

Death and Life *Chapter 6*

Congregation sings "Only Believe."

Let's bow our heads.

Precious Holy God, our Father, such a privilege now to bow our heads in Your presence, thanking You for this opportunity Lord that we have to come together, knowing Father that You have given us another privilege, given us another chance, Lord, to listen to the Word and to hear from You, Father, and I pray that You would sharpen our understanding tonight spiritually speaking. Let's us see the things, Lord, that we need to see. If there's any weaknesses in our lives, and I'm sure there are, we need to be looking out for those things, and to move them out as fast as we can. Knowing Lord that this hour is upon us now, and we don't know what moment will be the last one. We don't realize how close it is. Maybe, we know Lord, that things are shaping up so fast, and we just realize that it's got to come to an end, because You promised that it would. We're looking forward Lord, for that great day of the Millennium reign, where all of the cares of this life will be done away with. The disappointments, misunderstandings, all of it will be finished then. And we'll all be in another body; in a change, walking around looking like You Lord, because that's what the Scripture said. And I believe it'll all come back into God again. And I pray Lord, that You'd give us an understanding tonight. Watch over us now, heal the sick. Be with Sister Ruthie and Brother Winston, Lord, and the family, as they are planning on taking a trip tomorrow. Going down, not for a visit Lord, but, for the final rites of her father. And we know it's a sad thing Lord, to have to say goodbye to our loved ones here, but we're looking to another place somewhere, where there won't be no more heaped up mounds where the graves have been, the peoples bodies have been put. No more draped things of beautiful flowers and things over somebody's grave, Lord. No more dead bodies being around. We know, Lord, that we'll be free from all imperfection. No age in there, man not having any limit of days, but living in eternity. That's what we're looking for, Lord. And I pray that You'd help all of us that's here tonight to look to this Truth, which is the only way that we're going to be able to make it. We ask it in Jesus' Name, the Son of Man. Amen.

You may be seated.

I asked Brother Tiny tonight, I said Brother, I just got a lot that I'd liked to try to cover if I could, tonight. I don't know, you know if I can get all of it. I'm not going to try to hold you no two or three hours or something like that. I'd like to try to get as much of this in as I can tonight. (Brother Holmes clears throat.) And if you'll excuse me. Pardon me. A lot of that old cold is going around, and Satan's been trying to throw it at me, and I kick it back at him. And he's trying to afflict my throat now, so I'm going to call victory tonight in the Name of the Lord. And so, that's what I'm looking for.

Now tonight, I want to read from Genesis, the book of Genesis. And this is where we been looking at a lot, and I want you to turn with us to the 17th Chapter, and I want to get right into the lesson tonight as quick as I can. I'd like to say to Sister Ruthie and the family that we have been in prayer with her and the family about the loss of her father. We know there's no words that you can ever say to try to comfort somebody. It's just, it's a loss that's there, and so it's just something that you have to adjust yourself to, and we're praying for you.

Now in the 17th Chapter, I want to read, I think, a few verses there and then I want to go over to the 22nd Chapter and read a few verses.

AND WHEN (Abraham) WAS NINETY YEARS OLD AND NINE, THE LORD APPEARED TO ABRAM, (not Abraham, but Abram. He had not yet become Abraham.) AND THE LORD APPEARED (unto) ABRAM, AND SAID UNTO HIM, I AM THE ALMIGHTY GOD; WALK BEFORE ME AND BE THOU PERFECT.

AND I WILL MAKE MY COVENANT BETWEEN ME AND THEE, AND WILL MULTIPLY THEE EXCEEDINGLY.

AND ABRAM FELL ON HIS FACE: AND GOD TALKED WITH HIM SAYING

AS FOR ME, BEHOLD, MY COVENANT IS WITH THEE, AND THOU SHALT BE A FATHER OF MANY NATIONS.

NEITHER SHALL THY NAME ANY MORE BE CALLED ABRAM, BUT THY NAME SHALL BE ABRAHAM; FOR A FATHER OF MANY NATIONS HAVE I MADE THEE.

AND I WILL MAKE THEE EXCEEDING FRUITFUL, AND I WILL MAKE NATIONS OF THEE, AND KINGS SHALL COME OUT OF THEE.

AND I WILL ESTABLISH MY COVENANT BETWEEN ME AND THEE AND THY SEED AFTER THEE IN THEIR GENERATIONS FOR AN EVERLASTING COVENANT, TO BE A GOD UNTO THEE, AND TO THY SEED AFTER THEE.

AND I WILL GIVE UNTO THEE, AND TO THY SEED AFTER THEE, THE LAND WHEREIN THOU ART STRANGER, ALL THE LAND OF CANAAN, FOR AN EVERLASTING POSSESSION; AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD.

AND GOD SAID UNTO ABRAHAM, THOU SHALT KEEP MY COVENANT THEREFORE, THOU, AND THY SEED AFTER THEE IN THEIR GENERATIONS.

THIS IS MY COVENANT (with you), WHICH YOU SHALL KEEP, BETWEEN ME AND YOU AND THY SEED AFTER THEE; EVERY MAN CHILD AMONG YOU SHALL BE CIRCUMCISED.

AND YE SHALL CIRCUMCISE THE FLESH OF YOUR FORESKIN; AND IT SHALL BE A TOKEN OF THE COVENANT BETWIXT ME AND YOU.

AND HE THAT IS EIGHT DAYS OLD SHALL BE CIRCUMCISED AMONG YOU, EVERY MAN CHILD IN YOUR GENERATIONS, HE THAT IS BORN IN THE HOUSE, (Now listen to this), HE THAT IS BORN IN THE HOUSE, OR BOUGHT WITH MONEY OF ANY STRANGER, WHICH IS NOT OF THY SEED.

HE THAT IS BORN IN THY HOUSE, AND HE THAT IS BOUGHT WITH THY MONEY, MUST NEEDS BE CIRCUMCISED: AND MY COVENANT SHALL BE IN YOUR FLESH FOR AN EVERLASTING COVENANT.

AND THE... AND THE UNCIRCUMCISED MAN CHILD WHOSE FLESH OF HIS FORESKIN IS NOT CIRCUMCISED, THAT SOUL SHALL BE CUT OFF FROM HIS PEOPLE; HE HATH BROKEN MY COVENANT.

Now that's a very strong reading. And you notice, I placed emphasis on the verse there where He said, "If you bring someone into your house, then that one is got to be circumcised too." You don't have people outside of the covenant. See?

So, now He said this is an everlasting covenant. So, I mean, I want you to understand that this goes from the natural circumcision to the spiritual circumcision. Amen. And so, a lot of things can be said on this and I'm going to... I've got a lot of quotes, and I got a lot of things to talk about tonight. And so, we just don't want to get in too big... I asked Brother Tiny if he'd let me have it a little early tonight, and he did. And I appreciate it. Because I don't know if I'm going to get done, even at that.

In the 22nd Chapter of Genesis we find Abraham confronted with a test, a trial.

AND IT CAME TO PASS AFTER THESE THINGS,...

After these things, after God had made the covenant with him, after Isaac had been born, after the promised Son had come on the scene, after these things, it came to pass.

...THAT GOD DID TEMPT ABRAHAM, (now that means prove him), AND SAID UNTO HIM ABRAHAM: AND HE SAID, BEHOLD HERE I AM.

AND HE SAID, TAKE NOW THY SON, THINE ONLY SON ISAAC, WHOM THOU LOVEST, AND GET THEE (unto) THE LAND OF MORIAH; AND OFFER HIM THERE FOR A BURNT OFFERING UPON ONE OF THE MOUNTAINS WHICH I WILL TELL THEE OF.

Now watch this third verse. I just wonder what the Abraham seed would do today. Now listen, this is going to get touchy tonight. See? This is going to take all of the starch out. This is going to... You might as well get ready, because, I mean, we need to look straight down the line. We need to see whether we're Abraham's Seed or not. Amen.

Alright Now. So now let's look, for this little title tonight, that we want to look at is "Abraham's Blood Covenant With Jehovah." "Abraham's Blood Covenant With Jehovah." Of course, this is a subtitle under the title, "Death Or Life Is Set Before Us." Alright.

So we want to look at this and move as fast as we can and not taking no more time than I have to, make every bit of it count. I want to make every bit of it count. Alright. So we find now, here in the 17th Chapter of St. John, I mean 17th Chapter of Genesis, it changes the whole picture. It changes the whole picture because Abraham has been called back there in the 12th Chapter of Genesis, and he's been called to go and leave his house, separate himself, which he didn't do it. He partially obeyed God, but not all the way. Amen. So, God did never bless Abraham and the Son never did come to him, the Promise never was fulfilled until he carried out God's orders. See?

You say, "Well everything was unconditional." Yes it was. Unconditional. By God knowing that Abraham would carry it out. See? He knew that Abraham would carry out every bit of it, so He wasn't concerned about whether he would do it or not. But He did not let the full blessing come upon Abraham until everything was separated just like He said, "Separate yourself from your kindred, from your house," he said, "go!"

You know, sometimes we want to keep them right there, regardless of whether they got their rap music in there, regardless of whether they got all kinds of dresses, and everything else. And all kind of these - you want to keep them right there. Come on. You want this Message? Listen to me. What did God tell Abraham? He said, "If you buy one, everyone has got to be circumcised. Everyone has got to come under the covenant. And if you buy one with your money, and bring him in there, he's got to be under the covenant."

Get quiet now, because I'm telling you. I told you, if we want the Word of God, and we want to go in the rapture, we're going to have to look at some things a little different. We're going to have to look at some things a little different, children. Let me tell you something. We tolerate too much in our own home. We tolerate too much in our own family, that's right, because this flesh and blood. Flesh and blood don't stand in the presence of God. Did you hear that? Flesh and blood don't stand in the presence of God. You're going to have to separate yourself and be a separated people. You say, "You're mad Brother Holmes." No, I'm not mad. I'm just telling you the truth. I'm telling you the truth. Now you watch. Alright.

The blood covenant was the strongest covenant that could be. You can read on the blood covenant; you can read where men even in Africa and different places where they cut their wrists, and they take a glass of wine, and they bleed themselves in that wine. They mix their blood together and drink their blood, and then when they do that, they are one. They are not two, but they are one, and they'll die for one another. That's a covenant that they make between themselves.

And God has made a covenant here with Abraham. Right? He's made a covenant here. Alright. And then this covenant is so strong, until it causes God to call Abraham His friend. Is that right? I'm going to give you three places in the Scripture, where God has mentioned Abraham, or the Word of God mentions Abraham as His friend. Alright. Now watch. James 2:23, Isaiah 48:8, II Chronicles 20, Verse 7. Those three places mentions Abraham as the friend of God. Alright.

Now. If you go back into the eastern countries today, they still recognize Abraham as the friend of God. You hear them - you read the history, and you'll find out that they still do. He's the only man in the Old Testament, that was ever called a friend of God. The only one in the Old Testament that was ever called the friend of God. Search it and see. You'll never find another one that was called the friend of God in the Old Testament.

This covenant that God made with Abraham, it was to bring not only Abraham, but the Israelitish people under this covenant. It was an everlasting covenant. It was to bring Israel under that covenant. That's the reason they're fighting so hard right now, because they know that land belongs to them.

Clinton's trying to go over there and tell them to split the land; it belongs to both of you. They ain't going to do that, not unless they go against God's Word. They know what's theirs. Amen. And so they're holding right on to it, Brother John. Amen. And, then, Clinton is trying to put his big foot in there, you know, and trying to get the Palestinians to have some of the land that was given to the promised Son of God, to the promised Son of Abraham. Amen. Just like, you know, the Pope tries to get in with all of his stuff, and try to get everybody coming together like the Episcopalians and the Lutherans now. They've joined hands now. And they've gone together officially now. They've gone together. Alright.

So what is going to be next? It's six in one and half a dozen of another anyway. So all of them is one anyway. There's nothing right but the Word of God. Not nothing right but the Word, no denomination. And anytime two brothers disagree on something there's a denomination, amen, I don't care who you are. If you disagree on the Word of God, two brothers... I love that song that these brethren sang here awhile ago. I almost shouted in there. I'll tell you... How can two walked together except they be agreed. The Bible said they can't do it. And they can't do it. Amen. There's no way for them to do it. There's no way for them to walk together. Amen. They cannot be one; they cannot be one, unless they agree.

Now this thing that Abraham was to bring to his people, this covenant, it was to bring his nation which would eventually become the Hebrew, you know, the nation of the Hebrew. Alright. And then of course it would be the Covenant people, according to Genesis 17:7. You heard me read it. Then God gave to Abraham the way that this covenant would be sealed. Right? The covenant had to be sealed a certain way. And God told Abraham exactly how to do it, Verses 10 through 14, I read them. You've got to be circumcised. You've got to - not only that, but you've got to circumcise your ownself. See? You've got to circumcise all the children when they're eight days old. Amen. See? You've got to bring all of it under this covenant, under this covenant.

Why we're so slack today its pitiful. I mean, I'm talking to all of us. Brother John, I'm talking to all of us. We're so slack until its pitiful and call us Royal Seed of Abraham. Amen. We ought to be praising God on our knees, on our face before God, thanking Him for keeping us in this serious hour. Amen. Instead of that, we're reaching out to get everything we can of the world. And you know I'm telling you the truth. I mean we have to be careful. We've got to be careful. We'll get more on us than we can

handle, amen, and serve God. And I know, I mean I've got the best people in the world, right here. Right here, I've got the best people in the world. But we, if we're not careful, we can deviate from that Word just a little bit. We've got to be careful. We have to be careful. In our homes we've got to be careful. Amen. Watch now.

Moving on down. In the 26th Verse of the 17th Chapter, which I did not read it tells us that the very same day that God gave this message to Abraham he did it. How about that? The very same day. He didn't wait until tomorrow. He didn't wait until next week. He did it that day. He arose up that day and did the thing. He was circumcised himself and all of the males were circumcised. Amen. That ought to make you women look a little better, and be more careful about the way you treat your husband. Ooooh! Huh? He didn't ask them to be circumcised. Right. But you know Sarah respected Abraham so much she called him lord. Amen. She went along with the blessing. And as long as you're under subjection to the Word of God, as your husband leads you, you are under that. But you kick out of the harness and see what happens. Amen. You'll be like Hagar going across the field. Alright. I mean, I'm bringing - I told you I was going to bring out some things tonight I want you to look at. I want you to look at and see if I'm right. See if I'm right. Alright.

GENESIS 15:6 - And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.

Now watch. The friend of God, Abraham was. Alright. This covenant, after it was made between God and Abraham, then God saw fit to put Abraham to the test. Right? He saw fit to put him to the test. Alright? So, Abraham, in the 15th Chapter of Genesis and Verse 6, we find where Abraham believed in Jehovah. He believed, and the reason I'm saying Jehovah, because where that capital L, capital O, capital R, capital D, capital L..O..R..D, that is Jehovah, and Jehovah is dealing with the covenant. Alright. So now, and it was imputed unto him, or reckoned unto him for righteousness. Abraham believed God, and it was imputed or reckoned unto him for righteousness.

Alright. Now. If you take the Hebrew word there it means H-e-e-m-e-e-m. I guess that's "Hee-meem," "Heemeem." Alright, and that translated into our language today, it means "believed in." "Believed in." He believed in God. He believed in Jehovah. And when you believe in someone, it simply means - what it meant in this particular place that this covenant was made unconditional. So actually it meant that it was an unqualified committal of oneself to another. Unqualified committal of oneself to another. Amen. Abraham had committed himself to God. God had committed Himself to Abraham. You say, "I don't believe that." O.k. We're going to get down a little farther after awhile, and you'll find out. And when we get in the quotes, you'll see. Alright?

Now, let's go on and look at Abraham's testing now. And it came to pass, that God did prove Abraham, or tempted Abraham, or tested him. See? He tested him. He give him the test to see if he was what, you know, he was supposed to be. Amen. He'll test you. He'll put stuff out there, to see what you're going to do about it. He put pretty little girls out there to you young boys to see what you're going to do about it. Amen. Come on now. I'm talking to you. Amen. So we want to make sure that we have the Seal. Alright.

Now. "Take your son Abraham, take your only son." He didn't consider none of the other sons that Abraham had. "Take your only son, the one you love, that one that you love, that's the promised Son." Now if He had said to Abraham, "Abraham you give me your life." Well, Abraham would've said, "Why sure, that's easy, that's easy." But listen, if you know the way it is in the oriental countries, and over in the eastern countries about their sons. Brother, if you've studied how serious it is to give up one of their sons. That's where Israel has such a hard time. They might kill a woman over there, and they might not do a whole about it. But you let them kill one of them soldiers and see what they do about it. They'll retaliate so fast, until it would make your head swim. Because they look at those men. They look at those men. Amen. Alright. Now you watch. And God does too. You hear me? God looks at the woman under the man. Just like He looks at us under Christ. And if we're not under Christ, He don't look at us. And if you're not under your husband, God's not going to look at you. You hear me?

If you're not under..., God'll turn his head. Ain't no use for you to ask nothing. He's not going to give you nothing. You say, "Well I'm under him, yes I am." And then spit and fume at it. No you're not. No. When you lay it all down, and you say, "You're the head. What you say goes." Amen. Did you hear me? I mean it's serious. We've hit at it. Now I'm telling you what I see in the Word of God. That's what this series is, what I see in the Word of God. Alright. So I want you to understand, this is not my only idea. It's what I'm pulling from the Message. It's exactly what I'm pulling from the Message.

Abraham had to have a surrendered life to God to promise his sons, to give... And notice, he didn't wait until tomorrow. When God told him what to do, he immediately carried out His desire. Why? Because they had a covenant. See? It wouldn't have been a hard thing for him to say, "Well, I..." You know, If God said, "I want you to give me your life, now. I'm going to take your life." Why Abraham would've said, "Lord, that's alright," like Paul did, you know. Paul said, "I'm now ready to be offered. The time of my departure is at hand. I've fought a good fight, I've kept the faith. Henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness. Not for me only, but for everyone that loveth His appearing." Paul was ready to go. He said, "For me to live is Christ; for me to die is gain." Amen. He was ready.

But his son! The only son, that God gave him at a hundred years old. "Abraham take him up yonder and kill him! And burn him!" Huh? Why we can't even give up some little puny things, without complaining about it. Am I telling you the truth? Is that right? Little things. We find ourselves complaining about so many little things. If we're not careful, we're going to be complaining when the time comes for the change.

Paul said, "I have learned to be content in whatever state that I'm in." He said, "I've fought with beasts at Ephesus." Huh? "I know what it is to be hungry. I know what it is to be full. But I have learned, in whatever state I am in, to be content." Amen. "I have learned that. To be content in whatever state I am in." Amen. that's a Christian, isn't it? Yes sir, that's a Christian. Alright.

So now. Will this blood covenant hold? Will this blood covenant hold for Abraham in this awful thing that he's asked to do? Is it going to hold for him? See? That's the next thing we want to know, isn't it? Well, Abraham showed himself again to be faithful to God, to be His friend. He was ready. He was willing to do what God told him to do. Alright. Now, you ought to in this little area right here, you ought to jot this Scripture down. I'm not going to take time to go read it. But I want you to jot down Hebrews 11:17-19, 17-19, and speaking of Abraham, in this particular case. I read that a couple of times just to make sure and I could almost quote it, but I won't do it.

But the angel of Jehovah called unto Abraham. In Genesis 22:15-17 Abraham had already bound his son. He had already put him on the woodpile, and he drew his knife back and pulled his hair out of his eyes to take his life. That's how far Abraham went. He intended fully to carry out God's will. He intended fully to do it. If it took everything that he had. How is he going to be the father of nations, now if he kills this boy, because this is the Seed that the promise has come through. This is the promise. This is the promised Seed. How is he going to do it? He never staggered at the promise of God through unbelief. He knew that if he went through with it... If God cured his dead sperm life, put a new wound in his wife to receive his seed, and the natural seed, Isaac, come as a supernatural birth; He knew that if God could do that, that he was willing, and able, and would raise him up and they'd walk back down that mountain together. Amen. He was just as confident of that. And where are we tonight when it comes to the test, when it comes to the testing time? Where are we at? Are we ready for the test? Are we ready? Are we ready for the final test before the rapture? I mean for the climax of it?

He took everything Job had, before Job saw the revelation. You hear me? Before Job saw... We get it mentally, but what about spiritually? Amen. We can get a revelation mentally, and not want to give everything up, when we got the revelation. But when we get the revelation spiritually in our soul, the change, we're willing to give it up. This is hard. I know it is. I know it is. You know, what are we doing?

We're dressing. We are dressing for something. Amen. I mean we're getting ready for these things, and we need to look at them. This is what I see in it. This is exactly what I see. Alright?

Hebrews. You want to read that. And then in the 22nd Chapter, 15-17, the angel spoke to Abraham, and called and said the second time to him. Said, "Abraham, Abraham," out of heaven, "Abraham." Said, "Here I am." And then in this particular chapter here, He said, "by Myself, I have sworn. By Myself. Abraham, I have sworn by Myself that the covenant between you and Me will stand." Now what is that? What is He saying? What He's saying is, Brother Richard, in reality, is this. You're a smart man. You know what He's talking about. Watch now. Look. Let me tell you something. He's saying, "If I fail, then you are My ruler. You have overcome me. I swear by Myself that I'll stand by this covenant that we have made, and you have sealed it with your own blood. And if I fail in one point, Abraham; if I fail in one point, I'll be your slave." That's exactly what He was saying. "I'll be your slave. I swear by Myself that I'll keep this covenant. I will not fail. What about you, Abraham? What about your seed, Abraham?" Amen. See? So here we go. Alright. "I swear by Myself." Now, it must not fail. Alright. It did not fail. It won't fail. "I am Jehovah who keepeth covenants." Amen. Oh I like that, don't you?

Now look here. Let's get in some quotes. Oh my. We going to try to get them in here now. I've been in here about a half an hour now; a little bit longer, and we said a lot now. Let's let the Prophet say something. Alright? Let's let the prophet say something. Alright? Now look.

Now, "He Swore By Himself", in Jeffersonville, in 1954. "He Swore By Himself."

"NOW, OH, THIS MAY KIND OF (uproot) , AND PULL UP, AND SHOVE OUT, AND TAKE OUT, BUT LET'S LOOK IT RIGHT SMACK IN THE FACE AND SEE WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE." (He must be going to say something.)

"IF NECESSARY, WE CAN GO BACK AND PICK UP THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT THAT GOD MADE WITH HIM, AND HOW THAT GOD SWORE BY HIMSELF. ANYBODY EVER KNOW WHERE GOD EVER SWORE BY HIMSELF?..."

Well, he said, "We'll just turn to it and read it in the 22nd Chapter." And so he read it. Alright. So he goes on to say now, and I'm going to read it for you:

"... 'AND THE ANGEL OF THE LORD CALLED UNTO HIM ABRAHAM OUT OF HEAVEN THE SECOND TIME,

AND SAID, BY MYSELF HAVE I SWORN, SAITH THE LORD, (That's capital L, capital O, capital R, capital D, Jehovah. "I have sworn saith Jehovah.") **BECAUSE THOU HAST DONE THIS THING** (Thou hast done this thing that I have commanded you to do, you've carried it out.) **AND HAST NOT WITHHELD THINE ONLY SON:** (Not withheld thine only son.)

THAT IN BLESSING I WILL BLESS THEE, AND IN MULTIPLYING I'LL MULTIPLY THEE, THY SEED SHALL BE AS THE STARS OF THE HEAVEN, AND AS THE SANDS UPON THE SEA SHORE AND THY SEED SHALL POSSESS THE GATES OF (the) ENEMIES;"

Amen. "Now, if I don't carry that out, Abraham, then I'll become your servant. I have sworn by Myself; If I'm not able to do it, then I'll surrender to you." Because he had sworn by Himself. He could not swear by nobody else. No higher, there's no other way. Alright.

"GOD SWORE IT BY HIMSELF, HALLELUJAH. IF THAT DON'T MAKE A FELLOW FEEL LIKE HOLLERING, HALLELUJAH. (To think that He would even put His ownself on the line. Amen.) **YOU ARE DEAD..."** (See? "If you can't shout a little bit over that," he said.) He said:

OH, GOD (He) SAID, ABRAHAM, BECAUSE YOU HAVE DID THIS, NOT WHAT SOMEBODY... (had did), BUT BECAUSE YOU HAVE DID THIS. BY FAITH YOU WALKED, AND I'VE HONORED THAT THING THERE, (and) NOT HONOR WORKS ANYMORE; I'LL NOT HONOR THIS. (I'll not honor that, but) I'LL HONOR (your) FAITH. (See?) AND BECAUSE YOU DID THIS WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT WOULD BE THE OUTCOME. (He didn't know what would be the outcome, but by faith, he accepted the outcome. Not knowing what it would be.) I'VE SAVED YOU. I'LL SAVE YOUR SEED. I'LL TAKE AN OATH BY MYSELF. AMEN. 'AND YOUR SEED SHALL POSSESS THE GATES OF THEIR ENEMY.' AMEN. THAT SETTLES IT TO ME. ...THAT'S ALL THAT HAS TO BE DONE."

"That's all of it, right there," Brother Branham said. Alright. Brother Branham preached a message in Bloomington, Illinois, in 1961. "Abraham And His Seed." He said:

"WHEN WE KNOW THIS, THAT THE ONLY THING (that) WE HAVE TO DO TO INHERIT ANY OF GOD'S PROMISES IS TO STAY PUT ON GOD'S WORD. (That's all of it now. That's not just what you want. That's it. That's it. That's the Word. Alright. Now.) LET NOTHING SHAKE YOU FROM IT... (Huh? Strong ain't it? Let nothing shake you from it.)

NOW NOTICE, HE PERFECTLY TYPED ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED AFTER HIM. AND I'M GOING TO FOLLOW THE JUNCTIONS OF ABRAHAM'S LIFE, AND THEN FOLLOW THE JUNCTIONS OF ABRAHAM'S SEED..."

The junctions. What is a junction? You come to a stop sign. You've got to do something. You come to a junction. You going to make a decision. You've got to make a decision. See? Alright. Now.

"...AND SEE IF GOD KEPT HIS WORD LETTER-BY-LETTER." (See? See if God kept His Word in all of these things letter-by-letter.)

"NOW, ABRAHAM WE KNOW THAT THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY THAT WE CAN BE SAVED AND THAT IS BEING IN THE COVENANT (Only one way that we can be saved. That's being in the covenant) WITH ABRAHAM, BECAUSE IT WAS MADE TO ABRAHAM. BUT THE BIBLE SAID, 'WE BEING IN CHRIST, (We being in Christ,) WE BEING DEAD IN CHRIST, (we) TAKE ON ABRAHAM'S SEED AND ARE HEIRS WITH ABRAHAM..."

Are heirs. Whatever God gave Abraham, He gave it to his seed. And He swore that it would come to pass. Amen. He swore that He would stand by it. That He's good for it. Alright.

"...IS THAT RIGHT? NOW, CHRIST IS THE ROYAL SEED OF ABRAHAM. OUT OF ABRAHAM COME ISAAC, OUT OF ISAAC COME JACOB, OUT OF JACOB COME JOSEPH, ... JOSEPH ...FORTH ON DOWN, DAVID, (and so forth) ...TILL FINALLY THE ROYAL SEED WAS BORN WHICH WAS CHRIST, AND IN CHRIST MADE ABRAHAM, THE FATHER OF ALL NATIONS. AND THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT IS CONFIRMED TO THE PEOPLE, OR GIVEN TO THE PEOPLE UNCONDITIONALLY." (Absolutely unconditionally.)

"NOW, YOU READ NOW IN THE 12TH CHAPTER. (of Genesis.) HE MADE THE COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM UNCONDITIONALLY. HE CALLED ABRAHAM. I HEARD PEOPLE SAY, 'I'VE SOUGHT GOD, AND I'VE SOUGHT GOD, AND I'VE SOUGHT GOD'. (He said), YOU'RE MISTAKEN. (You never sought God. You have never sought God.) GOD SOUGHT YOU, AND SOUGHT YOU, AND SOUGHT YOU. (Amen. God went looking for you. See? He was...) IT WASN'T YOU SEEKING GOD; IT'S GOD SEEKING YOU. WHY, THE VERY BEGINNING PROVED IT. ADAM, IT OUGHT TO HAVE BEEN ADAM (that was) HOLLERING... (Lord) I'VE SINNED..." (Have mercy on me.)

What did he do? Run and hid. Right? God went calling for Adam. Seeking him. "Adam. where are you?" "I'm here." He said, "Oh I hid myself, because I'm naked." Oh boy. Religious coverings won't get it. No sir. No sir. We have got to have the genuine. We've got to have the genuine to make it. Amen. Not because mama's got it. Not because daddy's got it. Not because the preachers or deacons got it. But you got to have it for yourself. They had to come into that covenant. Then, they had to do that themselves. They had to be circumcised themselves. Amen. Alright.

"BUT IT WAS GOD SAYING, "ADAM, ADAM, WHERE ART THOU?" SEE?..." (Alright. Now.)

"COULD YOU GO OUT AND TELL A PIG..."

Why, you couldn't go out and tell a pig now, say, "I'm going to put you a pretty bonnet on. I'm going to put you a pretty little yellow dress on and all, and you stay out of that mudhole. Boy, don't you go in that mudhole." Now you're wasting your time and money. What's he going to do? He'll say, "Why you're crazy. That's my home. I'm a scavenger. I will eat slop as long as I live. I'm a pig. I'm going to wallow in the mudhole as long as I live." Because you can't make nothing out of him but a pig. See? See?

But to the seed of Abraham, they got caught up in a mess. And God comes calling for them. Amen. Where are you Gerald? Where are you Kenan? Where are you Richard? It's hard to kick against the pricks. It's hard. That's what Paul said. And when He comes and calls, He's long suffering. He'll put up with a lot. But one day, He's going to show you how it is. And He's going to say you're going to come my way. Amen. You're coming my way, because I called you, I paid a price for you. You belong to me, amen, and you're coming my way. Amen. You're going to quit your fussing. You're going to quit your carrying on like you do. You're going to quit your disagreeing with the Word. You're going to come face to face, because you're mine. Amen. Oh, He's going to do it. Yes sir, He'll do it. Amen. That's what I like about it. See? That's the thing. Yes... oh my.

"Jehovah Jireh," in Grass Valley, California, in 1962, Brother Branham said:

"NOW, THERE HAD BEEN TWO COVENANTS. ONE OF THEM WAS (to) ADAM. (And that) COVENANT. GOD MADE A COVENANT WITH THE MAN, "IF YOU WILL, I WILL..."

That was with Adam. If you don't eat of that tree, you can live forever, but if you eat of that tree, you're going to die. See? That was the covenant. So what did Adam do? He ate of the tree and died, didn't he? Alright. Now.

"...AND HE BROKE IT. THEN GOD MADE A COVENANT WITH NOAH; THAT WAS THE NOAH COVENANT..." (Well what did Noah do? Noah broke it. Amen. You know he did.)

"(So), HE'S MAKING THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT. AND THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT, ACCORDING TO GENESIS THE 12TH CHAPTER, IT WAS GIVEN UNCONDITIONALLY; THEREFORE, IT'S ETERNAL. (Did you hear that? That covenant is Eternal. Amen.) ...IT'S UNCONDITIONAL. NOT 'IF YOU WILL, I WILL.' HE SAID, 'I HAVE ALREADY DONE IT.' (Abraham. I've already did it. Alright.) **NOT 'I WILL DO IT'; 'I HAVE DONE IT. OH, (now listen.) ...THAT BASES FAITH. (You) SEE, ...GOD'S DETERMINED TO SAVE MAN. (He's determined to save His people.) HE MAKE A COVENANT, 'IF YOU WILL, I WILL,' HE'D BREAK IT. ANOTHER ONE, ('If) YOU WILL, I WILL,' HE BROKE IT. SEE? MAN CAN'T KEEP HIS COVENANT, SO GOD SAVES MAN BY HIS GRACE, UNDER A COVENANT THAT'S UNCONDITIONAL. (Alright.) UNCONDITIONAL COVENANT..."**

You say, "Well, why did you say what you did a while ago? Well, we'll see why, after awhile. Just stay with me. Don't go nowhere. Amen. Don't let your mind ramble now. Alright? Just hold your faith right there. Alright? Unconditional covenant.

“...MY. NEVER ENDING, THAT WAS ALL OF IT; THREE, PERFECT. (Three is perfect. He gave one to) ADAM, (one to) NOAH, (one to) ABRAHAM. (Amen. Alright.) NOW (watch.) THAT’S THE REASON WE ARE ABRAHAM’S CHILDREN, THAT COVENANT CANNOT END, (it) NEVER END, BECAUSE IT IS UNCONDITIONAL. IT ISN’T BECAUSE YOU DO SOMETHING. IT’S BECAUSE GOD DID SOMETHING. NOT BECAUSE YOU CHOSE GOD; GOD CHOSE YOU...”

Brother, you know that Jesus told His disciples in Luke, I believe it, let’s see, 10:49, I believe it is. Where He said, “You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that you might bring forth life.” See? Amen. Alright. Now watch. So, it wasn’t God... it wasn’t you choosing God; it was God choosing.

And then, on “God’s Only Provided Place of Worship”. See. There’s only one place that you can worship God. And God spreads that tent in every age. He spreads a tent for people to worship in every age. He spreaded that tent in Luther’s day. He spread it coming back out of Catholicism. He spreaded that tent for people to worship in Luther’s day. What was it? Justification. That was the tent. Alright. Then, in Wesley’s day, that tent folded up of Luther. That tent folded up. It was no more good. So then, He spread another tent, which was sanctification. Alright. And that went for awhile until He got ready to open up another tent. And then, when He spread another tent, the Wesleyan tent folded up. It was no more good. I mean, you couldn’t stay there. He was carrying you farther. See? You couldn’t stay there and get anything from God. See? Because He had come another step. He’d put up another tent. Now you’ve already come through justification; sanctification. What are you going to do with it? Huh? Are you going on into this tent? Or, are you going to be cut off? See? See? See what I’m saying? Alright.

Now. If you come into this tent of the Pentecost age, then you’re going to receive the Holy Ghost. Is that right? The gifts of the Spirit. Is that right? That’s what it was. Alright. That typed the upper room. Alright. But then there come a time when that was going to close. And that tent was going to fold. And that teaching over there, like they had it there, whatever was left over, Brother Branham said, “It stunk.” It become carrion. Well, if you want to go and eat on the dead carcass, you can go on over there. They’ll teach you how to speak in tongues. They’ll teach you how to prophecy. They’ll teach you how to do all these things. See? But they’re dead as dead can be. There is no life. The tent’s already folded. He’s already spread another tent. When He spread this tent, then that is the final tent. The final tent is when Christ, in the 10th Chapter of Revelation, come down from heaven with a book in His hand. Amen. It was a book of redemption. Amen. And everybody’s name was in that book. The redemption plan was over. It was claiming time then. Amen. So He comes down to claim what He’s redeemed. And that’s what’s going on right now. You understand what I’m saying? Alright. I know I’m getting ahead of myself, and I can’t help it. I got to say something. Amen. I got to quit reading quotes once in awhile and say something.

“...I HAVE SAVED YOU, AND YOUR SEED AFTER HIM. AMEN. THAT’S A TYPE OF CALVARY, NOT THE TYPE OF ADAM’S COVENANT; IT’S A ABRAHAMIC COVENANT.” (See?)

“BUT NOW WE HEAR HIM SAY THERE IS ONLY ONE PLACE WHERE HE WILL MEET MAN TO WORSHIP. WE READ IT RIGHT HERE IN MY TEXT. WE’LL REFER TO IT, IN A FEW MINUTES.”

Only one place. So if you want to worship God, you ain’t going to worship Him under the Pentecostal tent, because it don’t exist no more. That one don’t exist. It folded up. He opened another one. So you got to come in under the Seven Thunders. You got to come in under the Revealed Body Word, of the Son of Man, if you’re going to worship God today. That’s the only place that you can find.

“THEN IF THERE’S ONLY ONE PLACE THAT GOD MEETS MAN, WE HAD BETTER BE VERY CAREFUL. (If there’s only one place God meets him.) NOW, LET’S LAY ASIDE OUR TRADITIONS THIS MORNING....”

Now what about that tonight? Let's lay aside our traditions. Huh? What is a tradition? It's something that people act out thinking that it's the Word. See? See? It's a substitute, really, for the Word. Amen. It's a substitute for the Word. See? That's a tradition. See? Jesus called it right, when He told the Pharisees about keeping those traditions instead of the Word of God. You have made these traditions which are of no avail. They won't do nothing for you. Traditions won't do nothing but separate you from God. Amen.

And if you'll study and think about it, you'll see why that the woman has such hold today; it's traditional. Yes sir. The law is on her side. See? Amen. And she knows it. She knows she can take your pants off in court. She knows she can take everything you got. That's right. She knows that. The law is on her side. See? But not God. Not unless you're under that man. No sir. You got to be under him. And if you don't have a husband, you'd better find you a pastor that you can put your confidence in. And if you don't have confidence in your pastor, you'd better find one that you can have confidence in. You hear me? You'd better find one that you can have confidence in, because you ain't going nowhere unless you have somebody that you can confide in. That's right. Amen. Alright. Now I'm saying some things strong, I'm saying it just exactly like I see it. This is the way Brother Branham put it. Alright. Now you watch.

"...BE VERY SURE THAT WE FIND THAT...PLACE. (that place of worship) BECAUSE GOD HAS SAID HERE, HE WILL NOT RECEIVE YOU IN ANY OTHER PLACE. ANY OTHER CHURCH, HE WON'T RECEIVE YOU. ONLY IN HIS CHURCH..."

Where's His church? That's where His presence is. Where is His presence. It's where His Word is. That's the only place you can come and worship. In the place where God's Word is. Alright.

"...THE ONLY PLACE HE'LL RECEIVE YOU."

"NOW, WHAT WOULD YOU SAY... (Why, you'd say), IF I'M SINCERE? NO."

"REMEMBER, JESUS TALKED TO SOME SINCERE PEOPLE, THE WORSHIPPERS OF HIS DAY, AND HE SAID, 'IN VAIN YOU WORSHIP ME.' TRUE, GENUINE WORSHIP FROM THE BOTTOM OF THEIR HEARTS: 'IN VAIN DO YOU WORSHIP ME, TEACHING FOR DOCTRINE THE (traditions of men, the) COMMANDMENTS OF MEN OR THEIR DENOMINATIONAL CREED.' (Very) SINCERE, (but wrong. See?) REVERENTLY, JUST AS RELIGIOUS AS THEY CAN BE, AND THAT WASN'T NEW JUST WITH THE PHARISEES. CAIN... (done the same thing. See? When him) AND ABEL (come)..."

He did the same thing. He offered a sacrifice just like Abel did, but it was of no avail. Because he had no revelation. He wasn't in the Word. See? He wasn't in the Word. So God didn't accept him. No sir. His sacrifice was wrong. It wasn't the right sacrifice. See? So.

"...THE FIRST TWO WORSHIPPERS THAT WAS BORN NATURAL BIRTH (See? What happened? Oh) ABSOLUTELY CAME IN (with) THE SAME ATTITUDE." (Of worship. Amen. Alright.)

Now, I want to go on a little farther. After he received the promised Son... Abraham received the promised son, then he's told to do away with it. Offer him as a sacrifice. See? He believed God, Abraham believed God. And God said, no doubt, He told Satan... Now listen.

"...NO DOUBT, GOD TOLD SATAN, 'I CAN PROVE TO YOU (Now this is on "Victory Day," 1963, in Sierra Vista, Arizona. I can prove to you) HE LOVES ME.' (Satan, I'm going to prove it to you.) 'HE BELIEVES THAT PROMISE BECAUSE I TOLD HIM THAT.' (See? Because I told him. He's depending upon My Word.) SO, HE TOOK HIS OWN SON UP TO THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN, TIED HIS HANDS BEHIND HIM - ...THE DAY GOD SAID SO."

That same day he started, it took him three days to get there, about ninety miles. They traveled about thirty miles a day. Alright.

“LITTLE ISAAC GOT SUSPICIOUS, YOU KNOW. HE SAID (in) (GENESIS 22), HE SAID, ‘FATHER...’”

“HE SAID, ‘HERE AM I, MY SON.’”

(Now) **“...HERE’S THE WOOD (Hey, look.) AND HERE IS THE ALTAR AND EVERYTHING. BUT WHERE IS THE LAMB FOR THE SACRIFICE?...”**

He’s suspicious; he’s about eighteen years old and he’d done everything his father told him. Listen, boys. Don’t outgrow your father’s advice, if he’s a child of God. You get to know too much. You don’t want to listen to nobody. And the first thing you know, you get out there and you find out that it’s not what you thought it was out there. You’ll find that out one day, if you’re a seed of God. So the best thing you can do is to stay close with the seed of God. Amen. Alright. Because that’s where the blessings are. See? So now.

“...HE BEGIN TO FEEL KINDA’ FUNNY. (There was no sacrifice there. And) ...WHAT’S THIS ALL ABOUT? ...WE’VE LEFT OFF SOMETHING, (daddy.)”

“DON’T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE WHAT YOU THINK (that) YOU’VE LEFT OFF. (Watch now) YOU’VE LEFT OFF THE FELLOWSHIP OF EVERYTHING ELSE. (When you have left off the fellowship of everything else but the fellowship of God, you’re getting somewhere then.) WELL, YOU HAVE TO HAVE YOUR CARD PARTIES...”

You know. You got to have these little things. You got to go over to a certain mall, and roam around, young people. What’s over there? What is it over there, that you go for? Would you tell me? Come on, now tell me. Is it? What would put in your mind, to go way off over there somewhere to some mall, and romp around, and look at them naked women and everything over there? Huh? See? I mean, is there any good in it? I’m talking to you children. I’m talking to you. You may not listen to me, but I’ll be gone one day and you’ll go back and listen to these words, and say, “He told us.” You watch and see. Amen.

“...YOU HAVE TO DO THIS...”

You know. you see, I’ve got to go watch a ballgame. I’ve got to go watch a race. I’ve got to go do this. I got to do that. While you’re doing that, you know what you could be doing? You could be getting closer to God. Amen. You’re not going to get closer to God watching Rusty Wallace risk his life, around that racetrack. You’re not going to get closer to God watching that man hit another homerun. You’re not going to get closer to God doing that. You’ll get closer to God in His Word. In His Word, is where you’ll get close. And that’s not in His Word.! Do you want Him? Then you’re going to come on His terms. Not on yours. Amen. You’re going to come on His terms. Alright? Amen. Oh boy! I mean, it’s close, ain’t it? Alright. Watch now. “You ain’t left off nothing,” he said. Brother Branham said:

“...YOU AIN’T LEFT OFF NOTHING. GO ON, OBEY THE WORD (SEE?) (Obey the Word;) THAT’S ALL. JUST OBEY THE WORD. YOU AIN’T LEFT OFF NOTHING. JUST OBEY THE WORD.”

“HE SAID, ‘GOD SAID, “TAKE HIM UP HERE,” (Well,) HE’D GET UP HERE, ON TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN, (now, and) I’M SUPPOSED TO DO SOMETHING (up here.) WHEN I THERE I’LL DO IT.” (When I get there.) SO HE GOT UP THERE, AND TIED HIS HANDS, (He) LAID HIM UPON THE ALTAR, LIKE THAT. ISAAC NEVER MURMURED...”

Whew! 18, 20 years old. Never said a word, except, "Daddy, where's he at? Where's the sacrifice?" Why, he knew by now, that he must be that. Because he'd done bound his hands, and put him on the pile of wood, on the altar. So he figured out, Brother David, "I must be that one. I must be the lamb that he's going to offer." Amen. And he meant to do it. He was obedient to his father. Right there.

"...OBEDIENT. (Amen.) ...TYPE OF CHRIST..."

Now what kind of life do you have in you? Are you going to stay with me tonight? I've got some so good of quotes. I want you to stay with me tonight. Amen.

"...THEN WHEN HE PULLED THE KNIFE FROM (the) SCABBARD, AND PULLED HIS HAIR BACK OUT OF HIS FACE TO TAKE HIS LIFE, THAT WAS ABRAHAM'S V-DAY..."

When the angel of the Lord spoke, and said, "Abraham." He said, "here I am." "Stay your hand, boy. Look over there." Jehovah Jireh come on the scene. He said, "There is a little fellow over there waiting. Cut the strings. Loose the boy. You would have done it. And I know you would have done it. Amen. But you don't have to do it, Abraham. You have stood the test. Amen. You've stood the test." Oh, my. God help us. I hope some day He can say, "Boy you've stood the test." I want to hear that. "You've stood it." Amen. I don't want to fail, do you? No sir, I don't want to fail. If I fail in one thing, you see I'm guilty. He might take me some places that I would rather go another way. But you see, that's not my thinking. That's His. See?

I have no way of telling people whether they're called to the ministry or not. They know themselves. They know that. When God calls a man... I had a man here a few years ago, to come and tell me. Said, "Brother Holmes," he said, "I feel that my call is greater than a trustee's. I feel that my call is to be a deacon." I said, "Brother, if you feel that way..." And I prayed with him. If you feel that way, brother, then you need to be a deacon. If a man comes to me and tells me, "I got a call in my life," then what am I supposed to do as a pastor? Am I supposed to say, "You ain't got that call?" No. I'm supposed to say, "Listen, brother, I'll stand behind you with everything I've got. Everything. My prayers and everything. I'll stand with you brother, because it's between you and God." Amen. You see what I'm saying? Alright. So, be careful sometimes, alright? Now let's go on, now. And, alright. I mean - hey, there's so much. Watch now. On "The Token". Huh... Now this is the thing. On "The Token", at Shreveport, Brother Branham said:

"ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS IMPUTED UNTO HIM FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS. (And this is the first time I've read this from the quotes. And) THEN GOD GAVE HIM THE SEAL OF CIRCUMCISION AS A TOKEN THAT HE HAD RECEIVED HIS FAITH. THERE IS THE GOSPEL."

See? Just saying that you believe God, is not enough. You've got to have something to identify that. See? Alright.

"NOW, WHEN WE CLAIM THAT WE BELIEVE GOD, THEN GOD WILL IDENTIFY OUR FAITH BY GIVING US THE TOKEN OF THE BLOOD OF JESUS, (and) THAT (finishes) THE WORK FOR US AT CALVARY; THEN OUR LIFE IS IN HIS. THE LIFE OF OUR SACRIFICE (then) IS IN US." (The life of our sacrifice then is in us.)

"IT COULDN'T COME BY THE CHEMICAL BLOOD OF THE LAMB, BECAUSE THERE WAS NOTHING THERE TO COME BACK; (it was) JUST A CHEMISTRY. YOU COULDN'T TRANSFER THE BLOOD INTO (a) HUMAN BEING. IT WON'T WORK, AN ANIMAL BLOOD WON'T GO INTO A HUMAN'S BLOOD. SO THE CHEMICALS WOULDN'T WORK, SHOWING (that) IT WAS THE FORESHADOW." (See? The foreshadow. Alright. Still on the token.)

"BUT NOW, THE LIFE THAT WAS IN THE BLOOD BECOMES THE TOKEN..."

The life that was in the blood becomes the Token. Brother Branham said, "Circumcision was that token, that to God that Abraham had accepted the faith." See? And then that circumcision; it showed that him and God had agreed. They had sealed the covenant. Alright.

"...AND NOW, WHEN WE IDENTIFY OURSELVES IN HIS DEATH, BURIAL, AND RESURRECTION BY BELIEVING ON HIM AND BEING BAPTIZED UNTO HIS DEATH, (unto His) BURIAL, (unto His) RESURRECTION... WHEN WE RISE UP, THE HOLY SPIRIT IS THERE TO GIVE US A TOKEN, A ETERNAL TOKEN WRITTEN ACROSS YOUR HEART, SOUL, MAKEUP, MIND, BODY, EVERYTHING ELSE, THAT YOU ARE A SEPARATED PERSON FROM UNBELIEF..."

Amen. Don't sound so bad when he says it, does it? You know better than to kick against that, don't you? Amen. Alright. Now.

"...YOU'RE A SEPARATED PERSON FROM THE THINGS OF THE WORLD. YOU ARE SEPARATED FROM DEATH. YOU ARE SEPARATED FROM EVERYTHING. AND YOU ARE A PRODUCT THAT GOD HAS SEALED INTO THE KINGDOM BY HIS HOLY SPIRIT."

Amen. Oh my! I got to go on a little bit. Alright. On the "Patriarch Abraham," in Bakersfield, California.

"WE FIND OUT AT TWENTY-FIVE YEARS LATER, (now) NO CHILDREN..." (God had give him a promise. So now, little Isaac come.)

"THEN AFTER LITTLE ISAAC HAD COME ON THE SCENE, THEN WE FIND OUT THAT GOD GAVE HIM A DOUBLE TEST. HE SAID,... (now) AFTER BEING NOW ABOUT A HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN YEARS OLD OR TWENTY, ABRAHAM WAS, HE SAID, 'NOW, I WANT YOU TO TAKE THIS, YOUR ONLY SON, AND TAKE HIM UP TO THE MOUNTAIN (there) THAT (I've shown) YOU, AND THERE OFFER HIM ON (the) MOUNTAIN FOR A SACRIFICE.' IN OTHER WORDS, DESTROY EVERY EVIDENCE THAT HE HAD THAT THE PROMISE WOULD BE FULFILLED..."
(That he would be the father of many nations.)

Go and destroy the evidence of it. Amen. That's what He told him to do. Well, here he went.

"...ABRAHAM SAID, 'I RECEIVED HIM AS ONE FROM THE DEAD, (I received him as one from the dead.) AND I'M FULLY PERSUADED THAT HE IS ABLE TO RAISE HIM UP FROM THE DEAD."

Amen. He didn't die. I believe that He'll raise him up from the dead, and my son and I is going over here on this hill to worship. And we'll be back. We're coming back down that hill. Amen.

"THAT'S THE PEOPLE NOW, THE SEED OF ABRAHAM, (Uh oh! That's the seed of Abraham) BECAUSE HE RAISED US FROM THE DEAD. WE WERE DEAD IN SIN AND TRESPASSES, AND HE WHO IS ABLE TO CHANGE MY MIND, CHANGE MY THOUGHTS, CHANGE MY NATURE, (He's able to do that.) CHANGE ME ALL OVER, HE CAN DO AS HE PLEASES. WHATEVER HE SAYS, I BELIEVE IT'S THE TRUTH, AND EVERY SEED OF ABRAHAM BELIEVES THE SAME THING."

Whew! Amen. That's right. I get to searching that sometimes, Brother Gerald, and I say, "Lord, do I believe it all? Am I a seed? Do I believe everything that You said in there? If I don't, Lord, pull me in line now. Show me what it is. Take that wrinkle out. I don't want it. I want to see0 clearly." See? I want to look in this looking glass, and I want to see my reflection, Brother John. I want to see me in there. In that Word. I want to see me, Brother Kenan, in that Word. I want to see me, Brother T.B., in the Word. Amen. If He said, "Do this," I want to see me doing that. See? Amen. Alright.

Prophets was usually herdsmen, you know, and they dressed in sheepskins... And I going to turn on over here now. I've got to get over to another thing here, and then, I'm trying to pull it together now, so I'm skipping two pages of quotes, and I'm going over here on "Abraham And His Seed," in 1961. Now, I... I read a quote from that awhile ago. That's in Bloomington, Illinois. I read a quote from it awhile. I'm going to read another one now.

"NOW, WHAT DID HE SAY TO ABRAHAM, "YOU'RE (an) OLD MAN, A HUNDRED YEARS OLD. YOU ARE NINETY ...NINE. BUT I AM EL-SHADDAI; (See? "I'm El-Shaddai.") I AM THE BREASTED ONE."

"...WE PASSED THE FIRST JUNCTION, JUSTIFICATION: (then we come to) ...SANCTIFICATION. NOW REMEMBER, THAT WAS THINGS OF GOD (that) PROMISED AND DID TO ABRAHAM, BUT HERE HE SAID, 'I'M THE BREASTED GOD. NOW, YOU'RE OLD, ABRAHAM. YOU'RE A HUNDRED YEARS OLD, BUT TO ME YOU'RE NO MORE THAN A BABY. (See? 'Cause you're in my hands, Abraham. You're just like a baby. Amen.) SO I'LL GIVE YOU A PROMISE, AND I AM THE BREASTED GOD. (EL-Shaddai.) I AM THE STRONG ONE. LEAN UPON MY BOSOM NOW AND NURSE FROM ME MY STRENGTH INTO YOUR WEAK BODY..."

That's the thing. Nurse from this Word, this Message of the hour. Strength into you. You ain't got time to talk about people. You ain't got time to gossip on the phone. You don't have time to do that. Amen. You... hey, if you got a... a little time, you got to run off in there, say, "Lord, what i... show me something. Amen. If you got to talk about something, talk about Him. Talk about the Message. Right. I had a visitor the other night. A brother come over, and we sit there and talked 'til after ten o'clock. I mean... what about? The Word. Amen. The Word. And it was so enjoyable. See? Amen. Oh my.

"...GETTING HIM READY FOR THE MIRACLE..."

Now. He said, "Now you don't have the strength Abraham, but I got it. See? You don't have the power to transform your life. You don't have the power to change this old body from mortal to immortality. But I've got the strength. You just pull, just keep pulling from Me. Keep pulling from Me. I'll give it to you. I'll give it to you. I'm still the El-Shaddai. I'll give you the strength to call that change one day." Amen. Could He talk like that today? Oh my! Alright. See? Watch.

"...THAT'S WHAT HE DONE TO THE PENTECOSTALS AFTER WESLEY AGE. HE LET THE PENTECOSTALS NURSE HIS OWN STRENGTH, HIS OWN HOLY SPIRIT AS A BAPTISM, BACK INTO THEIR WEAK BODIES TO GIVE THEM FAITH FOR THE RAPTURE, TO GIVE THEM (forth) FAITH FOR MIRACLES. 'I'M EL-SHADDAI.'"

"WHAT HE DID TO ABRAHAM AND TO HIS SEED AFTER HIM... WATCH, (now) BELIEVING CONFIRMATION, BLOOD COVENANT, NOW INJECTING HIMSELF, HIS STRENGTH INTO HIS PEOPLE."

See? "You can't do it, but I can. Abraham, you can't do it, there's no way, but I can. I've swore by Myself. I can do it." Amen. Alright. Now. "The Token." Jeffersonville.

"I'LL BE LIKE THE MESSENGERS AT JERICHO. I'LL GO TO EVERY PERSON THAT I CAN, AND SEE IF I CAN GET THEM TO COME UNDER THE BLOOD COVENANT. (See? Can we do that? Do we do that?) UNDER THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB. THAT THEY MIGHT RECEIVE THE TOKEN. SEE?"

"THE BLOOD CLEANSSES. THE SPIRIT IS A TOKEN THAT THE BLOOD HAS BEEN APPLIED. SEE?..."

Circumcision was a token that the covenant had been made. See? See? The covenant had already been made; given. Circumcision was a token that God had received Abraham's faith in it. Amen. Watch now. So here it is.

"...THE SPIRIT (of God) IS A TOKEN THAT THE BLOOD HAS BEEN APPLIED. (That you believe God. That you believe the Word. Amen.) SEE? THE SPIRIT IS A TOKEN THAT THE BLOOD HAS BEEN APPLIED. UNTIL THE BLOOD IS APPLIED, THE SPIRIT CANNOT COME. BUT WHEN THE BLOOD IS APPLIED, THEN THE SPIRIT IS A TOKEN. (It is) SENT BACK TO YOU. THAT YOUR FAITH IN THE BLOOD HAS BEEN ACCEPTED. YOUR FARE (has been) PAID. YOUR FARE IS PAID; IT'S ALL OVER. THE CASE IS CLOSED. YOU'RE A CHRISTIAN. YOU'RE A BELIEVER. CHRIST IS IN YOU. AND YOU ARE IN CHRIST." (Amen. No more going around doing the things of the world. See?)

"...FIRST LOVED ME; "AND PURCHASED MY SALVATION, "ON CALVARY'S TREE."

Alright. Bakersfield, California. I'm coming down close, now. I'm going to try to get you out by nine if I can. Alright. Watch now.

"AND WHEN WE CAN DISPLAY THE TOKEN OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, (it) SHOWS THAT WE HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED IN CHRIST..."

Now what is the Holy Spirit going to act like? Huh? See? Vaunteth not himself. Not easily puffed up. If you make a mistake, you're ready to make a correction right fast. You've got to do it; you cannot wait. If you wait, it's too late. Amen. Watch.

"...AND THAT IS OUR TOKEN THAT ALL THAT WE HAVE NEED OF IS ALREADY PURCHASED BY HIM. (Everything we have need of; it's already there.) WE ARE IDENTIFIED WITH OUR TOKEN. THE TOKEN MUST BE READY."

"THE BLOOD COVENANT, BLOOD IS NOT RECOGNIZED WITHOUT THE TOKEN. THE WORD ASSURES US OF THE PROMISE. THE TOKEN IS A SIGN (that) THE PURCHASE HAS BEEN MADE FOR US."

"FULL OBEDIENCE TO THE FULL WORD. (Full obedience to the full Word) OF GOD ENTITLES US TO THE TOKEN..."

Full obedience. Not saying, "I believe it," and then when it comes, kick out of the harness. Full obedience to the Word. The full Word entitles us to the Token.

"...NO OTHER WAY IS THERE THAT YOU CAN EVER BE ENTITLED TO THE TOKEN UNTIL YOU FULLY OBEY THE WORD. NOT WHAT SOMEBODY (else) PUT INTO IT, AND ADDED TO IT," (and put what somebody else said about it. No sir, it's what the Word says.)

Now, still on that message from Bakersfield, California. And that's where I'm going to wind up. Alright.

"WHEN HE SAID, 'YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN'..."

When He said, Jesus said. The first doctrine that He preached was what? The new birth. You must be borned again. Alright.

"...THAT DON'T MEAN JUMP UP-AND-DOWN AT THE ALTAR. (That's not what it means. Alright.) THAT DON'T MEAN WALK BACK THERE, AND SHAKE HANDS WITH THE PASTOR. (No sir.) THAT DON'T MEAN ALL (of) THIS FOOLISHNESS THAT WE'VE SEEN DONE (today). IT DON'T MEAN PUTTING YOUR NAME ON A CHURCH BOOK. (No sir.) IT MEANS DEATH TO YOUR

FIRST BEING, AND LIFE TO THE SECOND BEING.(whew!) IT MEANS DEATH TO THE OLD SOUL, AND LIFE TO THE NEW SOUL. (Right) ...THAT THE BLOOD HAS BEEN APPLIED, YOU ARE IDENTIFIED BY THE LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST. AND IF HE BE THE VINE, AND WE BE THE BRANCHES, THE LIFE THAT'S IN THE BRANCH ALSO (comes) FROM THE VINE. (And) IT'LL BEAR THE (same) FRUIT."

You will never go and see a grapevine with fifteen branches on it, and one of them bearing one kind of fruit; and another one bearing another kind, if they all came out from the vine. Every one of them is bearing grapes. Every Holy Ghost filled person tonight, believes all of the Word, the full Word, or they don't get it. That's what I just read. He said, the full obedience to the full Word of God, entitles you to the token and nothing else. Amen. Alright. Now. So, if you're looking for fruit, you're going to find it, if you find the vine. If you find the vine, every branch on that vine is going to bear the same fruit. Amen. What's the vine? The Word. Alright.

"IF THAT FIRST BRANCH COME FORTH, THAT BRANCH OUT OF THAT VINE THAT WROTE A BOOK OF ACTS BEHIND IT, IF THAT BRANCH EVER PUTS FORTH A VINE PUTS FORTH ANOTHER BRANCH, THEY'LL WRITE ANOTHER BOOK OF ACTS BEHIND IT, (because) IT'S THE SAME LIFE. IF ONE OF YOUR GRAPE VINES OUT HERE BRINGS FORTH BLUE GRAPES, IF IT PUTS FORTH ANOTHER BRANCH IT (will) BRING FORTH BLUE GRAPES."

Amen. And if God ever takes another one in, he's going to believe the same thing. Amen. If He takes another one in, he's going to believe the same thing, he's going to believe the Word. Amen. Alright. Now watch. Now.

"I TELL YOU, TODAY WE GOT SO MANY GRAFTED VINES INTO IT, WITH DENOMINATIONS, AND CREEDS, AND THINGS. AND YET ANY CITRUS FRUIT GRAFTED IN CAN LIVE; (it can) LIVE IN THAT VINE. BUT IT'S BEARING THE WRONG FRUIT." (See? Bearing the wrong fruit.) "WHAT WE NEED TODAY IS ANOTHER BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT..."

And when I read this, I said, "Amen!" That's right, brother. We need another dying. We need another consecration. Separation. Amen. And get into a deeper revelation. Amen. Not mentally.

"...AND HAVE THE REAL POWER OF GOD THAT IDENTIFIES THE WORKS THAT JESUS CHRIST PROMISED FOR THIS DAY, NOT SO MUCH AS THAT DAY, (but) THIS DAY, THE PROMISE THAT HE MADE HERE..."

Now. For this day. is what we need to get into; we need to get into that.

"...THAT'S WHAT HE PROMISED THERE, HE (would) POUR OUT HIS SPIRIT. NOW HE'S PROMISED IT AGAIN IN (this) LAST DAYS, AND WHAT HE (will) DO."

"STRANGE THAT WE CAN ALWAYS LOOK BACK. (But we can't see never, in other words, but we never can, never... He said, the way of people is; they) GLORIFY GOD FOR WHAT HE (has done), PRAISING HIM FOR WHAT HE'S GOING TO DO, AND IGNORING WHAT HE'S DOING." (See? Ignoring what He's doing. That's what we need to do; is to see what He's doing.)

"FULL OBEDIENCE..."

Here it is again. The same thing he said on the Token, in Jeffersonville; he's saying it again in Bakersfield, California.

"FULL OBEDIENCE TO THE WORD BRINGS GOD, THE WORD ETERNAL IN YOU. (Full obedience to the Word brings God, the Word in you. Eternal Word.) AND THAT IS THE TOKEN. (And) WHEN THE WORD IS IN YOU, IT'S CHRIST IN YOU."

“NOW, NOTICE. THEN WHEN WE PRAY, IF WE HAVE THE TOKEN... AND WHEN WE PRAY WE HAVE THE TOKEN, (if the Token is present) OUR TOKEN WITH OUR PRAYER. , IF YOU’RE SICK, IF YOU’RE A SINNER, IF YOU’RE IN NEED, WHEN YOU HAVE THE TOKEN YOU HAVE A RIGHT. IF I HAD THE TOKEN TO A BUS LINE IN MY HAND, THEY CAN’T KEEP ME OFF OF THAT BUS...”

See? If I’ve got the Token, I paid the price. I’m going to ride the bus. See? Alright. Now, I’ve paid my money.

“...AND I HAVE THE TOKEN. IN THIS CASE I COULD NOT PAY MY PRICE; (in this case we couldn’t pay it.) We’ve already went through that. Back there. Alright.) YOU COULD NOT PAY IT. (Alright. So then what happened?) HE PAID IT FOR US AND (He) GIVE US THE TOKEN. AMEN. I HAVE A RIGHT TO DIVINE HEALING. (Yes sir. I have a right to divine healing.) JESUS CHRIST DIED THAT I COULD HAVE DIVINE HEALING. (That’s my right. That’s my God-given right.) I HAVE A RIGHT TO CLAIM EVERY PROMISE IN THAT BOOK. WHEN WILL YOU GET IT? WHEN YOU HAVE THE TOKEN, AND PRESENT THE TOKEN WITH YOUR PRAYER. IF YOU HAVEN’T GOT IT, THE SIGN OF THE FULL OBEDIENCE THE FARE IS PAID...”

“PAUL TELLS US THE BLOOD SPEAKS. BLOOD SPEAKS, DID WE... (See? did you hear that? Alright.) DOES THE BLOOD SPEAK, CAN IT SPEAK, THAT TOKEN SPEAKS? YES, SIR.”

Amen. That token speaks. Like I said to you the other day, The Holy Spirit begins to make utterances of things that you don’t even have no idea that you have need of. You don’t even know that you’re in trouble out there somewhere. The Holy Spirit knows it. Amen. And He intercedes for you, and protects you. Amen. Just like Brother Lanny, going up the road the other day, and the full force of that truck, or whatever hit him, hit the trailer. It could have hit right in your side. The Holy Spirit must have made some kind of intercession for you brother. Amen. Something happened, didn’t it? It could have just as well hit him right in the side. Amen. You can think of incidences that happen. And you can see how close; and you can see... that it’s not... you didn’t even know nothing about it. He didn’t know that was going to happen; God knew it was going to happen. Amen. Alright. Now.

“...IT SPEAKS PLAIN. IT TELLS US THAT THE TIME IS HERE, WHEN WE SEE IT. (Now if) IT SAID IT WOULD SAY IT. AND THEN WE SEE IT COME BACK AND IDENTIFY WHAT IT SAID... (Then) THERE IS NOTHING ELSE LEFT BUT TO BELIEVE IT. THAT’S RIGHT...”

As I was witnessing to a man the other day, and he looked at me and he said, “That’s really something.” I said, “Brother, listen to me.” He was talking to me about Christmas. He said to my little girl; he said, “Was Christmas good to you?” And she said, “We don’t believe in Christmas.” And he looked at me. He said, “What did she say?” I said, “She’s not saying it exactly right. I said, we believe in Christmas. We believe that Christ was born. We believe in Christ. But we don’t believe that He was born on the 25th day of December.” So that opened the door for a good discussion See? And so I witnessed, and I told him. I told him about the things that I saw. The witness, Brother Kenan, of the things that I saw, from that prophet. And I said, “I gave you a church age book two years ago. Have you read it? “ He dropped his head; tears in his eyes. He said. “I haven’t read all of it.” I said, “If you read all of it, you’ll see where these creeds and things have changed so much.” Amen. And when I left, tears was in his eyes. He followed me plum out the door. He said, “Come back; come back.” Amen.

Bobby Tillman. He’s got the sweetest spirit about him. Amen. I really love that boy. And I tell you, I go over to see him every once in awhile, and I have a talk with him. And you know, he told Brother Glenn, he said, “You... you tell your pastor...” He said, “When he come in here”, he said, “my business was so down”, and he said, “I told him”, he said, he calls me Charles. He said, “Charles, remember me,” he said, “my business is so down.” He said, “I’m not doing nothing.” I said, “I’ll pray

for you.” And I come out, and I did. And so, Brother Glenn went over there, what, six months later or something like that? He said, “You go tell your pastor to keep on praying.” He said, “Ever since he left from here,” said, “my business has been booming.” Amen. But you see? There’s something in that boy. There’s something in there, brother. Amen. You see, God knows them that’s His.

“BELIEVE FOR (your) SELF AND APPLY THE TOKEN, BRETHREN. LISTEN. BELIEVE FOR YOURSELF AND APPLY THE TOKEN...”

I’m closing now. Come on sister. I appreciate everyone of you. Listen. You’ve been exceptionally good tonight. You’ve... (unclear words) ... one time. But absorb it a little at the time. And God’ll bless your soul. Amen. He’ll bless you with joy unspeakable and full of glory. Amen. Alright. “Come unto Me and I’ll give you rest. If you’ve got any problems, come to the El Shaddai. Amen. Come to the Breasted One. Crawl up in His lap, and say, “feed me” ‘til I want no more. Amen.

Congregation sings, “Come Unto Me”.

Listen, young boys. Listen to me. You heard what I said. If you’re roaming around some Sunday evening, and you don’t have no where to go, and you don’t know what to do, come over to my house. Amen. Come over there and pay me a visit. And I’ll tell you what. We’ll just sit down there and talk about the good things of God. Amen. And it’ll do you much better than running around out here, and not knowing what... Amen. You know. And it’s not going to satisfy you. Amen. Just come on over. Amen. Oh my! One more time. “Come unto Me” Brother John, I want you to come down here and dismiss us, tonight.

(Brother John closes service in prayer.)

Listed below are the Scripture and Quotes that were taken from the Message of our Prophet for the basis of this sermon.

GENESIS 17:1 - AND WHEN ABRAM WAS NINETY YEARS OLD AND NINE, THE LORD APPEARED TO ABRAM, AND SAID UNTO HIM, I [AM] THE ALMIGHTY GOD; WALK BEFORE ME, AND BE THOU PERFECT.

GENESIS 17:2 - AND I WILL MAKE MY COVENANT BETWEEN ME AND THEE, AND WILL MULTIPLY THEE EXCEEDINGLY.

GENESIS 17:3 - AND ABRAM FELL ON HIS FACE: AND GOD TALKED WITH HIM, SAYING,

GENESIS 17:4 - AS FOR ME, BEHOLD, MY COVENANT [IS] WITH THEE, AND THOU SHALT BE A FATHER OF MANY NATIONS.

GENESIS 17:5 - NEITHER SHALL THY NAME ANY MORE BE CALLED ABRAM, BUT THY NAME SHALL BE ABRAHAM; FOR A FATHER OF MANY NATIONS HAVE I MADE THEE.

GENESIS 17:6 - AND I WILL MAKE THEE EXCEEDING FRUITFUL, AND I WILL MAKE NATIONS OF THEE, AND KINGS SHALL COME OUT OF THEE.

GENESIS 17:7 - AND I WILL ESTABLISH MY COVENANT BETWEEN ME AND THEE AND THY SEED AFTER THEE IN THEIR GENERATIONS FOR AN EVERLASTING COVENANT, TO BE A GOD UNTO THEE, AND TO THY SEED AFTER

GENESIS 17:8 - AND I WILL GIVE UNTO THEE, AND TO THY SEED AFTER THEE, THE LAND WHEREIN THOU ART A STRANGER, ALL THE LAND OF CANAAN, FOR AN EVERLASTING POSSESSION; AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD.

GENESIS 17:9 - AND GOD SAID UNTO ABRAHAM, THOU SHALT KEEP MY COVENANT THEREFORE, THOU, AND THY SEED AFTER THEE IN THEIR GENERATIONS.

GENESIS 17:10 - THIS IS MY COVENANT, WHICH YE SHALL KEEP, BETWEEN ME AND YOU AND THY SEED AFTER THEE; EVERY MAN CHILD AMONG YOU SHALL BE CIRCUMCISED.

GENESIS 17:11 - AND YE SHALL CIRCUMCISE THE FLESH OF YOUR FORESKIN; AND IT SHALL BE A TOKEN OF THE COVENANT BETWIXT ME AND YOU.

GENESIS 17:12 - AND HE THAT IS EIGHT DAYS OLD SHALL BE CIRCUMCISED AMONG YOU, EVERY MAN CHILD IN YOUR GENERATIONS, HE THAT IS BORN IN THE HOUSE, OR BOUGHT WITH MONEY OF ANY STRANGER, WHICH IS NOT OF THY SEED.

GENESIS 17:13 - HE THAT IS BORN IN THY HOUSE, AND HE THAT IS BOUGHT WITH THY MONEY, MUST NEEDS BE CIRCUMCISED: AND MY COVENANT SHALL BE IN YOUR FLESH FOR AN EVERLASTING COVENANT.

GENESIS 17:14 - AND THE UNCIRCUMCISED MAN CHILD WHOSE FLESH OF HIS FORESKIN IS NOT CIRCUMCISED, THAT SOUL SHALL BE CUT OFF FROM HIS PEOPLE; HE HATH BROKEN MY COVENANT.

GENESIS 22:1 - AND IT CAME TO PASS AFTER THESE THINGS, THAT GOD DID TEMPT ABRAHAM, AND SAID UNTO HIM, ABRAHAM: AND HE SAID, BEHOLD, [HERE] I [AM].

GENESIS 22:2 - AND HE SAID, TAKE NOW THY SON, THINE ONLY [SON] ISAAC, WHOM THOU LOVEST, AND GET THEE INTO THE LAND OF MORIAH; AND OFFER HIM THERE FOR A BURNT OFFERING UPON ONE OF THE MOUNTAINS WHICH I WILL TELL THEE OF.

GENESIS 15:1 - AFTER THESE THINGS THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME UNTO ABRAM IN A VISION, SAYING, FEAR NOT, ABRAM: I [AM] THY SHIELD, [AND] THY EXCEEDING GREAT REWARD.

GENESIS 15:2 - AND ABRAM SAID, LORD GOD, WHAT WILT THOU GIVE ME, SEEING I GO CHILDLESS, AND THE STEWARD OF MY HOUSE [IS] THIS ELIEZER OF DAMASCUS?

GENESIS 15:3 - AND ABRAM SAID, BEHOLD, TO ME THOU HAST GIVEN NO SEED: AND, LO, ONE BORN IN MY HOUSE IS MINE HEIR.

GENESIS 15:4 - AND, BEHOLD, THE WORD OF THE LORD [CAME] UNTO HIM, SAYING, THIS SHALL NOT BE THINE HEIR; BUT HE THAT SHALL COME FORTH OUT OF THINE OWN BOWELS SHALL BE THINE HEIR.

GENESIS 15:5 - AND HE BROUGHT HIM FORTH ABROAD, AND SAID, LOOK NOW TOWARD HEAVEN, AND TELL THE STARS, IF THOU BE ABLE TO NUMBER THEM: AND HE SAID UNTO HIM, SO SHALL THY SEED BE.

GENESIS 15:6 - AND HE BELIEVED IN THE LORD; AND HE COUNTED IT TO HIM FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

HE SWORE BY HIMSELF JEFF. IN V-26 N-11 SUNDAY 54-1212'85 - NOW, OH, THIS MAY KIND OF ROOT UP, AND PULL UP, AND SHOVE OUT, AND TAKE OUT, BUT LET'S LOOK IT RIGHT SMACK IN THE FACE AND SEE WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE.
IF NECESSARY, WE CAN GO BACK AND PICK UP THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT THAT GOD MADE WITH HIM, AND HOW THAT GOD SWORE BY HIMSELF. ANYBODY EVER KNOW WHERE

GOD EVER SWORE BY HIMSELF? LET'S TURN NOW; THAT'S GENESIS THE 22ND CHAPTER, I BELIEVE, AND ABOUT 16. LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT GENESIS THE 22ND CHAPTER AND THE 16TH VERSE, AND WE'LL SEE HERE WHERE GOD SWORE BY HIM--HIMSELF. ALL RIGHT, I BELIEVE THIS IS IT NOW, IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, RIGHT TO THE PLACE, 22ND, 16. YES. LOOK, 15TH VERSE.

AND THE ANGEL OF THE LORD CALLED UNTO HIM ABRAHAM OUT OF THE HEAVEN THE SECOND TIME,

AND SAID, BY MYSELF HAVE I SWORN, SAITH THE LORD, BECAUSE THOU HAST DONE THIS THING, AND HAST NOT WITHHELD THINE ONLY SON:

THAT IN BLESSING I WILL BLESS THEE, AND IN MULTIPLYING I'LL MULTIPLY THEE, THY SEED SHALL BE AS THE STARS OF THE HEAVEN, AND AS THE SANDS UPON THE SEA SHORE; AND THY SEED SHALL POSSESS THE GATES OF HIS ENEMIES;

GOD SAID, "ABRAHAM, BECAUSE YOU'VE DID THIS, NOT WHAT SOMEBODY ELSE WILL DO, BUT BECAUSE YOU HAVE DID THIS. BY FAITH YOU WALKED, AND I'VE HONOR THAT THING THERE, NOT HONOR WORKS ANYMORE; I'LL NOT HONOR THIS. I'LL HONOR FAITH. AND BECAUSE YOU DID THIS WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT WOULD BE THE OUTCOME, I'VE SAVED YOU. I'LL SAVE YOUR SEED. I'LL TAKE AN OATH BY MYSELF." AMEN. "AND YOUR SEED SHALL POSSESS THE GATES OF THEIR ENEMY." AMEN. THAT SETTLES IT TO ME. THAT'S JUST... THAT--THAT'S ALL THAT HAS TO BE DONE.

ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED BLOOMINGTON.IL SUNDAY 61-0416"E-32 - WHEN WE KNOW THIS, THAT THE ONLY THING WE HAVE TO DO TO INHERIT ANY OF GOD'S PROMISES IS TO STAY PUT ON GOD'S WORD, LET NOTHING SHAKE YOU FROM IT...

NOW NOTICE, HE PERFECTLY TYPED ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED AFTER HIM. AND I'M GOING TO FOLLOW THE JUNCTIONS OF ABRAHAM'S LIFE, AND THEN FOLLOW THE JUNCTIONS OF ABRAHAM'S SEED, AND SEE IF GOD KEPT HIS WORD LETTER-BY-LETTER.

NOW, ABRAHAM WE KNOW THAT THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY THAT WE CAN BE SAVED AND THAT IS BEING IN THE COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM, BECAUSE IT WAS MADE TO ABRAHAM. BUT THE BIBLE SAID, "WE BEING IN CHRIST, WE BEING DEAD IN CHRIST TAKE ON ABRAHAM'S SEED AND ARE HEIRS WITH ABRAHAM." IS THAT RIGHT? NOW, CHRIST IS THE ROYAL SEED OF ABRAHAM. OUT OF ABRAHAM COME ISAAC, OUT OF ISAAC COME JACOB, OUT OF JACOB COME JOSEPH, OUT OF JOSEPH, SO FORTH ON DOWN, DAVID, DAVID ON--ON, SO-AND-SO, TILL FINALLY THE ROYAL SEED WAS BORN WHICH WAS CHRIST, AND IN CHRIST MADE ABRAHAM, THE FATHER OF ALL NATIONS. AND THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT IS CONFIRMED TO THE PEOPLE UN--OR GIVEN TO THE PEOPLE UNCONDITIONALLY.

E-33 - NOW, YOU READ NOW IN THE 12TH CHAPTER, HE MADE THE COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM UNCONDITIONALLY. HE CALLED ABRAHAM. I HEARD PEOPLE SAY, "I'VE SOUGHT GOD, AND I'VE SOUGHT GOD, AND I'VE SOUGHT GOD." YOU'RE MISTAKEN. GOD SOUGHT YOU, AND SOUGHT YOU, AND SOUGHT YOU. IT WASN'T YOU SEEKING GOD; IT'S GOD SEEKING YOU. WHY, THE VERY BEGINNING PROVED IT. ADAM, IT OUGHT TO HAVE BEEN ADAM HOLLERING, "FATHER, FATHER WHERE ARE YOU? I'VE SINNED, I'VE SINNED, FATHER."

BUT IT WAS GOD SAYING, "ADAM, ADAM, WHERE ART THOU?" SEE? SO IT'S ALWAYS... COULD YOU GO OUT AND TELL A PIG THAT HE'S WRONG BECAUSE HE'S EATING SLOP? WOULD HE BELIEVE IT? NO, SIR. HE'D TELL YOU, "TEND TO HIS OWN BUSINESS." AND THAT'S THE WAY WITH THE SINNER. YOU CAN'T TELL HIM NOTHING. HE WON'T LISTEN TO YOU. HE WON'T EVEN SIT IN CHURCH FIVE MINUTES TO LISTEN AT YOU. HE'S A PIG TO BEGIN WITH. HE A SCAVENGER, A VULTURE; THAT'S HIS NATURE. SEE? SO YOU--YOU CAN'T TELL HIM NOTHING, BECAUSE THAT'S JUST WHAT HE IS. HE'S A VULTURE. HE CAN'T FEED ON GOOD THINGS.

JEHOVAH JIREH PT.1 GRASS VALLEY CA JJ 37-72 THURSDAY 62-0705"39 - NOW, THERE HAD BEEN TWO COVENANTS. ONE OF THEM WAS THE ADAM COVENANT. GOD MADE A COVENANT WITH THE MAN, "IF YOU WILL, I WILL." AND HE BROKE IT. THEN GOD MADE A COVENANT WITH NOAH; THAT WAS THE NOAH COVENANT, AND IT WAS BROKE.

NOW, HE'S MAKING THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT. AND THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT, ACCORDING TO GENESIS THE 12TH CHAPTER, IT WAS GIVEN UNCONDITIONALLY; THEREFORE, IT'S ETERNAL, BECAUSE IT'S UNCONDITIONAL. NOT "IF YOU WILL, I WILL." HE SAID, "I HAVE. I'VE ALREADY DONE IT." NOT "I WILL DO IT"; "I HAVE DONE IT." OH, THAT--OH, THAT--THAT BASES FAITH. SEE, NOT... GOD'S DETERMINED TO SAVE MAN. HE MAKE A COVENANT, "IF YOU WILL, I WILL," HE'D BREAK IT. ANOTHER ONE, "YOU WILL, I WILL," HE BROKE IT. MAN CAN'T KEEP HIS COVENANT, SO GOD SAVES MAN BY HIS GRACE, UNDER A COVENANT THAT'S UNCONDITIONAL, CC [CONGREGATION SAYS, "AMEN!"--ED.]

VICTORY DAY_ SIERRA VISTA.AZ SUNDAY 63-0421 "E-66 - AND, HE BELIEVED ABRAHAM... ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, RATHER. AND GOD SAID, NO DOUBT TOLD SATAN, "I CAN JUST PROVE TO YOU HE LOVES ME." SAID, "I... HE BELIEVES THAT PROMISE BECAUSE I TOLD HIM THAT." SO HE TOOK HIS OWN SON UP TO THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN, TIED HIS HANDS BEHIND HIM, THAT--THE DAY GOD SAID SO.

LITTLE ISAAC GOT SUSPICIOUS, YOU KNOW. HE SAID (GENESIS 22), HE SAID--HE SAID, "FATHER..."

HE SAID, "HERE AM I, MY SON."

HE SAID, "HERE IS THE WOOD, AND HERE IS THE--THE--THE ALTAR AND EVERYTHING. BUT--BUT--BUT WHERE IS THE LAMB (SEE?) FOR--FOR THE--THE--THE SACRIFICE?" HE BEGIN TO FEEL KINDA' FUNNY. "WHAT'S--WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT? WE--WE'VE LEFT OFF SOMETHING."

DON'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE WHAT YOU THINK YOU'VE LEFT OFF. YOU'VE LEFT OFF THE FELLOWSHIP OF EVERYTHING ELSE. WELL, YOU HAVE TO HAVE YOUR CARD PARTIES, YOU HAVE TO DO THIS. YOU HAVE TO DRINK A LITTLE BIT, YOU'VE LEFT... YOU AIN'T LEFT OFF NOTHING. GO ON, OBEY THE WORD (SEE?); THAT'S ALL. JUST OBEY THE WORD. YOU AIN'T LEFT OFF NOTHING. JUST OBEY THE WORD.

HE SAID, "GOD SAID, 'TAKE HIM UP HERE,' AND HE'D--HE WOULD GET UP HERE ON TOP THE MOUNTAIN. I'M SUPPOSED TO DO SOMETHING. WHEN I THERE I'LL DO IT." SO HE GOT UP THERE, AND TIED HIS HANDS, AND LAID HIM UPON THE ALTAR, LIKE THAT. ISAAC NEVER MURMURED: OBEDIENT (SEE?), TYPE OF CHRIST. THEN WHEN HE PULLED THE KNIFE FROM ITS SCABBARD, AND PULLED HIS HAIR BACK OUT OF HIS FACE TO TAKE HIS LIFE, THAT WAS ABRAHAM'S V-DAY (OH, MY.), WHEN HE TESTED TO THAT VERY LIMIT OF HIS ONLY SON.

TOKEN THE SHREVEPORT LA V-17 N-6 THURSDAY 63-1128E"57 - ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD AND IT WAS IMPUTED UNTO HIM FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS. THEN GOD GAVE HIM THE SEAL OF CIRCUMCISION AS A TOKEN THAT HE HAD RECEIVED HIS FAITH. THERE IS THE GOSPEL. NOW, WHEN WE CLAIM THAT WE BELIEVE GOD, THEN GOD WILL IDENTIFY OUR FAITH BY GIVING US THE TOKEN OF THE BLOOD OF JESUS, THAT FINISHED THE WORK FOR US AT CALVARY; THEN OUR LIFE IS IN HIS. THE LIFE OF OUR SACRIFICE IS IN US.

IT COULDN'T COME BY THE CHEMICAL BLOOD OF THE LAMB, BECAUSE THERE WAS NOTHING THERE TO COME BACK, JUST A CHEMISTRY. YOU COULDN'T TRANSFER THE BLOOD INTO THE HUMAN BEING. IT WON'T WORK, AN ANIMAL BLOOD WON'T GO INTO A HUMAN'S BLOOD. SO THE CHEMICALS WOULDN'T WORK, SHOWING IT WAS THE FORESHADOW.

PATRIARCH ABRAHAM THE BAKF CA V-22 N-7 FRIDAY 64-0207"9 - WE FIND OUT AT TWENTY-FIVE YEARS LATER, NO CHILDREN. AND STILL, GOD WAS FAITHFUL TO KEEP HIS PROMISE TO ABRAHAM FOR ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD. THE LITTLE BOY CAME ON THE SCENE, LITTLE ISAAC.

THEN AFTER LITTLE ISAAC HAD COME ON THE SCENE, THEN WE FIND OUT THAT GOD GAVE HIM A DOUBLE TEST. HE SAID, "THIS CHILD..." AFTER BEING NOW ABOUT A HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN YEARS OLD OR TWENTY, ABRAHAM WAS, HE SAID, "NOW, I WANT YOU TO TAKE THIS, YOUR ONLY SON, AND TAKE HIM UP TO THE MOUNTAIN THAT I WILL SHOW YOU, AND THERE OFFER HIM UP ON THIS MOUNTAIN FOR A SACRIFICE." IN OTHER WORDS,

DESTROY EVERY EVIDENCE THAT HE HAD THAT THE PROMISE WOULD BE FULFILLED. THAT'S TAKING AWAY ALL THE NATURAL THINGS.

AND ABRAHAM SAID, "I RECEIVED HIM AS ONE FROM THE DEAD, AND I'M FULLY PERSUADED THAT HE'S ABLE TO RAISE HIM UP FROM THE DEAD."

THAT'S THE PEOPLE NOW, THE SEED OF ABRAHAM, BECAUSE HE RAISED US FROM THE DEAD. WE WERE DEAD IN SIN AND TRESPASSES, AND HE WHO IS ABLE TO CHANGE MY MIND, CHANGE MY THOUGHTS, CHANGE MY NATURE, CHANGE ME ALL OVER, HE CAN DO AS HE PLEASES. WHATEVER HE SAYS, I BELIEVE IT'S THE TRUTH, AND EVERY SEED OF ABRAHAM BELIEVES THE SAME THING.

ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED BLOOMINGTON IL 61-0416 "E-59 NOW, WHAT DID HE SAY TO ABRAHAM, "YOU'RE A OLD MAN, A HUNDRED YEARS OLD, ABRAHAM. YOU ARE NINETY AND NINE. BUT I AM EL-SHADDAI; I AM THE BREASTED ONE."

NOW, WE'RE ON THE... WE PASSED THE FIRST JUNCTION, JUSTIFICATION: JUSTIFICATION; SANCTIFICATION: SANCTIFICATION. NOW REMEMBER, THAT WAS THINGS OF GOD PROMISED AND DID TO ABRAHAM, BUT HERE HE SAID, "I AM THE BREASTED GOD. NOW, YOU'RE OLD, ABRAHAM. YOU'RE A HUNDRED YEARS OLD, BUT TO ME YOU'RE NO MORE THAN A BABY. SO I'LL GIVE YOU A PROMISE, AND I AM THE BREASTED GOD. I AM THE STRONG ONE. LEAN UPON MY BOSOM NOW AND NURSE FROM ME MY STRENGTH INTO YOUR WEAK BODY," GETTING HIM READY FOR THE MIRACLE. THAT'S WHAT HE DONE TO THE PENTECOSTALS AFTER WESLEY AGE. HE LET THE PENTECOSTALS NURSE HIS OWN STRENGTH, HIS OWN HOLY SPIRIT AS A BAPTISM, BACK INTO THEIR WEAK BODIES TO GIVE THEM FAITH FOR THE RAPTURE, TO GIVE THEM FAITH FOR MIRACLES. "I'M EL-SHADDAI."

WHAT HE DID TO ABRAHAM AND TO HIS SEED AFTER HIM... WATCH, BELIEVING CONFIRMATION, BLOOD COVENANT, NOW INJECTING HIMSELF, HIS STRENGTH INTO HIS PEOPLE.

E-60 WHAT DOES THE WORD "SANCTIFY" MEAN, YOU GOOD METHODISTS?

"SANCTIFICATION, DO YOU BELIEVE IT, BROTHER BRANHAM?" I CERTAINLY DO. IT'S GOD'S WORD."

THE TOKEN JEFF IN 63-0901M V-2 N-19 "60-3 - I'LL BE LIKE THE MESSENGERS AT JERICHO; I'LL GO TO EVERY PERSON THAT I CAN AND SEE IF I CAN GET THEM TO COME UNDER THE BLOOD COVENANT, UNDER THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB, THAT THEY MIGHT RECEIVE THE TOKEN. SEE?

THE BLOOD CLEANSSES. THE SPIRIT IS A TOKEN THAT THE BLOOD'S BEEN APPLIED. SEE? THE SPIRIT IS THE TOKEN THAT THE BLOOD HAS BEEN APPLIED. UNTIL THE BLOOD'S APPLIED, THE--THE SPIRIT CANNOT COME. BUT WHEN THE BLOOD IS APPLIED, THEN THE SPIRIT IS A TOKEN, SENT IT BACK TO YOU, THAT YOUR FAITH IN THE BLOOD HAS BEEN ACCEPTED. YOUR FARE'S PAID. YOUR FARE'S PAID. IT'S ALL OVER. THE CASE IS CLOSED. YOU'RE A CHRISTIAN. YOU ARE A BELIEVER. CHRIST IS IN YOU, AND YOU'RE IN CHRIST. TOKEN THE BAKF CA V-22 N-8 SATURDAY 64-0208 "116 - AND WHEN WE CAN DISPLAY THE TOKEN OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, SHOWS THAT WE HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED IN CHRIST. AND THAT IS OUR TOKEN THAT ALL THAT WE HAVE NEED OF IS ALREADY PURCHASED BY HIM. WE ARE IDENTIFIED WITH OUR TOKEN. THE TOKEN MUST BE READY.

THE BLOOD, COVENANT BLOOD IS NOT RECOGNIZED WITHOUT THE TOKEN. THE WORD ASSURES US OF THE PROMISE. THE TOKEN IS A SIGN THE PURCHASE HAS BEEN MADE FOR US.

FULL OBEDIENCE TO THE FULL WORD OF GOD ENTITLES US TO THE TOKEN. NO OTHER WAY IS THERE THAT YOU CAN EVER BE ENTITLED TO THE TOKEN UNTIL YOU FULLY OBEY THE WORD. NOT WHAT SOMEBODY'S PUT INTO IT, AND ADDED TO IT, BUT WHAT GOD SAID ABOUT IT.

119 - WHEN HE SAID, "YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN," THAT DON'T MEAN JUMP UP-AND-DOWN AT THE ALTAR. THAT DON'T MEAN WALK BACK THERE, AND SHAKE HANDS WITH THE PASTOR. THAT DON'T MEAN ALL THIS FOOLISHNESS THAT WE'VE SEEN DONE. IT DON'T MEAN PUTTING YOUR NAME ON A CHURCH BOOK. IT MEANS DEATH TO YOUR FIRST BEING, AND LIFE TO THE SECOND BEING. IT MEANS THAT THE BLOOD HAS BEEN APPLIED, AND YOU'RE IDENTIFIED BY THE LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST. AND IF HE BE THE VINE, AND WE BE THE BRANCHES, THE LIFE THAT'S IN THE BRANCH IS IN THE--ALSO FROM THE VINE. IT'LL BEAR THE FRUIT.

IF THAT FIRST BRANCH COME FORTH, THAT BRANCH OUT OF THAT VINE THAT WROTE A BOOK OF ACTS BEHIND IT, IF THAT BRANCH EVER PUTS FORTH--VINE PUTS FORTH ANOTHER BRANCH, THEY'LL WRITE ANOTHER BOOK OF ACTS BEHIND IT, 'CAUSE IT'S THE SAME LIFE. IF ONE OF YOUR GRAPE VINES OUT HERE BRINGS FORTH BLUE GRAPES, IF IT PUTS FORTH ANOTHER BRANCH IT'LL BRING FORTH BLUE GRAPES.

121 - I TELL YOU, TODAY WE GOT SO MANY GRAFTED VINES INTO IT, WITH DENOMINATIONS, AND CREEDS, AND THINGS. AND YET ANY CITRUS FRUIT GRAFTED IN CAN LIVE, LIVE IN THAT VINE. BUT IT'S BEARING THE WRONG FRUIT. WHAT WE NEED TODAY IS ANOTHER BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, AND HAVE THE REAL POWER OF GOD THAT IDENTIFIES THE WORKS THAT JESUS CHRIST PROMISED FOR THIS DAY, NOT SO MUCH AS THAT DAY, THIS DAY, THE PROMISE THAT HE MADE HERE. THAT'S WHAT HE PROMISED THERE, HE'D POUR OUT HIS SPIRIT. NOW HE'S PROMISED IT AGAIN IN THE LAST DAYS, AND WHAT HE WOULD DO.

STRANGE THAT WE CAN ALWAYS LOOK BACK. BUT YOU NEVER LOOK AHEAD. THAT'S THE WAY WITH MAN. HE'S ALWAYS SAYING--GLORIFYING GOD FOR WHAT HE DID DO, PRAISING HIM FOR WHAT HE'S GOING TO DO, AND IGNORING WHAT HE'S DOING. THAT'S ALWAYS THE WAY OF MAN. IT'S STILL THE SAME THING.

124 - FULL OBEDIENCE TO THE WORD BRINGS GOD, THE WORD ETERNAL IN YOU. AND THAT IS THE TOKEN. WHEN THE WORD IS IN YOU, IT'S CHRIST IN YOU. NOW, NOTICE. WHEN... THEN WHEN WE PRAY, IF WE HAVE THE TOKEN... AND WHEN WE PRAY WE HAVE THE TOKEN, WE ARE--PRESENT OUR TOKEN WITH OUR PRAYER. NOW, IF YOU'RE SICK, IF YOU'RE A SINNER, IF YOU'RE IN NEED, WHEN YOU HAVE THE TOKEN YOU HAVE A RIGHT. IF I HAD THE TOKEN TO A BUS LINE IN MY HAND, THEY CAN'T KEEP ME OFF OF THAT BUS. THEY'VE ACCEPTED MY MONEY, AND I HAVE THE TOKEN. IN THIS CASE I COULD NOT PAY MY PRICE; YOU COULD NOT PAY IT. BUT HE PAID IT FOR US AND GIVE US THE TOKEN. AMEN. I HAVE A RIGHT TO DIVINE HEALING. JESUS CHRIST DIED THAT I COULD HAVE DIVINE HEALING. I HAVE A RIGHT TO CLAIM EVERY PROMISE IN THAT BOOK. WHEN WILL YOU GET IT? WHEN YOU HAVE THE TOKEN, AND CAN REP--PRESENT THE TOKEN WITH YOUR PRAYER. IF YOU HAVEN'T GOT IT, THE SIGN OF THE FULL OBEDIENCE THE FARE IS PAID...

126 - PAUL TELLS US THE BLOOD SPEAKS. BLOOD SPEAKS, DID WE SAY? DOES THE BLOOD SPEAK, CAN IT SPEAK, THAT TOKEN SPEAK? YES, SIR. IF WE'D--WE'D LOOK IN GENESIS 4:10, THE VOICE OF THE BLOOD OF ABEL CRIED OUT AGAINST CAIN. WE FIND OUT IN HEBREWS 12:24 THAT THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST SPEAKS BETTER THINGS. THE BLOOD SPEAKS. HOW CAN THE CHEMISTRY SPEAK? IT'S THE LIFE THAT'S IN THE BLOOD THAT DOES THE SPEAKING. THE SOUL THAT WAS IN CAIN THAT CRIED OUT--OR IN ABEL. IT WAS THE LIFE THAT WAS IN CHRIST THAT CRIES OUT BETTER THINGS THAN ANY... IT SPEAKS, AND IT SPEAKS LOUD. IT'S THE HOLY SPIRIT. IT SPEAKS PLAIN. IT TELLS US THAT THE TIME IS HERE, WHEN WE SEE IT. FOR IT SAID IT WOULD SAY IT. AND THEN WE SEE IT COME BACK AND IDENTIFY WHAT IT SAID. IT'S... THERE'S NOTHING ELSE LEFT BUT TO BELIEVE IT (THAT'S RIGHT.), TO RECEIVE IT.

128 - BELIEVE FOR SELF AND APPLY THE TOKEN ALSO FOR THE FAMILY LIKE THEY DID IN EGYPT, AND LIKE THEY DID AT JERICHO. ACTS 16:31, WE FIND OUT PAUL TOLD THE--THE ROMAN TO BE BAPTIZED, CALLING UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD. HIM AND HIS HOUSE COULD BE SAVED BY DOING THE SAME THING.

MOVE OUT. SOME PEOPLE WANTS TO APPLY THE BLOOD AND STAY IN. YOU APPLY THE BLOOD, AND KICK ALL THE TRASH OUT OF THE HOUSE, AND HAVE A HOUSE-CLEANING TIME. YOU WOMEN TAKE OFF THEM SHORTS. YOU MEN THROW AWAY THEM CIGARETTES, YOU WOMEN TOO. GET ALL THIS OLD STUFF OUT OF THE SYSTEM HERE THAT'S CALLED THE WORLD. "IF YOU LOVE THE WORLD OR THE THINGS OF THE WORLD, IT'S BECAUSE THE LOVE OF GOD'S NOT EVEN IN YOU." WHEN YOU'RE READY TO APPLY THE TOKEN, EMPTY UP AND GET READY FOR IT. YOU CAN'T SERVE GOD AND MAMMON AT THE SAME TIME. WOMEN COME ALONG...

WHY IT HAD TO BE SHEPHERDS TUCSON AZ V-6 N-15 MONDAY 64-1221 "113 - PROPHETS WAS USUALLY HERDSMEN ALSO. PROPHETS DRAPED THEIRSELVES IN SHEEPSKINS, BECAUSE THEY WORE THE SKIN OF THE SHEEP THEY WERE HERDING. AND THE FIRST MESSAGE TO A--A--A CONDEMNED GENERATION WAS OVER THE TOP OF SHEEPSKINS. PROPHETS, I SAY AGAIN, WORE SHEEPSKINS DRAPED AROUND THEMSELVES, 'CAUSE THEY WERE TESTIFYING BY THAT, THAT THEY BELIEVED THAT THERE WAS COMING A PERFECT LAMB FOR THAT SACRIFICE. AND THE WORD OF THE GOD CAME TO THEM OVER THE TOP OF SHEEPSKINS. THESE HERDSMEN... OR THESE PROPHET'S USUALLY WERE HERDSMEN. ABRAHAM WAS A HERDSMAN. ISAAC WAS A HERDSMAN. JACOB WAS A HERDSMAN. MOSES WAS A HERDSMAN. DAVID WAS A HERDSMAN. ALL OF GOD'S REPRESENTATIVES USUALLY WERE HERDSMEN.

EASTER SEAL PHOENIX AZ V-2 N-6 SATURDAY 65-0410 "18-2 - GOD GAVE ABRAHAM A PROMISE. ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS IMPUTED UNTO HIM FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS. BUT HE SEALED THE COVENANT BY THE SEAL OF CIRCUMCISION. AND GOD GIVES YOU A PROMISE POTENTIALLY THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE IT, AND YOU'RE GOING TO BE RAISED UP; THIS BODY IS GOING TO BE GLORIFIED WITH HIM AT THE END TIME. BUT YOU SEE, YOU HAVE TO GET A CLEARANCE ON THAT DEED. AND THE CLEARANCE IS WHEN EVERYTHING AGAINST IT HAS BEEN STRICKEN OFF, AND YOU GOT THE ABSTRACT TO IT. YOU'VE GOT THE SEAL. IT'S YOURS. EVERYTHING'S ON IT BELONGS TO YOU. AMEN.

AND WHEN WE BELIEVE ON JESUS CHRIST FOR OUR SAVIOUR, AND REPENT, AND ARE BAPTIZED, AND COME UP TO BELIEVE HIM, GOD RECOGNIZES OUR REPENTANCE AND OUR FAITH TOWARDS HIM AND SENDS DOWN THE ABSTRACT. AND THE ABSTRACT IS THE ASSURANCE. IT'S THE GUARANTEE THAT EVERYTHING WAS EVER HELD AGAINST YOU, YOU THOROUGHLY REPENTED. HALLELUJAH. AND THE PROPERTY IS BOUGHTEN, AND YOU HOLD THE ABSTRACT FOR THE ASSURANCE.

PROVING HIS WORD LA CA V-18 N-3 MONDAY 65-0426 "177 - BUT REMEMBER, ABRAHAM HAD A SEED, WHICH WAS THE SEED ISAAC. HE HAD OTHER SEEDS AFTER SARAH'S DEATH. AND HE WAS A HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIVE YEARS OLD, HE MARRIED ANOTHER WOMAN, HAD SEVEN SONS BESIDES DAUGHTERS, 'CAUSE GOD HAD TURNED HIM BACK TO A YOUNG MAN WHEN HE WAS A HUNDRED YEARS OLD. HE WAS THEN AGAIN JUST FORTY-FIVE, SO THEN HE... WE KNOW THAT. I'VE PREACHED THAT TO YOU HERE IN CALIFORNIA, YEARS AGO.

AND NOW, WE UNDERSTAND THAT ABRAHAM'S SEED WAS NOT THE LITERAL SEXUAL SEED THROUGH SARAH, WHICH WAS ISAAC, WHICH MADE A NATION, BUT THE ROYAL SEED WAS BY THE PROMISE, WHICH WAS JESUS CHRIST. AND THROUGH THAT SEED, HE RAISED UP A ROYAL SEED. OH, MY. NOW, WE ARE A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, A ROYAL NATION, A HOLY NATION, OFFERING PRAISES TO GOD, THE SACRIFICE OF OUR LIPS GIVING PRAISE TO HIS NAME. GOD PROVED HIS WORD; HE Poured OUT THE HOLY GHOST UPON US.

GOD'S ONLY PROVIDED PLACE OF WORSHIP SHP LA V-7 N-4 SUNDAY 65-1128M"77 - I WANT YOU TO NOTICE AGAIN; THERE WAS ALSO TWO COVENANTS GIVE. ONE COVENANT WAS GIVEN TO ADAM, WHICH WAS ON CONDITIONS LIKE LAW: "IF YOU WILL NOT TOUCH THIS, THEN YOU WILL LIVE; BUT IF YOU TOUCH THIS, YOU WILL DIE." THAT WAS A LAW. THEN THERE WAS ANOTHER LAW GIVEN TO ABRAHAM, WHICH WAS BY GRACE, UNCONDITIONALLY: "I HAVE SAVED YOU AND YOUR SEED," AFTER HIM. AMEN. THAT IS A TYPE OF CALVARY, NOT THE TYPE OF--OF--OF ADAM COVENANT; IT'S A ABRAHAMIC COVENANT.

BUT NOW WE HEAR HIM SAY THERE IS ONLY ONE PLACE WHERE HE WILL MEET MAN TO WORSHIP. WE READ IT RIGHT HERE IN MY TEXT. WE'LL REFER TO IT, BACK IN A FEW MINUTES.

79 - THEN IF THERE'S ONLY ONE PLACE THAT GOD MEETS MAN, WE'D BETTER BE VERY CAREFUL. NOW, LET'S LAY ASIDE OUR TRADITIONS THIS MORNING, AND--IN THIS SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON, AND BE VERY SURE THAT WE FIND THAT ONE PLACE. BECAUSE GOD HAS SAID HERE, HE WILL NOT RECEIVE YOU IN ANY OTHER PLACE. ANY OTHER CHURCH, HE WON'T RECEIVE YOU IN. ONLY IN HIS CHURCH, THE ONLY PLACE HE'LL RECEIVE YOU. NOW, "WHAT'D YOU SAY, BROTHER BRANHAM? IF I'M SINCERE?" NO. REMEMBER, JESUS TALKED TO SOME SINCERE PEOPLE, THE WORSHIPPERS OF HIS DAY, AND HE SAID, "IN VAIN DO YOU WORSHIP ME." TRUE, GENUINE WORSHIP FROM THE BOTTOM OF THEIR HEARTS: "IN VAIN DO YOU WORSHIP ME, TEACHING FOR DOCTRINE THE COMMANDMENTS OF MEN," OR THEIR DENOMINATIONAL CREED. SINCERE, REVERENTLY, JUST AS RELIGIOUS AS THEY CAN BE, AND THAT WASN'T NEW JUST WITH THE PHARISEES. CAIN AND ABEL, THE FIRST TWO WORSHIPPERS THAT WAS BORN NATURAL BIRTH HERE ON EARTH, ABSOLUTELY CAME IN THE SAME ATTITUDE.

82 - CAIN WAS JUST AS RELIGIOUS AS ABEL WAS. THEY BOTH BUILT ALTARS. THEY BOTH LOVED GOD. THEY BOTH MADE SACRIFICES. THEY BOTH WORSHIPPED. THEY BOTH PAID TITHE. THEY BOTH DONE EVERYTHING JUST ALIKE. BUT ABEL, BY FAITH, WHICH IS THE REVELATION, THE WORD OF GOD REVEALED, MADE PLAIN, SHOWED OUT, AND VINDICATED... GLORY! CAIN MADE AN OFFERING, BUT GOD DIDN'T VINDICATE IT. GOD REQUIRED WORSHIP, AND CAIN MADE THE OFFERING; BUT GOD DIDN'T VINDICATE IT. BUT BY THE TRUE CHANNEL...

YOU SAY, "WELL, MY CHURCH IS IT. MY..."

WAIT JUST A MINUTE. GOD INTERPRETS HIS OWN WORD BY ITS TERMS THAT ITS SPOKE IN. SEE? CAIN SAID, "I AM RELIGIOUS. I AM A LOVER OF MY MAKER. I OFFER TO THEE THIS FINE ALTAR. I OFFER TO YOU THIS SACRIFICE. I BUILT ALL THESE THINGS UP, LORD, BECAUSE I LOVE YOU." ABEL SAID THE SAME THING. NOW, IT'S THE ONE THAT'S VINDICATED, THE ONE THAT'S PROVEN. AND GOD COME DOWN AND RECEIVED ABEL'S SACRIFICE, BECAUSE BY REVELATION HE HAD STRUCK THE TRUE CHANNEL OF GOD THAT WAS ACCEPTED.