

The meaning of Gilgal

2 KINGS 2:1 KJV And it came to pass, when the LORD would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal. 2 And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to Bethel. And Elisha said unto him, As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they went down to Bethel.

Gilgal holds profound typological and spiritual significance. It serves as a key historical and spiritual station on the journey from denominational bondage into the full inheritance of the Word. The significance of *Gilgal* in relation to *Elijah*, *Elisha*, *Jesus*, and *Brother William Branham* is understood through its role in the sequential journey leading to Jordan, the opening of the Word, and translation.

JOSHUA 5:9 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called Gilgal unto this day

1. The Typological Meaning of Gilgal

The Place of Roll-Away & Preparation:

Historically, Gilgal was the place where Joshua circumcised the children of Israel, rolling away the reproach of Egypt before they could possess Canaan land. In **2 Kings 2:1-2** for Elisha, Gilgal was the initial testing ground of *unwavering loyalty*. It tested whether he was merely seeking a prophet's friendship or whether he was tied to the divine vision and mantle.

The First Station of testing:

Spiritually, Gilgal represents the initial testing ground and starting point in the fourfold prophetic route *Gilgal to Jordan* that every true believer and messenger must walk through to reach full adoption and rapturing faith.

HOSEA 9:15 All their wickedness is in Gilgal: for there I hated them: for the wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of mine house, I will love them no more: all their princes are revolvers.

2. Gilgal in Relation to Elijah and Elisha

Elijah's Circuit and Exposing Idolatry:

Prior to Elijah's translation in the chariot of fire, he made his rounds starting at Gilgal, traveling to Bethel, Jericho, and finally across the Jordan. At Gilgal and throughout these stations, Elijah represented the uncompromised Word, exposing Baal worship, false altars, and Jezebel's religious system.

Elisha's Unwavering Fellowship:

When Elijah urged Elisha to tarry at Gilgal, Elisha refused to leave his side (*"As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee"*), following him faithfully through every city all the way to Jordan.

The Type of the Bride:

Elisha at Gilgal types the true end-time Bride who refuses to stay at an initial stage or denominational stopping point. Elisha follows the prophet all the way across Jordan, receiving the dropped mantle and the *double portion* of the Holy Spirit to continue in the same power and revelation.

3. Gilgal in Relation to Jesus (Son of Man Alpha)

The Pattern of the Son of Man:

Jesus Christ fulfilled the ultimate spiritual reality shadowed by Elijah, Elisha, and Joshua.

The Journey to Jordan:

Just as Elijah walked from Gilgal to Jordan, Jesus walked the path of complete obedience to the Father's will, coming to the Jordan River to be baptized. There, the Father (the Pillar of Fire/Eternal Spirit) descended upon Him without measure, quickening Him for His redemptive ministry.

Rolling Away the Curse:

Where natural Joshua rolled away the physical reproach of Egypt at Gilgal, Jesus through Calvary rolled away the spiritual reproach of sin, breaking the blood cell to make the Holy Spirit available to many-membered sons.

4. Gilgal in Relation to Brother Branham (Son of Man Omega)

The End-Time Elijah Ministry:

Brother Branham fulfilled the **Malachi 4 / Revelation 10:7** ministry as the end-time Elijah, called to restore the original apostolic faith and call the Bride out of modern denominational Babylon. Like Elijah traveling through Gilgal, Brother Branham's ministry confronted modern "Baal worship" (defined in the sources as Oneness and Trinitarian creeds) and called believers back to the true Godhead revelation.

The Vision of the Map to Jordan:

In his 1961 vision (*Paradox*), Brother Branham saw himself standing on a map of Palestine, noticing he was two-thirds of the way to Jordan, with one-third remaining. Gilgal and the earlier stages represented the evangelistic phase (signs, wonders, discernment / 1st and 2nd Pulls), while crossing Jordan represented entering the 3rd Pull the opening of the Seven Seals, the Joshua/Ephesians teaching ministry, and taking possession of the Bride's spiritual inheritance.

The Elisha Bride Following the Prophet:

Just as Elisha refused to stay behind at Gilgal, the end-time Bride cannot stop at quote-gathering or denominational Message lodges. She follows the revelation through Gilgal and across Jordan (the Seals), asking, "*Where is the LORD God of Elijah?*", possessing the exact same Zoe life, Word-power, and quickening revelation as her Bridegroom.

For Elisha, Gilgal was the initial testing ground of unwavering loyalty. It tested whether he was merely seeking a prophet's friendship or whether he was tied to the divine vision and mantle.

Application to the Elisha Bride:

Gilgal represents initial justification, water baptism in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the circumcision of the heart. The Elisha Bride cannot be satisfied with merely rolling away the sins of the world; she refuses to "tarry" or settle at the starting line of her Christian walk.

The Mantle Journey: Stages of Spiritual Progression

A three-stage spiritual progression—moving from Gilgal through Bethel & Jericho to the Jordan River, showing parallel patterns across history.

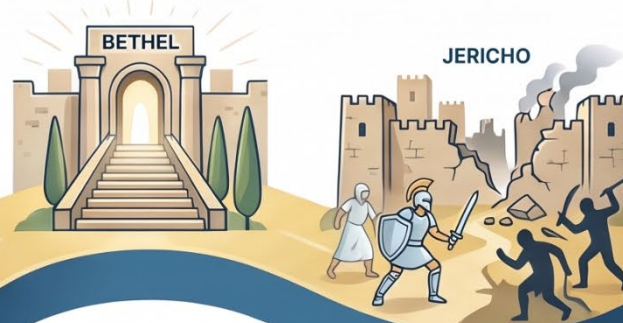
Stage 1: Gilgal – Separation and Testing

Establishes loyalty, exposes false worship, and rolls away worldly reproach to begin divine preparation.



Stage 2: Bethel & Jericho – Growth and Spiritual Warfare

Involves complete obedience, warfare against strongholds, and growth through signs, discernment, and revelation.



Stage 3: Jordan River – Translation and Full Manifestation

Results in spirit indwelling, opening of seals, victory over death, and rapturing faith.



Stage / Location	Elijah & Elisha	Jesus Christ	Brother Branham & The Bride
Gilgal	Loyalty tested; Baal exposed 	World overcome; mission prepared 	Denominationalism left; reproach rolled away 
Bethel & Jericho	Revelation and war through historical cities 	Walked in total obedience; strongholds torn down 	Growth through 1st & 2nd Pulls (signs, gifts) 
Jordan River	Waters parted; Elijah translated; mantle dropped 	Indwelling Spirit; victory over Calvary/death 	7 Seals opened (3rd Pull); Rapturing Faith 

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The Spiritual Significance of Bethel

1 KINGS 13:4 And it came to pass, when king Jeroboam heard the saying of the man of God, which had cried against the altar in Bethel, that he put forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay hold on him. And his hand, which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not pull it in again to him.

Building upon the fourfold spiritual route (*Gilgal / Bethel / Jericho / Jordan*), *Bethel* (meaning "House of God") represents the second critical station in the prophetic journey of restoration, maturity, and translation. While *Gilgal* represents the initial rolling away of worldly reproach and denominational bondage, *Bethel* represents the encounter with the House of God and the testing of spiritual loyalty. The significance of Bethel unfolds across the ministries of Elijah, Elisha, Jesus, and Brother Branham:

Bethel in Relation to Elijah and Elisha: The Test of Tarrying vs. Pressing On

Exposing False Altars:

Historically, while Bethel was named by Jacob as the "House of God," Jeroboam later set up a golden calf at Bethel to prevent the people from going up to Jerusalem to worship at the true altar. [1 Kings 13:4]

In the days of Elijah, Bethel became a centre of religious compromise where traditional worship was mixed with Baalism.

2 KINGS 2:23 Then he went up from there to Bethel; and as he was going up the road, some youths came from the city and **mocked him**, and said to him, "Go up, you baldhead! Go up, you baldhead!"

Elijah travelled through Bethel to expose these false altars and call the people back to divine order.

Elisha's Refusal to Tarry:

When Elijah travelled from Gilgal to Bethel, he urged Elisha to tarry or stay behind at Bethel (*2 Kings 2:2*). Elisha refused, declaring, "*As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee*".

The Type of the Bride:

Elisha understood that Bethel was merely an intermediate station. If he had stayed at Bethel, he would have missed the translation, the dropped mantle, and the *double portion* of the Spirit at Jordan. Elisha types the true Bride who refuses to settle at an established "house" or church age revival but presses on to the full revelation.

The "sons of the prophets" at Bethel had intellectual, theological head-knowledge that Elijah was leaving, but they lacked the revelation, spiritual drive, and Zoe life to walk with him to Jordan.

Application to the Elisha Bride:

Bethel represents the danger of settling in "Message lodges" churches or fellowships that possess quote-gathering head-knowledge and historical facts about the prophet, but lack a true spiritual birth or the quickening revelation of the Word. The Elisha Bride refuses to settle in an established church age revival or denominational system. She silences carnal critics ("hold ye your peace") and follows the living revelation past human traditions. At Jericho, the sons of the prophets repeated their intellectual testing, and Elijah again urged Elisha to tarry. Elisha again refused to leave Elijah's side.

Bethel in Relation to Jesus (Son of Man Alpha): The True Living Tabernacle

"A body hast thou prepared Me":

Jesus revealed the true spiritual meaning of Bethel, the real House of God. Stephen noted in *Acts 7* that while Solomon built an earthly house, "*the Most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands*". Instead, God prepared a living body in Jesus Christ to be His true tabernacle and dwelling place on earth.

Overcoming Human Religious Systems:

The religious leaders of Jesus' day had turned their religious centres into places of tradition and merchandise, establishing their own man-made "Bethels". Jesus cleansed the temple and declared Himself as the true sanctuary, laying down His life to make His believers living temples of the Holy Ghost.

Bethel in Relation to Brother Branham (Son of Man Omega): Exposing Message Lodges and Pressing to Jordan

The Elijah Circuit in the End Time:

As the end-time Elijah, William Branham's ministry travelled through the same spiritual circuit, exposing the golden calves of modern denominationalism and Oneness/Trinitarian creeds set up in modern "Bethels".

The Warning Against "Message Lodges":

Jeroboam set up a golden calf at Bethel under the guise of worshipping God, many in the end-time message movement set up "message lodges" or high places quoting the prophet's words or relying on gifts without possessing a true spiritual birth or the quickening revelation of the Word.

Crossing Past Bethel to Jordan (The 3rd Pull & 7th Seal):

Brother Branham emphasized that believers cannot stop at Bethel. In his vision of the journey to Jordan, two-thirds of the journey was complete (evangelistic 1st and 2nd Pulls), but one-third remained: crossing Jordan. Crossing Jordan represents entering the *3rd Pull*, the opening of the *Seven Seals*, and taking possession of the Bride's full inheritance and adoption in the Joshua/Ephesians teaching ministry.

Spiritual Significance of Jericho

In the apostolic revelation of the Word, **Jericho** serves as the third vital station on the fourfold prophetic route: *Gilgal / Bethel / Jericho / Jordan*.

Where *Gilgal* represents the rolling away of worldly reproach and *Bethel* represents entering the House of God and testing religious loyalty, *Jericho* signifies *spiritual warfare, the blowing of trumpets, the shout of victory, the crumbling of denominational strongholds, and the display of the Token*.

Historically, Jericho was an ancient, heavily fortified city standing as a formidable barrier between Israel and the Promised Land.

Spiritually, Jericho typifies the entrenched denominational systems, human creeds, and intellectual walls that block believers from possessing full Word restoration.

The Seven Priests, Seven Trumpets, and the Shout:

Israel did not conquer Jericho by human military power or carnal weapons, but by divine order. Seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams' horns compassed the city for six days, and on the seventh day compassed it seven times; when the trumpets sounded and the people uttered a shout, the walls of Jericho fell flat down. This foreshadows the end-time ministry where the sounding of the Message (the Shout/Seven Thunders) flatly levels denominational resistance.

Rahab and the Token:

Jericho was a city doomed to judgment, yet within it dwelt Rahab. Realizing judgment was imminent, Rahab received the spies and applied the *scarlet cord (the Token)* in her window, securing salvation for her entire household. Jericho therefore represents the place where the true Elect Bride is called out of a doomed system and sealed by the Token.

Spiritual Jericho

The Third Prophetic Station

CORE TYPOLOGICAL SIGNIFICANCE



TEARING DOWN ENTRENCHED STRONGHOLDS

Jericho's walls typify human creeds and denominational systems blocking full Word restoration.

VICTORY THROUGH SOUNDING THE MESSAGE

The seven trumpets and shout level denominational resistance by divine order.



THE TOKEN AND HOUSEHOLD SALVATION

Rahab's scarlet cord signifies the Elect Bride sealed by the Holy Ghost before judgment.

JERICO ACROSS KEY MINISTRIES

ELISHA: HEALING BARREN SPIRITUAL WATERS

Elisha cast fresh salt to purify corrupted, death-producing denominational doctrines.



JESUS: CONDESCENDING TO THE LOWEST

Jesus reached into the geographically lowest city to bring grace to Zacchaeus.



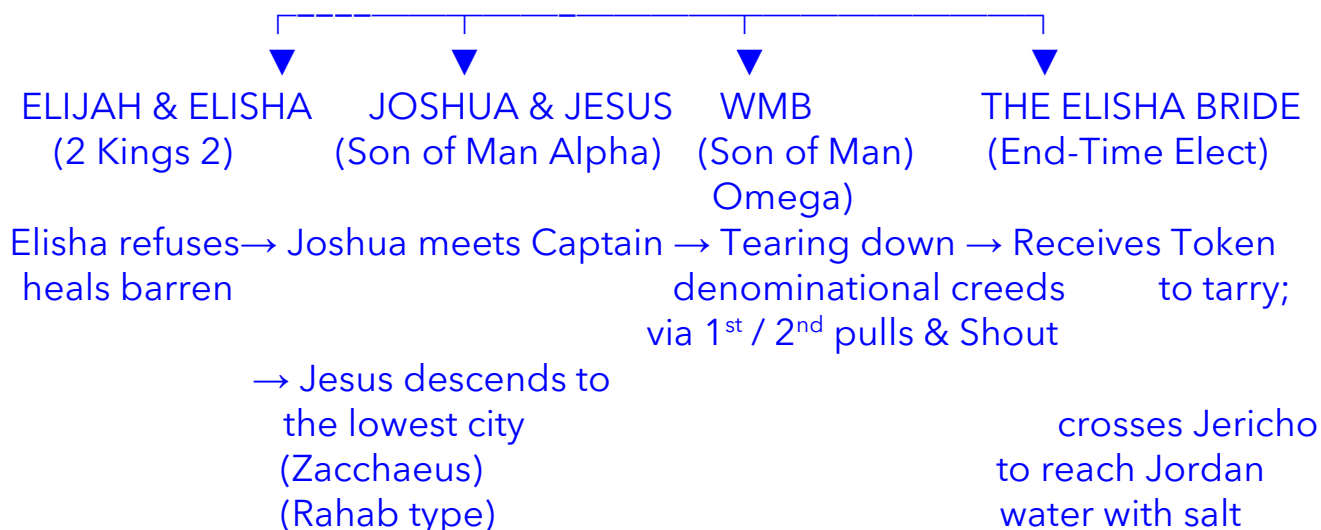
PRESSING PAST JERICO TO JORDAN

Believers must move beyond spiritual gifts to Jordan for full rapturing faith.



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Elijah & Elisha: Refusing to Stop at the Miracle Phase

The Refusal to Tarry: As Elijah made his final prophetic circuit, he urged Elisha to stay behind at Jericho (*2 Kings 2:4*). Elisha steadfastly refused, declaring, "*As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee*". Elisha knew that stopping at Jericho meant missing the translation and the double portion at Jordan.

Healing the Barren Waters:

After Elijah was translated, Elisha returned to Jericho, where the men of the city reported that the situation was pleasant but the water was bad and the ground barren. Elisha took a *new cruse filled with salt* and cast it into the spring, declaring, "*Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these waters*". This typifies the restored word-ministry purifying the spiritual waters (doctrines) to bring life instead of spiritual death.

Spiritual Significance for Elisha:

Jericho typifies spiritual warfare, the crumbling of walled strongholds, and the place where Rahab applied the scarlet cord (the Token) for her household's salvation before judgment struck.

Elisha's act of casting salt out of a new cruse into the spring signifies the restoration and purification of corrupted doctrines.

Bad, poisonous waters represent death-producing, denominational creeds, while salt in a new cruse represents the unadulterated, quickened Word of God.

Application to the Elisha Bride:

The Elisha Bride does not stop at the excitement of evangelistic signs, gifts, or crumbling walls (1st and 2nd Pulls). She receives and displays the Token (the Holy Ghost and revealed Word). She takes the fresh, unadulterated salt of the opened Word to heal her local spiritual environment, replacing dead, barren church traditions with living waters that produce spiritual fruit and life.

Joshua & Jesus (Son of Man Alpha): Divine Leadership & Condescension

Joshua and the Captain of the Host:

Before taking Jericho, Joshua looked up and saw a Man standing with a drawn sword. When Joshua asked whether He was for Israel or their enemies, He revealed Himself as the *Captain of the Lord's Host*. Joshua fell to the earth in worship, recognizing that victory came from divine leadership, not human skill.

Jesus in the Lowest City:

Jericho is geographically the lowest city on earth. When Jesus walked the earth as the Son of Man, He condescended to the lowest city, looking up into a sycamore tree to save Zacchaeus—the smallest man in the city. This demonstrates the grace of the Son of Man reaching down to the lowest and most outcast to bring salvation.

Brother Branham & The End-Time Bride (Son of Man Omega)

Tearing Down Modern Walls:

Under the ministry of William Branham (fulfilling the end-time Elijah / Son of Man Omega ministry), Jericho represents the 1st and 2nd Pulls—the Phase of signs, wonders, and discernment that attracted attention and exposed the vanity of modern denominational "Jerichos".

The Rahab Class Identified:

Just as Rahab was saved out of Jericho, the end-time Elijah ministry displays the Token (the Baptism of the Holy Ghost and the revealed Word) to pull the predestinated Bride out of a doomed world and denominational Babylon before atomic/tribulation judgment strikes.

Pressing Past Jericho to Jordan:

Brother Branham cautioned believers that stopping at Jericho resting in spiritual gifts, evangelistic meetings, or quoting past revivals is not the ultimate goal. Jericho is where the Church fell amongst thieves. Jericho is merely the last stop before crossing the *Jordan River*.

Crossing Jordan represents entering the *3rd Pull*, the opening of the *Seven Seals*, and taking possession of full inheritance, adoption, and Rapturing Faith in the Joshua/Ephesians teaching ministry.

Significance of the Jordan River

The *Jordan River* represents the final, supreme boundary on the prophetic route. While Gilgal represents justification and rolling away worldliness, Bethel represents church order and testing. Jericho represents spiritual warfare and the display of the Token, *Jordan represents death to self and denomination, crossing over into the fullness of the Word, the opening of the Seven Seals, and entering into full adoption and spiritual inheritance.* The spiritual and prophetic significance of Jordan unfolds sequentially across the ministries of *Elijah, Elisha, Jesus, and Brother Branham*:

Elijah at Jordan: The Station of Translation

Dividing the Waters:

Before Elijah was taken up into heaven, his final earthly station was Jordan. Taking his prophetic mantle, he struck the waters of Jordan, which divided to the left and right, allowing him and Elisha to cross over on dry ground.

Escape from Death:

At Jordan, Elijah completed his earthly course and was provided a divine way of escape from natural death a chariot and horses of fire that translated him directly into glory. Jordan thus stands as the place where mortal limitations are conquered before translation.

Elisha at Jordan: The Double Portion and the Elisha Bride

Refusing to Tarry:

When Elijah tested Elisha by urging him to stay behind at Gilgal, Bethel, or Jericho, Elisha steadfastly declared, "*As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee*". He followed Elijah all the way to Jordan.

Striking the Waters with the Mantle:

After Elijah was taken up in the whirlwind, Elisha picked up Elijah's fallen garment, returned to Jordan, and struck the waters, crying, "*Where is the LORD God of Elijah?*". The waters divided again, and Elisha walked across in the power of a *double portion*.

Type of the End-Time Bride:

Elisha at Jordan typifies the true end-time Bride. She does not stop at church age revivals or evangelistic signs, but follows the prophet across Jordan into the open Word, receiving the exact same Spirit, Word-power, and quickening revelation as her Bridegroom.

Jesus Christ (Son of Man Alpha) at Jordan: Indwelling and Victory Over Death

The Anointing and Indwelling at Jordan:

When Jesus walked down to the Jordan River to be baptized by John the Baptist, the invisible God the Eternal Spirit, Shekinah Glory, and Pillar of Fire descended in the form of a Light shaped like a dove and indwelt Him without measure.

At Jordan, Jesus was quickened and anointed for His Messianic ministry as the Son of Man.

Crossing the Jordan of Death:

Later, Jesus went down to the "Jordan of death," crossed over into the grave, broke the power of hell and death, and resurrected on the third day. He walked among His disciples for 40 days, bringing back tangible evidence of the resurrection. In this, Jesus stood as the true *Joshua of our time* who crossed the river of death and returned with resurrection evidence.

Brother Branham (Son of Man Omega) & The End-Time Bride: Crossing into the Promised Land

The 1933 Ohio River Commission:

On June 11, 1933, while Brother Branham was baptizing converts in the Ohio River (at the foot of Spring Street in Jeffersonville), a supernatural Light/Pillar of Fire descended and a Voice declared: *"As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the First Coming of Christ, your Message shall forerun the Second Coming of Christ"*.

The 1961 Vision of the Palestine Map (Two-Thirds to Jordan):

In a 1961 vision (*Paradox*), Brother Branham saw himself standing on a map of Palestine, traveling toward Jordan. Looking back, he saw that *two-thirds* of his journey was already completed (representing the 1st and 2nd Pulls / evangelistic signs and healing campaigns), with *one-third* remaining to reach Jordan. He declared that across Jordan lay all the promises and full inheritance.

From Moses to Joshua (The 3rd Pull & Seven Seals):

Brother Branham's ministry reflected a transition from a *Moses Commission* to a *Joshua Commission*. Moses brought the people out of denominational Egypt in an exodus but could not take them into Canaan. In 1957, a hand from heaven pointed Brother Branham to **Joshua 1:1-9**, commissioning him to lead the people across Jordan into the Promised Land.

Crossing Jordan occurred in 1963 with the opening of the Seven Seals (the 3rd Pull / Tent Vision).

Crossing Jordan opened the full Word (the Bible becoming a new Book), moving the Bride past evangelistic signs into *positional placing, adoption, the restoration of the Title Deed, body change, and Rapturing Faith*.

Crossing Jordan: The Prophetic Pathway to Inheritance

Old Testament Types (Elijah & Elisha)

Elijah's Station of Translation



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Elijah divided Jordan's waters, conquering mortal limitations before being translated into glory.

Elisha's Double Portion



Elisha refused to tarry, struck Jordan with Elijah's mantle, and inherited the double portion.

Type of the End-Time Bride

Elisha typifies believers who follow the prophet across Jordan into the fully opened Word.

New Testament & Modern Fulfillment (Jesus & End-Time Bride)

Jesus' Anointing and Victory Over Death



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Indwelt by the Spirit at Jordan, Jesus conquered death and brought back resurrection evidence.

Transition from Moses to Joshua Commission



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Moving beyond exodus evangelism, the Joshua commission leads the Bride into the Promised Land.

1963 Opening of the Seven Seals



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Crossing Jordan moves believers into positional placing, adoption, restoration, and Rapturing Faith.

Ministry Era	Primary Action at Jordan	Spiritual Inheritance / Result
 Elijah & Elisha	Struck and divided the waters with the mantle	Conquered physical death and received double portion power
 Jesus Christ	Baptized, indwelt by the Spirit, and conquered the grave	Revealed resurrection evidence as the true Joshua
 Brother Branham & The Bride	Crossed via the 3rd Pull and opening of Seven Seals	Positioned the Bride in full Word inheritance and Rapturing Faith

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Elisha Taking Elijah's Mantle

2 KINGS 2:13-15 "He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan; And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said, Where is the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither: and Elisha went over. And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha."

When we trace the spiritual journey of Elijah and Elisha in **2 Kings 2**, we are not reading mere ancient history; we are looking at God's immutable pattern for redemption and ministry.

Elisha walked with Elijah from *Gilgal* (the place of gathering), to *Bethel* (the place of angelic visitations), to *Jericho*, and finally down to the *Jordan*. This journey represents the exact path the Bride makes with the vindicated ministry of her day. Every step of that journey was designed by God to separate the true grain from the shuck and chaff, bringing the believer to the border line of death and spiritual life at the Jordan.

Under the opening of the Seals, we discover that the transition from Elijah to Elisha provides a perfect dispensational type illustrating the difference between the *Alpha Son of Man ministry* and the *Omega Son of Man ministry*.

The Alpha Stage: Elijah and the Alpha Son of Man Ministry (Laying the Mechanics)

The Alpha Son of Man ministry refers to God manifested in the form of a prophet to reveal the Word, lay out the mechanics of salvation, and open the Seven Seals.

God in the Form of a Prophet:

Two thousand years ago, Jesus Christ walked the earth in the office of the Son of Man God manifested in a human prophetic vessel. In this last age, God repeated that same Son of Man ministry through a vindicated prophet-messenger to reveal the hidden mysteries and bring us back to the original Word.

Laying Out the Mechanics:

The primary work of the Elijah/Alpha stage is to lay down the *mechanics* of the Message the pure, unadulterated doctrine, line upon line and precept upon precept. Elijah brought the meal (the Word of Truth) and the oil (the Holy Spirit anointing) to establish the doctrine of Christ.

The First Opening of the Jordan:

When Elijah took his mantle representing prophetic authority wrapped it together, and smote the Jordan, the waters parted, allowing Elijah and Elisha to walk across together on dry ground. So, Elisha and Elijah went over the very first time together with the opening of the Seals. This first opening of the Jordan types the prophet-messenger using his vindicated authority to open the Seven Seals, bringing the Bride across from denominational death into the promised land of Word revelation.

The Departure and the Fallen Mantle: Stripping Off Self

Before Elisha could step into his own ministry, Elijah was taken up by a whirlwind into heaven, leaving his mantle behind.

Notice the exact sequence of events in Elisha's life:

- **Renting His Own Garments:** When Elijah was taken, Elisha took hold of his own clothes and rent them in two pieces. Before a believer or minister can exercise the authority of the Word, they must completely tear up and discard their own human ideas, self-righteousness, and denominational garments.
- **Taking Up the Fallen Mantle:** Elisha did not manufacture a new coat or design his own ministry pattern; he picked up the *fallen mantle of Elijah*. The mantle represents the vindicated Message, doctrine, and prophetic authority left behind by the messenger. The Omega ministry does not create new doctrines; it stands strictly in the approved blueprint left by Paul and the end-time messenger.

2 KINGS 2:13 "He took up also that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan;"

1. Renting the Old Garments and Taking Up the Fallen Mantle

How do you know that God loves you:

- If He gets you to a God called Ministry
- If He gives you a Gene
- If you can understand His Doctrines

Prior to taking up Elijah's mantle, Elisha took hold of his own clothes and rent them into two pieces. This acts as a profound spiritual type: before a believer or minister can step into the authority of the Word for their day, they must completely discard their own self-righteousness, human garments, and personal ideas. Elisha possessed his own coat and clothing, yet he refused to wear his own garment; instead, he picked up the fallen mantle of Elijah. A *mantle* in Scripture represents a coat, a covering, a veil, and above all, *prophetic authority*. By taking up Elijah's mantle, Elisha demonstrated that he was not manufacturing a new doctrine or creating his own movement; he was stepping directly into the unadulterated pattern and prophetic authority left behind by God's vindicated messenger.

2. Returning to the Bank of Jordan

Standing at the bank of Jordan marks a critical turning point in the ministry. In Joshua's day, Jordan opened to bring a mixed multitude into the promised land, but under Elijah and Elisha, Jordan represents the opening of the Seals and the boundary line between death and spiritual life. Elisha did not remain at Gilgal (the gathering place) or Bethel (the place of angelic visitations); he returned directly to the *Jordan* the place where the supernatural opening of the Word had taken place. Gilgal, through Bethel, through Jordan, Gilgal was where the prophets were gathered. Bethel was where the Angels appeared. The angelic gathering and journey of Jacob.

2 KINGS 2:8 Now Elijah took his mantle, rolled it up, and struck the water; and it was divided this way and that, so that the two of them crossed over on dry ground. 9 And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?" Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me." 10 So he said, You have asked a hard thing. Nevertheless, if you see me when I am taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if not, it shall not be so." 11 Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. 12 And Elisha saw it, and he cried out, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!" So he saw him no more. And he took hold of his own clothes and tore them into two pieces. 13 He also took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood by the bank of the Jordan. 14 Then he took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, and said, "Where is the Lord God of Elijah?" And when he also had struck the water, it was divided this way and that; and Elisha crossed over.

2 KINGS 2:15 Now when the sons of the prophets who were from Jericho saw him, they said, "The spirit of Elijah rests on Elisha." And they came to meet him, and bowed to the ground before him.

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Put God first. Pay your tithes, first. Pay everything, first. Pay God. Pray first, at morning. Pray, all through the day. **Give God the first place in everything.**

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Exercising Prophetic Authority Alone

When Elijah was translated, he left the mantle behind for Elisha. *When Elijah originally struck the Jordan, he and Elisha crossed over together typing the messenger bringing the Message and opening the Seven Seals to the Bride.* But when Elisha took the mantle and struck the waters alone, it demonstrated the *second opening of the Jordan.*

This second opening represents the *five-fold ministry. The believing Bride* taking the same vindicated Message and prophetic authority left to the church, striking the waters of death, and walking through in victory without the prophet being physically present in the flesh. **2 Kings 2** is when Elijah struck the mantle It means prophetic authority. The mantle means prophet, when he with his authority struck the Jordan and opened, that's the opening up of that those Seals.

He was able to walk through the Jordan which represents from walking from death unto life. Jordan's significance to the promised land. He came through the Jordan and brought us into the new land, which had all the promises.

Second Jordan also had a significance to the opening of the Seals. And you couldn't get to those promises unless the Seals were open. And then after he did his commission of opening the Word and bringing the Message, he was taken away, just like our Elijah was taken away. And what happened with Elisha, which types the Bride came back to the Jordan and she, using now the authority left to the church, to the believing church, she struck the Jordan again. The Seals opened but open from the five-fold ministry standpoint.

These hidden mysteries hold the keys to bring us to perfect faith, perfect peace and rest, a life free from fears and anxiety, a people that will master every circumstance. It will bring us to our position because our position carries authority and it carries power. Position is power.

- [1] One, was to place the mechanics in us.
- [2] Two, to bring us to the birth, to bring us into the mechanics, to lay the mechanics out properly, to separate the shuck and the chaff from us. And open, and we are walking through the Jordan again alone without Elijah. And that is supposed to bring us a refilling before it takes us away. Something fell upon Elisha. So when she comes back over again, something will fall. It will be a double portion of the Holy Spirit. Elisha was calling, **"Where is the God of Elijah?"**

There's a thirst in every one of us, including myself, to see more of the God of Elijah. Now, what does it mean to see more? Not to see more miracles Not to make your ministry greater Not To be more popular. It is to take you intimately into a greater relationship, a greater oneness, that you can come to your potential, your full potential of who you are. And that potential brings you into your position in such a way that position, you begin to exercise your authority in it like Joshua did

The Battle Cry: "Where is the LORD God of Elijah?"

Elisha's cry was not a statement of doubt; it was a Holy Ghost battle cry. Having spent years learning the *mechanics* of the Word, Elisha was now demanding to see the *dynamics* the living, refilling power of the Holy Spirit operating through the Word. Crying **"Where is the LORD God of Elijah?"** represents the Bride moving beyond mere intellectual knowledge or quoting mechanics.

The Bride is moving into an intimate, quickened relationship with the Lord where the **refilling of the Holy Spirit** empowers Her to master every circumstance, overcome fear, and exercise rapturing faith. When the mantle smote the waters in faith, God answered instantly with a supernatural demonstration parting the waters hither and thither.

2 KINGS 2:15 "And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him."

Watching Afar Off vs. Walking the Full Journey

Notice the sharp contrast between the *sons of the prophets* and *Elisha*:

The Sons of the Prophets: They stood to view afar off at Jericho. They knew the theology of Elijah's departure ("**Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master?**"), but they lacked the spiritual drive to walk the full journey. Shortly after, these same men expressed unbelief, asking to send fifty strong men to search the mountains in case the Spirit had dropped Elijah in some valley.

Elisha: He **refused to stay behind at Gilgal, Bethel, or Jericho.** He stayed close to the headship, walked every step of the way through the Jordan, and was eyewitness to the translation.

The Omega Stage: Elisha at the Jordan and the Omega Son of Man (The Dynamics and Double Portion)

The Omega Son of Man ministry represents Christ reproduced in His universal Bride the five-fold ministry and the believing body operating in the full authority of the left Word after the prophet's departure.

Returning to the Jordan Alone:

Elisha returned to the bank of the Jordan alone typing the post-prophet era. This is where the Bride and five-fold elders must stand on the open Word without the prophet being physically present in the flesh.

The Second Opening of the Jordan:

Elisha took Elijah's mantle and smote the waters himself. This second opening represents the Bride and five-fold ministry.

They must start taking the open Book and from a five-fold standpoint take the authority left, striking the circumstances of life.

All that Christ Was Poured into the Bride:

While the Alpha Son of Man was concentrated in one physical vessel, the Omega Son of Man is *all that God was poured into Christ, and all that Christ was poured into His multi-membered Bride.*

The Battle Cry for the Dynamics:

As Elisha smote the waters, he cried out: "Where is the LORD God of Elijah?".

This was a demand to move from mere *mechanics* into the *dynamics*. Having the books, tapes, and mechanical doctrines laid out is necessary, but the Omega stage demands a *refilling of the Holy Spirit* the dynamics uniting with the Headstone to bring the Bride into a rapturing condition.

The Double Portion:

When Elisha crossed back over, the sons of the prophets saw him and admitted, "*The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha*".

The Omega ministry carries the *double portion* the quickening power of the Seventh Seal that equips the Bride to master every circumstance, overcome fear and anxiety, and enter resurrection power.

Discernment and the Law of Representation

When the sons of the prophets saw the Jordan part before Elisha, their eyes were opened to discern that "*The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha*". They recognized that the same spiritual authority, life, and doctrine that operated in the master was now resting upon the disciple.

This recognition activated the *Law of Representation* and the **fear of the LORD**. By coming to meet Elisha and bowing to the ground before him, they were not worshipping a man in the flesh; they were honouring God's ordained *headship* and representative on earth. Recognizing who represents God to you and yielding to that Word-established headship is the key that unlocks wisdom, spiritual stability, and divine overflow.

We have come through Gilgal, Bethel, and the first opening of the Jordan under the Alpha ministry of our messenger. Today, we are standing in the Omega dispensation. We are holding the fallen mantle the open Book and vindicated Message. It is time to stop looking back in fear, pick up that prophetic authority, strike the waters before us, and cry out for the refilling of the Holy Ghost! As the Headstone unites with the Body, the same God who answered Elijah will answer the Omega Bride with rapturing faith and eternal victory!