

THE TABERNACLE IN CHURCH HISTORY

I want to paint a little picture for you tonight. It starts with the New Testament Church in the book of Acts. Many things have been written about the Early Church, about its structure (or lack of structure), about its order and so forth. But I want to focus on something most people who study and write about the Early Church don't deal with. This is the fact that Paul's goal was not just to start churches. His goal was to bring the churches he started *to perfection*. This was also the goal of the writer of Hebrews, who said:

Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. And this will we do, if God permit.

Hebrews 6:1-3

In our day we have two serious problems. First, God's people are *not* going on to perfection. Rather, the focus of most believers remains on the "basic principles" of the faith. It remains primarily on church work and evangelism. Our lives continually revolve around these principle doctrines of the New Testament and this keeps us in a perpetual state of spiritual immaturity. As bad as this is we face an even greater crisis. For the first principles of the faith are being corrupted by modern Evangelical theology. The resulting situation is that not only are we choosing to focus on the wrong thing, the thing we are focusing on is being perverted. Not only are we not going forward in the purposes of God, we are actually going backward.

Perfection is a frightening word to most believers. It conjures up all kinds of fictitious images. It is a goal that most Christians assume is unreachable until after we get to heaven. Pastors and Bible teachers try to attach a less threatening definition to the word, saying that it refers merely to spiritual maturity rather than a state of actual sinlessness.

Although maturity is certainly included in the term perfection, maturity could never constitute the totality of the word, for perfection involves much more than maturity. Perfection is associated with such things as possessing the fulness of God and the fulness of Christ, of being free of all spots and wrinkles, of having no blemish or guile, of being faultless, and with bearing the full image of Jesus Christ. Having these attributes associated with the term perfection gives the word a much heavier "theological punch."

*Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a **perfect** man, unto the measure of the stature of **the fulness** of Christ.*

Ephesians 4:13

*And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with **all the fulness** of God.*

Ephesians 3:19

*For we are glad, when we are weak, and ye are strong: and this also we wish, even **your perfection**.*

II. Corinthians 13:9

*Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we **may present every man perfect** in Christ Jesus.*

Colossians 1:28

*Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to **present you faultless** before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy.*

Jude 1:24

*That he might sanctify and cleanse it [the Church] with the washing of water by the word. That he might present it to himself [at His appearing] a glorious church, **not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing**; but that it should be holy and **without blemish**.*

Ephesians 5:26

*These are they [144,00] which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found **no guile**: for **they are without fault** before the throne of God.*

Revelation 14:3-5

*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. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate **to be conformed to the image of his Son**, [who is perfect] that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.*

Romans 8:28-29

*But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed **into the same image** [which is perfect] from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.*

II. Corinthians 3:18

When the Scripture talks about presenting us "faultless" and "perfect" to the Lord Jesus at His appearing, it isn't talking about imputed faultlessness and imputed perfection. When God says He intends to "wash" and "cleanse" and "purify" the Church, He is not talking about a legal position. When He declares that His people will be free from all guile, blemishes, spots and wrinkles, He means exactly that! We are not talking about theological speculation here.

God has determined that there will be a people who will be made morally perfect before Jesus returns. They will have been purged of all sin and rebellion and fully conformed to the image of Christ. That is His Word and it cannot be altered by our worthless religious traditions. This was the vision of the apostles of the Early Church...until that vision was lost through persecution and compromise with the world in 350 A.D.

*For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised **to discern both good and evil.***

Hebrews 5:13-14

Tonight I would like to talk about the ability to discern *both* good and evil. The writer of Hebrews said strong meat belongs to those who can discern *both* good and evil. Did you know, many times the good in something or someone must be *spiritually discerned* because it's not always obvious? We don't usually think of spiritual discernment in connection with finding the good, do we? We tend to think of spiritual discernment in the context of not being deceived by darkness or by counterfeit light. So it is that, even with all the deception that's taking place in the churches right now, there are still plenty of Christians who can discern the evil that's happening. Unfortunately, probably the majority of those who have exercised their senses so they are able to discern the evil, don't exercise those senses so they can discern the good. Many who can discern the evil of *today's* false religious leaders, seem incapable of discerning the good of many of *yesterday's* true religious leaders.

I have met very few people who have the ability to look back through the centuries and *discern the good* that's been done by those God raised up to restore truth to the Church, especially if the truth that man or (God forbid!) that woman is bringing has to do with the supernatural realm of spiritual gifts. Some who have become experts at spotting the counterfeits of today, are hard pressed to name one person in history who moved in the supernatural, who they could say with full assurance was of God—especially when it comes to the gift (or ministry) of divine healing.

The same people who will gladly overlook the doctrinal imperfections, moral failures, or ministerial mistakes of *theologians* like John Calvin, Charles Spurgeon, etc, or *Bible Teachers* like J.P. Green or D.L. Moody, won't overlook any doctrinal imperfections, moral failures, or ministerial mistakes of those who moved in the realm of the supernatural. For some reason, theologians and teachers aren't held to as high a standard as those who have moved in the gift realm. If those who moved in the gift realm didn't have all their "i's" dotted and their "t's" crossed just right, they are automatically suspected of moving in another spirit, or of being an outright phony.

Why is this?

Well, I believe there are two reasons. The first one is because many are viewing all of Protestant Church History—and particularly that part of history which has to do with the supernatural, like Azuza Street in 1906, or the healing ministries of the 1940's and 1950's—through the lense of *today's* apostasy.

The second reason is because we do not understand that God has been slowly *restoring truth* to the Church, ever since we started coming out of the Dark Ages. Beginning with John Wycliff in the 1300's, then the Lollards in the 1400's, then Martin Luther and the Reformation in the 1500's, then the Puritans, Baptists and Presbyterians in the 1600's, then George Whitefield, John Wesley (the Methodists), and other Holiness movements in the 1700's, then Jesse Penn Lewis, Andrew Murray, Even Roberts, the Plymouth Brethren and the Keswick movements in the 1800's, then Azuza Street and the rise of Pentecostalism in the 1900's, God has been restoring to His people, all that they had possessed in the Early Church, but which they had

lost by 350 A.D. He has been restoring the truths represented by the furniture of the Tabernacle of Moses, which we discussed in our last two chat sessions, with a specific goal in mind. That goal is the perfection of the Church in the last days.

God started this restoration process when He moved upon Martin Luther in the 1500's, and showed him that salvation is by faith, not through confession to a priest, doing penance, giving religious leaders money, or through an association with a religious organization. Salvation by grace, through faith was not a *new* truth—though it was certainly new to Luther and all those who were caught in the Roman Catholic system for past 1100 years. Rather, it was a *lost* truth, represented by the *Brazen Altar*, which God was *re-establishing* (or restoring) at that time.

However, along with the restoration of the Brazen Altar, there was a continuation of the Roman Catholic tradition of anti-semitism, along with the idea of establishing God's kingdom on earth by means of the State (ie: city councils), of infant baptism, the clergy/laity division, and various other modified Roman practices. Now the fact that both Luther and the leaders of the Reformation continued to propagate many Roman errors did not annul the reality that God was using them to restore to the body of Christ, a truth without which, it would be impossible us to “go on unto perfection” (Heb. 6:1).

Thank God that back then, we didn't have the kind religious arm-chair-generals and Fundamentalist “Discernment Ministries” we have today, who are very good at discerning the evil in people, or ministries, or movements, but are incapable of *discerning the good* in these things. For if we did, none of us would have ever accepted the truth God was showing brother Martin because the discerners of evil would have “proven” to us that, based on his errors—which clearly contradicted the Scripture—Martin Luther was a deceiver and a false teacher.

There were no Discernment Ministries at that time because no one could read the Scripture even if they could have gotten their hands on a copy of the Bible because all the Bibles were written in a foreign language. However, once the Bible was translated into the common tongue, the discerners of evil began to come forth, and these kinds of people have fought *every* move of God and every step of restoration since the days of the Reformation.

Fast forward to the late 1700's and the 1800's. At that time, God raised up the Holiness movements, and through them, He *restored* the truths of separation from the world and from sin. He restored the doctrine of sanctification. He restored the *Brazen Laver*. Once again, without a restoration of this vital truth, it would be impossible for us to “go on unto perfection”. But by this time, there were plenty of discerners of evil around, and they denounced the Holiness movements as “legalism”. They pointed to the fact that, according to their view, the leaders of these movements didn't have all their “i's” dotted and their “t's” crossed just right. They would point to excesses in the movements as proof they were counterfeits.

Fast forward again, to 1906 and the Azusa Street outpouring. The men who were used to start that move were far from perfect both doctrinally and morally, but I assure you, that outpouring *was* a move of God. It restored the *Golden Candlestick* to the Church. It restored the truth and the experience of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, with all the attending gifts of the Spirit. This experience had been lost to the Church for over 1500 years! Like every other truth that had been restored up until that point, the *Golden Candlestick* (Spirit Baptism) is absolutely necessary for us to “go on to perfection”. It's just as necessary as the Brazen

Laver and the Brazen Altar. But again, the discerners of evil were right there in 1906 to denounce the Azuza Street outpouring because the people God chose to move through didn't have all their "i's" dotted and their "t's" crossed just right.

"Look at the doctrinal error of Charles Parnham", they would say: "this proves the whole thing is a counterfeit." "Look at that unscriptural manifestations of some of the people who were involved", they would say: "this proves the whole move is nothing but a Satanic counterfeit". "Look how they have formed sects and denominations", they said; "this too proves that the whole thing was a counterfeit". On and on it went—and the same arguments are used to this very day by wagging tongues to prove Azuza Street was a counterfeit.

I'd like to go on record tonight as saying that at as far as I am concerned, the only thing these discerners of evil are proving to me is that they are incapable of *discerning the good* hand of God in the history of Protestant and Pentecostal Church history. I would also like to say that if it hadn't been for what God did at Azuza Street, none of you would have the Baptism of the Spirit right now because that experience was *lost* by the time Emperor Constantine took the throne in 350 A.D.

And you can be sure that if the Fundamentalist discerners of evil had had their way back then, it would have stayed lost because they tried their best to stop the restoration of that whole experience by destroying the movement in it's infancy. In 1904 they burnt down the little church in Topeka, Kansas, where the Candlestick experience was originally being restored, in an effort to stop it from spreading—which it did 2 years later at Azuza Street. So keep that in mind the next time you are reading information about today's apostasy on one of these "Discernment" web sites, most of which are run by Fundamentalists, who still deny the Candlestick experience and who actively fight against it and call it Satanic.

Fast forward again to 1948, the year the State of Israel was re-established. The Church had been living at the Golden Candlestick for over 40 years. It was time to move it to the *Table of Shewbread*, which represents receiving supernatural sustenance (ie: divine healing and deliverance from demons spirits), and also, eating the hidden manna. So in the 1950's and 60's, God raised up healing ministries, deliverance ministries, and what came to be known as the Latter Rain Movement.

The restoration of the Table of Shewbread was just as necessary as the restoration of the Brazen Laver, the Brazen Altar, and the Candlestick, if the Church was ever to "go on to perfection". But once again, the discerners of evil were there to denounce all that was happening, and prove to everyone that the men God raised up in the healing and deliverance ministries of that time were false because they didn't have all their "i's" dotted and their "t's" crossed just right. Later, when many of these men ended up badly, this was presented as even more proof that they were all false from the beginning. To this day, the discerners of evil are still wagging their tongues, claiming it was all false. And let me show you how easy for them to prove their point—keeping in mind that, once again, most of these people are Fundamentalists who reject all supernatural ministry in the Holy Place.

Sep #1: They link everything and everyone that had to do with the healing and deliverance ministries of that hour to William Branham. They create fancy little charts which show that *everyone* in that era either came out of William Branham's ministry, or had hands laid on them by Branham, or they got their views from Branham's teachings.

Step #2 After linking everyone in that era to William Branham, they then show how he was a false teacher. They tell us how an angel would appear to him and show him what sicknesses people had and how to pray for them. They tell us how he embraced strange teachings, and how he rejected the doctrine of the Trinity, and that near the end of his life he thought he was Elijah.

Step #3: Once it has been proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that William Branham was totally false (much like Todd Bentley is today), step number three is easy. Every ministry of that hour automatically becomes guilty by *association*. They are all viewed as either being a counterfeit or a phony.

This kind of thing is to be expected from Fundamentalists, but it's sad to see Pentecostals following their lead. I regularly hear people who claim to be Spirit-filled, declaring with authority that all the healing evangelists of the 50's were phony because most of them went off into error, or ended up building massive kingdoms, or were (God forbid!) Women, or they died an alcoholic or something.

I like to ask these people what they thought of Tommy Hicks. Most of them don't even know who he was. The ones who have heard the name don't know much about him except that he died an alcoholic. Tommy Hicks received a gift of healing and he went to South America in the 50's to hold meetings in Argentina. He met the then President of Argentina, who had a severe birth mark which covered the whole side of his face. This man asked Tommy why he had come to Argentina, and he replied that he had come to tell the people Jesus wanted to save them and heal them. The President then asked Tommy if his God could heal *him*, to which Tommy replied, Yes. He prayed for the President, and all the Generals stood there and watched that birth mark disappear. Because of this, the President gave Tommy the new baseball stadium that had just been built, which had never been filled to capacity yet, free of charge, for as long as he wanted it. Night after night that stadium filled to overflowing and they took the crutches and the canes from that place by the DUMP TRUCK LOAD!

Yet, years later, this poor brother died an alcoholic. Why? Was it because he was a phony all along? Was it because William Branham transferred a demon spirit of healing to him. Don't ever believe it my friends. He died that way because once God had restored the Table of Shewbread to the Church, it was time to move on. The restoration of the truth of *divine healing* and of *deliverance from evil spirits* in our personalities wasn't the goal. The goal is, and always has been, the perfection of the Church. The restoration of the Table of Shewbread is absolutely necessary, but it's just one more step towards the completion of *that* goal. That meant that the *ministries* which God had raised up to establish this truth in the Church were only meant to be *temporary*.

Once the Shewbread experience had been restored to the Church, God moved on to the next truth. The men who were instrumental in establishing this truth had an opportunity to move with God, and had they done so, the Lord would have given them *new* ministries. But they fell in love with the power they had been given, and with the *glory* that went along with that kind of a ministry, and when God moved on, they refused to move with Him. Once the Glory Cloud had moved, they were left in the same place, trying to produce the same awesome miracles. But the power that produced those kinds of miracles was no longer available. While there was still a residue of power available to heal, it wasn't the *same degree* or *intensity* that had been available when the truth of divine healing was first being restored. The glory of their ministries began to fade and as a result was that they went off in all kinds of directions that were not God. Some even turned to booze.

The other part of the Table of Shewbread that was restored at that time, which had to do with receiving the hidden manna of Spirit and of the Scripture, began with a little outpouring in Canada in 1948, which came to be known as the New Order of the Latter Rain (NOLR). A lot of negative things are being written and said about the NOLR, and unfortunately, in most cases, the things that are being said are at least partially true, and in some cases, absolutely true. Many errors came out of this movement. Just type the term Latter Rain in a search engine and you will soon find out everything that was evil about it. The discerners of evil have done their job well when it comes to recognizing the evil in that movement. But as is so often the case, these same people are utterly incapable of *discerning the good* that came out of it. I'll just mention a few of those good things because I would like you to see how much hidden manna God gave those people—manna that had not only been lost since 350 A.D., but which had also been hidden throughout the whole restoration period; from the 1300's, till 1948.

The discerners of error have no idea that God restored some very important truths to the body through that movement. I dare say that many of *us* don't realize that if it wouldn't have been for what happened in those years, we might still be spiritual babies, full of carnality, waiting to fly off in a Pre-tribulation rapture to live forever in the spirit realm with a Jesus who only lives *with* us. For you see, the understanding of "Christ in you" came from the Latter Rain Movement. The understanding of the goal that God has been after all this time—that we can *go onto perfection*—came from that movement. The understanding that the Feast of tabernacles was an experience that we could partake of in this age, instead of having to wait for the rapture, came from this movement. The reality that the kingdom of God is coming to earth, as opposed to us flying off to live forever in the spirit realm, came from that movement. The understanding of the value of *corporate* body life came from it. The understanding that the Two Witnesses are a company of people and not just two individual men came from it. The understanding that the denominational system was actually blocking the vision and hindering the spiritual growth of God's people, and that it would eventually be totally corrupted by Satan, came from that movement. And the understanding of what it will mean to be a "manifested" son of God came from it.

When you realize what all these things entail, you will see they received quite a bit of hidden manna from the Spirit at that time. Of course, other things came from it too, which were gross error. But just because it was a *mixture*, that does not mean God was not restoring *vital truths* to the Church through it. Hindsight is a wonderful thing. It makes it fairly easy to take the writings of someone like Bill Britton or George Warnock (*The Feast of Tabernacles*) and see where they went off course. From today's vantage point, it's easy to see that some of the things they envisioned are not coming to pass exactly the way they thought it would back in the 50's. But at the same time, we need to remember that these men were *pioneers*. They were receiving things from the Spirit that nobody else had ever heard, or was even *willing* to hear. They were like the apostle Peter. They may not have gotten it quite right, but they were the only ones in those days who had the nerve and the faith to even get out of the boat!

As soon as the Table of Shewbread had been restored to the Church, it was time to move on again. And just like the healing and deliverance ministries who refused to move with God were left behind; so it was with the people who were part of the Latter Rain movement. God was ready to restore the next truth, but those people were too busy creating their own religious groups around the manna they had received. When God did finally move, the manna became corrupted. The errors they had got even worse, and a whole new generation would come up after them who would feed on that corrupted manna and then go on to pervert it even more.

I believe that sometime in the late 60's or early 70's, God moved the Church once again, from the Table of Shewbread to the *Golden Altar of Incense*, through the revelation of the death to self message. Men like Bill Britton and others had received this revelation, but it was not the focus of what they were preaching. Also, this time, the moving of the Church would not come as a result of God raising up famous individuals or great end time movements because the focus was now beginning to *shift* to the body itself,. It was time for the body to learn how to care for itself and prepare itself for the day when it will finally go through the veil, into the Holy of Holies, and move as *one corporate man* with absolutely no leaders guiding it, but with Christ alone as it's guide.

The restoration of the Golden Altar of Incense also coincides with the beginning of the *true* Day of Atonement, which is not a single day for us, but is rather a time frame of unknown quantity, which requires that we afflict our own souls, which will prepare us to enter the Feast of Booths. The Feast of Booths is the third part, or sub-feast of Tabernacles. The first two parts of the Feast of Tabernacles—the blowing of Trumpets and the Day of Atonement take place at the end of *this present* age. Tabernacles proper, or Booths, begins with the physical return of the Lord, at the beginning of the next age.

At the Table of Shewbread, as God's people ate the hidden manna, they entered into the *Feast of Trumpets*. They heard the trumpet call to go on unto perfection. Then God moved us to the Golden Altar and we entered the Day of Atonement, and God began to show us how to afflict our souls. This is where we are at today. We are at the Golden Altar and in the Day of Atonement. Soon God will instruct the angel to measure those of us who are worshipping at this Golden Altar, and those who measure up, those who have died to themselves sufficiently enough for God, will be granted power to present the world with one final witness. Once that witness has been rejected, the door of mercy will be closed for the remainder of this present age and the bowls of God's wrath will fall upon this world.

Speaking of the bowls of wrath, did anyone read the article on Steve's web site about Wendy Alec's prophecy, saying Jesus would show up in person at Lakeland? It was called: "*Second Coming Antichrist Jesus To Make Appearance On Lakeland Stage*". If you did, you may have noticed in that article a reference to the "*Manifest Sons Of God*" doctrine, with a link to the article. If you click on that link, you are taken to a blog for the church (Ignited) that's hosting the revival, where you can read an official report of what Todd Bentley said on Wednesday, May 28th. In this account, he talks about the "bowels". But his version of what they represent is very different from what John saw in Revelation.

The report says that at the beginning of the service, after the worship is over, some one named David Tomberlin speaks to the audience and says: "*The bowls in Heaven are full! Just pull that down. It's falling now! This is your hour to receive, to be equipped, to be trained, to take it with you. Absorb it! Drink it in! This is your season of visitation. Take it in!*" Excuse me? This guy is talking like the bowls of heaven are filled with some kind of spiritual blessing and power, and that God is telling the people to pull the bowls down from heaven and so they can receive and drink the contents! Is he crazy? Did this guy ever read the book of Revelation?

*And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for **in them is filled up the wrath of God.***

Revelation 15:1

*Then one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels **seven golden bowls full of the wrath of God** who lives forever and ever...Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, "Go and pour out **the bowls of the wrath of God** on the earth."*

Revelation 15:7 & 16:1 NKJ

The only “bowls” in heaven are the ones that are filled with the wrath of God. And it will be the angels who pour them out. We don’t have the ability to “pull them down” out of heaven—and besides, who in their right minds would want to pull the bowls of God’s wrath down upon themselves, even if they could? This man has lost his mind. But so has Todd Bentley, who during his sermon that night makes a comment about this guy’s comment regarding the bowls. Mr. Bentley says:

When you began to talk about the bowls, David, **I saw the bowls. The bowls are answered prayer.** There are times when your prayers go up to Heaven like incense. But, there are times that the **bowls of incense get full** in Heaven. And **when the bowls get full** in Heaven, God **throws the bowls back down to earth.**

And when the bowls of incense come back down to the earth, mingled with fire from the altar in Heaven, **that is your answer coming back into the earth.** And it comes back with lightning, it comes back with thundering, and it comes back with great earthquake. It comes back with great signs and wonders!

And I believe tonight is not a night where the incense goes into the bowls, **tonight is a night when God takes the fire from the altar, mixes it with the bowls that are full and throws the bowls back down to the earth.** And tonight is a night of releasing. Tonight is a night of commissioning. Tonight is a night of activation.

You can step right into that gift of healing... step right in to the impartation... step right in to the spirit of revival... step right in to the promise of God... step right into the healing... step right in to the breakthrough tonight.

WHAT? After God pours out His (bowls of) wrath on you, you can step right into your gift of healing and the spirit of revival? Both of these guys belong in a little white room! In the rest of that message, Bentley preaches an extremely *pervverted* version of the original Manifest Sons of God doctrine.

Let me tell you what is happening right now. We have a moment in the spirit. Tonight's meeting is like a womb. And just now I got this scripture out of Galatians 4:19. **I'm talking about a birthing tonight.** I'm talking about a commissioning tonight. I'm talking about a releasing tonight. I heard the Lord say out of Galatians 4:19: My little children for whom I labor in birth again until Christ is formed in you. Paul the Apostle new that there were moments where you labor and travail in the spirit until something is formed. Until Christ is formed in you.

We have an opportunity **to birth something tonight**. We have an opportunity **to form Christ**. I am talking about in resurrection life, in resurrection power. And there needs to be a travailing, a laboring. What is it that is going to be birthed? What is it that is going to be born? I heard the Lord say -- **Whatever you wish**. Your destiny, your dream, your vision, gifts of the spirit. You can be activated tonight. The Bible declares that He gives good gifts to those who ask Him. If you ask him for the Holy Spirit, he is going to give you the Holy Spirit -- for the glory of Jesus Christ. To make Jesus known all over the world.

First he quotes Paul's words about travailing until Christ is formed in people. Then he says those in the audience have an opportunity to "form Christ" that evening, if they will travail and labor. Then he asks: What is going to be born? His answer is: *"I heard the Lord say—Whatever you wish. Your destiny, your dream, your vision, gifts of the spirit. You can be activated tonight"*. So in Todd Bentley's twisted little world, having Christ formed in us has nothing to do with the holy and righteous character of the Lord coming forth in our personalities. Rather, having Christ formed in us means speaking whatever we desire into existence!

Tonight is a crossing over and we have a moment, says that the Lord, where **we can labor and travail until Christ is formed in you**. We need maturity. **There are things that are going to mature tonight**. Whereas before maybe it was a little embryo. Maybe before it was 3 months in the womb. Maybe before it was 6 months in the womb. Maybe your city, maybe your region, maybe your nation -- destiny has been in the labor pains and you have been in a place of contraction.

I feel if we gave it a big push that we can literally form Christ -- Christ in you. I'm talking about a maturing of what God has placed on the inside of your spirit. **It's gonna come out of the birth canal -- it's gonna come out of the womb -- because there is a labor and there is a travailing that is going on in the spirit**. And as we lift our hands in worship, what we are actually doing is pushing -- calling those things that be not -- calling them out of the invisible realm. And we are saying Let there be life. And there was life -- speaking things into existence. I am talking about a creative realm.

Heaven will hold back the second coming. A mature church manifests the glory of God. A mature church manifests the word of God in truth and power. A mature church walks in holiness and character. A mature church walks in miracles, signs, and wonders. I'm talking about a maturity tonight...and **it's being formed in you**. **Let Christ be formed in maturity. Let the full man, let the fullness of God come forth, and let the womb open tonight, and let there be a great birthing, say the Lord**.

Tell Him what you want -- I want nations, I want souls, I want miracles, I want intimacy, I want breakthrough, I want deliverance, I want healing, I want my family, I want my neighborhood, I want my church, I want heaven, I want to come up there God. I want to know you , God.

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This is so disgusting it almost makes you sick to the stomach. It's Satan mocking God's truth through the lips of this possessed moron. It's the "blasphemy" that comes from the mouth of the "beast" (the Antichrist) in Revelation 13:6.

This is the *modern version* of the Manifest Sons of God doctrine that came forth in the late 40's. I want to say that even though the original vision was not right, it has nothing to do with this kind of Satanic blasphemy. One of these chat sessions I'll go through the two versions and compare them side by side for you. But for now, I just want to go on record as saying that the men who got the revelation of the Sons of God back in the 40's and the 50's cannot be compared with the insane, religious nutcases we have on the scene today.

Men like George Warnock, Bill Britton, T. Austin Sparks, and others—though they didn't get the message the Spirit was conveying exactly right, were still *genuine* believers. They were spiritually mature men who had a holy fear of God and who would never twist the Scripture like today's so-called prophets and apostles do. Moreover, they knew what traveling till Christ is formed in a people really meant, and they wouldn't be caught in the company of people like Todd Bentley.

So the next time you read an expose on the current apostasy, and you see the manifest Sons of God doctrine referred to, and then you see the names of today's demon possessed leaders in the same list with names like Britton and Warnock, just know that the one who is making those claims doesn't know what they are talking about. If they can't see a difference between men like Bill Britton and George Warnock, and the Todd Bentley's of today, they have not yet learned how to exercise their senses to discern the good. Moreover, they will be sorely disappointed when they stand before the Lord because God hates it when we say the things He has done have come from Satan.

When you understand that God has been moving to restore truth to the Church, line by line, movement by movement, as He brings the body of Christ to a place of understanding its goal and destiny, and when you can see how all this relates to the Tabernacle of Moses, then it's fairly easy to look back and know exactly what God was doing at different periods of history, and when He began moving in another direction.

When we understand these things, we will understand *how* men of God who had gifts and power an revelation could end up drunks and all kinds of other things. Knowing these things will help us to properly discern which moves were from Him and which ones weren't. And it will help us know why none of today's movement are of Him, since they are all trying to re-establish things that have already been established and are no longer the focus of the Holy Spirit.

When we understand these things, we will no longer be at the mercy of historical information that has a Fundamentalist slant because it's being written by people who have an anti-Holy Place view and agenda. At we will not be so easily deceived by people who claim to be walking in the Holy Place, and who say they are part of (or are a leader of) the "latest move" of God, for we will know that there *are no more* big "moves" or big name ministries. Rather, God has moved the whole body, as *individuals*, to the Golden Altar. Knowing what the Golden Altar represents will help to keep us from becoming involved in things that may look appealing and spiritual, but which are not really coming from God.