## Deity in Humanity

# Accepting Our Divine Position in Christ

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1. This Is The Hour For The Fullness Of The Godhead Bodily In The Church Again- (The Anointed People)

## 1b. The Bride Is Called To A POSITION Of Great Responsibility -Every Believer Has A Place And A Duty

#### 59-0712 - A Total

#### Deliverance

51 I wonder, this morning, as Christians, if we have yielded our own will, and yielded ourself so completely to God, till God can trust us the place that He has put us. I wonder, this morning, of myself, if I could be so yielded to God till God could trust me,

could trust Brother Neville, and could trust our trustee board, our deacon board, or our members of our church. We all have a place, and we got a duty.

63-0728 - Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed 182 "Heavenly places." Oh, how I wish I had time! Here l've got it marked right here in my Bible, about Heavenly places,

what is Heavenly places. Heavenly places, just for a moment, is "the believer's position in Christ," see, "where the believer stands in Christ," in Heavenly places.

According as he has chosen us...(listen close)...chosen us in him before the foundation of the world,...

## 183 When did He choose us? "Before the foundation of the world," when His great hidden mystery, His great secret....

He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in (what?) love:

Having (what?) predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

184 "Predestinated!" There's the mystery. He, before Christ or anything else was ever on earth, you see His great mystery that He chose the Bride.

Knowing Eve would fall, from disbelieving the Word, knowing that she would fall; but He would choose a Bride that would not fall,

## that would hold to that Word regardless of what all the rest of the world had to say about It. They would hold to that Word!

They are predestinated to stand there, "the adoption of children by Jesus Christ," predestinated the Church to that great, glorious stand!

#### 63-0728 - Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed

380 And in there, there would be a time come forth when He could express Himself in fullness of His Godhead, Deity, through His Church, have the preeminences in this Church.

Oh, my! What? The anointed Man; now the anointed people; oh, my, to bring back the anointed Bride and the Bridegroom. Anointed by (why?) accepting what Eve turned down,

and Adam; coming back with the anointing of the Word, because He said, "My Word is Spirit." See, anointed with the Word. What Eve turned down, He comes back and we accept. 371 Know! The fullness of Godhead is made known. This secret of mystery is now revealed, that God is manifested. God and man become One, the anointed Man, Christ!

What does Christ mean? "The anointed One," the Anointed that was anointed with the fullness of the Godhead bodily. Oh, my! How can people doubt it?

372 Where once, partly, Moses had Him; partly, David had Him; oh, my, but here He is manifested in the fullness, Deity Himself standing on earth.

God, in His fullness, to die for the sin of the people, that He might bring to His Church a sanctified Life; that He might have the preeminence, in fullness, in His Church, to manifest every promise in these last days, that He promised for the last days. See? What was...

373 Listen now. Are you? Now just pinch yourself a little now. Watch.

374 What was Jesus manifested for? To show God. He was God. He had to be; no man could die, no prophet could die. He was God. He was the God of the prophets. He was the prophets. He was the kings.

He was the history. He was He that was to come. He that was, He that is, and He that's to be in this day; the same yesterday, today, and forever. He was manifested for that purpose.

375 And through that purpose He achieved a Church, that He, the fullness of God, might bring to pass every promised Word of God in these last days;

when He gets the preeminences, preeminence in the Church, the position, His place in the Church.

Jesus said, "He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he also; even more than this shall he do, for I go to My Father."

See, that was His purpose. There was the manifestation. And now, today, He wants to get somebody that can so see it, that they can let the Word...

### 55-0113 - The Fundamental Foundation For Faith 37 When He was here on earth, we...l say this maybe out of repetition. I don't mean it to be that way, but I've said it before.

But let's look at His life just a few moments and see what type of Person He was. Then you can have an idea on what He should be today.

Now, when He was here on earth, He was a perfect example of everything of the Godhead. He was the fullness of the Godhead bodily. In Christ was God. The body of Jesus was only the tabernacle of God.

It's where Almighty God Himself lived and dwelt in a human being. You believe that, don't you? You have to to be saved. You have to believe that.

38 He was Deity Himself made flesh here on earth to manifest His love to the people and to take away sin of the earth.

He came here in order that He could anchor death in His own body, He could anchor sickness in His own body.

The curse that ought to have been on you, He took it upon Himself, and had to die as a man in order to redeem you back to this full fellowship with the Father again. What a marvelous thing.

Our—our hearts can't conceive what a thing that was, what He did. But we're too slow.

Our minds are sluggish. The—the valves have been stopped up. They've been paralyzed by unbelief, and fear, and doubt.

And it can't flow free like it should do it, unless we let the Holy Spirit so dominate our lives till It pushes those valves till life begins to start to operating. See? Then we can see then. Sure, it's the Father.

39 Then unconsciously your faith is there. You don't have to worry about whether you got faith enough to do this, or faith enough to do that. It's just there anyhow.

You just do it because the Father said so. And it's the living Word in you, and God's in you, manifesting Hisself just like He was in Christ. You say, "As He was in Christ?" Yes, sir.

He said, "The works that I do shall you also; even more than this for I go to My Father." Now, that's His Word, Saint John 14:12. He gave that promise. Everyone will believe that was inspired. And...

"So a little while and the world will see Me no more, yet you shall see Me, for I will be with you until the end of the age of the apostles?"

No. "I will be with you, even in you to the end of the world." Hebrews 13:8 said, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."

2. We Are the Ones the Bible spoke of- and theOnes 'All Nature has been waiting for' -Rom.8:22-26

65-0410 - The Easter Seal 236 But if that quickening power is there, you'll recognize. Like that little eagle; that's his mama. That's the Word. That's THUS SAITH THE LORD. That's what God promised.

That's what was foretold. That's exactly what happened. We're beyond any shadow of doubt, potentially in the resurrection right now, the saints getting ready to be taken up in the air.

237 So, Jesus, so full of this quickening power, said, "If you can destroy this temple, that took you forty years, you thought, to build, I'll raise it up in three days."

238 Why? Why could Jesus say that? Want to ask you. Why could Jesus say a thing like that? He knew That He was. Amen. I wish I could make that stick.

He knew Who He was. He knew that, every Word, God had wrote in there of Him, He had fulfilled it. He knew He was the One David spoke of.

239 Do you know you're the ones the Bible speaks of? Do you know your position is in Christ? If you're in Christ, you're a new creature.

Do you know this Word is just like everyday living, to you? Why, sure. It's yours. You are an eagle. That's your Food.

240 He knew that, by the power of God, He would do it, because it was prophesied He would do it. That's the reason He wasn't scared to say, "Destroy this temple.

I'll raise it up in three days, because David said, 'I'll not leave His soul in hell, neither will I suffer My Holy One to see corruption."

He knowed not one cell of His body would corrupt. And it corrupts in seventy-two hours. He said, "Destroy this temple. I'll raise it up again, in them three days." Why?

He was so full of that quickening power that quickened every Word. He looked back and seen every Word God wrote of Him, and prophet said He fulfilled it. He knowed that would be fulfilled, too.

241 Now, every Word that God said, has your spirit said "amen" to It, It's been fulfilled in your life, as a believer?

242 Do you hold back on something, say, "Well, my church teaches different"? Then be careful, hawk.

243 Notice. Eagles believe. There no question, to them. They believe It. Notice.

244 Now, He knew it would happen because the Word said It was. And every Word wrote of Him had to be fulfilled.

He knew that It was written by the power of God, by the holy prophets that had prophesied that He would do so. 245 And prophecy never fails. It cannot. The Word of God can't fail. And it is written in the...by the Spirit that...And now, also, the Spirit that raised up Jesus from the dead,

if It dwells in your being, your body, It will also quicken your mortal body. Then, shoot it, burn it, do anything you want to, make fun of it, tear it down, turn it down, do what you want to.

God will raise it up, for He said He would. And every saint of God has that promise in him, knows that that's the Truth. So, fear not, brother, we already in the Easter.

## 63-0728 — Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed 240 The new Birth is Christ, is a revelation.

God has revealed to you this great mystery, and that's a new Birth. Now what are you going to do when you get all that group together?

where the revelation is perfectly in harmony, and God expressing it through His Word by the same actions, the same things that He did, making the Word manifest.

Oh, if the Church only knew its position! It will, one day. Then, the Rapture will go when it knows what it is. Now notice.

3. Christ Was The Fullness Of The Godhead Bodily —But His Humanity Blinded The People3a.

He Believed What the Word Said of Him-His Bride Accept who He Say She is

## 63-0825E — Perfect Faith 63 Now, remember, they had the Word; and the Word was Flesh then. And the Word told them,

"I give you power." Amen! "I give you power." And they had the power, but they didn't have faith to operate the Word that was in them. See what I mean?

But, Jesus had it, He was the Word, and He had faith that what He said would happen. He said, "Oh, bring him here. How long will I suffer you?"

64 He had faith, with His power. How did He? He said, "I can do nothing in Myself." Why? He relied upon what He was;

He relied in knowing that He was the Word. And He had faith in God, Who made Him the Word.

He was God (the Word), and they was in Him, and that give Him faith because He understood His position. He knowed what He was, because the Scripture had said He was this.

And here every Scripture tied in, to prove that He was exactly what the Scripture said He would be, and He knew what He was.

## 65 Therefore, He relied upon what God had made Him.

And if He did that, then can't we rely upon what God made us as believers? "These signs shall follow them that believe!" He had faith in what He was.

And if you are a believer, you have faith in what you are: you are a believer! And if you've got faith in God,

the Bible says over here in... "If our—if our hearts condemn us, then we can't have faith; but if our hearts don't condemn us, then we have faith,

we have confidence towards God." If you want to read that, found in Saint John 3:21. I got the Scripture written down there.

66 Now notice, Saint John...l mean First John 3:21. Notice. ...if our hearts condemn us not, then we have confidence towards God.

67 But as long as you're doing things that's wrong, you can't have confidence towards God. So, you see,

you can...you'll automatically know that you're wrong. You automatically put yourself back there a sinner, by knowing that you're wrong.

But when your heart don't condemn you, and you know you are a believer, and there's nothing between you and God,

you can ask what you will and know that it'll be given, because it's the Word that's given to you just like it was to those disciples.

68 Now, the only thing you have to do then, is have faith in what you are. Have faith in what the Word says you are! And Jesus had faith in the Word of God, that said what He was,

"It is written of Me." Didn't David, in the Psalms; and the prophets, and all of them speak of Him? "I am the Bread of Life that come from God out of Heaven." Amen!

"I am that Tree of Life from the garden of Eden. I am all these things, I AM THAT I AM." And He knew with that Perfect Faith, that He was the anointed Messiah,

that the Spirit of God was upon Him. He said, "Now, I, in Myself, do nothing; but it's My faith in God." And God was in Him, the Word made manifest.

And when the Word of God comes in you, It's made manifest, for you are a believer. See? And a believer is "the faith of God that moves in you."

57-0922M - Jesus Christ The Same Yesterday, Today, And Forever 20 Listen, Jesus, 24th verse, 34th verse, Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your law, I...?" Now here, Hisself, being the Son of God, yet said, "I said."

See the personal pronoun in it? "I said, Ye are gods. Ye yourself are gods. Is it written in your law, that I said, Ye are gods? If He..."

Back to God again. They couldn't understand: one time it was God speaking, next time it was Jesus speaking, and He was a dual personality, as to say.

21 The disciples once said, after, in, I believe, Saint John the 17th chapter, Jesus explaining to them, they said, "Lo, now speakest Thou plainly.

Now, we know that You come from God, and no man don't have to teach You. You come from God, God does Your teaching, You don't need any education or seminary theologies,

God teaches You, and no man tells You what to do: by this we believe that Thou comest from God."

He said, "Do you now believe? After all this time, do you now believe?"

## Notice:

Ye are gods.

Now, 35th verse:

If he called them (the prophets) gods, unto whom the Word of the Lor-...of God came,

## 22 Who do the Word of the Lor-...come to? The prophets. And God called the prophets, "gods" because they had the Word of God.

If a man has the Word of God, it's not the man, it's the Word that the people's listening to; it isn't the man, it's the Word.

And if the prophets, Jeremiah, Isaiah, Elisha, if they had THUS SAITH THE LORD, God said, "As long as that Word was going from them, they were gods."

God said Himself, He was the One done the announcing, because it wasn't a man, He'd took the man out, and put Hisself in there, to speak.

If you call them gods...(Now listen.) If you call them gods, unto—unto whom the word of God came, and the scriptures cannot be broken;

23 Oh, how I'm...Who has more of authority to say that, than Him? "The Scriptures cannot be broken."

If Jesus said, "The works that I do, you shall do also," that cannot be broken. "Yet a little while and the world seeth Me no more; yet ye'll see Me:

for I'll be with you, even in you, to the end of the world," that Scripture cannot be broken. If the Bible said that, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever," it cannot be broken.

Then He has to be the same in principle, the same in power, the same in vision, the same in might, it cannot be broken. Jesus said so. Say ye of him, who the Father has sanctified,

24 Now the prophets could not be sanctified (potentially) by the offering of a bull, or an ox, or something, or a sheep, or a heifer.

They were potentially under that blood (as the brother, most gallantly, has presented) that they could be sanctified, potentially, under the...looking forward to the atonement being made perfect.

For under the blood of bulls, when the bull died, or the heifer died, or the sheep died, the life in that blood could not come back on the prophet because it was a animal's life; and a animal's life would bring the prophet to an animal.

25 But when the Blood of the Lord Jesus was offered, the Life of Christ, which was God, comes on the believer. He said, "Then how can you, if you...

if God said, Himself, that, 'you are gods,' who the Word of God came to, how can you say I blaspheme (when He, Who the Father has sanctified, and sent here) when I say that I am the Son of God?

- How can you do it?"
  Now, here He gives the sealing question:
- If I do not the works of God, then don't believe me.

26 That settles it; that takes all the questions out; that makes it forever right: "If I do not the works of Him that sent Me, the Father, then don't believe Me.

You have a right not to believe Me." And when the Jews questioned Him, when He saw a vision, and went down (in Saint John 5) in, to the pool of Bethesda,

and looked all through, to three or four thousand people, till He found a man laying on a pallet. And He said, Jesus said, "I knew that he had been there and he was in this condition."

Father had showed Him. And He went down and seen him and healed him; picked up his bed on Sunday, and put it on his back, and went walking on.

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(otherwise) "why don't you go
heal the rest of them? Make
them all?"
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He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself, but what the Father shows Him to do." There you are.

27 It doesn't lay in the individual: it lays in God. It didn't lay in Christ, Jesus: it laid in God, the Father, which was in the Son.

It doesn't lay within you today: it lays within God that's in you, the faith that you have in God. It doesn't lay within me today: it lays within God.

28 So if God has raised from the dead (And for twenty-six years I've tried, across the world, to proclaim that Jesus Christ lives. He is not dead, He's just as real today as He was in the days He walked in Galilee.

But the unbelieving world has condemned it because they're carnal and can't understand the spiritual things because He said they wouldn't: "

A little while, and the world sees Me no more; yet ye shall see Me: for I'll be with you."), all that God was, He poured into Christ; and all that Christ was, He poured into the church. "Aren't you...?"

29 "I'll be with you." And if He is in here and with us, then it's God, and not us; the faith that you have in Him is God;

the works that He would do here would be Him, and not us. So, you let your faith be today; and you believe Him with all your heart.

## 65-1125 - The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ 263 You are standing completely justified, as though you never did it at the beginning. This is my Message to the Church now.

As you...as we go off the air, just in a minute. You are standing, if you're standing on God's Word and with God's Word, every amen, every jot, every tittle.

Where you standing? I'm trying to tell you, pull away from them shucks. And get out here in the wheat, where you can get ripe before the Son.

I hear the coming of the combine. You're standing complete, justified, like you never did it in the first place. Hallelujah!

264 Talk about a thanksgiving! I feel real good. I'm more thankful for that than anything I know of.

265 You are the pure, virtuous, sinless Bride of the Son of the living God. Every man and woman that's born of the Spirit of God,

and washed in the Blood of Jesus Christ, and believes every Word of God, stands as though you never sinned at the first place. You are perfect. The Blood of Jesus Christ! How can you...lf a man...

266 If I was supposed to die in the morning, a man took my place, I cannot die for that sin. Somebody took my place.

267 And Jesus, the Word, took my place. He become me, that a sinner, that I might become Him, the Word. Amen. Let me hold true to It, not the church. The Word! Amen.

268 Oh, that spiritual union of Christ and His Church now, when the flesh is becoming Word, and the Word is becoming flesh, manifested, vindicated.

Just what the Bible said would happen in this day, it's happening, day by day. Why, it's cumulating so fast out there, in those deserts, and things taking place, that I couldn't even keep up with it.

We're near the Coming of Jesus, to be united with His Church, where the Word becomes the Word. Call of the Holy Spirit, searching the hearts!

269 You're standing, completely. You never sinned at the first place. God don't even know nothing.

It's in the Sea of Forgetfulness. You never did it. You were accused of it, by the accuser. But really, from the beginning, you were predestinated to be a son and daughter of God.

You're standing there, washed. And your old book of divorcement is put away, and it's dead, absolutely out of existence, even in the mind of God.

270 You're the virtuous Bride of Christ, washed in the Blood of Christ. Precious, virtuous, sinless Son of God standing with a pure, unadulterated Bride-Word that He washed by the Water of His Own Blood;

that become flesh and manifested, that He might take you which were predestinated in the bosom of the Father, before the beginning, the same as He was. He was that great attribute of God, called "love."

## 59-1129 - Let Us See God 127 Now, God in His Son. Now, God was in His Son. "God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself," that's what the Scripture says.

He, God will come down, and lived in a body, borned to the virgin Mary, and God manifested Himself through Christ;

to show what His—His attributes was, to show that He loved, to show that His patience, to show His power, to show and to manifest Himself. God lived in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself.

128 I spoke to a woman, here some time ago, or she called my attention. She said, "Pastor Branham," she said, "I appreciate your sermons.

I, I'm a...I attend your meetings." But she belonged to a certain denominational church that does not believe that Jesus was Divine.

And she said, "Well, He wasn't Divine." And I said...Said, "You try to make Him too Divine." I said, "He was Divine."

129 "Oh," she said, "sir, I will admit that He was a good man." And I don't want to hurt your feelings; some of them people are my precious friends. It's Christian Science.

And he said, "He, He isn't Divine." Said, "I will admit He was a prophet, but He wasn't Divine. And you try to make Him Divine."

130 I said, "He was either Divine or the greatest deceiver the world ever had." That's right. I said, "He was Divine.

He was more than a prophet. He was God over the prophets!
Sure, He was." I said, "He was Divine."

131 And she said, "Now, you said you was 'fundamental,' and you believed the Scripture."
I said, "I do."

132 And she said, "If I prove to you, by your own Bible, that He wasn't Divine, will you witness that I am right?"

133 I said, "Yes, sir. If the Bible said He wasn't Divine, then I'll believe the Bible." And I said, "But I've got to see the Scripture."

134 She said, "In John, over in St. John, It said, 'When Jesus went down to the grave of Lazarus, He wept." And said, "You know, if He was Divine, He could not weep." I said, "Sister, is that where you base your thought?"

135 She said, "Yes, sir. And that's true. He went to the grave of Lazarus, He wept; that showed that He wasn't Divine."

136 I said, "Your argument is thinner than the broth made out of a shadow of a chicken that starved to death." I said, "Well, you know better than that."

137 And she said, "Oh, He was—He was—He was a prophet, He was a good man."

138 I said, "He was more than...God was in Him. He was a man, but He was a—a dual-Person. One, He was a man; the Spirit in Him was God!" I said, "God was in Christ." She said, "Ah! No!"

139 I said, "Look, lady, I'll take your own Scripture. He was a man, but He was a God-man. When He went down to the grave of Lazarus, He did weep like a man.

That's true. But when He stood there, straightened His little stooped shoulders up, and said, 'Lazarus, come forth,'

and a dead man, that had been dead four days, come to life, that was more than a man. Man couldn't do that. That was God in His Son."

140 He was a man when He come off the mountain, hungry, looking for something to eat, looking right on a tree to find something to eat. He was a man when He was hungry.

But when He took two fishes and five biscuits and fed five thousand that was more than a man. That was God in His Son. Sure was!

141 He was a man when He was laying out there on that boat that night, virtue had gone out of Him, till He was so weak He couldn't...

the waves didn't even wake Him up, tossed about in that little old boat, like a bottle stopper out there on a mighty sea.

The ten thousand devils of the sea swore they would drown Him that night while He was asleep. He was a man when He was sleepy and tired.

But when He put His foot upon the brail of the boat, looked up and said, "Peace, be still," and the winds and the waves obeyed Him, that was more than a man. God was in His Son! Absolutely!

142 He was a man when He died there on the cross, screaming for mercy. He was a man when He died. He cried like a man, He had pain like a man.

But on Easter morning when He broke the...death, hell, and the seals of the grave, and rose again; He's more than a man, He proved He was God!

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;

Ruried He carried my sins far

Buried, He carried my sins far away;

Rising, He justified freely for ever:

Someday He's coming—oh, glorious day!

143 God was in His Son, reconciling the world to Himself. Do you believe that? Sure. God was in His Son. Quickly, our time gets away.

One more thing. We...Do you believe God is in His universe? God is in His Word? God was in His Son?

144 Now, God in His people. All right. We'll see whether He comes down to human beings the same as He does to nature. Human beings is part of His nature. Certainly, they are. Now notice, God was in His people.

145 Who was it the other night in our text, in Elijah, when a little baby had died of a sun stroke, and been laid for hours and hours on the prophet's bed, when a man,

called "Elijah," walked back and forth, up and down the floor, and laid his body on that dead baby, and he come to life? That was God in His people. It certainly was.

146 Who was it, that when Saint Peter, the apostle, a fisherman so ignorant...The Bible said, "He was ignorant and unlearned." Who was it, when he walked down along the streets,

and people laid the sick in the shadow of that man, and they were healed? Was it a man's shadow that healed them? It was God in His people, that did the healing.

147 Who was it in Saint Paul, when they took from his body handkerchiefs or aprons, and laid on the sick? God was in His people. They recognized God in Saint Paul. Certainly, they did.

148 Who was it when a bunch of little cowards prayed, took the Word of God and went up to Pentecost? They had the doors all barred up, and the windows barred up, and they were in there for ten days.

All of a sudden there came a sound from Heaven like a rushing, mighty wind, it filled all the building where they were sitting, cloven tongues set on them, like fire.

149 God is in you. God, the Holy Spirit, is in you, moving around now, reconciling the world to Himself.

150 What makes these inspired ministers preach the Gospel? What makes them? Perhaps, one time, drunkards; one time, gamblers; one time, bad men; all of a sudden, something changed!

And here they stand, preaching the Gospel and giving their lives out. And some of them, nearly, living just as poor as they can. When they were businessman and could be rich,

ride in big cars and have luxury, but they sacrificed it and give it away. Why? God is in His people, reconciling the world to Himself. God is in His people.

151 What is it strikes a little woman or a little man, and he rises, and his face lights up like a candle, and speaks with a language he knows nothing about,

and another one rise under the same kind of a inspiration and give a message to His church? God in His people. Amen.

4. Members of The True Bride are Amateur gods-The Word Of God Has Come To Them

## 64-0629 - The Mighty God Unveiled Before Us

134 And I told this to a man, the other day, when this piece had come out about this man being healed. This same minister said, "They make a god out of you, Brother Branham."

135 Well, he was a critic, so I thought I'd just kind of break it off, just a little bit. Not to hurt, you know, but just kind...

I said, "Is that too far from the Scripture, to be that?" See? I said, "No, it isn't," I said, "because Jesus called prophets 'gods.' See? That's right, 'God.'"

136 And they say, "Well, you people try to take the place of God." That's not too far out. That's exactly what it is. That's exactly. God manifested in flesh, just as He promised.

137 This little family, we find. I told him this little story, which come to my mind just now. That, one night it come up a storm, and mother said to Junior,

- said, "Now, you go on upstairs, son, and go to bed."
- Said, "Mama, I'm scared," he said.
- "Ain't nothing going to hurt you. Go on up and go to bed."

138 Little Junior laid up there, and the lightning flashing around the windows. And the little fellow got so nervous, he'd stick his head under the cover,

and he could still hear the—the lightning, or see the lightning flash on the windows, and—and hear the thunder roar.

So he said, "Mama!" And she said, "What do you want, Junior?" Said, "Come up here and sleep with me."

139 So she come up the steps, like any good, loyal mother would. And she came up, and she took little Junior in her arms.

And she said, "Junior, mother wishes to speak to you just a moment."
Said, "All right, mama."

140 Said, "Now you must bear this in mind. We go to church, constantly. We read the Bible. We pray.

We are a Christian family. We believe in God." And said, "We believe that, in storms and whatever goes on, God is our protection."

141 He said, "Mama, I believe every bit of that. But," said, "when that lightning is so close," he said, "I-I want a God with skin on It."

142 So, I—I think, not only Junior, but all of us feel that way. When we get together, when we pray one for the other, God with skin on It.

143 And we find out here that God has always had skin on Him. When Moses seen Him, He had skin on Him, look like a Man.

When God was behind the curtains, He had skin on Him. And God, tonight, in His Church, is veiled in His Church with skin on It. He is still the same God, tonight. We find that.

144 But now, as ever, the skin veil is what catches the traditions. They just can't believe that that is God making them people act like that.

See? It's because God is veiled in His Church, in skin, skin on It. That's right. He is hid from the unbeliever, and revealed to the believer. Yes, sir.

5. Seeing that "We Are 'gods' We Have A Ministry — To Be Christ In Flesh

## 55-0522 — The Ark 116 Over in the Old Testament, He said, "Now you shall make a—an ark."

And He specified the wood, "acacia wood." Or, you can make it out of this wood. It's called, in the Bible, "shittim wood,"

but it's really called "acacia wood." And you can make it the same thing, the ark. And said, "You shall make it, and overlay it with gold."

Watch that ark, see if it typed Christ. Notice, it typed every time. Noah was a type of Christ, making a way. So was Moses.

## 59-0712 - A Total Deliverance 87 Jesus was completely, totally man. He could cry like a man. He could eat like a man. He could be tired like a man.

He was completely, totally man, in His physical being. And in His Spirit, He was completely, totally God, so He made His flesh submissive to the Spirit that was in Him.

You see, He was tempted in all manners like we are. He was man, not an Angel. He was a man. He had desires and temptations, just like we do. The Bible said He did.

He was a man, not an Angel above temptation. Hebrews 1 said, that, "He was..." Hebrews 1:4 said, "He was made lower than the Angels." He was man, completely man; that God took a complete man,

to bring total deliverance, and He filled Him with His Spirit. The Holy Ghost was in Him, without measure. And He was tempted like we were. And He was completely God.

He proved it when He raised the dead, when He stopped nature, the roaring seas and the mighty winds. When He spoke to the trees, and so forth, they obeyed Him. He was God, inside.

And He could have been man, for He was man, but He totally and completely delivered Himself (as a man) into the hands of God, for the service of God.

88 And He is our example. We are men and women. We're also Christians.

If He's our example, let us completely deliver ourselves into the hands of the Holy Ghost, that we might be subjects of the Kingdom of God. 89 He was totally man; He was totally God. But He surrendered His natural parts to His...and His physical parts,

and His Own thinking, and His Own doing, and His Own cares, and, "I do only that which pleases the Father." There you are. Totally delivered from human beings.

The priests come to Him, the great men, and said, "Rabbi, so-and-so," and tried to bribe Him into their affiliations and denominations. But He was totally delivered because He trusted in God.

### John 17:19

19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

# 60-0805 — Lamb And Dove 133 Let us bow our head, just a moment. Dove and Lamb.

While you're listening, the most outstanding Scriptures, one of them, that I can think of, when Jesus said, "Father," think of it,

"Father, for their sake I sanctify Myself." Think of it, "Father, for their sake I sanctify Myself." What was He doing? Setting the example, He was a Lamb.

134 What did He do? He had a right to a home, He was a man; He had a right to be married, He was a man;

He had a right to good clothes, He was a—a man, but He sanctified Himself, He forfeited. He could have—He could have come down the corridors of Glory,

a full-statured man with an Angelic band, sure, but He sanctified Himself. He could have at least been born in a nice, clean bed somewhere,

but He was born in a manger over a manure pile, in a borrowed manger, but He sanctified Himself. Why? He was a Lamb.

135 See, friends, we got back to assembly line religions, and so forth, and all these things, we're getting away from the real thing, humble yourself. Keep humble, "Lord, sanctify me."

## 63-1229E — Look Away To

### Jesus

39 Now remember, there'll never be an impersonation of that, 'cause it can't be, see, it cannot be.

Now it's inexistent. And I have...l am warned of this, that soon...Right at this time now it's just happened,

so it could identify its presence among you, see, but it will not be used in a great way until this Council begins to tighten up.

And when it does, when that does...The Pentecostals, and so forth, can almost impersonate anything can be done.

But when that time comes, when the squeeze comes down, then you'll see, what you've seen temporarily, be manifested in the fullness of its power. See? See? See? See?

40 Now I must continue in evangelism. Just as I was commissioned, first, I must continue on.

Therefore, you've had the Word, and you know what to look for, how to stand. I must continue on in evangelism.

And, friends of mine, keep still, and just keep moving on, for the hour is approaching swiftly, see, that when something is going to be done.

41 Now, you might see some little odd things happen for me. Nothing sinful; I don't mean that. But, I mean, something odd to what the regular trend.

Because, where I reached to now, in the ministry, I am dropping back here, watching that spot and waiting for the time to use it. But, it's going to be used.

42 And everyone knows that, for, as certain as the First was identified, so has the Second been identified. And if you'll think real closely, you who are spiritual.

As the Bible said, "Here is to him that has wisdom." The Third is properly identified. See? We know where it is. So, the Third Pull is here.

43 It is so sacred, that, I mustn't say much about it. As He told me in the beginning, said, "This, say nothing of it."

You remember that, years ago? It speaks for itself. See? But you...I've tried to explain the others, and I made a mistake. This will be the thing, that, to my opinion...

I don't say the Lord tells me this. This will be a thing that will start the Rapturing faith, for the going away. See? See? And it...

44 I must lay quiet for just a little while. Now remember, and who is listening to this tape, you might see such a change in my ministry right away,

dropping back, not going up; dropping back. We're right at the age now, and it can't be, can't go any further.

We have to wait just a minute until this happens over here, to catch up, then the time comes. But, it's thoroughly identified.

## 63-0623M - Standing In The Gap 173 God bless you, each one, and we hope to see you again real soon. Till then, will you do this one favor for me now, both here and on tapes also, you brethren?

Pray that God will place into my heart that something that I lost out there in that complex. It's so easy to build a complex. I had an interview the other day with my Brother Way sitting here, standing here in front.

A good man, but built hisself around a complex, another kind of a complex, did the same thing. Brother Way, you can so easily do it; it's you just get a little something in your mind, keep thinking that way.

Go back and check it with the Scripture, and see if it's right or not, and then go from there on. Yeah. Don't lose the feeling of the people. See? You must remember they're not made out of sawdust.

They are flesh and blood, human beings and a soul. Pray for me, all of you, if you will. God bless you now.

We're going to bow our heads and ask Brother Ruddell if he'll...

174 Pardon? [Brother Parnell says, "Brother Branham, I have something I'd like to say, just take me a half a second."—Ed.]

Okay, brother. [Brother Parnell tells about a dream he had dreamed.] Praise be to God! This is a minister. Somebody might not know.

And he was one of the group that, I didn't have time this morning, that was in one of those dreams, speaking of me going the other way, see, going West, going out West on this last time. Brother J. T. Parnell.

175 Now, there might be strangers that wonder about people having dreams, of dreamers. No, we don't go for all kinds of dreams and things, but we believe that the Bible said,

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, that I'll pour out My Spirit upon the people; and they shall prophesy, and shall see visions, and dream dreams."

And as long as that's in the lids of the Bible, it's my duty to believe it and to preach it. And when people tell dreams, if the Lord doesn't give the interpretation, we let it go. And if it's something...

When anyone speaks with tongues, it must be something to the church, and it must happen, too. We don't, it'd be an evil spirit. It must come to pass, 'cause interpretation of tongues is prophecy.

We know that's right. So we try here to live the Bible just the way It's taught. Take nothing away from It or add nothing to It, but just live It the way It is.

The Lord be blessed. That helped me, Brother J. T., to believe that...God didn't tell me go out now and compromise with sin, but just go out and just keep on doing. See?

176 Let us pray now.

Brother...[A sister cries out-Ed.]...Someone fainted. Just a minute. Sit still, everybody. See? [Brother Branham leaves the pulpit and goes down into the

congregation.]

177 Heavenly Father, let Thy mercy and goodness be with Brother Way. In the Name of Jesus Christ, may he come back. Give him back, Lord, give him strength and health.

So help me, his heart started beating again! Be still, everybody, and just pray. Lord Jesus, let Thy goodness and mercy be with Brother Way, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

178 It's over. As I stand here on this altar, where funerals has been preached. Where I stand here, where hundreds of people has prayed through to Christ. I reached out, his eyes was set, his pulse was gone.

And no more than called the Name of Jesus Christ, and his pulse started coming...?...As a minister of the cross, I say that in the Name of Jesus Christ. Isn't He wonderful?

A heart attack. See? I'm so thankful it happened just now, instead of wait till we got away. See the grace of God? The Lord be blessed!

## 64-0830M - Questions And

## Answers #3

4 An old friend of mine said to me couple of days ago, said, "I'm getting so tired of living in a suitcase."

I said, "Brother dear, I want to ask you something. I want to tell you something. I'm homesick. I been homesick for twenty years, and I ain't got no home to go to."

That's right. That's true. That's an awful thing to say. I could set down and cry to go somewhere home. I ain't got no home to go.

Everywhere I go, I can't stay there a few days; I'm ready to go somewhere else. I just... I been that way; I—I was born that way. My wife calls me "Restless Winds." I just—I just here and there.

And that's an awful fix to be in, but I guess I had to be that way for my ministry. But many of you admire the...Well, we admire doing anything for God, but don't you never...

5 Now, we're just a bunch of home folks this morning. See? But I'm—I'm homesick. I want to go home, and I don't know where to go.

You say, "What about going out in Arizona, your family's there?" I'm all right for two or three days, and I got to go somewhere else.

And I go there, and then I'm all right there two or three days, and I got to go somewhere else. So there just ain't no home to go to, and I'm homesick.

6 Well, there is a Home. I'll—I'll go to that one sometime, but I've got to help you first. See? That's what I'm here for, is to help you.

And till that time comes, till I can't help you no more, then I-I want to go Home. I want to go really Home then. But there is a Place somewhere that I'm going to like so well, I won't want to come back.

7 I'll leave Jeffersonville; I'll be gone a few weeks; I want to come back again. I go to Arizona; I think that's wonderful; I want to come back again.

I go somewhere else; I want to come back again. And I go here, go there, and I...then I think I want to come here. I get here; I'm just here a few days, and I see you all;

I want to go somewhere else. See, I got my children scattered out over the world, and I—I...them that I have begotten to Christ. And I...Then I don't have no home.

I want to get them all together one of these days, see, Father will, and then we'll—we'll have a Home where we won't have to roam around no more. See? Get tired rambling and no place to stay.

8 And I'd advise anybody, never be a rolling stone (see?), 'less it's some kind of a ministry that calls you that way, 'cause...l-I'd just give anything, this morning, if I had a place here on earth that I could go and say,

"This is home!" I'd—I'd... If I had it, I'd give a million dollars. If I had a place that I could say, "Boy, I just love this so well; I don't want to leave it no more," I'd—I'd give anything. But I—I can't find it.

9 I'm something like Abraham was; I'm looking for a City. See? I can't find it, but I know it's there.

But I certainly can't get adjusted to any certain place on this earth. It just don't look like...Fine people, fine places, and you go here, it's too wet; go out there, it's too dry;

go up here, it's too cold; go down there, it's, too hot. See? And you...There's no place; it just ain't Home. Don't want to take up my time crying on your shoulder, but I'm...

Well, we're thankful to the Lord. Amen! Be thankful for all things. I am thus, because I am thus. God made me what I am. And I can't be nothing but what He made me, melancholy, and those kind of things. They tell me I just have to be that way in order to be the help that He sent me here to be.

And I want to be that kind of a person. If that's the way I was supposed to be, that's what I want to be. Whatever's the Kingdom of God's will, or God's will, that's what I want to be.

## 56-0101 - Why Are People So 300 Tossed About? 113 And when Christ, the Holy Spirit, comes into your heart, He is in you, with your temperament, and He is living His Own Life to His Own will, through you.

Hallelujah! Know that sounds awful, but it's right. Christ...So yielded you are, that Christ speaks the kind of words He would speak. He thinks the kind of thoughts He would think, through you.

He does the kind of works He would do, through you. You are yielded and resting. What a beautiful picture of a consecrated Christian, yielded, Christ working through.

114 Paul said, "To me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Not me that liveth anymore, but Christ that liveth in me." Christ living in the individual so surrendered,

when Christ speaks through the lips, and thinks through the mind, sees through the eye, acts through the temperament (Hallelujah!), then the things of the world has passed away.

How can it be anything but sweet and pleasant all the time? Christ has got control. Amen. You see it? That's what it is. It's Christ in you.

Christ in you! You say, "Well, you see," you say, "I believe that to be the truth, Brother Branham." That's right, it's in here.

115 But has it come here? If it is, then your whole makeup is Christ. Your attitude, your desires, your appetite, your everything is Christ, yielded, resting, everything perfect. No matter how dull it looks, or how black it looks, still it's the same.

Christ is in you. He speaks to the sinner, in the voice that He would speak to him in. He speaks to the prostitute, in the voice that He would speak to them in.

He thinks through your mind, the very thoughts that He speaks through your heart, the very way that He would if He was here on earth. And you are no more your own, but you're surrendered.