

Q&A February 23, 2024

Q: Genesis 15, what does Abraham and 5 animals at the altar mean?

- **Genesis 15:8 - 12 ... 5 animals**
- See the message "54-1212 He Swore by Himself" for a full explanation.
- Note carefully that verse 9 begins God's response to Abraham's question! "How whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?"
- These sacrifices are a prophetic type of the dispensations of God that will come and the wickedness that will be happening at the same time.
- The 3 year old animals represent the Godhead, 3 in 1.
- The various animals represent God dispensation (or message) to each season.
- The dividing and joining together represents the dispensations connecting together. It is the same God in each dispensation.
- When the wild beasts came to corrupt the sacrifice God's elect (Abraham here) chased them away.
- The darkness is not only a type of the Jews going into Egypt, but also the gross darkness that would be upon the face of the earth.
- "In the fourth generation they shall come out"... in the fourth watch, under the fourth beast (the eagle) the Elect will come out.

54-1212 He Swore By Himself

131 Now notice, God speaking to Abraham. Now notice.

And he said, Lord God, wherein shall I know, that I will inherit it?

And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a—a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and two turtledoves, and a young pigeon.

132 Here it goes. Watch it now.

And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another:...(Oh, my, what a—what a meaning this has!)...but the birds he divided not.

133 Now he cut the heifer and the goats, and things, apart, and laid the pieces, one against another one, showing that they would dovetail from one dispensation to another. But the turtledoves, and thing, he didn't divide them.

And when the fowls of the air came down on the carcasses, Abraham drove them away.

And when the sun was gone down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, a horror of great darkness fell upon him.

And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be...stranger in a land that is not their's, and they shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years:

134 God foretelling, unto Abraham, that way down in his great-great-great-grandchildrens would sojourn in a strange land, four hundred years, would be afflicted. Designated a time, exactly, how long it would be. Now watch.

And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterwards shall they come out with great substance.

135 They did. "And thou shall..." Watch. I'm talking about holy...Watch. And not even...Unconditionally! What?

And thou shall go to be to thy fathers in peace;...(Amen!)

...thou shall go to thy fathers in peace; and thou shall be buried in a good old age.

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138 But, oh, my, then when my mind flops over here to God's promised oath to me, then all that just fades away then. I just...Everything just seems different. Now watch, "...in a good old age."

But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.

139 God, making His promise. God give it to Abraham, unconditionally. Now watch, when He said this. Oh, here is a beautiful picture, if we could just have the time to finish it, 'fore we get down to finish this, the picture that God had made it. Look.

He said, "Go get me a heifer of three years old."

140 Watch, "three." Everything in the Bible is a three. Three blends to a one. See? Father, Son, Holy Spirit; not three Gods. One! Faith, hope, and charity; not three different things, but all the essence of one: love.

141 Now, then, there was justification, sanctification, the baptism of the Holy Ghost; not three different dispensations, not three works of grace, but one work in different manifestations. Same Holy Spirit was with Luther, under justification; was under Wesley, with sanctification; in the Church now, in the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The same Holy Spirit! Not two Holy Spirits; the same Holy Spirit!

142 The little corn that come up here, in the first thing, and the farmer looked and seen these little sprouts sticking up. "Wonderful!" He rejoiced. After a while, they got old and withered away, and his corn went on. In it, the same life that was in this corn, down here at the first stalk, is in it up here in the ear and grain, just the same. It just went on, and on, and on, and on.

143 And so is the Church growing on, to that perfect Day when Jesus shall come. See? Same Holy Spirit, same thing, just different dispensation.

144 Now, in moving of This, look. Take the heifers, the goats, and everything, must be three years old. The three different dispensations; fatherhood, sonship, Holy Spirit. See? "Three years," everything was three years; meant, Father, Son, Holy Spirit. Same God that was under that dispensation, is under this dispensation, under that dispensation, and will be the same. Only one God; three dispensations. Not three Gods; three dispensations of the same God!

QUESTION : In Genesis 6:3-6 what does it mean when the Lord repented He has made the earth? I thought what He did the first time is what He will always do. What does it mean that "my Spirit shall not always strive with man"?

- **Repented** = in Hebrew is "nacham", or "to breathe strongly, by implication to be sorry".
- **Strive** = Hebrew is "diyn", meaning "to judge, contend, plead".
- God made the earth to be perfect, yet with free will to choose the outcome. Now humanity has chosen wickedness over God's mercy.
- God saw the wickedness of man and pleaded with them to repent! He anointed Noah to preach that repentance, but they would not accept it.
- When Adam and Eve were removed from the Garden of Eden God placed Cherubim to protect the way so that they would NOT live forever. God did not want them trapped in that condition. So God limited the wickedness to a season and prevented Adam and Eve from partaking of the Tree of Life so they would not be eternally separated from Him.
- In similar fashion we see in these verses of Genesis 6:3-6 in that God limits the time in which he will "strive with man". He pleads with man to repent, but this pleading is not eternal. A season is allotted, and when that season is over there is no more mercy. The season of mercy is then ended. (See also Hebrews 4:7)
- We see directly after these verses that God calls Noah to build the ark, then purges the earth in the flood. That season of Grace, the days of Noah, was complete. Judgement had come.
- The same is true today. Mercy is offered for a season, but if it is rejected God has already committed that a tribulation time, judgement, is coming upon the earth.

63-0321 - "The Fourth Seal"

235 You believe it? That's the Word. "I will kill them with death." And if they're killed, they're Eternal separated. All right. Remember, He gave her a space to repent.

236 Thyatira Age was the dark age. The dark-horse rider rode in that time, when all the masses and everything had to be paid for, and the prayers, and—and the novenas, and so forth. Now see his black horse, then, after he refused to repent in Thyatira, (what?) changes his riding from a black horse to a pale one, death, for his last ministry.

237 Now, I might just give the individual a little shake here. To refuse God, to refuse God's call, you'll do it the last time sometime. And, just like that church did, it's over. God, patience, will not always strive with man. See?

238 And when she refused It, and refused to accept It, then she changed and went...And now she's got a name called "Death," separation. God said, "I'll even take her children, the Protestants, and every one of them I'll kill with Eternal separation." There you are, Thyatira Age, the dark age. His black horse now turns to death, for his last ministry.

Q: The Saved die and go into their Theophany. Where do the unsaved go after they die?

- *There souls go into another realm, waiting for judgement. As Bro. Branham describes it is like a dream they cannot awake from.*
- *The soul and spirit of that person is judged, but they are not in rest (Hebrews 4) because they did not believe God's Word. There is no mention of having another body; they are caught in between as a spirit until the second resurrection.*
- *These souls will rise again in the second resurrection, gathered to the White Throne judgement (Revelation 20).*
- *After the White Throne Judgement those souls found guilty are destroyed completely.*
- *At this judgement the Bride is NOT judged. She has judged herself already by according to God's Word and is now seated with Him together judging the earth.*

62-1125E - "The Countdown"

47 Then, I think the fifth dimension is where the sinner dies, where he goes. Now, I think that when the sinner dies he goes to this fourth dimension. Notice. The first thing, he cannot go in the Presence of God because he is a sinner, and his time is up on earth.

48 If I would type it for you, it's like trying to go to sleep and you're in a...can't be asleep, and you're in a nightmare. You...Hideous things, you're screaming. You're just all...That's the state of the wicked dead. He cannot go in the Presence of God because he is a sinner. He cannot return back to the earth because his time's up. And he's caught between the two things in the fifth dimension. He's got a soul, and it cannot go in the Presence of God, because it's not covered by the Blood. He's a sinner. He cannot wake himself up, because his time's up on earth. So there he is, in a tormented nightmare.

Think of that now, before you enter: a nightmare, scream.

49 Many of us has had nightmares. It's just because, we're told, because the two conscious are passing, sub and first conscious, and it catches between, and that's the nightmare. And when a sinner dies, he's caught with his soul between earth and hell in a nightmare, there he stands.

50 Now, the sixth dimension is in Christ, the saints, dead saints, or, resting saints, who is completely, work finished on earth, and has entered into rest with Christ under the altar, beautifully. If you would parallel it like a wonderful dream that you didn't want to wake up. It ain't a dream, it's natural. It's real. But I'm just making a parable to you. And course, the seventh dimension is God alone.

60-1207 - "The Pergamean Church Age"

45 Now, if there's one death, and we know about it, then there's got to be another death somewhere; 'cause one death we die it here in the flesh, the second death we die it in the spirit, the soul. It's, "And the soul that sinneth it shall surely die." Die is just, "absolutely go out from everything;" you see, you're—you're...Death means, "to be taken away, it's—it's—it's carried away, hid away." Then when our loved ones die, they're out of existence as far as we know. We call that death.

46 But a Christian does not die. There's no Scripture that a Christian dies, because he's got Eternal Life. When a sinner dies, he's finished, and his soul will finally die. But when a Christian dies, he's just waiting with Jesus to the return back again. Oh, I hope I have time to get to that at the end of this

vision tonight, to that where we come back; and you'll see it, how it brings in that same thing of the second death. This same chapter we're on tonight brings in the same thing, and such a beautiful application here.

53-0609A Demonology, Religious Realm

191 Here, let's give a little picture here, a little mental picture. Here is a stream right through here, right down through this way, coming down through life. Now watch. It's a channel. Give me your undivided attention now, so you won't miss this. Right down like this. Now, in this little channel here dwells mortal beings, you and I. Now, in there, let's look what it is. It's a mass of folly and everything else, but once in a while you'll see a light. You see blackness and streets, that's gaiety and carrying-on, devils getting the people. Oh, they dress fine, my, and highly cultured as they can be, polished scholars, but still the devil. But there's born-again sitting in there.

192 Now, these people in this channel is influenced from two different sides. Now, on this side going this a-way, there's a trinity. And on this side going this a-way, there's a trinity.

193 Now, when, now the first place, on this side, is souls of the unjust, when a man dies he goes into a place waiting judgment. Jesus went and preached to them souls that were in prison there. The next is demons. The next, is the devil in hell. Going up, the first, now, them in there is ghosts, spirits of dead men that never repented. They're waiting for the Judgment. The only thing they know is folly and what they did.

Q: What is the difference between major and minor prophets?

- *There is only one major prophet at a time.*
- *It is possible that there be two anointed of God, but never two voices at the same time. If there is a minor voice (minor prophet) the lesser prophet should be subject to the major prophet.*
- *Elijah and Elisha were both alive at the same time, but Elisha never took authority over Elijah. He submitted himself, learned, grew and when the time came they he took up the mantel of prophet. Only one voice from God was sounding at a time.*
- *In addition, a minor prophet may be anointed for a certain area, such as a local work or a prophecy limited to a specific thing. It is still God's Word, bearing the authority of the Creator, but limited in scope.*
- *The major prophet is sent as the voice of God to the entire generation to turn the entire world according to God's good pleasure.*
- *Also note, the gift of prophecy does NOT a prophet make. A prophet is BORN a prophet, whereas the GIFT of prophecy may rest upon whomever the Lord choose at any given time.*

61-0412 - "A Greater Than Solomon Is Here"

50 And this Messiah was the Chief and God of all the prophets. He was over all of them. God only had one major prophet in any generation. There never was two on the field at one time. Elijah and Elisha walked arm in arm, but he never become fully a prophet until Elijah's robe dropped upon him. That's true. See? They had minor prophets and so forth, but it...

A prophet is a man who's born and predestinated and foreordained for that generation. The Bible teaches that. That's right. By God's foreknowledge He set a certain person for that. Now...Then when Jesus came and fulfilled all the words that...He was supposed to be that Prophet. Don't you know, they asked Him, "Who does men say I am? What does they say? Are You that prophet?" they said.

Q: Please compare a man's responsibility to follow the Gospel, but also provide for his family in the verses below.

- **Matthew 19:29** *And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.*
 - **1 Timothy 5:8** *But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.*
 - **Proverbs 13:22** *A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.*
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- **Matthew 6 : 24 - 34** .. "Man cannot serve two masters..."
- This is a question of preeminence. "(1) Seek ye first the kingdom of God... (2) and all these things will be added unto you".
- Forsake means to "give up". If you had to choose between your family and Jesus Christ which would you pick?
- Some will have to make this choice. Regardless of outcome, will you serve Him?
- If you choose Jesus Christ to have preeminence in all you are then all these things will be added unto you, according to your faith.
- If you choose something else then those things, whatever you have chosen, has preeminence in your life and you are not in a relationship with God. You are only in an IDEA of a relationship with God.
- God will not be second best to you because YOU ARE NOT second best to Him! His Bride is everything to Him!

Q: Is Matthew 16:17 saying that you didn't learn this from another person (it wasn't taught to you) and that your understanding of who I am didn't come from intellect? Also, is Matthew 22:12 an example of someone that had an intellectual relationship/revelation? (Being at the wedding, but didn't enter in through the door?)

- **Matthew 16:17** *And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.*
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- No man can come unless drawn of the Father. Is God unfair because of this?
- Romans 9:13 - 23 ... “vessels of mercy prepared unto His Glory...”
- Only those prepared unto His Glory does he reveal Himself. Because, having foreknowledge, he knows who will accept His Word and believe on it.
- Revelation is an action of God.
- Revelation is NOT a product from within man, either by intellect, or studying, or analysis, or imagination, etc.
- **Romans 8 : 29 - 30** ... those predestinated to be conformed... what conforms you to His image? Revelation from Him.

65-1204 - "The Rapture"

76 We all know we're living in the Laodicea Age. There will never be another age to it. It can't be. So, we're living in the Laodicea Age. And these Seven Seals that's held that Book, is a mystery to people, should be opened at that day. That's what He promised. Now, it won't be nothing outside the Word, because you can't add to the Word or take from the Word. It's got to remain always the Word. But the revelation is to reveal the Truth of It, what It is, to make It fit with the rest the Scripture. And then God vindicates that to be the Truth. See?

77 God don't need no interpreter. He is His Own interpreter. He does His Own interpretation by bringing to pass the things that He said would happen. Like, in the beginning, He said, "Let there be light," and there was light. That don't need any interpretation. It was vindicated.

65-1127E - "I Have Heard But Now I See"

... that, "As it was in the days of Sodom, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man, when the Son of man is being revealed"? What is a "revealed"? Is a secret made known, a revelation; is to reveal or make known a secret.

106 Now, these things that's been hid all through the church ages is now being revealed, made known. Now, we could say that, and if God didn't back that up, that's wrong. See, God don't need anybody to interpret His Word, He's His Own Interpreter. He said, "A virgin shall conceive," and she did. He said, "Let there be light," and there was. And we are not living in Luther's age, Wesley age, or the Pentecostal age. The Pentecostal age was only a restoration of the gifts coming back to the church, but we're living in the evening time, we're living in a time of the calling out of the Bride.

