

Reward For The Overcomer

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Genesis 14:18-20

¹⁸ And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

19 And he blessed him, and said,
Blessed be Abram of the most
high God, possessor of heaven
and earth:

²⁰ And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

1 Corinthians 11:23-31

²³ For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:

²⁴ And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

²⁵ After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

²⁶ For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

²⁷ Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

²⁸ But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

30 For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

31 For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.

Ephesians 1:3-4

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:

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:

Deuteronomy 7:22-24

²² And the LORD thy God will put out those nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee.

²³ But the LORD thy God shall deliver them unto thee, and shall destroy them with a mighty destruction, until they be destroyed.

²⁴ And he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have destroyed them.

Communion Is Offered After Victory

62-0506 — Possessing All Things

111 And here he was coming
back, amen, all over now.

Brother, he could shout. Hear all
the young men shouting and
praising the Lord!

Here comes Abraham, and
Who come out to meet him?
Melchisedec, King of Salem.
And look what they did.

After the battle was over, they
could sit down and take the
bread and wine. The King
brought out bread and wine.
Why did He do him? After the
battle was over, after the
victory was won,

then they could sit down and
take the communion together,
talk with each other and eat
the communion together. Oh,
that's what God wants His
children to do tonight.

65-0221E — Who Is This Melchisedec?

107 Remember, at this time, the communion had never been instituted, not until before the death of Jesus Christ, hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of years later.

108 But Melchisedec, after His
child Abraham had won the
victory, Melchisedec met him
and gave him wine and bread;
showing that after this earthly
battle is over, we will meet Him
in the heavens and take the
communion again.

It'll be the Wedding Supper. “I will not drink no more of the vine, or eat the fruit, until I eat it and drink it with you, anew, in My Father's Kingdom.” Is that right?

109 Notice again, Melchisedec
went to meet Abraham before
he got back home. What a
beautiful type here we have!
Melchisedec meeting Abraham
before he got back home, after
the battle.

We meet Jesus in the air,
before we get Home. That's
right. Second Thessalonians
tells us that, for, “we meet Him
in the air.”

A beautiful type of Rebekah meeting Isaac, in the field, in the cool of the day. “We meet Him in the air.” Second Thessalonians tells us so.

Communion Is
Fellowship

60-0611B — Fellowship

16 Now, when God made man
in the beginning to fellowship
with Him, then this man was in
perfect fellowship in the
garden of Eden.

He was in perfect fellowship
with God. And how it must have
been on that day when God
would come down in the cool of
the evening and call Adam.

He and Eve would come up, and they would worship God, and they would fellowship and commune, one with the other. That's the very thing that calls us together like this,

setting together in heavenly
places in Christ Jesus,
fellowshipping in the Holy
Spirit. No difference in us, we
are all one in Christ Jesus, in
that perfect harmony of
fellowship.

There's nothing like it I've ever found on earth, is to come together in heavenly places and have communion, fellowship with God and with each other. Now that's what God intended in the garden of Eden.

True Communion
Comes By
Receiving A Part Of
Christ

62-0211 — Oneness

16 That's God's purpose. And His purpose as Father, supreme, was to be one with His family, earthly family, Adam and Eve.

And the only way that they
could be one with the family,
or with God, was because
God's nature was in them.

So that made them with God's nature in them, then with each other and God, they become all one. Isn't that a beautiful picture, God in His family, Father over all, supreme!

No death, no sorrow, no heartaches, no nothing; just joy unspeakable; never to be sick, never to have a heartache, just one with God!

What a picture! Because, the
very nature of God was in
these people. And therefore,
what they did, they followed
just in line with God, and God
with them made them one.

65-0221E — Who Is This
Melchisedec?

105 Notice, after the battle was over, Melchisedec served His victorious child communion; think of that, part of Himself!

Now we want to see here. In type here is, in view, the communion. After the battle, He gave of Himself, because the communion is part of Christ.

And after the struggle is over,
after you've done got yourself
whipped out, then is when you
partake of Christ, become part
of this Being. You get it?

106 Jacob wrestled all night, and wouldn't turn Him loose until He blessed him. That's right. Battled for Life! And after the battle is over, then God gives you of Himself.

That is His true communion.

The little bread and wafer just represents it. You shouldn't take it 'less you've wrestled it out and become part of God.

This Part Of Himself Is
Your Predestinated
Position

60-0515E — Adoption #1

92 Oh, let's stop just one more minute here. “In Heavenly places.” Now, just not out anywhere, but in Heavenly places.

We are assembled in
“Heavenly,” it means that the
position of the believer. That, if
I’m prayed up, you’re prayed up,
or the church is prayed up,

and we're ready for the
Message, and we have
assembled ourselves together as
saints, called out, baptized with
the Holy Ghost, filled with God's
blessings, called, elected,

set together in Heavenly places
now, we are Heavenlies in our
souls. Our spirits has brought
us into a Heavenly atmosphere.
Oh, brother!

There you are, a Heavenly atmosphere! Oh, what could happen tonight, what could happen tonight if we would be sitting here in a Heavenly atmosphere,

and the Holy Spirit moving over every heart that's been regenerated and become a new creature in Christ Jesus?

All sins under the Blood, in
perfect worship, with our
hands up to God and our hearts
lifted, setting in Heavenly
places in Christ Jesus,
worshipping together in the
Heavenly places.

65-1125 - The Invisible Union
Of The Bride Of Christ

241 Why? It was put in there by predestination. You were foreordained to a son of God.

You were in God before the foundation of the world. You're only manifested in this day for His honor and glory.

How can you do it without honoring His Word, and stand with every Word of God? Yes, sir. Which, you are a part of that Word, by predestination. Because, look, the God is the Word.

You believe it? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.] Well, then, if...He always was the Word. “In the beginning was the Word.” And if the Word was God, then you were in God.

The Word, the part that you're to play, was in God before the foundation of the world. He seen you. He knew you. He predestinated you to it.

CAB-04 — 4 - The Smyrnaean Church Age

And that is exactly what we
have been saying. These who
are of the Royal Seed are the
elect of God;

are the predestinated,
foreknown of God, and were in
the mind of God and His
thoughts. In very plain language
the True Bride of Christ was in
the mind of God eternally,

though not expressed until each came forth in the designated, decreed season. As each member came forth it became **EXPRESSED** and took its place in the body.

Thus this bride is the literal
SPOKEN WORD SEED BRIDE.
And though she is feminine in
designation she is also called
the “body of Christ.”

It is very apparent that she ought to be called that for she was predestinated in Him, came from the same source, was eternal with Him,

and is now manifesting God in
a many-membered body
whereas once God was
manifested in ONE MEMBER,
even our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now then, here we are coming
to a conclusion.

As the eternal Logos (God) was⁶⁵
manifest in the Son, and in Jesus
dwelt all the fulness of the
Godhead bodily, and that
Eternal One was the Father
manifest in flesh, and thereby
gained the title of Son, even so
we,

eternal in His thoughts in our
turn became the
many-membered Spoken Word
Seed, manifest in flesh, and
those eternal thoughts now
manifest in flesh are the sons
of God, even as we are so
called.

65-0120 — Lean Not Unto Thy
Own Understanding

17 So, you see, if you were in
the foreknowledge of God,
then you are becoming a part
of God.

And the only way you can be a
son of God or a daughter of
God, you had to be a part of
God,

and God isn't complete
without you. Has to be. That's
right, 'cause there is One, only
one resource of Eternal Life,

and that is God, and Him alone has Eternal Life. See? Now, and you were a part of Him, insomuch that you're an attribute, or in His thinking in the beginning.

And that, because He thought
of you in the beginning, it
gives that little tug towards
Him. That's what has to be
quickenened. Some of them will
never be quickened; they just
don't have it, that's all.

65-1031M — Power Of
Transformation

296 And if you wasn't in God...If
you believe the message of the
Bible, and the present Message
of the day, a vindication of It;

the reason you are sitting here,
because you were
predestinated to set here.

You wouldn't have been here,
otherwise; you would have
been on the street, maybe
drunk, some of you; and some
of you out here and running
around with some other man's
wife;

and you women out, married,
and running around with some
other women's husband, or
something like that.

See, but you were
predestinated to be here. See,
you can't help it. You have a
Father, He is God, and you were
a seed.

297 And when He come to a
place, He's got you now to
where...You was in Him then,
as a thought, now you are a
person that can fellowship
with Him. See?

Like you was in—you was in
your fathers, at the beginning,
but now you are sons and
daughters, so you can
fellowship with your parent.

Now we're sons and daughters
of God, who can fellowship
with our Father God. See, it's
just as beautiful!

Don't you like that? Then you
become like Him. And if we
were sons, then you're
attributes, and was in His form
at the beginning.

298 And, remember, if you was in Him at the beginning; and when Jesus, which is God, the Word made flesh and dwelt among us; then you were in Him and stood the insults that He took.

You went to Calvary with Him, in Him. You died, in Him. You arose, in Him. And now you are seated together in Heavenly places, in Him. See?

This Is The Age For
Overcomers

60-0515E — Adoption #1
36 Now, Canaan does not
represent the age of the
Millennium.

It only represents the age of
the overcomer, the
dispensation of overcoming,
because in Canaan they killed
and burned and took cities. And
there'll be no death in the
Millennium.

65-1125 — The Invisible Union Of
The Bride Of Christ

194 So can we be thankful, as pilgrims, like Abraham, separated ourself from the things of the world, all of our associates. Abraham was a pilgrim.

God has separated us from all the dead religions. I'm speaking across the nation now, all the dead creeds. And to what?

Separated us, and opened to us a new land, a new Message for this day.

195 Pentecost dried up and died, like Luther, Wesley, and the rest of them. It's no more than a bunch of churches pulled together. Good people in there, yet, has got to be come out.

196 What did He do? He
opened up the Seven Seals of
the last Message. You notice
that?

The Seven Seals, which, all the
mysteries of the seven church
ages was sealed with Seven
Seals. The reformers didn't
have time to do it in their days.
They didn't live long enough.

But this blessed revelation of
the Seven Seals, it's open to us
in this last days, from a
prophecy that went forth to
Arizona.

The Enemy To
Overcome Is Myself

61-1119 — Perfect Strength By
Perfect Weakness

98 There, that's it, we—we
smother Him out. We drive
Him away with our...

From the poorest of us to the
richest of us, from the least to
the greatest, we keep God out
of our lives because of our own
selves.

99 I've often said, "The
greatest enemy I got is William
Branham." He's the one that
gets in God's way.

He's the one that gets lazy.
He's the one that gets to a
place sometimes where he
thinks he can do something
about it, and, when he does,
that shoves God right out of
the picture.

But when I can get rid of that
guy, when I can get to a place
that he is out of the way, then
God can come over and do
things that William Branham
knows nothing about.

100 That's when God can use you. That's when He can use any of you. He can use anybody when we get out of the way.

But as long as we got ourselves in the way, then we cannot. All right.

63-0825M — How Can I
Overcome?

72 The thing you have to
overcome is yourself, your
idea, your thing, and surrender
yourself to Him. He overcome
for you. He knows the way; we
don't.

To Overcome, Steal
Away

65-0718E — Spiritual Food In
Due Season

126 We notice here again, if the Word is in us and has come to us, as It did Elijah in that day, It'll do the same thing that he did,

he would feed on the secret
Things of God which is hid
from the world. Oh! Again, it
makes the Message and the
messenger as one. The spiritual
Food is ready, and It's in the
season now.

And each one of you can have
this Food if you wish It, if you
are willing to steal away from
all of the unbelief of this hour,
if you are ready to come into
Christ, come into His promise.

55-1006A — A Hidden Life

40....Have you ever come to
the place in life where Christ
meant more to you than all the
arguing you could do about
your church?

Has Christ meant more to you
than all the world? I don't mean
from an emotion or a mental
work-up; I mean from the
depths of your heart, that
something's settled in there,

that something's taken place,
that you don't know how it
come, but you're hid away, and
your whole motive is to serve
Jesus Christ.

Have you entered that place,
my dear brother? Have you
come into that place where
you don't care what anyone
says, not to go out and act
smart, but till the love of God
is so anchored into you,

that you can't see nothing else,
your whole motive is to do the
will of God, love for everybody,
flowing free from everywhere?
What a place to live. That's the
hidden place.

That's the place where we got
to come to, my brethren.

That's the place where God
reveals His secret things.

That's the place where God
does the placing and the
calling.