

## **Therefore Now No Condemnation**

We read in Romans 8:1-2,

*"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus..."*

... who walk not after the things of this world, the flesh, but after the things of the Spirit; **that pay no attention to what the world's got to say, who walk not after the flesh, the things that they see. Everything you see with your eyes is earthly.**

**But it's the things you see in your spirit, through the Word, the Word is God's looking glass that reflects what He is and what you are.** Hallelujah! Oh, my! This is the only book in the world that tells you **where you come from, who you are, and where you're going.** Show me any page of literature anywhere... with all the science or anything else, every good book that's been written, none of it can tell you that. **This is God's looking glass that shows what He is and what you are.** Then in between there's a blood-line that shows what you can be if you want to make the choice. There you are, "By One Spirit."

Now in I Corinthians 12:13, we read about: **How do we get into that Body of Christ?** "By shaking hands?" No sir! "By joining the church?" No sir! "By being baptized backward, forward? In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost? The Name of Jesus Christ? The name of Rose of Sharon, the Lily of the Valley, Morning Star? Anything that you want? That has nothing to do with it, **just an answer of a good conscience towards God (I Peter 3:18-22).** And yet we fuss, and stew, and argue, and split, and make differences. That's right. **But all those are dead works! We're going to perfection.**

**That's things that I done.** A minister baptized you. Whether he baptized you face forward, backward, or three times, four times, or one time, or how he did it, that has nothing to do with it. **You're just baptized into the fellowship of that church anyhow,** proving to that church, "you believe the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ." **Laying on of hands** to heal the sick, that's wonderful. **But it's all natural, and that body will die again just as certain as you're living.** It'll die again. **Now let's lay aside all those things and go on to perfection (Heb. 6:1-3).**

**How do we get to perfection? That's what we want to know. Christ is perfected,** "God laid upon Him the iniquity of us all. He was wounded for our

transgressions, bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace upon Him, with His stripes we were healed." (*I Peter 2:21-25*). **That's the Body we want to get to.** That's the Body. Why? **If you're in that Body, you'll never see judgment, you'll never taste of death.** You're free from all of death, judgment, sin and everything else, **when you're in that Body.**

"How do you get into It, preacher? By joining this tabernacle?" You're lost yet. Couldn't join it anyhow, we don't have any book. "How do we get into It? By joining some church?" No, sir! "How do you get into It?" **You're born in It** (*Titus 3:4-7*).

*I Corinthians 12:13, "For by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit."*

**By the Holy Spirit Baptism, we are baptized into that Body of Christ Jesus and are free from sin. God doesn't see you no more, He only sees Christ. And when you're in that Body, God can't judge that Body. He's already judged It.** He took our judgment and invited us in. And by faith, through grace, **we walk and accept our pardoning** (*Eph. 1:3-7*). **And the Holy Spirit brings us into this fellowship with Him.** And we walk no more after the things of the world, **but we walk in the Spirit** (*Gal. 5:16,24-25*). **Quickened**, the Word came to us. **He died in my stead.** I'm made alive. Here I am, who was once dead in sin and trespasses, **been made alive** (*Eph. 2:1-6*). **All my desires are to serve Him. All my love is to Him.** All my walks want to be in His Name. Or wherever I go, whatever I do, **I glorify Him.** If I'm hunting, if I'm fishing, if I'm playing ball, whatever I'm doing, **I must be "Christ in me"** (*Col. 1:26-28*) **in such a life that'll make man long to be that way;** not tattling, backbiting, and fussing about your churches. You get it? "By One Spirit we are baptized into that Body, **'and when I see the Blood (the life of Christ) I will pass over you'** (*Exodus 12:13*)." [1]

There is therefore now no worldly condemnation, **they can't accuse you of nothing.** There is no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus, that walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

There you are. That's how to judge your Christianity. **That's how to know you've entered into that Rest** (*Heb. 4:1-11*), **the world don't bother you no more.** Certainly! **You see it, walk away from it.** [2]

**The Spirit leads with the Word, 'cause the Spirit can only come out of the Word, 'cause His Word is Spirit** (*John 6:63*). **The real true Spirit of God can only speak the Word of God.** Oh, my! [3]

When this body receives the Spirit of God, **the Immortal Life inside of you, it throws this body in subjection to God.** Hallelujah! [4]

**You got something better to think of.** There you are, "No condemnation!" That's how we get into the Body. And you're secured forever. The Bible said so! [2]

*"He that's born of God doth not commit sin; he cannot sin" (I John 5:18).* There you are! See, **that throws your body subject.** You don't have to say, "Oh, if I could just quit drinking, if I could just..." **Just get in Christ; it's all gone! Because your body is subject to the Spirit,** it's no more subject to the things of the world; they're dead. **They are dead; your sins are buried in baptism;** and you are a new creation in Christ. And your body becoming subject to the Spirit, **try to live a right kind of life...**

Like you women claiming you got Holy Ghost and going out here and wearing shorts and things, how could you do it? How could the Spirit of God in you ever let you do such a thing as that? It just can't be so. Certainly it can't be! He's not a filthy spirit; **He's a holy Spirit.**

And then when you become subject to that Spirit, **it throws your whole being subject to that Spirit. And that Spirit is nothing in the world but this Seed Word made manifest,** or quickened (Hallelujah!), made alive. And when the Bible said, "Don't do this," that body quickly turns to it; there's no question. And what is it? **It's the earnest of the resurrection (Eph. 1:13-14).** This body will be raised up again, **because it's already started.** It was once subject to sin, and mire, and corruption, but now it's got the earnest; **it's turned heavenly. Now, that's the earnest that you're going in the Rapture. It's the earnest.** [4]

I'm happy today to be one of them, **being identified with the Word, which is Christ.** Identified with Him! **Being baptized into Him,** we become identified, **identified in His likeness, identified with His Word, which is Him. If I am in Christ, I am His Word; for He is the Word, and what He is I am.** Amen! Do you get It? [5]

*Romans 8:1, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in,"* not those who are believing It, **"those who are in Christ Jesus, that walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. And My Word is Spirit and Life."** (John 6:63).

No more condemnation; **free from sin, free from the cares of the world,** no condemn. Why? "To them that have been, by one Spirit, baptized into one Body." (I Cor. 12:13). **There the Blood of the Lamb has been applied.** The God of Heaven **has accepted you... His Life is in you,** and you are sons and daughters of God (Rom. 8:16).

And that makes the human being now not only a human being, but he's a son and daughter of God, **of the super, super, super, super, super Life that was in Him, comes back upon you; and changes you** from a sinner, and the things of the world, a church member, and a denominational goer, **to a born-again Christian, filled with the Spirit; the Life of God just flowing from you, like sparks from an anvil, as you walk, full of virtue, and love, and gentleness, and as the Holy Spirit moving, speaking.** Oh, my! There you are. And with hearing the Message, watching the Pillar of Fire, and the blessed assurance, "I've passed from death unto Life." (*John 5:24*). Note, therefore, no condemnation at all.

**Your character is God's character.** What is it, a little pushover? No, sir! God is a God of judgment. **He is a God of correct.** It must be on the line. Nothing else will do. That's the kind of character you are, **because you're the character of your Father.**

*"If our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him" (I John 3:20-22),* see, we know. But if sin is in our heart, then it condemns us, we just might as well not even start. See? **You've got to get free from sin. And the only way you can get free from sin is get in Him.** That's the only covering there is for sin, **is Christ.** [6]

There is just no condemnation any more for those who are in Christ Jesus, **for the spiritual man has a spiritual soul that can never die. And the carnal man has a religious atmosphere around him** and wants to worship, **but is carnal;** not an unbeliever, but a carnal believer; and it was the kind was rejected (*Rom. 8:5-8*). [7]

Wouldn't that be wonderful, if everybody come in that prayer line, say, "**I am a Christian. I have no condemnation. I know that my heart condemns me not. Something tells me** that today is the end of my suffering"? That, you're going to do. You'll go away here with something. **No matter how much you come in emotion, how much you do, it won't work until that perfect faith has manifested and identified itself in you, as a substance.** And when it's there, then nothing's going to shake you from it. [8]

Notice! Now, then, **you are a son of God in the house of God** (*Heb. 3:6*), you are a part of God's economy. Romans 8:1, "Then there is no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus." For they are dead to the world, alive in Him, **and living in this present day,** making the Word that God has used them for, foreordained them, **placing their names in this Bride Book.** And when the waters come upon **that seed that's in the heart, raises it up to the Bride of Christ.** Oh, my! Just perfect as it can be. **In every age it's been that way.** [9]

How can you have faith when you know you're not **walking in His Word**, when you know there's things there that you ought to say and you don't say it? There's things there you ought to teach and you don't teach it. There's things there that you can't say, and how can you have faith when you know you're wrong?

**But you got any condemnation there, you better keep still.** You're just babbling then. You're not saying the truth. You're not saying the things that you should say. [3]

Now if we confess our sins, He's just to forgive us (*I John 1:9*), therefore we will never have to stand the judgment of God.

**And if I've been accepted in Christ**, and Christ took my judgment, and I accepted His propitiation for my sins, how can God judge me? **He's done judged me, when He judged Christ.** Then I'm free from judgment. "*Then when I see the blood, I will pass over you*" (*Exodus 12:13*). But now the wicked is not so. He goes into a place of torment. **The wicked is alive in a place of torment** (*Luke 16:19-31*). [10]

**And there's always been an ark in God's economy.** There was an ark in the days of Noah **for the saving of his people.** There was an ark in the days of the law, the ark of testimony in the days of the law. They followed the ark, and there is a third dispensation now, like Noah's time, Lot's time, and now this time. **There's an ark now**, and that ark is not a denomination, **neither is it good works that you do; it's by one Spirit** (*I Cor. 12:13*). **We are all baptized into one body in the domain of that Kingdom, one Spiritual baptism** (*Eph. 4:6; John 3:3,8*). No matter how good, how bad, whatever, you're in that Kingdom **by Holy Ghost baptism.** See? **That's the only way you'll overcome. It's all that is under the shed Blood is overcomers** (*Rev. 12:11*), 'cause you cannot overcome yourself, it's He that overcome for you. **You're resting...** (*Heb. 4:1-3,10-11*).

"How do I know then, that I'm in there?" **Watch what kind of a life you're living.** Just look around. **See if it's just lived out of you automatically. Or do you have to strain and pull, then you're doing it.**

**The thing you have to overcome is yourself, your ideas, your things, and surrender yourself to Him. He overcome for you.** He knows the way; we don't. [11]

**As long as you're in Christ, you are in the Bible; you're in Him, in the Bible. As long as you are in Christ, then you are in the fullness of the Bible. You are in your full position when you're in Christ.** [12]

The believers of this age has to believe this, **what He promised today.** Just the same as they had to come **into the ark to be saved** (*Gen. 7:1*), go out of Egypt to be saved, **they have to come into Christ to be saved now, into the Word Message** that He's the same yesterday, today and forever (*Heb. 13:8*).

How do you get into it? **By Baptism.** Baptism of what, water? **By the Holy Ghost.** One Spirit we're all baptized into this one Body (*I Cor. 12:13; Eph. 4:4-6*).

And **His promised Word**, you won't have to interpret It, **He will interpret It through you, what you are doing, what He promised to do.** The Church **that follows Him will be so much like Him until the people will know.** Look at Peter and John when they were questioned about healing a man at the gate called Beautiful. They said they perceived, those priests did, that they were both ignorant and unlearned man, but they take notice that they had been with Jesus. Because what? **They were doing the things that He did** (*Acts 3:1-11*). [13]

That's why the **Rapture** is different and **will only be for the Royal Seed of Abraham.** It cannot come by the natural, carnal seed of the church. **It'll have to be the Royal Seed of the Word of God through Abraham, the Royal Seed.** That's why the rapture has to be first, 'cause remember, we which are alive and remain shall not hinder, prevent those which are asleep. For the trumpet of God shall sound, **the dead in Christ shall rise first. We which are alive and remain shall be caught up with them together and meet the Lord in the air** (*I Thess. 4:15-17*). Notice, and again it's written, "*And the rest of the dead live not for a thousand years*" (*Rev. 20:5*).

**There is no judgment to the Royal, Spiritual, predestinated Seed of Abraham,** for they are predestinated to Eternal Life. **They have accepted God's provided Sacrifice, and that Sacrifice which is Christ, the Word.** St. John 5:24, "He that heareth My Word (the word there is 'understandeth.' Any drunkard anything else can hear it, can walk away)... But he that heareth My Word--**understands My Word**--and believeth on Him that sent Me **hath Everlasting Life and shall not come into the judgment,** but has passed from death unto Life." Yes, sir! [14]

The sleeping virgin, **the Gentile virgin,** is not to be saved during that time; **she's already been saved, but has been rejected in the Bride.** And she **only goes through the tribulation period** for the time of purification (*Rev. 6:12-17*).

And still like this poor person said: "My husband and son, they still love the things of the world and things like that"... See, **they haven't accepted that**

**redeeming**, for when you do, **it cleanses you automatically**. "*He that's born of God does not commit sin*" (I John 3:9). **There's no desire, nothing in him for the things of the world** (Hebrews 10:2).

Jesus said, "*He that loves the world* (Kosmos now), *or the things of the world, the love of God's not even in him*" (I John 2:15-17). **He's not in love with the Groom** (John 14:21,23). See? Therefore, she (the foolish virgin) has to pay that penalty (Rom. 6:23). She's not saved during that time; **she's saved now from eternal death; but she will have to go through the tribulation period for the purification, because she has rejected Christ, the Word, for her purification** (Matt. 25:1-13). Then she has to suffer for her deeds, **but the Bride who has become the Word, a complete atonement was made of Christ, 'cause He is the Word**. That body was rended, and when that body was rended (Isaiah 53:3-6), **the Bride was in that body, because It's all the Word!** Amen! You see it?

Brother Branham was asked: *What about the people that believe in the Lord now and not the way you preach?*

They don't have to believe this. **They don't have to believe the way I preach it**. See? Don't have to believe that. "... for the last day Message. **Will they be saved?**" **Yes, if they believe the Lord** (Mark 16:18). And if they disagree and say, "I don't believe He's the Word. I don't believe that this is right. I don't believe in the baptism of the Holy Ghost," **that shows where they're headed for, the tribulation period. But those who can accept the Word in Its fullness, not me preaching It, because It's the Bible says so. Those who accept that is free, because the Word's already been judged.**

**When I rejected the Fullness of the Word, then I go right back in the pawnshop again.** See? Then fight my way out then, if I can. But He redeemed me. [15]

After time has been fulfilled. All sin is gone--taken away at the Millennium, at the great White Throne judgment (Rev. 20:11-15). **After the world is on fire and baptized, its baptism of Holy Fire from Heaven;** all sin is gone; all germs is gone; all devils is gone; all temptations is gone; all evil is gone (Rev. 20:7-10). Then what does God do? **He can sit upon the earth, because all sin's gone** (II Peter 3:10-13).

That's the same thing He does **when He gives you the Holy Ghost baptism with Fire** (Matt. 3:11-12). **He can come and dwell with you, and we can sit in heavenly places in Christ Jesus** (Eph. 2:6), because we are already in Him! Not we will be, **we are now, sitting in Christ Jesus!** How do we get into it?--**by one Holy Ghost baptism**. By one Spirit we're all baptized into Christ, which we are now--won't be in Christ, **we are! He is the great**

**spiritual King over the Spirit that's in us, because we were in Him at the beginning.** [16]

Well, then, **if the Life that was in Christ is in us, It'll bear the fruits that He bore.** It's got to.

And what a mix-up the people has got in, today, that, think that, that Christianity is one of the softest things. "All they do is put their name on a book, and have somebody to sprinkle them, or something another, and give the minister the right hand of fellowship. And that's all there is to it. Go on out." **That's not Christianity.**

**Christianity is self-denial.** "Take up your cross daily. Follow Him." (*Mark 8:34-35; Luke 9:23-24*). **Die out, to the things of the world. When all condemnation is gone,** "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus." How do you get into Him? By joining? No. Shaking hands? No. By a union? By education? **"By one Spirit** we are all baptized into one Body." By Holy Spirit baptism we're in Christ. **"And there's no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus, that walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."** Amen. Oh, that would make anybody shout. Amen. [17]

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- [4] "Who Is This Melchisedek" (65-0221), par. 70-73
- [5] "Unveiling Of God" (64-0614M), par. 294
- [6] "Token" (63-0901M), par. 330-335
- [7] "Questions & Answers" (57-1006), par. 598
- [8] "Perfect Faith" (63-0825E), par. 76-78
- [9] "God's Only Provided Place of Worship" (65-1128M), par. 261
- [10] "Questions & Answers" (57-1002), par. 400-402
- [11] "How Can I Overcome?" (63-0825M), par. 68-72
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- [13] "God's Chosen Place of Worship" (65-0220), par. 91-94
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- [15] "Questions & Answers" (64-0823M), par. 151-157, Q-No. 247
- [16] "Future Home" (64-0802), par. 240-241
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*There's coming one with a Message that's straight on the Bible, and quick work will circle the earth. The seeds will go in newspapers, reading material, until every predestinated Seed of God has heard It.*

*[Bro. Branham in „Conduct-Order-Doctrine“, page 724]*