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This September sermon is a continuation of the August 2007 sermon on the Book of Revelation. Please have your August sermon before you as you continue the teaching in the following sermon.

II Cor. 5:1-4, “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.

2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:

3 If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked.

4 For we that are in [this] tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.”

I Cor. 15:38-40, “But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

39 All flesh [is] not the same flesh: but [there is] one [kind of] flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, [and] another of birds.

40 [There are] also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial [is] one, and the [glory] of the terrestrial [is] another.”

CONTINUATION OF “THE BOOK OF REVELATION AS REVEALED TO THE PROPHET, WILLIAM BRANHAM (NO. 3)”

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QUOTE: C.O.D. BOOK, PAGE 339-340. “Now, if you take the theophany when you are looking at that, that’s a man. Now, that’s where we were in the beginning. Now, you do not understand it now, but you was back there in the beginning that way. When God made man in His Image, He made him a theophany. And He only placed him in flesh... When God made man in His image, in His likeness, in Genesis 2, or Genesis 1:28, I believe it is, “**There was no man yet to till the soil,**” and God had done made male and female. That’s right. “**No man to till the soil.**” Then God brought man a little lower down and put him in animal life, that’s this body, just like the animals so that he could till the soil, could touch. That theophany doesn’t have touch, it doesn’t see, taste, smell, hear; these senses that we have. So God put man down there in order to—to touch and to feel” (End quote)

II Corinthians 15: 48-50, “**As [is] the earthy, such [are] they also that are earthy: and as [is] the heavenly, such [are] they also that are heavenly.**

49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit

the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

Br. Branham taught that we were once the angels that did not fall and Scripture teaches we were first in the Image of God (Gen. 1:26-27)

QUOTE: UNFAILING REALITIES OF THE LIVING GOD, PAGE 30, “Let me say one more thing. Creeds does not satisfy a hungry heart: Creeds won’t satisfy. If a man is hungry for God, you tell him say, “Say the Apostles’ Creed, join the church, put your name on *here*, be sprinkled or immersed, or whatever you want to, that will never satisfy a hungry soul. Cause, they were predestinated of God to search for Life. *They was once the angels, they was once an angel who did not fall.* Two-thirds (Br. Branham meant to say one-third) of the angels of Heaven fell; that’s these evil spirits working amongst people, very religious. You know the Bible says that. *You was just not all always right here.* You were once somewhere else.

Remember, sin, didn’t begin on Earth. Sin begin in Heaven, when Lucifer taken and made it. He said, “I want a denomination, make a great big thing.” went on the north country and set up a bigger thing than Michael had. And he was kicked out of Heaven.

And those angels back there, them spirits. Well, that's the reason, **"When this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one already waiting."** See? And that's the reason, "Our name was put on the Lamb's Book of Life before the foundation of the world." **"All the Father has given Me, will come to Me."** (End quote)

All of God's creation was created perfect in the beginning, even Lucifer! Ezekiel 28:15, **"Thou [wast] perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee."** Even the angels were created *free-moral agents!* How do we know? Because they were confronted with a *choice*. They had to *choose* who to follow, God, or one of His created beings. When our Prophet said we were once an angel that did not fall, he was referring to Gen. 1:26-27. Our first creation was in an angelic body, like God's own body. Br. Branham said God has a Theophany Body that He uses when it please Him.

QUOTE: IF GOD BE WITH US, PAGE 10, "It was God, it was a theophany, a man in the form of God, like appeared to Abraham back in the wilderness, and He looked like a man." (End quote)

Let me give another Bible example of the fact that God's Elect have a Theophany Body! In Acts 10: 1-25, we have the record of Peter going to Cornelius in his theophany body and Cornelius trying to worship Peter. It happened in the same way John the Revelator tried to worship the theophany body of the angel that was giving him the Book of Revelation. See Rev. 19:10 and Rev. 22:9.

In these last hours, just before the Rapture of the Bride, God is revealing Scripture that has never before been understood. His purpose is to show His Bride *who they really are.....Creatures of God created at*

first in bodies like God's own body. God has a Theophany! In these flesh bodies, we are just the counterpart of a supernatural being that was created before there was a world! The Scriptures in Acts 10 are just one more proof of this.

These revelations have to do with *Rapturing Faith*. At the same time, these revelations are constantly dividing the people. Church Natural, without the Holy Ghost Oil, will not understand these truths!

Acts 10:1-6, **"There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian [band],**

2 [A] devout [man], and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway.

3 He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius.

4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.

5 And now send men to Joppa, and call for [one] Simon, whose surname is Peter:

6 He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side: he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do.

Acts 10: 21-25, **"Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what [is] the cause wherefore ye are come?"**

22 And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that feareth God, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by an holy angel to send for thee into his house, and to hear words of thee.

23 Then called he them in, and lodged [them]. And on the mor-

row Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.

24 And the morrow after they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

25 And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped [him].

Peter, in his Theophany Body, looked similar to Peter in his flesh body. Our *glorified body* will be a mixture of this *flesh body* with the *Heavenly body*. However, the flesh, with its Law of Sin in it, will be changed. The Prophet taught that God is perfected in *three's*. So we have this body here, the flesh one, then the theophany in the Heavens, and some day soon the two will merge into one, which in reality will make the third body, and we will be perfected in it. It will be the Glorified Body that we spend Eternity in.

Going back now to our Scripture in Acts 10 and looking again at the fact that Cornelius recognized Peter, the man, as the angel who had come to him in the vision----we have Scripture for the fact that our flesh man and our theophany are similar in appearance!

1 Cor. 15:40, **"There are also celestial (celestial is Heavenly) bodies and bodies terrestrial (earthly): but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another."**

1 Cor. 15:48-49, **"As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly."**

49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly."

Notice! The Scripture says the *image* of the earthly and the *image* of the heavenly are similar. The im-

age of Peter in his theophany was such that Cornelius thought he was some kind of God! And, he wasn't too far wrong, for he was a chip off the Block of His Father God!

The image of Peter in his theophany so resembled his flesh body that Cornelius recognized Peter when he came in from Joppa as being the same one who come to him in his glorious theophany body! We recall that the Prophet said we have to read between the lines of Scripture. Doing that, concerning this story, we see that Cornelius was a Godly man, and one who feared God and prayed to the true God always. In other words, he was a Christian man and he had visions. Is it not strange then, that he would not know better than to worship a man such as himself? Notice in Acts 10-4, that Cornelius called the Angel, Lord, but in Acts 10-30, after he had tried to worship Peter in his flesh body and was corrected, and was telling of the experience he referred to him as **"A man in bright clothing."** I can believe that God's devout man, Cornelius, was receiving the revelation that Peter had a theophany body, and that he had seen it as well as Peter in his flesh body!

Our Father God is doing all in these last hours to show His Bride who they are and where they came from. Our Prophet has said that we don't remember these things now, because of the veil of the flesh. Therefore, God is seeing fit to remind us by sending Revelation. This writer can see at least two major reasons for the revelations that are coming now. One is to open the door of faith for us, so that we will be enabled to **"Reign in this life, by One, Jesus Christ."** (Rom. 5:17) The End-Time Bride must take over this Satan's Eden for Her Lord, placing it back into the Hands of Father God. This is being done through her

prayers of *"binding and loosing."* (Matt. 18:18) God's rule on Earth has always been through His Believers, and so is it in this last age.

Reason No. two is to give us Rapturing Faith. If we can accept the fact that we were once angels, (in theophany bodies) created in God's own Image, then sent to Earth to live in flesh, to be tried, then we will know that when the trials are over we must go back where we came from! John 3:13, **"And no man hath ascended up to Heaven, but he that came down from Heaven, even the Son of Man which is in Heaven."** This Scripture applies not only to the Lord Jesus, but also to those who have Eternal Life. Dear Friends, if we know we have been CALLED, then we can also KNOW that He will finish the good work He has started in us. (Phill. 1:6) **"Being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ."** (That is to say, until the day He takes us home.)

We will now look at Revelation Chapter Two. Far be it from us to suppose that we understand all that the Book of Revelation contains, and we have perhaps poorly explained the parts that we have revelation on. But, if we know anything about the leading of the Lord, we are suppose to do our best to teach what God has given to His Prophet for the Bride. We certainly leave room to be corrected by the Lord, and are perfectly willing to change whatever we may be wrong about. With this confession then, we continue our study, straining with all our spiritual strength to hear **"What the Spirit saith unto the Church."**

Rev. 2:1, **"Unto the Angel of the Church of Ephesus write, these things saith He that holdeth the Seven Stars in His Right Hand, who walketh in the midst of the Seven Golden Candlesticks."** Hav-

ing discussed the Seven Stars, we know they are the Seven Angelic bodies of the Seven Human Church Age Messengers. In Verse 1, we see that John the Revelator was receiving a Message from SOMEONE. This SOMEONE said to John, "Write these things to the First Church Age Messenger. This SOMEONE also said to John, "These things that I will tell you came from **the One who holds the Seven Stars in His Right Hand, Who also walks in the midst of the Seven Golden Candlesticks** (churches)."

In other words, this *someone* was repeating what had been told to him, by the One who held the Seven Stars. This *someone* was the Angel that Jesus Christ had sent, and by him signified His messages to His servant John. To state it plainly, the angel was the theophany body of our Brother William Branham. (We have taught much on this in other sermons.) This angel, who according to Rev. 19:10, declared himself to be a **"Fellow Servant"** with John, and in Rev. 22:9, went even further in identifying himself and said, **"I am of thy brethren, the Prophets."** We now see this Brother to John, this Prophet, here in Rev. 2:1, giving John a Message that was to be written down and given to the first Church Age Messenger, the Apostle Paul, when he should appear.

What an astounding Revelation it is to understand that our Last Day Messenger, Brother William Branham, who in His Theophany Body, and in the high office of a *major* prophet, was the one who, speaking for God, gave John the Revelator the whole Book of Revelation. Two thousand years before Brother William Branham appeared on Earth in Flesh, he is seen here instructing John as to the writing of the Book of Revelation. This revelation will surely give credence to the messages

Brother William Branham taught in our day. We do know that Church Natural will not be able to see these mysteries, and we are saddened by this fact. Nevertheless, we dutifully preach them to God's Elect Bride.

As we study Rev. 2, we see this same angel continuing to give John a Message to record, later to be given to the Messengers of the seven different Church Ages, as they appear on Earth, in their respective Ages. In Rev. 2:14, we see another astounding thing. The angel of Rev. 1, who had been giving a Message for the other six Church Age Messengers, was now giving a Message to John that would be given to the Last Messenger. Brother William Branham. It was the Theophany Body of William Branham giving John the Revelator a Message that would later be read in the Bible by the flesh man, Brother William Branham.

Not only would Br. Branham, in his flesh, read in the Bible the Message he was to deliver to the Last Age, but His Theophany Body would come to him in the little room at Jeffersonville and instruct him concerning the Seal he was to preach that night. It must have been an experience to top all other experiences when the Theophany Body of Br. Branham appeared to the fleshman, William Branham, in the study room at Jeffersonville. He had first seen his own theophany on Sunset Mountain; the brightest angel that had come straight to him and picked him up.

QUOTE: THE REVELATION OF THE SEVEN SEALS, PAGE, 560-561, "And did you notice that one Angel, I said in there, was a strange Angel? He looked more to me than any of the rest of them. Do you remember that? They were in a constellation -three on a side and

one on top. And the one right next to me here, counting from the left to the right, would have been the seventh Angel. He was brighter, meant more to me than the rest of them. You remember, I said he had his chest out like that, and was flying eastward. Do you remember like that? I said, "It picked me up, lifted me up!" do you remember that?

Here it is! The one with the Seventh Seal—the thing that I've wondered all my life. Amen! Them other Seals meant a lot to me, of course, but, oh, you don't know what this has meant! (End quote)

To be continued next month (October) as we study chapter 4 of the Book of Revelation. Please remember that because the sermons are continued. You should keep each one to be referred back to as you study. Br. C.W. Wood

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