CHAPTER EIGHTEEN

Three Realms Of Man

I Thessalonians 5:23 - “And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and [I pray God] your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Man is a Triune being composed of body, soul and spirit.

Brother William Marrion Branham, after the seven-sealed Book of Revelation Chapter 5 was revealed to him in 1963, has taught us the correct placement of these three realms of man in their proper order. First on the outside is the body, which is composed of five senses – see, taste, feel, smell and hear. Then inside of that body comes the spirit, which also has five inlets – memory, conscience, reasoning, imagination and affection. And then the central realm of man is the soul, which is the innermost being of man. The soul has only two faculties – it is either controlled by faith or by doubt, or is controlled by God or by Satan.

THE SOUL – MAN’S CONTROL TOWER

In the following sermons, Brother Branham explained to us that the soul is man’s control tower:

“That little inside of the inside, that’s where you start, which is your soul; then come from that, you’re a spirit; and then you become a living being. Now, the living being has five senses, to contact; the second has five senses. That’s the outside body: see, taste, feel, smell, and hear. The inside body has love and conscience, and so forth, five senses. But the inside of the inside, the control tower, it’s either God or Satan.” (POWER OF TRANSFORMATION, PRESCOTT,AZ V-17 N-1 SUNDAY_65-1031M)

“That’s the guidepost. That’s the control tower, the inside of the inside. The soul controls the spirit, the spirit controls the body.” (WORKS.IS.FAITH.EXRESSED_SHREVEPORT.LA V-7 N-1 FRIDAY_65-1126)

“And last Sunday when we was going into those cycles, about how that the five senses on the outer realm. That’s the inlet, five senses to the body. There’s only one way you can get into the body, that’s by those five senses: see, taste, feel, smell, and hear.
"Now we find, God gives the control tower to you, to give to you the things that you need. Now, the control tower in you is what directs you. And this thirts runs on this control tower, and tells you what you have need of, spiritually speaking. The control tower in the body, and in the soul, also. There is a control tower in the body, that tells you the need that’s needed in your body, and it’s brought to you by thirth. Also, there is a control tower in your soul, that tells you the spiritual things to you have need of, something in your spirit, and, and you by this can tell what kind of a life is controlling you.” (THIRST_TUCSON.AZ V-16 N-6 SUNDAY_65-0919)

**THE SOUL DWELLS IN THE HEART OF MAN**

"And about six weeks ago, I was in Chicago, and a great line on the front page, where science has found that in the human heart, in the center of the human heart, is a little compartment where even a corpuscle or blood cell never touches. The animal life hasn’t got it, but the human has got it. And science says, "It’s the occupation of the soul." (THE.WATERS.OF.SEPARATION_MACON.GA MONDAY_55-0606)

Right down in the heart, in the center of the heart, there’s a little compartment where there’s not even a blood cell in it. It’s not in the animal heart, only in the human heart. And they say, it’s the occupation, or the occupant of the soul. The soul lives in the heart. Then after all, God was right, when He said, “As a man thinketh in his heart.” (THE.INTER.VEIL_STURGIS.MI SATURDAY_56-0121)

So after all, a man believes in his heart. You think with your mind, but you believe with your heart... God stays on the control tower in your heart, controls your emotions, controls your faith, controls all you are. When God comes into the heart, He takes over... Man’s always trying to achieve something by his head. He’s supposed to achieve, but by his heart. That’s the control tower where God controls him, and directs his thoughts, directs his walks, directs his emotions... All the rest of your body belonged to you, but that heart belongs to God. That God made Himself a little room in there, so He could set in the controlling tower that He could guide you... Now, that is the way you accepted Jesus. When He’s knocking at your heart He wants to come in to be your Lord. “Lord” means “rulership.” He comes into your heart, knowing that He made that heart for Himself. All the rest of the body you can have, but the heart is the control tower and He wants to come to this heart, so He can lead you, be a Lord.” (EXPECTATION_SHAWANO.WI SATURDAY_55-1001)

"Here is a human heart, and here is a human heart. Now, this one over here has a snake in it; that’s sin. Here he has is life. This one over here has a Dove in it, which is the Holy Spirit. Here he has a life. Well, this one here he has malice, hatred, envy. That’s what’s causing it: this fellow here. Well, this one over here has love, and joy, and long-suffering, and that’s what does it down here." (FUTURE.HOME.title JEFF.IN V-3 N-5 64-0802)

The devil chose man’s head for his control tower and gave him the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. But God chose a man’s heart for His control tower and gives him the Tree of Life. The devil makes man see things and look through his eyes. But God in man’s heart makes him believe things that he cannot see. Faith is the evidence of thing not seen. In the heart of man is the throne of God. Satan took the eye, a man’s head, to control him by his head. But God took his heart.

**SIN MARRED THAT SOUL**

"And after this man sinned, he marred that soul. Blackness, darkness come into it. And then God came down and lived in man, suffered with man, and redeemed man; and the Holy Spirit comes into man and drives that blackness and sin away for him, and brings it back into perfect fellowship, a part of God. And now, we, by the Blood of Christ, Who cleanses us from sin, we become sons and daughters of God." (WHO.IS.GOD_CLEVELAND.OH TUESDAY_50-0815)

"When God made man, He made him thus; for He made this little certain compartment in the man for His own throne, His control tower. God wants to lead man, but man wants to lead himself. Therefore there is a war constantly. The man wants to go after what he sees with his eyes. That’s where he’s deceived. That’s where Satan deceived Eve, by what she could see; the fruit was pleasant to the eye. But it was death to the soul." (LOOKING.AT.THE.UNSEEN.title LA.CA 59-0410)

"Your soul is part of God, a attribute of God, displayed here on earth in a body. The body is to be redeemed. Now, the soul is redeemed, because it was in sin. So God come down, by a process of justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost, and redeemed your soul. And you, being part of the earth, it’s redeemed by it. You’re in the process now. It’s growing on. Your body was justified under Noah’s baptism. Amen! And, your flesh, when It dropped upon there. And the earth is to be cleansed by Fire, the place where you’ll live, with the baptism of the Holy Ghost; a dwelling Place for Christ and His Bride, the New Jerusalem.” (THE FUTURE HOME OF THE HEAVENLY BRIDEGROOM AND THE EARTHLY BRIDE_JEFF.IN V-3 N-5 SUNDAY 64-0802)
FOR ALL HAVE SINNED

ROMANS 3: 23- “For ALL have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.”

I JOHN 1:8-10 - “If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His Word is not in us.”

EZEKIEL 18:4, 21, 26, 27 --- 4 “Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die. 21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die. 27 Again, when the wicked [man] turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. 28 Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.”

THE NEW BIRTH IS REQUIRED

“Except a man be born again, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God” (John 3:3)

“It’s essential that we must be baptized. Jesus give this statement in St. Matthew, or St. Mark 16; He said, “Go into all the world and preach the Gospel; he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.” And when He was talking to Nicodemus, He said, “Except a man be born of water and Spirit he will in nowise enter the Kingdom.” It must be baptized. I believe in immersing, in the baptism, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and to be raised again in newness of life, to walk after the commandments of God.” (QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.title JEFF.IN COD 54-0103M)

“No, when you come to the age of accountability, and you know what’s wrong and right, you’re supposed to turn from your wrong. Because you’re born in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world speaking lies, that you’re—you’re actually born as a sexual desire, and then you must be borned again in order to receive a new birth to enter into Heaven.” (WHY.ARE.WE.NOT.A.DENOMINATION.title JEFF.IN V-11 N-7 58-0927)

“Yes, to be born again you must go through a process of death; everything does. You take a grain of corn; if that corn ever expects to live again, it’s got to die first. If a grain of wheat ever expects to live again, it’s totally impossible for... That corn, that wheat, that flower, that tree, that grass, that vegetable, everything that expects to live again must die first. Then how you going to escape it? You got to die first. You got to die. Die how? To yourself, die to everything, so that you can be born again. You’ve got to do that. If you don’t die, you can never live again... First, to die, in order to be born again... And if you still got the things of the world in you, you’re not born again. And how you going to claim to be born again and still with the things of the world hanging on you? See? How can you do it?” (YOU.MUST.BE.BORNE AGAIN.title JEFF.IN V-11 N-5 561-1231M)

“Notice: you must be borned again. And when you’re born again, you can’t be borned again without having faith. That’s right. So, you see on my chart here. I got the very foundation. Faith is the foundation of all of it. For without faith it’s impossible to please God: “He that cometh to God must believe that He is, and a Rewarder of those that diligently seek Him.” See? He must be. And when you are a skeptic of the Bible, when you’re skeptic of the Word being right, you just might as well stay back until first you believe it.

WAR OF THE FLESH VERSUS THE SPIRIT

“There is a control tower of the soul, and one for the body, and each tower is a warning calling for the needs of the other. Each one calls to the need for what the caller is calling for, it sends out a wave of warning. For instance, the flesh thirst to satisfy the desires that’s in the body, and the spirit desires for the things that’s in the soul, desire is, and many times these war one against the other. We find
Observing the image, there is a page from a book titled "Three Realms of Man". The text is discussing the conflict between the flesh and the spirit within a person. It references Romans 7:14-25 where Paul talks about the inner conflict of a Christian trying to do good but struggling with doing evil.

The text also mentions Galatians 5:19-25, which lists behaviors that are of the flesh and those that are of the Spirit. It emphasizes the struggle between the two natures and the importance of aligning oneself with the Spirit of God.

The bottom part of the page discusses the physical body, referencing 1 Corinthians 15:44-49, which contrasts the physical, earthly body with the spiritual, heavenly body. It talks about the transformation of the body at the time of the Lord's return.

The page also references Hebrews 12:22-24, which speaks of the Heavenly Jerusalem and the eternal city. It mentions that believers are a heavenly people, with the city of God as the ultimate destination.

The page concludes with a reference to Romans 8:1-17, which contrasts the life under the law of sin with life under the law of the Spirit.

The page is filled with Biblical references, providing a comprehensive overview of the conflict and transformation within a Christian. It is a deep dive into the spiritual realm and the practical implications of living a life in alignment with the Spirit of God.
“But we know that we’re animal life. We’re plant life out of the earth. As I was saying the other day at our dear sister’s funeral, we are a bunch of sixteen elements of the earth of cosmic light, and petroleums, and things put together. We were here when God spoke and said, “Let there be.” Our bodies were.” (JOSEPH.MEETING.HIS.BRETHREN.JEFF.IN 56-1230)

“The body is the flesh that you look at that must rot. It was born by sexual desire of father and mother. It must rot. It’s no good. Therefore in the new birth, in the resurrection when—when you’re brought forth again in a new body, it’ll be God’s creative power that’ll speak like He did to Adam and you’ll come forth.” (QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.JEFF.IN COD 59-0626E)

“Let’s take before there in the beginning of the world. Now, the lily come from the earth, so did you. If that be so, then we were here; our bodies were on the earth before there was any life here. We are made of sixteen different elements of the earth. That’s potash, calcium, petroleum, cosmic light, and so forth, and held together by atoms: sixteen elements of the earth. Then, if that is so, which is scientifically so, then we really… Our bodies were laying spread out on this earth before there was any type of life on the earth. Potash, calcium, petroleum, and cosmic light was here at the creation. As the volcanic was thrown out, they tell us, that bursted and formed the materials of the earth and so forth, was, it just a burning brimstones as it was Satan’s procession as he walked up-and-down the fiery brimstone of the earth. And then when God cooled it off and set it over there in His great mind, He had something in His mind that He was going to do.” (WHAT DOES TAKE MAKE CHRISTIAN LIFE; CHICAGO.IL 57-0113)

“Did you ever notice a little baby when it’s born, its little muscles twitching and jerking? But when it comes to the earth, it receives a spirit, and then it becomes a living soul. And as soon as the soul goes back from that little body, there’s another one waiting for it. See? Because, first, God makes the soul and spirit, it just goes to the bodies. And—and when we leave here, we only change dwelling places and go to another one. “For if this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one already waiting.” So that’s our consolation.” (IT.BECOMETH.US.TO.FULFILL.JEFF.IN V-15 N-4 61-1001M)

“It’s just like a little baby. When a little baby is conceived in the mother’s womb, it’s just flesh and blood, jumping, quivering. But as soon as it’s born, you don’t see it, but there’s a spirit and soul hanging near that mother to come into that baby just as soon as it’s born. Just as soon as that baby is born, God has created a soul and created a spirit to be in that baby just as soon as it’s born into this world. That little baby becomes matured, and it begins to learn; then it becomes a living soul when it knows what’s right and wrong. Then it’s got, just like Adam and Eve, set before a tree of right and wrong. It makes its choice. And then it becomes intelligent. It’s growing all the time in God’s great economy. And finally it comes down to the end of the road, for this physical body. And just as this body is deteriorating and going away, there is one being prepared to receive it. Just as soon as it leaves here, this soul that’s in us now and this spirit leaves this body and goes to another, a young one, a good one, a better one, a one that won’t get old, or one that won’t pass away.” (COMFORTER.THE.JEFF.IN V-15 N-5 61-1001E)

“No matter how insignificant you may seem to be, you’re a—your soul is worth ten thousand worlds. Sometime ago down in Tennessee, I was standing at a great museum, and I was looking in the glass with some young fellows was standing next to me, and was showing the chemical worth of a hundred and fifty pound man. And it might surprise you to know how much you’re really worth. If you’re in good health, a good, strong man at a hundred and fifty pounds worth eighty-four cents. Well, you’re not worth very much are you? Just about enough whitewash to sprinkle a hen’s nest, a little, bitty calcium and so forth, all weighed up to eighty-four cents worth of chemicals in your body… One young fellow said to the other; he said, “John, we’re not worth very much are we?” I thought this was a grand opportunity, I laid my hands on each one of the boy’s shoulders as I stepped between them, and I said, “That’s true son, we’re not worth very much in this body, but in that body’s got a soul in it that’s worth ten thousand worlds.” But we want to take care of this eighty-four cents. We give it the best of clothes, feed it the best of foods, and put a ten dollar hat on it, and, oh, how we love to take care of this eighty-four cents. But that soul, we just let it grasp over any old world and anything else, not noticing or paying any attention to it, drag it down to church and sleep while the preacher preaches twenty minutes, and have a deacon’s meeting that he preached too long. That soul is worth ten thousand worlds.” (HEAR.YE.HIM.JEFF.EDMONTON-ALBERTA 57-0907)

“In Genesis 2, there was no man to till the soil, and God made man out of the dust of the earth, not in His image, but in the image of animal life. And he put the spirit of man in this animal man here, and he become a living soul. Now, that’s the difference between a man and the animal. The animal don’t build automobiles, and he doesn’t do things like that to help his living and so forth like that. He’s an animal, dumb brute; he hasn’t got a soul. He can’t read and write; he can’t talk, speak; he’s a dumb brute. But a man is in flesh like a brute, but he’s got a soul of God in him what makes him immortal. And he can invent, look what he can do. He’s on—almost on the equal with God, because he’s a son of God; even in his fallen estate he’s wonderful. Look at him. See? That’s it.” (QA.IMAGE.OF.THE.BEAST.JEFF.IN 54-0515)

“We are living by dead substance, that’s the only way you can live. And if anything has to die every day so you live natural, then isn’t it true that if your—your body has to live by dead substance for natural life, then you’ve got to have something die spiritually to save your spiritual life. And God became material, flesh, and died that we might live. There’s no church, no other thing in the world can save you but God. That’s the only thing that they live by.” (ANOINTED.ONES.ATT.END.TIME.JEFF.IN V-5 N-3 65-0726M)

ROMANS 12:1-2- “I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, [which is] your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the will of God.”

I JOHN 2:15-16- “Love not the world, neither the things [that are] in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that [is] in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.”

II CORINTHIANS 6:14-18- “Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in [them]; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean [thing]; and I will receive you. And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.”
THE SIXTEEN ELEMENTS OF MAN


“We’re taught that our bodies come from the earth. We’re made of sixteen different elements. That’s petroleum, cosmic light, and oh, potash, and calcium, and so forth, sixteen different elements. That’s the body. How do we get it built up like this? We eat food. Every day when we put in food, something died. If you eat today, something had to die so you could live. Every time... Because you’re living, something dies because you live. If you eat beef, the cow died. If you eat mutton, the sheep died. If you eat fish, the fish died. If you eat bread, the wheat died. If you eat potatoes, potato died. If you (eat) beans, the beans died. Whatever it is, it’s a life. And we can only live by dead substance.” (WHY SOME PEOPLE CAN’T KEEP VICTORY. p. 07/130)

THE BELIEVER’S SOUL IS ETERNAL

“But the MAIN THING, now, is TO THE SOUL WHICH WILL NEVER DIE. The body will die, but the SOUL WILL NEVER DIE, and we must keep that level with God”, (The Church and Its Condition, p. 4)

“It is NOT this outside see, taste, smell and hear. It isn’t. It’s subject to death and will die. But the INSIDE PART OF YOU, down in here, INSIDE, that is the PERSON THAT CANNOT DIE. See? And that’s the PERSON that the NEW LIFE STARTS FROM, from this NEW BIRTH, and IT BUILDS ANOTHER PERSON YOU ARE, around that life. You get it?” (C.O.D. pp. 1114/par 228).

“If you got Eternal Life you always was. See?... Anything that was eternal never did begin and cannot end. You were only in His thinking: your name, who you are, and what you are. That’s the only way you could ever have Eternal Life, ‘cause you always was.” (WHEN THEIR EYES WERE OPENED. BEAUMONT.TX 64-0312)

“Because I was born of Charles and Ella Branham. In their nature I was a sinner; I came to the world, a liar, and all the habits of the world laid right in me. But down in there too, was another nature present (See?), predestinated, was in there by God. In this same body (See?) two natures in there. Well, I only catered to one. As it growed, I gooed as a baby, “Da-da.”. First thing you know, I become a liar, become everything else that’s a sinner, because I raised up that way. BUT DOWN IN THERE was a little speck of LIFE ALL THE TIME.” (COMMUNION. tucson.AZ V-8 N-4 65-1212)

“The Bible said that if that SOUL WON’T DO as He did said do, He will even destroy that soul. BUT you see, HE CAN’T DESTROY HIMSELF and REMAIN GOD. So if that SOUL is of the world, it has to be destroyed. BUT IF IT’S ETERNAL WITH GOD, IT NEVER DID BEGIN because it’s part of God; IT CAN NEVER BE DESTROYED. AMEN! The Church ought to see that!” (The Future Home, p. 41)

“But your souls were made up before the foundation of the world when God created man in His Own image: spirit of man; not a man in His Own image, but man in His Own image. See? And then He made them male and female before He ever had a man in the dust of the earth...He moved down into the earth and how that He made man in His image, and then God turned around and was made in the image of man to redeem man.” (DEMONOLOGY. PHYSICAL.REALM, CONNERSVILLE /IL 53-0080A)

“You never sinned in the first place. God don’t even know... It’s in the sea of forgetfulness. You never did it. You were accused of it by the accuser; but really from the beginning you were predestinated to be a son or daughter of God. You’re standing there washed, and your old book of divorcement’s put away and is dead, absolutely out of existence even in the mind of God. You are the virtuous Bride of Christ, washed in the Blood of Christ: precious, virtuous, sinless, Son of God standing with a pure, unadulterated Bride Word that He washed by the Water of His own Blood that become flesh and manifested that He might take you, which were predestinated in the bosom of the Father before the beginning, the same as He was...” (INVISIBLE. UNION. OF. THE. BRIDE. PPH. LA. V-2 N-15 65-1125)

I JOHN 3:9: “Whosoever is BORN of God doth NOT commit SIN; for his SEED remaineth in him: and he cannot SIN, because he is BORN of GOD.”

“How did you come to do this? You were deceived into it by your first marriage—to your adulteress parent Eve. It’s no fault of your own. By your natural birth, you come after Eve, who committed adultery. That’s the reason you was born an adulterous. You were a sinner to begin with. That’s right. You was deceived into it. You had no... No, it ain’t your fault. You never did it, because that little Germ that was in you, was to be you before the foundation of the world. God put your name in the Lamb’s Book of Life.” (INVISIBLE. UNION. OF. THE. BRIDE. PPH. LA. V-2 N-15 65-1125)

“What did He redeem? He redeemed your soul from hell. He redeemed and brought back everything that Adam lost, when he put you in the pawnshop. Jesus Christ, on Calvary was your Kinsman Redeemer that redeemed you every curse from the devil. He redeems your soul. He redeems your sick body. He redeems your weary, dreary spirit. He brought you happiness. He brought you joy. He brought you... That’s what the redemption brought you, brought you peace, long-suffering, goodness, gentleness, meekness, power, the Holy Spirit, brought you Divine healing. All these things Jesus Christ brought to you, because He was our Kinsman Redeemer.” (REDEEMER. REDEMPTION. SAN. FERNANDO.CA SATURDAY_ 55-1119)

“Well, if God saved you here, knowing He was going to lose you down there, He defeats His own purpose. He can’t lose you. He might have to take you off the earth because of your sin, like the man in the Bible, who was living with his own mother, and they turned him over to the devil for the destruction of the flesh that the soul might be saved. But He can’t lose you. You’re His. Before the world begin, He ordained you to Eternal Life. And it’s the devil trying to cheat you out of it. Call him a liar. Jesus Christ, Jehovah-Jireh, has provided a place for you. Go get it. Live happy. God bless you.” (JEHOVAH.JIREH. EDMONTON.AB. SATURDAY_ 57-0810)

“And no one can preach salvation without preaching Divine healing. See? You can’t preach redemption of the soul without preaching redemption of the body. See, when you can’t deal with sin in any measure, ‘less you deal with sickness and every attribute. Sickness is the result of sin. Sickness is an attribute of sin.” (HEAR.YE.HIM. PARKERSBURG.WV SATURDAY_ 56-1215)

“Now, Lord, but for the greatest of all healing! If You heal their physical body from cancer, TB, pneumonia, something, they’ll get sick again, no doubt, if they live very long, for their body is still under sin , the curse. But let them get the—the real Divine healing, the healing of the soul , which makes a new creature, passes from death unto Life, and then waiting in this old tabernacle for the redemption of the body after the soul has been redeemed. Grant it, Lord.” (THE.GOD.OF.THIS. EVIL. AGE. JEFF.IN V-4 N-9 SUNDAY_ 65-0801M)
THEOPHANY - OUR CELESTIAL BODY

II CORINTHIANS 5:1-12 - “For we know that if our earthly house of [this] tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven”.

“They call it a theophany, that when we leave here we go in somewhere else. Whatever it may be, I take the apostle’s Word, when he said, “If this earthly tabernacle or dwelling place be dissolved, we have one already waiting to move from this into that.” (ENTOMBMENT. TITLE JEFF. IN 55-72 57-0420)

“And the Logos, which was the Son of God went out, created by these great fountains of purity, God, as those Spirits went out, and it created the Logos. And it was a body. It was in the form of what we are now, which is called in the clergy way of speaking it, a theophany. It’s a body that doesn’t have a spirit in it. It’s a body that’s waiting for you Christians. As soon as the life leaves this, you go into that body. When this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one already waiting, a theophany.” (THIRSTING FOR LIFE. TITLE CHICAGO. IL 57-0630)

“Theophany is a human body that’s glorified, not exactly with flesh and blood like it will be in it’s glorified stage, but it is of a form of a human body that doesn’t eat, neither does it drink, but it’s—it’s a body, a body that’s waiting for us as soon as we leave this one. Now, in there, we enter into that body. And that’s the kind of body that God was. For He said, “Let Us make man in Our own image and in our likeness.” Now, when man become into that body, he had control of all the fishes, and fowls, and—and beasts of the field. And then there was no man to till the soil (Genesis 2). He done made male and female, but there was no man to till the soil. Then God made man out of the dust of the earth. He give him a hand, like a—like a chimpanzee, give him a foot like a bear. He give him... He made him on the image... And this earthly body is in the image of animal life, and it’s made out of calcium, potash, petroleum, cosmic light. You’re just no... All flesh like that is... Not the same flesh, it’s different flesh, but it’s made out of the dust of the earth where it come from. But the difference between an animal and a man, God put a soul in a man and He didn’t put it in the animal, because the soul that was in the man is that theophany.” (HEBREWS. CHAP. 2. PART. 3. TITLE JEFF. IN HEB 57-0829)

When Jesus was manifested in the Old Testament in a theophany, in the Person of Melchisedec, not a priesthood, but the Person, the Man... See? For this Man had yet not been born, but He was in a theophany so He had no father, no mother. He was God Himself. He was manifested in the form of a Man called King of Salem, which is King of Peace and King of Righteousness. See? He was Melchisedec. He had neither father nor mother, beginning of days of ending of life. See? It was Jesus in a theophany in the form of a man. Could you go that? All right.” (CHRIST. REVEALED IN HIS OWN WORD. TITLE JEFF. IN V. 4 N. 10 65-0622M)

“In the beginning God was a Spirit. And all the fountain of goodness and mercy and power, and all the good things of love, God was the center of that fountain. And then the Logos that went out of God in the beginning become what we would call a theophany, or a—a supernatural body. God is just not like the air, but He’s in a body. Moses seen Him pass and said it looked like the back part of a man, and so forth. And then that same theophany was made flesh and dwelled among us. And we beheld Him, the only begotten of the Father, Christ.” (WE WOULD SEE JESUS. TITLE SASKATOON. SK 57-0916)

“And then out of the existence of the Father went the Logos which was the Son, which was the theophany, which was the body of the great Jehovah God went forth in a celestial Body. That’s the Logos. The Word spoke out of them great Fountains of Life and went forth. And there was the theophany, which was God made into Word. Then that theophany was made flesh in the Person Christ Jesus. And then all the fullness of the Trinity dwelt in Him, both Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, all in that. And that’s the very way we go, plumb back to the original beginning of God. There we are borned again not of flesh, borned again not of blood, but borned again by the Spirit. And in that eternal Spirit of love and honesty comes down to make Its place in us. And then when we die from this life, we go into the body which... If this earthly tabernacle is dissolved, we have a theophany to go into, a body celestial. Then at the coming of the Lord Jesus, this body is picked from the earth again and made in a glorified state to live in His Presence forever. Then all the perversion, all the things that was in—in the perversion all goes out of existence.” (LIFE. TITLE JEFF. IN 57-0602)

“When a baby is being—a baby is being formed in a womb of a mother, soon as it’s put there... See, see? But first it’s a spirit. As that spirit begins to take on flesh, a little germ of life begins to take on flesh, and as soon as it drops from its... Now, in the womb, it’s a little, quivering, jerking muscles. We know that. That’s cells. Just like you take a horse hair and put it in the water, it’ll cap over and it’ll move, and you touch it and it’ll jump. That’s the way a baby is. But as soon as it’s borned in this world and breathes its first breath, it becomes a living soul. See? Because as soon as the earthly body is born into the world, there’s a celestial body, or a spiritual body, to take ahold of it. And as soon as this natural body is dropped, there is a heavenly tabernacle waiting for it: “If this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, there is a heavenly tabernacle waiting for it.” Just as soon as—as the baby’s dropped into the earth in flesh, there’s a spiritual body waiting to receive it. And as soon as the spiritual body—the natural body is dissolved, there’s a spiritual body waiting yonder (See?), a theophany we call it (See?), a theophany.” (QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. TITLE JEFF. IN COD 61-0112)

“Then after you recognize the very Word of God was Eagle Food, then you left the other thing. You’ve then been formed into the living image of the living God. You heard from your theophany. “If this earthly body be dissolved, we have one waiting.” (WHO IS THIS. MELCHISEDEC. TITLE JEFF. IN V. 5 N. 10 65-0221E)

“But you bypassed the theophany and become flesh-man to be tempted by sin. And then "if this earthly tabernacle is dissolved, we have one already waiting." We have not yet the bodies. But look, when this body receives the Spirit of God, the Immortal Life inside of you, it throws this body in subjection to God.” (WHO IS THIS. MELCHISEDEC. TITLE JEFF. IN V. 5 N. 10 65-0221E)
"The theophany comes to the earth to pick up the redeemed body. And if you’re here in the air, you take the body to meet the theophany (there you are), and caught up and go to meet the Lord in the air.” (WHO.IS.THIS.MELCHISEDEC.title JEFF.IN V-5 N-10 65-0221E)

"But then when that body, a kind of a celestial body, when it returns back to the earth, it picks up the substance that it once lived in and then, it becomes a glorified body. That body is the one that we’ll see the Lord Jesus in His resurrected body.” (HEAR.HIS.VOICE.title JEFF.IN 58-1005M)

“What your celestial body is somewhere else is what you’re reflecting back here. In the spirit land, what you are, is what you are here.” (QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.title JEFF.IN COD 54-0103M)

"Here His body was in the grave, and his soul was in hell, preaching, alive. What about that? He was in His Theophany again. His soul was down there with those people that were in...?... the theophany also, and was witnessing to them that they repented not in the long-suffering.” (QA.HEBREWS.PART.2.title JEFF.IN COD 57-1002)

**TRUE HOLY GHOST BAPTISM IS IN THE SOUL**

People can be baptized by the Holy Ghost in the BODY realm and in the SPIRIT realm and still be lost and go to hell. People can feel the anointing of Holy Ghost (through their bodies) and shake, jump, shout, dance in the Spirit and speak in tongues and still be lost. People can cast out devils and heal the sick, and do miracles in the Spirit and still be lost just like Judas. The true Holy Ghost Baptism of the Holy Spirit rests in the SOUL realm. Unless that soul is predestinated by God, it can mimic and impersonate Christianity but still be of the devil.

Take it from Brother Branham Himself:

"There’s many people just can’t believe it, even Spirit-filled people. I’m going to give you one that’ll choke you. The baptism of the Holy Ghost don’t mean you’re going in, not at all, not on that, don’t have anything to do with your soul. That’s the baptism. See? Here’s the inside soul in here, that has to come from God. But then on the outside you have five senses, and five out—inlets to your contact your earthly home. The inside, you have a spirit, and in there you have five outlets: your conscience, and love, and so forth, five outlets to that spirit. Remember, in that spirit you can be baptized with the genuine Spirit of God and still be lost. It’s the soul that lives; that was ordained of God. Didn’t Jesus say, “Many will come to Me in that day, and say, ‘Lord, haven’t I cast out devils, done great and mighty works, prophesied, the great gifts of God?’” He said, “Depart from me, you that work iniquity, I never even knew you. Many will come in that day.” (MODERN EVENTS MADE CLEAR.BY.PROPHECY.SBD.CAV.7 N-65-1206)

"The Spirit can come out here and anoint you to do certain things, and you do it, but that don’t mean you’re saved. But think of it. Caiaphas prophesied. Judas cast out devils. See, the Spirit anointed him. There’s rain falls on the just and the unjust; the weeds can rejoice with the wheat. But what it is at the core. There’s where you can, intellectuals can accept and say, “Oh, sure, that looks good. I believe that.” That still don’t do it. No, sir. And the spirit can actually make witness of it, and still it isn’t so. Because if that soul hasn’t come from God, it can make all the impersonations out here, but it cannot be real. You can act healing; you can act like you have. You can act like you receive it. Christians can act like they’re Christians, and act and be ever so good at it, but that don’t mean they’re saved. That’s exactly right. See? The Spirit can be there, the real genuine Spirit. The Holy Spirit can anoint you; that still don’t mean you’re saved. It’s that inside soul that never dies; it’s got Eternal Life. It always was Eternal Life. See? It come from God; it goes to God; it’s the soul.” (WORKS.IS.FAITH.EXPRESSED.title SHREVEPORT.LA V-7 N-165-1126)

"But when it’s directed from the inside, it throws all the rest of it together. That’s the guidepost. That’s the center tower, the inside of the inside. The soul controls the spirit, the spirit controls the body. So an outside whitewash don’t make any difference. Them religious people back there, that Paul called “whited walls,” and so forth, they were outward just every way the-a believer, and they had prophesies among them, and everything else but the inside of the inside... ‘This is that disbeliefeth...’ That’s the reason I say people can jump up and down, and speak in tongues; people can shout, lay hands on the sick, and heal the sick and so forth by faith; all these great things there by the Spirit, still be LOST. Anointed ones...” (WORKS.IS.FAITH.EXPRESSED.title SHREVEPORT.LA V-7 N-165-1126)

"There’s only one can see it; that’s the one who’s predestinated to see it. Otherwise you’ll never see it. The Jews cannot see that being their Messiah, and yet they were scholars and theologians, men of great renown scholarship, read the same Bible that you read. Now, after it’s been made know to us, we can see it plain that was Messiah. But they couldn’t see it. Neither can they see it today. They are prophetised to be blinded too.” (RECOGNIZING.YOUR.DAY.title JEFF.IN V-5 N-1 64-0726M)

**ANOINTING VERSUS INDWELLING**

"TASTING" OR BEING ANOINTED BY THE HOLY GHOST is far more DIFFERENT from being BAPTIZED WITH IT. A lot of people just “tasted” the goodness of God but in the end they still perished. It’s a type of Israel in the wilderness coming out from Egypt. They have tasted the signs and wonders done by the Holy Ghost through the ministry of Moses. They have seen the mighty works of the hand of God by sending plagues to Egypt, they have crossed and walked over the dry Red Sea, they ate of the Manna that fell in the wilderness from heaven, they drank from the Rock, and have seen many many more miracles by Moses. Yet only Joshua and Caleb was able to reach the Promised Land. All the rest of the ten spies and their tribes perished. And today, the promise Land of today for the Christian is the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. How many will ever get to it? “Strait is the gate and narrow is the way that leads to eternal life, yet broad is the way and wide is the gate that leads to destruction...”

HEBREWS 6:4-6 "For [it is] impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have been "TASTED" of the heavenly gift, and were made PARTAKERS of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good Word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put [him] to an open shame."

"Church, that’s the reason I can’t take the Baptism of the Holy Ghost of crying, shaking, or speaking in tongues, or any sensation. They’re all right now. See? Them—them things are all right, but the devil can impersonate that so real. But the Holy Ghost is Deity, God tabernacled in men. It’s more than a sensation. It’s more than speaking in tongues. It’s more than shouting in the Spirit. It’s more than weeping. It’s more than joining church. It’s God living in men, Deity, God Himself tabernacled into that person, when he can speak and it’s just the same as God speaking; that’s the Church of Jesus Christ.” (TESTIMONY.OF.A.TRUE.WITNESS.title JEFF.IN V-15 N-661-1105)
“You might be able to try to say you have; you might be able to show some evidence of some emotion; but unless your life is vindicating what you’re professing to have, you still haven’t got it. No matter how many emotions, how much you jump, run, sensations, speaking in tongues, or shouting, or whatever you might lay it upon (which is all right, I believe in all that too.), but unless your life copes with your testimony, then you haven’t got it. ‘Cause the fruit of the Spirit vindicates what you are, just like the fruit of any tree tells what it is. Jesus said, “By their fruit you shall know them.”

“You say, “Well, I’ve received the Holy Ghost.” That’s good; that’s what you should’ve done. But if the life isn’t in there... Remember, the weed receives the same power that falls on the wheat to make it grow, makes the weed shout too. The little old weed stand right up and just as happy as the wheat is (That’s right.), lives by the same life. And a sinner can stay in the Presence of God, shout the victory, and live like a Christian. But if there isn’t something different in the heart... He could have the same power to cast out evil spirit. Jesus said so. He can preach the Gospel just as good as any other preacher can do. That’s exactly what; Jesus said so. The Bible teaches it. Yes, sir. “Though I speak with tongue of men and angels, though I give my body to be burned as a sacrifice, I give an my goods to feed the poor, I—I have faith to move mountains, I do all these things, I—I have faith to move mountains, I do all these things, I— I am nothing.” So he could do it, and “nothing.” Get the idea?”

MATTHEW 7:21-23- “Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? 23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.”

“Now, what do I do, Brother Branham? Do I shout?” Not necessary. “Do I speak with tongues?” Not necessary. You can shout and speak with tongues both and still live like a—heathen; you still lust for women; you can still smoke and drink and everything else. I seen people speak with tongues and go right out and pull some of the dirtiest, crookedest deal I ever seen. I seen them shout and cry crocodile tears and would steal a—anything he’d get ahold of. I seen them walk out, and every girl that goes down the street, turn. Uh-huh, that’s one good sign you haven’t got it. That’s right. But, brother, when you’ve passed from death unto Life, all those things become dead, and you’re a new creature in Christ Jesus. If you see something wrong, you’ll pray for it: “God be merciful.” And if you see troubles, instead of going and tattling and trying to make it worse, you’ll try to get to the person and straighten it up and quieten it right quick. That’s the Spirit of God in you. If you make a mistake (You’re subject to them...). If you make a mistake, you’ll correct it right quick, “Don’t let the sun go down on your wrath.” That’s how you know you passed from death unto Life.”

I CORINTHIANS 13:1-3- “Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become [as] sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have [the gift of] prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed [the poor], and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.”