to start or what resources to use?

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- Many hair dyes can damage both the inner and outer parts of the hair shaft. Both natural and synthetic dyes may weaken hair, but permanent dyes may cause more damage as they penetrate deeper into the hair shaft. To minimize damage from hair dye or help replenish hair, people can choose hair dyes that contain conditioners.

Dyeing the hair in any way can cause damage to the hair through:

- changing the structure of the cuticle layer of the hair
 - breaking down protein in hair
 - loss of hair lipids
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- Daniel 7:13-14 KJV - Who was this Person, because He was only like the Son of Man. How was this person given this authority when the Lord has power over all, or is it the same person. If it is the same person how could he approach Himself?

Third question I had a conversation with Bro. Rob about teenagers and nicotine being very normalized in high schools. I was explaining the conversation to my parents and had a question about people that vape or smoke. My parents told me anyone who smokes or vapes won't be in heaven because it is a sin but by the same logic I don't think anyone would make it to heaven because we all sin, **and all sin is equal in the eyes of God according to the bible** so vaping and smoking would be no different than telling a lie or even gossiping about someone.

My main point was everyone sins no matter who you are yet from what I am being told vaping and smoking are different. Also my example to my parents was, because of nicotine being a very addictive substance, say a person was to get saved a week ago and they really want to stop smoking but no matter how hard they try it's not working. If the rapture was to happen before they could fully quit would they still go into the rapture?

JOHN 19:11

11 Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath **the greater sin.**

Fifth question, what makes brother Branham a prophet? What does it mean to be vindicated? How can you prove that he was really vindicated ?

Definitions of *vindication*

1. noun

the act of vindicating or defending against criticism or censure etc.

as in to acquit

to free from a charge of wrongdoing, a [fact](#), [evidence](#), [circumstance](#), etc, that [serves](#) to vindicate a [theory](#) or [claim](#)

EXPECTANCY_ OWENSBORO.KY SUNDAY_ 53-1108E

E-34 Now, my brother, it's just as our Master talked to the woman at the well. He just had a--a way of talking to her in order to contact her spirit. And you're standing here, a strong looking man as far as I know. And I... And, but God knows both of us, and I'm just trying to speak to you in order to--to contact your spirit like I... And if I am God's servant, and just a humble man as yourself, then the Angel of the Lord... Did you see the picture, did you? And then That comes down, and That gives the anointing. And that anointing then does the--the, it does the telling. That's right.

Now, I perceive that you are a Christian. You're a Christian man. And you are--you are suffering with a--a condition of an eye, an eye trouble. And the doctors want to operate on that eye. You won't permit that. And you--you have been in a meeting of mine before, years ago. And in there, you was setting in the audience by the side of a blind woman, and that woman received her sight. And since then, you have said if you could ever get to me, that God would heal you and cure that eye. Is that the truth what was said? That voice, what... Well, my brother, you have reached that time. God has healed you now. Go on your...

There's here... There's some contact with you and a lady standing down here in this audience back here. I see it's your wife. She's suffering with a heart trouble. Is that right? All right. You can both go home and be well now. God bless you; He has healed you.

WHAT IS THE RIGHT APPROACH TO COME AT WHEN WANTING TO LISTEN TO BRO. BRANHAM'S MINISTRY MORE?

- Is listening to music that's clean, but not christian right?