

# The Scribe

"Every Scribe which is instructed unto the Kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old" - Matthew 13:52

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## MINISTERIAL IRRESPONSIBILITY

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We thank you this morning for your grace and for your goodness towards us. Father, it has been your grace that has led us thus far. Were it not for your grace, we would have fallen by the wayside, and derailed from this way of life. But your sheer grace and mercy, is what has upheld us, and led us thus far, oh Ebenezer. Father, here we stand in your presence this morning, as we gather around your Word. My Father, may you bless us, and may you help us. Speak to us this day; give understanding to your people. May the light of Christ shine. Let it illumine our

hearts. Bless us in a special way. I remember Brother Johnson Ekunola, this morning, as he is waiting on you in prayer. Oh Lord, may you meet with him, and be gracious to him. You have always been the help of your people. Remember him for good, and smile upon him. Make the difference in his life, and may the enemy be put to shame, for thou art God. Father, help me this morning. Lord, just give me something to say to your people, to help them along this way, to the glory of your name, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen. The Lord bless you.

I want to say this morning, I thank God for His grace upon my life. I am really so grateful to God for His grace and His



mercy, and for His love for a wretched person like me. I will tell you this, When I came into this way, in my wildest dreams I never realized, there would come a time, that from all around this world, we would be having letters of appreciation, and of requests for spiritual materials, and letters of requests, inviting me to come and minister the Word of God. I was just happy and content, having come into the light of this end time, to stay in my little corner, and serve the Lord, in the light. I was not even looking for a ministry! And I turned down opportunities to preach, in John Ogu's church, Grace and Truth Tabernacle, Lagos, and in B.B.F. (Bible Believers Fellowship), Lagos, Brother Yomi Oyefeso's church. I turned it down because I found a goldmine! I found the present truth! How precious it was to me! And how precious it is to me! I was just happy and content to walk in the light. I harbored no secret ambition. And I told these men, You do the preaching; Just feed my soul! Because I was not looking for a name! I

was just happy for the truth of Christ the Lord led me into! Was it that I had no interest in the ministry? I definitely desired that God would use me, but that was not my priority! I left that to Him! But I had found a goldmine, and I just wanted to live for the Lord! And even when my ministry started, and I started to pastor this church, I did not realize that one day, God would be directing His children this way, and that we would be having requests from all over the world, *"Brother Amos, I saw your book, I read it, it blessed my soul. Please, send me all the books you have, and whatever tapes there are. Whatever you have, please send it to me."* And some letters say, *"Brother, I don't know how much it costs, but please, I need so-and-so book..."* And it costs nothing. It is free! It is the doing of the Lord, and I will tell you, it is marvelous in my eyes. Saints, you have to realize, if the heart is right, the objective will be right. And if the objective is right, then God can take that, and use it for His own purpose, because such a heart will

serve God's will.

I received a letter a few days ago from the Philippines. I want to say one or two things concerning the Philippines, before I go into my message. I believe with all my heart, we are going to have a bride come out of the Philippines. But that country, just like Nigeria, just like India, and just like the United States of America, or in any other part of the world, is in a big mess. Every "ism" in this message is established in the Philippines. We remember a man by the name of Rudy Villagonza. He used to be a man that was identified with Brother Jackson. But after a while, here came another man. He swept him off his feet, and he derailed from the truth, and went off on a tangent. Then God lifted up another man in that country, to stand for continuity truth. His name is Joaq' Elevera. He called me once before, requesting that I please come for his meeting. But as God would have it, I was not able to make it at that time. The other arrangement that was

made, God ensured that events overtook it, and we were not able to make it either. From the Philippines, we were to go to Australia, because we had an invitation, and a promised ticket to take us to Australia. But all that was overtaken by events. But shortly after Brother Jackson died, Mr. Elevera took a detour, and today, he is one of the supporters of Rolf Strommen of Norway, a man preaching Jehu ministry, as the take over ministry, from the Ephesian ministry. Is that not strange? A Jehu and a Hazael ministry! But church, it is most ridiculous! But it is being peddled today, and people are falling for it. I do not know how much money goes around in the movement in buying followership, but I know it is happening in the movement, people carrying dollars for followership. But we do not have one dollar for anybody. If you do not see truth, sit where you are! But if you see truth, and you stand for it, you are not standing for us; you are standing for truth. And you are standing for it for your own soul salvation, for

this is about the truth of Christ! So you are not doing us a favor by standing for truth. You are doing yourself a favour! Because at the end of the day, on our own part, and by the grace of God, we are moving on in the light of Christ. So when I look at the condition in the Philippines, it is just like in India, or like in Nigeria, or like in the United States, or like in Mexico, or like in any part of the world. This message movement is in a big mess! But yet, there will come a people, like the seven thousand who never bowed the knee to Baal, a people that will make up the true bride, an elected remnant who will respect nothing but the pure revelation of the Word of Christ, and who will submit to nothing but the rulership of the truth of Jesus Christ. They are not going to stand for anything else, and anything less, but the truth. They will not care whether they have to drink water, and eat cracker biscuits, because of their stand for truth. What matters to them is that they found truth, and with

truth they will abide! They will stand for it, and support it, with all their hearts and lives. So I believe with all my heart, there will be a bride element, come out from the Philippines as well. And the bride at the end, will be a glorious one.

I got a letter from a ministering brother in the Philippines, a brother unknown to me. I remember in The Scribe we just published, The Foundation Of The Five Fold Ministry, a message I took at the ending of September, in year 2004, when Brother Jackson was still on ground. I was saying, You have not seen the men in the ministry yet. I said, You do not know them. You have not seen them yet. How prophetic that was! That was not the Words of a man! That was the inspiration of the Almighty God, because events have proved that right! I say that because a lot of the men that we knew under Brother Jackson's ministry have derailed from the Word! But brothers and sisters, out there in the continuity movement, are people that even Brother Jackson did not know

were following his truth. Here is a letter from the Philippines, I got it by post. It reads:

***“Dear Brother Amos, greetings in the most precious name of Jesus Christ, the Lord of lords, and Kings of kings. I am sure my name is a strange one to you, for this is the first time I send to you a letter. But it doesn't matter. My sole purpose of writing you is to make a request to you, brother, to please send us your books, from book 1 to book 13. I want to read it all, because like you, in so many years, I have been a follower of Brother Jackson's ministry. In fact, I have here his whole Contender issues, since 1969. I had also a personal dream of Brother Jackson that leads me to believe that really, he is an apostle in our time. I can't relate it on this letter because I will have to save the space. One time I have read your Book 13,”*** (That is, Revelation, Tares, and 99% truth. That is the book he is referring to) ***“and I was struck by the truths you have presented. For this reason, my desire***

***is to have your books, brother. May you grant our request. I am pasturing a little church in our area, with my congregation, and my family. We want to wish you a good health, and more power to the ministry. May I know also if you have some contacts here in the Philippines as your books distributor. May the Lord God continue to bless you, is our deepest prayer. In Christ, Bro. Loreto Evangelista.***

By the grace of God, my wife has been able to send him a parcel of books, including The Scribe. I have not yet had the opportunity to reply him, but I will send him a word just to acknowledge his letter, and to let him know that we appreciate it, and that we will be praying for him. So, let us remember Brother Loreto Evangelista over there in the Philippines. May the Lord bless him, may the Lord bless his ministry. It is not going to be a big flock; it is going to be a little flock. But the prophet said, It will be a super church, a super race. Jesus called it a little flock. He said,

***“Fear not little flock, for it is the Father's own pleasure to give you the kingdom.”*** And that is all that matters. Amen and Amen. Pray for us, for we will be going to South Africa in April. Brother Ernest Scotsman has invited us to come in the Easter week. I think Easter is in the first week of April, I do not know. But the details will be ironed out. So that is less than two months away, or let us say about two months from now. So we pray that God will bless our trip to South Africa, and may it serve God's purpose. We appreciate our brother over there, Brother Ernest, and his stand for truth. May God bless him, and bless his ministry. And we thank God for all the men that are standing at this evening time. One by one, God will put this body of ministry together, by His Spirit. It is not what a man will do; it is what God will do by His Spirit, in the light of truth, because truth is the binding cord. That is the drawing cord; that is the attraction. The attraction is the Word, the truth of Christ. Amen. Let us bow our heads one more time as

we go into the message. (Brother Amos prayed).

We will turn our Bibles to Zechariah chapter 14. Pray for me that God would help me this morning. In Zechariah chapter 14, we will take two verses, verses 6 & 7: ***“And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark. But it shall be ONE DAY which shall be known to the Lord.”*** What day? The one day of salvation! It is not a day of twenty four hours; it is one dispensational day! It is one day of about two thousand years! It is the Gentile dispensation of grace, the grace age. But prophetically here, Zechariah called it by the Spirit, “One day”. That is why Paul could say, ***When you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. Now is the time. Today is the day of salvation.*** When he talked about Today, he was not talking of today of twenty four hours. He was talking of that “One” dispensational day, the grace age! ***“And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark.”*** Zechariah, by the Spirit, was looking at a precise time within that One day

of salvation. He was looking at a precise time. He was looking at the seventh church age, and he was looking precisely at the opening of it. Because the opening of the seventh church age, gives us a spiritual condition the eye of the Spirit was looking at, and God revealed it through Zechariah, way back about 487 years B.C. We will take the prophecy again. ***“And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark.”*** The period is not clear, neither is it darkness. This gives us a dismal spiritual condition. And he repeated the same thing in verse 7: ***“But it shall be one day which shall be known to the Lord, NOT DAY, NOR NIGHT.”*** But yet in verse 6, he says: ***“...not clear, nor dark.”*** Now in verse 7, he says: ***“...not day, nor night.”*** In other words, you cannot call it day, and neither can you call it night; You cannot call it clear, and you cannot call it dark either. It is a dismal spiritual condition. He was looking at the beginning of the seventh church age! And in simple terms, like we have always said, It takes so much light that has been

restored back, so much truth given back in accessibility, but still, with so much darkness, that it gives you a dismal spiritual environment. It takes so much light, which the reformation movement gave to us, and so much darkness, to give us a dismal, or an unclear spiritual environment. Then you cannot say it is clear, and you cannot say it is dark. You cannot say it is day time, and neither can you say it is night time. It is dismal! It is unclear! You cannot call it light, even though there is a measure of light, because there is also a measure of darkness in it! It is a mixture! That is the spiritual condition of Laodicea, in its beginning, at the very turn of the last century, that is, at the opening of the 20th century. So, we have to understand that it was the reformation light, against the darkness which the Church of Rome placed over humanity, that dispelled a measure of that darkness, that gave it that dismal look, because men still held to creeds and dogma, because they did not have the pure light. Hence, that hour was not clear, and yet it was not dark. You cannot

call it day, and neither can you call it night. It is a dismal spiritual environment. But there is a promise God gave concerning this evening time: ***“But it shall come to pass, that AT THE EVENING TIME IT SHALL BE LIGHT.”***

That is the promise of God! And what a promise! That is why God raised up a prophet, to take a pure revelation of God's Word, which he used to dispel every cloud of creeds and dogma and traditions of men, so that once the cloud was dispelled, the sunlight (i.e. the S-O-N light), the light of the Son of God can shine through. Halleluyah! But please remember, that evening light is not a different light from the light that burst forth on Pentecost. It is the same Son light! I repeat, The evening light is not the light of the evening star, as Richard Gan wants us to believe, and as he wrote in his book titled, *Overseership*. He stated: ***“When Brother William Branham came, it was a period of unclear light which was neither day nor night, a dismal day indeed! (Zechariah 14:6-7 types such a day.) Denominationalism held the rein on the saints. But then Brother***

***Branham led the saints to turn a corner to receive the EVENING TIME Message. Yet the Evening Light (of the Evening Star) is not the Full Light Of The Sun (Daystar). The sun had already set...”*** That is not true, for The sun had not set, and the sun still has not yet set, for the bride of Christ, otherwise, darkness would have taken over. But rather, our pathway is even getting brighter! Moreover, the evening light of Zechariah, is not the light of the moon, the evening star! It is the full light of the sun, the day star, shining at the evening time, in its glory, just before sunset, when darkness takes over! The sun that rises in the East in the morning, is the same sun that sets in the West in the evening, thereby allowing the sun to shine in its brilliance, in the dismal condition of Laodicea, before the sun goes down, and darkness takes over completely. When darkness takes over, then and only then does the moon, the evening star, shine, because the evening star, is the light of the moon! But you do not have the light of the moon, until night takes

over! And we know that the light of the moon is just a mere reflection of the light of the sun! It does not have a light of its own! But when Zechariah prophesied that at the evening time it shall be light, he was not talking of the evening star light! He was talking specifically of the full light of the day star, which will shine once again at the evening time, before sunset, to give you and I, access to the same glorious light of Jesus Christ, which broke forth at Pentecost, in the Book of Acts. Precisely! It will shine with the same brilliance! And no one can disprove the fact that at the evening time, the light of the sun, which in the day, around 1 O'clock to 2 O'clock, is so bright, that you cannot even look at it, for it burns the eyes, when the evening time comes, before the sun sets, and before it slips behind the horizon, and darkness engulfs the sky, the sun glows with a majestic brilliance. It gives a white glow, and is bright. It hangs as a giant white ball in the sky. You can look at the sun in its radiance from this time on, for it does not hurt the eyes. It is just like when it rises in the morning,

before noon day. And at sunset, it looks like an orange, so beautiful to behold. You can appreciate its majesty and its beauty! It is spectacular! I have taken shots of the sun when it is setting. Brothers and sisters, at sunset, the light of the sun is glorious. There is a calmness, and a coolness, a serenity, and a glow about that light. It does not hurt your eyes, but rather, it appeals to your senses. It is cooling and soothing. You can imagine sitting on the bank of a river, with that light glowing at the evening time, and you take snapshots of it. It gives you a cool scenery, as the light illumines the river, and you see a glow of orange and red over the water. It is beautiful! That is why Brother Jackson had to tell Richard Gan, that the evening light Zechariah prophesied about is not the evening star light. It is the light of the day star shining at the evening time! And that light has not yet set! Precisely! That is why our pathway at this evening time is still getting brighter, and will still get brighter, because the sun has not yet set! Saints, look at this prophecy, it is giving us a

promise, showing that the dismal spiritual condition which pervades the opening of this seventh and final church age, will be dispelled, so that Jesus Christ, the true light, can shine through, in his true and full revelation, revealing his brilliance, and his glory, and his majesty, and his beauty, that we can appreciate him. So, no more are we looking at things darkly or vaguely. We are looking at a full and clear light, a bright light, a perfect light we can look into and appreciate. It is the same light that shone on Pentecost! It is the full light of the sun (the S-O-N of God)! The light that broke forth on Pentecost in the morning, at the dawning of the church, is the same light God promised to shine forth at this evening time, to get us ready for the rapture, dispelling every cloud, every creed, every dogma, giving the end time elect bride, a pure light. The condition of unclear light is by it removed! And today, because the light shines, this evening time has now become a period of clear light for the bride of Christ. Amen! We are walking in perfect light! If

it was the evening star light, you would still have a measure of darkness in it. In fact, we would have more darkness in it! But we are walking in perfect light! How many people have seen the moon shining in the day, raise up your hand? If you did, then I would say, Brother, you are probably drunk, or you are out of your mind! Because the moon does not shine in the day! And neither has the sun set! It has not! That is why our pathway as bride saints is getting brighter! When the sun sets, spiritually, the bride will be put on display before the world, for that short period of sunset, before she is taken away from this evil world, and darkness engulfs Laodicea. For once the sun sets, darkness must take over! It must! But the evening light which God used William Branham to give, gave the bride access to untainted light. And that is precisely the light we are walking in today. We are walking in perfect light, for Bible days are back. God accomplished that through the ministry and message of William Branham. It took his truth to dispel that dismal cloud. And once again,

we saw the same light Paul, Peter, James, John, and Jude, bore for the early church. The same light shone into our hearts. No, it was not the evening star light we saw; it was the light of the day star we saw. For the moon (the evening star light) is given by God to enable people to see through the darkness (of the night). It does not dispel all the darkness, but it lightens our pathway, when darkness is still pervading. But for us as bride saints, a people following continuity of divine Scriptural revelation, we are walking in the light of the day star, Christ, the true light. That is why today, we are believing what Paul, Peter, James, John, and Jude believed in the first church age. That is what we have been restored back to! And the very light they had that day, is the same light we have today! Precisely! No, Mr. Gan, you are wrong! The evening light in Zechariah 14:7 is not the evening star light; it is the full light of the day star at the evening time, shining with brilliance before the Sunset, when it slips behind the horizon. Then darkness takes over, and it is all over, for the bride

of Christ. That should be clear to everyone.

Church, we thank God for William Branham, and what God used him to accomplish on behalf of the bride of Christ. And do not forget, whatever God does at this evening time, for the bride of Christ, He does it on the basis of what He used that man to initiate, that is, to set in motion, for the bride of Jesus Christ. Come with me to Revelation chapter 10 verse 7, **“But in the days of the voice”** (Not the days of his person, but in the days of his voice, that is in the days of his message. Whose message?), **“of the Seventh angel”** (the seventh star messenger; the dispensational messenger to Laodicea), **“when he shall begin to sound”** (in other words, when his message is being published around the world), **“the mystery”** (singular; definite mystery; The Mystery) **“of God should be finished.”** Finished means complete. That shows it is a mystery he did not start. He only completes it. It is a mystery, a definite mystery (singular), God is using him to finish or complete, a mystery he did not start. And as the seventh angel,

the seventh star messenger, it lets us know six messengers have gone on before him. So he did not start this mystery. He did not! He is the seventh messenger. As such, it is the completion of the mystery God uses him to accomplish. Precisely! And what is that mystery? Paul clearly laid it out in Ephesians chapter 3, verses 1-11. But we will look at it from verses 1-6. He said: **“For This cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: How that by revelation he made known unto me THE MYSTERY; (as I wrote afore in few words, Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST) Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; THAT THE GENTILES SHOULD BE FELLOW HEIRS, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel.”** It was a mystery God hid from

other dispensations! What is that mystery? Verse 6 gives it to us! It is how that the Gentiles would be fellow heirs with Israel, partakers of the tree of life, that by Christ we would be made one nation, the nation of the bride! And God made of twain, one nation, that is, both Jew and Gentile, through the body of Christ, the nation of the bride, a holy nation. That is the mystery! But in accomplishing that mystery, there are so many revelations and mysteries (plural) it involves. But Revelation chapter 10 verse 7 is not talking about the plural mysteries involved in the plan of salvation; it is talking strictly of one singular mystery, The Mystery, singular, and particular. And Jesus Christ is the one giving this revelation to Paul! This is the revelation of Jesus Christ! And the same Jesus, in Matthew chapter 13, when the disciples came to ask him, "*Why do you always speak in parables?*" said, in verse 11, "**Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries**" (plural) "**of the kingdom**"! Here, Christ talks of plural mysteries! But in his divine revelation to John, on the Isle of Patmos, Christ was

talking about THE MYSTERY (singular). So brothers and sisters, you have to realize that there is a distinction between what Jesus said in Revelation 10:7, using the word, "**The Mystery**" (singular) "**of God**", and what he said in Matthew 13:11, using the word, "**Mysteries**" (plural) "**of the kingdom.**" You cannot make them one! You cannot! You cannot make them say the same thing! Yes, Brother Branham quoted Revelation 10:7, many times, and used it as mysteries. But remember, that verse refers to him! So he used it in that way because that verse pertains to his own ministry! He therefore used it in that way in order to open our eyes, to let us see something, for he wants us to see the revelation of truth he bears! But in spite of such usage, you have to keep your eyes on the Scriptures! Because in reality, the mystery in Revelation 10:7 is strictly about the grafting in of the Gentiles, and not about plural mysteries! It is not even a mystery he started! He only completes it! Thus saith the Lord in Revelation 10:7! And that is why the Jews do not understand why Gentiles

are following a Jew, Jesus Christ of Nazareth they rejected, because they cannot see where Jesus fits in the picture, and where the Gentiles come in, in God's plan, because they do not have a revelation! But to Paul was given that revelation, and he bore it to the Gentiles. But the Jews did not accept Jesus Christ; they turned him down. So you must understand, God used Paul to start the mystery of the grafting in of the Gentiles, a mystery Brother Branham completes! But Saint Irenaeus came after Paul as the star messenger to the second church age, the angel to the second age, fulfilling his own portion of that mystery. Along came Saint Martin to the third church age, followed by Saint Columba, the star messenger to the fourth church age. Then came Martin Luther as star messenger to the fifth church age, followed by John Wesley as star messenger to the sixth church age. And these six star messengers were used to graft in the Gentile bride of their own era of time, into the tree of life, which is the mystery, leaving the seventh and final church age bride. And

at this end time came the prophet to this age, William Branham, a man God used to complete the grafting in of the Gentiles into the commonwealth of Israel, as star messenger to this seventh church age. So it is a completion voice he bears. This mystery did not start with Brother Branham, so you cannot make it mysteries. It is about the salvation of the Gentiles into the same body with the Jews through Christ. That is The Mystery of Revelation 10:7! Brother Branham's voice completes or finishes this mystery (singular). That is Scripturally settled.

However, this is where I am going, in laying a foundation for my message. We will take Revelation chapter 10 and verse 7 again: ***“But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel”*** (that is the seventh messenger), ***“when he shall begin to sound”*** (when his message begins to go round the world), ***“the mystery of God should be finished...”*** (Because that is the message God is using to catch every elected bride. I take it again.) ***“..The mystery of God”*** (the grafting in of

the Gentiles) ***“should be finished”*** (completed) ***“as he”*** (God) ***“hath declared to his servants the prophets.”*** And I always say, If it is a revelation given to prophets, who is going to wrap it all up? It takes another man! Can I hear Amen? It will take another man to complete it! So when we consider the seventh angel here, do not look for a spirit angel! Look for a human messenger! Because “angel” simply means messenger! ***“But in THE DAYS OF THE VOICE of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, THE MYSTERY OF GOD SHOULD BE FINISHED, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.”*** What does that Scripture tell you? Everything God does for the bride in this last age, is done in the days of his voice! And we are still in the days of the voice of the seventh angel! Whatever God does for the bride of Christ at this evening time, He does it on the basis of what He (God) used Brother Branham to initiate for the bride of Jesus Christ, and on the basis of what God used him to accomplish for and on our behalf, by the Spirit

of Christ. So at the end of the day, yes, we believe there is continuity to the message of Elijah, because he himself said there will be continuity. He said it expressly in 1963, in his message titled, *Spirit Of Truth!* There is definitely continuity. Absolutely! But continuity does not make it a different message. It is still the same message of Christ, which God used the prophet to restore us to! As such, we must realise that at the end of the day, God is wrapping up this plan of Gentile salvation, not on the basis of the voice of Raymond Jackson, not on the basis of the voice of the “John” of this hour, it is on the basis of the voice of the seventh angel, William Branham. Why? Because his message, that is, the truths of the Bible he bore, is a scaffold around the revelation of Jesus Christ for today! That is a scaffold! It is a security parameter built around the revelation of Christ for this day! That is what secures everything! We are only building into the message the truths that will complete the revelation of Christ! That is why, when you consider

the continuity revelation that has been coming forth for the past forty one years, look in the message of Elijah, somewhere along the line, more often than not, you will see such a thought dropped, a statement made, by the prophet. Such a thought or statement constitutes a loose-end; a thought God will use other messengers, men who are not star messengers, but men who nevertheless are minor messengers, to bear for the bride of Christ. It is to carry on the revelation of truth, giving us continuity of revelation to the truth of Jesus Christ, till our revelation is complete. As such, we must remember, God is wrapping up everything, not on the basis of the word of the men God uses to bring about continuity, but on the basis of the voice of the seventh angel. Why? I repeat: Because his message (i.e. his Bible truths), forms a scaffold around the revelation of Christ for today! It has to, because he bore the standard of truth as the star witness to this age! And that is the highest ministry established at this end time. No ministry can be like him. But we

have other standard bearers. Certainly! And that is why I have been telling the saints, God has raised up two other minor messengers after William Branham: First, Raymond Jackson, the chief apostle, and now "John", the lead apostle. But remember, the standard bearing ministry of the other two men only gets smaller. It just gets smaller in comparison to the stature of Brother Branham's ministry! It gets smaller, because he is the star messenger to this age. So the chief apostle is smaller in relation to him, even though the chief apostle is major within the Ephesian ministry itself. But in comparison with the star messenger, he is smaller. And then "John" is smaller than the chief apostle. I said the "John" of today, his ministry is smaller than that of the chief apostle, even though he bears the standard, but yet smaller. So the standard bearing ministry only gets smaller, but the light gets brighter, because of accessibility to continuity revelation, giving us access to things we did not know before, more than what God used the prophet to give to us. That is why Christ

promised by the Spirit that at the evening time, it shall be light. And when God promised us light, it gives us nothing but light! Absolute light! Perfect revelation! Wholesome truth! And do not forget the Word of promise in Proverbs chapter 4 verse 18, "***The path of the just is as the shining light...***" It only shines brighter and brighter, and then it stops?! No! Proverbs says, "***...the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day!***" In other words, it gets brighter, until the perfect day! Until the resurrection morning! Our pathway can only shine brighter! Why? Because Jesus Christ by his Spirit, will shed light upon light upon his Word, to illumine the pathway of the bride, to make it brighter and brighter, as we move closer to the rapture. That is why the light we have received is brighter today, and it is getting brighter, and it is going to get brighter by the day. But the standard bearing ministry is getting smaller, because God is wrapping up everything on the basis of the voice of the seventh angel! I trust we can all see that. But the final truths that are to

complete the message of Christ, those are the truths the continuity ministry is giving to us, and we must receive it, for completeness of revelation.

We will now look at Malachi chapter 4 verse 4: ***“Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.”*** Hold it there. Saints of God, here we come to almost 400 B.C., that is about 400 years before the dispensation of Christ. God inspired prophet Malachi, and God was telling him, *“Do not forget the laws of my servant.”* Remember God was talking through Malachi, to the children of Israel. *“Do not forget the laws of my servant Moses, which I commanded him in Horeb, with all the statutes and all the judgments. Don't forget it. Walk in the light of it.”* When you look at the ministry of Moses, God used him to tell Israel, *“These laws, write it on the doorposts. Write it and even pin it on the hem of your garments, so that you remind yourself, that you do not forget it, that you may walk in the light of it.”* Then I have to say this morning: If the Torah, in the

days of its application, was so important for a Jew, not only to believe it, but to uphold and live by it, and not to forget it, how much more should we remember and live by the revelation of life we received of Jesus Christ. How much more will God warn you and I not to play, or toy with it, and not to forget the revelation of truth that has been restored to us at this evening time. We must therefore ask, Why has God given access to such perfect light at this evening time? A light without creeds, without dogma, without tradition, without man's ideas, without man's programmes, a pure revelation. Why has God given it, if it is not supposed to affect us; if it is not something we are supposed to receive, and walk in the light of, that it may motivate our lives, knowing that the bride of Christ will be adorned with a pure garment, from the crown of her head, to the sole of her feet. She will be dressed in pure white, dressed in a pure revelation of truth and truth alone. That is why we are being washed at this evening time. According to Ephesians chapter 5 verse 26, we are being ***“Washed with the washing of water by the Word”***, that

every creed and dogma, and every wrinkle, can be washed out and ironed out. Are you with me? That is so, in order that we may be adorned with nothing but a pure revelation of God's Word and God's Word alone, that we may attain Christ's image. So, if God found it important to instruct Israel in the days of Malachi, many hundreds of years after Moses' era, God instructed Malachi to command Israel not to forget the laws of Moses, how much more today should we not forget the revelation of truth God has given to us. And there is a reason for my going down this road. Moreover, do not forget, God warned Joshua, a type of the Ephesian ministry, ***“Only be thou strong and very courageous, THAT THOU MAYEST OBSERVE TO DO ACCORDING TO ALL THE LAW, which Moses my servant command thee: TURN NOT FROM IT TO THE RIGHT HAND OR TO THE LEFT, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, THAT THOU MAYEST OBSERVE TO***

**DO ACCORDING TO ALL THAT IS WRITTEN THEREIN: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.**" Having laid this necessary background, I now want to launch into my message.

I want to take a very crucial message this morning, I title, **Ministerial Irresponsibility**. I know that is a shocking title. I do not use it to be rude. I use it purposely to catch attention, and to awaken the ministry to the body of Christ, to something most crucial. I want to awaken them to a responsibility that devolves upon us, because there is a great responsibility devolving upon the ministry. And that is why I title my message this morning, *Ministerial Irresponsibility*. Saints of God, look at Malachi chapter 2 verse 7. The Word of God declares: **"FOR THE PRIEST'S LIPS SHOULD KEEP KNOWLEDGE..."** That is why God put him in the ministry in the first place! He should bear the knowledge of God in a revelation God has given! Malachi continues: **"...and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of**

**the Lord of hosts.**" The ministry should have the truth for God's people! He is supposed to bear a true revelation of it, because God has given the ministry a true understanding, by His Spirit, through the prophet, and the chief apostle! And that understanding of the truth is given to them, that they may in turn give it to God's people. That is, God gives them access to a true understanding of God's Word, so that they may impart that knowledge to God's people, in order to settle them in the light, that is, to establish them in the truth, that they may walk in the light, and be prepared for the glorious return of Jesus Christ. That is the essence of the ministry! And God demands faithfulness in this service. But look at verse 8 of Malachi chapter 2: **"BUT YE ARE DEPARTED OUT OF THE WAY; YE HAVE CAUSED MANY TO STUMBLE AT THE LAW."** How could this be? It would either be knowingly, because of an evil ulterior selfish motive, or out of negligence, carelessness, a lack of a sense of responsibility, or indifference. That is why we are talking of Ministerial Irresponsibility. Somewhere or the other, under the

Torah, under the law, the priests lost the vision; they lost focus. And it got to a point in time, they themselves did not even care, and neither did they understand the Torah anymore. They were perverting it, misinterpreting it, twisting it, and misapplying it, because other things had taken away their focus. Watch: **"YE HAVE CORRUPTED THE COVENANT OF LEVI, saith the Lord of hosts. Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people."** Church, when the ministry no longer bears a pure revelation, and has nothing to feed the people with, you know the children of God will just be looking, and be shaking their heads, at such a pathetic development, for no one can cage an eagle. And what would they be doing under such a ministry? They would simply be marking time, marking time, as they are praying, looking to God to lead them somewhere else, where their soul can be fed, because they realize, *"This man has nothing for me. I am tired of this ministry. There is no longer anything for my soul under this ministry."* Yet, there is so much in the

Torah! The Jews had the laws, the ordinances, the statutes, the judgments, the commandments, and the Prophets! There is so much, because the Word of God is all embracing for the nation of Israel, as it touches every aspect of their lives! But the priests had lost focus! They had developed cross eyes! Their zeal for the truth of God and for God's people had waned! And either by an act, or by an omission, which is negligence, God's people were starving when there was plenty of food in the store house! Think about it! The ministry began to falter in their interpretation of the Word of God, turning the Word of God upside down. They no longer were able to rightly divide the Torah, whether because of an evil motive, or ambition they had, or due to sheer carelessness, slothfulness, or pride, this stinking attitude that makes them feel they know it all, and that they can preach their own thing. And they did not know anything! And God will always allow a man to stumble, to teach him a lesson, if he has a proud attitude, as a child of God. Church, right here, Israel was being led astray, because of the ministry. Yet, everything

they needed for their guidance was right there in the Torah, because the Torah was a perfect message for that day! And that is why the Bible says, even as apostle Paul acknowledged, ***"The law is righteous"***! Because it had righteous demands, and it was meant to streamline the sinner, the unconverted, because it has sanctions to make people line up! Serious sanctions put an unconverted society in check! It does! Anything else is chaos! And that is what is wrong with the world today. A rapist has more rights than the innocent and defenseless lady that was raped. It is a perverse world! A world where the robber has more rights than the man whose house was burgled. He cannot even touch him. He should allow the robber to kill him first before he touches him, because if he touches him, he is going to jail. That is the Western world for you! You cannot touch your burglar. He has to kill you first. And you cannot touch an animal. You want to wound an animal; you are going to jail, in the Western world. It has to kill you first, and then they would realize, ***"Okay, that is why you were trying to fight it."*** But

as long as it has not killed you, and you kill it out of self defense, American, British, and European Law, does not give you any defense. It is a perverse world, because they have thrown away God out of their society. So, all they have is the devil. Brothers and sisters, so these evil men, these violent, wicked and perverse people, they relish what they do, and they bask in it, because they know the law is on their side. Because there are no sanctions! Serious sanctions make the difference! A man, in the United States, broke into somebody's house to steal. He got in the garage, which unknown to him, had an automatic lock, and he locked himself in. He was trapped in the garage for the weekend; the only food in the garage was dog food. He was starving, and eventually had to eat the dog food. After the house owner returned, the burglar took him to court and he won his case, because he ate dog food. Only in America! Saints of God, look at the Nigerian society we also live in, it is a warped society, because it is a lawless and unruly society. Why? Because it is a

country where no law is enforced! Yet, sanctions make the difference! But let us turn our attention back to the Word of God.

God was rebuking the ministry through Malachi. They were supposed to lead the people the right way, and show them the way, because God had given them access to something, and God had lifted them up above their peers, the average Jews, to bear the ministry. So there is a burden that goes with it. But sometimes, people lose focus, and forget their responsibilities. And you ask me, "Brother Amos, why are you preaching a message like this?" I will tell you. Look at the bride of Christ. I have been privileged by God's grace to travel to various nations of this earth, and to various local assemblies, to see conditions and needs, to see problems the people of God face in their assemblies. And some of these things do not leave your mind. They do not! Because you know they are conditions that can be righted; they are situations that can be corrected. But yet, the assemblies are left in that same misery for

years on end, and yet they have a ministry! It is not right! I do not say this to judge any particular person, because this is not directed to any local assembly, or to any particular ministry. We are speaking on a general plane. But I want you to see something this morning. We have a Word of promise in the book of Ephesians chapter 4. God gives the ministry for a specific divine purpose, a most crucial assignment. Verses 12 and 13 tell us why. It tells us the purpose of the five fold ministry: "**For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.**" I am going to verse 13: "**Till we all...**" (In the body of Christ) "**...COME IN THE UNITY**" (What kind of unity?) "**...OF THE FAITH!**" The faith means the entire body of revealed truths. Every revelation Jesus has given from the pages of the Bible, we must come in the unity of its knowledge. "**...AND OF THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SON OF GOD.**" That is Christ. The end time message followers say there is no Son. And that

is precisely why they will not be perfected. Because if you do not believe in the Son, you are not going to grow in his stature, because you have denied something that is a mirror that you are supposed to grow up into! Precisely! And I am not preaching two gods! You do not have two gods! There is only one God, who was revealed in His Son! But you cannot deny the Sonship of Jesus Christ! You can only do that by the spirit of the anti-christ! Because God did not die on the cross of Calvary! "*For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten self.*" No! "**He gave His only begotten Son!**" John 3:16! And then you want to deny that? You are not even a believer if you do! You are not! The Sonship of Christ is a very fundamental elementary principle of faith. And in saying that, I have not preached two gods to you. There is only one God! It is not a "twonity", and neither is there a trinity. It is a unity, One God! He is a Onenitarian! Permit me that language. He is a Onenitarian: Only one God, and He is a Spirit. He is not a man; He will never be a man. He is an invisible Spirit who fills

the entire Universe. As He was in His Son, He was also in heaven. And that is why, whilst He was in His Son, they could also hear His voice from heaven saying: ***“This is my beloved Son in whom I am pleased to dwell: Hear ye him!”*** A voice from heaven, yet He was in Christ at the same time, in the fulness of His divine attributes. And as Jesus expressed in John chapter 14 verse 1, if you believe in God, you have got to believe ALSO IN THE SON! You have to! The true Ephesian ministry will bring the elect bride of the end time into ***“...the unity of the faith”*** of Jesus Christ, ***“and of THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE SON OF GOD”*** (bearing a perfect revelation knowledge of who Christ is), ***“unto a perfect man, unto the measure”*** (Whatever measure Christ is. I take that again) ***“unto the measure”*** (the fullness; the height) ***“of the stature”*** (the image, the spiritual image) ***“of the fulness of Christ.”*** Verse 14 gives us the end result of that spiritual growth: ***“That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of***

***doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive.”*** That means we are settled, established in the light, knowing what we believe. It means you can face any man even though you are not in the ministry; but you can face any man in the ministry. All you need to do is hear him speak, and you will know whether he has something for you or not. It is a fact, because the revelation God has given the bride, lifts the bride element, higher than any and every other group in the entire religious world; the revelation of the truth of Christ we have received; the continuity truth we bear. But watch. If the bride of Christ is to grow in spiritual stature, and attain the spiritual image of Jesus, that is, to the measure that he is, and we are also supposed to come into the unity of the complete and entire body of revealed truths of Christ, to the measure that God has revealed it, then I ask, How will that be accomplished? In other words, How will the bride attain unto such a height of revelational understanding? It is by the ministry! That is why Christ gave the bride the

Ephesian ministry! That is why we have the five fold ministry! It is given in order to establish the bride in the light, and bring them into a unity of the entire body of revealed truths! That is what is called ***“the faith”***, the revealed faith! It has nothing to do with faith for healing, when a person has a headache, for it has nothing to do with faith for appropriating a promise. Anybody can have that! But ***“the faith”*** is talking about the body of revealed truths, the revealed faith of Jesus Christ. We must come in the unity of that faith. Thus saith the Word of God! The question however is, How can we come in the unity of the faith, if we do not even know that faith, that body of revealed truth? Common sense should tell you therefore, we cannot unite in something we do not know, and it is impossible to grow in the light of something we have not possessed, something we do not understand. So, I have to ask again: How will the bride have such knowledge, in order to grow in it, and to take a stand for it, and to unite with it? It is by teaching! It is through the dealing of

the ministry! Are you with me? It takes the ministry to breakdown the truth for the edification of the body of saints, in each and every local assembly. So it is a serious issue. But that is why at the evening time, there is light. God shed that light, not just for the ministry, God shed the light, for the entire body of saints! And it is the duty of the ministry, to use that truth, and deal with the bride of Jesus Christ on it. That is the duty of the ministry! It is the responsibility of the ministry, to use the entire body of revealed truths we have been given from the pages of the Bible, and lay it out before the people of God, as God is revealing it, and to the measure God has revealed it. It is the duty of the ministry to do that! **T h a t i s t h e i r** responsibility! That is why they are put in the ministry for the bride of Christ! Because they are not in office for themselves! And they are not in office for their families! The church of the living God is not about a minister's family! Can I hear Amen?! The church of the living God is more than a man's family! Can you hear me?! I say that because we have seen

men who carry on in the ministry, as though the assembly is made up of their family members alone. Because that is all they really care about, day in and day out! Nobody else counts except their family! And nobody has any input, except their family! Everything is about family! And family dictates everything! I have heard the wife of a fellow minister confess, *"Well, people come and go in the assembly. So, who knows who is who? So, I just have to concern myself with my family, because members come and go!"* Even her husband has the same attitude, pathetically! That is not a shepherd! That is not a shepherd! A shepherd has a heart that beats for the flock! He cannot even help it even if he wanted to! A shepherd has a passion for the souls under him! Not even his family can take away that pulse! Because when God makes you a true shepherd, you cannot help what you are! Brothers and sisters, the flock becomes your heartbeat! Anything that touches it touches you! If it does not, you are not

a true shepherd! You are not! It makes you a hireling! A true shepherd sets the care of the flock above his own personal care! He does, for it is a selfless service! The service of God must be set above family sentiments and family considerations! It must!

Church, it is written, ***"At the evening time it shall be light."*** But I ask: What is the purpose of God giving truth back in accessibility? Is it for fun? No! It is that it may be the means men will be called into the ministry, and through that calling, these men will in turn use that truth, and dress the bride with it, giving a true understanding of Jesus Christ, to the elect bride saints. Look at what the Bible says in the book of Acts chapter 2 verse 42. It says, the saints of the first church age, ***"...stood steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine."*** Why? Because the revelation of Christ is the revelation of the apostles! The apostles bore the revelation of Jesus Christ to the world, because unto them was committed the full revelation of Jesus Christ. That was why Paul could write to the Ephesians, in chapter 2

verse 20, he said, ***The entire church is built upon the foundation of the apostles and the old testament prophets.*** Why did he make such a bold statement? Because the foundation of the church, is the entire body of revealed truths of Jesus Christ, committed to the apostles, which truths they laid down for God's people, as the basis of their faith, the basis of their salvation! That is why Peter could also pick up his pen, in 2 Peter chapter 3, and warn the saints. Let us go there. 2 Peter 3:1-2: ***"This Second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance."*** So they knew something already, but he was reminding them. He did not find it a shame to repeat himself, because it is important. So that lets us know, preaching the Word of God is not about bringing new things, new revelations everyday, because it is not the duty of the ministry to bring something new, when God has not given it! That is not the responsibility of the ministry! The responsibility God places upon the ministry is to be faithful to the truths God has revealed! They are not

called to manufacture truths! Shedding new light is God's exclusive prerogative, which He will do, in His own time, and in His own way, and by His chosen vessel. Period! And until God gives it, it is the duty of the ministry to abide in the truths God has given, to the measure He has given it for that day, and stay in it, even if it means going over it, to brush it over, or polish it again, until every seed catches it. It has to be so, because we do not all catch it the same day! Because we do not all have the same capacity! Church, you can say something once or twice, and yet some people will not get it. It could be the third or the fourth time you say it, that it opens up to somebody, and it clicks. Then, he will exclaim, ***"Wow! I didn't see that before!"*** But the preacher has been laying it all along! As such, apostle Peter did not find it a shameful thing to repeat himself, knowing they already had it, because it was important to re-affirm it. And may I say this: His instruction is extremely relevant for us today. It will do us good to also take heed. What did he say? Verse 2: ***"That ye may be mindful of the words***

***which were spoken before by the holy prophets"*** (that is the Old Testament prophets), ***"and of the commandment of us"*** (of us) ***"the apostles"*** (commandment of the apostles) ***"of the Lord and Saviour."*** Why? Because the entire church is built upon the foundation of the truths of Christ the apostles bore! The entire church, and the entire body of ministry, is established upon the infallible and immoveable foundation of the revelation faith the apostles laid down for the saints. Think about it! And church, we derailed from that foundation. God used Brother Branham to bring us back to that same foundation of faith, giving truth back in accessibility. As such, church, we must realize, the revelation of truth God used that man to give to us is most vital. It is an absolute. The bride of Christ must be established in it. However, God took him away on the 25th of December, 1965. And since that time, brothers and sisters, God has been shedding more light, light upon light, to the message of truth he brought, bringing about continuity of revelation, for about forty one solid years. And remember, under the Old

Testament, you could not use the writings of Moses to reject further light of God's Word, which the other prophets bore. You could not use the message of Moses to turn down the continuity light Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Zechariah, or Malachi bore. And they spoke and wrote of things Moses did not touch upon, like the Millennial reign, for instance, amongst so many other truths of God! And neither can you use the message of William Branham, to turn down the continuity light of Christ for today. You cannot! You will not make it in the rapture if you do! But the material question is, How did continuity light come? How did God accomplish it? He used the chief apostle, Raymond Jackson, for thirty nine solid years. And when Brother Jackson passed away on the 4th of December, 2004, for the past two years, God has been using "John", to bear the continuity light, giving us a total of about forty one years of continuity light, since the death of the prophet. I therefore have to ask you, What is all the light meant for? Remember, the revelation of the entire truths of the Bible we received is what

makes up the faith. That is the entire body of revealed truths! That is what the bride must stand for and must uphold, and be adorned with, to be ready for the rapture, because that is what it is going to take to prepare her for the glorious return of the Lord! Precisely!

Saints of God, then I ask: What is the use of us having access to all these wonderful truths of the Bible, if the ministry will not be alive to its own responsibility? How, in the midst of so much light, so much food, can God's people be starving? How, in the abundance of water, can God's people be thirsty? How can so much light be shed, and God's people still be walking in ignorance, and in darkness, not knowing the truth?! Yet, the light has been shed! Then I ask, What is the ministry doing?! Around the world, What are we doing?! That is why we are talking about Ministerial Irresponsibility, because I want to catch somebody's attention! Look at the prophet's message, just for an instance. You must have a true understanding of it, and you must know how to look at a message a man presents. I say that

because there are different categories of truth, but truth is truth. You have some truths which are doctrinal, like the One God doctrine, the Godhead, Water baptism by immersion in Jesus Christ's name, Salvation by faith, that is, Justification by faith, for that is what it means (Are you with me?), Sanctification, or christian holy living, Infilling of the Holy Spirit, Eternal security of a Holy Ghost filled believer, Predestination and Election etc. Those are fundamental doctrines. Those are truths of the Bible our faith rests upon. They are fundamental. It means, if you do not have a revelation of it, you are not even grounded yet in this way, because it forms the basis of true faith! Take it away, you have nothing! But church, you also have some truths that are revelational. For instance, the Original Sin; it does not demand you doing anything. It is just for you to believe the truth of the Original Sin, that it was sex in the Garden of Eden, for pleasure. Are you with me? It is revelational, for it gives us an insight into what really happened in the Garden. And there are

various revelational truths. It either deals with mysteries, like the Serpent Seed, the Mark of Cain, the Woman of Revelation 12, the Prehistoric World etc, or it gives you prophetic insight into the plan of God concerning His people in this day and hour. For instance, the revelation of the coming hour of the Jewish miraculous, is a prophetic insight, for it posts us ahead. It is revelational, although prophetic. It has nothing to do with you and I as Gentiles. But God gave the revelation to us, to let us know what He would do for the Jews in this day and hour. So, from this, we can see that we have revelational truths, which either gives us prophetic insight, or it gives us knowledge of a mystery. However, we also have another class of truth. We call them instructions unto godly living, or instructions in righteousness. What are those instructions unto godly living? They are Scriptures, and messages based on such truths, instructing us to live for the Lord: Let us live holy; Let us live a dedicated life; Let us love one another. Brothers and sisters, they are truths concerning

conduct, character, dedication, commitment, loyalty to Christ etc (Are you with me?). That is why I said there are different classes or categories of truth, but truth is truth. They all have their place! They do! Because the Word of God says, ***“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof”*** (Are you with me?), ***“for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished”*** (i.e. complete, entire, lacking nothing, because it is a complete meal). ***“...unto all good works”*** 2 Timothy 3:16. But listen to me, church. Look at the message of William Branham. God used him to restore us to Bible truth, and that is the truth God expects us to stand on, and live for, and be adorned with, at this evening time. And those Bible truths were borne in his message, scattered in the Sermon books. But let me give you one. He preached a message on Matthew 24:24, which says, ***“For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the***

***very elect.”*** Christ says they shall show great signs and wonders, to the extent that, if it were possible, by virtue of the explosion of the miraculous, they will deceive the very elect. Brother Branham took a message on that Bible text titled, *The Anointed Ones At The End Time*. What was the purpose of that message? To give us a revelation knowledge of the application of that verse at the end time, that we may use that as a mirror with which to judge the men in the ministry. Because some men, all they are concerned about, even in this end time message movement, is the miraculous. All they care about is the power side of God. They care little or nothing for the revelational side. I know men in the ministry today, men supposedly following this end time message, men who all they care about is the miraculous: ***“Brother Branham had a miraculous ministry! Then everybody in this message should believe in the supernatural!”*** We all do! But they also say, ***“Well, there should be the open miraculous today too!”*** And so they have to get themselves the miraculous at all costs, even though it

is by the spirit of sorcery! And these men heap unto themselves Jah-jahorah prophets, prophets from Aladura (White garment churches), men who have not been delivered from demon possession, men with evil spirits, men with peeping spirits, men with the anointing of the devil they possessed when they were in white garment churches. They bring the same anointing to the end time message, and they prophesy, *“O my son, I shall deliver you and bless you.”* It is always about materialism; it is always fleshly. *“Go and buy a pail and a rope, and go and let it down a well, and God will bless you.”* We even have a prophet up North. I think this one is in Zaria. He went in the spirit for many days, and came back with water as the solution for all men's problems, and for prosperity. And ministers were running over one another to get some of the water. How ridiculous people can be! But John went in the Spirit, and he came back with the last book of the Bible, a prophetic insight, a wonderful book of revelation! But this man went in the spirit to bring water, H<sub>2</sub>O! And it is not pure! And men were

fighting one another to get some of the water as the solution to all their problems. Brothers and sisters, ***Hearing they hear not, and seeing they see not!*** Church, what a shame! To think that all these people are purportedly following this message! Thank God for William Branham! But people are no longer careful to listen to the voice of the Spirit! All they want is the miraculous, and they have it, because through that, their churches are getting full and breaking at the seams with the population. It is filled with all sorts and they are not looking for the revelation of life. They are looking for deliverance, or for prosperity. They are looking for “Thus saith the Lord” from one “*sugbe*” man, a two-by-four prophet, standing with the so-called pastor, a prophet the pastor is using to guarantee his church is filled with people seeking solutions. So it is a church being controlled by a pastor, in league with a false prophet, because of the abundance of prophecies, forgetting that he is under satanic anointing. People do not care anymore, because all they are looking for is the

supernatural. And the devil has a lot of it to give, if that is all you are looking for. Brothers and sisters, look for the light! On the other hand, you also have men in the ministry out there in the religious world, who are exercising a genuine anointing of the Spirit of God, but they are preachers of unbelief, preachers of iniquity! These are the false Christs, or the false anointed ones, of Matthew 24:24. The anointing is true, but the seed is perverse! They are nothing but modern day Judases! Men who lead away from the true way! Agents of derailment!

That is why God used Brother Branham to give us a revelation of Matthew 24:24. That is why he preached a message titled, *The Anointed Ones At The End Time*. Church, it is to give us an insight into the end time prophetic application of that verse of Scripture Jesus Christ gave in 33 A.D., to keep us from the snares of the enemy at this end time. But church, I do not need to take that Sermon book, and preach from it, in order to preach the truth of Matthew 24:24. That

would be idolatry! It is enough that I have a true understanding of the Bible thought he laid out, from a Scriptural revelatory standpoint. And a man that is truly preaching the message, is a man that is preaching the thoughts of the prophet, strictly from the pages of the Bible, because that is the basis of all preaching! It also shows he has the revelation of it. Precisely! And truly, if you really understand what a man has taught in his message, from a revelatory standpoint, you would be able to lay out such thoughts from the pages of the Bible, using your own words, and your own illustrations. That is what shows you have true understanding! Being a quote preacher, only shows you are devoid of a true understanding, for it is idolatry to leave the inspired Scriptures, the basis of any and every message, and be preaching from somebody else's sermons! It negates the Spirit of inspiration! And it is sheer idolatry! If not, he should be able to take his Bible, and lay out the thought, the truth Brother Branham laid out in his sermons, from the pages of the Bible, for the

edification of God's people, because the prophet did not preach in vacuum! It is therefore very important, that every man in the ministry help the bride of Christ to understand the place of Matthew 24:24, because it is a reality we are faced with, so that we do not derail. The truth of Matthew 24:24, in its end time application, is prophetic revelation, the reality of which is facing us today. But here comes another message William Branham gave, titled, *Desperation*. Church, that has nothing to do with the revelation of the truth of the Scriptures. It is not doctrinal, and neither is it revelational. It is more like instruction in righteousness, getting you to want to have a close walk with God, and to seek God with all your heart, until you come to a point of desperation. Then you can get what you want from Him. But if that is the kind of messages you want to be preaching everyday, you will never grow in the light! But yet, such a message also has its place. Are you listening to me? That message has its place! Because we are not supposed to be lackadaisical in our attitude! We are not

supposed to have a shabby attitude towards spiritual things! So it is a message that is ministering to attitudes towards divine things, towards spiritual things, the things of God. Are you with me? It stirs our heart to earnestly seek the things of the Spirit of God. But it falls under the third category of Bible truths we laid out today. But church, God also led Brother Branham to take a message titled, *The Seventy Weeks Of Daniel*, in order to give us the breakdown of the Seventy Weeks of Daniel. Are you listening to me? That is so because Israel has a balance of one whole week left, a week of seven prophetic years. Do not forget, God has set Israel as a time piece for the world. And that is why Brother Branham kept pointing to her. He said, "*Watch Israel. That is God's time piece.*" Why? Because she has a specific space of time, a specific number of years left, before the Millennium starts. Therefore, knowing her time frame, and by looking at her, we can determine where we are prophetically, in the timetable of God, time-wise. Are you with me? This message also

constitutes prophetic revelation, as it opens up God's plan for Israel at this end time. But here came also the message on *The Seven Church Ages*, as well as the message on *The Seven Seals*, all giving us a beautiful and marvelous unveiling of the prophetic Word of God. And what a light these truths gave! And what a revelation God gave this end time elect lady, by the exposition of these deep and rich Bible truths! So, all this leads me to now ask: What is the purpose of God using Brother Branham, to preach to us on the Original Sin, the Serpent Seed, the Seventy Weeks of Daniel, the Seven Church Ages, the Seven Seals, and on *The Anointed Ones At The End Time*, Matthew 24:24, if a man would read all these lovely and enlightening rich revelations of Bible truths, and lay them aside? What is he doing by not teaching these truths to his people? Why will he not take these Bible truths, and break it down for his assembly, having received the true understanding of it from the message of the prophet? What is he doing? He is preaching

his own thing! And when he is not preaching his own thing, he is preaching on Desperation! What do I mean by saying he is preaching his own thing? It is that for example, he is going into the books of Samuel or Kings, and he is preaching on David's life, and on David's love for God, and David's consecration, and also on David's faithfulness and faith. He can be on these kind of messages for weeks on end. Yet these messages are good, being instructive, because they are instructions in righteousness! No one can condemn or deny it! Are you with me? They are good! But brothers and sisters, if all a ministry does is to sit on those kinds of messages, the bride of Christ will never grow in the revelation of truth! She will not! And there will be no attaining of the stature of Jesus Christ! Precisely! And neither will she come into the unity of the faith! She will not! There will have to be more Bible expository messages than that! Exactly! So it means, the ministry, in reading the Sermon books, and in their personal study, should have a revelation, a knowledge of what to

present, how to present it, and when to present it, so that the bride of Christ may be established fully in all the revelations of the truths of the Bible we got from that man. Do not forget, "**Light is shed for the righteous.**" And only in God's light (that is, in God's revelation), do we have light, even as the Scriptures declare. It therefore means that the men in the ministry, must understand that the revelations of Bible truths God used the Star messenger to this Laodicean age to give to us, is an absolute, for it is for the dressing of the elect bride. She must be dressed with it! And she will be dressed with it! For the prophet did not lay out these truths for himself, but for the Universal body of Christ, to give her a true understanding of God's plan of salvation, and of the prophetic events she is facing at this end time, according to God's revealed counsel. This is apart from the insight God has given her concerning prophetic happenings around the world today, to post her ahead. Therefore, it is the duty of true and faithful men of God, to take these truths, and break it down

Scripturally, for the edification of the local body of saints. Otherwise, their people will not be established in the truth! God having used William Branham, to open up so much truth, called him home in December of 1965. And here comes a crucial, but highly contested phase, for it is a phase evil spoken of, but yet a most crucial phase, for it gives us the continuing dealing of God. This is the phase that needs more emphasis today, because the truth is that there is no preacher in the movement, who is not conversant with the message of the prophet, having had access to it for the past forty-one years. It is the continuing message they do not bear, in the main. Therefore, today, more emphasis should be placed on laying out the continuity truths God used the apostolic ministry to give us, for so much Bible light was shed in the 39 years of the lead ministry of the chief apostle! I say that because, for most preachers in the movement, all they want to know and preach, are the things the prophet was used of God to give us, which things they obviously do not really understand, pathetically. If

they really understood it, they would have moved on in the light. But they do not want to hear continuity.

Nevertheless, here came the chief apostle. God took him also to Genesis. And out came the revelation of the Testing and Fall of Satan, the Two Laws of Eden, the Age of Regeneration, the Woman of Revelation 12, the New Jerusalem, the Everlasting Gospel, The Fan In Christ's Hand, on and on. I have to ask again: Why did God give these truths? And what is the use, as a ministering brother following continuity of divine revelation, if when I get The Contender, I read it, and bless God for Brother Jackson, and simply lay it aside? What is the use? For when I get to church, I tell them: "*Church, let us open to the book of Job*", and I preach my little message as usual. But what are those messages I am preaching? They are instructions in righteousness! Another church service day, I might leave Job, and go to Samuel, or I might leave Samuel, and go to Ruth. Are you listening to me? In such a situation, no one can say I am not preaching the Bible. That is truth! It is the Bible I am

opening; it is from the Bible that I am taking my text; and it is Bible scenarios I am painting to the church. But saints of God, I ask, **How is the bride to come to the unity of the faith? How is she to possess the entire body of revealed truths that have been given from the pages of the Bible?** How does it become her dressing? How will she be established in the truth? Then it means, the true men of God ordained for the bride, will have enough sense, when they read the Sermon books, or they read The Contender magazines, each and every one of them will take those teachings, and lay the truth of it out for the local body of saints! They have to! Every pastor bears the obligation to look at those truths, truths that make up the body of revealed faith, which God has given to us by His Spirit, through the lead ministries He has set over us, first, through the Elijah of today, and secondly, through the chief apostle, he is under divine obligation to take these truths of the Bible, dealing either with doctrine, or dealing with issues of revelation (Are

you with me?), whether prophetic, or insights into Bible mysteries, he is duty bound to lay it before God's people, breaking it down, to give them an understanding of these things, that we may grow together in the knowledge of the body of revealed faith! But no, rather than for pastors in this continuity movement to do that, what I found, going round the world, is that men read The Contender, lay the truths revealed in them aside, and start preaching their own little messages, day in, day out. Why? Because the whole church have Contenders! So here we have a typical scenario. Brother Jackson came out with a new revelation, The Martyrdom Of Saints. But since everybody has The Contender, and all read it, praise the Lord, the pastor lays the new nugget of truth conveyed in The Contender aside. And what does he do? What does he do? He goes to preach his own little message on The Unfaithfulness Of Saul! What I preach today has nothing to do with you in Bible Faith Tabernacle, Lagos. But it is going on tape, and it will surely go in the Scribe, for it is a

most crucial message. And some of these men, no doubt, will get it. So, as I was saying, Here is the revelation of The Martyrdom Of Saints, a new light God gave us through the chief apostle, breaking down the three groups of white robed saints we find in the Book of Revelation: Chapter 7 gives us the Innumerable crowd before the throne of God; chapter 6 gives us the souls under the altar, and chapter 15 gives us the souls standing on the sea of glass. But you know what? The pastor does not deem it important to take these truths, which God gave us through Brother Jackson, as laid out in The Contender, and take it back to Bible, and break it down for God's people. No! He leaves it to the people, probably because all of them have The Contender. For some, it could be an issue of pride, for they do not want to be seen to be following Brother Jackson in the revelation he bore of the Lord. What a shame! What a big shame! Let me tell you now, and I say it loud and clear: Such an attitude amounts to gross irresponsibility! **It is most irresponsible for God to use His principal vessel**

**to shed light on His Word, for the Universal body of Christ, and for men to lay such truths aside, and be preaching their own little sermons, which cannot move anybody forward!** It cannot! If any man in the ministry does that, and you also want to sit under such an unfaithful ministry, you will never grow! You just will not grow in the light, **for growth is strictly by the revelation of God's Word!** Precisely! Let me sound it out: The issue of the unveiling of the Word of God goes beyond personality! It is about eternal life! It is about the dressing of the bride, getting her ready for rapture! As such, revealed truth must be laid out before God's people by the ministry, if we will be faithful. Anything else is unfaithfulness, and unbelief, and you cannot stifle the growth of God's people. It will not work! God's eagles will even take the nugget of truths they have found in The Contender, to censor your ministry and your teachings! Exactly! But we also cannot take away the bad influence unfaithful ministers have on their people! No

wonder, when Brother Jackson passed away, the main body of people that followed him still remained in ignorance. That is why, when, with his passing away, men started preaching false things, and strange things, from Brother Jackson's platform, it did not alarm Brother Jackson's followers, and neither did it make a difference to them, because they knew nothing to start with! We only thought they knew! I do not say that to belittle the people, for we are what we are by God's sheer grace. But once you do not bear a true revelation of the Word of God, what standard do you have to censor a false move? You do not have anything, because the standard of censoring everything is the truth! And once you do not have the truth, there is nothing to censor the enemy by! Brothers and sisters, for instance, you cannot censor the moving of the Spirit without the revelation standard of the truth. I repeat, You have nothing to judge the moving of the Spirit by, without a revelation of the Word. It takes a revelation of the truth for you to censor the moving of the

Spirit. When you do not have it, all you have to go by, is that manifestation. Moreover, the enemy can impersonate any manifestation of God! But when you have the revelation of truth, then you have the truth as your infallible yardstick, to judge that move of the Spirit, that manifestation by, because you cannot judge it by your canary brain. You cannot judge it by the way you feel, because it is not about how you feel! Are you listening to me, church?! I hope I am making sense to you. So brothers and sisters, for thirty nine years, God used the chief apostle, to give us continuity light, and still the men that followed him did not understand, that the entire body of revealed truths did not jump down from heaven, but it was given through the ministry God set over His people, and that it is their own place to use those truths, to give understanding of the Word to the people of God, that they may be grounded in that truth, which constitutes the faith, a common faith, and that by that knowledge, we will all come into unity of the faith, because we know the truth of The

Martyrdom of Saints, amongst many other Scripturally revealed truths of Christ! You can see it in the Scriptures, just as I can see it. But I also ask: How come we are able to see it? We are able to see it because God used one man to unveil it for us, and the ministry set over God's people around the earth, have enough sense to take that revelation, and break it down from the Bible, for God's people, to establish them in the truth. It is most crucial to lay these things out, because many times, men in the ministry have this thought, this false notion that, *"Well, the people have The Contender, and they should know these things."* So what do they do? They go about preaching their little sermons, which amounts to nothing but instructions in righteousness. Of course, for another minister, everything is all about doctrine, doctrine, doctrine, forgetting that God also has mysteries of the Kingdom which is also given of God for us to understand. I know a particular man; I will not call his name. Brother Jackson was used of God to handle one Bible issue,

and it was a new light. In fact, it was an updating of revelation. It was a truth which was laid out in *The Contender*. But the man went about preaching his own little messages. Sometimes, for some men in the ministry, it is really about ego, impressionistic desire: *"Everybody has The Contender. No, I am not going to take that issue."* So, what do they do? They go about preaching their own little messages. And what is in their messages to move the bride forward? Nothing! Because they forget the objective of Ephesians 4:12 and 13! It is that we are to be brought into the unity of **the faith**, which is the entire body of revealed truths God gives, not through these ministers, but through the Star messenger, and through the apostolic head God established, that we may grow in the knowledge, and in the stature of Jesus Christ! And it takes a revelation! So, here was this man. A new revelation had been given. It had been preached. *The Contender* carried it. But he went on as usual, with his little sermons that will not ground anybody in the revealed faith! And he can

spend the next one month preaching on David. I do not share this to judge or ridicule the brother, but to make a serious point. He can spend the next one or two months preaching on David, bringing out various things from David. You know your church will not grow if you do that! No wonder, when Brother Jackson died, one of his members openly declared that there will be no more apostles. I was there! The brother made the statement in my presence! And his pastor was also present! His pastor said nothing! The truth is, if he had taken the continuity message of Brother Jackson, and laid it before his people, giving them the truth of the apostolic head, which God used Brother Jackson to give to us by the Spirit of God, from the Bible, his people would not open their mouth to say there will be no more apostles after Brother Jackson! They will not dare say such a thing, for it is gross unbelief of the truth, being anti-truth! Truth settles God's people in the Word! That is why there is no brother or sister in this church, after Brother Jackson passed away, that said

there will be no more apostles, because you know this is the day of apostles! How do you know that? The truth of it has been laid before you, over and over again, by the pastor, and by the assistant pastor, ever before Brother Jackson passed away, as we received the truth of the apostolic head in *The Contender*, Parts 113 to 117, titled, *The Great Mystery*. And that is the truth! So we in this local assembly know this is the day God is establishing apostles first, because we have been dealt with by the local ministry! But how did the ministry of this assembly know that? Because we heard the message of the standard bearer, the chief apostle! And that is how it ought to be! As we receive, we are expected of God to give out to God's people! We can go into other issues of truth. Church, that humble and faithful man stood at Faith Assembly in his days, bellowing truth out, shedding further light, bringing continuity. Everybody who saw *The Contender* shouted, *"Oh praise the Lord! Halleluyah!"* And they all read it individually, and

men in the ministry who say they are following continuity laid the truth it bore aside. And here comes a pastor, and he preaches his own little message. And his message cannot move the bride on, because all his messages, whatever it is he takes from the Bible, amounts to only one class of truth: Instructions in righteousness! If it is not about dedication, it is about fasting and prayer, or it is a message of encouragement. If it is not about encouragement, it is about coming early to church. Are you with me? It is about commitment; it is about sacrifice; it is about loving God; it is about living for God; it is about comfort. And all those things are important; all those things are good, for they all have their place, and should be preached! But if that is all the messages you hear day in, day out, you are not moving anywhere! The Pentecostals preach that too! You will never grow a dime in the knowledge of the truth of Jesus Christ! Then there will be no coming into unity for the bride of Christ, because the truth that is to form the basis of unity is not being laid down for God's people!

That is irresponsible of the ministry! I will have to ask you again, What is the use of my knowing the truth of Matthew 24:24, Anointed Ones At The End Time, and my congregation do not have a clue, and yet I am their pastor?! Why? Their pathetic attitude is: *"Well, that is Brother Branham's message. I understand it. But we all have the Sermon books. We all have the message. As such, I will preach my own thing, since you have the message, and I have the message. If I come and preach it, they will be saying, I am preaching Brother Branham's message."* No, nobody in his right mind can say that if you preach from the Bible, holding a true revelation, for we are to preach the one same message! For the message is one! Truth is one! We are under responsibility as ministers of the gospel, a people called into the Ephesian ministry, to take the truths he brought, and lay it out for God's people. But if you take the Sermon books, and you come to preach from the Sermon books, then that would be idolatry, because no man has ever been sent to be a preacher of somebody

else's sermons! Precisely! We have been called to preach the Word, the truth of Christ, but not the sermons of another man! And if you take your Bible, and open to Matthew 24:24, and show its application today, based on your understanding of the message of Brother Branham, bringing your own experiences of relevant developments in your own locality, because Brother Branham would talk about men he knew in his own day, but we also have men we know in our own locality, that would be a right thing to do, and a right way to go about presenting the message. Today, in this assembly, we can talk about a false prophet, Vincent Ehindero of Egbe, Kogi State, Nigeria. We can also talk about other ministers, and the Jah-jahorah prophets in the so-called message assemblies around us. So I do not need to use Brother Branham's examples. But once I catch the understanding of his truth, I will take the same Scripture, and in my own words, using my own examples, I will lay it before God's people, and the truth will stand out to you! Then you understand the truth

of Matthew 24:24, as the prophet laid it out. That understanding helps you to know how to censor men in the ministry, men bearing the supernatural. That is the essence of that message. Once established in it, you cannot be deceived by false anointed ones. I can say the same thing, concerning the truth of the Serpent Seed, the Original Sin, the Seventy Weeks of Daniel, the Seven Church Ages, the Seven Seals, the Woman of Revelation 12, or about the Two Laws of Eden etc. But also remember, the continuity revelation of the Scriptures we got from the chief apostle, is to be treated in the same way, because all these Bible truths make up the faith. It is the complete body of revealed truths God has given us by His Spirit, from the pages of the Bible, through the prophet, and now, through the apostolic ministry. That is what constitutes **"The Faith"**! As such, I find it very pathetic, for it is a shame, that although we are founded upon the doctrines of the apostles, and although Scriptural truths have been given to us through the apostolic ministry of this end time,

that is through the Paul and the John of today, pastors lay it aside to preach their own little sermons, leaving the church devoid of the knowledge of the truth by which she can grow! Yet, these are truths, that if a man would be sincere and faithful when taking it, God can so anoint him to make it fresh in his mouth, for the edification of the body of saints! You will serve it fresh, because you are preaching it in your own way, with your own words, using your own examples, because there are examples in every locality, of realities which touch upon these truths, because the condition is not only in one place, it is over the whole world! Exactly! All the Spirits are here! The conditions are here! So I do not have to use the same man Brother Branham used as an example, or the same man Brother Jackson used as an example, because there are men in my own locality too I can use as an example! Today we can read about Nicodemus sitting on the fence. But sure we can talk about men in our nation too who are sitting

on the fence! Because we see these men and we know them!

Saints of God, listen to me. Wherever the true ministry of the bride of Christ will be around this world, they will not be men that will see these Bible truths, as God gives it, through whatever medium, whether it is in the Sermon books, whether it is a truth that is carried by The Contender, or whether it is a truth that is borne through The Scribe, brothers and sisters, they will not be men that will fail to lay the truth out for God's people. Of a certainty, they will take all these truths, for they are Bible truths, and they will establish the saints of God under them in it, because we have to come into the unity of all the truths of Christ. So if all I want to do, day in, day out, is just preach my own little thing, and say, *"Okay, what will I preach today? Let me preach on the life of Israel, and her dedication to the work of God."* That is good. That has its place, and nobody can condemn it, but your assembly will not move forward in the light of Christ. They will not grow in the Word of God! Saints of God, there are so many

local assemblies around this world, where they have access to the Sermon books, they have access to The Contender, and now, by God's grace, as The Scribe is going forth, they have access to The Scribe, but there are men that read all these things, lay it aside, and every time the church door opens, they come with their little message, thereby creating unnecessary hunger and thirst, for want of revealed truth! That is most irresponsible, for no messenger bears the truth for himself, but for the Universal body of Christ. You just have to understand, unity is not unity around every pastor's message, it is unity of **the faith**, unity around the body of revealed truths, the revelation of Jesus Christ, popping out of the pages of the Bible, by the Spirit of God! You must know, revealed truth does not come from everybody in the ministry! As God's own people, there must be humility in every true minister, around this world, and they must realize the seriousness of their work, because that is how God ordained it. They must know that these truths are not preached in vain, or just

for the local assembly of the standard bearer, but for the edification of the entire body of bride saints around this world. The fact that we are not to preach somebody else's sermons, does not mean they should not take the truth of it, which God is using His principal voice to give, and preach it in their own way, and settle God's people in these truths, as God leads them. As a matter of fact, it is their responsibility to take these truths, and break it down Biblically, for God's people. I say that because we can easily assume that since everybody has these materials, everybody knows it. That is not true! That is why I said something one day. I said, The plainer truth is made, and the more light is shed, church, the blinder people usually get, and the more removed away are they, from the revelation of truth. It really takes God's dealership to make the difference. Precisely! And I also said something. I said this: No matter how much light is shed, and no matter how plain truth is presented in The Contender, or in the Sermon books, it will not take away the position or the need for the ministry!

It will not! Because God will still put a seal or a cap on it somewhere, as to how much we understand it, as people read these materials, so as not to take away the need for the five fold ministry! God is perfect in all His ways, and God does not defeat His own counsel! In spite of the free access to these spiritual materials, it will still take the ministry, under the anointing of God, to lay the truth of it before God's people. And to the hypocrites who will fight my projection, and call it heresy, and would declare that ministers are at liberty to preach their own messages, as long as they preach the Bible, I say this: We all, as Christians, have the Bible, and have been hearing messages from the Bible for countless ages and generations of time. How come the religious world could not see the truth of the Serpent Seed, The Seven Seals, and The Image Of The Beast, just for an instance, until the prophet came? It is because, although they have the letter of the Word, the letter of the Bible, they do not have the revelation of it! So, the revelation of the Bible is

what makes the difference! For the letter of the Word killeth, but the revelation of it is what gives life! That revelation which is lacking, is what God used the prophet and the chief apostle to convey, that we may see the truth of the Scriptures, to the measure they were used of God! Precisely! That is how we have a true understanding of the Scriptures, as God helps us individually to see the truth of the Bible, by the revelation these men bear! And having been established in it, then we can stand on our own two feet on the Bible, on such issues of truth! Exactly! You just have to realise that drinking from the same fountain, is what guarantees unity of faith! Hence, **wheresoever the carcass is...!** As such, you have to understand, it will be irresponsible that men in the ministry will just be preaching their own little sermons, leaving on the shelf, the nuggets of truths God is giving us today, from the pages of the Word of God, giving us continuity revelation. And at the end of the day, after having preached for two, three, four, or five years, do you know what all their messages amounts to? It

is all instructions in righteousness! Because if it is not about love, it is about patience, faith, or gentleness, or it is about consecration, dedication, fasting, and praying, or it is about lateness to church services, love for the Lord, and love for the brethren. They can go through many Scriptures, and they can go through many scenarios, but it all amounts to instructions in righteousness. It is just one class of truth they are hammering on. And that is why, brothers and sisters, after a while, you can only listen to that for so long, and you will begin to dry out and die out. Because God never ordained that you will eat rice alone with nothing else! After a while, you will get tired of it, and the messages will cease doing you good, for it cannot make you grow in the faith! You can only grow by feeding on every revelation of the truth of Christ, God gives His people, from the pages of the Bible! If these revealed truths are not being served, you will get tired, weak, and sickly! Because the food we have at this evening time, is a three course meal! And after a while, you will start getting hungry and thirsty. And yet, they are

opening the Bible everyday, and are preaching from the Bible everyday, but it is no longer touching you. You know why? Because your soul is crying out for more! Because there is more out there than your pastor is dishing out! **There is fresh carcass! The soul of every eagle of God will call out for it!** For the fresh carcass gives stimulation of revelation to the soul! We just have to realize that there is a balance in truth. There is a balance. And a lot of men in this followership, I mean in this continuity light followership, that is all they are doing; They are preaching their own little messages. They pray, looking to God, "Give me a message for the people." Yes, but church, God will not give you a message to bypass what He has given the standard bearer to lay out for God's elect bride, from the pages of the Bible, revelations making up part of the complete body of revealed faith. God does not give any man in the ministry a message, to bypass the revelation of the Word the Spirit of Christ is giving through God's principal vessel of truth, for we must all hear

what the Spirit is saying today to the churches! Otherwise, why would God even give that medium at all? Exactly! What then would be the use of a standard bearer, a lead ministry? There would be no need for the standard bearer! Then I will say, in such a situation, let us forget about the truths Brother Branham brought, as the principal Scribe householder! Let us all individually pray, open our Bibles, and get our own messages, and preach it! And that is what organizations are doing around the world! And that is why the religious world is in confusion! It is nothing but babel! Every minister looks to God, and they fast and pray, to get a little message. Yet, every preacher must do these things! But where is it leading the organizational people? That is why they do not have our revelation! They do not have the understanding of the truth we have, and they are not moving forward in any way! And they are not being prepared for the rapture! Why? Because they rejected the voice of Elijah to this age! And may I also say this, There is only a measure, there is

only a limit, to which you can be eating and re-eating the messages of the prophet, and you begin to famish. If God, for thirty nine years, used a man to give continuity revelation, and you do not want to move forward, then, God will take away the anointing from the messages of the prophet you are reading and re-reading. Because it shows you do not want to move on with God in His light! You will be eating it, you will be reading it, and re-eating it, and still, you will be drying out. Why? Because there is more light God has shed! And it is time for you to move forward, but you do not want to move forward with God in the truth of Christ! Then God will remove the anointing in that message for you. And that is exactly the pathetic state of the end time message followers today. They are so dry and lifeless, because they have been eating and re-eating the same Sermon books since the prophet died in 1965, and they will not move on in continuity. Yet the prophet talked about continuity! As such, in order to keep the message fresh, you must follow continuity, because more light will be added to

it, and more insight (Are you with me?), and that is what makes it fresh! That is what makes it alive! It gives stimulation of revelation! And you can serve the same meal, and you will still present it fresh. It is the anointing that makes the difference! And that stands true, for those who followed Brother Jackson in the continuity light he bore, but who will not follow the "John" of this hour, in the continuity light of Christ he is bearing. If they will not repent, and follow God in His continuity divine revelation, God will simply remove the anointing in that Contender from them, and they can only grow kwashiorkor. Because the anointing will be invested in the continuity light for today, which God is using "John" to bear for us. That is the truth. That is why, when you look at the denominations, the Lutherans believe in Justification by faith, the Methodists believe in Sanctification; but they are as lifeless as lifeless can be, because although they hold to these truths, the life of it is no longer there! You know that is the truth! In the days of Luther, the life was in that truth. You believed it, you

received the power of God, and you were sealed into the bride for that day. But today, God having moved forward, God having moved way beyond those truths, the life is no longer in those truths they are holding. They are holding to just mere words; it is just mere letters they have. But the life invested in that truth, is with the bride. Halleluyah! **“At the evening time it shall be light!”**

It is the same situation with those in the message, for the standard of God is one. Whoever will not move on with the Scriptural light of Christ, which God is using “John” to give to us today, God will simply take the anointing from those messages in the Sermon books or in The Contender, from such a person, and He will make it dead for you; mere words. All you will be reading will be mere letters. You are not going to progress in revelation, and you are not going to increase in spiritual stature, and you are definitely going nowhere, for that is your bus stop! Unless you have a change of attitude towards revealed truth! Because we have to continue growing until we attain that

revelatory stature of Jesus Christ! And until we enter the rapture, we will keep growing in revelation, because it is not over until it is all over. Brothers and sisters, by the grace of God, for many years, we have gone into the Sermon books, and we have also gone into The Contender, and having seen the marvelous truths contained therein, we have been able to bring it before God's people and lay it out, breaking it down, and have established this local assembly in the body of revealed faith we received, to the measure God gave it. There is no truth God used Brother Jackson to give, that we did not lay out before you, from the Bible. You are all witnesses to that fact, and we give God all the glory, for it is by His grace we have been able to do that. There is therefore nobody in this assembly that can say, *“Brother, you didn't preach this... Brother, you didn't teach us that.”* I may or may not give it the same sermon title Brother Branham or Brother Jackson gave, but nevertheless, the truth of the Bible they projected in their message, will be the same truth I will project and breakdown in my sermon, in order to establish the saints, in the

truth of Christ we received from these two humble but great men of God, ministers by whom we believe. Because every truth of the Bible we are given must be preached! It must be laid out! Are you listening to me? That is what gives us unity of faith! And everybody in the true ministry will preach truth! Every true bride assembly will be established in the truth! And in an assembly having two or more ministers, as long as God uses somebody in the ministry of that local assembly to establish the flock of God in the truth, that is what matters. But church, where you have just one pastor, brothers and sisters, he has to have enough sense to establish the assembly in the continuity light of Christ! It is the duty of the pastor to establish God's people in the light of truth! If he does not do it, who will? *“Oh no, I will leave it to the assistant pastor.”* Saints of God, that is irresponsibility! I am not saying the assistant pastor will not preach his own quota, under God. Do you understand what I mean? But the pastor, being the shepherd of the flock, is supposed to take responsibility for the feeding of that flock! He has to! Church, I see a

need around this world. I see people hungry! I see people starving! Yet there is food, eagle food! Yet, the eagle is still flying! Yet, there is an abundance of water! Saints of God, you do not know what I have been privileged to see around the world, from the days of the chief apostle, and you do not know the testimonies I receive from brethren all over this globe, directly, or indirectly, by phone, or by letter, or by e-mail, over the years. And I realized there is only one problem: It is the irresponsibility of men in the ministry, causing such pathetic conditions, because they are not realizing the obligation devolving upon them, to take that body of revealed truths we have received from the prophet, and from the chief apostle, and also to take that which God is giving to us through "John", and feed it to God's people, to establish them in the light of the truth of the Scriptures, that they may grow in the light. It is not that they cannot preach whatever little inspiration God gives to them. That has its place, but brothers and sisters, there is a limit to which a man can do that, and you will be stifling the spiritual growth of the church.

Precisely! You will be stifling the church! There is a limit... Otherwise, I have to ask: What is the use that God says, *At the evening time it shall be light*, and you only read the light shed and drop it aside, and preach your own thing? Denominational preachers do the same! Then how will the church be established in the light, that they may grow in the light, to the measure God has given it, that we may all come into the unity of the same light, if the ministry lay it aside? What is the use in knowing the Two Laws of Eden, if this church is not established in it? What is the benefit of my being the pastor? Is it because you have access to The Contender that I will not come alive to my God given responsibility, to feed this church with the eagle food God has given? The fact that we all have The Contender does not take away the responsibility of the ministry, to set the truth it bears before the people of God. Because The Contender is only a medium! It does not take away the responsibility of a true shepherd! Whatever truths God gives through The Contender is not for the closet! And neither can we pick and choose from the Contender, the truths

we will stand for, and those we won't, for truth is truth! **Men shall live by every true revelation of the Word of God!** And inspite of the fact that it is laid out in the open, God is still perfect in all His ways. As such, and like I earlier stated, there is a grace of God that will still place a demand for the input of the ministry, in the lives of God's people, inspite of the common accessibility to these mediums, Sermon books and Contender. Their common accessibility does not take away the need for the ministry, because God is perfect in all His ways! There is still a grace of God that puts a cap on how much saints can absorb, that they may also still put dependence upon the ministry to establish them in the light. Precisely! How many times we have gone into certain truths Brother Branham and Brother Jackson laid down, and you say to me, "*Brother Amos, I read that thing, but I didn't see it like that! Thank God! I see it now!*" Yes, it is meant to be just like that, because without the input of the ministry, the bride will not truly grow, for it takes them to put things in proper perspective, for the growth

of the body. That is how unity of faith will come. And that is how we will grow in Christ's spiritual stature, to attain perfection, as a body. And since the objective of God is that the body of Christ will grow into the full stature of Christ, and Christ is still revealing himself, for the Word of God is alive, not dead, you have to keep receiving whatever truths Christ reveals, that you may grow in his revelation. So, preaching has nothing to do with ego. It is about eternal life. We have to lay out before God's people, the truth we receive from the ministry head God has established, for there is revelatory headship, over the Universal ministry of the bride. Men cannot, everyday, be preaching their own little thing. They cannot be feeding the people of God with their own little message, little little thoughts, little little thoughts. And a lot of men in this ministry, it is about their little little thoughts, little little thoughts, which can only bring starvation to the people. And I have heard men say, *"God dealt with me... God opened my eyes to something..."* And when you look at it, you have to laugh. *"You know, when Peter lied, God*

*revealed to me that Peter did not mean it, it was thus and thus..."* He sees a revelation in that. What a revelation! He has seen something fantastic in that! *"When Peter lied, you know he really didn't mean it... It was really this... God revealed it to me..."* I hear men talk like that all the time. But is that a revelation? Brothers and sisters, the conduct of Peter has nothing to do with the body of revealed truths that we are to live and grow by! It does not! Yet, we can learn from his conduct. That is a fact! Yet again, we have a much more serious act of irresponsibility going on in the movement, a subtle but deadly move of the enemy. And what is that? It is simply this: We have seen men in the ministry, who do not have enough sense to abide in the truths God has revealed, but they want to bring out their own little little revelation, their kukuru kukuru revelation. What do they do? They extend the truth, stretching it out of its true revelatory context, and into error, in their zeal to show they also know and see something. Their ego and ambition for recognition, makes them see so-called revelation where there is none, thereby creating

unnecessary confusion and distortion of Bible picture, leaving questions and doubts in the mind of God's people, instead of simply staying with the revealed truth. That, simply put, is intruding into the supernatural. Certainly! Men just have to realise, they cannot interpret prophecies of the Bible without divine authority! They cannot! True ministers to the bride of Christ will move with caution, and with the fear of God, for they cannot afford to add to the confusion that is plaguing the movement, for it is too late in the day. And this is a new day. Moreover, **there is a very thin line between truth and error.** That is a very serious thought every man in the true ministry will take into consideration. To disregard it is why men, for example, would see a plain account of filial disrespect Ham showed towards Noah his father, in Genesis 10 account, and would see incest in it. That is not a revelation! That is playing with the Word of God! It is twisting and stretching the Word of God, out of its true Scriptural context! But as bride saints, we all must abide in the Word, for time is very short. Furthermore, in presenting truth, the true ministry must keep his message simple and

wholesome (i.e. Pure), and must stay with what he knows, rather than going into things, and speaking of things he does not understand, for it will not edify, but it will bring contention and confusion. Of course there are also those, who, in preaching a message, instead of maintaining a thought, would put in virtually everything they know, even when such things have no bearing on the message they are presenting, simply because they want to make an impression; they want to show how much they know. This makes them go all over creation, and they lose the people, because their message lacks focus. Saints of God, unity can only come by a simple, straightforward, and wholesome presentation of truths we have received of God from the Bible, through the ministry head God established over the body of ministry. Anything else will lead to confusion, for it is not given to every man in the ministry to interpret the inspired Scriptures the way he likes, but to stay humbly and faithfully with the revealed body of truths God has given, and use it to edify the body of saints.

And that is why I said, the entire body of revealed

truth is what we must stand upon, the truths we have received to-date, from the Scriptures, by the Spirit of Christ. It will take in every doctrine; it will take in every mystery; and it will take in every revelational insight, prophetic or otherwise. But we will also be instructed unto righteousness, that we may live sanctified holy lives, dedicated lives, living in love, walking by faith (Are you with me?). But if messages amounting to instruction in righteousness is all we are hearing everyday, as is the case in many assemblies, you will not grow. That is a fact. And that is what some hear everyday, day in, day out. We have to consider these things, for this is a serious issue. Just how will that church grow feeding on such messages everyday, having no bearing on the revelation of the Word God is giving? It cannot grow, except in that local assembly, there is also a ministry there, that God is using to lay these truths out, then the church will not lack. Are you with me? Such a church will not lack. And please note, I do not preach this, to point a finger at any

particular individual. I preach this, strictly to minister to a dire need in the assembly of saints around the globe. It is a need. And the ministry of the bride has to come alive to the need. For instance, and I do not say this because I am the one God used to lay it out, but you cannot deny the truth of the Mark of Cain. There is not one shred of Scripture you can use to knock it, for there are only two streams of humanity in that day, the Sethite line and the Cainite line, and one of the two lines had to produce the giants which were on earth, before there were mixed marriages. Precisely! That truth is not for the closet, and it is as much truth as the Serpent Seed. You cannot deny it, no more than you can deny the Serpent Seed. It is still the truth! It is a truth of the Scriptures! And you must understand that one truth is not more than the other, for truth is truth! The revelation of the Serpent Seed, is not more of a truth than that of the Mark of Cain, because both revelations pertain to the Seed of the Serpent! Can I hear Amen?! I said both revelations pertain to the seed of the Serpent! Cain

is the seed of the Serpent, and the mark of Cain pertains to the seed of the Serpent! They are both Bible issues! So, one is not a lesser truth than the other one, because they both give us insights into the mystery in the seed chapter, Genesis! So it is not enough that the revelation of the Mark of Cain is contained in a book. The ministry will still have to take it, and lay the truth of it before God's people, for that is their God given responsibility, for being placed over God's flock! And we cannot assume because people have access to books, they understand it. The ministry cannot do that! That is why God, under the Torah, under the law, told the priests, *"It is you that should settle the people in the light...!"* But unfortunately, they lost all sense of responsibility! They lost focus! And God had to rebuke them through prophet Malachi, because the knowledge of the Word of God should be coming out of their lips, to establish God's people in the truth of the Torah for that day. How much more should pastors establish God's bride people in the glorious light of Jesus Christ for this day. May

God help you and I. And may God help the ministry, for it is written: ***"...Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God"*** (Matthew 4:4).

I will close with 2 Peter chapter 1 verse 12, because it is most important that we be established in the present truth. 2 Peter 1:12: ***"Wherefore I will not be negligent.."*** And by God's grace we will also not be negligent. ***"Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them..."*** Hold it there. When Brother Jackson died, I told the church here in Lagos, like I told the church in Montgomery, Mike Hefner's church, after the burial ceremony in December 2004, when I went to Montgomery. I told them there, like I told you here, I said, God has given us so much continuity light through the chief apostle. We are therefore going to go back, and we must now go back, and one by one, we must dust those truths for God's own people. No, I did not say I was going to look for continuity nuggets! No! That would

even be carnality, because that is not the way forward! That is not even humble! And that should not be the objective! Moreover, that speaks of a man with ambition! And when you have that motivation, you will see nothing! Absolutely! The only thing you will see is what you will shoot yourself in the face with. And that is why we have people bringing revelations that are nothing but abracadabra. I say that because by the time they bring out their so-called revelation, they tear the Bible to pieces! And by the time you tear Scriptures into pieces, you know you are speaking by the devil! Are you with me? So, brothers and sisters, I said, with so much light God has given us through the chief apostle, apart from all we received from the prophet, the saints of God have to be established in these rich and deep truths. We have to make sure we establish them in the light we have received so far. That was the motivation! Why? What was motivating me to do that? Because I knew we must come into the unity of the faith! Then the bride of Christ must first have a true understanding of the truth, to be established in that faith! It

is a body of revealed truths! Hence I declared that we were going to start right from the beginning, right from the seed chapter in Genesis, taking the truths we have received, one by one, and we are going to take it through to the book of Revelation! Church, we went to Genesis chapter 1. Little did I realize that in doing that, because God saw the humility and sincerity and faithfulness of my heart, the intentions of my heart in doing that, when we went to Genesis chapter 1, nuggets of truth began to open up. Praise God! Yet, we did not even imagine that that was going to happen at that point in time! I did not even see it ahead of that time! And church, here we went into the creation story, and little little nuggets were coming out from Scriptures, until, brothers and sisters, we came to chapter 4. Here came the revelation of the Mark of Cain, and of the Mixing of Seeds, to give us an understanding, which lets us know precisely where mixed marriages started in those days. By God's grace today, we have that knowledge from the pages of the Bible. But church, I ask, what was my motivation? Was it to bring new light? No! It was

strictly to be faithful in establishing this local assembly God set me over, in the truth of continuity we received through the chief apostle. Period! Why was this the objective? Because already, we have appropriated the truths we got from Brother Branham! And I have to ask: How long will it take for people to be restored? When will they be restored after forty long years since the prophet passed away?! When will they actually possess the truths he brought, if after forty long years, they are only still being restored?! And it is after restoration to the faith of our fathers you can be built up! When will they ever get there? That is why I say this morning, Bible days are back! I appreciate your patience. I just have to lay these things out, and I must do justice to it, for it is a most serious matter. But church, from that time on, here God began to bring out little little nuggets. I say little little nuggets, because a lot has already been laid down before God's people over the decades, since the time of the prophet, and it is our responsibility to lay these things out for God's people, to give them a true understanding of the

truths of the Bible God has opened to us at this evening time. So you see my motivation. But God in His mercy blessed my effort beyond my comprehension. And so it has to be, and so it will be in the body of Christ, for God loves and honours faithfulness. And that is why we are not ashamed, and we cannot be ashamed, of going back to relay and re-establish, to enlighten and to refresh the memory of God's people, that they may truly be established in the light of Christ. That is our duty. And that is why I have always said to this church, It is not my responsibility to shed new light, if God has not moved me into it. But it is my responsibility to establish you in the truths we have received in this day, to the measure God has given it. That is my responsibility! Even if I have to go over it again and again, using new examples, just to make it fresh, I will do so, until everyone is established in the light. Do not forget, you can take the food of yesterday, and warm it up, and by the time it is on the table, it is hot, it is steaming hot. Halleluyah! All you need to do is to add a little salt and spices. And by the time you serve it to

God's people, they will exclaim: *"When did you cook it? It is fresh!"* Why? Because it is being served fresh! May God give understanding to His men. So we must understand God has not called the ministry to manufacture truth. But He has called the ministry to be faithful to the truths He has given, through whatever vessel God chooses, that they will use those truths to establish God's people in the light, so that we can come into the unity of the faith, being grounded in the entire body of revealed truths God has given to the bride, from the inspired Scriptures, as Titus 1:9 demands, that we may grow in the revelation knowledge of Jesus Christ, and attain his perfect stature. If we do not do that, we are shirking our responsibility. It may sound like, well, we preached it before, but we will preach it again, because truth is still the truth, and everyone does not get established the same day. Also, I have to warn: How can people be following something, and not study what they say they are following, but rather, they teach contrary things, in spite of Paul's warning in 1Tim. 4:16? That is confusion, and is most

irresponsible. Furthermore, if God has moved on in the light, and we do not want to move on, that is when God will make that truth in our mouth like a crank record, because He will remove the anointing. Precisely! And though you are preaching the truth, the people will be dying; the people will be drying out, losing spiritual strength and life. Yet they will be coming to church. In God's economy, if you do not move on when He has moved on, He takes away the anointing from that message. All you have, and you are reading, are letters, mere words, completely devoid of life.

Let us finish our message with 2 Peter chapter 1 verse 12: ***"Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always..."*** You see? Not just once, but always! He was not ashamed to always put ***t h e s a i n t s*** in remembrance, laying it, and relaying it, until every seed catches the light. But when a man is faithful, every time, God will make His message fresh, because God can add a little something into it, by His anointing, and the ministry can build some pictures into his projection, that will make

the picture clearer and better. He is serving it fresh, just like adding maggie or curry (Are you with me?), adding a little salt, just warming it up, and serving it fresh to God's people, for their palate. ***"Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things"*** (plural: these revelations; these truths), ***"though ye know them, and be established in the present truth."*** That is the objective! And it will be the objective of every true ministry. Anything else, anything, other than establishing and re-establishing the truth, putting the people of God always in remembrance of the truth, until they are grounded and settled in the faith, anything else amounts to nothing but ministerial irresponsibility. But may we be faithful ministers of the Gospel, for it is certain, God will give this end time elect bride, an army of faithful men, watchmen who are truly watching out for the safety and prosperity of the elect bride of Christ. They will certainly bear ministerial responsibility. Let us bow our heads in prayer. (Brother Amos closed with prayer).

The Lord bless you.

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