

The Appearing of Christ (*Epiphanaea*)

The Greek word *Epiphanaea* is used in the Scripture as the Words: **APPEARING, BRIGHTNESS** and **SHINING FORTH**. It means to "**come into view**", or "**to become visible**" and "**to show**". It infers a **coming before the public** and in the case of law it has to do with a presenting oneself formally before a court as defendant, plaintiff or as counsel.

When it is used in reference to **SHINING FORTH**, it literally refers to an emanation of light in order to distinguish oneself to become clearly apparent as to one's nature. When it is used as BRIGHTNESS it implies an illumination that causes the object to stand out in comparison to all others.

In the following Quotes and Scripture references we see the declaration of the Doctrine of Christ's glorious Appearing in this end-time as stated by God's Prophet Messenger William Branham and as set forth and declared by Paul in his Epistles.

THE END TIME EVANGELISM 6-3-62 *"Now, we have already seen and are witnessing the APPEARING of the Lord. Now, remember, APPEARING and Coming are two different words, to APPEAR and then to Come. Now is the APPEARING, He's already APPEARED in these last days. Right here with us in the last few years. Now, it's a sign of His Coming. He's APPEARING in His church, in the form of the Holy Spirit, showing that it's Him, 'cause people cannot do these things that you see the Holy Spirit doing, so that's the APPEARING of the lord. Now remember, it spoke both places, "APPEARING" and "Coming"."*

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WE WOULD SEE JESUS 62-0627 E-106 *O God of heaven, forgive our unbelief. We know that's the only sin there is, the sin of unbelief. And may the Holy Spirit come so upon each person just now that they'll no more disbelieve because of the Presence of Christ tonight, showing Himself alive after two thousand years, the Word Himself standing here among us, in us, making His Word manifest.*

VOICE OF THE SIGN 64-0313 E-68 *And now, look up. And in the Presence of the Messiah, the Christ, the resurrected One still alive after two thousand years, how can we be so numb in the spirit? That ought to set this nation on fire.*

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH 60-1127E E-46 *The sign of the resurrection. Hallelujah. We have it. Amen. It's here now. Jesus Christ has raised from the dead, and is alive after two thousand years, showing Himself among us.*

Now in **Titus 2: 13** Paul tells us He will Appear, but who does this tell us will Appear? Who is it Paul is speaking of here? Let's read it together again. **TITUS 2:13** *"Looking for that blessed hope, and glorious APPEARING of the great God and Savior Jesus Christ;"*

It is the great God who is Savior that Paul is speaking of.

ISAIAH 43:10 *Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I [am] he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me. 11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no savior. 12 I have declared, and*

have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God.

Now the question then is in what fashion will this God Who is the Only savior come? For almost two thousand years men have looked upon this scripture and have presumed that this glorious Appearing and His Second coming were one and the same event. But in this last hour God promised to "restore" and reveal all the mysteries. Brother Branham rightly divided this Appearing from the second Coming and in doing so established it as doctrinal truth and allowed us to see that The Appearing of the Lord comes before the actual 2nd Coming of the Lord.

FROM THAT TIME pp. 225 7-13-62 *"How many knows there's a difference between the Appearing of Christ and the Coming of Christ? It's two different words. Now's the Appearing; the Coming will soon be. He's Appearing in the midst of us, doing the works that He once did, in His church.*

Then. In the next breath he goes on to say "***This is my ministry, see, to declare Him, that He's here.***" Now the question then remains, Who is here. God, or the Son of God? Which Jesus is here.

Brother Branham used **1 Thessalonians 4:16** for his text when He preached the Rapture message, and he told us that the Message is the Shout.

I THESSALONIANS 4:16 *For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive [and] remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.*

RAPTURE THE 65-1204 082 *He ordained these things to be, and He must send this. The first thing come when He starts descending from the heaven, there's a shout. What is it? It's a Message to get the people together. A Message comes forth first. Now, "Lamp trimming time. Rise and trim your lamps." What watch was that? The seventh, not the sixth, the seventh. "Behold the Bridegroom cometh. Rise and trim your lamps." And they did. Some of them found they didn't even have any oil in their lamp. See? But it's lamp trimming time. It's Malachi 4 time when you come... It's Luke 17. It's--it's Isaiah... All those prophecies that it can--perfectly set in order for this day in the Scriptures, we see it living right there.*

Now the question still remains, Who came down with a Shout. Paul calls Him **Lord** in this verse. He says, for **The Lord Himself** shall descend with a shout which brother Branham told us is the Message. But is this Lord God? Or is it the Son of God? He said the Lord HIMSELF. And there is only One Lord, not two not three.

I know people may read, **PSALMS 110:1** ¶ *The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.*

But the Original says, "***Jehovah Elohim said unto Adonai***". All the Old Testament and the New Testament speak of just **One Lord**, Let's just examine what the Scripture speaks concerning One God and One Lord.

DEUTERONOMY 6:4 ¶ *Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God [is] one LORD:* Now, this word **LORD** is a Hebrew word **Yhovah** the existing **One**.

The next time we see in scripture where it tells us that there shall be One Lord, we see it in **ZECHARIAH 14:6** *And it shall come to pass in that day, [that] the light shall not be clear, [nor] dark: 7 But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, [that] at evening time it shall be light. 8 ¶ And it shall be in that day, [that] living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be. 9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.* Again, the word **LORD** is **Yhovah**, the existing one.

Now what is this a picture of here. It is of the new Jerusalem, right?

Now, there are five times total in the Scripture where we hear the words **ONE LORD** used together,

So let's go to the next verse which we will find Jesus Himself speaking in **MARK 12:28** ¶ *And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all? 29 And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments [is], Hear, O Israel; **The Lord our God is one Lord:** 30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this [is] the first commandment. 31 And the second [is] like, [namely] this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these. 32 And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but he: 33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love [his] neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.*

Now, notice how specific Jesus answer was.... **The Lord our God is one Lord**... In other words, He spoke of God as being One Lord in contradistinction to being more than one. He was speaking of God being ONE, and the Word LORD that He used here is the Greek Word **kurios**, which means master or ruler.

We next see this ONE LORD used by the Apostle Paul in **I CORINTHIANS 8:4** ¶ *As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol [is] nothing in the world, and that [there is] none other God but one. 5 For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) That word LORD is also **kurios** which is master 6 But to us [there is but] one God, (and notice the title Paul gives to this ONE GOD!) the Father, of whom [are] all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom [are] all things, and we by him. 7 ¶ Howbeit [there is] not in every man that knowledge: He tells us "to us" who are true believers, there is but **one God** and there is but one **Kurios** or **master**, and that would be **Our Lord Jesus Christ**, by whom are all things... in other words this one He is speaking of is **the Creator**. The believer does not believe in more than one.*

Now, finally we will come to the 5th time this word phrase is used in God's Holy Word. Paul again is the speaker, in the book of **EPHESIANS 4:4** where he says, *There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; 5 **One Lord**, (One Kurios or *master*) one faith, one baptism, THEN NOTICE VERSE 6 **One God** Who is Father of all, Who is above all, and through all, and in you all.*

In verse 5 Paul tells us there is but One Lord, and one Master but then in verse 6 he tells us who that One Lord Is. It is God.

Now, first of all this ought to tell us that if there is ONE GOD Who is the Father and He is in you all, then the Holy Ghost is none other than that part of God the Father which has come into you. And what part of any Father comes into his children? His Life!

In **JOHN 5:26** *For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;*

Now the question we must have then is this. If there is but One God who is Father, then Who is the Son. And how does He differ from the Father? Because the Scripture tells us that He is called the Son of God, He is never called in scripture, "God the Son".

Did you know the Pharisees were also bothered by this question because they really did not understand Who the Messiah would be, and they did not understand His relationship to the Father. Jesus said to them, ye do always err in your hearts because you do not understand, neither do you know the scriptures.

In **MATTHEW 22:41** we read, ¶ *While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, 42 Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The Son of David. 43 He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying, 44 The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit*

thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool? 45 If David then called him Lord, how could he be his son?

Brother Branham taught us that the only difference between the Father and the Son is that the Son had a beginning.

From **HEBREWS CHAPTER 7 PT.1 57-0915E 062** brother Branham said, *“that same Melchisedec that met Abraham coming from the slaughter of the kings. Certainly. The God of heaven, the Elohim, the Great I AM, not the I was, the I AM (present tense). "And He blessed him." Listen here just a little further, so we can get the lesson a little closer together. Now, the 4th verse... Now consider how great this man was,... (I just think that too.)... consider how great this man was,... He's beyond the Son of God. The Son of God had father and mother; He didn't. The Son of God had a beginning of time and an ending of time; He didn't. Who was that? That was the Father of the Son. That's Who it was.*

HEBREWS CHAPTER. 7 PT.2 57-0922 035 *And this Melchisedec was not Jesus, for He was God. And what made Jesus and God different, that... Jesus was the Tabernacle that God dwelt in. See? Now, Melchisedec... Jesus had both father and mother, and this Man never had father or mother. Jesus had a beginning of life and He had a end of life. This Man had no father, no mother, no beginning of days, or ending of life. But It was the self same Person; it was Melchisedec and Jesus was One; but Jesus was the earthly body, borned and fashioned after sin: God's own body, His own Son, borned and fashioned after sin to take the sting out of death, to pay the ransom, and to receive sons and daughters unto Himself. You get it? That's the reason that He had--He had a beginning; He had an ending.*

HEBREWS CHAPTER 7 PT.2 57-0922 036 *But this perfect body, in commemoration as a--as the earnest of our resurrection, God would not suffer that holy body to see corruption, because He created it Himself, and brought it forth, and resurrected it, and set it at His right hand. And today, the Holy Spirit that raised that body up is here in the Church (Blessed be the Name of the Lord.) and showing forth the same miracles and power. And someday this Holy Spirit, that's in the Church, will scream, and will lift up, and will receive Itself into this body form that's setting at the right hand of the Majesty of God, to make intercessions for we sinners, and by there we're perfectly kept from sin. Not that we don't sin, but kept from sin in the Presence of God; 'cause there's a bloody Sacrifice standing between me and God, and between you and God. That's the reason He said, "A man that's born of God, does not commit sin. He can't sin. For if you're borned again, the very Holy Spirit that lived in that Body, lives in you, and It can't sin. The sacrifice is laying before Him. Then if you willfully do it, shows that it's impossible for you to be into that Body. Amen. That's the Gospel. There it is.*

Now, notice how brother Branham lays out the difference between the father and the Son. And if there is a difference, then they are different. But you will find that the only difference is that a Son has a beginning, and God does not. Then the Son is not God, but He is the Son of God. Yet we know that God dwelled in Him, and anointed Him with His Holy Life, His Holy Presence, His Holy Spirit.

In the Book of **ACTS 2:29** we read, *“Men [and] brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. 30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; 31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption. 32 This Jesus hath God raised up,* Now, let's just stop here for a moment... Notice he says, *This Jesus hath God raised up,*... Now this tells you that God is not Jesus, for if God was Jesus then He would have raised up Himself.

This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. 33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, Now let's examine this here. Notice, he says, that Jesus The Son of God had to receive the Holy Ghost Himself... Now if He had to receive the Holy Ghost, then where was it.

This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. 33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. 34 For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, 35 Until I make thy foes thy footstool. 36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

Now then, How did Jesus become Lord? God made Him Lord! And How did god make Him Lord? By indwelling Him. *“God hath made this Jesus both Lord and Christ!”*

The fact is that God made Him Lord when He made Him Christ. And the Word Christ is the word **Christos** which means the anointed One. Now, I would like to ask this question, How could he be the anointed One unless He had been anointed. And How was He anointed? God, the One Lord came into Him at the river Jordan. And Who anointed Him? God anointed Him. Therefore if the man Jesus had been God, then why would He need to be anointed, and recognized as The Anointed One?

In the Book of **ACTS 10:38**, we read, *“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. 39 And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree: 40 Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;”*

Now, if God had to anoint Him and Show Himself to be with Him and even raise Him up, then was this one that was raised up God? The answer is quite apparent. The Son of God is not God the Son, but Paul clears up the relationship that the Son had with the Father in **II CORINTHIANS 5:19** *To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.* Now notice what Paul tells us here, God was in Christ... and that is what made Him deity.

Now, we have already established that it was God that raised up Jesus From the dead. And We know by scripture that it was God that anointed Jesus With the Holy Spirit. And we know that brother Branham taught us that the Spirit of God entered Him at His baptism, and left Him in the Garden of Gethsemane.

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME 55-0806 *You got to come back to the Bible, back to the truth. And when Jesus, a carpenter's Son, physically speaking, when He come to the earth here that's all He was known of, and the day that when John baptized Him, God a vindicated Him. God spoke from the heavens. John saw Him coming in the form a dove, and said, "This is My beloved Son in Whom I'm pleased to dwell." The right translation there is, "In whom I am pleased to dwell in." Jesus immediately anointed with God, He was just a man till that time, but now He becomes the God-man. Someone telling me here not long ago, as I many times referred to it in this shiftless day, that He was just a prophet, He was a good man. He was more than that. He was the anointed God. The Bible said, "God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself." God in Christ. Amen.*

QUEEN OF SHEBA 60-0110 075 *Then after He was baptized in water, John saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and going on Him, a Voice saying, "This is My beloved Son (correctly like this) in Whom I am pleased to dwell in." God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself. Jesus said, "It's not Me that doeth these things; it's My Father. The Son can do nothing in Himself but what He sees the Father doing." And then God was with us, God above us, God with us in Christ, Emmanuel, God with us.*

FORMER AND LATTER RAIN 60-0303 014 *And now, the sun has come across giving a dismal light because of the denseness of the faith of people. Jesus was the Son of God, as we was talking today. He was the Son of God as much as He was a man. At thirty years... We have no record of Him doing anything till He was thirty years old. When He was baptized in Jordan by John, then the Holy Ghost came upon Him without measure. In Him dwelled the Fullness of the Godhead bodily. He was*

Emmanuel. **God was in Him.** Why was God in Him? Because He was sinless born and because that **He had a way that He could yield Himself to God, and in Him dwelt all of God.** Now, you and I could have no more God in us than what we can yield ourself. As much as we abide... As much **Bill Branham as I can get out of the way, God will come in.** But as long as **William Branham's in there, then God has no way of getting in.** And the same with you. **It's getting ourself out of the way, not looking the way we think, not doing the way that we think, but letting Him do our thinking. Let Him do our looking, listening to the Holy Spirit.**

WHY 61-0413 E-85 God the Father is a Spirit, The Son of God is a Man Who the Spirit of God dwelt in.

RISING OF THE SUN 65-0418M 34-5 When God looked down upon the body... (The **Spirit left Him in the Garden of Gethsemane; He had to die a man.**) Remember friends, He didn't have to do that. That was God. **God anointed that flesh, which was human flesh, and He didn't have...** If He'd went up there as God, He'd have never died that kind of death; **can't kill God.** He didn't have to do it, but remember, He went there with you in Him. See?

BE NOT AFRAID, IT IS I 4-14-61 tape 1 side 1 "We pray that will take place among us tonight as we will see the Lord God Jehovah to which we are all worshipers of. May He come forth in His great power, and will **SHINE FORTH** His Glory into every gloomy heart. Bring forth faith, Life. We pray that every church that's represented here may go from here tonight with a fresh vision and a revival spirit break out in this country, and in the schools, that there will be prayer day and night, and hungering and thirsting. May the salt that seasons our life, come tonight and make us so thirsty to be like Him. We commit this service unto Him now, The Author Who said, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. May He come **SHINING FORTH** in His Word. And then afterwards **SHINE FORTH** in the people. And we will praise Him for it with humble hearts."

II TIMOTHY 4:1 "I charge the therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Chris, Who shall judge the quick and the dead at His **APPEARING** and His kingdom." ...

II TIMOTHY 4:8 "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them that also love His **APPEARING.**"

END TIME EVANGELISM pp. 186 6-3-62 "I've kept the faith, and henceforth there's a crown of righteousness laid up for me, that the righteous Lord will give me in that day; not only me, but all those that love His Appearing. **Not believes His Appearing; but loves His Appearing....**"

In **II THESSALONIANS 2:10-11** **those who did not love the Truth on the other hand are sent a strong delusion.** It is during the time of the Presence of Christ that the false anointed ones bring forth their lying wonders. But **unto those that Love His Appearing He shall give us a crown of Right - Wise - Ness** or correct understanding. On the other hand, **a strong delusion is sent to those who do not love His APPEARING.**

What is this strong delusion: **Webster's** says it is **A FALSE BELIEF HELD IN SPITE OF INVALIDATING EVIDENCE.**

No matter how well you lay out this great revelation of Christ's Presence to the people they still refuse it and say that it is a false doctrine while they themselves hold to their false teachings that are solely based upon denominational understanding. They have not yet learned to question everything they were taught under their denominational system and to bring it into focus with the Word as revealed by God's Servant and Prophet.

SPIRITUALFOOD IN DUE SEASON 65-0718E 066 Now, He appeared here as a physical body, looked just exactly like Hofmann's Head of Christ at Thirty-three, and blood running out of His hand, and so forth, nail scars all over Him, **I wouldn't accept it.** No, no, no, no. **When He comes, Hissself,**

*"Every eye shall see Him, every tongue shall confess Him; and as the lightning cometh from the east unto the west, so shall it be." See? We don't believe these cults and clans. **We believe God is the Word.** But He embodies Himself, taking your body and my body, and gives you gifts, gives me gifts, and through these gifts He makes Himself known. That's the secret Food. No matter how much He'd make Himself known by me, you've got to believe it; you've got to have a gift of faith too to believe it. You believe that? And now if He will manifest Himself in that manner, will you believe Him with all your heart? You'll believe Him? Oh, how wonderful, just waiting on Him, just waiting to see what He says.*

HAVE FAITH IN GOD 54-0900 017 *Jesus is risen from the dead. He's just doing all kinds of things to get people to believe it, but we're just so loose. We let it slip through. He could come here tonight, walk out on a platform, visible in a body with nail scarred hands and return. He's here in the form of Spirit, but not in the form of flesh. When He brings His body back with Him, well, it'll be the second coming. It'll all be over then.*

THE GREATEST NEWS FLASH IN HISTORY 4-24-61 *"And then He APPEARED to His Elected Church only. The rest of them did not recognize Him. And if He was here today, He would just do the same as He did then; Appear to the Elected Believer. He never APPEARS to the unbeliever.. That's the same way He would do today. If He should come today, and which He has, in Spirit form. And you notice that He only shows Himself like we left off last night in Abraham. He never went down unto Lot's group. But He APPEARED to the Elected group. Turned His back to the tent and said, "Where is thy wife Sarah?"*

If He APPEARS to His Elected only, then what is the delusion that causes the others to miss His APPEARING? They cannot rightly divide the difference between the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and the Person of the Holy Ghost Himself. Didn't brother Branham in referring to **Matthew 7** tell us that these people who had gifts of the Spirit were told, "**Depart from me for I never Knew you.**"

Did he not also teach us that when the church denomination goes for the oil it's all over. Why? Because they think they are receiving Him and they aren't.

He never knew them, yet they were baptized in the Spirit even as the tares received the same rain as the wheat. He also taught us that you can be baptized in your spirit with the Holy Ghost every hour of your life and still go to hell, unless you have the seed gene.

And any time God sends forth a new Message it is preceded by healing. So, if the Message is a new Message and not the same old worn out Pentecostal message of the baptism of the Holy Ghost, you can see that their old understanding becomes a deluding influence and points the people away from the very presence of the Baptizer Himself. They say, what do we need a prophet for when we already have God! "Why, I know he's here because He's in my heart.

Don't you realize that the Baptist's and Pentecostal's all say the same thing? It's too late an hour to be ignorant of the difference between an anointing in the flesh and the Presence of the Anointed Christ Himself. So they will keep on looking for the evidence in their flesh that they have been baptized in the Spirit.

WE WOULD SEE JESUS pp. 170 7-4-62 *"In the evening time it shall be light. What is it? The same sun that rises in the east, sets in the west. And the same Son of God that manifested and APPEARED in the east, is APPEARING in the west now at the evening time, evening light to the church that's called out and filled with the Holy Spirit."*

SOULS IN PRISON pg. 21 pp. 4 11-10-63 *"Notice. The same spiritual sign Jesus done has reoccurred on the earth in the last days...the very same spiritual sign that He identified Himself as Messiah, has identified Him today! He's still Messiah! The same material sign has APPEARED on the earth that APPEARED about what He was...the same Pillar of Fire that St. Paul saw, the same One. And all that has reoccurred with the same nature in it, doing the same thing."*

DECEIVED CHURCH BY THE WORLD pp. 83 6-28-59 *"But as Israel was bound by their kings, that they could not follow the real King; and the real King, when He came, they didn't recognize Him. So is it today, Oh Lord, The king of Glory has APPEARED in the form of the Holy Ghost, and , Lord, they don't know it. They don't recognize it. They're so organized so tight, that they do not understand it, because it's not in their organization. Lord, this is the work of the Devil that's done this to the people."*

WHERE IS HE KING OF THE JEWS pp. 99 12-21-58 *"Yet in all of our theology and our great churches, and so forth today, when the great light of God has begin to SHINE, the church knows nothing about it."*

HEBREWS CHAPTERS 5 & 5 PT. 1 pp. 170 9-8-57 *"Friends, let us go on to perfection. We're with out excuse today. We have no excuse at all. The God of heaven has APPEARED in these last days and is doing the very same things that He did then, when He was here before, when He was on earth. He's proved. As we are coming through this Bible, and you class, know this; that we have taken miracle by miracle and sign by sign and wonder by wonder that He did with the children in the wilderness, the things and signs that He did. The things that He done when He was here on earth, manifest in the flesh, and the very same things are taking place today, right here among us. Here's the Word to Vindicate it. Here's the thing to say It's right, to make it right. Here's the Spirit of God to do the same thing, so we're without excuse."*

WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST 57-0303E 031 *What kind of people ought we to be? How should we conduct ourselves? We are sons and daughters of a King, not a king, but the King: Jesus Christ the Son of the living God Who is the King of kings.*

II PETER 3:9 ¶ *The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 11¶ [Seeing] then [that] all these things shall be dissolved, what manner [of persons] ought ye to be in [all] holy conversation and godliness, 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming(Parousia-Presence) of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?*

THINKING MAN'S FILTER pp. 34 8-22-65 *"And when the Angels of the Lord APPEARED out there for the seven seals, and it went up into the air (which we had the picture of It here and around over the country), there He was standing there still wigged with the Supreme Authority. He is the Head of the church. He's head of the body. There's nothing like Him anywhere."*

WHEN THEIR EYES WERE OPEN 3-12-64 *"Remember, the reason they knowed that was Him, He did it just like He did it before He was crucified. Then He vanished out of their sight to get away from it. He did it that way. May He come tonight among us, and open our eyes by revealing Himself to us by the same things that He did when here on earth, because He promised He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. Mat the Lord help us to see Him as He appears to us."*

Then he goes on to say *"This is my ministry, see, to declare Him, that He's here."*

LETTING OFF THE PRESSURE PP. 96 6-9-62 *"But if you can beat all that away from you, say, "Lord God, I believe just exactly what your word says, and I believe [as we preached last night] that the Appearing of the Lord comes before the Coming of the Lord," for it's just two different words altogether, see. Now's the appearing, as He promised in the last days that He'd be with us."*

II TIMOTHY 4:1 *"I charge the therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Chris, Who shall judge the quick and the dead at His APPEARING and His kingdom."*

When Brother Branham laid the cornerstone of the Branham Tabernacle He had this scripture placed in the cornerstone. His commission from God was to "do the work of an evangelist, to make full proof of

his ministry," although God had never told him that he was an evangelist. The page that he placed in the cornerstone began with this scripture and ended with Vs 8 which is as follows...

II TIMOTHY 4:8 *"Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the Righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them that also love His APPEARING."*

How beautifully when even his own commission declares the very essence of his ministry in which he was to declare this great APPEARING of Christ. We also see by this scripture that Christ is to APPEAR as JUDGE.

In **JOHN 12:48** Jesus said "my Word shall judge in the last days" and we see the JUDGE having come in the clouds of angels with His hair white like wool standing at the door of the church knocking. (**REVELATIONS 1:7, 3:20 10:1, JAMES 5:7-9, and I THES 1:7, 10-11**).

TRYING TO GOD A SERVICE PP. 92, 11-27-65 *"And He's wigged with that white Angel wig to show that the Message of Him being God is the Truth. He is the Supreme Judge of the Universe, Supreme Judge of Heaven and earth."*

If this APPEARING is actually the Coming as most theologians believe, then how could you love something that we are not to be aware of until it happens in the twinkling of an eye. But this scripture shows a period of time will take place during this Appearing and those who are caught up into it and are a part of it will love it.

QUEEN OF SHEBA 1-25-58 *"And He never went to the Gentiles. Because the Gentiles has more or less been a wild tree anyhow, in the sight of God. So He's left that to the last day, at the closing of this dispensation. And here He is! He forbid His disciples to go to the Gentiles while He was on earth. But now He Appearing to the Gentiles."*

No matter how well you lay out this great revelation of Christ's Presence to the people they still refuse it and say that it is a false doctrine while they themselves hold to their false teachings that are solely based upon denominational understanding.

They have not yet learned to question everything they were taught under their denominational system and to bring it into focus with the Word as revealed by God's Servant and Prophet.

JEHOVAH JIREH PART II 7-6-62 *"This is the close of the Royal Seed's waiting. He's here, the APPEARING of Christ. Did you ever try to DIVIDE?... There's a place in the Bible, you know, I ain't got time to go into it, says "the APPEARING of Christ," and then "the Coming of Christ." That's two different things, altogether, the "APPEARING" and the "Coming." He's APPEARING now, working with us in the form of the Holy Spirit, making it just perfect, the Church, It has to."*

II THESSALONIANS 2:8 *"And then shall that wicked be revealed, Whom the Lord shall destroy with the BRIGHTNESS of His mouth, and shall destroy with the BRIGHTNESS of His Parousia."*

It is apparent here that the manner in which the Lord discloses His Great Presence will affect and destroy the workings of Satan, but only in His Elect as those who are not Elect will fall for Satan's delusion. Jesus at His first Coming defeated Satan with His Word. So therefore Satan must again be defeated after the same pattern at Christ's great APPEARING that will render Satan inoperative in the Elect.

Remember, when the word EPIPHANAEA is used in terms of BRIGHTNESS, it is used in a way to show that there is something that attracts and shows attention to it, causing it to stand out in contrast to everything else. So we see that there must be a distinctive feature about the Word of God that Proceeds from His mouth and His Mouth is His Prophet.

Therefore this BRIGHTNESS not only declares His presence but clearly sets forth into view the defining ATTRIBUTES and CHARACTERISTICS of the One Who is present in contrast to everything

else including the Doctrine of ages gone by. Thus we see that the Word going forth is a demarcation line in that it actually separates from His presence all those who refuse to enter into this rightly divided Word.

Paul rightly divided the understanding of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit from the very Presence of God Himself in **EPHESIANS** chapter **1**. Here he speaks of the baptism which seals in the believer in verses **13** and **14**. But in verse **17** he speaks of a greater event as that of the Father bringing forth the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation in the Knowledge of Himself.

This clearly separates the Baptism from the Baptizer Himself and let's you know that only those who are truly born again will understand this glorious APPEARING as we also see in the following quotation of William Branham:

DANIELS 70 WEEKS pg. 103 *"The Spirit of Wisdom comes into the church to make known to the church by the Revelation of the Holy Ghost, bringing the church in and revealing what day we're living in. Just the same as Gabriel came to Daniel, the Holy Spirit comes to the church in the last days to Reveal these great deep secret things."*

We must ask ourselves this question. How did the Angel come to Daniel? The answer is simple. One Angel came to one prophet. We further see brother Branham tell us that the baptism of the Spirit was to get us ready for the Spirit of God Himself:

MASTERPIECE pg. 28 *"Justification made a way for sanctification, Sanctification made a way for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The Baptism of the Holy Ghost made a way for the Holy Ghost Itself to come right down in perfection, back to the Word again to manifest Itself."*

A MAN THAT CAN TURN ON THE LIGHT pg. 37 12-29-63 *"Sanctification served it's time till it come to the baptism of the Holy Ghost. And the baptism of the Holy Ghost has served it's time until the Holy Spirit...which, there's only one God...blends into the church, or the church into Christ. That makes Jesus Christ reflected on the earth. What he promised here in the Bible."*

So you can see that brother Branham rightly divided the season of the baptism of the Holy Spirit from the event of the APPEARING of Christ Itself.

THE TRIAL pp. 76 4-19-64 *"And He APPEARED to Abraham in the form of the Son of Man, Elohim, Jehovah. The church now has served the term through the church age in the baptism of the Holy Ghost. But Jesus said here, to make Malachi 4 and the rest of these scriptures real to you, see, that "in the last days, just before the Coming, the world will be like the Sodom, and the Son of Man will reveal Himself as the Son of Man like He did in the days of Sodom."*

Notice how brother Branham tells you that the Baptism takes them up to His presence but that His Presence is even greater than the Baptism itself.

I TIMOTHY 6:14 *"That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the APPEARING of our Lord Jesus Christ."*

WE WOULD SEE JESUS pp. 170 7-4-62 *"In the evening time it shall be light. What is it? The same sun that rises in the east, sets in the west. And the same Son of God that manifested and APPEARED in the east, is APPEARING in the west now at the evening time, evening light to the church that's called out and filled with the Holy Spirit."*

THE TRIAL 4-12-64 *"Our heavenly Father, the strain of this moment..We're wondering Lord, just how many really believe. The seed has been sown, the Word has been read. Christ, the Holy Ghost, has APPEARED before us and showed that Life that was in this Light... And He was the light of the world. He's the Light now. He's the great Eternal Light, and He has APPEARED before us this afternoon and done just what He said He would do in this generation. The Word's been thoroughly spoken, the Word's been identified, and the people now, if they just thoroughly believe it with all their heart..."*

WHEN THEIR EYES WERE OPENED 4-16-64 *"Still, you know today, after Jesus has raised from the dead, **has APPEARED** to he people in the last days..."*

PERFECT FAITH pp. 154 8-25-63 *"He has APPEARED to us in the same form that He did to them in the old testament; and has showed by the same Word, the same Christ. And I declare to you That Christ is the Holy Ghost."*

That's the same way He would do today. If He should come today, and which He has, in Spirit form. And you notice that He only shows Himself like we left off last night in Abraham. He never went down unto Lot's group. But He APPEARED to the Elected group. Turned His back tot he tent and said, "Where is thy wife Sarah?"

II TIMOTHY 1:10 *"But this is now made manifest by the APPEARING of our Saviour Jesus Christ, Who hath abolished death, and hath brought Life and immortality to light through the Gospel."*

This speaks of the APPEARING in flesh at His first Coming. But remember, Alpha is Omega. What He did in the first Age must repeat in the last. Now notice what **EPIPHANAEA** does, It abolishes death and brings life to light. That is exactly what Light does. It brings forth the seed into its predetermined condition.

HEBREWS pp. 235 CHAPTER 4 9-01-57 *"God come down and He showed them a Pillar of Fire; by His prophets, signs and wonders, He was with them. **They didn't believe It. Oh, they liked to see the miracles. They liked to hear the prophet.** But **as far as believing It, they didn't.** their lives proves they didn't. [236] Now, He said, "**Don't you fall after that same example of unbelief!**" For if the last day, to the Gentile church, **God has APPEARED** again: Same sign, same wonder, same Pillar of Fire, Vindicated, Proven. **Let us not harden our hearts and fall in that temptation back yonder of unbelief,** for we'll rot on earth and that'll be the end of it. [237] And when the Holy Spirit knocks at your heart, "**After so long a time when you hear My Voice, harden not your heart;**" say, "Child of mine, this is the truth." Don't look at the messenger, listen to the Message."*

INVISIBLE UNION OF THE BRIDE pg. 11 pp. 3 11-25-65 *"And so was God manifested in the beginning. And finally He Appeared as Jehovah, God the Father. Then He APPEARED as God the Son in Jesus Christ. Now, He has APPEARED as God the Holy Ghost, the same God all the time. Three manifestations of the same God."*