

Just Get Christ in the Heart; It Will Take Care of the Rest

"...manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart." (II Corinthians 3:1-6).

Listen what the Prophet of God said about it:

I just passed my birthday last Monday, and I was fifty-five years old. And you know, the Branham family never did ask me to join the family. I was borned a Branham. And that's how we're Christians. **We're just borned a Christian by the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, and we are Christians by birth (John 3:1-8). That makes us new creatures (Gal. 6:15-16). In our old nature we could never be Christians.** That's the reason today we have so many calling themselves Christians, and living any kind of a life. **They've never experienced that borned again, that something that changes you,** that takes the life out, like pulling the blood out of a man that's got a certain type of blood, and putting another type in him. It's pulling the old life out of the man, and **injecting the Life of Christ in the believer. Then he becomes a new creation (II Cor. 5:17).** He's a new creature. [1]

Remember the Bible said, "You are living, written epistles read of all men." (II Cor. 3:2). Now, many people won't read the Bible. But God has made you a living representative. **You are a walking letter, should be a walking Bible, Christ in you. You should be the walking Word of God.** And if you profess to be a Christian and not that, your influence, what you're influencing will make you have to answer for many souls that you've turned aside, away from Christ, in that day of the judgment.

We know that man must die, and after that the judgment (Heb. 9:27-28). Death's not a hard thing. It's the judgment after death; that's the bad part. And there what you've done on life, **and how you've influenced others, you'll have to answer for it in that day (II Cor. 5:10-11).**

How much more ought we to set aside every weight and the sin that easily beset us, that we might run with patience this race that's set before us, looking **not** to the creed, to the denomination, **to some other person, but to Jesus Christ, Who is the Author and Finisher of our faith (Heb. 12:1-3).** [2]

Don't be deceived, you had better search this close now. See, if you keep on saying, "Well, don't condemn me to do this, and it doesn't condemn me to

do that." Things of the world? Now, I'm going to hurt you just a little bit, pull the feathers back the other way. **But it's this one sure evidence**, you've never been to Christ, **you've never been borned again**. *"He that loves the world or the things of the world, the love of God's not even in him."* (I John 2:15-17).

Now, if you just quit doing it because you know you ought to do it, and quit doing this, that's the sign that you haven't got nowhere yet. When that thing becomes dead in you, and the nature of it's gone away, there's another Person in there and It can only produce... The Holy Spirit that was in Christ in you produces the Christ-like Life. **Nothing you do; what He did.** He chose that before the foundation of the world. [3]

Don't try to have any sensation, anything to take the place of the Holy Spirit. When the new birth is come, you are changed (John 3:1-8). **You don't have to do anything to prove it; your life proves it.** As you walk, your love, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, meekness, patience, that's what you are (Gal. 5:22-23). **And the whole world sees the reflection of Jesus Christ in you.** [4]

Let's not look for big things. Let's look for Christ in our life. Let's look for humility. See? (Rom. 12:16). [5] And we should always try to reflect Christ in everything that we do. [6]

"Greater is He that's in you, than he that's in the world." (I John 4:4). **What is in you that's greater? It's Christ, the anointed; God that was in Christ is in you.** [8] **The Holy Spirit is Christ in another form.** That's right.

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Then if He is in you, it's not you any more living; it's Him living in you (Gal. 2:19-21). See? It's not your thinking and what you would think about this; it's what He said about this. See? **Then if He is in you,** He absolutely would not deny what He said. He couldn't do it. But He would keep what He has said, **and He's trying to find that person that He can vindicate Himself through.**

Then what about healing the sick? See? **Greater is He that's in you than the sickness.** See? **Because that's an interruption, interrupting the very laws of God, sickness is.** Or greater is He that's in you, that's the Healer and Creator, than the devil that's interrupted **the very program of your life** (I Peter 2:21-24).

But He that is in you is Christ. And if Christ is in you, the works of Christ you'll do, if Christ lives in you. He said so, *St. John 14:12, "He that believeth in Me, the works that I do shall he do also."* If you were in Christ, or if Christ lived in you... **Then Christ is the Word.** Is that right? And the Word come to His prophets (Amos 3:7). See? And if **Christ lived in you, the works of Christ would be done through you, the Life of Christ would be**

lived through you. The works He did, the life He lived, and everything, it would live in you.

But if you still living your own life, then your own works you'll do (*Heb. 4:10-11*). If your doubts and flusterations about God's promise are in you, then Christ isn't there. **If Christ is living in you, His Word He will recognize and His promise He'll do.** See? He'll do. [8]

When we are in Christ, we have spiritual blessing (*Eph. 1:3*). **Outside of Christ we have sensations. In Christ we have positive blessings,** not make-beliefs, not shams, not put-ons. **But as long as you're trying to say that you're in the promised land, and are not, your sins will find you out. But when you're in Christ Jesus, He's promised you heavenly peace** (*John 14:27*), **heavenly blessings, heavenly Spirit; everything is yours** (*I Cor. 3:21-23*). You're in the promised land and in full possession of everything. Amen. How beautiful. [9]

And if the Word abides in you, then you're an anointed person with the Word. "*Ye abide in Me, and My Word in you, then ask what you will; it'll be done for you.*" (*John 15:7*). **That's Christ in you, anointing the Word for this age, whatever age they lived in.** [10]

The only way that you can live a life that's worthy of the Gospel is let the Gospel itself, every bit of the Gospel, come into you and reflect His promises back, make them vindicated. Let God live in you to vindicate the promises of this day. Just as Jesus said to John, "*Suffer it to be so, John, that's right, but we are the Messengers of this day, and we've got to fulfill all righteousness.*" (*John 3:13-15*). **And if we are the Christians of this day, let's receive Jesus Christ into our heart** (*John 1:12-13*). **And He is the Word.** Don't deny any of It, say, "It's the Truth." **And place It in your heart,** and watch the fruit of the Spirit upon you, and fulfill every promise that He made in the Bible. **God wants to fulfill His Word, and He doesn't have any hands but mine and yours. He doesn't have any eyes but mine and yours. He has no tongue but mine and yours.** "*I am the Vine; ye are the branches.*" (*John 15:1-5*). The branches bear the fruit. The Vine energizes the branch. That's a life that's worthy. [11]

Every denomination will bear a life of itself. But if that original vine ever puts out another shoot, it'll bear grapes like it did the first time. **And if the Life of Jesus Christ ever puts out another body of believers, it'll bear the fruit that the first one did;** they'll write a Book of Acts behind it, 'cause it'll be the same Life. See, what I mean? You just can't get away from it. It's the Life of Christ in you, **been injected in you by the Holy Spirit Itself.** [12]

And remember, He forbid the disciples to preach anymore, or do anything, **until they went in the power of the Spirit.** "Wait ye in the city of Jerusalem, until you're endued with power from on high." (Luke 24:42-49). See? **You're not to go out until it's not you, but God. The people can see the reflection of Jesus Christ in you.** Then the people will believe then, **because it won't be you, it'll be Him.** And all that He foreknew, He'll call (Rom. 8:30). They'll see it. "My sheep know My voice." [13]

We don't have to have big audiences. We don't have to preach to ten thousand. **We don't have to even preach. We can be God's advertisement board** (II Cor. 3:1-3). How do you know that your life might not start some young man on the Gospel, some of you older men, you old women, start them young men on the field out there to win ten thousand souls to Christ. **It was because that he saw Christ in you. It's you presented Christ to him in the simple power of the Gospel.**

Yes, I think we need Christ. Yes, sir. **Only way we see Christ is when He reflects in each other. I see Christ in you. You see Him in me. That's how we watch Christ.** [14]

Old, old oak tree you have around here holds its leaves all winter long. Spring of the year comes, you don't have to go pick old leaves off, **just let the new life come in, the old leaf drops off.** That's the way it is. **Let Christ come into the heart; the rest of it will take care of itself. That's right. Just get Christ in the heart; it'll take care of the rest!** [15]

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