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"O SCRIBE LOOK OUT"

I AM GOING INTO A MESSAGE TODAY, AND I DO NOT EVEN LIKE TO THINK ABOUT IT, BECAUSE I KNOW I WILL BE SAYING SOME THINGS AND BRINGING OUT SOME POINTS THAT ARE GOING TO MAKE SOME OF YOU FEEL BAD. I AM NOT DOING IT FOR THAT REASON: I AM DEALING

WITH IT BECAUSE I BELIEVE IT IS TIME FOR IT. WE HAVE A VERY FAMILIAR CHART UP HERE, ONE THAT I USED LAST FALL DURING OUR CONVENTION. I AM NOT USING IT TODAY TO GIVE THE MESSAGE THE SAME TITLE, BUT YOU WILL UNDERSTAND AS WE GO ALONG.

I would like for you to turn with me into the 13th chapter of Matthew, starting with the 47th verse. We are going to use a familiar scripture that might seem small and insignificant, but this thing has looked right at me this week, in the light of things that I have seen take place in the last thirty some years since Bro. Branham's death. I have to say, We do not have time to play around and say, well, I have plenty of time yet to think about what I want to do and so forth. We absolutely do not. The title of our subject is, "Looking at Time," and the subtitle, "Oh Scribe, Look Out." That is

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absolutely just as alarming as the tragedy that happened yesterday to the natural world. When I look back through the years since Bro. Branham’s death, I can begin to name many preachers that have taken hold of the message and endeavored to put forth a thought which they thought was bringing out a real meaning, but none of it has yet. After thirty seven years this past December, since the Lord took His messenger, a servant, a prophet that the world of religion only looked back upon as a man that had a healing ministry, and they do not want anything to do with any particular thing he taught, neither in the prophetic realm or revelatory wise. In fact, they destroy his reputation when it comes to things like that. I just have to say, that after this many years, we are standing at the threshold of a great climax. I pray that we will all be ready when this thing is over and that we are ready to leave here. A lot of people and

especially preachers I have met through the years, at the time I met them and became acquainted with them, I looked upon them with great respect. The means that I had material-wise to help them, I went to a great extent to help them. But through the process of time it seemed as though they would get to a certain point, then something would happen in their spiritual mind that would distract them. Then they began to set up against me. You don’t know the many times I have said to myself, what good is it to stand up here, stand for something, then all of a sudden somebody comes along and treats it like it is nothing? I am going to read this seventh parable. From the standpoint of Jesus, who spoke it, I want you to know the actual language, you have to realize He is using a natural event or happening to bring out a spiritual point of great interest. Matthew 13:47, “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away. (You would have to know just how fishermen go out and fish, and when they have come in with their catch, that is the very thing that conditions compelled them to do. A true fisherman knows good and well, not every creature that is in that net can be accepted on the market that they are going to be selling to.) So shall it be at the end of the world: (or the age) the

angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just, (Now stop and think, is He really talking about the drunks? The bank robbers? The dope peddlers? Is that what He is talking about when He says the wicked? Who are these wicked? How can you separate them from the just? We have to have an understanding of what He is looking at, and not what we think He is looking at.) And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: (Cast what? The wicked.) there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. (That is the end of the subject. The disciples were standing there, His present apostles.) Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord.” Most of them had been fishermen, so He did not talk over their heads. Now notice the 52nd verse, how it came alive to me this week. Every way I look at it, as I look back how time has progressed through the last thirty some years, I have to say, there will never be another thirty five years.) Then said He unto them, Therefore every scribe.” I used to just read that in an almost meaningless manner, but when I looked at the other translations and went to the dictionary, the word every, then I saw something. I saw this to be a fact, that there is a God called ministry that has been called out of all this rotten mess of religion, a ministry He has called to fulfill this very role, and every last one of those true ministers are absolutely going to be a

part of the five fold ministry that God spoke of in Ephesians chapter 4. When I take the Hebrew text, “every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder,” I have to ask, why did He use that term? First off, a householder is a man that possess property, he is responsible for something. He looks after its upkeep, doesn’t he? And if he is that, then he has property and has the ability to bring out of his treasure, in this particular sense we are talking about things of value. You and I know, every householder, every man that owns property has a deed. If the place is mortgaged, he has a contract also that stipulates his obligation to meet those needs within that deed realm and that mortgage. That householder is not just going to lay those things around haphazardly just anywhere. He has got to be able to know exactly where to go and pick them up at a moment’s notice. This is an illustration. Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven, that means in the closing part of this seventh church age, is like unto a man that is an householder, a property owner, a man that possesses something, which brings forth out of his treasure things new and old. When I look at what has been going on for thirty some years, I can see that not every man that says God called him to preach Bro. Branham’s message, has really been called. I have no doubt that God has

called him potentially, but please notice how I say these things. Any such man is going to be held by God, accountable for what he does with whatever is committed to him. What has he made out of it? Because he has not fulfilled what it says here. He has only been a copy cat. If I came here this morning and all I did was get up here and quote this verse, this verse, this verse, Paul said this, John said this, Peter said this, but I cannot take that and put it into a present day illustration and thought that is beneficial to you and me, I will guarantee you one thing, you would not come very often to listen to me. Because you would say, I can stay home and read the Bible and get that. Well I can say the same thing about some of these fellows I am thinking of. If I want to read quotes, I will stay home and read them: why should I come here and hear somebody else beat their gums together and tell me what some man said when they were not even there to hear it. Do you understand what I mean? Some might say, but you are talking about the prophet. No, I am not talking about the prophet: I am talking about the mess of junk that has followed him, the trash, the carnal ideas, and the things that men have said that the prophet said, when I know that he did not say them. There are multitudes of them sitting in the middle of the road today, right where they have been for thirty some years. They are sitting there saying, it takes a prophet, it takes a prophet. If you try to talk to them

about something that God has showed you out of His word, which the prophet did not touch, they just shake their head and say, It takes a prophet, it takes a prophet. I am not making fun, I am speaking actually as it is. That is how they believe I have to say, that is not being a God called scribe. Such as that, are not bringing out of their treasure, they are just bringing forth out of their memory, something that someone else has said. Those fellows cannot put a present day thought to it at all, from the word of God. I am going back and read this last verse again and I am going to put it down in present day language. Therefore every God called person into the five fold ministry, notice how I said it, preaches instruction. He is going to be instructed by the Spirit of God exactly what the message is, what the word of God is, and how to take it and put it into every day language for your and my benefit.

CAUGHT BY ANOTHER SPIRIT

There have been many men that have followed what we have taught for a few years, and they said things just exactly like we have tried to put it out. But somewhere they get to a point, some other mind or some other thought comes along and distracts them. After awhile, here they go down the road of life, the things that they have walked with us in, stood with us, up to a certain point until that day happens, now they do an about

face, they go another direction and it isn't long until the very things that they were agreeing with us, and saying Amen to, now they have gone another route and they are saying something else very different. I will say this, God potentially called that person to be something within the five fold ministry, notice how I say it, if that man has the ability to be like an evangelist, then as he takes hold of certain things in responsibility, he will conduct himself and present the things he says like an evangelist, right on down the line. There is no such thing for you to sit there and think that when God calls a man out of some religious past into a relationship with this message of truth, that he can change his calling. Whatever his potential is, that is what he will be if he measures up to the fulfillment of it, no more and no less. You do not graduate from one position to another. You are what you are when God calls you. This is the fore ordained mind of God. How many understand what I am saying? But I have to say, every true scribe that has been called by the grace of God to get a hold of this message, first off, he will have to depend on the Holy Spirit to teach him and instruct him in the right way it is to be presented. He does not have to quote my words. He can take the same thought and picture and put it in his own way of bringing it out, you will get the same picture, it will create the same edifying results and it will not make him a copy

cat. But I do say this, when we do know that certain things have been well illustrated and spoken of, if for some reason something comes along and distracts his thinking and he wants to take the same thing and go another way with it, then I have to say you are approaching another pathway that can lead to trouble. I want to say this, when God privileged me to sit under Bro. Branham's ministry through the years, I sat there like a child, learning. I was young. I realized after hearing him say some of the most outstanding things he said, some of those things were over my head, but I said, Lord, I know that man is your servant. I will keep those things in my mind, things that I do understand, John 3:16, I don't have to lay that aside. I don't have to lay the scriptures aside that Jesus was born of virgin birth. That is settled. I don't have to lay it aside that Jesus is coming again. That is settled no matter who says it. But when it came to topics like serpent seed and so forth, that did not make me stumble and fall on my face, I just put it up in my memory and said Lord, there are a lot of things I do not understand, but at least what I have been told makes more sense than to think there was a snake hanging in a tree that became a ventriloquist, throwing his voice at Eve. That is the way the religious world likes to paint the picture. Now I want to say this, when I read that scripture to you, we know this, that since the start of this 20th century, we have

entered the seventh church age, and I am not preaching the last one hundred years. Yes we are somewhere between the beginning of that, and before it ends over here, it is going to be necessary for certain scriptures to begin to drop down in time, to have an earthly setting that is going to affect God's true Church, not the religious world, God's true Church. This is why, when I go back here at the beginning of the 1950's, God began to move upon ministries out of different denominations. There were men like Billy Graham, Oral Roberts, one after another they began to arise to the call. I will say this, some of them had a divine healing ministry. Many of them just preached salvation. I have read Billy Graham's testimony. In that testimony he plainly stated, he wanted to be the greatest world evangelist that the world ever had. He came to reach that point, but it is not how big your name is known and how publicly you are well known, it is how you have fulfilled the will and plan of God. As we came out of the 1940's into the 1950's, beginning about 1947-1948, I can say this, there was a moving of the Spirit of God that fulfilled that first part of this parable, seven church ages, a net cast into the sea. For a few years back then, all you could read about, here goes this evangelist, here goes this evangelist. Here goes a truck with tents and such like, around the world they have gone. The further it went, the more that joined their ranks,

Tommy Osborne, A.A. Allen, Velmar Gardner, W. V. Grant. But in the midst of all that, there was another little man, not educated, who had one of the most outstanding ministries of divine healing, that outshone all of them. But up to a certain point, he would teach a salvation message, maybe climax it with prayer for the sick. Never had I heard him take the scriptures and just deal with divine healing as a topic. You don't even find Jesus doing that, you don't find the apostles doing that. You have scriptures that refer to the promise of God, but not a written subject. How many understand me? With that in mind, let me say this, By the grace of God I was privileged to sit under this man's ministry, and yes I heard the man say several things that many times I thought, well that is not just the way the verse reads it or such, but as I listened to him, I did not ever say the man made a mistake. I began to learn, because I read one verse of scripture in the first part of St. John's writing, where they went out to hear John the Baptist, and they were asking John, are you this prophet? Are you this or that? He denied he was Elijah or anything, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness. That takes you right back to Isaiah, the 40th chapter. Then he winds up, verily I say unto you, there is one standing among you somewhere, when He comes, He will indeed baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire,

whose fan is in His hand and He will thoroughly purge His floor.

THE FAN IN THE HAND OF JESUS

As the years came and went, as I listened to this man, and I began to hear these plural statements, then I could begin to see the fact, there are people sitting here in front of him, they are taking in everything he is saying, and to them it was, Thus saith the Lord. But somewhere down the road, it was John the Baptist that made the statement, whose fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly purge His floor. When I began to see the reality of that scripture, then I could see the same spirit that was on John to say that, is going to be on another man here at the end time to create this fan in the hand of Jesus. Because Jesus would not personally be on earth with a fan in His hand, so where would He be? He would be on His high throne position, in intercessory work, it would be the Holy Spirit that would take certain things and turn them into a fan. I have used this many times in preaching: how in ancient times they did not have threshing machines that had mechanical wind devices. They had a natural place where they brought the grain to, in bundles. There, is where they rode on it with oxen, camels, and the point was to put the grain under pressure, to press the grain from the chaff and stuff that was hanging on to it. But many times as they would move the straw away, you cannot

move chaff and husks with a pitchfork. Then it comes down to the last process, then, is when they would have a certain festivity type dance. All the young maidens would dance around the threshing floor with big flat trays. In different positions, they would have men standing with homemade fans, and the purpose was as they would dance around with certain types of music, they would toss the grain into the air as they passed the points where the fans were, and the wind would hit the chaff and blow it back onto the threshing floor. By the time they had made a complete circle, they would see what was on their tray was the completely cleansed grain. I have said this many times, God ordained and allowed William Marrion Branham to say certain things that some people just thought he had made a mistake. No, God willed it to be that way, and you should not say it to be anything different from what I have said. The sad part of it is, those little things that look like human mistakes, God knew that there would be some carnal minds in the winding up of this thing, that were going to sit there and take the wrong one. Instead of taking the one quotation or statement that could have put them in the scriptures, they chose the opposite. There they go. So the wind has caught them and has blown them, and it is still blowing them today. Many of the people they preach to around this world, they have only made more converts of

the same sort. I hate to think of it in that manner, but what other choice is there? Then when we came into the 1970's I could begin to see the Lord had called me to be one of the five fold ministries He would use. I only refer to my dream that I had about Bro. Branham before he passed off the scene. You have never heard me stand up here and quote, I am this or I am that, but I will say this, let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind what he is seeing, what he is hearing, and what has affected him. That is all I ask. To some people, they can hear a lot of words, but they do not get a picture out of anything. All they want is flesh they can follow, and they say, but I admire him, I love him. If what I am preaching does not mean anything to you spiritually, forget about loving me. I cannot save you, I am trying to point you to the Word of God. My desire is, that I can, by the grace of God give you some scriptural, spiritual things to think about and meditate upon and cultivate in your life. That is my desire always. Well, as we began to publish our Contender, it was not long until it was in Jamaica, it is in Indonesia, the Philippines, and even in India. Within five years time it was in Africa. Different people began to write and comment on it, and preachers began to correspond as well. They were all so elated with what they were hearing. Spoken Word preachers were going over there with books, taking crates of them to pass out to the people. In 1974, I and

those that were with me, were taken into houses in the country of Ghana Africa, in Takoradi and Accra as well as other places. We were in houses where Spoken Word books were stacked and stored in boxes, never having been opened. Do you know why? Most of the pastors of the different elements of people would say, they don't know what he is talking about. If they know English, they know it because they went to school to study it. So all the adjectives and nouns the way Bro. Branham spoke, it just made them say, we don't understand it. We don't know how to read it. I did not come back home and publish that information, but I will say this, I was privileged to meet some people that really impressed me. There was one young man, Bro. Coffey was his name, that kept corresponding with me. From that time until the beginning of the 1980's he corresponded with me, because he had interpreted for me in 1974 when we were in Ghana. These different ones would correspond, and at the same time I was getting correspondence from Singapore, then from India. At that time, we had a young man and his brother who were coming here. During the first months of their coming here, oh they just thanked God for bringing them here. As time came and went, there came a time when I brought this certain young man from Ghana Africa, Bro. Coffey, I had been corresponding with him for quite

awhile. He came here. Here also, was George Brown from Jamaica. We got acquainted with him in 1972. We brought him and his family over here several times. He lived in the mountains, miles away from any major city. Another brother and I went down there and hired a taxi to take us into the mountains where he lived. I have to say, he was really in the mountains. We took a liking to the people, and especially because they seemed so eager for what they were getting in the Contender. After coming back, that man had expressed how he would like to get his people out of there. We had already purchased a station wagon. Bro. Albert Seitz drove it down to Florida, where we shipped it by boat to be picked up in Jamaica. By the time we came into the first part of the 1980's, we had sent him enough money, that he had slowly moved those families, I forget how many there were, out of the mountains to just a few miles away from a major city along the coastal area. They bought concrete blocks and built a church house. One by one they began to build concrete buildings for each family to live in. On one occasion I took the deacons and their wives down there to see what these people were doing. They were rejoicing to be part of us. But when we came into the first part of the 1980's, we had a lot of people from Canada and different places coming here for our convention meetings. Faith Assembly

sponsored them to be here, not from Canada, but from overseas.

EXALTING SELF

I will never forget one young man and his brother that had been here for several months, testifying how they really enjoyed Faith Assembly and the things they heard. He was getting his ego all built up. He wanted permission to speak to the preachers and some others one morning. It was not to the entire congregation, it was to some of the visitors here for the convention, and George Brown from Jamaica, that we had brought over for the convention. When this young man had stood right here for almost two hours beating his gums together and making various statements belittling me and putting me down, he was trying to exalt certain things Bro. Branham had said and the way he said them, and show that I had not said things like Bro. Branham had said them, and he finally allowed opportunity for someone else to speak. I sat right over there and kept quiet while he talked. Bro. Creech was sitting next to me. Neil Connally from Canada was sitting right here. Gordon Engman was sitting right there. When he got finished, I felt like I had been shot, from the way he said things. When he finally took his seat, I do not remember all the words I said, but I did say this, If God is through with me, I am ready to sit down. Bro. Creech was the first one that spoke up, he began to defend me, having known

me for so many years and what I have stood for. Neil Connally followed him supporting our coming to Canada and preaching the things we did. Then Bro. Engman from California told how he put up with quotes in California, but he thanked God for the things we have stood for and the way we put it in the Contender. Different voices began to defend me. That young man sat there listening, and after awhile he began to look like a chicken with his head cut off. There sat Coffey from Africa and George Brown from Jamaica. When the meeting was over, they went their way. George Brown went back to the quotes pattern. It wasn't long until I heard he was preaching everywhere just exactly the way Bro. Branham said it. Then the Bro. Coffey who I had supported and used in 1974 as interpreter, he went back to Africa and within six months time, it took his wife to tell on him, he was caught with another woman and had relationship with her. When these things begin to come back to you, after what you have spent, and how you have trusted them, then somehow or other they turn right around and take off in another direction, it can get very disheartening. But through the years I will have to say, there have been others that have taken hold of what we stand for and have held on wonderfully. I will say this, Some of these brothers, to the religious world might look like they are as unimportant as a stray dog. But those

who have an honest heart, have a unique way of taking hold of something and are ready to stand, no matter what the storms may bring. I am not in the habit of referring to names of individuals. However I then began to have correspondence with a man from Singapore, Richard Gan. Twice I brought him and his wife over here for our meetings. When we passed through Singapore on our way to India. He came to the hotel room, thanking me for the things he was able to read in the Contender. But the second time he was over here, I honored him and let him preach one night. I will never forget it. He took a subject just as unrelated to the facts as anything in the world.

RICHARD GAN
PREACHED CONTRARY
TO BROTHER JACKSON

We had preached and put out an article From Eden to the Flood, what happened and how it was all represented in the loins of Noah, the mixed seed. Richard Gan stood right here in this pulpit and preached that Noah was a pure seed. How could he have been a pure seed? He thought because he himself was a male nurse in a hospital in Singapore, that qualified him to use that line of thought. Well I have sense enough to know, because I have studied genetic laws in the animal kingdom, and I have to say, no male species is necessarily going to determine exactly what particular identity his offspring will have. I ask of

you, please listen carefully to me and remember, Noah never had a daughter. He had sisters, he had other brothers, but remember this, if Noah was a pure seed according to Richard Gan's idea, why did he marry a woman of mixed seed? What was the objective? The woman that he was married to when he fathered three sons, before the flood, was a woman of mixed seed, and they each grew up old enough to help Noah build on that boat, and there was no sister in that line of the family. That tells me something. Remember, the male determines the sex of the child, not the mother. How many heard me? He fathered all male children, did he not? One was a white man, one was a black man, and the other was in between. I am not a racist. I am a realist. Let us be realistic about the things that are given to us. Those three sons of Noah had already picked their wives before the flood came. I believe with all my heart, they picked the wife that fit their particular physical identity. They were in that boat for almost a year by the time the flood came until it had abated from the earth. There were no children born in the ark. But after they were back on the ground and they moved out into the different planes of Shinar to begin to take up habitation, then is when their line began to multiply and each one of them began to bear sons and daughters, sons and daughters, sons and daughters. Why did not Noah have a daughter? It

lets me know, Noah was not a pure seed. If he was, he was a fool for marrying a mixed woman. Because up until that time, a man could marry his own sister. You know that. If Noah had the same revelation that Enoch prophesied like he did, he would never have taken a wife that was of mixed seed, if he had sisters that were pure seed. When I wrote to Gan and tried to say, brother, why have you put this out like this? He said, God gave it to me as a revelation. Then I thought, the devil hit him with a picture of something, that is when I said, you go your way and I will go mine. Never have I said, he is a devil. But I said, the time will come when God will prove who is right and who is wrong. I will say, I thank God, that through the years He has let me meet some wonderful people, some wonderful brothers. We had another young man that began to converse with me, Bro. Hiwale from India. That was in the latter part of the 1970's. To him, it was wonderful to read the Contender, the things we had published. On three occasions I brought him and his wife here. On two occasions I was there in India, he was my interpreter, and he set up the places I was to go and preach. But after I was there the last time, a man wrote to me from Singapore. Dear Bro. Jackson, you do not know it, but Bro. Hiwale is going behind your back, he is communicating with another preacher from Canada, and he is doing it because he is giving him

money. I don't have to mention his name. From then on I said, they will use you, they will two time you, they will double time you and everything else just to get out of you what they can get out of you. I wrote and told him, brother, I cannot do any more for you, I will not support a man, that to my face he will stand with what we say, then when my back is turned, he will stand for what somebody else says, that is contrary. You either stand with what God has given you the opportunity to stand for, and don't change when the wind blows, or there is something wrong. If God called you to be exactly what is in this scribe category, then measure up to it, live up to it, no matter what. I am not going to look over your shoulder and dictate, but I will say one thing, I am not taking back the things we have stood for and taught through the years. I have boxes of old letters at home, where different ones have spoken for what we have stood for. I will say this, when we came through that net era, we came through into the latter part of the 1950's. As we came into the latter part of the 1950's things began to change. I can remember when Billy Graham had his big tent. A. A. Allen had his. T. L. Osborne had his. Many others also, their trucks were going up and down the highways of America, from place to place, having their meetings. But all of a sudden those trucks began to slow down, less and less until they were no longer on

the road. They were no longer sitting up tents in the big cities. The net period was over. About 1960 this little man William Branham, which to me was the beginning of a scribe on the scene. You have to take that parable, which starts with one scribe. He brought a message that is going to be the beginning of what is to follow that. Now let me say this for the sake of some preachers who will say, now Bro. Jackson, that is not the way you said it back in such and such a time. If that is the way it looks to you, it is because I see more now. How many know what I mean by that? We do not have a clear picture from now until the end. We are looking at it by faith. I can remember the time when I heard that man William Branham, in the seals, he said it like this, the Bride will go in the rapture, but the church will go through the tribulation. Well there is no scripture for that. So when I began to analyze that, I said that is another one of those little things that the devil is going to use, and it will be a big fan. So with that, I began to realize, I was not going to let daylight come between that man and me, not that I worshipped his flesh, and not that I have taken everything he said verbatim. I will listen to it and ask God to give me sense enough to know how to interpret it, and to divide it, because in there is God's message for my soul and for the true Bride of Christ. The rest is going to fall out here on the ears of a bunch of you-name-them. Well you are talking

about my brother. I don't care if I am. Well my sister is wrapped up in that. I don't care if she is. I can have ten cousins all wrapped up in it. Do you think I am going to let that change me from my walk with God? You might say, you don't sound like you care about anybody else. I do too, but I put God first. I say to everyone of you, who am I to stand in the middle of the road and say, now wait a minute brother, let's reason this all out. If it is not a revelation to them, they are bound and determined to go some other way. There is not a thing you can do to stop them. I did not say they would go back to the beer joint, did I? But they will turn to some other religious pathway. When we did come into 1963, and God dealt with that man like he did, and moved him out to Arizona, specifically so that He could speak to him in a supernatural way in the mountains, that was the way God led him. I am thankful, that along in 1968 in the month of October when my wife and I were privileged to go out there, Billy Paul wanted us to stay with him. He took us up into the mountains right where the angel of the Lord had come down and appeared to Bro. Branham, when certain words were spoke to him. Already, by that time there were people coming from the ends of the earth, to take out pieces of rock from Sabino Canyon. That is exactly how Catholicism has been all through the years, collecting nails and pieces of the cross. What those people

were doing was no different then what the Catholic people do, it all winds up coming from the same spirit. At one time, I was told that the public officials became concerned, because people were hauling the mountain away by the car loads. They closed the canyon for awhile because of that, and I don't know whether it is still closed or not. They did not want the whole thing destroyed. That is a shame, when people who profess to be Christians get to the place that rocks and sticks mean more to them than a revelation of the Word of God in their heart. If you cannot carry it in your heart it will not do you any good to have something in your back pocket, or on the wall of your house. I appreciate pictures and things of that nature, but that is not the inspiration that is going to draw a picture of something that is revelatory, and that is what it takes to benefit your inner being. Your inner being is not measured by what is on the wall: it is what God wants to paint inside of you that makes you a true Christian. Through the years, they have come here and gone from here. For a period of time they would say, Oh Bro. Jackson, it is so wonderful. Then all of a sudden you begin to get a picture. Up to a certain time they can see it, but beyond that, they do not see anything else. As I endeavor to present this message, some of you might say oh Bro. Jackson, you ought not do this. Well, here is one of the reasons I am going to do it. You sit there

in those seats and you do not know what goes on in a minister's mind. You do not care how many are out here trying to shoot him out of the saddle and do away with him. Some have said, Bro. Jackson is out of touch with young people. I want to ask you all a question, when the Bible says repent every one of you and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, was that written one way to suit an old person and another way to suit a young one? Was it? You know good and well it was not. The same Bible that teaches there is one God, that has been manifested in three offices, was that written exclusively for different categories of the age bracket? It was not. When Paul was converted on the road to Damascus and Ananias was told by the angel of the Lord to go and pray for him, that he would be a light to the Gentiles and a means of salvation to the ends of the earth, I still believe what he said, regardless of whether I am seventy years old or sixteen. It is for all of us, but we have to have a revelation. I want you to know, the Holy Ghost is not particular what age you are, if He gets inside of you. He can take an old man that has chewed tobacco all his life, but when he is sixty five and God gets hold of him, brings him to repentance, in his heart he looks up with tears in his eyes and thanks God for saving his soul. Then He comes along and fills him with the Holy Ghost. The old man is no longer chewing and spitting tobacco juice. He

is talking in another language and worshipping God. Did God do that because he was old or young? Which one? I think it is about time we begin to wake up. I know the way the modern world of religion is run today. I don't care which direction they go. TBN is nothing but a Hollywood celebration thing. I thank God for a revelation of truth. We have no need of world popularity.

CORRECTION

What I am doing here today is not to destroy anybody, any person, any preacher, but to set some people on notice of this one thing, I may be an old man to some, but I have not forgotten what the scriptures do say. I could forget what I had for breakfast the day before yesterday, but when it comes to certain scriptures, the same thought I remembered fifty years ago, I still remember today. What he said back then he still says the same thing today. What it meant then still means the same thing today. When I made the tape and sent it to Bro. Strommen in Norway, about the Jehu ministry, he replied back to me, "On this video you mentioned about the Jehu ministry, I have never stood for any Jehu ministry. I have always ministered on the five fold ministry. It is true that I have taken the pattern of the ministry of Elijah and called it a three stage or three fold purpose of that ministry. I ministered that, as you mentioned, in Mexico and also in Manila in 1996. The

topic is mainly an effort to try to help the believer see that everything was not over when Bro. Branham died. It has never been an issue of trying to get another ministry started. I thought we talked these things over as we traveled together over the years. In your later sermons on the 100 years plus, you also touched on the same thing, that it was not over when Elijah was taken away. The main issue there was to turn their hearts back to God. (Listen carefully.) It seems that you are taking the names Elijah, Elisha, and Jehu as the three persons.” That is not what I have said. I said that Elijah, Elisha, and one of the children of the prophets, 2nd Kings 9:1. Brother, I may be an old man, but I am not senile. Why talk about a three fold stage, if you leave the third one anonymous? How many know what I am saying? In the 1st verse of 2nd Kings 9, that was the young man that was told, take this anointing and go anoint, guess who? Jehu. What is the topic? The three fold purpose. Of what? Just three individuals or three anonymous characters? We are talking about the anointing, aren't we? How many can see what I am saying. You just don't throw an anonymous thing out there. You have got to be specific, whether you are saying it indirect or directly. Brothers and sisters, the young man that was told to take this anointing oil, his name is not even mentioned in the record of the scriptures. Because when you go back to the original of

Elijah and God has prophesied through Elijah, of what all is to be done in this house of Israel, how He is going to judge it, destroy Baalism and everything, no anonymous person appears on the scene. You either are specific and commit yourself, or you do not use three stages. How many heard me? It does not go that way. When you read the whole chapter 9 of 2nd Kings, it leads you when he was anointed, and from then on he is crying out as he comes down the road on that horse, come and watch my zeal for God. He cut off more heads. Now don't leave him silent just because we are trying to bring out a three fold stage of something. How many heard what I am saying? Because I am not listening to scriptures like that. Don't use the three fold stage of anything if you cannot be specific on what you are talking about. Because types in the Bible are not written that way. When you go to Leviticus 23, it speaks to you specifically on what day the Lord will raise from the dead. It speaks to you specifically, that it is on the next day after the Sabbath, which is actually Sunday in the Greek week. That set a perfect type, that after the earth has had its Millennium, that is the seventh day, then everything, redemption is over, now it passes into the eighth day. How many can see that? When you read it in type, it is not anonymous. It is specific. How else are you going to prove a revelation? Now here is more, so please pay attention“This pattern is to

show that even they never saw the original prophet, they could still have part of the turning of the hearts back to God. I mentioned three periods, first the old pattern, already told, then the same of John the Baptist. (Now to my brother, you are still my brother, and I am going to plainly tell you, I am your spiritual daddy. I have known you for a longer period of time than any of these other characters I talked about. I am not going to cut you off, but I am sure going to let you know that as your spiritual daddy, I am going to remind you of how little you know.) Then the time of John the Baptist, that would be the prophet, the apostles ministry, and then the five fold ministry. The apostles were with John the Baptist. (They absolutely were not. Turn to Matthew 4, then Matthew 10. He went around the Sea of Galilee, the first ones He picked was Peter and Andrew, then John, then James. Later Nathaniel, then Matthew, then Bartholomew. Every one of these apostles that were disciples then, they were not part of John the Baptist's ministry at all, they were part of Jesus' calling. He said, then the time of John the Baptist, that would be the prophet, the apostles ministry, and then the five fold, that is not the way it was at all. It was John the Baptist, he was the spirit of Elijah to turn the heart of the fathers to the children. He was also the fore runner of the messenger of the covenant, who was Jesus Christ, in Malachi 3:1. Follow me. And Jesus did

not start on the scene until He heard that John was in prison. You find this in Matthew's writing. Then, is when Jesus left Nazareth and came to Capernaum and started preaching around the Sea of Galilee to fulfill the scriptures, and they that sat in darkness saw a great light. Then one day He passed by and saw some fishermen, Peter and Andrew. Later here came James and John. Then later came Nathaniel, behold an Israelite in whom there is no guile. Then Matthew the tax collector. On and on and on. When you come to the 10th chapter, there is where you see He is calling the twelve out and commissions them to go and preach the gospel. Now listen to this last part. That would be the prophet, listen to this, then the apostle's ministry, he is referring to me, and then the five fold ministry. I have been standing for that five fold ministry ever since I have been talking. Because that five fold ministry comes right into that order of scribes. How many understood what I am saying? It took a scribe, a prophet, a messenger to the age, to initiate this and start this thing going. That is why I have been ridiculed, ran over and talked about. I am not mad, I am not disgusted, but I know when the Bible is being used in an untimely way. I have to say brother, I have labored these many years, standing for a true revelation of the Word of God. When I first met you, I saw in you the qualities of a man that I wanted to help. I was

drawn to your ministry. I can say this, on this platform I have heard you say many beautiful things that were uplifting, edifying to the saints of God. But brother, let me say this, there is no move of the spirit of God to create another generation of preachers, other ministries beyond what I have been standing for, for the past thirty some years. Any of the young men in Norway, you don't have to listen to me, you don't have to correspond with me, but I am watching you. It is what you do in the next year and half that tells me whether you are running out of time, out of tune, or whether you are running around trying to be a show piece to somebody? If you are, there will be some people that will listen to you. How many understand what I am saying? But Bro. Strommen, you are my brother, but I have to say, the type you have used here, is completely out of line with the scriptures. When I go back to the apostles' hour, it was first John the Baptist, he was the forerunner, the spirit of Elijah, that was turning the hearts of the fathers to the children. Was he not? Who is the next stage? Jesus Christ, because it was John who introduced Jesus. Is that not right? Then what is the third stage? Those men that Jesus called to be His disciples, after the anointing in the upper room, they became the apostles that were to start the body of the New Testament Church, Ephesians 4. Now He that ascended, is He who descended first, and then He

gave gifts unto men. So it was Jesus Himself who sent back through the intercessory work, the anointing that is going to be the third stage of that anointing of the Spirit of God. When we come to Bro. Branham's hour, just like I said in the video, Bro. Branham typed two characters, he was the spirit of Elijah that fulfilled Malachi 4:5-6 in the latter part, to turn the heart of the children, that is you and me, back to the faith of our fathers. That is exactly what I saw in the life of Bro. Branham. Beyond him, he fulfilled two biblical characters, John the Baptist and Jesus Christ. Because we have never known Christ after the flesh, only by divine revelation. That means revealed Jesus of the Bible, by the manner and the way he presented Him. Because the gift in his life was not in John the Baptist, you know that. The gift in his life characterized the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. Otherwise why did people call out, he is our Messiah? why did they start baptizing in his name? Why was I asked in 1958, if the Lord was to come back in our day and dress like man today, do you think you would know Him? I said, I believe I would. Are you sure? Then I said, well what do you mean? Have you ever thought about who William Branham might be? I said, yes, he is the spirit of Elijah and he is a messenger to this Laodicean age. If you take it beyond that, you are out in the Bible. So I have to say, I am not the

second stage for William Branham, and Bro. Strommen is not the third stage to bring on the five fold ministry. How many heard what I said?) There you have it, the prophet, the apostles ministry, (that is pertaining to me) and the five fold ministry.” You don’t have time to grow two flocks of chickens. How many heard what I said? Please brothers and sisters, I am not cutting the brother off, but I do know some people can get their thoughts all crossed up. You might say, but Bro. Jackson, this ought to have been handled different. And I would say, shame on you. Poor old apostle Paul, look at the names he mentioned. For thirty some years I have stood in this place doing my best to try to give you something to believe that would settle your minds, and give you something to build upon spiritually. I have tried not to be a show off, and you have not seen me standing around talking to a lot of other women while my wife sat somewhere all by herself. If you have a question I will talk with you. But I am not going to stand over here on one side of the building, or out in the parking lot, talking to some other woman, if my wife cannot be part of the conversation. I say that with respect to every sister, I will respect you, but you must respect me also. My wife has had to sit and listen to a lot of sad stories, but I have to say this morning, I know what we are standing for and I am not about to change it. I hope what I have said this

morning, when it goes around this world, will cause some people to think seriously and seek the Lord for an understanding of truth.

EXPLAINING TERM SCRIBE

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I want to go back to the scripture in Matthew 13 where we were earlier. I want to read that 52nd verse again, because there is a word I want to give you the definition of from the dictionary. In the 51st verse He has asked the disciples, have you understood all these things? They said, yea Lord. “Then He said unto them, Therefore EVERY scribe.” Now He is speaking this at the end of the seventh parable, the seventh church age. This does not pertain to anywhere else in the kingdom of heaven time. Therefore every scribe, do you know the definition of the word “every?” To speak of more than one, to speak of all as a complete unit. That means the five fold ministry will speak as a unit. That takes you to Isaiah 52:8, my watchmen, in that day will see eye to eye. In the Hebrew it says, when Yahweh returns to Israel. Now with the conditions going on in Israel, there is no need of us as Gentile Christians sitting here, thinking we have many more years to play around, dilly dally around, argue, well I have plenty of time. This condition in the Middle East has been going on now for two years. We have hundreds and hundreds of people in

America today, frowning on the idea of sending troops to Iraq. I don't rejoice in the fact that we are sending troops, but let us look at this from a biblical standpoint. If we are living in the days that the Bible has predicted all these events to come to pass, there is no way a politician is going to design the future to bypass them. I will say this, with this Islamic spirit and terrorism in every major area of the earth, if something between now and then does not happen, this thing could go on another twenty five or thirty years, and regardless of how we try to get rid of it, it will only pop up somewhere else. Already our war, they are figuring out so many billions of dollars, but their aim is, we will rid the earth of terrorism. I have to say tonight, looking from the Bible standpoint, they will not. God will do it in His time, but mortal mankind cannot do it. He will let this thing go on and frustrate the politicians until they become so agitated, aggravated, and confused. To a great extent, they have sat back and politically allowed some of this to be propagated right in their own countries. I have to say, it is a shame for Israeli citizens to be offered every day on the slaughter block of political ideology. They can believe in the Torah all they want to, and quote it, and observe the Sabbath day, and die and go to hell doing it. God is about as much interested in that kind of attitude, as He is somebody going out here, and making

moonshine. Modern mankind has allowed this spirit to come up like it has. I believe God has turned it loose just to agitate world politicians and societies that have been so open and prone to forgetting about God. God has allowed it to develop in such proportions, they are going to force God to do something to show His hand. This conflict in the Middle East cannot go on many more months. Those societies cannot go on and on forever and keep the men that are their soldiers, away from their jobs and such. After awhile it has a very devastating economic affect on their total economies. We will wind up trying to support them with relief aid. When I look at the Bible and read it the way it portrays it, I believe with all my heart, if and when we do enter Iraq, we could well begin to experience some Islamic repercussions. If so, it could put Israel in a position where God will move her to the fore front just to begin to show the world something that the world does not want. When God is through with Israel, you can rest assured of one thing, He will kill that Islamic spirit and that cult from every corner of the earth. He will hit it with such a devastating blow, some of these so called church goers here in America and the civilized world, it is either going to rock them off their seats, and they will wake up and realize, they have been sitting too long under tradition. Either that, or they are going to prove to themselves that they have just

had religion, they have not had salvation. So I am saying, I hate to have to think of our fighting forces having to go like that, but I do believe this one thing, God knows what He is doing and I believe He has a plan. If we are getting closer to Micah the 7th chapter where God said as it was in the days when He brought Israel out of Egypt, so will He again return to them. That kind of conflict in the earth is the only thing that is going to wipe this earth free from Islam and terrorism. First off, where did this spirit start? Saudi Arabia. When that conflict is over, what does it say in Isaiah 60, right in that country that has been the mother land for all Islam, then for some reason those people have become changed and they are ready to bring incense and gold to the Jews in Jerusalem. You could not get that from them now if you wanted to. But it plainly tells you by the prophet Isaiah in the 60th chapter, they will be glad to come, with caravans loaded. Don't tell me it takes a lot of political maneuvering to do that. When it is over and the abundance of the sea will be converted unto thee, and little nations from one end of this planet to another are going to be willing to contribute their part in the reconstruction, it will simply be because they have seen God in action. I want to say to some of you who have loved ones out there dragging their feet, like I drug my feet at one time. Lord, hit them with a two by four. I mean it. Some people

have to live in hell watching their loved ones live like the devil. Do you know what my Bible says? For whom the Lord loveth, He chastens and scourges every son of God. But if you be without chastisement, I did not write this, then ye are bastard's, and not sons, just illegitimate church goers. Think of it. Oh that Jackson, he is too harsh. When you see people drag their feet, going down the road of life, I have to say, they don't have another life to live and they don't have another twenty or thirty years to make up their mind, is it right or wrong. So this word scribe, is not singular, for the word "every" is not a singular word. That is what stood out to me this week. Every scribe, that literally is talking about when that seventh parable comes into application and the time factor for those scribes to become manifested, it will all start because of a scribe that God has had here, because around that, is what this seventh church age has been built. How many realize that? It is true he was not at the beginning of it, but he came on the scene right when this seventh church age was reaching the point where the net needed to be cast in. He was right in the middle of it. Then it reached a point when they began to sit down and cast the bad back, but the good was gathered into vessels. So the part of this 52nd verse, is what follows on the end of it all, every scribe. This is not an anonymous bunch of preachers. How many understand what I mean? This is

not an anonymous bunch of preachers, because all preachers are not fully instructed into the kingdom of God. They just think they are. Otherwise they would all be consistent, they would all say the same thing. It is true, many men have heard this man, but many of them did not hear it the way others have heard it. From this, I will say, God purposed to call an element of the ministry, and He could have called them by some other title, but in the Old Testament a scribe had to be a man officially invested with the knowledge and technique to know how to record the Old Testament scriptures. Every dot and tittle had to be in place, it could not be copied by just anybody. So when he uses this position, we have to realize that a scribe in this sense, right here at the end of the seventh Church age, will have to be somebody that has been truly called of God, and invested with the authority to fulfill his calling. Once they have been called into that, and the Holy Spirit has taught them what this calling pertains to, then along the line they are capable of bringing out of the storehouse things new and old, because it is the revelation that he contains, it is the revelation and understanding God has given him, the ability, things new, that deals with every new revelation that God has made known, and he knows how to break it down and make it applicable to the listener. But also, he has heard it said by the Elijah prophet what the original faith

consists of doctrine wise. Now while we are on this line of thinking, some might say, Bro. Jackson, why did you have to do what you did about your brother? I have been sold out down through the years by men that I have had confidence in, and have invested my time, my prayers and material things of Faith Assembly. I met a young man in the Philippines in 1978, Bro. Villagonza. He had just got hold of a Contender. A group already over there was being led by a man out of Canada, but he was one of the Branhamite quote, quote, quote preacher's. When he saw the Contender floating around, he condemned it. But the young Bro. Villagonza took it and read it. It was on the merits of that, that he began to communicate with me. So in 1978 when we were on our way to India the first time. We stopped over in Manila, and I had an opportunity to meet him. He gave me his testimony, how he was led off another island where he was raised up, to come to Manila and start a work. Some of the people that this Canadian man had, he knew them. I said to him, brother, if you start a fellowship, don't start one next to them. You get away from here because they will be after you to tear your foundation down and everything else they can think to do. From then on, he became a man that communicated with me, and I invested in him material substance to help him in what he was doing. Then in 1979 we were back there again, and in 1980 we

went back again. In all this time we communicated. Our communication was very open and God blessed his work. He not only gave him a fellowship there in Manila, He led him out into other areas, in other parts of the Philippines. He had a following of people. Then in 1996 when we were privileged to go to the Philippines and have a meeting, the young man that was the song leader, Bro. Elevera, was working with Bro. Villagonza at the time as an assistant minister. This group of people was wonderful to fellowship with. But just to show you how the enemy can soon hit something, we are no sooner home than a man here in the states, who would not come to one of my meetings for anything in the world, but he always wanted to get the Contender to see where I was, and get our tapes. But he would not stand up and teach what I would teach for anything in the world. So he goes to the Philippines and gets with Bro. Villagonza, and in no time he had his ears filled with adverse ideas and things. Immediately he began to sell out to this brother here from the states. When he did, the biggest part of the congregation sensed it and said, we will not go along with this. Then Bro. Elevera, which up until 1996 we had never really known personally, when he saw what Bro. Villagonza was getting wrapped up in with that other line of thinking, and he saw in the hearts of the people and realized he was compelled to

do something he stepped away from Bro. Villagonza and said to the people, we will go on ourselves. In a few short months, all the people, one by one, began to leave Bro. Villagonza and follow Bro. Elevera. In a few months Bro. Villagonza, after all the years of saying what he had, he turned completely against what we had published through the years and it was not long until I had some communication from some of the people, that all the people had left him. That was not my fault. Let every scribe take a look at what God has called him to do. He does not start you for twenty years following one thing, and then bingo, you do an about face. You are going to be every day exactly what God called you to be and do, you are going to say it right. So if you think that doesn't hurt your heart, you have another thought coming. When I began to get wind of how this third phase was being applied, I have sense enough to know what the 9th chapter of 2nd Kings says, that son of the prophet, his name is not even mentioned, he is anonymous. He was just told to take this vial of oil and go anoint Jehu. So if Elijah was anointed, Elisha was anointed, then who is the next person anointed, if we are going to preach a third stage. Let's not be anonymous. I am not going to leave you hanging in the air. So then when my brother implies that the apostles were with John the Baptist, I know they were

not. The Bible does not read that way. In fact, Jesus did not start preaching until John was in prison. That is what it says in Matthew. As soon as John was in prison, then Jesus left Nazareth with some of the disciples He had and came to Capernaum. From that place on, He began to pull and seek these men that the Spirit led Him to. Now John the Baptist was phase number one, but he is in prison, he does not get out anymore. He soon lost his head. He falls out of the picture. Now Jesus is in the forefront, and He no sooner starts, and He starts picking His disciples that eventually will be apostles. All you have to do is read the 10th chapter of Matthew. By the time you get to the 10th chapter, He has all twelve of them. He has had a congregation following Him, but these men who became apostles later, were hand picked by Jesus. John the Baptist had nothing to do with it. That is why I say, do not try to put me in a corner, I have had to defend this book too long already, and lose my friendship and confidence in a lot of people, so I know where I stand. Therefore when my brother tries to persuade me that this is the order, he brings it in like Bro. Branham was the prophet, the Elijah, but I am the apostle that stepped next in line. Now the five fold ministry comes along after that. That is not so. I have been preaching a five fold ministry ever since God opened my eyes to the fact, because that is what God has called me to do.

From Norway to India, I have said, God has called me to stand for some men, it is not a one man show. Now He is not going to use one man to stand in the second term, so that a new generation of apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers can come on. I will take you back to John the Baptist, then Jesus, then the twelve that did become apostles, they are the beginning of the ministry that followed. Paul wrote about it, and John was the last one of them. You cannot break the continuity of what the Bible says. You can use types all you want to, or ideas, but that does not make it so. I want my brother to know, you are my brother, and I am your spiritual daddy, and you are going to hear me bark from now on until you can prove to me by putting something together in Norway, that proves to me that you are right and I am wrong. If I see that I am wrong, I will be the first one to admit it, I will not go and hide in a closet, I will publicly say I am sorry. Now how many heard me say that? I don't like to talk like this, but through thirty some years, all I have seen is these hypocrites running the road, pretending that they have such a great revelation, they are ready to tell me all about the man of God and they don't know a thing about him. They could not even tell me how much sugar he used in his coffee, but I can tell them. I sat in his own house while Banks Woods played a trick on him. Bro. Branham only liked just a little bit, but

Banks Woods took a spoon and stuck it in the sugar bowl and poured a whole bunch in his coffee. When he came in and sat down and starting drinking it, he said, who has been messing with my coffee? I say these things, not to be a smart aleck, but it is a shame that we have people running the road of life tonight, that are supposed to be preaching for the Bride, and they are preaching everything else. I want to say, for thirty some years, that is what we have been trying our best to do. I have to say, we are almost at the end now. I believe with all my heart we are in the process now, just before the end is here, God is going to move in our lives, in our hearts, in our homes, and in the ministry, to the point it will get us together, get us to thinking alike and living alike. He is after unity. Some could say, oh that Jackson wants to have authority over your life. No, I don't, I don't tell you what to eat, nor drink, I don't tell you where to go to buy your groceries. I don't tell you when to buy a car. I am not interested in any of that. But if we are interested in being some people that are going to be united as the Bride of Christ, then there are certain things that have to be understood in the right way. We cannot wind up with half a dozen ideas, well that is not the way I see it. I see it this way, that is the way it is. If the apostle Paul was alive today and walked down the aisle among us, there would be people ready to criticize him, he just

does not understand. Well I say he did understand, and what he said back then is still good enough for me today .When I was twenty seven years old, it was good, and now that I am seventy eight, going on seventy nine years old, it is still good. When I started preaching these messages about two months ago, you don't know, but I have in my possession seven different dreams, none of them came from me, but from different areas of the world. That is why I know the time has come and we are entering into it, and I will say the first thing He is going to shake is the ministry. He is going to shake it to the very foundation of our being. We are going to prove that we are in unity, and are working hand in hand for the Bride of Christ and not for our personal self only. Every scribe will say the same thing, but he will not quote word for word, and be a repetitionist. Every scribe will have a revelation by the Holy Spirit, what the major picture and the central thought is, that he should relate to. It will come out the same regardless of the words of expression. We do not have to be copy cats. We will be realists though, and our hearts will be cherishing the Word of God. A few days after I started these message, you would be surprised at the people getting them on the internet. A brother that lives away from here, he and his group are usually here every fall during convention time. He called and said to me, Bro. Jackson, I am really enjoying these messages. He

said, I had a sister that had a dream a few weeks ago, I will write it down and send it to you. So he did.

TELLING A DREAM

I received the dream this certain brother sent to me, and it goes like this, we are in a big convention, in every one of these dreams lately, it was always seen with Faith Assembly full of people like it was a big convention. In other words, the whole element of people is all represented. I was preaching, beside of me was a rack that had a beautiful white wedding dress hanging on it. I was using this to illustrate certain points of scripture, how they apply to our lives. The sister noticed as I would reach certain points in my explanation, she could hear people say, I see that, and they would mark in their Bible. For some unknown reason, she didn't know why, after awhile she would see these people that were seeing this and remarking like this, how they would slowly get out of their seats and come up behind me, where there was a big platform. They would take their place on the platform. But every once in awhile she would hear a voice say, I don't see this, or I can't find it. Over a period of time, she would see those same individuals eventually get up and move out. Now that did not come from me. That came from somebody that does not even live here, but they have been here nearly every convention. Do you know what that tells me? As we get closer to

the end, every person in the body of Christ, somewhere, is going to be used. How many understood what I meant? They are going to be able to see things, that they are going to see applied in a spiritual sense, to the whole body of believers. I refuse to stand here and dictate, like, you either be here and get this or else get on out. To me, that is wrong. I look at every one of you as a valuable person, you are a part of God's property, He purchased you with the shed blood of His only begotten Son. He died in agony, that you and I might have life. But I have enough concern for the whole body of Christ, that I am not going to water this thing down just to make it please a bunch of carnal minded characters, to make it sound good to them to keep them here, and anonymous to everyone else. I have to see myself in this thing and be willing to take my place in it. Therefore every scribe, which is going to be every God-called man that is called to be in the five fold ministry. I refuse to take the second place after Bro. Branham, then let the five fold ministry follow later on. How many understood what I said? Because Paul did not have to wait years and years until the five fold ministry came on the scene. You know that. It started with apostles, but as the body collectively grew, necessity caused the Holy Spirit to pull men in that would fill these other categories, so that within a few years time, when local assemblies are scattered everywhere, Paul could see

a picture of what the Holy Ghost has been doing. Isn't it strange, one of those original apostles was still alive when a lot of those others had already had their head's cut off? I do hope you everyone understand the picture I am putting before you, of what I am trying to relate to you. I am thankful for every last one of you. However I refuse to stand here and let you be over run with every cheap supposed-to-be revelation that might suit somebody else's mind and desire. I refuse to put up with that. I have shared this platform with every brother that professed to be called to preach, up until he begins to play with something strange. Then, is when I will say, That is off limits. I hope you everyone understand what I mean. If some of you want to get on the telephone and gossip, help yourself. One day something will hit that thing and bounce it right back against your mouth. I am not saying that to be mean. But there is no lay person that is going to straighten up God's Church. Forget that idea. You can complain all you want to, find fault all you want to, but you and your words mean about as much to God, as a little dog barking at a rat. You either follow God, because God is the One that is going to straighten us all up, myself and everybody else that is willing to be straightened up, or you will be out of the picture. I want God to put me in the right place, with the right motive, with the right attitude. But I refuse to sit here

with my ears numb, trying to pacify and please everybody that has a different idea, like, well don't you think so and so, that it could be this way and so forth? They will say, Have you ever heard this or that?. I have heard of everything, and most of it doesn't amount to a dime's worth of anything, because the people that want to cater to it, are not willing to go any further with truth. I am thankful for what God has done among you, and what He is going to do for you, and I believe we are on the right road. I believe we will take the things God has put in our hearts and cherish them. I love friendship as much as you do, but I will not sell out to every Tom, Dick and Harry just to please a bunch of people and then have God frown on me five years from now. This word is far more important, so say it right and say it like you know what you are talking about. Don't just throw it out there anonymously hoping it will have a specific effect according to a thought in your mind. I hope you everyone understand me. The reason I know, by the grace of God, what I have been standing for through the last number of years, all goes back to just shortly before Bro. Branham was taken off the scene. This was in 1965 in the month of October. I knew he was scheduled to have some meetings at Shreveport and different places going through the west. On this particular night, I saw myself in a dream. I had never been in Shreveport,

I had never been in Jack Moore's church. But I saw myself in that church for three meetings. I saw Bro. Branham, each night and each service, he would come out and preach a sermon. As I listened to him preach that sermon I got the sensation, he is preaching this like he will never preach it again. Then at the end of his preaching, the prayer line would start. Person after person would come before him. He listened to what they had to say, he took each one of them and prayed for them like, you had the feeling he would never pray for that person again. After I had the dream, then I heard he was going to be in Shreveport, I called him and said Bro. Branham, I have had this dream, I don't know what it means, but I will tell you the part of it, I saw myself in a city somewhere and some friends that we know have brought us to this church where you are going to be preaching. When our friends pulled into the parking lot and parked their car, I noticed that when I got out of it, and looked straight across the street from the parking lot, there was a military armory building. I noticed when we came down the sidewalk, just about half a block, here is the church building. Then, is when he said, Bro. Junie, have you ever been in Shreveport? I said, no. He said, that sounds like Shreveport Louisiana, Jack Moore's church, Glad Tiding's Tabernacle, because diagonally across from that church there is an armory building. He said, try to be there if you

can. I did not tell him what I had seen in the dream. So we went, we went on Friday, I knew if we got there by air, then Friday night, Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night, that would be four services. But in my dream, I was only there for three services. We got to Atlanta, Georgia and the flight took off, we got to Jackson Mississippi and landed, we had more than an hour delay. Then I knew when our flight did leave, by the time we would get to Shreveport, we would not get there in time to get into the church service. But the friends we had contacted, they met us at the airport and took us to the motel where they were staying. So we didn't get to the Friday night's service. When we got to the Saturday night service, I saw Billy Paul and told him, I would like to tell that dream to your dad. He said, alright. So when I had a chance to go into the prayer room where Bro. Branham was, I saw Bro. Branham, and that armory building, which was just like I saw it in the dream. I told him exactly what I saw. I said, I saw you preach these messages, and prayed for these people like you would never be praying for them anymore. But at the end of each prayer line, I noticed there would be standing a young man, like a young minister, and he walked up and told you, and said to you, Bro. Branham, I have had a dream about you. You told the young man, when he told you the dream, you said, young man,

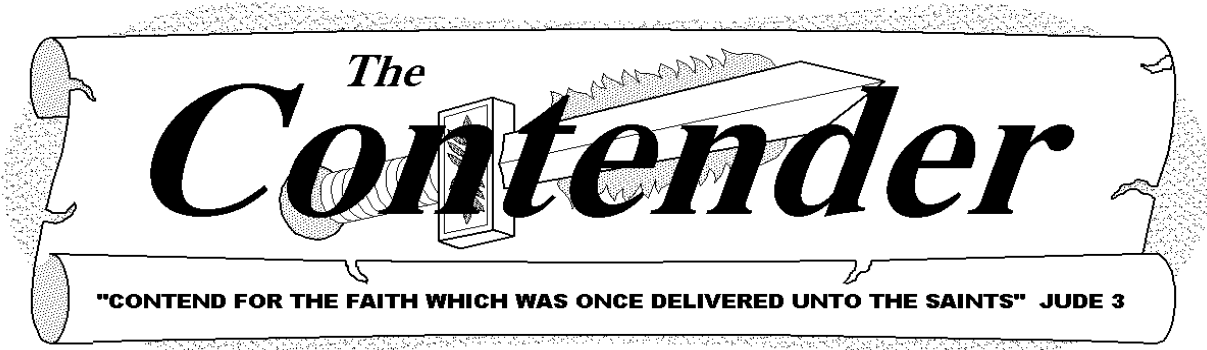
something is getting ready to happen, and when it does, you will have something to do. Then the next service, the same thing was repeated. The next service, the same thing was repeated. But then I noticed in the third service, which was on Sunday night, all of a sudden there was a phenomena took place in the roof of that building, which was like on the outside was a giant earthquake that shook that building, and people were there from Canada and Mexico in Shreveport at that time. They had a telephone hookup back here to Jeffersonville, and into Canada and different places. In the dream, Bro. Branham was standing, and when that shaking started taking place, when the last man, he had told him there was something ready to take place and when it does you will have a part, he motioned back to me, come to the front. I got to the front, and he motioned, stand down there. Then the other three men came and stood by me. When that sensation began to shake that building, that is when people began to scream. I'll never forget it, people were screaming and falling prostrate on the floor, oh God, oh God. Then I woke up. When I went down to Shreveport, nothing like that took place. I thought to myself, I should have kept that one to myself. But he left there, this was in November, and he went to Yuma Arizona. That is when he preached to the Full Gospel Business Men. Then he went on to Bakersfield

California, I forget the message he preached there. But then he went to another place on the California coast, that is where he preached "Choosing of a Bride." From that point he came back to Tucson. Then it was just a short time before Christmas 1965. On the way home, he was hit by those drunks and his life was taken from our midst. When I heard that, I thought, Oh my goodness. But do you know, his death shook this movement, it shook it to the foundation. When people began to come to Coots Funeral Home, more than one walked up to me, Bro. Jackson, this is your dream. From Canada to Mexico, it shook this movement to pieces, because he was God's voice. That is why he was the scribe, but from him all these other scribes were to rise, not simultaneously, not all at once, but one by one, as they would hear the truth and fall in line. I will say, I am thankful to God that He has allowed me through the years, the grace to stand. I have been privileged to see men around this world embrace this truth, rejoice in it, they have even wrote their own testimonies how it has benefitted them. They too have been belittled, ostracized by the Branham movement. But when they saw what we have published and put out and it has gone throughout the whole world, I have to say tonight, it has been the grace of God. I could not have done it if it had not been for the grace of God. But when I see how God has used it, for thirty some

years now, since 1969 when we began printing, I am thankful to God. I do not care how many more turn me down, I just say, God give me grace to have patience and love for truth, and love for people, but sense enough to know that when people begin to play and begin to be weighed in the balances, it is all in your hands. Regardless of what some of you may think of my person, that is immaterial to me, but I hope you understand what truth is, because I love what truth is. I can say, thank God for what it has done for me, when I used to be a bull headed kid, I did not want to be a fanatical Christian. I do not say today that I am a fanatic, but I am bull headed for God. I am going to stay that way. I thank God for the wife He gave me. I have told her many times, these young preachers, the minute they get into a little squabble or opposition, it is not long until their wife will say, I am going to leave, I cannot put up with that anymore. My wife has stood by my side and she has never cried or complained, saying, this is enough, I am not going to put up with it anymore. I am thankful to God for that. Truth, to me, is more important than a million dollars. I know it is the ticket to get us out of here. If you embrace it and understand it, what it really is, it is better than a pocket full of paper money, because it can be a treasure that comes from glory. I want to love this treasure and be able to share it with people. I like to see a smile come

across their face. I don't want to come back five years later and backtrack and change it and say, well I didn't mean it then. I have to say, thank God for what He has done for me. I thank God for every last one of you. Young people, I have stood here through the years when you were little babies. I dedicated many of you, now look at you. What made you stay here? Why didn't you go off somewhere else? What did you see that kept you here? I thank the Lord, some of you have spent more of your life here than anywhere else. You can't say soup suppers did it, or chicken fries. I am glad we have a fellowship hall, but that wasn't built to win converts. When you feed them to get them, then you have to feed them to keep them. Most of the time you will lose them anyhow, if you do not feed them the same quality or something better all the time. They get tired of this, then they get tired of that. Now I am going to leave you right there, but I have just got to the place in this message where I want to take you to the rest of Matthew 24 and 25, and show you the importance of how certain scriptures were written, so insignificant, Jesus said it, yet from this point to this point here, we have been living through that time factor. It cannot be as long as it has been. I am thankful to God for what we have learned up until this time. May God bless each one of you. You pray for me because I love people. I will bend over backwards and do everything I can to try

to help people and encourage them, but I will not compromise on what I know God has called me to stand for. Some people will say that I try to control peoples' lives, but that is a lie. Don't ever think I am going to bow at your feet and beg you, what do you want me to say to keep you happy. If I have to start doing that, I don't even want you around. You are just dead weight to any congregation, hard to get along with, hard to please. When God wants us to go north, you want to go south. I intend to follow God's leading. My confidence is in Him.



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