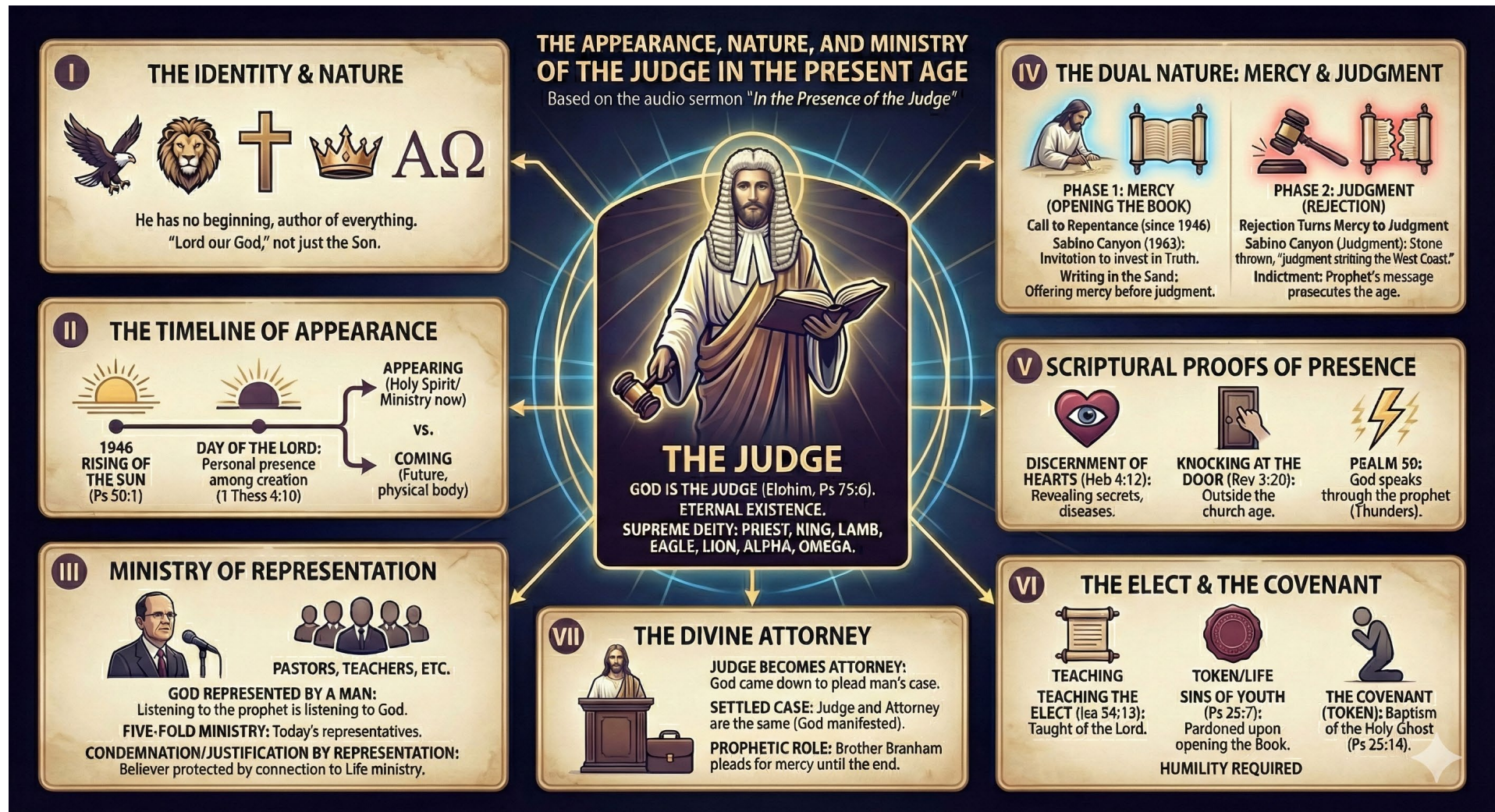


In the Presence of the Judge



I. The Identity and Nature of the Judge

- **God is the Judge:** The sermon establishes from **Psalm 75:6** that Elohim (God) is the Judge.
- **Eternal Existence:** To judge creation, the Judge must have existed before creation. He has no beginning and is the author of everything.
- **Supreme Deity:** The Judge described is the Supreme Deity: He is the Priest, King, Lamb, Eagle, Lion, Alpha, and Omega. This is not just the Son of God, but the "Lord our God".

II. The Timeline of the Judge's Appearance

- **The Rising of the Sun (1946):** The sermon identifies the period starting in **1946** as the fulfillment of **Psalm 50:1**, "**The mighty God, even the Lord, hath spoken... from the rising of the sun**".
- **The Day of the Lord:** This era represents the "**Lord Himself**" descending (**1 Thess 4:16**). Unlike the Church Ages (Luther, Wesley) where the Pillar of Fire moved on, this age features the personal presence of God among His creation.
- **The Appearing vs. The Coming:** There is a distinction between the "Appearing" (now, in the form of the Holy Spirit/Ministry) and the "Coming" (future, physical body). The Judge is currently "appearing" in His Church to perform the same signs He did in the days of Abraham.

III. The Ministry of Representation

- **God Represented by a Man:** God is not physically walking the earth as a man today but is **represented by a ministry**. When people listen to the prophet (William Branham), they are listening to God; when they fight the prophet, they are warring against God.
- **The Five-Fold Ministry:** Today, the ministry is also represented by the five-fold ministry (pastors, teachers, etc.) who bring the Word.
- **Condemnation by Representation:** Just as humanity was condemned by representation (Adam), the Bride is justified by representation. As long as the believer is connected to a ministry with Life, they are protected.

IV. The Dual Nature: Mercy and Judgment

The Judge's presence brings two distinct phases: Mercy and Wrath.

A. Phase 1: Mercy (The Opening of the Book)

- **The Call to Repentance:** From 1946 onwards, God revealed Himself in mercy, attempting to gather people around His Word and cause the age to repent.

- **Sabino Canyon (Grace):** The appearance of the Angels in 1963 and the command to return to Jeffersonville to open the Seals represented God offering mercy and inviting the world to invest in Truth.
- **Writing in the Sand:** The sermon uses the biblical example of the woman caught in adultery. Before judgment, Jesus (the Judge) stooped down to write in the sand, ignoring the accusers. This symbolizes God offering mercy before bringing judgment.

B. Phase 2: Judgment (The Rejection)

- **Rejection Turns Mercy to Judgment:** When the church world walks away from the Truth, the ministry becomes a judgment seat.
- **Sabino Canyon (Judgment):** One year after the Angels appeared, the prophet was told to throw a stone into the air at the same location, signifying "judgment striking the West Coast" because the people walked away from the Truth.
- **Indictment:** The prophet's message ("Indictment") serves as the Judge's prosecutor, testifying against the age for crucifying the Word afresh.

V. Scriptural Proofs of the Judge's Presence

The sermon cites specific evidences that the Judge is present:

- **Discernment of Hearts (Hebrews 4:12):** The ability of the ministry to discern thoughts, reveal secrets, and identify diseases is cited as the primary proof of the Judge's presence. Only the Omniscient Judge knows the secrets of the heart.
- **Knocking at the Door (Rev 3:20):** The scripture "Behold, I stand at the door and knock" is identified as the Judge standing outside the church age, trying to get in.
- **Psalms 50:** God "shall not keep silent" but speaks through the prophet (Thunders).

VI. The Elect and the Covenant

- **Teaching the Elect:** Based on **Isaiah 54:13**, "All thy children shall be taught of the Lord." God is only concerned with the redeemed/elect. He teaches them through the vindicated prophet.
- **Sins of Youth:** **Psalms 25:7** ("Remember not the sins of my youth") refers to the period of **ignorance** before the believer knew the Truth. These sins are pardoned when the Book is opened.
- **The Covenant (The Token):** God shows His secret covenant to those who fear Him (**Psalms 25:14**). This covenant is the Baptism of the Holy Ghost (The Token/Life), which seals the believer.
- **Humility Required:** Only the "meek" (Abraham's seed) will be guided in judgment. It requires humility to bend one's will to the Word of God.

VII. The Divine Attorney

- **Judge becomes Attorney:** In the Old Testament, no attorney (Moses, Daniel) was good enough to plead man's case against Satan. Therefore, God (the Judge) came down and became the Attorney.
- **Settled Case:** Because the Judge and the Attorney are the same person (God manifested in flesh/Word), the case is settled for the believer. The Holy Ghost is the Token of this acquittal.
- **Prophetic Role:** Brother Branham acts as the attorney in the defense of the age, pleading for mercy, but eventually, the Judge will signal that the time for mercy is over.

PSALM 75:6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God is judge himself. Selah. We will look at different scriptures that speaks about this judge.

Opening Prayer: Father, we are grateful for the gathering of your children, wherever they are, that you just bless them, undertake for the sick and those that are going through difficult times. We gather here, Father, so that we can understand who you really are. Father, and we appreciate the opening of Your Word. Lord, as we prepare for today, inspire our hearts. Lord, even in our gathering, watch our coming and our goings, that all things we please Thee. Inspire us through Your Word today, Father. We give You glory and ask this in the name of Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Psalms says that God is the judge. Elohim is the judge. He's the only one who's never had a beginning. For you to judge someone or something, means that you must be in existence even before the substance or the creation was there. Before there could be a problem, there had to be an answer. God is the beginning of everything, is the author of everything. There are many scriptures that point to us living at the moment of the Judge. We know that from 1946, that God was revealing Himself in mercy. Also, whatever takes place in heaven is represented by a ministry on the earth.

For hundreds of years, the church world was looking for this period because there were many scriptures that speaks about the coming of the Judge. Unfortunately, the strategy of the enemy (spread through theology) has continuously placed this event further away. Man, always wants you to know what has happened, and what is going to take place. However, He will always avoid showing you what is taking place in the present. Thus, many people cannot fully appreciate the hour that we are living in.

JUDGES 11:27 Wherefore I have not sinned against thee, but thou doest me wrong to war against me: the LORD the Judge be judge this day between the children of Israel and the children of Ammon.

Even in the days of the judges, they always go back to Elohim or the Lord Himself, who is the Judge.

When somebody fails you, or speaks against the word or against the family of God, the ministry, or comes against Brother Branham, they have not sinned against the individual. But rather, when they do wrong or when they go war, you find it is the Lord that does battle for his children.

Wherefore, I have not sinned against thee, but thou dost me wrong to war against me.

When people fight against you, it is the Lord that takes up the fight. Brother Branham says, when you fight, God can't fight for you. It's very important that we understand that when things go wrong, we need to step back and ask ourselves, is God using this situation or this environment to build my life? If so, He will do the fighting for you.

Many times, we question why certain things take place in our lives, but we to understand that God controls everything. No matter how bad things could have been in your life, maybe you could have said, *I've been through so much. I've been through certain situations. I've been through difficult challenges in my life. Why isn't God helping me?*

If God wants to help and wants you to go through something, He will allow you to go through it, but He will always control that which is in His perfect will. Sometimes you'd find that we are praying for something and it's not in the will of the Lord. But if we push further, He will cause the permissive will your way, and He will bring a lesson to the Elect of God. Always pray that His perfect is done. Note God is only concerned about the Elect of God, the redeemed. The redeemed are the ones that are in Him. Remember that your earthly father did not choose you. He had no choice to bring you into this world because of the laws of God, you were in him. He could not decide whether your brother or you should arrive first. He had to allow the plan of God to be effective.

In the same way, because we were in the mind of God. God did not choose us. God did not elect us. We were just there. God wanted to bring you forth, bring you into existence through creation so that He can make Himself known to you. God wanted to be satisfied. God wanted to know that He's able to do something. Have you noticed that when a mother feeds a baby, she feels satisfied when the baby eats. She is expressing an attribute of God. When God sees His children doing well, vicariously, God is blessed. When God sees how successful you are, vicariously, God enjoys the praises because He is the one that guides your footsteps. Remember this, when something goes wrong in your life and you don't know what to do, just step back. Allow the Judge to control everything.

ROMANS 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

PSALMS 50:1 A Psalm of Asaph. The mighty God, even the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.

We are living in the day, where it's the rising of the sun. This is the day that Jehovah God, the mighty God is speaking. We see this being fulfilled in **Revelation 10:1**, when he comes down with the book. That is why Brother Branham preaches the message: *It's the rising of the sun.*

God is light and He wants to understand when He speaks. When He is speaking from 1946 onwards, He is speaking in mercy. He's trying to cause the age to repent. He's trying to gather the people around His word. He's represented by a prophet speaking on the earth. When people listen to Brother Branham, they are listening to God. You might say, but God is not here, Brother Branham is not here. Yes, that is correct, but the ministry is represented here. How is the ministry represented here? They are represented by the fivefold. So, Jehovah has spoken, who can but prophesy? The seven thunders had uttered their voices, and God had spoken through a prophet. Through the Seven Church Ages, the reformers were preaching the wisdom of God. **Psalm 50** is a prophetic scripture. It says that the mighty God had spoken from the rising of the sun. There's never been a time in the Church Ages where the Pillar of Fire was on the scene.

It's only in this age, when God Himself left the 7th dimension and come down to be amongst His creation. It did not happen in the Church ages. Even though in some messages, Brother Branham says, Luther saw the pillar of fire and moved on. Wesley saw the pillar of fire and moved on. They did not see or enjoy the personal presence of God. The personal presence of God is with God Himself.

2 Thessalonians 4:16 says, **The Lord Himself shall descend with a shout. The Lord Himself.** The Lord Himself descended with a shout, in our day. It's in our day when Jehovah is uttering the seven thunders, the hidden wisdom of God. When the angels of the Lord asked Brother Branham to return, the seals would be opened, every night an angel came to him. On the same seventh night, Brother Branham says there was nothing known about the seventh seal, not even the symbol there. The seventh seal was given to the prophet progressively, until his death. The seventh seal is the hidden wisdom of God. He is speaking from the east to the west, telling us this is a universal message. He is speaking through a prophet.

This prophet is representing the mercy of God. When the Church world turns around and walks away from this truth, then it becomes a judgment seat because He is no longer speaking as one offering mercy. On the mercy seat, there is mediation. Why do you need mediation? Satan is before the throne. The Bible says, making accusations concerning the brethren, concerning the elected of God. God must have a mediation to protect you from any accusation.

REVELATION 12:10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

PSALM 50:2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.

How is God shining in Zion? He's shining forth through a man, a preacher, a prophet. There is a man that can turn on the light. When that Pillar of Fire came down, God was shining or focusing His attention to the Bride. His purpose was to draw the Bride out. It's still happening in our day. We're living in a glorious time, where we see that there's a rising of the sun, we are seeing a light going forward. We're seeing the Jehovah; the Judge is speaking.

Before He became the Judge, He was speaking to a prophet. It was symbolized when this prophet one day was in a meeting and there was a young couple that was basically desecrating the servants. And the angel of the Lord said, they are in your hand.

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E-63 ..ed..... How many was here last night, that heard me say, "Satan has done some evil, has set a trap for me. And I don't know how to handle it." How many remembers that?

{**LUKE 22:31** And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: 32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.}

It was the young man and young woman setting there. To curse them, they'd go blind or be paralyzed. If I hold my peace, they live. Now, before it come to pass, I'm sparing you.

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E-64 You people believe that God is here. Now, to you that's sick, bow your heads just a moment for prayer. Believe, you here, with all your heart, the Holy Spirit, Who is near. Eternal and blessed God, Who roared from Mount Sinai, You Who spoke through the apostle Peter and told Ananias and Sapphira, "Why did you do this to the Holy Spirit?" Just because his voice spoke, one fell dead, and the other one was packed out in a little bit. You're still God, but You're full of mercy. And it was foretold to these people before it come to pass, that they might know that Your servant tells the truth.

Now, eternal God, be merciful and grant tonight, that as the enemy sent this young couple in, that You'll forgive their sins, that they will not be harmed, but You will forgive them. You've come to spare the life of men, but the Holy Spirit has sent His blessings to heal the people just the same. Your grace has overrode it.

But now, the people will know, and the young couple knows that I had nothing to do with them coming here, but told the night before of their being here.

JOHN 8:4 They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act.

5 Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou?

6 This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground, as though he heard them not. 7 So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. 8 And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground. 9 And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. 10 When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee?

The ministry of Son of Man did not say anything. All he did was write on the ground. What was he writing? He was writing the sins of all accusers. They all left in shame. He then lifted his head and said, go thy way and sin no more. Why did he do that? Because God first gives you mercy before He brings judgment.

This great God is shining forth through a message, because **Isaiah 60:1-2** says, **Gross darkness is upon the earth**. Not in terms of natural light, but in terms of unbelief of the world. Through the ages, there was candlelight. We saw how the light faded, speaking of the Word not being represented in the churches. The Church Ages were losing the ingredients of the faith that was once delivered to the saints.

The purpose of the enemy was to strip away everything that represented God. That is why Brother Branham preaches the message, *the Restoration of the Bride Tree*.

JOEL 1:4 That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the locust hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the caterpillar eaten.

The first thing the enemy attacked was the leaves which represent fellowship. Eating the fellowship away, bringing in bitterness. When bitterness comes in, even in your family, it affects fellowship. You don't want to be at the supper table together. You don't want to have breakfast together.

If you have any bitterness against your wife or your husband, you avoid coming in their presence. It's a spirit that is coming and taking away that fellowship. When the leaves exist, the birds, animals, and other insects such as bees will come in to enjoy it.

Thereafter, the next insect went came to take away the bark, representing doctrine. Slowly but surely, the doctrines or the ingredients of the faith or the body of truth that was once delivered by the apostles was eroded away, taken away. Man's creeds, man's ideas, man's interpretation, they were misinterpreting, they were dislocating and misplacing the scriptures.

ACTS 6:1 And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration. **2** Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. **3** Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.

Why was there a murmuring amongst the people. The enemy wants to do, is to distract you from the word, distract the apostles from the word. But the Lord was gracious to the apostles, and they realized that it was not their job to handle the murmurings and the complaining of the people. Their job was to bring the Word. They appointed deacons to take care of the widows, complaints, feeding the poor. The Apostles were supposed to focus on the Word of the Lord and Doctrine.

Even though they did this occurred throughout the Church Ages, God forgave them. The Church Ages is called the age of intercession. It's the age of mercy where God was allowing the people to continue because they were living in a period of ignorance. But, after the Church Ages, when the book was opened, the age of intercession ended.

PSALM 50:3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.

God came upon the earth and He's not silent. He's spoke to a prophet. He's thundering out, He's crying out in judgment and He's declaring righteousness. So, when a minister comes before the pulpit and he's bringing the word of God, it is righteousness that's going forward. But your attitude through what is being preached will decide whether you are going to enjoy mercy or whether you are going to enjoy judgment. Amen.

PSALM 50:4 He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people.

How is God going to do this? He's not doing this through the Pentecostal churches, or the Nominal Message Churches. Remember, that before 1963, there was no Bride of the last day, there was no message. and God was using this prophet to bring a message of reconciliation.

PSALM 50:5 Gather my saints together unto me; {God was gathering them under the message. When the book is opened, that is the shout going forward.} those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice. {What covenant are we talking about?}

PSALM 25:5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: {That's what God is doing. He's bringing truth to you and He's teaching you through a vindicated prophet.} for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day. {God has come and He's causing the people to invest in truth, invest in the ministry.} 6 Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they have been ever of old. {They were pleading unto the Lord.} 7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.

This is a period where the mercy of God came, and God was revealing Himself in mercy. But when the book was opened, that is when you would find that God began to long suffer. He is long-suffering because there is going to come a time when denominations walked away, at the Chicago, Iowa and Waterloo meetings, it is ironic how names and places can be repeated, to show you the destruction that was coming upon the churches.

- The name "Chicago" means "foul smell" or "evil smell" derives from the French version of the Algonquian word "shikaakwa" (a word applied to the wild leek) meaning "stinky onion" or related words meaning "striped skunk". Chicago is also called the Windy City. The name had less to do with weather and more to do with politics. In the late 1800s, rival newspapers, mocked Chicago politicians for being "full of hot air", that is, not keeping their promises. Earlier references also tied the phrase to both windy weather off Lake Michigan and "windy" public speakers.
- In another service, we're going to see how the Spirit of the Lord roared through the building at Waterloo. When you think of Waterloo ministers, remember that Waterloo was where Napoleon was defeated at the Battle of Waterloo.
- Iowa generally has a positive meaning that "beautiful land" but is derived from a Dakota word meaning the 'sleepy ones'.

You might say, *but the other people do not reject it*. Note that everyone is represented by their associations or company they keep. You and I are represented by a ministry that we are affiliated to, identified with and where we go to. If you go to a Catholic church, you're supporting a Catholic belief. If you go to a Oneness church, you're supporting the Oneness beliefs. It's not about just going to church, it's about what we are supporting. Our support reflects our attitude.

I CORINTHIANS 15:33 ESV Do not be deceived: "Bad company ruins good morals."

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E-6 Samson got into bad company. And you always can remember that when you are in bad company, you are out of the will of the Lord. My own southern mammy used to tell me, "If you lay down with a dog that's got fleas, you'll get up with the fleas." That's rather a rude expression, but it's got a lot of common, everyday sense to it. You just can't associate yourself with the things of the world and ... expect to stay spiritual and humble before the Lord. You're known by your company. There's an old saying, "**Show me your company, I'll tell you who you are.**"

And when the church begins to keep company with the world, then it's no more than the world. It gets out of the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, gets out of the company of God, and of angels, and of God's heritage, when it begins to flirt as Samson did.

Psalm 50 says, **Lord, remember me in mercy**. Why? He's coming down. He says, gather my sins together. That's what God was doing from 1963 onwards. He's only gathering His elected. The Elect will gather around the message. Whether Brother Branham has left the earth, whether the apostles, the fathers of the faith, the fivefold ministry are no longer here, up until the last one comes in, there's always mercy for that last seed. When the book is opened, it is the truth that is coming to teach the elected of God. **Psalm 50** says, **Remember not the sins of my youth**. What does youth speak of? It is speaking about when you did not have sufficient knowledge. When the Bible is speaking of the sins of my youth, it's not speaking about your chronological age, but it's speaking about the ignorance you were under. You were not taught, or 'educated' in the things of God. The ministry comes to teach and enlighten you.

When you look at the rising of the sun, the rising of the sun at six o'clock, it speaks of a baby and around eight o'clock to 10 o'clock, it's speaking of the youth, which means it's still growing up, not yet mature. At 12 o'clock, it's a man. Around 2 o'clock (after noon), it's a man about the age of 50. At four o'clock, it's a man around the age of 60 or so. Read this in any messages Brother Branham preached in 1964-1965, for example, **64-0209, Countdown, Pa 26** or **65-1205, Things that are to be**.

PSALM 25:8 Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

ISAIAH 54:13 And all thy children shall be taught of the LORD; {Only the children of the Lord, that means not chronological age, but in our understanding, we will be called of the Lord. Jehovah will only teach His children, the elected. You can try to speak to a lot of people about this truth.

You can tell them about how about the cleaving of the mountains and the rising of the mountains, the sinking of California, all those might mystify them, they might enjoy it, but they will not hold unto the teaching of the Lord.} **and great shall be the peace of thy children.**

PSALM 25:9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way. The meek is Abraham's seed who shall inherit the earth. Your attitude to this ministry will speak about the humility. Many a times, one does not understand that it requires humility to bend our will to the will of God. And when we can bend our will to the will of God, it is speaking of meekness, it is speaking of humility. **10 All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.** {This is the time we're living in.} **11 For thy name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it is great.** {From the church ages until the book is opened, we did not know many things. We were singing songs, we were worshipping the son, thinking we were serving the Lord. But God pardoned our iniquity.} **12 What man is he that feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.** {When you fear the Lord, He will allow us to come to truth. How do we fear the Lord? See the series on *God's Protocol, Fear of the Lord and Respects*. When you respect the one God sent to look after your soul. When he's teaching you, you cannot resist. People say, I want to fear the Lord. They have this reverent approach and attitude. No, you still cannot see God. God is represented by the ministry and our attitude to His servant. What we do with the preaching is what God is looking at.} **13 His soul shall dwell at ease;** {this means at peace} **and his seed shall inherit the earth.** {This is referring to the Elect of God. We will be judging the world when they will come into the city. You will be the judge, priest, and teacher to everyone connected to you.}

PSALM 25:14 The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; {The book is open, the secrets of God, are revealed and God is opening His plan of redemption to the elected. He will only deliver the Bride from sin. Despite our efforts to bring the secret of the Lord to people, they will not catch on, because they do not have the fear of the Lord. They will just consider it as just you are talking or a minister talking. They have nothing inside to represent them; they cannot receive the truth. A good book to read that unpacks this is *Condemnation by Representation*. If the Bride has representation in heaven, she is never condemned. God is always forgiving her for the things that she has done.} **and he will shew them his covenant.** What is His covenant? He showed them His covenant that He made with Abraham. What did He do to the days of Abraham? A lamb was slain. God asked Abraham to bring his son Isaac, which was a prophecy that God was sending his son. Before Abram could kill his natural son, there was a lamb that was caught in the thicket, a ram. By the slaying of the lamb, God gave Abram a sign. The sign was circumcision, in the Old Testament, a male had to be circumcised after eight days. That was a sign of the baptism of the Holy Ghost. He was showing his covenant, which is the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

The denominations have messed up the meaning of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. God is now showing what the true covenant is. He's showing you where you can get your baptism. After you hear the word of truth, then you are sealed. For you to hear the word of truth, it must come from somebody that has life.

God shows you what you call His covenant by opening His Word. When somebody opens their secret to you, it is telling you that they trust you. They're telling you they see something in you, they are demonstrating that they believe in you. He shows it to you. How? Brother Branham titles a message, The Covenant, and he shows you how to get it. How to put your house under that token because the token is speaking of the blood. It shows that you're sealed until the day of your redemption and the mighty hunter (the devil) cannot touch you.

Sometimes you get worried about your children or your family. What if they don't make it? The Bible tells us, that, everything that was of God, he gave it to Abraham. He said, Abraham, you choose whatever you want. This is all yours. So, God gave that opportunity to Abraham, but because Abraham took Lot with him, he said, Lot, why don't you choose what you want? Lot chose the well-watered plains of Sodom and pitch his tent there. Abraham looked on the other side. The Lord blessed Abraham. When Lot got into trouble, Abraham could bring Lot back because Abraham owned everything. So, even when your children, loved ones, families or anyone that is connected to you do not, cannot see this truth, you will still have an opportunity because all that loved you and all that you ever loved, you will see again.

PSALM 25:15 Mine eyes are ever toward the LORD; for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

While you will not be deceived by man, a net is used to trap you. He will not allow any man's vain teachings to hold onto you. Wherever you went previously, that ministry could not produce anything. You were wondering and searching. You were just restless. Why? Because you saw His Covenant. It's a secret with you. If He showed you His Covenant, His secret has come to you, and nothing can ever ensnare you. No theology or man-made creeds. No man can pursue you. They cannot take you away from his presence. That net cannot trap you.

There are many people that are trapped by Satan. How were they trapped? They were trapped because in a church system, they're connected to a ministry without life. That is why God is gathering His Bride. He says, **Gather my saints together**. He's gathering the Bride, unto Himself. Those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice. They have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. One might say, *Brother Louis, what is the baptism of the Holy Ghost?* When you go into the water, you are telling the world that I believe in this truth. You're becoming a member of the church. You cannot have the baptism of the Holy Ghost if you're not connected to the local body, because the Bible teaches and the message confirms, **life comes through the body**. There are many people who say, *I need to sort all of this out before I get baptized*. What are you saying? I don't want life. I don't want to be baptized. I don't want to be connected to this truth. You can only be connected to this truth when you identify yourself through a true ministry. The true ministry is what's going to give you: life.

PSALM 50:6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God is judge himself. Selah. When God comes down, two things happen: He declares His Righteousness, and His Wrath. At Sabino Canyon, we see that two things took place:

1. The Angels came down and told WMB to return because the seals are going to be open. God was God offering mercy to the world. The world was given the opportunity to come into the Message, to bind to this truth, invest in this truth and separate yourself.

2. One year later, in that same place, the Angel of the Lord told WMB to pick up a stone and throw it in the air. He said, judgment is going to strike. Why? That group of people were walking away from the truth. One might say, *but brother Louis, it happened back there*. That is not altogether accurate. This pattern is continuously playing out through the years. When you present or speak this truth, to people that don't know their God, it is God revealing Himself in mercy.

ROMANS 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness.

Since they are holding the truth in unrighteousness, they are corrupting the Word, coming up with false baptisms, because of the wrong understanding of God. Unrighteous men are perverting the truth. What is God going to do? He's going to reveal His wrath. We will look at this in the next series. The word 'revealed' means to uncover, to lay open what has been revealed or cover up. So, this ministry is going to expose that the Trinity is not of God and Jesus cannot be his own Father. It's come to disclose how God became flesh. Not that the spirit became flesh, but the blood of God, the creative blood of God, was in the womb of Mary. The word unveil means to make bare. to make known, to manifest, to disclose what was before unknown. In the past, people did not understand Godhead. People could not understand how to get life. Now, God is opening it up. That is mercy coming to the people. But when the people did not receive it, He exposes them. It's like in a court case where you find they're bringing out the evidence and saying, Jesus cannot be his own father. The world goes on trial when the judge appears. When they walk away from truth, this world goes on trial. The Bible says he shall reveal himself in righteousness.

PSALM 50:6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God is judge himself.

He shall reveal his wrath. And how will he reveal his wrath? We will pick this up later, where we see two faces of His descent. God is descending as a Judge because God is a judge. Is the Son the Judge? No, it's God himself.

In the scripture, it says the Father gave the Son the power and authority. That is true, but the Son can't do this without the Father. Recall that the Son is God by revelation, by incarnation, by blood, by DNA, by species, and He is God by reflection. That is who the Son was. The Son came to reveal the Judge. The Son was incarnated by God, and the blood that was in Him was the blood of God. If you know the Bible, who will realize that He was the first God-man, and He reflected God. When He was on the earth, the judgment that He was bringing was not by His own wisdom. He was bringing the judgment that was given to Him by the Father.

Even today the ministry is representing the judge, but does God incarnate the ministry. But today, the blood of God is no longer the chemistry. The blood of God is the revealed word of God. That revealed word of God is pulling together this God's species. Only the family of God will gather under the truth. We've came from Him, and we go back to Him.

PSALMS 50:7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify against thee: I am God, even thy God.

When Israel did wrong, it was the prophets that began to speak. Remember that when Son of Man Alpha came in, He was offering mercy. He was calling the people to repent. The Scribes and the Pharisees were sitting in the temple asking Him questions. They were trying to trap Him to see whether He understood conduct, order and doctrines. But because the Spirit of the Lord was in him, he could speak with such wisdom to answer every question.

In our day, when the Son of Man was on the earth, in the form of a ministry testifying against what the churches were doing. Exposing how they were taking the word of God and deceiving the people. When Brother Branham is speaking, when the fivefold is speaking, what are they doing? They're testifying against what they are doing. They're bringing in the evidence.

HEBREWS 12:23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect.

The Bible says to the God of all. That means that He is a universal judge. There's no other Judge after Him because after this age, there is no appeal. He is the highest order. So, the highest order has come down in our day, to judge the nation. To present to them, to reveal to them where things went wrong. When you go to school and make a mistake, the teacher shows you your errors. The reason they show you your errors is not to criticize you, but to let you know where you went wrong, so you can improve. The ministry comes to speak about where the ministry went wrong in the church ages. The truth that they left out: how the women should keep their hair, and the responsibilities of the priesthood and about the word and so forth. This judge presents this to the people in the form of a ministry. The people can do what they like with the teaching, but hereafter, there's no appeal. Mercy comes in the form of the ministry.

GENESIS 18:25 That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

In Revelation 3:20, there was somebody standing at the door. Behold, I stand at the door and knock. That was God knocking at the door.

JAMES 5:9 Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door.

In this day, the Baptist is trying to argue with the Methodist. When the judge is telling them that both are wrong. How does He do that? He's doing that through the ministry. The prophet was in the Baptist church. The minister laughed at him. He went to the Methodist churches. He went to the Pentecostal churches. He was trying to show them that they are wrong. Why the judge has come down.

In the book of Revelation, the Bible said, **Behold, I come**. But in **Revelation 3:20**, it says, **I'm outside the door**. So that means somebody has come down, **Behold, I** is the Judge standing at the door and knocking. He is knocking at the age. If the age can hear me, not so much to a specific man. If that age can hear me, if nervous systems can hear me and **open the door, I will come in and sup with him**.

64-0318 SIR.WE.WOULD.SEE.JESUS, DENHAM.SPRINGS.LA, WEDNESDAY

206 ..ed... How about the Judge of Heavens and earth, as Abraham called Him, "Judge of Heaven and earth, would You do wrong?" See? If He, in this last days, according to His promise now... Through the week, we'll just keep throwing Scripture in there, showing you that's the Truth. And if He is here with us, tonight, so plain that you can see His works and know He's here, as His promised Word; not some mythical something, but what His Word promised He would be; then you believe Him.

How do you know if the judge is present? Firstly, looking back at what was taking place in the days of Brother Branham, because only the judge is the: all wise God. He's the only one that is omniscient, which means He knows everything. Since He knows all things, He must be able to prove that he knows all things, and he must be able to tell you the secrets of your heart. Not one time must it be wrong. Now, if He can tell you the secrets of your heart, and tell you what has happened before, they could come to pass, that means he can tell you what is in the book. So, the only person that knows this, is the judge, which is God Himself.

This is what you call it, an appellation. An appellation is given a name to represent something else. There are many appellations of God. The Word of God represents God Himself. When the Word is coming, it is another name to represent the Judge. The Judge is speaking to the ministry of this prophet. When this prophet is bringing this truth out, he's revealing the mistakes and the errors of the ministry. If he could tell you the secret of what's going on in your heart, if he can tell you what took place in your life, if he can tell you what diseases you have, it can be nothing else but a supernatural being. I'm proving to you that the Judge came down. When he could turn his back and say your name is so-and-so, you lived in a certain place. Or he could say, I noticed that you were in an accident. I noticed that before you could go to this place, this is what happened to you. Who could know that? Nobody else but God. Now we know that someone great has come down.

HEBREWS 4:12 For the word of God is quick and powerful, piercing even and dividing the sunder of the soul and spirit, and of the joints and the marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and the intents of the heart.

What was he doing? This ministry was piercing the system. He was addressing the age, and you'd find it was a discerner of the thoughts. You could pick up through the ministry what people were thinking. You could pick up what is in the heart.

HEBREWS 4:13 Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight {His Word}: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

This is the ministry of Son of Man. This is a one-man ministry. It is God doing the works. God showed you and I that the word of God is piercing and there's no creation that is not manifest in His word, that is not made plain. What is it? God is going to bring certain things out that is in darkness.

I CORINTHIANS 4:5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

This is the ministry of Son of Man, not the coming in the air, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness and will manifest the counsel of the heart. Who could tell you what was taking place? Who could tell you what is taking place in the sacred rooms? Just like in the days of Elijah, who could know what was taking place in the king's chamber, then shall every man have praise of God.

I'm proving to you that the judge is here. I'm proving to you that somebody came down and made known what was in the hearts of people. He was revealing Himself in mercy for the people to have faith. This was a Wise Judge. A wise judge must be the righteous one. He must be the omniscient one. This judge does not need an eyewitness. Why? Because He becomes the witness Himself. You cannot lie to this judge.

Nobody could stand before Solomon or Brother Branham and keep a lie hidden. They knew the secrets of the heart. Brother Branham said that sometimes it's so difficult when you talk to people, knowing that they are lying. But he just kept quiet. There was nothing hid. That was **Luke 21:27 & Luke 17:30**. It is telling you that the Judge was present. This is not the Son of God. That means this is an appearing. Recall there's a difference between the appearing of the Lord and the coming of the Lord. The appearing is the Son of Man appearing in mercy and later, that same Son of Man passes judgment on those that walk away from this truth. So, He is the real judge.

64-0312 WHEN.THEIR.EYES.WERE.OPENED.THEY.KNEW.HIM, BEAUMONT.TX, THURS

174 ..ed... Now don't move around. Sh! Just let them that's coming out, come up here, just a minute. Be real reverent now, just a few minutes.

175 Think, we're in the Presence of the Judge of Heaven and earth. How reverent would you be if you could see Him standing here? You would be on your knees, screaming, crying, everything. But He's here. He promised it, "Where two or three are gathered in My Name..." That don't mean, 'cause you've just been said, "Here's a Name." That means, "... in His Name, I am in their midst." Notice.

The reality hadn't struck the people. They did not know who they were in presence of, the reality of who was present. He comes along and he preaches *the unrecognized presence of the Lord*. They were thinking it was just a man that was anointed with a gift. No. This was God Himself that was the judge of all the earth standing there. This prophet was seeing the Judge coming as an Angel and telling him what was taking place.

Why would God do that? Because no man can see God. God was using and revealing Himself through this ministry of an Angel. The prophet was seeing that and he was talking, representing God.

63-0707M THE INDICTMENT, JEFFERSONVILLE.IN, V-3, N-19, SUNDAY

353 Is not one Calvary enough for my Lord? Why will you do this? You that's supposed to love Him, you that knows This is His Word, you that can read Revelation the 22nd chapter, say, "Whoever will take one Word or add one word," why do you do it? Isn't one Calvary enough for Him? {The pulpit is crucifying the word. They are taking away scriptures. The message people have the books and the tapes, but they are not having the understanding. They can bring the quotes, but they're not living in the day of the Son of Man. They are preaching from a starlight or a Church Age perspective. Since they are not preaching from the Seventh Seal, the people will not catch the secret things that are coming today. That is why it's so important for us to be seated under a ministry that gives light.}

354 I stand in His defense. I'm His attorney, and I indict you by the Word of God. Change your ways or you'll go to hell. Your denominations will crumble. I indict you in the Presence of the Judge, right, you, with your forms of godliness, hypocrisies.

They have this form of godliness, but they are denying the revelation of the word. So, we see, that He judges in righteousness. Do you think he was wrong when he said you go to hell? No. Why? Because they'll walk away from truth. Do you think he was wrong when he said he'll burn Sodom? No. If He forgives this age, He must raise up Sodom and apologize to them for destroying them, but God will not spare this age. That's why this age is going to go through a burning. It's going to be worse than the days of Pompeii. But you will have to be in the palace.

REVELATION 19:1 And after these things {What things? The rapture.} I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God: {Not unto the Son, but unto the Lord our God.} **2** For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

If this is the Judge here, then His judgment, must be pronounced here. We're seeing that heaven is testifying, and the Bible speaks of is there. Everything that is taking place in this ministry is revealing the word of God.

REVELATION 19:3 And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever. **4** And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia. **5** And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great. **6** And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

Who judged Sodom? It was the judge. Who burnt with fire? It was the judge. Will the righteous judge of Abraham do the right thing today in the presence of Abraham's seed? What God's going to do, He will not spare the unrighteous. He will judge this race (this age, this generation) because of what they did to the Word of God.

62-0608 PERSEVERANCE, ABERDEEN.NC, FRIDAY

E-98 Now, when that Angel of the Lord came to Abraham, there in the time before the destruction, now, that was God appearing in human flesh. {When God was appearing in human flesh to Abraham, He was about to judge Sodom. God appeared in our day and he was represented by the ministry.} And Jesus said, "As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the coming of the Son of man." As it was in the days of Lot... He give the morals of what they were doing in the days of Noah. {Genesis 6 is recorded again in Luke 17:30. So, Genesis 6 is what took place when the judge came down in Genesis 18 and 19.

In the days of Lot, watch that Messenger to Abraham. Watch the messengers to Lot and the nominal church. Just, "Come out, come out," and Abraham pleading for them. {Just like how you are pleading for your loved ones. You will do this until that day. Lot was able to come out because of Abraham. There will be people on that side, the saveable will get eternal life by the way they treated you..} Notice, the Angel, God, Elohim, appearing in a form of human flesh shows that Elohim in the last days will appear, not the coming of Christ, but the appearing of Christ in human flesh in His church, making His same signs and things that He did, and hasn't done it in the church for two thousand years (See?): the appearing of the Lord.

What did we experience in our day? God appearing in a form of a ministry, revealing Himself the way He did it in the days of Abel. Abraham, revealing righteousness to Abraham, revealing mercy to Abraham, and Abraham was able to pull out Lot. God is doing the same thing today.

E-95 Did you know that the Bible speaks of the appearing of the Lord, and also the coming of the Lord, and it's two different works? Search it and find out if that's right. The appearing and the coming is two different things. The appearing of the Lord is now. He's appearing amongst His people. We see Him in His same works, the appearing, His Holy Spirit. But His coming will be in a physical being. It'll be to catch the church up.

The appearing of the Lord is now. His spirit is amongst His people. He's appearing amongst his people. When we are seeing Brother Branham, on the earth, preaching, it was the Lord appearing in the ministry.

63-1128E THE.TOKEN, SHREVEPORT.LA, V-17, N-6, THURSDAY

67 Now the attorney may think that he has it all put down. But, you see, who is the judge is going to decide the case, whether the attorney can make it clear to him that you're justified in your deed. The attorney has got to make it so clear to the judge, that the judge will see the justice of your act.

Brother Branham is the one that appears in the defence of the age. He's defending the age. He's mediating for the age. He's asking for mercy. But there will come a time when the judge says, no more. And that's when the temple of the Lord becomes full of smoke.

68 O God, if the people could only see this! Our Judge is our Attorney. The case is settled. It's all over. The same One is Judge is the Attorney, is our Attorney. {You may say, but Brother Louis, I thought Brother Branham was our attorney. No, he represents the attorney, the judge and the defence. God was defending first. God was first offering mercy, and then you find that judge, the attorney, and the sacrifice is the self-same person. It's not the Son of God. It was Him acting it out in the Son of God, in the Church Ages, in Son of Man Alpha. Now He is acting out through this ministry, but it's God himself.}

63-1128E THE.TOKEN, SHREVEPORT.LA, V-17, N-6, THURSDAY

68 ctd... The case is settled, we have the Token. Both Judge and Attorney is the same Person. When God was made flesh and dwelt among us, our Judge become our Attorney, and the case is settled. And the Holy Ghost is here for a Token that we're ready to pass from here into the Lands beyond.

64-0308 THE.TOKEN, DALLAS.TX, V-19, N-12, SUNDAY

46 Notice, you are guilty, and you would hunt the best attorney that you could find to plead your case. And if I was going to the Judgment of God, I don't want no priest, I don't want no man; I want the best attorney I can find to plead my case. {There could be no trial in the Old Testament. God could not retain any attorney that was good enough to go against Satan. Daniel could not go, Moses could not go, no one could go. He had to postpone the case until he found an attorney, and that attorney must be someone who could meet His own justice. He wanted a higher blood.}

47 Let me say to this, to you, my Christian friend. Our attorney is also our judge, and our judge became our attorney. The case is settled when we receive His pardon. The judge Himself came down and became the attorney, and the attorney and judge is the same Person. God become man, that He might justify man by His Own death that He placed upon him. Hallelujah! That means, praise our God! He deserves all praises. Our judge and our attorney is the same Person. {How did God do that? By a blood cell. Only the Bride can understand this. The Oneness will not have this.}

65-1 PATMOS.VISION - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK, CPT.2

But in one last closing glimpse of this chapter, see Him as He stands there in the midst of the golden lampstands with the seven stars in His right hand. Oh, it is breathtaking to see Him standing there in His Supreme Deity. {Who is the supreme deity in Christ? Deity means the qualities of God. Who's supreme qualities were those? It was God's qualities.} He is the Judge, the Priest, the King, the Eagle, the Lamb, the Lion, the Alpha, the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the Father, Son, Holy Ghost, He Which Was, Which Is, Which Is To Come, the Almighty, the ALL IN ALL. There He is, the Author and Finisher. Worthy is that Lamb! He proved His worth as He bought our salvation by Himself. Now He stands in all His power and all His glory with all things committed unto Him as Judge.

The oneness can't understand this, because they don't understand that He is the one that came down to give you mercy and righteousness, by the revealing of this word.

Closing Prayer: Father, thank you for this time of fellowship. Thank you for looking at the different scriptures to see how the Judge came down offering mercy and righteousness, from this ministry. How you appeared at the time of Abraham. How you appeared to Sarah, and never wanted to kill Sarah, even though she laughed in her heart. Lord, you overlooked her faults because of Abraham. There are many that are connected to us, those that don't know this truth. We believe, Father, that through our ministry, they will also have mercy on that day. For them, keep us in your faith, keep us true, keep us faithful, looking to thee, the Author and Finisher of our faith. Appreciate you for this time of fellowship now in Jesus' name. Amen.