

**“Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.”**  
(Heb. 13:8)

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We would like to extend special greetings to all of you, Brothers and Sisters, in all countries on every continent, with the passage from 2. Cor. 4:5-6,

*“For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus’ sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.”*

This applies to all true servants of God. Not a single one of them ever presented himself; each one of them served the LORD and, at the same time, God’s people according to his calling and commission. The Apostle Peter referred to this and wrote that they were men of God who preached the Word in the power of the Holy Spirit – things the angels desire to look into (1. Pt. 1:12). What a mighty statement!

In the Scripture quoted in the introduction, there is a reference made to the creation. Our God Who commanded, “*Let there be light! And there was light!*” is the same One Who brings forth the light in the hearts of the true believers – the light of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Apostle Paul further emphasises that the believers have the spirit of faith, which is the only way for them to believe as the Scripture says. It actually states the following in verse 13, “*We having the same spirit of faith, **according as it is written**, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak ...*” This also applies to all servants of God.

Indeed, it is vitally important for us to believe as the Scripture actually says. The pertinent question is always, “What does the Holy Scripture say?” – “What does the Bible teach?” Any interpretation is the concoction of the enemy, a strange seed, a religious lie. The LORD sows the original Word, as it is written, “*... the seed is the Word.*” (Mk. 4:14; Lk. 8:11). Meanwhile, Satan, the evil one, is busy sowing the seed of discrepancy

and dissension, by introducing his interpretations. Two different seeds grow on the same field: The children of the Kingdom are the good seed (Mt. 13:37-38); the tares, however, are the seed of the wicked one. Both seeds receive the same rain, both enjoy the warmth of the same sun, which shines on the evil and on the good (Mt. 5:45).

The children of God have the divine nature, the characteristics of Christ, with all the virtues of a born-again individual (Gal. 5:22-24). The children of the wicked one, in contrast, have his evil nature and do his works, the same way it emerged in Cain, whose jealousy, envy and hatred led to fratricide (1. Jn. 3:10-12). The LORD Himself foretold what would happen at the end of the time of grace, *“As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; and shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.”* (Mt. 13:40-43).

God Himself, as we all know, made the promise in Mal. 4:5-6 to send us Elijah the Prophet before the great and dreadful day of the LORD. In Mt. 17:11 and Mk. 9:12 our LORD clarified it for us: *“Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things.”* In accordance with the THUS SAITH THE LORD, through this last prophetic ministry every teaching within the New Testament Church must also be brought back to its original condition.

The last message that precedes the Return of Christ restores all things and prepares the Church for the final ministry. That message will take the Church back to its original state, in teaching and in life. The hearts of God’s children are being turned back to the faith of the apostolic fathers in the beginning (Acts 2:42). It is the preparation of the overcomers who, at the Return of Christ, will partake in the greatest promise that God made in the Holy Scripture: *“To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.”* (Rev. 3:21-22).

The true Church of Jesus Christ is, *“... the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.”* However, the calling-out from all things which are not in accordance with God or His Word must be completed first. *“Wherefore come out from among them – out from all re-*

ligious systems, also out from ecumenism – *and be ye separate, saith the LORD, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you ...*” For what agreement does the temple of God have with idols, what communion does light have with darkness, and what concord does Christ have with Belial or even with the antichrist (2. Cor. 6:14-18)?

After the appeal for separation and cleansing, the Apostle Paul referred to 2. Sam. 7:14, where it states in regard to the Son of God, *“I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son ...”* (Heb. 1:5). The apostle applied that same promise to all the sons and daughters of God: *“And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.”* (2. Cor. 6:18).

Through the completed work of Redemption by the Son of God on the cross of Calvary we became sons and daughters of God, as it is written in Gal. 4:5-7 and other Scriptures, *“... that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.”*

*“For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified **are all of one**: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them **brethren ...**”* (Heb. 2:10-11).

*“I will declare thy name unto **my brethren**: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.”* (Ps. 22:22).

*“Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to **my brethren**, and say unto them, **I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and [to] my God, and your God.**”* (Jn. 20:17).

In Rom. 8:14 we read, *“For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.”* The Spirit of God leads us into all the truth – and the Word is the Truth! Finally, the apostle showed forth that all of creation is longing to be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty promised unto the children of God (Rom. 8:19-25). That is the final goal which God has in mind throughout the entire plan of Salvation. That is what we strive for, and it will all be worth it in the end.

## OUR GOAL IS IN VIEW

The **Return of Christ** remains our main subject. In direct connection thereto are the calling-out and the preparation of the Bride-Church to meet the heavenly Bridegroom. The prerequisite is being in perfect harmony with God and His Word under the direct guidance of the Holy Spirit. At the very end, all true believers must and will be of one heart and of one soul, just as they were in the beginning (Acts 4:32), for there cannot be any strange teachings or false brethren within the true Bride-Church.

Although it has been said many times, it must be repeated once more: Every teaching and practice within the Church of Jesus Christ must be in agreement with the Word of God. The last baptism will take place in the Name of the LORD Jesus Christ, in accordance with the very first one that was ordained on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:38-41). The original Church of apostolic times remains the only valid example, in doctrine and in practice.

It is generally known that all churches refer to the Bible and yet have their own teachings and religious traditions. The unification of religions under the ecumenical umbrella is actually the unification with Rome. The only legitimate Gospel for the Church of Jesus Christ is the one that came forth from Jerusalem, the one that the Holy Scripture testifies about.

In regard to the Return of our LORD, the Redeemer will first come as the Bridegroom for His Bride, as it is written in Mat. 25, "*Behold, the bridegroom cometh ...*" and as He Himself promised, "*I go to prepare a place for you ... I will come again and receive you unto myself ...*" (Jn. 14:1-3). In this case He is not talking about a message, a doctrine, or a revelation, but rather about Himself, the Bridegroom of our souls, Who shall return in the way it is written in 1. Thess. 4:13-17 and Acts 1:11. Then the wise virgins will be ready to go with Him to the marriage (Mt. 25:1-10; Rev. 19:6-10). That will be an absolute reality.

In reference to the timing we are told in the Holy Scripture, "*But of that day and hour knoweth no man ...*" (Mt. 24:36). It is, therefore, not a time period of years; instead we are very clearly told about "the day" and "the hour." According to 1. Cor. 15:52, it will happen in one moment, in a twinkling of an eye.

*“Then shall two be in the field ... two shall be grinding at the mill ... two in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left.”* (Mt. 24:37-41; Lk. 17:34-37).

The apostle repeatedly reminded the believers to remain steadfast unto “the Day of our LORD Jesus Christ” (1. Cor. 1:7; 2. Cor. 1:14; Phil. 1:6; Phil. 2:16). He also urgently admonished his co-worker, Timothy, with these words, *“That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, **until the appearing/parousia\* of our Lord Jesus Christ.**”* (1. Tim. 6:13-14).

According to Mt. 24, our LORD sat down on the Mount of Olives to answer the questions of His disciples: *“Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of **thy coming/parousia\***, and of the end of the world?”* Our LORD even warned us not to fall for any deception, when He said, *“Take heed that no man deceive you. ... many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many ... Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not ... **For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming/parousia\* of the Son of man be.**”* Amen! Amen!

The Apostle Paul dealt with this topic more than once in his epistles to the churches. In 1. Thess. 4 he addressed it in detail under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. At first he emphasised that the beloved brethren should not worry about those who had died in Christ. Therefore he wrote, *“For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.”* (vv. 13-14).

Mt. 27:45-54 reports how the Old Testament saints came forth from their graves at the Resurrection of Jesus Christ and appeared to many in the holy city. That is how it shall be at the Return of Christ. The believers who died in faith will be resurrected, and those of us still living in faith will be changed, and together we shall be taken up in the clouds to meet the LORD in the air (1. Thess. 4:17). That will be a reality as well!

In verse 15 the Apostle Paul made sure it was clearly understood that he was not passing on his own opinion, by emphasising the **THUS SAITH THE LORD**: *“For this we say unto you **by the word of the LORD**, that we which*

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\* *parousia*, *Greek*, means: coming in person, being physically present. It is used fifteen times in the New Testament in reference to the Return of Christ.

are alive and remain unto the coming/parousia\* of the LORD shall not prevent them which are asleep." It could have not been said more plainly. Then comes the main statement, "**For the LORD Himself** (not a message, not a revelation, but **the LORD Himself** – Who said, "I will come again, and receive you unto myself ...") shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first." That will be a reality. Whoever believes and teaches that Jesus Christ has already come is apparently deceived by a lying spirit and is also deceiving others, for he misinterprets the clear statements of the Holy Scripture, the way Satan has done since the very beginning.

Enoch, the seventh descendent from Adam, is an example unto us in regard to the Rapture: "By faith Enoch was **translated** that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had **translated** him: for before his **translation** he had this testimony, that he pleased God." (Heb. 11:5). That was faith in form of a revelation, which merged into reality. With Enoch everything was a reality: his faith, God's pleasure upon him, and his rapture. We likewise have to remain in the faith and in the revealed Will of God, thereby allowing God's pleasure to rest upon us, before we can participate in the Rapture.

It is recorded in the gospels that the Son of God prayed, "Not my will, but thine, be done." At His baptism the Spirit of God descended upon Him and the Voice of God spoke, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." (Mt. 3:16-17). In the very beginning, God looked upon Abel with pleasure because of the sacrifice he offered unto Him (Gen. 4:4). The sole purpose of the various sacrifices offered throughout the Old Testament was that God's pleasure might rest upon His people (Lev. 1:3; Lev. 19:5; Lev. 22:2; a. o.). In spite of all the blessings bestowed upon the people of Israel during the forty years they wandered in the desert, in spite of all the sacrifices they offered, the sad verdict pronounced upon Israel was, "... with many of them God was not well pleased." (1. Cor. 10:5).

Through the Prophet Samuel God lets us know the importance of obedience, "Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt-offerings and sacrifices, as in **obeying the voice of the LORD**? Behold, to **obey** is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams." (1. Sam. 15:22).

On the Mount of Transfiguration the Voice of God was heard again from the supernatural cloud, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; **hear ye him.**" (Mt. 17:5). All sons and daughters of God

who heed what He says will get baptised in water and receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit; they walk in the Will of God and God is pleased with them, as they are foreordained according to the good pleasure of His Will (Eph. 1:5). Enoch walked with God and had God's pleasure. He was taken up to Glory and was no longer found on earth. This will be the case with all those who will take part in the first resurrection and Rapture. Those who died in Christ will rise first, and those who are still living in Christ will be changed, and together we shall be taken up in the clouds to meet the LORD in the air (1. Thess. 4:13-18). That is how it is written, that is how we believe it, and that is how it will happen.

Before Elijah was taken up, he said to Elisha, *"Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be **taken away** from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me. And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing: nevertheless, if thou see me when I am **taken** from thee, it shall be so unto thee ..."* (2. Ki. 2:9-10). Whether it was Enoch or Elijah, whoever was taken up to Glory was no longer to be found on earth.

In Lk. 24:50-53 we read, *"And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, **he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.**"* Jesus Christ, our LORD and Saviour, was bodily taken to heaven while blessing His disciples. A corruptible body was laid into the sepulchre but an incorruptible one was raised again. After His resurrection our LORD said, *"Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have."* (Lk. 24:39).

HE revealed Himself to His Own in bodily shape, ate and drank with His disciples like He did before the crucifixion (Jn. 21; Acts 10:42-43). We shall have such a resurrection body and so will the saints from the Old and the New Testament, when we all participate in the marriage supper of the Lamb together. The **bodily** rapture of Enoch was a reality. The **bodily** rapture of Elijah was a reality. The **bodily** ascension of our LORD and Saviour was a reality. HIS **bodily** Return and the **bodily** resurrection of those who died in Christ and our **bodily** change and the Rapture will be an absolute reality. Whoever spiritualises the Return of Christ must be prepared to hear the following verdict, FOR THUS SAITH THE LORD, *"For many deceivers are entered into the world, **who confess not that Jesus Christ cometh in the flesh.** This is a deceiver and an antichrist."* (2. Jn. 7).

The Apostle Paul informed us of this well ahead of time, *“Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.”* (1. Cor. 15:39-58).

Whoever teaches that Jesus Christ supposedly already left the mercy seat and has been in the process of descending ever since the opening of the Seals in 1963 is gravely mistaken. Certain statements of Brother Branham are being misinterpreted and incorrectly placed, whereby the true teaching of the Holy Scripture is being contemptuously stepped upon. The Bible does not testify of any “seven-thunder-revelation”; it does not report of a nonphysical “parousia/coming.” Whoever does not believe and does not teach that Jesus Christ shall appear in bodily form when He returns is both a deceiver and an antichrist according to the judgement of the Holy Scripture. If the mercy seat would have already changed into the judgement seat in 1963, then it would be for ever too late, there would be no more forgiveness, no more reconciliation. Where would that leave the ones who were born or came to believe after 1963? Christ is still our Advocate with the Father (1. Jn. 2:1-2), and the Blood of the Lamb, which Christ as the High Priest took with Him when He entered into the heavenly sanctuary, is still on the mercy seat (Heb. 9:11-14). HE is still the Mediator of the New Covenant (Heb. 9:15-22). Now is the time when the heavenly Bridegroom reveals the deepest mysteries to His earthly Bride. Amen.

Brother Branham said, **“As long as Blood is on the mercy seat, showed that Something died to hold judgment back. But when the Church is raptured, the mercy seat becomes a judgment seat.”** (January 8<sup>th</sup>, 1961, Jeffersonville). Amen!

He also stated, **“... Then intercession is over. He’s off the throne. There’s no more Blood on the mercy seat, and then what is it? Judgment seat.”** (March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1963, Jeffersonville).

It must be said very clearly once again: Whosoever does not teach the way it is written in the Bible and therein founded on at least two or more Scriptures is subsequently teaching incorrectly. The same applies to Brother Branham’s statements when they are taken out of context and then even presented in opposition to the testimony of the Holy Scripture. The Apostle Peter already told us back then that there are things in the Holy Scriptures and specifically in the epistles of the Apostle Paul

which are difficult to understand, things people distort unto their own destruction (2. Pet. 3:14-18). This has been happening since the beginning, a different gospel gets formulated that is inevitably under a curse (Gal. 1). The Apostle Paul further warned us that men would rise and proclaim another gospel, preach another Jesus, for they are under the influence of another spirit (2. Cor. 11). The guidebook for the correctness of any teaching always was, and still is, solely the Holy Scripture.

In our time, no one has emphasised the significance of God's Word more than Brother Branham. And no one else has preached and taught it as clear and true as he did. The following statement which Brother Branham made on March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1947, in Phoenix, AZ, was repeated by him in similar form in many of his sermons. It should make us realise the seriousness of the matter, and we should take it to heart.

**“Every doctrine and everything else of the Bible, that we have in the Church, must be based upon the Word of God, must come from the Word. Not just one place, but from Genesis to Revelation it must say the same thing, ‘cause we cannot base our thoughts upon one little Scripture. For the Bible said, “In the mouth of two or three witnesses, let every word be established.” (March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1957, Phoenix, AZ).**

One can refer to a single statement a hundred times and even emphasise, “Jesus said ...” – like, for example, the great commission for water baptism in Mt. 28:19, “*Go ye therefore, and teach all nations ...*” – but if one does not verify how this commission was actually carried out by the apostles and does not consult at least two or more witnesses (like Acts 2:38; Acts 8:16; Acts 10:48; Acts 19:5; and others), then one inevitably remains in the interpretation, which has become a “Christian,” but definitely *not* biblical, Trinitarian tradition.

Since the Garden of Eden, Satan has deceived not only Eve but also all of humanity with his interpretations of the Word of God. He used individual Scriptures even in the temptation of our LORD (Mt. 4; Lk. 4) and each time applied them incorrectly. However, Jesus withstood him in the only right manner by answering, “*It is **also** written!*”

The same process of verification applies to Rev. 10. Here the LORD does **not** come as the Bridegroom (Mt. 25:1-10), **not** as the Son of man (Mt. 25:31-46), **not** with all His saints (1. Thess. 3:13), here He comes alone as the Angel of the Covenant, sets one foot on land and the other upon the sea and cries with a loud voice likened to the roar of a lion. Only

thereafter do the seven thunders utter their voices. So no one could ever give a wrong interpretation, John was commanded not to write what the thunders had uttered. *“O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!”* (Rom. 11:33).

We find the right connection in the following Scriptures, where the LORD roars.

In Hos. 11:10 we read, *“They shall walk after the LORD: **he shall roar like a lion: when he shall roar**, then the children shall tremble from the west.”* In Joel 3 we also find the keyword “roar”: *“The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining. **The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem** – not from Arizona – and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.”* Amen.

*“**And He said** – not an interpretation, but He said! –, **The LORD will roar from Zion** – not from New York or somewhere else –, and utter His voice from **Jerusalem** ...”* (Amos 1:2).

These Scriptures belong to the same subject and irrefutably show the city of Jerusalem, Mount Zion, and the people of Israel. They further reveal when and in which context Rev. 10 will actually be fulfilled. What man on earth would dare to deny the testimony of the multiple witnesses in the Scriptures?

On February 28<sup>th</sup>, 1963, the LORD appeared to Brother Branham on Sunset Mountain in Arizona in a supernatural cloud which hung 35 km above the earth. At that time, seven mighty thunderclaps sounded and the entire area shook. Then Brother Branham looked up and saw the cloud. That was his testimony; he even knocked on the pulpit seven times with his fist when he described this great experience to the congregation. There Brother Branham was told about the impending opening of the seven seals.

In Rev. 10 we also read about the oath, *“... and **sware** by Him that liveth for ever and ever ...”* Dan. 12:6-7 also reliably shows us the right context for Rev. 10. Here we find the same words, *“... and **sware** by Him that liveth for ever – then we are told about the allotted time – that it shall be for a time, times, and an half ...”* From the moment of this oath, which happens in the middle of the seventieth week, only 3½ years remain until the commencement of the reign of Christ, which is announced in Rev. 11:15 with the seventh trumpet: *“The kingdoms of this world are*

*become the kingdoms of our LORD, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever."*

In the first 3½ years of the last week of Daniel, which begins right after the Rapture, the two prophets have their ministry in Jerusalem (Rev. 11). In the last 3½ years the antichrist has his reign and launches a brutal persecution (Rev. 13:5-7). The Prophet Daniel told us this, "... *and they shall be given into his hand until **a time and times and the dividing of time** ... And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.*" (Dan. 7:25-27). The perfect harmony between the Old and the New Testament is overwhelming!

Then the mystery of God will be finished (Rev. 10:7), just as He revealed it to His servants, the prophets. This mystery was revealed to the Church right at the beginning (1. Tim. 3:16), but at that particular time it will be made known to Israel. "... *to acknowledgement **of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.***" (Col. 2:3). Under the direct guidance of the Holy Spirit we could show forth every doctrine and subject up for discussion and each time refer to two or more witnesses, namely Scriptures.

## THE RIGHT ORDER

As stated repeatedly in the past years, I would like to say it once more: The ministry of Brother Branham was of greatest significance and directly connected to the plan of Salvation. He was the promised prophet; through his ministry all things were to be restored and brought back into their rightful state. There has been no other prophet since. We believe that the end-time message is being shared through the preaching of the Word and that it is presently going out like a wake-up call. The elect are being called out, and all who are part of the Bride Church are now getting ready by dining on the spiritual food. This last church age will come to a close with the Rapture. After that, God will turn to Israel: "*For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. As concerning the gospel they*

*are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes. For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance.*" (Rom. 11:25-29).

Through the last message the call goes forth, "Ye, My people, come out ...!" Brother Branham was the man sent from God in our time, just as John the Baptist was the one ordained at the first coming of Christ. And just as John did not live to witness the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, Brother Branham did not live to see the Return of Christ. On June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1933, Brother Branham was baptising believers in the Ohio River when he was told from the supernatural cloud, "**As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ you are sent with a message that will forerun the second coming of Christ.**" Not he, but the message! Oh, how precise God is in what He says and does!

Brother Branham preached exactly the same Word as the apostles Peter and Paul did, whereby the divine order of Salvation was re-established in the Church. The messenger has not been among us for over 40 years but the message is with us, and there is no way to bypass it. One can speak about the prophet and write books about him and yet, at the same time, be living in the past, unable to recognise what God is presently doing. The true believers who are now living in the presence of God will respect the God-ordained teaching ministry by which the message is placed into the correct order according to God's plan of Salvation.

We are not told the time period allotted for the message to reach the ends of the earth. God reserved it to Himself to work all things according to His great Council. We do know that the Return of Jesus Christ will definitely take place on one day, in one hour, in one moment. Whoever teaches otherwise, namely that the Return of Christ is now happening and has been an ongoing process over these past years, is deceived by a strange spirit and also deceives others. It is high time to stop with all the interpretations of the Holy Scriptures and of Brother Branham's statements, so that the true believers can be united in the Holy Spirit and testify, believe, and teach only the things that the Bible declares!

May God grant His grace that those who have been misled and are in Satan's snare can free themselves (2. Tim. 2:26). The situation for the teachers of heresies is as the one of Korah, Dathan and Abiram in their time, when they rose up against Moses and Aaron, who had been placed into the leadership by God Himself. God describes them as despisers (Num. 16; Acts 13:41). Even in apostolic times men strayed from the

truth and taught that the resurrection had already taken place, thus robbing many of their faith. Paul wrote this about them, “*And their word will eat as doth a canker ...*” (2. Tim. 2:16-18).

For the last days, which is the time we are now living in, he foretold the following, “*Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.*” (2. Tim. 3:8). Every revelation that comes from God, every biblical knowledge and teaching is very clear and understandable. The heresies are contrary to the Word and also to common sense. Through the Prophet Isaiah God exclaimed, “*As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, they which lead thee cause thee to err, and destroy the way of thy paths.*” (Isa. 3:12). Every Word of God is inspired by the Holy Spirit and is useful for the teaching of the truth. Every interpretation, however, is the inspiration of demons and brings only confusion (2. Pet. 2; a. o.). The ministries designated by God are always provided for the edification of the Church (1. Cor. 12; Eph. 4; a. o.).

The actual and sad state of affairs in the end time, which was brought on by the workers of iniquity, is shown unto us in Isa. 28. Here we are told, “*For all tables are full of vomit ...!*” This requires no explanation. The Word is the true food which is given unto us (Mt. 24:45-47), and the LORD always prepares a table before us, even in the presence of our enemies. The true believers dine on the heavenly manna, namely the revealed Word of God.

In the same chapter the LORD threatens those who share their own vomit – their own interpretations – at the table, stating that they shall fall backward and shall be destroyed, for they shall fall prey to the snares and be taken (vv. 8-13). The LORD speaks very clearly and shows what they believe to be their protection: “*... for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves.*” BUT THEN SAITH THE LORD, “***Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet; and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.***” (v. 17).

Then He renews His promise to His Own, “*Behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone ...*” In Zech. 4 we are told about the headstone. The prophet saw the Church as the seven-armed, golden candlestick with the seven pipes which provide the oil for the seven lamps. He also saw the headstone get placed into its rightful place amidst rejoicing and shouting, “*Grace, Grace unto it!*” (v. 7).

Right at the end, the LORD Himself will rise as on the Mount of Perazim, "... *that he may do his work, his strange work; and bring to pass his act, his strange act.*" (Isa. 28:21). The Apostle Paul wrote about it in Rom. 9:28, "*For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the LORD make upon the earth.*"

Not through the resurrection of a prophet, not in a tent that could only be in one place, but on the entire globe under the vast heavens shall the resurrected LORD complete His work by the power of the Holy Spirit. We believe as the Holy Scripture says, that the LORD Himself will bring it to an end with a mighty and short work just before He returns. Only what was promised unto us in the Bible will come to pass. If there is no promise, there subsequently cannot be a fulfilment.

It is simply my desire to abide by my responsibility before God, by the authority of the direct calling, and to declare that every interpretation derives from a misunderstanding and is the work of the enemy. The LORD Himself called me with His mighty, all-penetrating voice on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1962, and obliged me to His Word, when He said, "I will send you from city to city to preach My Word!" (2. Tim. 4:1-5). Therefore I regard every interpretation as an abomination. Every Scripture-based teaching unites the true believers under Jesus Christ, the Head. Every interpretation causes a split, and people naïvely follow a certain brother who makes them believe his "special revelation" with reference to the prophet.

The wise virgins are as Mary was: They do not know of any man, they accept only the Word of promise, they do not believe any foolish interpretation, because they are the Word-Bride that cannot be deceived. Whoever misinterprets Brother Branham's statements and does not take them back to the Holy Scriptures for verification inevitably turns them into another message and becomes guilty of wrongly applying the Word of Truth. Sadly, these days one has to ask, "What message do you believe? There are so many of them!" Still, there is only *one* everlasting Gospel, which is now being preached worldwide as a witness to all nations before the end shall come (Mt. 24:14; 1. Pet. 1:25).

## VARIOUS TOPICS

There are many subjects which are presently of great concern to humanity and also occupy the minds of the believers. The change in climate, the natural disasters, the so-called “war on terror,” the rise of energy prices, the social injustice, the globalisation, the decline of the U.S. dollar and the introduction of the Euro in the oil countries, the unification of all religions and churches under Rome, the political constellation of Russia – Iran – China, the peace process in the Middle East, the theory about the two Palestinian States, the Jerusalem-question, and, last but not least, the world government.

On the occasion of its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we were reminded of the signing of the “Roman Treaty” in March 1957. Beginning with December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2007, there will no longer be any passport verifications or border controls between the 27 countries of the EU. The last world power is taking on shape.

On October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007, a ruling in the European Parliament in Strassbourg ridiculed the biblical teaching of creation. The majority of the votes, 48 to 25, decided that only the theory of evolution should be taught in the schools. The blasphemers of God are also becoming increasingly brazen. One of them chose the title “The Insanity of God” for his book, another picked the heading “The LORD is not a Shepherd.” Ungodliness is, indeed, on the rise, as foretold for the end time. The whole world has become as “Sodom and Gomorrah.” The divine order ordained by God Himself for marriage and family is considered to be outdated, and homosexuality, which is contrary to the divine order of creation, is openly accepted as normal.

In this Circular Letter we cannot go into detail with all these subjects. All those things are predicted in the Holy Scripture for the end time. In the Prophet Isaiah’s writings we read, *“The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again.”* (24:29). That, however, is not the end; it is only the end of this old earth, which is doomed to pass away. The LORD, our God, has made provisions for a new beginning and has therefore given us this promise, *“For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.”* (Isa. 65:17). That is exactly how it will be. After the terrible end there will be a new heaven and a new earth (Rev. 21) wherein dwelleth righteousness (2. Pet. 3:13). Amen.

No one can stop the course of history. God has already decided all things, and they will come to pass according to the time plan for all of eternity. The most important thing is that we are now found to be in the Will of God and that God's pleasure rests upon us, so that we can be among those who are ready for the Return of Christ and can escape all that shall come upon the earth (Lk. 21:25-26).

## SUMMARY

A final word to all ministering brethren: Let us collectively make use of the short time that remains for us to proclaim the last message as found in God's Word with all the promises in a crystal-clear way, until we see the fulfilment thereof and the last ones are called out and the time of grace comes to an end. We do not need sensations, no personal confirmation by any light or the likes of it, because in Mk. 16 the LORD gave the promise that He would provide the confirmation for those whom He called to the ministry.

The revealed Word is the spiritual food. That is what Brother Branham was referring to on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1962, in Louisville, Kentucky, USA, in the presence of the witnesses Fred Sothman and Banks Wood, when he said to me, "Brother Frank, wait with the giving out of the stored-in food until the time comes and you have received the last part of the food." Together with all the faithful ministering brethren in the various countries we shall offer this spiritual food to God's people. That is what I have been doing since 1966, by translating Brother Branham's sermons into the German language; they have become a tremendous blessing to many people.

After Moses had completed his ministry, the revealed Word of God was placed into the Ark of the Covenant. Joshua commanded the priests to take the Ark upon their shoulders, and so he crossed the River Jordan together with God's people, and they took possession of the Promised Land. That is how it happens today: We have the full and complete Word of God, are in possession of all the promises and go forward in faith until we shall experience the fulfilment of all things.

## THE END OF THE YEAR

The past year 2007 was blessed in a tremendous way. Never before have so many people in so many countries heard the Word of God. Never before did we reach so many people with the monthly broadcasts of our meetings in Krefeld and Zurich. We are deeply grateful to God for providing us with the opportunity and the ability to carry the last message to the far corners of the earth via the Internet. So far we are able to transmit in seven different languages, and, God willing, by the middle of next year we will have the capacity to broadcast the services in 12 different languages.

May I take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all of you who support the work of the Mission Center. We can rest one hundred percent assured that this work is ordained by God Himself and that the ministry, which we offer unto Him, is in His perfect Will. According to the direct commission of God Almighty we have preached the true Word; and the LORD, by His grace, has been with us throughout. With His help we will press on, and His Truth shall remain in us right to the end: *“For the truth’s sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever.”* (2. Jn. 2).

God willing, I shall continue to be in Krefeld for the meetings at the Mission Center on the first weekend of every month and in Zurich for the meetings held on every last Sunday. The time in between is dedicated to the work in the Mission Center and to the trips to the various countries.

The last meeting in **Zurich** is planned for Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007, at 14:00 h in the Volkshaus, with the LORD’S Supper as well as a time of fellowship after the meeting.

In **Krefeld** we shall have our first international gathering on January 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008, God willing.

The **Israel trip** has been extended by one more day. Since El Al does not have enough seats for May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008, we will fly back on May 16<sup>th</sup>. The cost for the additional day is only 30 Euro, and it gives us an extra day in Jerusalem.

More than 80 participants have already registered with us for the trip to Israel, which means that we will soon be at full capacity for two busses. Experience has taught us that a few seats may become available

again at the last minute, so that others who have delayed their decision can still join us on this trip.

With great confidence we move forward into the year 2008, knowing that the LORD who finished the work of creation is the same One Who will finish His work of Redemption. God Himself has taken full responsibility for His entire plan of Salvation, and He has assigned us our rightful places therein. It is my desire that all Brothers and Sisters might become a blessing unto others, for this is what God promised to Abraham, *“I will bless thee, ... and thou shalt be a blessing.”* Do not be ashamed to share with others the promises of God and also what He has done and still does to this day. Take your stand upon the Word with the LORD. Lastly, I would like to wish all of you a blessed year 2008; may the LORD be with you throughout the year.

By His commission

Bro. Frank

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*“For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him.”* (2. Chr. 16:9).

**A quitter never wins; a winner never quits!**

*“He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be My son.”* (Rev. 21:7).

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