

... AND THERE WAS LIGHT.

In the Holy Scriptures, in Genesis the first book of the Bible, we read this Scripture.
"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters."
Gen. 1: 1-2

What is surprising here is that although the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters, the chaos was still there. We may ask ourselves the question, where was that God who created heaven and earth? Didn't He see the chaos?

The answer is given in verse 2c: "... and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters."
The Bible says: *"God is Spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and Truth."*
John 4: 24.

Therefore we understand that when the Bible says: *"The spirit of God ..."* it refers to God himself. So, at the Creation, He was there and He watched everything. This gives us a great lesson. God was observing the chaos that was on earth. He was there and He saw what was going on, but He did not say anything.

As long as God had not spoken, darkness was still there, chaos also was there. This leaves room for speculation. Everyone has a say, everyone can utter his opinion and believes that only his way of seeing things is correct. In the kingdom of blinds, the one-eyed man is king. It has always been that way since time immemorial. The silence of God is of paramount importance; actually it is during that period that things' nature start to emerge and things themselves become much more apparent to everyone.

As we read in Genesis chapter 1, we can see that the chaos was not caused by God. No! God was not responsible for the mess because Bible says: *"For God is not a God of disorder but of peace."* 1 Cor. 14: 33

In fact, the chaos was caused by the mixing two things that can never unite, "light and darkness," because the Bible says *"God separated light from darkness"*. Previously both were together, and that caused the conflict. Nobody could know what was happening exactly as long as God had not spoken since confusion was there. The two things were mixed but only God knew the difference.

Thus we read: *"God said, Let there be light! And there was light."*

God saw that light was good: and God separated light from darkness. Gen 1: 3

This is what God did the first day. It is only when God speaks that from the chaos emerges the order, from the chaos came out the Garden of Eden. It is only when the Lord our God separated the light from the darkness that He continued his glorious work of creation. God is neither a God of disorder nor a God of confusion. He is a God of order and light. When He speaks, light appears.

This shows us the importance of the Word of God. Not words of men, or what men wanted to say or express as their own thoughts about the Word of God, but what God Himself said. We note that when God speaks, confusion disappears and everything becomes very clear. Therefore we can certainly without doubt take a clear stand. When God speaks, the difference between things appears so clearly that the separation becomes necessary. It is not a man's job to separate, it is actually God who separates. **Men divide but God separates.**

The Bible says: "*God saw that light was good: and God (not an alleged preacher, but God Himself) SEPARATED light from darkness.*" Gen 1: 3-5.

God has seen and said that light was good. If God said that light was good, who can change it and say that light was not good? Why is light good? Simply because it is the very nature of God. "*God is light*". His Word is the Absolute, when God speaks, it happens and when he commanded, it must exist. This is the Supreme Authority. No man can be above the Word of God. The Word of God has the power of transformation.

With His Word, God created the world. Everything that exists was created by the Word of God. Nothing that exists could exist without the Word of God. In Him is life. Life is only in the Word of God.

The Word of God is the arbitrator in all discussions. He stops all discussions and gives the solution to all our problems and answers all our questions. The Word of God. As the Bible puts it: "The Word of God and not the word of men". It should therefore be left in its context because God who uttered it had thought before doing so.

A Word is primarily a thought and when that thought is expressed then it becomes the word because it was uttered.

As long as it is a thought, it cannot produce its effect. But when it is uttered, then it produces the effect for which it was expressed.

As long as God had kept his thought and did not say anything, chaos was there because the thought does not work. But when the thought is expressed, it becomes a word; and that word works.

*"For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received **THE WORD OF GOD** which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, WHICH EFFECTUALLY WORKETH ALSO IN YOU THAT BELIEVE"*.

1 Thess. 2: 13.

For the Word of God "*... is alive and effective ...*" Heb. 4: 12.

There is no room for speculation when God speaks because things become clear to the children of God. They are called "*sons of light and sons of the day*". 1 Thess. 5: 4. That is exactly what the Bible says: "*God saw that the light was good: and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light day (children of light and children of the day) and He (God) called the darkness night.*" Gen. 1: 5. (*We do not belong to the night or to the darkness*) (1 Thess. 5: 5c)

Just as children of light and children of the day exist, so do the children of darkness and of night. When the two seeds are mixed together, chaos occurs as the children of darkness are actually the seed of discord. They are never satisfied. They are hateful, hypocritical and double in nature. Such men have double talk; they are false, sensual, not having the nature of God. Actually they have the nature of their father, but still very religious.

"Abraham is our father," they answered. "They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, if ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham. But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham. Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to him, we be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God. Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.

Why do ye not understand my speech? Even because ye cannot hear my word.

Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not. Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God." John 8: 39-47.

The two seeds could not remain mixed, there must be a separation. And this is God's work to separate. Not men's work but God's only:

Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn' Matth. 13: 24-30

With a mixed group like this, God simply cannot do anything.

On one side there are believers, children of light, and on the other side there are children of darkness, the unbelievers. However, they claim to believe in God but deny God's works.

They say: "Days of miracles is over, but we believe in the Bible.

The age of miracles is past with the apostles." They don't believe that Jesus Christ our Lord is the same yesterday, today and forever.

They say they believe the Bible, but for them miracles are not for today; this was valid only during the apostles' days. These same persons say they are messengers of God, true bible believers.

They also say that the pillar of fire is not important for today, it is not needed today. It was valid in the prophet's days but it is no longer valid today. Exactly the same spirit of darkness that does not believe that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday today and forever:

The seed of discord.

Below is the extract from the brochure: "Unity" P. 27 William Branham.

Claiming to believe the Word of God, but denying the power thereof; God must separate.

"But what happened instead? God had to separate Cain's people from Seth's people. He sent Cain away. He separated them so he could deal with His Church. Watch, Cain was separated.

Now, watch. God separated Eve's evil Cain from Adam's holy Seth. Oh. Did He do it? Through a unlawful act, this woman living with a - somebody else and brought a child, God separated that child and his generations from this righteous and holy man, His children.

It is the same thing today: separating, separated, found them, they were not in unity. There could have no unity. **Can night have unity with day? Can a believer have unity with an infidel? Can a man who believes in all the Word of God have a unity with them who just believe part of the Word of God? God wants separators.**

Now, Cain was Eve's son; she said: "I have gotten a son." But Seth was Adam's son. And God separated them, because he couldn't let... Why, they'd corrupt one another. Cain's evil children would have corrupt Seth's good children. That's right.

Now, watch. **At the same old devil that caused Eve to disbelieve one Word of God, and told them to separate themselves from one another and to live different, each one, that same devil got among them and brought them together again. Did you get it?**

Say "Amen" if you did. [Congregation says "Amen" - Ed.]

He brought them together again under a false union, an act of - against God's plan. What happened? How did He do it? "The sons of God," said the Bible in Genesis "saw the daughters of men."

The sons of God, Seth's children, saw the daughters of men, Cain's children, how pretty they

were. Uh-huh. And what did they do? They fell for them. And they united themselves together again because of beauty, that they were fair to look upon.

Same thing today. Here you are, brethren. You Pentecostal weaklings, who God has separated you and sent you out to be an inter denomination. You can't denominate Pentecost. **God sent you out to be His people. But you have seen the big fine churches and the theology; you got yourselves a lot of big schools and things. And what did you do? You have united God's people again with organization, which the very foundation of it is Catholicism.** Pretty, big churches, fine-dressed people, the mayor of the city and the rest of them comes, best dressed, best educated, high theologians, knows how to come to a place where everybody wears their fanciest of clothes, and the pastor stands just perfect in place. **What is it? You are looking at the things that God condemned, and you have taken the Pentecostal church (God, let it hit the tape) and have united it into an organization. God never did want it united; He wanted it separated, never united with the world.**

The same old devil that caused Eve to disbelieve the Word of God and done her evil, come right back around and took the children of Seth and let them see these pretty women of Cain, and they united again. **And they were not infidels. They were not communists.**

No and no. They were believers. They said, "Now, perhaps the Lord might do something." Or, oh, all this like that. They - they were... they thought that they were doing what was right.

And what did God have to do? Wipe the whole thing off, He had to wipe the whole thing off. Under false union... He had to send a flood and destroy the whole bunch. Judgment came on for that false union. Judgment struck Eden because of a false union.

Now, did the serpent has a seed? Shame on you.

A false union brought judgment on the earth to Eve and Adam in Eden. And a false union brought the floods of God's judgment on the earth because that the daughters of Cain flirted with the sons of God, and they fell for it and united together again. There you are. False union, "Nothing could happen." What did God do?

He destroyed the whole thing, all but precious old Noah and his family. They got together. **And again after the death of Noah, and that spiritual family of Noah, first thing you know, the children of men begin to look to one another again.** What did they do?

They said "we are not infidels; we all believe in God." So, they got a fellow, by a leader, some great archbishop by the name of Nimrod, and they built a tower. **They weren't infidels. They believed there was a heaven. They believed there was a hell. They believed in judgments. But the children of God with the daughters of men again, and they made themselves a union, falsely and built a big cathedral, a great big organization, and all the other places were to - to Babel, were to pay tribute to it.**

Unquote. W. Branham Unity page 27.

We can see that, for God to deal with his Church, he has to separate it from the unbelievers. He cannot work with so-called believers and they cannot attain perfection because they are not in the God's plan. Therefore, God must separate light from darkness. He does not work with darkness but with light. As long as God was silent, darkness was upon the face of the deep, chaos reigned, but when God spoke, there was light. This is what happened at the beginning, which also shows the character of God and especially where God places His trust. He does not rely on men because Bible says: "*Let God be true, and every man a liar...*" Rom. 3: 4. God puts his trust in His own Word, in the man Jesus because He is the Word made flesh (John 1: 14). ¹⁷*And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."* Mt. 3: 17. Only the Word of God is life and light.

The Word of God is really the truth. From the beginning, we can clearly see that everything the Word of God says is true. It taught us to discriminate between the good and the evil because men couldn't make the difference, but the Word of God knew it "*God saw that light*

was good" Any man with common sense will recognize that light is always good and darkness bad. Indeed, this is what the Word of God demonstrated and stated since the beginning. What the Word of God declares good will remain **good for ever**. That is why every true child of God is requested to trust the Word of God and not the explanations of men about the Word of God. In reality, God is the sole interpreter of his own Word. He is its Author. **The Word is God and God is the Word: "In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God"** John 1: 1

The Word of God is a **seed** (Luke 8: 11) which carries the germ of life to produce after its kind. The peculiarity of a seed is that it must be sown in a field in order for what was sown to be harvested.

We sow to reap. To reap what? You reap what you have sown.

The seed of discord cannot become the seed of mercy because God is merciful: "Be merciful as your Father is merciful". Luke 6: 36.

A God's chosen is not convinced by men and their arguments, he is always convinced by the Word of God: **"To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice."**

John 18: 37

Jesus Christ our Lord is the **Word of God made flesh**. The Word's role is to bear witness to the truth: **"Sanctify them by THE TRUTH; YOUR WORD IS TRUTH"**. John 17: 17

"Jesus said: I am the way, THE TRUTH and the life." John 14: 6

THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH AND THE SPIRIT OF ERROR.

There are indeed two spirits:

The Spirit of Truth:

It is the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the promise that was promised by the Lord Jesus Christ, saying: **"I will not leave you orphans ... it is expedient for you that I go, for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come to you, but if I depart, I will send Him ... The Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive ... "**

What is wonderful, it is the way the Lord called him: **"The Comforter"**. To console who? His disciples. For what purpose did the Lord sent him to HIS DISCIPLES? **"When the Comforter is come, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you into ALL TRUTH"** John 16: 13;

The Spirit of truth to lead us into all truth. Never will the Spirit of truth will lead us into error because there is no error in Him but the truth. We understand clearly that the Spirit of truth is not a certain preacher but the person of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself. This is the Spirit that must receive the disciples of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, not followers of a man. This is the Spirit that the Lord sent to His disciples so that they keep the teachings of their Master. And the Spirit of the Lord will keep them in His teachings, in all truth.

That Spirit will not guide them into a little truth or a piece of the truth but INTO ALL TRUTH. Such believers do not base their faith on hearsay from so-called preachers but on the whole testimony of the Word of God. The Holy Spirit will lead them into all truth, in all the Word of God. **This spirit comes from God.**

The spirit of error:

This spirit comes from the devil, Satan. He cannot bear the truth. That spirit is received by

the seed of discord because it produces the same works that Satan did through his son Cain, since the very beginning "... *Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother.*" 1 John 3: 12

"Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me. Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word.

Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do.

He was a murderer from the beginning, AND ABODE NOT IN THE TRUTH, BECAUSE THERE IS NO TRUTH IN HIM... "John 8: 42-44.

It is impossible for him to hold to the truth because there is no truth in him. All that is in him is lies, hatred, hypocrisy, envy, murders, jealousy, drunkenness. This is the nature of the world, the spirit of the world. This spirit has nothing to do with God's Word. Here you are, the religious spirit, zealotry. Since it has nothing of God's nature, it must have Satan's nature; the spirit of idolatry: "*They are that who cause divisions, sensual, HAVING NOT THE SPIRIT (the Spirit of truth)*" Jude 19

*"Yet these men speak abusively against whatever they do not understand; and what things they do understand by instinct, like unreasoning animals – these are the very things that destroy them. Woe to them! They have taken the way of Cain; they have rushed for profit into Balaam's error; they have been destroyed in Korah's rebellion. These men are blemishes at your love feasts, eating with you without the slightest qualm – shepherds who feed only themselves. They are clouds without rain, blown along by the wind; autumn trees, (In autumn, the sap descends in the roots of the trees, so there is no life; these trees are lifeless) without fruit and uprooted – twice dead. They are wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame; wandering stars, for whom blackest darkness has been reserved forever. Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men: "See, the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of his holy ones to judge everyone, and to convict all the ungodly of all the ungodly acts they have done in the ungodly way, and of all the harsh words ungodly sinners have spoken against him." These men are grumblers and faultfinders; they follow their own evil desires; they boast about themselves and **FLATTER OTHERS FOR THEIR OWN ADVANTAGE.**"* Jude 10-16

"But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God – having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them. They are the kind who worm their way into homes and gain control over weak-willed women, who are loaded down with sins and are swayed by all kinds of evil desires, always learning but never able to acknowledge the truth. Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so also these men oppose the truth – men of depraved minds, who, as far as the faith is concerned, are rejected. But they will not get very far because, as in the case of those men, their folly will be clear to everyone. 2 Tim. 3 : 1-9.

It is a carnal spirit that manifests the works of the flesh. Those possessed with that spirit become sensual. They are very religious; they profess the Word of God with their mouths but deny the power thereof. They can talk about the things of God and know its timeline but they do not know its Author. They are carnal, admiring others for interest. In connection with the Word of God, the Bible says of them: "... *always learning and never able to get TO THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUTH* ". 2 Tim. 3 : 7

Those under the guidance of this spirit can never have **THE WORD OF GOD (THE BIBLE)** as their absolute, in other words: **WHAT THE HOLY SCRIPTURES SAYS**. Their absolute is what a certain Archbishop says, the pope that has been established. Even if what their pope

or archbishop says is contrary to the Word of God, they still believe the archbishop or the pope instead of the Holy Scriptures. *"He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God."* John 8 : 47.

They can't be disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Spirit of truth and the spirit of error are opposed, as light is opposed to darkness. They have nothing in common. There is nothing common between SEED OF MERCY AND THE SEED OF DISCORD.

I. SUCCESSION OF MINISTRIES

Everyone knows the name "**VICARIUS FILII DEI**" and almost everyone knows that this inscription is on the Pope's tiara. He is called the "Pontifex Maximus", a title held by Roman emperors and Babylonian priests.



This term refers to the **claim of apostolic succession**, which is "**Successor of Apostle Peter.**" This is indeed what the Catholic Church claims. In order to confirm these claims, it has established the papacy, hence the need for a Pope who is the successor of the apostle Peter. To make sure there will be no doubt in people's minds, the Catholic Church armorial bearings are "**the keys**" which are called: The keys of St. Peter.

As successor of Peter, it claims to have received "the keys of St. Peter" which are "the keys of the kingdom of heaven." And to top it all, the Catholic Church based its foundation on the Lord Jesus Christ's Word to Peter:

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Mt. 16: 18-19

This statement was therefore appropriated by the Catholic Church and is the pope's vindication. In fact, according to their own interpretation of this scripture, the apostle Peter would be the head of the apostles, that is to say of all the preachers and above all of the church that the Lord Jesus Christ will build. And again, in their view, this church would be built on the apostle Peter, who is its embodiment. Moreover, God is obligated to do any of His works through Peter.

Why that? The answer is simple: Because the pope is "**Vicarius Fili Dei**", in other words: The only representative of the Son of God on earth. Here is the authority and also the responsibility. This is how the Catholic Church through its pope feels vested with supreme authority to evangelize the world and ensure that all believers obey the pope. Only and only the words of the Pope must be received, believed and taught as he is the head of all priests, that is to say, preachers and all believers.

Again, in their view, he holds the keys of the kingdom, he is the only one to whom God speaks. I remember when I was still very young and I was told this: "the Pope is the only one who hears the audible voice of God, he talks to God constantly". This had a great impact on me in my youth because I was told so by a grownup and I sincerely believed it at that time. Can you imagine what such a statement produced in a kid? The admiration of the pope who was the only one to hear an audible voice of God and talked with Him.

A respectful fear! This is what the whole world was locked into. So, what the pope says even if it cannot be found in the Scriptures, all Catholic believers are supposed (obliged) to believe. And as the pope hears the audible voice of God, he is the only one who can publish the encyclicals. No Catholic priest is entitled to this, only the pope. What he publishes even if it has nothing to do with the true Word of God, it is still authentic and must be believed by all. This is Catholicism today.

Nobody ever asks whether all this has to do with God or not? But as it is a well established system, everyone walks into it without asking questions. If you want to ask a question, you are immediately presented ". Matthew 16: 18-19.

The pope is established on this scripture. What else can you say?

But in reality, this is a particular interpretation of the Word of God. It is the sense that the Catholic Church wanted to give to this scripture. Indeed, the Word of God does not require *any particular interpretation*. What the Scriptures condemn, is not the interpretation of the Word, but "**THE PARTICULAR INTERPRETATION**". 2 Peter 1: 20-21.

The Lord our God *interprets His Word* by its fulfillment.

God said: "**Let there be light!** (the interpretation by God =) **And light was there**". The Word of God does not require a particular interpretation of men because God Himself interprets his Word.

What is then the meaning of the "**keys to the kingdom**" of Matthew 16" ... *I'll give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven ...* "?

When a door is locked, one can know what is inside it only if the person has the key to open it. As long as we do not have that key, we cannot have access to what is inside.

I received an email from a brother who insulted me when I was led by the Lord to talk about the keys of the kingdom, and say what they really meant by the Holy Scriptures. Here is what he said about "Keys to the Kingdom", what he told me: "the keys to the kingdom is a set of teachings".

If the keys of the kingdom are a set of teachings, I would like to know which ones?

The keys of the kingdom of heaven are not a set of teachings but **THE REVELATION**; the keys refer to the revelation of the Word of God. We should all know that a word is a thought expressed. Before it is a word, it was first a thought and when the thought is expressed, it becomes the word.

In Matthew 28: 18-20, we read: "*Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."*

These are the words of the Lord Jesus Christ to his disciples. He was talking to the eleven

disciples. He told them: *Baptize them* (believers) *in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit*. Of all the disciples, it is only to Peter that the Lord spoke and said: *I'LL GIVE YOU the keys of the kingdom of heaven*. He did not say: I give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, but I will give you, it means that in the future. He made Himself clear: **THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN**.

In Acts, the day of Pentecost, we read: "*Then Peter* (not another apostle) *stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, ..."* Acts 2: 14. Why Peter and not another apostle?

Simply because it was to him that the Lord had said: *I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven*.

That man Peter continues his preaching: "*Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.*" *When the people heard this, they* (the Jews who had come to Jerusalem (verse 5-11) *were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"* Acts 2: 36-37

These men were touched and wanted to enter the kingdom of heaven for they desired salvation. They had a burning desire because their heart was deeply touched. Someone should open the door for them to enter. Peter needed to have the keys of the kingdom of heaven to let in those who now wanted to enter. The Lord had told him: **I'LL GIVE YOU KEYS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.**" There was the time when Peter needed these keys.

Here they are: "*Peter said unto them, Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ ...*" Acts 2: 38.

He turned the key. Indeed, in Matthew 28 the Lord told them to baptize in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The day of Pentecost, He gave Peter the exact thought about the word he had uttered; this is **THE REVELATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, these are titles that relate to a name and that name is JESUS CHRIST. God manifested in three ways.

- In heaven as Father: *Our Father that is in heaven*.

- On earth as the Son: *Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God*.

- In the believer as the Holy Spirit: *Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?*

Peter had therefore received the keys on the day of Pentecost and he opened so that believers can enter. What he said that day remains valid forever because it is bound in heaven.

You see? **GOD HIMSELF INTERPRETS HIS WORD. THE HOLY SCRIPTURES INTERPRET THEMSELVES**. We have the exact meaning of what the Lord Jesus Christ said about *the keys of the kingdom of heaven*.

Below is the extract from the brochure:

"Revelation of Jesus Christ: Age of Philadelphia" W. Branham.

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¹⁸¹*By the Life of Christ, it reveals. And Peter must've had the... He was standing right there with the keys of--of the Kingdom of heaven in his hand, and the Kingdom is the Holy Ghost; hanging on his side the keys to the Kingdom. In other words, the revelation, 'cause Jesus told him. Oh, brother, don't you see that? Peter was the one that was blessed with the revelation of truth. And there he was standing right there, and he heard Jesus say, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."*

Peter turned around and said, "Lord, I sure got the keys here. I got the revelation what that meant, 'cause I know Father's no name, Son's no name, and the Holy Ghost's no name, but I know what that Name is. So I baptize you in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ." Amen. Whew. That's right."
Unquote. W. Branham

... And there was light ...

We may ask ourselves the following question:

IS THE SUCCESSION OF MINISTRIES BIBLICAL?

To answer this question, we must examine the scriptures so that they themselves give us the answer to our question.

Moses and Joshua

In Exodus, we read: " *The Lord said: "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey – the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites. And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them. So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."* Exodus 3: 7-10

The Bible clearly states that the Lord chose Moses to bring His people (the Israelites) out of Egypt, a country of slavery and to lead him into the promised land. Moses' task was to get them out of Egypt and lead them into the land flowing with milk and honey, the land of the promise. " *The Israelites journeyed from Rameses to Succoth. There were about six hundred thousand men on foot, besides women and children. Many other people went up with them, as well as large droves of livestock, both flocks and herds. With the dough they had brought from Egypt, they baked cakes of unleavened bread. The dough was without yeast because they had been driven out of Egypt and did not have time to prepare food for themselves. Now the length of time the Israelite people lived in Egypt was 430 years."* Exodus 12: 37-40

The children of Israel exited Egypt under the leadership of Moses to go into the Promised Land and the Lord God was guiding them all the way. " *After leaving Succoth they camped at Etham on the edge of the desert. By day the LORD went ahead of them in a pillar of cloud to guide them on their way and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so that they could travel by day or night."* Exodus 13: 20-21

The Lord God who brought the children of Israel out of Egypt led them because they came out of a country to enter in another country. Throughout their journey into the desert, they knew they were going to a promised land that Moses was leading them there. The Scriptures show us that people never stopped complaining and murmuring to the point they drove Moses to strike the rock rather than speak to the rock to give water.

"In the first month the whole Israelite community arrived at the Desert of Zin, and they stayed at Kadesh. There Miriam died and was buried.

Now there was no water for the community, and the people gathered in opposition to Moses and

Aaron. They quarreled with Moses and said, "If only we had died when our brothers fell dead before the LORD! Why did you bring the LORD's community into this desert, that we and our livestock should die here? Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to this terrible place? It has no grain or figs, grapevines or pomegranates.

And there is no water to drink!" Moses and Aaron went from the assembly to the entrance to the Tent of Meeting and fell facedown, and the glory of the LORD appeared to them. The LORD said to Moses, "Take the staff, and you and your brother Aaron gather the assembly together. **SPEAK TO THAT ROCK** before their eyes and it will pour out its water. You will bring water out of the rock for the community so they and their livestock can drink." So Moses took the staff from the LORD's presence, just as he commanded him. He and Aaron gathered the assembly together in front of the rock and Moses said to them, "Listen, you rebels, must we bring you water out of this rock?" **THEN MOSES RAISED HIS ARM AND STRUCK THE ROCK TWICE WITH HIS STAFF.** Water gushed out, and the community and their livestock drank. But the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not trust in me enough to honor me as holy in the sight of the Israelites, **YOU WILL NOT BRING THIS COMMUNITY INTO THE LAND I GIVE THEM.**" Numbers 20: 1-12

Moses was to bring the children of Israel in the Promised Land, but because of his disobedience, (instead of talking to the rock, he hit it) God was incensed against him and told him he will not bring the children of Israel into the Promised Land.

Moses did not complete his mission that was to bring the children of Israel in the Promised Land which was the purpose for which the LORD had driven the children of Israel out of Egypt.

Moses died en route. IT IS IN THAT CONDITION THAT A SUCCESSOR TO THE MINISTRY OF MOSES WAS NECESSARY.

"Then the LORD said to Moses: Go up this mountain in the Abarim range and see the land I have given the Israelites. After you have seen it, you too will be gathered to your people, as your brother Aaron was, for when the community rebelled at the waters in the Desert of Zin, both of you disobeyed my command to honor me as holy before their eyes." (These were the waters of Meribah Kadesh, in the Desert of Zin.)

Moses said to the LORD, "May the LORD, the God of the spirits of all mankind, appoint a man over this community to go out and come in before them, one who will lead them out and bring them in, so the LORD's people will not be like sheep without a shepherd."

So the LORD said to Moses, "TAKE JOSHUA son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit, and lay your hand on him. Have him stand before Eleazar the priest and the entire assembly and commission him in their presence. Give him some of your authority so the whole Israelite community will obey him.

He is to stand before Eleazar the priest, who will obtain decisions for him by inquiring of the Urim before the LORD. At his command he and the entire community of the Israelites will go out, and at his command they will come in."

Moses did as the LORD commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole assembly. Then he laid his hands on him and commissioned him, as the LORD instructed through Moses. Numbers. 27: 12-23

This is how God has appointed the successor of Moses, this was not done in secret behind a house, but before *the whole congregation*. Moses was to tell that to the children of Israel for them to know that Joshua was his successor in order for the whole congregation of Israel to obey Joshua; for Moses had given him some of his authority. Moses had to lay his hands on him before the whole congregation.

" The LORD said to Moses, "Now the day of your death is near.

Call Joshua and present yourselves at the Tent of Meeting, where I will commission him." So Moses and Joshua came and presented themselves at the Tent of Meeting. Then the LORD appeared at the Tent in a pillar of cloud, and the cloud stood over the entrance to the Tent." Deut. 31: 14-15

"The Lord gave orders to Joshua son of Nun. He says: Be strong and courageous, for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land I swore to give them, **and I WILL BE MYSELF WITH YOU** (The LORD was going before them in a pillar of cloud by day to lead them on the way, and in a pillar of fire by night to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night ...) ". Deut. 31: 23

I am the Lord and I do not change. This is how things are done biblically.

Aaron and Eleazar

"The whole Israelite community set out from Kadesh and came to Mount Hor. At Mount Hor, near the border of Edom, the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Aaron will be gathered to his people. He will not enter the land I give the Israelites, because both of you rebelled against my command at the waters of Meribah. Get Aaron and his son Eleazar and take them up Mount Hor. Remove Aaron's garments and **PUT THEM ON HIS SON ELEAZAR**, for Aaron will be gathered to his people; he will die there."

Moses did as the LORD commanded: They went up Mount Hor in the sight of the whole community. Moses removed Aaron's garments and put them on his son Eleazar. And Aaron died there on top of the mountain. Then Moses and Eleazar came down from the mountain, and when the whole community learned that Aaron had died, the entire house of Israel mourned for him thirty days." Numbers 20: 22-29

Aaron could not continue; Eleazar took his place.

" **Moses removed Aaron's garments and put them on Eleazar** " who was to continue with the people.

Elijah and Elisha

"He replied, "I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty.

The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." The LORD said to him, "Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, **ANOINT HAZAEL KING OVER ARAM. ALSO, ANOINT JEHU SON OF NIMSHI KING OVER ISRAEL, AND ANOINT ELISHA** son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah **TO SUCCEED YOU AS PROPHET...** " 1 Kings 19: 14-16

The LORD said to Elijah the prophet to do three things:

1. **To Anoint Hazael as king of Syria**
2. **To Anoint Jehu as king of Israel**
3. **To Anoint Elisha to be prophet in his place**

Of these three things that the Lord had commanded his prophet Elijah to accomplish, Elijah has accomplished one only: " So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. He was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen, and he himself was driving the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak around him. Elisha then left his oxen and ran after Elijah. "Let me kiss my father and mother good-by," he said, "and then I will come with you." "Go back," Elijah replied. "What have I done to you?" So Elisha left him and went back. He took his yoke of oxen and slaughtered them. He burned the plowing equipment to cook the meat and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out to follow Elijah and became his attendant." 1Kings 19: 19-21

This was the only thing Elijah did of the three things he was requested to do. Since that day, the Scriptures say that Elisha was in his service and he did not leave him until Elijah was taken up into heaven. "... *When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied. "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours – otherwise not." As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. Elisha saw this and cried out, "My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!" And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them apart...*" 2 Kings 2: 9-12

Elijah had ascended to heaven without having completed what the Lord had commanded him to do. **IT IS IN THAT CONDITION, THAT IT WAS NECESSARY TO HAVE A SUCCESSOR FOR ELIJAH TO COMPLETE THE REMAINING TASKS.**

This is indeed what we read in the Scriptures: " *The prophet Elisha summoned a man from the company of the prophets and said to him, "Tuck your cloak into your belt, take this flask of oil with you and go to Ramoth Gilead. When you get there, look for JEHU son of Jehoshaphat, the son of Nimshi. Go to him, get him away from his companions and take him into an inner room. Then take the flask and pour the oil on his head and declare, 'This is what the LORD says: I anoint you king over Israel.'* Then open the door and run; don't delay!" So the young man, the prophet, went to Ramoth Gilead." 2 Kings 9: 1-4

Tasks that were supposed to be done by Elijah but were not completed, his successor Elisha was to accomplish them because the Lord said: "*You shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphath, Abel-Mehola for prophet in your place.*

We therefore find that **SUCCESSION IN THE MINISTRIES was valid in the OLD TESTAMENT.**

HOW ABOUT THE SUCCESSION OF MINISTRIES IN THE NEW TESTAMENT?

In the New Testament, that is to say under the New Covenant, succession of Ministries is no more valid. In the old covenant, it was valid but not in the new covenant. Why that?

Because everything in the Old Testament was a shadow of things to come. Moses was a type of Christ. When we talk about type, it is the shadow of reality. They were all types of Christ. A type is a shadow and the shadow is the projection of reality, but the shadow is imperfect.

" *Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. THESE ARE A SHADOW OF THE THINGS THAT WERE TO COME; THE REALITY, HOWEVER, IS FOUND IN CHRIST.*

Col 2: 16-17

" *The law is only a shadow of the good things that are coming – not the realities themselves. For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship.*" Heb. 10: 1

The new Covenant began with Christ our Lord: "**That's why Christ coming into the world ...**". Not before, but only when Christ our Lord came.

That is why Scripture says: " *Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said: "Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, but a body you prepared for me; with burnt offerings and sin offerings you were not pleased. Then I said, 'Here I am – it is written about me in the scroll – I have come to do your will, O God.'*" First he said, "Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did

not desire, nor were you pleased with them" (although the law required them to be made). **THEN HE SAID, "HERE I AM, I HAVE COME TO DO YOUR WILL.** (what Moses and Others couldn't do)" **HE SETS ASIDE THE FIRST TO ESTABLISH THE SECOND.** Heb. 10: 5-9

This is also what the Holy Scriptures state more clearly: "But the ministry Jesus has received is as superior to theirs as the covenant of which he is mediator is superior to the old one, and it is founded on better promises. For if there had been nothing wrong with that first covenant, no place would have been sought for another. But God found fault with the people and said: The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they did not remain faithful to my covenant, and I turned away from them, declares the Lord.¹⁰**THIS IS THE COVENANT** I will make with the house of Israel after that time, declares the Lord... By calling **THIS COVENANT "NEW,"** he has made the first one obsolete; and what is obsolete and aging **WILL SOON DISAPPEAR.** Heb. 8: 6-13

"The first covenant had also ordinances regarding worship and the earthly sanctuary. A tabernacle was, in fact, built. Heb. 9: 1

This tabernacle was built according to the model of the true tabernacle which was prepared by the Lord and not a man. This tabernacle was shown to Moses on the mountain so that he could reproduce the model exactly as he had seen. In the earthly tabernacle, there was a high priest; Aaron was established as high priest. He was a type of Christ, as the earthly tabernacle was also a type. A type is a shadow, therefore imperfect. In the same way sacrifices that were offered in the old covenant in the earthly tabernacle, were also types. They were shadows and images.

They could never bring assistants to perfection because it was the shadow and not the exact representation. Even the high priest was a man subject to many weaknesses. "Every high priest is selected from among men and is appointed to represent them in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness. This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people." Heb. 5: 1-3

In an earthly tabernacle modeled after the heavenly tabernacle, all we can offer can never bring assistants to perfection as the high priest himself was not perfect. Additionally, death intervened and prevented him from being permanent for performing his duty. Therefore, there was a need for succession in the priesthood.

"In addition, there were priests in great numbers, BECAUSE THE DEATH prevent them from being PERMANENT. Heb. 7: 23

That is why in connection with the new covenant, we read:

"When Christ came as **HIGH PRIEST** of the good things that are already here, he went through **THE GREATER AND MORE PERFECT TABERNACLE THAT IS NOT MAN-MADE, THAT IS TO SAY, NOT A PART OF THIS CREATION.**". Heb. 9: 11

When Christ came to John the Baptist in the Jordan to be baptized by him, John told Him:

"But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented." Mt. 3: 14-15

John said to the crowd: "Behold the Lamb of God **WHO TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD.** John 1: 29.

Our Lord Jesus Christ was the fulfillment of the Word of God; the true Lamb compared to the type Lamb of the Old Testament whose blood only covered sins because it was the shadow. But when the perfect is come, the whole fullness of deity was in Him, all the power was in Him, all the perfection was also in Him. He was the reality. Everything He did was perfect because He is perfection. That is why the Bible says: "because by one sacrifice **HE HAS**

MADE PERFECT FOREVER THOSE WHO ARE BEING MADE HOLY.." Heb. 10: 14

How wonderful it is to have such a Savior! The Holy Scriptures declare:

" *Such a **HIGH PRIEST** meets our need – one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, exalted above the heavens. Unlike the **OTHER HIGH PRIESTS**, he does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. **HE SACRIFICED FOR THEIR SINS ONCE FOR ALL WHEN HE OFFERED HIMSELF.** ²⁸*For the law appoints as high priests men who are weak; but the oath, which came after the law, appointed the Son, who has been made **PERFECT** forever..*" Heb. 7: 26-28*

THERE ARE NO MORE SUCCESSION OF MINISTRIES IN THE NEW COVENANT.

This is indeed what the Scripture says so well:

"*Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office; but because Jesus lives forever, **HE HAS A PERMANENT PRIESTHOOD.** Therefore he is able to save **COMPLETELY** those who come to God through him, because **HE ALWAYS LIVES TO INTERCEDE FOR THEM.**" Heb. 7: 23-25*

Therefore, in fact, the apostle Peter did not need a successor. Today in the new covenant, no ministry needs a successor for Christ our Lord came and has fulfilled the will of God. We might need succession in ministries if Christ our Lord had not come and completed what He was born for. But the Scripture says: "

*Later, knowing that all was now completed, and so that the Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "**I AM THIRSTY.**" A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "**IT IS FINISHED.**" With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit."* John 19: 28-30

He has completed everything. What remains to be done?

My Redeemer has **ACCOMPLISHED ALL.**

Beloved in Christ, the Holy Scriptures are very clear, only the children of darkness will certainly not see it and they will seek to fight against it. But, who has ever fought against the Word of God and prevailed? In the new covenant, the succession of ministries is not valid. If it were valid, **then the Lord Jesus Christ should have waited the death of Peter before He commissioned Paul. Simply because Paul was to succeed Peter and continue the ministry. THIS IS UNSCRIPTURAL. Such doctrine is not in the church of the New Testament.** The Lord called Paul to the Ministry while Peter and other apostles were still alive. There is no succession of ministries. In the Church of the New Testament, there is no succession of ministries for the Bible says: "⁴*There are different kinds of gifts, **but THE SAME SPIRIT.** There are different kinds of service, but **THE SAME LORD.** There are different kinds of working, but **THE SAME GOD** works all of them in all men."* 1 Cor. 12: 4-6

"*Christ **IN YOU**, the hope of glory".* Col. 1: 27

In the new covenant, the blood of Christ has taken sin away.

The worshiper who comes to Him and accepts Him as the Lamb of God, who takes the sin away and also accepts Him as his personal Savior is justified by Him of all things that he (the worshiper) could not be justified by the law of Moses. He receives the forgiveness of sins. Not only is he justified but he is also sanctified. The life of Christ which was in the blood comes in the believer: this is baptism with the Holy Ghost. When the believer is baptized with the Holy Spirit, he is then placed in the Body of Christ. This is the rest. He no longer lives, but Christ lives in him.

The Bible says: "*Yet it was the **LORD's** will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the **LORD** makes his life a guilt offering, he will see **HIS OFFSPRING and PROLONG HIS DAYS,** and the will of the **LORD** will prosper in his hand.*" Isaiah 53: 10.

It is no longer a **SUCCESSION** but a **SEED**, the sons and daughters of God, God's children who are born of God.

The seed is placed in the **BODY OF CHRIST**. *"The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body – whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free – and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Now the body is not made up of one part but of many. If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."* 1 Cor. 12: 12-27

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So why quarrel, then why the envy?

Beloved in Christ, **IN THE NEW COVENANT NO ONE CAN TAKE THE PLACE OF SOMEONE ELSE**, each one has his place, the place attributed by the Lord because it is the Lord who places His members in His body. Paul did not need to take the place of Peter or vice-versa, or else the Lord had to wait for the death of Peter to call Paul. These are anti-scriptural teachings from so-called teachers of the Bible. In fact, it is because of the lack of exact knowledge of the things of God that the people of God have been kept in PRISON for a long time.

Paul had a call from the Lord in connection to his ministry, Peter also had his call he had received and there was no fight between Peter and Paul.

What causes fights and quarrels among you? It is because of leadership. I want to be the only one, there's only me. It is when a man is under the influence of an evil spirit that he wants to be above all others and be regarded as the main leader. In the New Testament Church, nobody can take the place of someone else. Some might say: And why did Peter say: *"And his bishoprick let another take ..."* Acts 1: 20, speaking of Judas Iscariot.

Now I ask: If this meant to succeed Judas, so the person who was to succeed then has to continue in the same way the work of Judas Iscariot: "traitor, the seed of evil"... Who could have accepted that?

For if the apostle Peter put it this way, it was for the fulfillment of the this portion of Scripture:

" Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus. For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry.

Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and his bishoprick let another take."

Acts 1: 15-20

All scripture must be fulfilled. They were waiting for the power of God because the Church has really started the day of Pentecost.

Here's how the Scriptures give us Peter's thought regarding taking his leadership: "... *must one be ordained to be A WITNESS WITH US OF HIS RESURRECTION.*". Acts 1: 22, but not as a successor of Judas Iscariot.

Now the question is this:

DO WE NEED A SUCCESSOR TO WILLIAM BRANHAM?

For a true son of God, the answer is clear: NO.

This is not consistent with Scripture to have a successor to William Branham.

Similarly it is not consistent with Scripture to have a successor of the apostle Peter. What is valid for Peter and for Paul is also valid for William Branham as W. Branham said: " I preached as Paul preached ...".

William Branham had a prophetic ministry. He was a promised prophet to accomplish a specific task; we are in the new covenant, Christ is indeed prolonging his days, the types are gone, Christ has already come. Each ministry must perform according to its analogy. William Branham, by the ministry he received from the Lord, was not Christ, but Christ was in him because he was placed in the body of Christ. He performed his ministry and completed the task the Lord entrusted him. He was the prophet messenger of the Laodicean age. What should have been revealed for this age (the seven seals) were revealed. The message was proclaimed.

He completed his work and the Lord took him home. **So the Church does not need a successor to William Branham.** A successor of William Branham what for? Is there anything that William Branham was to do that he did not do? He did everything he was to do .

THE WORD OF GOD HAS BEEN RESTORED.

So what should we do then, Brother Leonard LIFESE?

The answer is always in the Bible: " **HE WHO HAS AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAYS TO THE CHURCHES.**" Apoc. 3: 22

The messenger is gone, he finished his work, he published his message he had received, now **THE HOLY SPIRIT CONTINUES HIS WORK.**

"It will lead you into all truth". **The Holy Spirit will continue to send ministries to preach the message because He is the Author. Therefore, there is no parrot ministry in the Bible. Such thing simply does not exist, it is men's invention. You do not need to repeat William Branham, you must receive the same Spirit that led William Branham to preach the same message. And this is not accomplished through a single man (sent by God) today, for the Bible says: It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers,... " Ephesians 4: 11**

It is somewhat surprising that it is the Lord Himself who gives gifts and ministries and He

did not just give one ministry but five ministries for the perfecting of the saints. How then did we go from 5 to 1? I do not know. For years we all went from the figure 5 to 1 and everybody accepted that fact without asking the question: what do the Scriptures say? A single person holding all five ministries. And while he is alive no other ministry can work and God can do nothing but through him. That's the end time message, that's what the succession of William Branham is all about: exactly Rome under another version.

THE FIVE MINISTRIES

When we read in the Scriptures, we find that ministries are from the Lord Jesus Christ and His perfect will is that these ministries are exercised in full because they have been sent: "*For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 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: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.*" Eph. 4: 11-16

According to the Scriptures, here is **the importance of these five ministries:**

- They are from the Lord, Lord's gifts to his Church
- They are given for the perfecting of the saints
- For the edification of the Body of Christ
- To Bring the Saints to the unity of the faith
- To Provide knowledge of the Son of God (deity)
- To Present to God every man perfect in Christ Jesus
- To Bring the saints to the fullness of Christ
- To Strengthen the saints in the truth
- For growth of the saints
- The presence of Christ for a well integrated body

In reality, it is the Lord Himself who must act and lead his Church. That is why He himself through gifts and ministries, continues His work: "*And surely I am with you always until the end of time. Amen*" Matt. 28: 20

"*The Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen*" Mark 16: 19-20," *For we are laborers together with God.*" 1 Cor. 3: 9

We can therefore conclude with certainty that the Lord continues his work. The work that he himself started, He must complete it, it does nothing by halves. It is through ministries that He continues to work. The Lord Jesus Christ works through these five ministries. Therefore, for a man to take part to the five ministries, he must have met the Lord Himself, the Lord must have called him to the ministry, the Lord must have spoken to him and finally the person must know the substance of his calling.

This man must necessarily be baptized with the Holy Spirit, as he must work for the edification of the Body of Christ, he himself must be part of the body. You cannot work for a company you are not part of staff. You must be part of this company, a staff within the company.

How can you build a body, which you do not belong to? We can then certainly understand

the statement of the prophet messenger of this age:

"Nobody has the right to go behind the pulpit to preach the word of God, unless he had had the same experience that Moses had with the burning bush."

It is the Lord that works through ministries. And for Him to work through these five ministries, He must be inside. A ministry is an office that must be filled by a servant. That servant fulfills his ministry on behalf of the person who commissioned him. As it is about a divine work in connection with God Almighty, then we say of him who fills such a ministry: **Servant of God.**

Of our Lord Jesus Christ, Bible says: "*Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: ⁷But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men...*" Phil. 2: 5-7

In every true servant of God called and commissioned by the Lord, **it is the Lord Jesus Christ Himself who will be manifested through that ministry: Jesus in His servants.**

"*I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me...*" Gal. 2: 20
Christ in his servants. For a ministry to perform well, the Lord should be in his servant and with his servant. How can the Lord be in his servant? By the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Why is His presence necessary? Because the ministry is from Him and He has to work in this ministry: "*... And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all...*" 1 Cor. 12: 5

For a ministry to operate according to the Scriptures, the Lord Jesus Christ must take full control of that ministry. A true ministry that operates for the edification of the Body of Christ must be entirely under the control of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Why that? Because it is Him who gave that ministry and who knows how the ministry should operate.

We have five ministries:

Apostles
Prophets
Evangelists
Pastors
Teachers

The Lord Jesus Christ knows them very well because He Himself has already fulfilled them when He was on earth in the form of "**Servant**".

1. Lord Jesus Christ as an Apostle

"*Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider **THE APOSTLE** and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus; Who was faithful to him that appointed him...*" Heb . 3: 1-2

2. Lord Jesus Christ as Prophet

"*And they said: What happened about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a **Prophet Mighty** in deed and word before God and all the people ...*" Luke 24: 19

3. Lord Jesus Christ as an Evangelist

"Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and infirmity". Mt. 9: 35

4. Lord Jesus Christ as Pastor

"For you were like sheep going astray. But now you have returned to the SHEPHERD and Overseer of your souls". 1 Peter 2: 25

5. Lord Jesus Christ as Teacher

"... Rabbi, we know that thou art a TEACHER come from God, because nobody can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him." John 3: 1-2

All five ministries, the Lord Jesus Christ has already performed them and so he knows how to fill them. Therefore none can take the place of someone else, it is not necessary. Everyone should have a special calling and a particular ministry and perform his ministry under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

HOW ABOUT MATTHEW 24 VERSES 45-51?

Let's take a little time to read the Scriptures: "*Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods. But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; And shall begin to smite his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth*".

We know that the Word of God interprets itself. Let it then itself give us the light on this. If the Catholic Church is where it is today, it is because of the particular interpretation of a scripture. And to cap it all, it is always in the Gospel of Matthew. Yesterday, it was Matthew 16 about "*Keys of the Kingdom*". What has not been said about this, in relation to what the Catholics did? And today it is about Matthew 24: 45-51.

As the Holy Scriptures explain themselves, let them explain:

Then Peter said unto him, Lord, speakest thou this parable unto us, or even to all? And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his lord shall make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of meat in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath. But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken; The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not himself, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask

the more. Luke 12: 41-48

It is absolutely important that we understand that Matthew 24: 45-51 **IS A PARABLE**. A parable is a figurative way of speaking of something. It is also a way of expressing a whole idea in a restrictive way. For several years, we were given an erroneous interpretation of this parable as follows: "**There is a faithful and wise servant whom the Lord appointed as a ruler on other servants to give them food etc...**" This is indeed what was given as explanation and what is believed to date. In fact, it's a bit like the interpretation of the "**Keys of Peter**."

But what is it really?

Did the Lord establish a servant above other servants?

According to the interpretation, it is a servant who is established on the preachers, in other words, the Head of preachers. Nobody can tell me that it is wrong because if someone was established on other preachers, he has to be the head of the preachers and all the preachers must subject themselves to him.

In the same vein, it is also said that the chief of preachers has the food and is the only one God has commissioned for its distribution. So, all preachers should receive food from him and give it to others, in other words, preachers can preach only what the faithful servant preaches. He is the only one who gives meaning to the Scriptures. Every preacher must be connected to him and listens to his sermons. When he preaches, all churches must close their doors and bring the sheep in his headquarters. If the distance is long, it is imperative to have an online connection to listen God speaking that day.

The preacher who has the misfortune not to report to headquarters to show his submission is considered a rebel, a pariah out of the will of God.

We must recognize that in the New Testament Church, the Lord our God never established a man above other preachers.

The statement that says that a faithful and wise servant (in Matthew and Luke) , would be established over the preachers is **UNSCRIPTURAL**.

It is also **UNSCRIPTURAL** to say that all preachers should receive from him the word they have to preach. We have seen in the Holy Scriptures that ministries are from the Lord and not from a man. The Lord indeed works in the ministry and those ministries are placed in the body of Christ for its edification. The eligibility requirement for a servant of God is first to be called by God and then be filled with the Holy Spirit.

The Lord says: "*Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you... Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come...*" John 16: 7-13
*But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, **HE SHALL TEACH YOU ALL THINGS**, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.*". John 14: 26

God did not promise a faithful and wise servant to the preachers to tell them what scripture they must be preaching. No! this is the work of the Holy Spirit that was promised.

The Holy Spirit is the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

The Lord said: "*The Holy Spirit will teach you all things.*" *And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with **THE HOLY GHOST** not many days hence. When they therefore were come together,*

they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. " Acts 1: 4-8

Now, with the interpretation that was given to us about the faithful and wise servant, we must then change the Word of God as follows: "**But when the faithful and wise servant will come, he shall teach you all things ... Do not get away from Jerusalem but wait for the faithful and wise servant who will tell you what you need to teach ...** "

Isn't it terrible to say things like that? It's horrible! But in reality, these are teachings that we received about the parable of Matthew 24 and Luke 12.

- If all the preachers should receive from him the word they have to preach, then **HE TOOK THE PLACE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

- If he has to tell preachers what to do, so **HE TOOK THE PLACE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

- If all preachers should listen to him only, **THEN HE TOOK THE PLACE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.** The faithful and wise servant is then **THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH.**

WHY SHOULD HE BE THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH?

Because:

It's from his mouth that all preachers receive the word they preach to the people of God. But, we know that this should be the WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

All preachers must be subject to him and the people must walk according to his teachings. Yet, we know that all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. But here, it is the faithful and wise servant who leads: the only mouth from which the people of God must hear the truth.

All the people of God are under the leadership of the faithful and prudent servant. He is then the head. If he is the head, then he is the head of the body of Christ. You will say: hold on a second brother, you are going too far here. No, I'm not too far, it is just the truth. Have you ever thought that preachers (5 ministries) are subject only to a single head that is to say, **THE LORD JESUS CHRIST?** He should lead them. Every preacher must be under the guidance and control of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the Lord Jesus Christ. If a preacher could claim to be the leader of the other preachers, it should be the Apostle Peter for the **Lord had given him the keys of the kingdom of heaven.** Think about it beloved in Christ! That man Peter could stand and tell other apostles, I Peter, I received the keys of the kingdom of heaven, I am your leader, you must listen to me. Did you know that the Lord said to Peter: "*What you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven ...*"? What authority given to a man! But what did Peter do? Did he regard himself as head of the apostles? Far from it! He did not have that evil spirit. Placing oneself above others ministries and believe to be the leader of preachers and tell them what they should do is to take the place of God.

This is where the interpretation of Matthew 24: 45-51 has led men.

Today the man is worshipped in men's heart more than the Lord Jesus Christ. Do you know that you can bad talk the Lord Jesus and the preachers will not say anything, but talk about the faithful and wise servant and you'll see the reaction of all the fanatics. They have rejected the Lord Jesus Christ and replaced Him by a man holding the title of faithful and wise servant. This man is now much more important than the Lord Jesus Christ. **This man can**

even change the meaning of the Word of God as he pleases. Preachers will still say, amen!
We have been really far. The man (a faithful and wise servant) is placed above the Bible. What he says is the Absolute.

Every true servant of God needs the Holy Spirit to lead him.

He must be taught by the Holy Spirit because the Holy Spirit is the real preacher.

*" Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: **BUT HOLY MEN OF GOD SPAKE AS THEY WERE MOVED BY THE HOLY GHOST.**" 2 Peter 1: 20-21*

There is no submission within ministries (5 ministries) but collaboration and complementarity. The Lord did not establish a preacher above other preachers. There is only one head above the preachers, this head is Him who appointed them:

*" Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints, Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers; That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: And hath put all things under his feet, **and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.** Eph. 1: 15-23*

The preachers have sold their birthright . What the preachers did not realize is that they are no longer under the guidance of the Lord Jesus Christ, but under that of a single man.

According to the scriptures, each ministry is independent but dependent on the Lord.

" But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ...

*But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace, To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; **immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood: Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.**" Galatians 1: 11-17*

I think the apostle Paul knew the testimony of Peter about the keys of the kingdom. Why didn't he go to see Peter in order to get instructions from him? Peter should give him the word that he should be preaching to others. Beloved in Christ, you can see that this is not biblical. The apostle Paul was commissioned by the Lord and Peter was not to give him instructions for his ministry because he had nothing to do with the calling of Paul. Peter should take care of his calling. Paul knew that he was appointed by the Lord and that he has to rely on the Lord only. The Lord who commissioned him, was to give him the word to preach, not Peter. Why then today preachers should receive the word from the mouth of the faithful servant, as they say, before they preach to others? There is definitely something wrong somewhere.

Below is the excerpt from the sermon: "Christ is the revelation of the God's mystery" W. Branham.

He is the Head, the first fruit of resurrection. (We will still consider this revelation for a while, if you agree ... Good! - A little while).

He is the first fruit of resurrection. Is that true? So what is he? - He is the Head of the Body which is His Church, the Bride. Then the Body-Spouse must follow the Head, because it takes part in His resurrection and to the mystery. It is impossible for the Body not to follow

the Head. Oh, my God ... this is part of the mystery of God. As God revealed Himself and raised Him by the Word, similarly He brings revelation to the church and revived it by the same word. That is one part of His triple mystery.

As the Head was removed from the grave, the Body must follow Him to return to The Garden of Eden. The Chief, the head of the family, the Man, the Bridegroom ... the bride is the Body of the Bridegroom and She must follow, because He is the head, and the Head revealed Himself and returned with Eternal Life. And the Body must follow Him, because they are new Husband and Wife. Amen And as long as you are fertilized by the Word (which is His Body), you have taken His Body; you came to him when you accepted the Word - not a creed: the Word ... (oh, my God, wouldn't this be a good topic for preaching this afternoon? Wouldn't it be wonderful? (Think about what that means!)).

Therefore, the Body cannot recognize (be very careful here) another head than the Word, because the Head is connected to the Body. And the Head is the Word. It is the same word - one Head, one Chief. Therefore, for the Body, denominations, and holy fathers and other stuff, are dead things. There is one Head, Christ. The Body recognizes only one thing: the Word.

Then, show me someone in the Body who has been baptized in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit? And what did you recognize? You see, I am well aware that I speak to thousands of people who listen to these bands. We have an evangelistic ministry through these tapes worldwide. In which name are you baptized? - For no other name was given to us under the heavens (say the Word) by which we can be saved. And if you are baptized to show your faith in Christ and then you take a name from a creed, then you're a hybrid.

If you are not exactly similar to that church, and exactly in line with his teachings, then... You Catholics, how can you accept the jurisdiction of a pope, saying he is the apostolic successor of Peter? And this pope and the church teach things so contrary to the original Word that God confirmed by signs and miracles to His Church ... see this Word presented in all purity, showing the same resurrection that the first ... God living among His people and doing the same things - so, how can you attribute to Rome the direction of all this? Our Chief, our Head is in heaven! I will not go to Rome. When I die, I'll go to Heaven. You understand? The head is in heaven! "

Unquote.

WHAT IS THEN THE MEANING OF MATTHEW 24: 45-51?

From the singular comes out the plural.

A. Every true servant of God is expected to be **Faithful**.

"Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.. " 1 Cor. 4: 1-2

The light in connection with Matthew 24: 45-51 is given in Chapter 25.

" For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey. Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents. And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two. But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them. And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and FAITHFUL SERVANT: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them. His lord said unto him, Well done, good and FAITHFUL SERVANT; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed: And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine. His lord answered and said unto him, Thou WICKED AND SLOTHFUL SERVANT, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.. Mt. 25: 14-30

You will notice that in Chapter 25 the following terms are recurrent:

Faithful Servant
Wicked Servant
Weeping and gnashing of teeth

These are the same terms that are used in chapter 24 verse 45-51, but with a peculiarity in Chapter 24. In Chapter 24, **the faithful servant becomes the wicked servant**. These are not two different persons; it is absolutely the same faithful servant who becomes the wicked servant because of the evil spirit that came upon him.

" And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his lord shall make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of meat in due season? Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing. Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath. But and if that servant (the faithful servant, not another one) say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken; ... "Luke 12: 41-46

The Holy Scriptures explains themselves. Who can change the Word of God?

B. Every true servant of God is expected to be Wise.

" Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore WISE as serpents, and harmless as doves. Mt. 10: 16

Now if a beloved brother says that the Lord spoke to him and told him that his calling is based on Mt. 24: 45-51, I cannot doubt it.

For this Scripture is for each person that serves God. What we also see in this Scripture is the question of **food at the proper time**.

According to the believed interpretation, it is stated that only the faithful servant is mandated to distribute the food. I say Amen! Because to distribute food, one needs to be a faithful servant of God. **Every servant of God is required to be faithful**, so that is not a problem. It is not just one man but the faithful servant. This means that every true servant of God must be faithful and wise. The five ministries are required to distribute food.

Even the storing of the spiritual food is not just for a single man, but every true servant of God. But brother Leonard, you must be joking! We know that the Lord spoke to one person to store food. Tell me who is this man? Please, be in peace, I am not the person who denies the testimony of others, but let us consider the Word of God as a whole.

Below is the excerpt from the sermon: "The greatest battle ever fought." W. Branham

" And then I--I dreamed the other night that I seen "Six-second" Smith (Now, it wasn't a vision, it was a dream.), and I seen "Six-second" Smith--young fellows coming against him and wrestling. And he that old man about--oh, I guess, I'm fifty-two; he's about fifty-eight, sixty; there wasn't any of them young guys could touch him in any way. He'd just tie them in a knot, like that, just lay them on the floor and hold them with his hand. Now, I thought, "That's strange," and I thought my wife was with me, and I said, "That's strange." I said, "You know what, Meda? He used to be my trainer."

She said, "I--I remember that, you telling me about it."

I said, "Yes, sir. With his good training I won fifteen professional fights and quit the--the business to preach the Gospel."

Just then it changed, and I was starting to cross a--a water. But when I was going, I was going by a power boat. And I looked over, and there set two of my brethren, setting there in a canoe, getting ready to go with me. I said, "You can't do that, brethren. Huh-uh. I must go alone."

And the boatman come up and he said, "Here's you a boat," a real white, plastic canoe.

I said, "Naw, huh-uh, not that."

He said, "Well, you can run up this way with it fifty miles an hour."

I said, "But I got to cross that way." See?

"Well," said, "get with them guys."

I said, "They're not boatman. They don't know enough about that; they're enthused. They can't shoot that; they'll both drown out there; they just can't do it."

And he said, "Are you--can you trust..."

I said, "Listen, I--I know more about boats than they do, and I wouldn't try to shoot it with that--just that kind of material."

I said, "It's got to take a power boat to cross that." I said, " It'll take something greater than that."

And I seen him look around to one of the brethren and said, "Are you a boatman?"

The brethren said, "Yes." See?

I said, "That's wrong." And the boatman come back; he said, "Tell you what you do." Said, "They love you; they believe you," but said, "if you try to cross in the power boat, they'll try to follow you in that canoe; they'll both die." See? Said, "They can't follow you."

And I said, "Well, what must I do?"

And this boatman at the dock, he said, "**You go back up there.**" Said, "**There's only one little storehouse in all this country, one little storehouse. And just lay in plenty of supplies,**" said, "**and they'll stay here. They'll--they'll stay here, while you are--while you're gone,**" but said, "**you'll have to lay in supplies.**"

And I was just ordering all kinds of cabbages, and turnips, and radishes, and things, piling them in there like that; and I woke up.

I didn't know what it was, but I do now. See? We're laying in the supplies, brethren. This is a life that you have to walk alone.

Leo, you remember the dream you had that time when you first come here about the pyramid and you thought you'd come up in there; and I said, "Leo, no man gets up here; God has to put a man up here. You climbed every physical realm that could be climbed."

I said, "You can't come here, Leo. (See?) Go back down, just tell the people that it comes from God. (You see, see?) It's something that you... You can't depend upon..."

As good as brethren, and sisters, and my church, and everything; and good as other churches are, and brethren everywhere...

Now, I cannot keep away from the church out there. Somebody says, "Well, why do you go out with them people, them Trinitarians, all this, that, and the other, the Oneness, and Jesus' Name, and all these other things out here. Why do you mixed up with them for at all?" They are mine. No matter what they have done, they're mine. They're my pulpit.

When Israel had done so evil, until God even told Moses to "Separate yourself; I'll start a new--new tribe with you," Moses threw himself in the way; he said, "Before You take them, take me."

No matter what they had done, that's who I am sent to. He sends a Light, not to shine where there's Light, where there's darkness; that's where Light belongs. And you've got to get with the people; you've got to stand with them regardless. You got...

In their wrong... Israel was wrong as wrong could be. They were so wrong, till God give them up, but Moses... I've always wondered how that ever come, but It was the Spirit of Christ in Moses. See. See, we're all wrong. He stood for all of us, when we was in our wrong.

No matter how wrong they are, let's not disfellowship or disassociate ourselves with anything. As long as we can win a soul, let's go in with "wise as serpent, as harmless as doves" (You see?), and try to win every soul that we can.

Now, this is, what I am saying this morning is storing Food, storing Food, so that you'll have something to eat, so that you'll have something to feast upon. Get it on your tapes; set in a cool of the room. Maybe when I'm long ways away, you'll still remember these things are true. Set in your room and listen. See? And this is Food, and storing it in the storehouse. I don't know where the trip is, but wherever it is, He knows where He's leading; I don't. I just follow. Unquote.

Below is an excerpt from the sermon: "Christ is the Mystery of God Revealed" W. Branham

And now, as I have to leave the little church right away now for the other parts of the world, I'm committing them to Thee, Lord, which they are part, the apple of my heart--as to say. They are the--the ones that's been begotten to You by the Spirit and by the Word of truth.

I pray that You'll bless them, Lord, and keep them closely knitted together by the bonds of the love of Christ.

Bless our dear beloved pastor, the shepherd. We pray that You'll anoint him with the Holy Spirit of Thy Word and reveal to them and feed the flock.

And once... Just awhile ago when You showed the vision that the little tabernacle here... **But to store up the food, that there would come a time when this would all be needed...** When we seen Brother Sothmann and Brother Wood ready to cross over into another country to... **But You said, "Store up this food here for the time."** Lord, reverently I've tried to do that.

Below are the excerpts from the sermon "Taking sides with Jesus." W. Branham

"May every preacher, every servant whom Thou hast in the world today, and who celebrates this great monument... may they have the anointing, strength and power to bring to their congregations (the sheep are in a great expectation) **THE FOOD THAT GOD HAS IN**

STORE FOR HIS PEOPLE. Grant this, Lord. We expect our humble part in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen!

Well, one Message that I preached here to you all. Look, I've been preaching from one to six hours to you on a message. Well, if I had to use one of those message, I'd take a week to take It just a little bit here and a little bit there (See?) because It's been stored up here. It's on tapes; It'll go worldwide on the tapes where people in their houses. Them tapes will fall right into the hands of the predestinated of God; He can direct the Word; He'll direct everything just exactly to its course. That's the reason He sent me back to do this. "**STORE UP THE FOOD HERE**"; He forbid me to go overseas.

You remember what that dream that I got the interpretation was.

"Go back and store up food." **WHERE WAS THE STOREHOUSE? THIS TABERNACLE.** Where's there anything like it in the country around here anywhere that will compare with the Message that we have? (Now, of course, our little brothers here that's out along here, these other little churches, are us. We're one.) Where would you go to, to find it? Show its comparison anywhere. You go right out in denominational creeds; you'll go right out away from the Name of the Lord Jesus; you'll go right out away from these other things. See? **AND HERE'S WHERE THE FOOD'S BEEN STORED UP**". Unquote.

We note that according to the prophet of this age William Branham, the spiritual food is on the tapes. They are the sermons of William Branham, the message that was given to him by the Lord. It is very clear that he was the one to whom the Lord had given the order to store food. And he tells us clearly where the food was stored, in the Branham Tabernacle.

**Who else had to store food?
The preachers and the people of God.**

For preachers, he said:

"May every preacher, every servant whom Thou hast in the world today, and who celebrates this great monument... may they have the anointing, strength and power to bring to their congregations (the sheep are in a great expectation) **THE FOOD THAT GOD HAS IN STORE FOR HIS PEOPLE.** Grant this, Lord. We expect our humble part in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen!

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Excerpt from the sermon: "Greatest battle ever fought." W. Branham. End of quote.

We all are believers of the message of the evening time. It is very clear and consistent with Scripture. Now, if a beloved brother says: "**The Lord told me to store food.**" I say, Amen! For

it is consistent, every servant of God must store food and also every child of God. There is no problem with that. But now, if someone says he is the only one to do that job, I shall say that it is false. **Because the Lord spoke to his prophet and commanded him to store food. It was the prophet who had the food and the Lord told him to store it. If he had not stored, we would not have received anything. The only place where the spiritual food was stored was the BRANHAM TABERNACLE. Other preachers should get the food from the Branham Tabernacle and distribute it.**

We also note that the food that should be distributed is the sermons of William Branham which are on tapes. These are the sermons that must be made available to the people of God. Every servant of God is required to turn his eyes towards the Lord who called him. Every true servant of God must know his calling and the Person who called him. The Person who called him will also give him the Word to preach. Today, it is in a real system that preachers are kept captive and especially in fear.

I remember a dream that Brother Branham recounted. He said that in his dream he saw a man big and strong. That man was beating a woman with a triangular instrument. And whenever the woman wanted to stand, the man struck her with that instrument.

Every time the woman tried to get up to escape, the man struck her with this instrument of three sides.

He received the interpretation of the dream: The man with the three sides instrument represents the doctrine of the Trinity and the woman he was striking represents the Church.

Whenever the Church wants to rise, it is struck with the doctrine of the Trinity.

Today, it's the same with preachers. No preacher has the freedom to stand in the presence of the Lord and be guided by the Holy Spirit. No one has the right to say: "**The Lord told me.**" For a preacher to be recognized as such, he must swear obedience and submission to the faithful and wise servant. All that the preacher will preach must come from the faithful servant. If the Lord takes a servant of God to fully serve the Lord, he is struck on the head with **Matt. 24: 45-51**. You can preach all the false doctrines and have never received a calling from God, **but if you cling to the faithful servant of Math. 24: 45-51, then you automatically become a true servant of God.** There is no need to say that you was called by God, or even give the testimony of your calling to the ministry because everything you can say is false and wrong. The only testimony to the ministry that remains valid is that of Math. 24: 45-51. Whether you turn to the right "Matt. 24: 45-51 ", or to the left" Math.24: 45-51 ", the faithful servant. **Indeed, he is God on earth.** What an abomination!

But, in reality, the man likes such praises. All preachers fear to be regarded as rebels if they do not cite the "faithful servant" during their sermons. They will tell you with great energy and strength, until they tear up the vocal cords, that Branhamists always have to their mouth: Branham said, Branham said. "We're not Branhamists and we do take quotations in the brochures". A few minutes later, you hear the same preacher saying: "**The faithful servant said, the faithful servant said.**" **And to prove their commitment to this ministry of the faithful servant, they will bring out the circular letter and read the quotations.** This is indeed deplorable!

This is where the preachers are brought and where the people of God is driven! I experienced this once in a meeting in Brussels.

Some brothers who are preachers came to see me in Brussels. I don't know what they were told. I received them and gave them the pulpit to preach. To my surprise, I could hear with my own ears the brother who was preaching saying: "The Branhamists always say: Brother Branham said, Brother Branham said, and they have only that name to their mouth and quotations over quotations. We do not do such things: always saying brother Branham said.. but we only say what the Word says and then adds: God has given us a faithful and wise servant. Then he continued to praise and then said: in our churches there, when a circular letter reaches us, it is for us the Word of God and we read it in full in our churches. "

My question is:

Where is the difference with Branhamists that he mentioned? None for it is the same spirit. Beloved in Christ, don't you see that you are turning around? Is the spiritual food in the circular letters or on the tapes? For a brochure is the printing of what is on the tape.

In what direction are we going? Aren't we building a modern Catholicism, a new version of papacy? Any priest who does not recognize the authority of the pope is excommunicated. Any preacher who does not recognize the authority of the faithful servant and is not subject to him is excommunicated. The term that they use is that one: **he went out of the line**. We should ask them the question: Which line is it? The one that leads to the papacy or the one that leads to Christ?

What a difference between these two?

The difference here:

In the line leading to the papacy, it is a man who is the leader, who directs everything.

In the line leading to Christ, it is the Spirit of truth that leads us. The preacher is led by the Holy Spirit 100%: "The Spirit of truth shall guide you into all truth". "I am the way, truth and life".

But brother Leonard, a man who received the Spirit of God, can God abandon him? The pope has the right according to the doctrine of the Catholic Church, to give an interpretation of the Word of God to justify his position and status.

What do the Scriptures say?

Samson and Delilah

*And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength lieth. And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death; That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man. And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand. And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him. And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. **AND HE WIST NOT THAT THE LORD WAS DEPARTED FROM HIM....** "*

Judges16: 15-20

Saul

"The Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul ..." 1 Samuel 16: 14

II. WHY DO THE HEATHEN RAGE, AND THE PEOPLE IMAGINE A VAIN THING?

The origin of all this tumult and these vain thoughts among the people, is the e-mail below:

The e-mail sent to me by a beloved brother who says he loves me.

Date: 11 mai 2009 à 16h08

From: Ewald Frank

To: Leonard Lifese

Dear Brother Leonard,

God's grace and peace be with you. I just returned from a very blessed trip to Ukraine. Thank you for your last e-mail about your physical condition.

I am desperately concerned about the spiritual part. It is now over a year since brethren from Africa, Europe and Brussels have asked me about you and your teachings and claims.

I always waved it off or did not respond to the inquiries per e-mail even today, but now since the matter was made public I cannot keep silent any longer. In our last meeting on Sunday, 6 May, I touched on that subject Isa. 42 from the biblical point of view.

The split of the church in Brussels must be avoided under all circumstances. Before all the other brethren could agree with you, you need to submit to God and His Word and correct the matter.

After taking time again to read your brochure "Arise" and also what you had to say in your testimony: "Testimony from Heaven", things must be put right. It is absolutely not true that the same pillar of fire that was with Moses or with William Branham appeared to you in Veracruz, Mexico. The object which looks like a small airplane is not directly over your head, but is more on the other brother's head behind you. I am not judging but I must say, it is not the pillar of fire, and you have taken it as a direct personal confirmation for yourself and your ministry.

The pillar of fire never appeared to Joshua as you state, he had the Word of the covenant as it was revealed to Moses in the Arc of the Covenant. You are decorating yourself and justifying your questionable experiences with Scriptures taking them out of context. You even took what I have written in the book "William Branham – a prophet sent from God" and continued to present yourself all the way through. Why do you have to do that?

Dear Brother Leonard, as I told you in the three e-mails, the spirit of deception has beguiled the sisters and the brothers to mislead you. This reminds me very definitely on what we went through in Krefeld when the first prophecy by the will of a deceived person was given in May 1976, where even names of various brothers and sisters were mentioned, to the last one in May 1979. Dreams and visions were the cause of the destruction.

If you read the church history, in every revival the enemy slipped in using especially women, even two prophetesses from Norway who came to Germany in 1909 to the city of Kassel north of Frankfurt to present their own revelations, causing the Pentecostal movement, that started in 1906, to be almost destroyed right at the very beginning.

In the seventies he did it in Krefeld, now he does it in Brussels.

Please reflect for a moment what Brother Branham said in reference to dreams and prophecies. First two or three brethren must verify whether they are of God before they can

be presented to the church, not judging by impression but by the Scriptures by the gift of discernment. This gift is lacking in the church up to this day. We did not have it in the seventies and the church in Brussels does not seem to have it now. Please read *The Rapture*, pg. 28, § 137 and the three attached statements.

On page 29 you published the lie of the sister who said, "I saw that while he (you) was preaching fire was coming out of his (your) mouth and of his (your) eyes." There is only One Whose eyes are as a flame of fire (Rev. 1:14) and only from His mouth comes the Word of God which is the two-edged sword (verse 16). Do you not realize that they make you Christ? Does not this remind you on Mt. 24? You have been pulled into the trap of the devil in this terrible deception by the lying spirit of error.

Brother Leonard, you state on page 31, "I have an apostolic ministry." Then you are using two Scriptures: 1Tim. 2:6-7 and 1Cor. 4:9-13. Then you compare yourself with the Apostle Paul with 1Cor. 15:8, stating, "... the LORD granted me the grace to see Him, He also appeared to me as He did for His apostles and He also spoke to me as He did for the apostles." Do you not fear God to make such statements?

Brother Leonard, I beg you in the name of Jesus Christ, our LORD, please stop. The Apostle Paul saw the LORD only once in that light on the way to Damascus, Brother Branham saw the pillar of fire many times, but he saw the LORD Jesus only once in a wheat-field. Please, check before God, if your testimonies and experiences, which are in connection with the deceptions of those brothers and sisters, can be a reality. And so it is also with the brothers and sisters upon whom you are calling as witnesses. You have to read Ez. 13 and Jer. 23 where the Holy Scriptures describes the spiritual matter that you can see visions and have dreams of your own heart and also prophesy the thoughts of your own mind.

Dear Brother Leonard, all other brethren in the message came up with wrong interpretations, even the brother in Abidjan and the one in Lausanne who have published their wrong teachings about Mt. 25, Mk. 13 and others in reference to the coming of the LORD. But what has happened with you is never recorded in the Holy Scripture and not in the history of church during the two thousand years. As I have a direct responsibility before God Almighty in the Name of Jesus Christ I must ask you to distance yourself from all you have published and inform the same people with your correction in a circular letter.

I am not making this up, you know very well, that I am responsible for the biblical end-time message right from the very moment the prophet was taken to glory. It is impossible for me to keep silent and let the enemy have his way just before the Return of Christ. Up till now I have not mentioned any brother by name, even if I had to correct things in the sermons or Circular letters. I hope that I need not do it in the future, but I have to set things straight and correct the errors and let the truth prevail. Should the church in Brussels split, then you are the only one to be responsible for it.

You dismissed some of the brethren because they did not agree with you. How can they agree with you if your claims are not in agreement with the Word of God?

Beloved Brother Leonard Lifese, please, receive the final truth in the name of the LORD Jesus Christ from your friend and brother:

The Brother in Madagascar was terribly deceived by a lying spirit applying Isa 42 to you and your ministry.

The sister was terribly deceived by the lying spirit making the statement about the fire coming from your eyes and mouth.

You were terribly misled to claim that the same pillar of fire that appeared to Moses and Brother Branham appeared to you in Veracruz, Mexico.

You were terribly misled when you state that you have seen LORD Jesus Christ. You were terribly misled when you say that you heard the actual voice of the LORD, but then you state yourself you were sleeping. Therefore it was a dream, not a reality.

Satan, the old serpent, has deceived the brothers and the sisters, but you have no right to mislead the church in Brussels or even God's people in the different countries. It is true, absolutely true that the LORD told me with a commanding voice, "My servant, do not establish local churches ..." That is as true as Jn. 3:16. But the LORD never said that I should not correct in an apostolic way as did all the apostles in Acts 15 and again and again, even in the local churches. Brother, we are not dealing with your church or my church, the concern is the Church of the living God, the Body of Christ, even the Bride of Christ.

Dear Brother, I am ready to come to Brussels before it is too late. Please, let me know when. This matter must be solved in the presence of the local church first, then worldwide. Some brothers from Brussels asked me a number of times to come, but you suggested that I should not come.

Please, do not worry, we are not against you, beloved Brother, but against the serpent, the enemy who brought destruction by deceiving right from the beginning of humanity and from the beginning of the New Testament church. Please, read the seven messages of Rev. 2 and 3 to correctly understand the lesson for the situation right now. I am your friend and your brother. I like to hear from you.

Please, receive this e-mail as a token of love.

In Christ
Bro. Frank
(End of the first email)

Date: May 11, 2009 at 4:54 p.m.

From: Brother Leonard
To: Brother Frank

My beloved brother, Frank,

Special Greetings in the precious and holy name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thank you very much for your e-mail and its contents. Before everything, I give thank to God for the blessed journey you have made in Ukraine. I read your e-mail. The only thing I would say is that I respect you and your ministry. And I will continue to respect you and your ministry.

There are few things you're referring to that are not exactly as you've read or mentioned them. I also think that this is not a good thing for me to write you e-mails because some people might read them and interpret many things. It would have been better if when you received the DVD and the brochure to give me a call and arrange an appointment with you in Krefeld so we could discuss together. I believe that

is the biblical way. Thus, you would have listened to my own lips what it is about. By e-mail that is not good. Remember, even the sermons of Brother Branham, how many interpretations have arisen from a single sermon.

For Brussels, concerning the local church, it is not important that you come. The brothers who left the church have already started their own church, they are in another place. It is not necessary to speak about it. As I said earlier, I leave everything in the hands of the Lord.

My precious brother, I love you and respect you. And I always will. Please feel free to write in the Circular letter what the Lord has laid on your heart.

Concerning Veracruz in Mexico: If in your eyes it's a plane, praise God.

If it is above another brother, blessed be God.

As it is a plane over another brother, the thing is closed.

There is no need to talk further about that subject.

Regarding the brother in Madagascar: Isaiah 42 has already been clarified, I do not know why we should return to that again.

Regarding dreams, I never said "this is proof of my ministry."

I never said so.

My beloved brother, I think I do not have to defend myself, the Lord Himself will defend me.

Regarding the local church, the brothers have gone with other brothers. What can they do with a man deceived? Nothing, they should abandon such a man.

Brother Leonard is a deceived man, we must abandon him.

Now they serve the Lord in peace.

Remain in peace. Brother Leonard will no longer trouble you.

You can serve the Lord in peace.

God bless you.

Brother Leonard Lifese

(End of the response).

As you have read it, these are the statements by the head of the biblical end-time message:

"I am not making this up, you know very well, that I am responsible for the biblical end-time message right from the very moment the prophet was taken to glory. It is impossible for me to keep silent and let the enemy have his way just before the Return of Christ. Up till now I have not mentioned any brother by name, even if I had to correct things in the sermons or Circular letters. I hope that I need not do it in the future, but I have to set things straight and correct the errors and let the truth prevail. Should the church in Brussels split, then you are the only one to be responsible for it.

You dismissed some of the brethren because they did not agree with you. How can they agree with you if your claims are not in agreement with the Word of God?" End of the excerpt of Br E. Frank email.

God is no longer responsible for his Word but our brother. He is the one who decides what is right and what is wrong, not the Holy Spirit.

You can notice that I did not reply to the content of his e-mail.

Some beloved brothers came to me asking why I did not answer.

I told them that I don't have to defend myself, if it is God who has commissioned me, He Himself will defend me. That position really allowed me to see the great work of God. Throughout my entire life, I will be grateful to the Lord with all my heart for this trial he allowed in my life. He is God. Blessed be His Holy Name!

What is extraordinary is to see that some time later, the Lord touched a young brother named Germain NZI from Côte d'Ivoire. Prompted by the Holy Spirit, he wrote down what you will read at the end of this writing. Before everybody, the Lord Himself has defended his servant.

Today I'll answer the e-mail from my brother. He consciously sent it for publication because the goal of my brother was to destroy the influence of my ministry. He declares he loves me, but in fact it is all about hatred in his heart towards me. And I will prove it.

That is what our beloved brother said:

1. "I always waved it off or did not respond to the inquiries per e-mail even today, but now since the matter was made public I cannot keep silent any longer. In our last meeting on Sunday, 6 May, I touched on that subject Isa. 42 from the biblical point of view. The split of the church in Brussels must be avoided under all circumstances. Before all the other brethren could agree with you, you need to submit to God and His Word and correct the matter..." End Br E. Frank email.

He is telling me through this email that during the last meeting on Sunday, May 6 he touched on the subject of Isaiah 42 from a biblical standpoint. This is not entirely true because Saturday, April 04, 2009 and Sunday, April 05, 2009 he had already spoken about me in Krefeld in connection with Isaiah 42. He did so only on the basis of what he heard from his entourage. And in his e-mail of May 11, 2009 he informed me that in his preaching of Sunday, May 06, a month later, he talked about it again.

Here is the proof that the attitude of my brother is not biblical and he did not act according to Holy Scriptures. What do the Scriptures say? If your brother has something against you or you've heard he did something, should you run to the pulpit? No! The Bible says: go and see your brother. But, the brother never called me to analyze the issue. What I received were some emails in which I was addressed as a master would talk to his dog without respect at all. He was talking to something of minor importance.

Second thing, the brother was aware that I was going on missionary trip to Cote d'Ivoire and Burkina Faso. Some of his disciples were combating me in order to cancel my missionary trip; his entourage was saying that he was the only one who should go on missionary trip. Emails from those who were fighting me were sent to him asking him to prevent my trip to Cote d'Ivoire and Burkina Faso. He wrote me about it. But, he knew that I had decided to obey God and to make this trip. As I was determined to go, he now brought out his ultimate weapon: preaching from the pulpit in Krefeld and showing that Leonard Lifese was a false brother. When such a statement comes from the head of the Biblical end-time message, who should not obey?

To prove what I say here is the e-mail sent to him by the deacon of Brussels, Brother Ngongo.

"Beloved Brother in Christ E. Frank

After reading emails you exchanged with brother Leonard Lifese and published everywhere by Brother JC Mbiye, I feel compelled as eyewitness, to write you and give you some details of the events that took place in the congregation of Brussels; Facts I find very important, so that your judgment will not be based on unilateral declarations.

The day brother Leonard Lifese gave the testimony of his trip to Madagascar, brother JC

Mbiye asked brother Leonard to provide more clarification on Isaiah Chapter 42. This is what brother Leonard did on December 28, 2008 before the whole congregation. Since brother Leonard made the clarification on Isaiah 42 on December 28, 2008, before the whole church, there were no more problems in this regard, because it was clear to everyone that he was not Isaiah chap 42.

On April 04 and April 05, 2009 as well, you spoke of Isaiah chp 42 and it was clear that you was aiming at brother Leonard, even if you did not mentioned him by his name. Monday, April 06, 2009 on a suggestion of brother JC Mbiye, we went to see Brother Leonard to tell him what you said 04 and 05 of April 2009 in Krefeld about Isaiah chap 42. Since brother Leonard was to travel on Tuesday, April 07, 2009 morning to Côte d'Ivoire and Burkina Faso, brother Henry Kanda suggested he writes a letter while waiting for his return, so we could read it in his absence to the whole congregation. This is what he did; he even asked us to read it and make the necessary correction, and that was what we did. "

End of excerpt from the email of brother Ngongo.

As you can see, it was the eve of my missionary trip that he triggered the bomb in order to destroy the man so that the people of God will not listen to him. When you love a brother and especially a brother with whom you have worked, if you heard something against him, you should call him and hear his version of the facts. But when in your heart, you don't bear that person anymore and especially if it appears that the man begins to shade your ministry, you must kill his influence.

Below is an excerpt from brother E. Frank's email

2. After taking time again to read your brochure "Arise" and also what you had to say in your testimony: "Testimony from heaven", things must be put right. It is absolutely not true that the same pillar of fire that was with Moses or with William Branham appeared to you in Veracruz, Mexico. The object which looks like a small airplane is not directly over your head, but is more on the other brother's head behind you. I am not judging but I must say, it is not the pillar of fire, and you have taken it as a direct personal confirmation for yourself and your ministry.

The pillar of fire never appeared to Joshua as you state, he had the Word of the covenant as it was revealed to Moses in the Arc of the Covenant. You are decorating yourself and justifying your questionable experiences with Scriptures taking them out of context.. "End of excerpt Br Frank.

You will notice that he quoted my brochure: "Arise" which is the testimony I gave about my call to ministry at the request of a brother. And my brother is linking that testimony with another testimony: "Testimony from Heaven "which I also wrote further to a request of another brother who had asked me to provide more details about what happened in Mexico during the appearance of the pillar of fire. These testimonies completely upset my brother because he could not accept or bear what the Lord had done with me. In my brochure "Arise" I gave the testimony of things I experimented with the Lord; Real and true experiences I made and not someone else. Here is what my brother wrote me about it.

Below is an excerpt from brother E. Frank's email.

"Last week I read your brochure " ARISE ". And last night Brother Thomas and Bro. Arben showed me your DVD of December 28, 2008.

DEAR BROTHER, EVERYTHING YOU WROTE AND SAID IS TOTALLY UNSCRIPTURAL, FROM BEGINNING TO THE END. ALL THE DIFFERENT VOICES AND DREAMS ABOUT YOU OR YOUR MINISTRY HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH A DIVINE CALL. Please, please, search the Scriptures. "End of the excerpt email from Br E. Frank

That is what the supreme authority of the Biblical end time message declares: Everything, including the coverage and even the scriptures inside, EVERYTHING IS FALSE. Yet voices he hears are true, biblical and from God, the dreams that are in connection with him and his ministry are true. No one else can claim to have a divine call except him alone and brother Branham. Everything a brother can have as experience with God, does not matter. Beloved brothers, these were my experiences, not his because he was not there. We will certainly confront the things he said with Scriptures as he recommended.

In connection with the pillar of fire, he said: "After Moses there was not a single appearing of the Pillar of Fire. Your claim is unscriptural and untrue. And no Pillar of Fire would appear after Brother Branham's ministry. God never copies, God always works in an original way. " These are statements from our brother, the head of the Biblical end time message.

According to his statements, here we should understand that after Moses, the pillar of fire did not appear. Let's consult the Holy Scriptures as he said :

" And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:" Exodus 13: 20-21

The Bible clearly says that the LORD WAS IN THE PILLAR OF CLOUD THE DAY AND IN THE PILLAR OF FIRE THE NIGHT. Both the PILLAR OF FIRE and the PILLAR OF CLOUD were the manifestation of the invisible God in the midst of his people.

But after Moses, has such an event taken place?

It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: that then the house was filled with A CLOUD, even the house of the LORD; So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of THE CLOUD: for the GLORY OF THE LORD had filled the house of God.. " 2 Chronicles 5: 13-14

From the mouth of a precious brother as our beloved brother, who called himself the head of the biblical end time message, comes out a word like this one: **"After the ministry of William Branham, the pillar of fire cannot appear". Should we understand by such a statement that William Branham was buried with the pillar of fire?**

It is absurd to hear such statements and what is worse is that all the preachers say, Amen! And continue to support this in their congregations. Oh! Sissy preachers say as would say my brother Branham. You're afraid to stand for the truth! So, do not condemn the denominational preachers!

Beloved, even if we must admit everything, how can you punctuate an Amen to something that is unscriptural! You say aloud: "Brother Lifese is deceived. You agree to such things and you call yourself a servant of God! If we accept that the pillar of fire is gone with William Branham, then we have got to stop preaching for God is dead, He no longer exists. He was buried with William Branham.

Why?

Because the pillar of fire or cloud is the presence of God among his people. It is God among his people. "The Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud ... and the night in

the pillar of fire."

What does the prophet of this age think about it?

SERMON: "HOW THE ANGEL CAME TO ME AND HIS COMMISSION" W. BRANHAM.

281 "What do you think It is then," you say, "Brother Branham?" I believe that It is the same Pillar of Fire that led the children of Israel from Egypt to Palestine. I believe It's the same Angel of Light that come in the--in the jail and come in to Saint Peter and touched him, and went forward, and opened the door, and put him out into the light. And I believe that It's Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever. Amen. He's the same Jesus today that He was yesterday. He will be forever the same Jesus.

282 And while I'm talking about It, that same Light that's on that picture is on--standing not two feet from where I'm standing right now. That's right. I can't see It with my--my eyes, but I know It's standing here. I know It's settling with-inside of me right now. Oh, if you could only know the difference when the power of Almighty God catches, and how things look different. Unquote.

This is the message! We understand clearly by the prophet that *the pillar of fire is JESUS CHRIST the same yesterday, today and forever.* The Yahweh of the Old Testament is the Jesus of the New Testament. " *And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.*

John 14: 16-18.

The day of Pentecost, He came again in the form of the Holy Spirit, the pillar of fire.

It's in the pillar of fire, in this light, that He appeared to Saul on the road to Damascus, "*Who are you Lord?* The answer was: "*I am Jesus whom you are persecuting ...*".

The Pillar of Fire is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the Lord Jesus Christ who comes to dwell in His redeemed. The Yahweh of the Old Testament is the Jesus of the New Testament. That is why the prophet could say ... I know It's settling with-inside of me right now.

The Lord Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever and He is the pillar of fire. The prophet will pass away but the pillar of fire will continue with the people of God until the rapture because it must settle into the chosen. Even if we do not see it with our eyes, **IT IS ALWAYS THERE TO LEAD THE CHOSEN UNTIL THE RAPTURE.**

The prophet said:

"And while I'm talking about It, that same Light that's on that picture is on--standing not two feet from where I'm standing right now. That's right. I can't see It with my--my eyes, but I know It's standing here. I know It's settling with-inside of me right now."

Unquote " How the Angel came to me and his commission. W. Branham.

The pillar of fire is not gone with the prophet, It is still here with the people of God. This is not correct for a head of the end-time message to make such a declaration:

"After Moses there was not a single appearing of the Pillar of Fire. Your claim is unscriptural

and untrue. And no Pillar of Fire would appear after Brother Branham's ministry. God never copies, God always works in an original way. "

The same pillar of fire that was with Moses, is the same that was with Paul, Peter, the apostles, it is also the same pillar of fire which was with Brother Branham. Is that copying? But the same pillar of fire. It is also the same pillar of fire that appeared above me in Veracruz (Mexico). Same Lord Jesus Christ, yesterday, today and forever. For the head of the biblical message, if it appeared above William Branham then it is the pillar of fire but if it appeared above brother Leonard Lifese, then it is a small plane and what is more, it is not above Leonard Lifese. Can you notice the feeling that emerges:

1. It's a plane

2. it is not even above you but above someone else. This implies that if it were the pillar of fire, we would accept it provided it is not above Leonard Lifese.

Here is the famous picture of Veracruz who brought me all the hatred and flaming emails of my brother who is in charge of the biblical end time message.



Where do you see a plane? The airstrip would probably be on top of my head. Just observe well this picture, there are only trees behind preachers. When you see this picture can you objectively say that this pillar of fire is above someone else? Unless it is a deliberate will to harm.

Isn't it that this pillar of fire has the same form as that which appeared over the head of our brother Branham? That's the reason why I am hated, called all names and adjectives under

the sun simply because the Lord granted me the grace to let the pillar of fire appear above me. There was a reason for this and it is explained in my brochure "Testimony from Heaven" that I invite you to read.

Below is an excerpt from the e-mail of Br E. Frank.

3. On page 29 you published the lie of the sister who said, "I saw that while he (you) was preaching fire was coming out of his (your) mouth and of his (your) eyes." There is only One Whose eyes are as a flame of fire (Rev. 1:14) and only from His mouth comes the Word of God which is the two-edged sword (verse 16). Do you not realize that they make you Christ? Does not this remind you on Mt. 24 ?

You have been pulled into the trap of the devil in this terrible deception by the lying spirit of error ". End

Our brother says that what the Lord had shown to our sister as a lie. And please notice the tone with which he wrote! According to our brother, this is not of God because it concerns brother Leonard Lifese. Have you not noticed that for him all that concerns me is false and unscriptural? What our sister saw, is it really unscriptural? Our brother cites Math 24. Certainly he refers to the false Christ, that is to say the false anointed. The question to ask is this one: how do we recognize a true from a false anointed? Our brother quoted Apocalypse 1: 14 to show that according to the Scripture the Lord is presented in this chapter with fire coming out of his eyes and our sister saw brother Leonard, who preached and the fire was coming from his eyes. What is not consistent with Scripture here? Isn't it absolutely what we read in the Bible? If it's in the Bible, then it is consistent with Scripture. It is very strange! We tell the brothers and sisters this: dreams and visions must be consistent with the Scriptures. When a sister now has a vision or a dream that is completely consistent with scripture, what do you say? It is a lie, it is a deception. But now we are told that what is consistent with Scripture is a lie. Should we now understand that it is the lie that is consistent with Scripture? If so, in which direction are we leading the people of God?

Let us see what the Holy Scriptures say:

The fire comes from the eyes of Brother Leonard Lifese.

Is it Biblical? Yes!

"... His eyes were like a flame of fire" Revelation 1: 14.

This passage is about the Lord Jesus Christ

The fire came from the mouth of Brother Leonard Lifese.

Is it Biblical? Yes!

"The voice of the LORD made the flames of fire" Psalms 29: 7

Can a servant of God have such an appearance? Yes !

"... Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire." . Heb. 1: 7

Everything is perfectly consistent with Scriptures. You can see how hatred against someone can be blinding. Beloved in Christ, open your eyes, the Bible says:

" Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD." Jeremia 17: 5

Our brother intentionally used terms and words that he knew all the preachers and believers would also catch well the message he wanted to convey.

Extract from email of Br E. Frank

" Do you not realize that they make you Christ? Doesn't this remind you of Mt. 24? You have been pulled into the trap of the devil in this terrible deception by the lying spirit of error. End of email extract.

Let us consider again the Holy Scriptures:

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me...." Galatians 2: 20

As sons and daughters of God we are called to resemble our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ: *"And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: BECAUSE AS HE IS, SO ARE WE IN THIS WORLD."* 1 John 4: 16 - 17.

According to our brother, as in the vision or the dream of our sister, fire was coming out of the eyes and mouth of brother Leonard Lifese, then brother Leonard is deceived for the only one who should be seen like that is the Lord Jesus Christ according to Revelation 1: 14. And then he concludes saying: 'don't you realize they are making you Christ?

The question to ask should rather be: What does this mean?

If a man is a true servant of the Lord Jesus Christ, then the nature of the Lord shall be in him. What did the Master say? *"The disciple is not above his master: BUT EVERY ONE THAT IS PERFECT SHALL BE AS HIS MASTER.."* Luke 6: 40.

If Christ the Lord is in Brother Leonard Lifese then Brother Leonard Lifese must be like Christ. Oh! What folly! Brother Leonard, you are rambling! Do you see? That's what I said. If this had happened with someone else, we would have said: yes and amen! But not with Leonard Lifese.

Now hear this: If Christ was in William Branham, then William Branham should be like Christ. What do you say? You have punctuated an Amen! right?

In the ministry of William Branham we saw **"the discernment of spirits."** While all the gospel teachers were saying that he was deceived. ... The angel of the Lord came and told him: **"this was the sign of the Messiah, to discern the thoughts of the heart and told him to read in John 4: 25-26, and other Scriptures related to the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ so that he knows that his ministry was from the Lord."** Was William Branham deceived? Was William Branham the Christ? Beloved in Christ, this is where men have brought us (I am the head of the end times message).

This is the way of seeing of the head of end time message. Everything that is of God and that God can do through a servant of God who is not him, is from the devil. Judge for yourself!

Has such an experience (fire coming out of eyes) ever happened to the Prophet?

Here is what William Branham said:

" My son Billy Paul, he talks in his sleep, but he doesn't have dreams very often. He had one the other night that shook him up. Said he'd dreamed he was at a church, and--and they... I hadn't come in yet. Said when I come in, fire was flying out of the eyes. And I said, "The time is here; it's over." And everybody begin screaming, "I can't, my children." And me...

My wife said, "I can't get Sarah to ask the blessing at the table," and so forth. And I said...

He said, "I've got to go get Loyce and--and the baby."

I said, "Loyce can't come now. The baby's too young to know. Billy the hour is here; we must go." I said, "It's midnight now, before daylight Jesus will be here. If it isn't then I'm a false witness of Christ."

And somebody spoke up and said, "No man knows the minute or hour."

"I never said minute or hour; I said sometime between now and daylight." I said, "Let's--let's go, Billy. And I said something... I said, "But we're at the time; let's go." And we got in the car and started. And we started up the mountain. And when we did, it was--looked like the light was coming, and the skies were dark upon the earth. He said I pulled off the side of the road, held my hands over like this, fire still flying from my eyes. And he said I said, "Lord, I have did this at Your command. I have did this just because that You told me to do it this a-way. I have did these things according to what You've told me." And I motioned to a big granite mountain, and a--a Light without hands cut a stone out of the mountain weighing hundreds of tons and here it come. I said, "Turn your heads; don't look. It'll be--all be over just in a few minutes." Said, "Then a great holy hush come everywhere as this Stone come towards the place."

It may be later than we think. There... See, that's exactly Scriptural (You see?), the Stone without hands cut out of the mountain. And so one of these days it's going to be that way when you're going to scream for something. I said to him, "You've already had that time. God has constantly warned you time after time." Yeah, I said, "Even if it's my own kid or whoever it is, the hour is here. I can only say what He's told me to say, and it'll be here, and it was." **And--and then all of a sudden here He come a Stone cut out of the mountain without hands.** Daniel saw that, you know, back many years ago. **And Billy knewed nothing about that, but it was a--it was a dream sent to him from the Lord.**"

William Branham (There is a man who can turn on the light § 138-142). End of quote.

What do you say about this? "Brother Branham was terribly deceived" right?

Excerpt from the email of Br E. Frank.

4. ' Brother Leonard, you state on page 31, "I have an apostolic ministry." Then you are using two Scriptures: 1Tim. 2:6-7 and 1Cor. 4:9-13. Then you compare yourself with the Apostle Paul with 1Cor. 15:8, stating, "... the LORD granted me the grace to see Him, He also appeared to me as He did for His apostles and He also spoke to me as He did for the apostles."

Do you not fear God to make such statements?

Brother Leonard, I beg you in the name of Jesus Christ, our LORD, please stop. The Apostle Paul saw the LORD only once in that light on the way to Damascus, Brother Branham saw the pillar of fire many times, but he saw the LORD Jesus only once in a wheat-field. Please, check before God, if your testimonies and experiences, which are in connection with the deceptions of those brothers and sisters, can be a reality. And so it is also with the brothers and sisters upon whom you are calling as witnesses. You have to read Ezekiel 13 and Jeremiah 23 where the Holy Scriptures describes the spiritual matter that you can see visions and have dreams of your own heart and also prophesy the thoughts of your own mind.' End.

I declare and I keep my statement that I have an **apostolic ministry** and I also keep my statement as: "... the LORD granted me the grace to see Him, He also appeared to me as He did for His apostles and He also spoke to me as He did for the apostles."

It's the truth, **the Lord appeared to me at my calling to the ministry.** I clearly recounted the fact in my booklet: "Arise".

Another excerpt from the e-mail Fr E. Frank.

'Do you not fear God in making such statements? "

Why should I shake with fear? For what I have said is **the truth**.

The Lord himself continues to confirm it up to date.

And my brother said: Brother Leonard, I beg you in the name of Jesus Christ, our LORD, please stop. The Apostle Paul saw the LORD only once in that light on the way to Damascus...'

The following statement from a servant of God responsible for the biblical message of the end times.

What do the Scriptures say about that? How many times did the Lord appeared to Paul?

According to our brother the answer is: **ONCE**

What do the Holy Scriptures say?

" And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do." Acts 9: 3-6

*" And the night following the **LORD STOOD BY HIM**, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.." Acts 23: 11*

*" **THEN SPAKE THE LORD TO PAUL IN THE NIGHT BY A VISION**, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace: For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.. " Acts 18: 9-10*

How many times would the Lord appeared to Paul according to our brother? **ONCE**.

How many times would the Lord appeared to Paul according to Holy Scripture? **SEVERAL TIMES**.

" For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? ⁴God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged." Rom. 3: 3-4

Here's another statement of our beloved brother, "Brother Branham saw the pillar of fire several times, but he saw the Lord Jesus only once in the wheat field."

According to him, Brother Branham had seen the Lord Jesus only once in the wheat field.

Is this true? For these are the words of the head of the biblical end-time message.

What did Brother Branham himself say?

"27 Two times in my life, now three times, I have seen Him in vision. He Looked the Same each time. But there's no artist in the world who "could ever paint His picture. They might paint something that might look like Him. But He looked like, to me, He would be a man. . . if He'd speak, the world would come to an end and yet so sweet and lovely that there's just no. . there's just too many characteristics there that an artist brush ever could catch."

Excerpt from the sermon "Respect the servants of God" W. Branham.

How often did the Lord appear to Brother Branham?

THREE TIMES

Do we need to say more?

Another excerpt from Br. E. Frank email:

5 "But what has happened with you is never recorded in the Holy Scripture and not in the history of church during the two thousand years. As I have a direct responsibility before God Almighty in the Name of Jesus Christ I must ask you to distance yourself from all you have published and inform the same people with your correction in a circular letter." End.

Can you imagine this? A beloved brother who claims to have a direct responsibility before God as he says, make such a statement? What happened to me that was never recorded in the Scriptures, or in the history of the Church for two thousand years? Beloved in Christ, unless you are totally blind, do you not see it is anger in our brother and what he says has no biblical basis? Aren't we still in Bible days? Isn't the Lord Jesus Christ still the same yesterday, today and forever? Doesn't the Lord still call men to the ministry so far? Isn't that what the Bible says:

"He who makes his angels winds and his ministers a flame of fire". Heb. 1: 7.

When anger is mixed with hatred, one cannot see things well.

Now as the supreme authority, he now gives the right to write a circular letter that I should publish. Now he wants me to write, but yesterday I didn't have the right to write a circular letter, he was the only one to do so.

In fact, what many don't understand is that our brother has adopted this position towards me just because he believes I'm trying to take his place. The main problem of my brother is his ministry.

He cannot accept that the Lord uses someone else while he is still alive. In fact, he wants to be regarded as the only servant of God on earth, the sole authority. He proves this by his own words:

" I am not making this up, you know very well, that I am responsible for the biblical end-time message right from the very moment the prophet was taken to glory. It is impossible for me to keep silent and let the enemy have his way just before the Return of Christ. Up till now I have not mentioned any brother by name, even if I had to correct things in the sermons or Circular letters.

I hope that I need not do it in the future, but I have to set things straight and correct the errors and let the truth prevail. Should the church in Brussels split, then you are the only one to be responsible for it. You dismissed some of the brethren because they did not agree with you. How can they agree with you if your claims are not in agreement with the Word of God?" Email of Br. E. Frank.

Do we need to say more?

The Holy Spirit is no longer working, but our brother. The Lord has nothing to do. You understand now why he said that we no longer need the pillar of fire today. It is quite normal that he says that because the Church has him as leader, our brother.

He said something important: **" Should the church in Brussels split, then you are the only one to be responsible for it. You dismissed some of the brethren because they did not agree with you. How can they agree with you if your claims are not in agreement with the Word of God?"** End.

This is about the division that occurred in our local congregation in Brussels. I will clearly

put it: THE AUTHOR OF THE DIVISION IN OUR CONGREGATION IS INDEED OUR BROTHER, the head of the biblical end time message.

He is the author of the division and he also supported it.
Brother Leonard, can you prove your statements? **Yes, I will.**

Here's the evidence:

Everything started from the famous DVD of December 28, 2008 and my brochure "Arise" he had received.

Below is his email to me

From: E. Frank

Wednesday, April 1, 2009

To: Brother Leonard

Dear Brother Leonard,

God's grace be with you.

I am writing these lines under great pain. For a number of months I was asked by various brothers about your experiences and your special claims.

Last week I read your brochure "ARISE". And last night Brother Thomas and Bro. Arben showed me your DVD of December 28, 2008

Dear Brother, everything you wrote and said is totally unscriptural, from beginning to the end. All the different voices and dreams about you or your ministry have nothing to do with a divine call. Please, please, search the Scriptures.

The audacity to claim Isa. 42 to be meant for yourself goes beyond anything that anyone can ever comprehend.

You also read Mt. 12, rightfully placing the Scripture of Isa. 42 to be accomplished by the ministry of Jesus Christ, our LORD.

Then you go to Acts 13:47 to claim the same Scripture again for yourself, applying the plural into the singular and presenting yourself. This to my knowledge has not happened to anyone to this day.

You totally misunderstood why the Apostle Paul had to use the plural, but I shall write about this subject in the very near future.

My dear Brother, I say this in the love of God, in the love for the truth and with the responsibility because of the divine call I received from the LORD. You are utterly deceived and do not even notice that the whole matter is to build up yourself, your calling and your ministry. You are calling different witnesses. Why? Has this ever happened in Bible days? End of the email.

Please note the date on which he wrote to me and also the contents of his letter. The main problem of my brother is his ministry.

He thought I wrote this brochure to lift myself up. You will notice that he said he received questions from different brothers about my experiences and my claims. Who are these brothers? In fact, these are the brothers who told him that I am trying to raise myself in the eyes of the people of God and I said, as the pillar of fire appeared above me, my ministry is

greater than his'. He swallowed it because it was about his ministry. Therefore, being under that influence, he misread my brochure and also did not watch objectively the DVD he received. You understand now why he was insisting in his emails on his calling.

The big problem is the place he occupies. If you have noticed it well, I replied to his email of April 01, 2009. Despite all the details that I gave in my reply, he went quickly to the pulpit in Krefeld to give his light on Isaiah 42. I'll talk about that later.

According to him, it was said that Brother Leonard stated that his ministry was in the Bible and it is Isaiah 42: 6. He could not bear another brother saying that his ministry is in the Bible. The only brother whose ministry is in the Bible should be him and all preachers without exception should come to him and receive the food to be given to the people. No one, (and indeed no one) can claim a direct call from God except him. The reference to the DVD and the brochure were made. Everyone knew that he was speaking about brother Leonard. I want you to pay attention to this: Since December 28, 2008 when the sermon was delivered in our local church, we did not have any problems. When did these problems begin?

Here's the answer: the letter of the deacon of our local church, our brother Ngongo, addressed to our brother.

"Beloved Brother in Christ Frank E.

After reading emails you exchanged with brother Leonard Lifese and published everywhere by Brother JC Mbiye, I feel compelled as eyewitness, to write you and give you some details of the events that took place in the congregation of Brussels; Facts I find very important, so that your judgment will not be based on unilateral declarations.

The day brother Leonard Lifese gave the testimony of his trip to Madagascar, brother JC Mbiye asked brother Leonard to provide more clarification on Isaiah Chapter 42.

This is what brother Leonard did on December 28, 2008 before the whole congregation.

Since brother Leonard made the clarification on Isaiah 42 on December 28, 2008, before the whole church, there were no more problems in this regard, because it was clear to everyone that he was not Isaiah chap 42.

On April 04 and April 05, 2009 as well, you spoke of Isaiah chap 42 and it was clear that you were aiming at brother Leonard, even if you did not mention him by his name. Monday, April 06, 2009 on a suggestion of brother JC Mbiye, we went to see Brother Leonard to tell him what you said 04 and 05 of April 2009 in Krefeld about Isaiah chap 42.

Since brother Leonard was to travel on Tuesday, April 07, 2009 morning to Côte d'Ivoire and Burkina Faso, brother Henry Kanda suggested he write a letter while waiting for his return, so we could read it in his absence to the whole congregation. This is what he did; he even asked us to read it and make the necessary correction, and that was what we did. "

That day, there were no problems and even brother Emmanuel NDINDIYE said he was happy because the Spirit of God was among us. We prayed together and we left each other in joy.

On Tuesday, April 07, 2009 as we worshiped at night, instead of simply reading the letter that Brother Leonard left, brother JC Mbiye began to make various comments on the problem, and brother Henry Kanda did the same in almost all his sermons during the absence of our pastor Brother Leonard. The goal was clear: To condemn Brother Lifese and thereby influence the congregation.

On Sunday April 19, 2009 after the service, brother JC Mbiye asked me if we could stay in the church a while to prepare our meeting with brother Leonard when he is back. Without a second thought, I agreed and we met in the church at 6 pm, everyone had spoken and I based my intervention on three points of the order in the church.

I didn't speak of Isaiah 42 nor the different testimonies because everything was clear since December 28, 2008.

While we were talking, brother Kanda Henry said this: "Let's be together and Brother Frank will back us up to fight brother Leonard". And that is what is happening now.

On Tuesday, April 21, 2009 when the brother was preaching, it became obvious that something fishy was going on.

On Thursday, April 23, 2009 we met in the office of Brother Leonard to 6 pm. Brother JC Mbiye (elder), brother KANDA (preacher), brother NDINDIYE (deacon), Brother DICKY (deacon) and brother BOVICK (deacon), all except brother Joseph BARANOWSCKI (preacher) and they wanted to cancel the meeting so that we can keep talking with brother Leonard in his office.

I gave a strong opposition and after this decision, brother NDINDIYE suggested we listen a sermon on tape of brother BRANHAM because they do not want Brother Leonard to preach anymore.

Finally, Brother Leonard suggested to say a word to the congregation without preaching, following a scripture that brother NDINDIYE read.

After 20 minutes of worship, we met again in the office of Brother Leonard. We stayed there until 11 pm or 11:30. Because of this situation, some brothers and sisters attending the meeting were very saddened for there was no service.

During the meeting in the office of Brother Leonard I noticed that there was a problem because brother Leonard was forced to apologize by other brothers, to rectify, to clarify, to show by the Word of God all the testimonies given on December 28, 2008.

After that, we met again Friday, April 24, 2009 around 6:30 pm in the office of Brother Leonard, and he agreed to clarify the matter again and we parted after the clarification. On Sunday, April 26, 2009, Brother Leonard said that the Lord spoke to him and told him to make the decision he had made to restart from scratch the composition of the church leaders. The brothers did not agree with that decision and they left the local church to form another congregation in the same city of Brussels.

In your e-mail to Brother Leonard on May 11, 2009, you said that it is out of question for the brothers to leave the congregation. But when Brother Leonard told you that they have already left and are now holding their meetings elsewhere, you say that Brother Leonard is responsible for the division; Yet, you had said that in no case they should do so.

Are you going to blame them for their doing, knowing that they are responsible for leaving the congregation?

Since 2005 you no longer want to come and preach the Word in Brussels, despite the numerous invitations by the brother Leonard, which I once witnessed. But you prefer to go several times a year in France and in other countries, yet Brussels is closer than these countries (it takes only 2 hours to get to Brussels from Krefeld).

This suggests to me that you had something against Brother Leonard and now you are using this situation as an excuse, saying that he is giving false teachings and testimonies.

My brother after reading your e-mails, I can see that you are defending the brothers who exited the congregation to form another one in the same town, without valid reason, something you have always condemned but now you find it normal because it is about Brother Leonard.

In your pamphlet "The time is at hand" page 14, you say: "**as we say things with insouciance today! If a charge is made, there should be at least two or three witnesses fully independent from each other to testify. If they have discussed the matter beforehand, we cannot consider them as independent witnesses. In such a case, they would have formed a conspiracy, which demonstrates their goals and their evil objectives.**"

This is exactly what happened in Brussels! Did you ask the brothers who came from Brussels to see you in Krefeld if they had discussed the matter beforehand?

For the love of God, do not let yourself ever influenced by anyone, because you have a great responsibility.

Regarding the testimonies given by the brothers and sisters about Brother Leonard, let us leave everything in the hands of God. We should not rush to judge and condemn.

I pray the Lord to open your eyes when reading this e-mail so that you understand what happened in the congregation of Brussels.

My goal is not to defend or accuse anyone, but to say what I saw, heard and noticed.

I give you the names and telephone numbers of the brothers and sisters who testified in Brussels on December 28, 2008 so that you can call them yourself and tell them that their testimonies are false:

- Brother EMMANUEL LOHOMBO

- Sister NICOLE MATANDA

I love you very much my brother and I pray everyday for you and I will continue to do so until the rapture.

May the Lord be with you.

Brother Ngongo, deacon in the congregation of Brussels.

Our beloved brother is the cause of the division and as Brother Ngongo pointed out, there was a conspiracy going on. These brothers of our congregation were in touch with our brother and in his e-mail, he clearly expressed his position towards me.

You will notice that our beloved brother was in the eagerness to come to Brussels. Do you know why? Because his goal was to completely destroy Leonard Lifese.

The evidence is this:

Extract of email of Br E. Frank

" Dear Brother, I am ready to come to Brussels before it is too late. Please, let me know when. This matter must be solved in the presence of the local church first, then worldwide. Some brothers from Brussels asked me a number of times to come, but you suggested that I should not come.

Please, do not worry, we are not against you, beloved Brother, but against the serpent, the enemy who brought destruction by deceiving right from the beginning of humanity and from the beginning of the New Testament church". End.

Can you weigh the words of a brother who says he loves his brother? Which words he pronounces towards someone you say to love? Need we say more? He should come in the local church where Leonard Lifese is pastor, and then correct his heresies, and then in the world. More love than this we cannot find better. That is true love!

I told my brother not to come to Brussels because it was not good for his ministry. But he was in such a hurry to come: "Please tell me when. This matter must be resolved in the presence of the local church first and then worldwide." Some brothers Brussels asked me repeatedly to come but you are suggesting me not to come. "

According to our beloved brother, it was the will of God to come to Brussels and bring order

and put things in their place.

Could I myself oppose the will of God? No!

Our brother's envoy of the Lord came to Brussels. He held the meeting, very satisfied; he published the DVDs of that meeting of Brussels in every country he knows.

Leonard Lifese was buried, we came to Brussels to lay the tombstone and a crown of flowers. What cries of joy and e-mails of insults that I begun to receive (I always keep these critics' emails and insults addressed to me, awaiting the Lord's time to show the people God the nature of these people who claim to be servants of God).

The problems began in the congregation further to the statements of my brother towards me, intentional statements as you can read the terms in his emails:

Extract email Br. E. Frank.

"The Brother in Madagascar was terribly deceived by a lying spirit applying Isa 42 to you and your ministry.

The sister was terribly deceived by the lying spirit making the statement about the fire coming from your eyes and mouth.

You were terribly misled to claim that the same pillar of fire that appeared to Moses and Brother Branham appeared to you in Veracruz, Mexico.

You were terribly misled when you state that you have seen LORD Jesus Christ.

You were terribly misled when you say that you heard the actual voice of the LORD, but then you state yourself you were sleeping.

Therefore it was a dream, not a reality.

Satan, the old serpent, has deceived the brothers and the sisters, but you have no right to mislead the church in Brussels or even God's people in the different countries.

It is true, absolutely true that the LORD told me with a commanding voice, "My servant, do not establish local churches ..." That is as true as Jn. 3:16. But the LORD never said that I should not correct in an apostolic way as did all the apostles in Acts 15 and again and again, even in the local churches.. "End.

For my brother, he should be the only person who has the right to hear the voice of the Lord, for others it is a lie: "You have been **terribly deceived** (where can you get stronger than that?).

Put yourself in the position of a believer of your Congregation who hears such a statement coming from the mouth of the person who claims to be the head of the end-time message. He will totally believe it and will soon abandon the man who was **terribly deceived**. In fact, I was becoming very embarrassing for the ministry of my brother. He had to destroy me by all means, and he needed an opportunity to do so.

The trip to Brussels of our beloved brother took place, and almost all preachers of neighboring countries were there. They posed the tombstone on the grave of Leonard Lifese and was erected, the foundations of a new local church which was entitled "**Biblical Assembly of Brussels**". My brothers who left Leonard Lifese because he was terribly deceived found a room and started their meetings. That is what happened during the visit of our beloved brother in Brussels. Today, the **Biblical Assembly of Brussels** was divided and they no longer occupy the place where they were. **If indeed the visit of our beloved brother was in the will of God, the work that our brother put in place would blossom and bring fruit because according to him it was the will of God to come given his responsibility. Actually, the Lord was not in all that, it was only him who wanted to destroy his brother. Let me say this: Let no one think that I was glad to see my brothers in this condition. I**

suffer it myself too because they are left there with no place to meet. Some are at home and others in another room, waiting for the first weekend of the month to go to Krefeld. But these brothers and sisters had a congregation. If they are in this condition, it is because of our brother. They are many innocent people who have been carried away because of the influence of our brother on the people of God.

The image he has always given is that of the head of the end-time message, the chief of preachers and is the successor of William Branham. **All this is unscriptural.**

As he supported the division in Brussels' church after his visit, the divisions also took place in churches in other countries mainly in Africa. Need we say more?

There is need to spend more time on this, but it was more important for me to respond. Why putting my reply in writing, just because he himself wanted his emails he had sent to be published worldwide. Since the issue was about me and he made it public, I also feel I had to respond publicly.

ABOUT ISAIAH 42 AND THE TESTIMONIES

It's really sad to see all the noise made around the DVD of December 28, 2008 and around the story of Isaiah 42.

It all began during a missionary trip I made in Madagascar. Upon my return, I simply testified that a brother came to see me at the hotel and recounted me his experience with the Lord in connection with my ministry. Thus, I read Isaiah 42. According to the brother, God told him about that passage. I just read this Scripture and I continued to give other testimonies. In any case, I did not pay a particular attention to that. But a brother of the congregation came and see me and said this: "Brother Leonard don't you think that you should give more details about Isaiah 42 for some may believe that thou art the Christ? " When I heard that, I was shocked because I never imagined that some brothers could ever think such a thing. I told my brother this: Thank you very much for your comment, I will immediately rectify it. That's what I did in the video of December 28, 2008. In all, one should be really driven by demons to continue to maintain after listening to the DVD that I said I was Isaiah 42. I never said I was Isaiah 42, I clearly said in this DVD that this scripture applies to the Lord Jesus Christ. But now, a young man led a beloved brother as my brother to believe what he wanted him to swallow and it worked perfectly well. I understood why and I'll tell you.

While continuing to show in the Holy Scriptures the fulfillment of this scripture in connection with the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ, this is obvious on the DVD, even my beloved brother heard it. He refers to that in his e-mail of April 01:

Extract of email Br. E. Frank.

" Dear Brother Leonard,

God's grace be with you.

I am writing these lines under great pain. For a number of months I was asked by various brothers about your experiences and your special claims.

Last week I read your brochure "ARISE". And last night Brother Thomas and Bro. Arben showed me your DVD of December 28, 2008.

Dear Brother, everything you wrote and said is totally unscriptural, from beginning to the end. All the different voices and dreams about you or your ministry have nothing to do with

a divine call. Please, please, search the Scriptures.

The audacity to claim Isa. 42 to be meant for yourself goes beyond anything that anyone can ever comprehend.

You also read Mt. 12, rightfully placing the Scripture of Isa. 42 to be accomplished by the ministry of Jesus Christ, our LORD.

Then you go to Acts 13:47 to claim the same Scripture again for yourself, applying the plural into the singular and presenting yourself. This to my knowledge has not happened to anyone to this day.

You totally misunderstood why the Apostle Paul had to use the plural, but I shall write about this subject in the very near future.

My dear Brother, I say this in the love of God, in the love for the truth and with the responsibility because of the divine call I received from the LORD. You are utterly deceived and do not even notice that the whole matter is to build up yourself, your calling and your ministry. You are calling different witnesses. Why? Has this ever happened in Bible days?"
End of email

Throughout this clarification, I said: I'm not Isaiah 42, and if my ministry had to do with Isaiah 42, then it would be in Isaiah 42 verse 6, because the apostle Paul also referred to that verse in Acts 13: 47. Oh, my! I should have never said such a thing because I had spies who were listening and who sought a floor to accuse me. Did you ask yourself the question how the DVD of December 28, 2008 reached my dear brother in Krefeld? In Brussels we have several DVDs of my sermons. Why this DVD and not another one? Then, you will understand the reaction of my brother.

This is understandable! Those who were telling him that Brother Leonard wants to take his place, brought him the evidence of what they have been saying in addition to my brochure "Arise" associated with it. That beats everything! In order for him to swallow the whole thing, they added the two German brothers, please. How can he not achieve his purpose? Everyone rejoiced because their goal was reached.

Let me now say this: This young man did not know what he was currently doing, he and those who are with him. They thought it is over for Leonard Lifese. They may not know how much it was very beneficial to me. At the very beginning, I didn't understand very well what was going on, but now I can clearly see: THIS WAS THE PLAN OF GOD FOR ME. It is now that I realize that I had to be hated, rejected, criticized, dragged through the mud as they did in order for the Lord to open my eyes.

If all this had not happened to me, I would have never seen things as the Lord showed them to me. Beloved, I am not angry nor cannot hate anyone. For by your hatred, your criticisms, your insults, your rejection, all this has really contributed to my good. I am a very happy man. I didn't know I was in a system where the man was placed on top. Christ our Lord had no more space. All brothers and sisters in the influence zone know the April 02, 1962 better than the place where the Lord Jesus Christ has given his last sermon. I was called to serve the Lord but I entered a system and I did not realize it. I had no chance to reach the most remote congregations. But, by distributing the DVD of December 28, 2008, they themselves contributed to bear witness to what God is doing. Who will say he was unaware? All of you have received it. God has His way of doing things. It's really perfect. This is just wonderful. And without realizing it, they themselves, have made sure that the people of God hear testimonies from the mouths of various brothers and sisters for what

He is doing today. God is great. Beloved in Christ, now I serve my Lord Jesus Christ freely, I have no head on earth, the only head I have is the Lord Jesus Christ, He is my Master! I AM NO LONGER IN ANY CAMP; I AM FREE TO SERVE MY GOD WHEREVER HE SENDS ME as the apostle Paul.

A scripture says: "We know, however, that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose" was more than ever highlighted for me.

I was innocent, never thought of anything like this and they have attributed to me so many thoughts ... I was hated, I didn't understand why. Yes, it had to happen.

I continue with the story of Isaiah 42.

So my brother wanted to explain Isaiah 42 in his sermon from April 04, 2009 in the following extract:

"More can be said on the subject, but this should suffice because we still have a second topic that we will necessarily talk about because of the brothers involved in preaching. It is about Isaiah 42, which not long ago was misunderstood. This text was misunderstood and taken out of its context and I would read in Isaiah 42 from this verse: "¹Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. ²He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street. ³A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth. ⁴He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law. "

This text is a hundred percent dedicated to our Lord and Savior and in Him this verse has found its fulfillment. In Matthew 12, verse 17 we read: "*That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased*".

To what scripture do you think now? Two scriptures: Matthew 3: 17: "*This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.*"

And we believe in Matthew 17: 5-6: "*This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased: hear him*".

This word does not refer to a prophet, does not mention a man of God or an apostle, this word only to refer to Jesus Christ our Lord. Here it is also said in verse 19-20 and 21: "*He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets..*" Now the repetition of Isaiah 42: "*A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory. And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.*"

Not hoping in a preacher to come to name but hope in the Lord who has revealed us His word by His grace.

Now follow the very important verses that were changed, and I would do this with love, clarity and before the whole world, read this, so that all may know and not be misled and find out what is written in Acts chapter 13. It is not Isaiah 42 which is repeated, but Isaiah 49. And all the brothers who preach the word, from today on must respect that and submit themselves to it.

Acts 13 from verse 46: "*Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.*"

And now comes the repetition of Isaiah 49 verse 6, but not Isaiah 42, I read: "*For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth. And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.*"

Let's read the same words in the prophet Isaiah, chapter 49, verse 6 we read, "*And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.*"

This is God's answer, as we find it first in the New Testament. Isaiah 42 is fulfilled in Matthew 12 and later Isaiah 49 is found in Acts 13. Praise God for his wonderful Word. I'll tell you what happened: this subject came to me the last weeks and months, and it actually happened in the office. Suddenly as from heaven the Lord told me not to read Isaiah 42 alone, but Isaiah 49 and there was the answer.

I got up and I rejoiced with all my heart and I thanked God. ... "

Br E. Frank sermon of Saturday April 4, 2009 in Krefeld.

Have you noticed that in his sermon of Saturday April 4, 2009, he preached, saying that Isaiah 42 refers entirely to the Lord Jesus Christ and no one could refer to it?

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Unquote from the sermon from Saturday April 4, 2009.

As you can read in his preaching this: ... ALL THE PREACHERS MUST RESPECT THAT AND SUBMIT THEMSELVES TO IT.

There's no objection, it's an obligation. Thus, all the preachers should be now preaching that Isaiah 42: 6 has nothing to do with Acts 13: 46-47 and also Acts 13: 46-47 is solely in connection with Isaiah 49: 6.

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From E. Frank sermon of Saturday April 4, 2009 in Krefeld.

As you also noted, he said that it came from heaven and the Lord told him...

This is to confirm that everything he says comes directly from heaven. That day, the Lord spoke to him and said that Acts 13: 46-47 had nothing to do with Isaiah 42: 6 but only with Isaiah 49: 6.

So, what Lifese Leonard said was wrong because Lifese Leonard said that Acts 13: 46-47 was connected with Isaiah 42: 6.

This means that Leonard Lifese was really deceived and brings false teachings. Our brother says he got up and rejoiced and praised the Lord because the Lord had enlightened him on this matter...

But here is something very disturbing. The same beloved brother always led by the Lord said this under the anointing:

*" He would be so kind as to serve the Lord. God acts sovereign in His Kingdom and in His Church. **It is known to all of us that the Apostle Paul had a special ministry and commission for the Church. Three times the reference was made to his calling: Acts, chapter 9, chapter 22, and chapter 26. With divine authority he could apply the promise recorded in the words of Isaiah 42:6 and 49:6, which were spoken about the Lord, to the commission given to him (Acts 13). Why? Because therein we find a two-fold promise. The first one refers to the Redeemer and states that the tribes of Israel would be restored. That is why the Lord first said, "Go not into the way of the Gentiles ..." (Matth. 10). When the time came and the second part of that promise, which applied to the Gentiles, found fulfilment, we read, "For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth."** (Acts 13:47).*

A new period started, a transition time at first. There is a biblical order for the Church whereby the ministries are placed into it for its own uplifting, and there is also the divine order for the entire plan of redemption.

John the Baptist knew which Word was fulfilled in his ministry. He was being asked, "Are you the Christ? Are you that prophet? Are you Elijah?" Three times he answered, "No!" Then those who had been sent to ask him wanted to know who he truly was. His scriptural answer is found in John 1:23, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness ..."

It was also revealed to Paul what Scripture applied to him in his time. Likewise Brother Branham knew which Scripture was fulfilled through His ministry. He testified of it in many of his sermons. That was the stumbling block for all the evangelists. They were offended, even though they started their ministries only after attending one of Brother Branham's meetings.

I have first-hand knowledge of this, for I came to know many of them personally. They held the man sent by God in very high regards as a healing evangelist, recognising the special gifts of the Spirit. They also testified that this kind of ministry had not been present on earth since the days of the apostles. But when the emphasis was made that thereby a scriptural promise was fulfilled, "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord ..." (Mal. 4:5-6; Matth. 17:11; Mark 9:12), they rejected him. They hardened their hearts and were not prepared to submit themselves under the mighty hand of God, Who was fulfilling a promise He gave, for He is bound to His promises. They were not ready to leave their traditional teachings and views.

They did not want to change their ways. Then they had no other choice but to declare that William Branham was on the correct course at the beginning of his ministry, but supposedly got off the track later, towards the end.

Now the spirits stand divided once again because of the person God has chosen, history is repeating itself. Now they are saying, "He had a special calling and ministry at the beginning, but then ..."

Just as the world would have never known any of the evangelists without the God-given ministry, likewise now would no one have heard of the brothers from the USA within 12 the circle of the message. They are offended again, because someone shows forth the particular Scripture upon which his ministry is based. It needs to be said that if this ministry was not founded on the Bible, it would have no right to be in existence. Others complain that he supposedly corrects the prophet. They do not comprehend that if there seems to be a discrepancy between what the prophet said and what the Bible says, that we then need to go back to the Scriptures and see what is verified therein by at least two, three, or more passages.

Unquote E. Frank "Circular Letter 59 page 10-12".

In this circular, he himself says:

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fulfilment, we read, "For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth." (Acts 13:47).

Unquote E. Frank.

I ask myself the question: What should the preachers preach today since from the mouth of the person from whom the preachers must all have food, we find two different versions. Do all these versions, we are told, come from the Lord?

Now I ask myself the question: Can the Lord change His Word? From both versions, which one comes from the Lord? You will notice that when it comes to show that his ministry (our beloved brother), is similar to that of the apostle Paul, he accepts that Acts 13: 46-47 is consistent with Isaiah 42: 6. But when it is about Leonard Lifese, suddenly the Lord changes his version: Acts 13: 46-47 is more in line with Isaiah 42: 6. This is for the particular case of Leonard Lifese. Eventually, we will change the meaning of the whole Scripture because of Leonard Lifese!

In which direction are we going, if we can change the scriptures as we pleased? Yesterday we were told this: Acts 13: 46-47 consistent with Isaiah 42: 6 - when he wanted to emphasize his ministry but when the Lord begins to work through another brother, we must quickly kill him. Therefore, the meaning of the Scriptures should be changed and we are told something else. And to instill fear among the people in order to keep one's authority, it is said "**suddenly as coming from heaven the Lord told me ...**".

What else can we say: "**Leonard LIFESE is terribly deceived.**"

Beloved in Christ, WE MUST ABSOLUTELY COME BACK TO THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND HIS WORD, AND BE LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT.

III. TESTIMONIES

On the DVD of December 28, 2008, some brothers and a sister testified what the Lord had shown them in connection with my ministry.

1. An example is the testimony of our sister who said to have had a dream or a vision in which she saw me preaching and the flame of fire was coming from my eyes and my mouth. It was this testimony that people clung on to say: "You are basing your ministry on testimonies". What I will say as clarification is this: "I have never based my ministry on testimonies, but the Lord Himself must vindicate the ministry He has given to his servant. If this is from God then He must confirm that it is from Him. If I had based my ministry on testimonies, I would have been talking about them all the time as my brother does with April 02, 1962.

If it were me who was kept saying this all the time, what would you say? I will surprise you. Did you know that the testimony of the sister dated from 1988. At that time she was living in France at Aulnay sous Bois. This is more than 20 years now.

Since that time, how often have you heard this testimony? Since that time, I traveled with my brother, he even testified that I was a servant of God and that God used me mightily. As long as I did not testify of what the Lord has done and is continuing to do in my ministry, I was a servant of God. But when I testified, I became deceived. So, all the time that my brother worked with me, he did not know he was working with a deceived man. Yet this testimony was given a long time ago. Judge for yourselves.

2. The second testimony is that of brother Emmanuel Lohombo.

Monday, June 2, 2007 evening, I had fever but it was not very serious. Then on Tuesday morning around 10 am, I wanted to go brush my teeth for my breakfast.

Then I felt my whole body very weak with a strong fever, so I could not move out of my bed. I told myself maybe it will leave me soon. So I tried again to raise from bed but impossible because I was very weak and unable to move. And I started to feel pain throughout my body. As I was so weak that I began to cry and I told myself that I should call someone because I was all alone in my house without anyone to help. I had to wait for my brother to come back towards 10 pm since I live with my brother.

Thanks God for the first time I fell asleep with my cell phone under my pillow. So, I made efforts to take my phone and call anyone for help, to come and break the door.

So the first number I dialed by chance was that of Pastor Leonard.

I was relieved a bit because I thought he would come to see me if I told him that I was sick. And this will be an opportunity to take me to the hospital.

The Pastor then asked me if I was OK but I told him I was very sick and was unable to move. Then he asked me my address so that he could come and pray for me. He told me that he will call me back in five minutes. Then after five minutes, he called me back and told me that he would not come but he would pray for me over the phone, I was discouraged but I said yes anyway. Then he asked me to sit down and he would pray. I agreed to make him happy, because I could not get up from my bed to sit down, it was impossible because I could not feel my limbs.

He began to pray for me over the phone and after the prayer, I told me: " we will see each other soon." I was wandering how and when are we going to see each other since I was alone at home and couldn't even move. He will tell me to eat something. I didn't believe it much but I knew that as he prayed, I will recover but not immediately. My belief was that "he comes in my house" but since he didn't come, I was a little discouraged.

So after the prayer of the pastor and his advice over the phone, I remained in the bed. Three minutes after, I heard a voice saying: "didn't I told you to get up and sit, my brother?", the voice was that of Pastor Leonard. Then I turned around to see how he came in and then I saw him physically. He told me to sit down. I was surprised to see him in my house while the door was locked. I did not see him in a vision, but physically because I was not sleeping. He spoke to me physically and with his hand he told me to sit.

When I sat down, I told myself that I would ask him how he entered the house while the door was locked. I was about to ask that question when he suddenly disappeared. I was very scared and took my phone to call him and to know where he went.

He told me that he was still in his office. I replied saying that it was not possible since I have just seen him in my house not even one minute before. I started to cry and the pastor will tell me that it was the Lord who visited me. I was always scared and I cried because it was not a vision or a dream because I was not sleeping, I was indeed awakened and lying on the bed. I was wandering how can a person can be in two places at the same time!

After the disappearance of the Pastor, five minutes after, I heard someone knocking at the door. I went to open it. When I did, I saw my younger sister standing there and telling me that someone just told her that I was sick and that she needs to come and take care of me and feed me.

As incredible as this may seem, these were the last words of my Pastor after his prayer. I asked my sister who was this person and she said she did not know that person. Therefore, I praised my God who visited me. I, who could not move, I had the courage to stand up, to sit down, to go and open the door and especially to go to the church that same Tuesday. When I saw the Pastor that Tuesday June 02, 2007 at the evening service, I remembered the words he

uttered after his prayer: "brother, see you soon".

Praise God for this miracle and healing that He granted me instantaneously on Tuesday June 05, 2007 at 2 pm and all the good things He has done for me and my family, without also forgetting what he did for the brothers and sisters in the Lord!

May God bless my Pastor and his servant Leonard for his willingness to pray and help me spiritually since I am in this congregation! May God fill him with His grace and strength so that he hold firm till the end and that God is favorable to his family as well (his wife and son)! "Brother Emmanuel Lohombo.

Further to this testimony of our brother Emmanuel, I was called all the names under the sun: magician, he has a dual personality, a spirit of duplication... what didn't I hear? The problem is this: How come Brother Leonard appears in the brother's apartment while he was still in his office? They do not want to believe that it was not me, but the Lord. For them, the Lord cannot take this form of Leonard Lifese. Similar thing never happened in the Holy Scriptures, the Lord taking the form of someone else.

And yet this is quite biblical. " *And when she had thus said, **SHE TURNED HERSELF BACK, AND SAW JESUS STANDING, AND KNEW NOT THAT IT WAS JESUS.** Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away. **JESUS SAITH UNTO HER, MARY. SHE TURNED HERSELF, AND SAITH UNTO HIM, RABBONI; WHICH IS TO SAY, MASTER.** " John 20: 14-16.*

" *After that **he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.**" Mark 16: 12*

Here are some of the experiences of Brother Branham

From the brochure: "Is there anything to hard for the Lord?".

1. " And so that afternoon we'd baptized the girl of the Nail family that had been crippled with--with a stoke for, oh, a long time, or arthritis, it was. It crippled her and pulled her leg in. And she was just as normal as any other girl. And she wanted to be baptized with the Nail girl.

And her mother had got so discouraged till she went off in the kitchen--to hear her own daughter cry and laying there dying.

And she raised up her hands and she said, "O Lord Jesus, that impostor has come through this land and got my child so all wearied and shook up." And said, "There the poor little thing, laying in there dying, and then him coming around and saying something like that and got her crying and--and everything..." And while she was praying... (Now this is her story. I can't say this is true, only I believe it is.) She said, she seen a shadow coming across the wall, and she thought it was her daughter who lived a few doors below her, coming to see her around the house. And when she looked up, she said it was the shadow of Jesus on the wall. And He said, "Who's this?" and pointed her finger this way and she seen, like a vision, seeing my high forehead here, coming in, packing a Bible over my heart. And she jumped up to run into tell her daughter, and about that time I was coming in the door. **God's always got you there just in time, if you'll just believe it.**" Unquote.

From the book "William Branham a prophet visits South Africa" by Julius Stadskev, pages 77 and 78.

2. "Another very unusual event occurs to two elders of the Reformed Church in Holland. They came to the meeting to observe. One of them, having heard Brother Branham diagnose cases; tell people what they had, saw the miracles accomplished under his eyes, acquired to conviction that it was God in action. The other elder has likewise observed brother Branham diagnosing cases, telling people the secret of their hearts, and seen that they were healed in Jesus' name, and that they could get up and go home claiming their healing and rejoicing. He got the conviction that it was the effect of an evil power. The two men are both sincere, but came up with different conclusions. The former returns home, the second went under a tree to pray. When praying he asked God to show him whether the things he saw are of God or of Satan. He is sincere and ready to believe what God reveals him. While praying, **he felt a hand on her shoulder**. He turned to see who it was, but saw no one. However, he had a vision in which he saw two clouds, and his friend, the elder, was seating just as he sat a short time before, when they were discussing about the ministry of Brother Branham. At the end of the vision, he hastened to go to the other elder to tell him what happened. While he was explaining the vision, other family members present noticed the mark of a hand on his shirt. By examining the shirt, they saw that it was slightly burnt, with clear traces of a left hand. The news of what happened reached Brother Branham who said:

"I am aware of it, I have seen it in a vision this afternoon. Bring me the shirt, and my left hand will match perfectly with the scorched imprint on the shirt. "And indeed, everything was as Brother Branham said. That evening the shirt was brought to the meeting, and hundreds of people saw the imprint of scorched hand on the shirt. " Unquote.

What shall we say then? William Branham, a magician? A man who duplicates himself?

Beloved in Christ, when God takes a man in his hand, He will with him what he wants, it is beyond the men's understanding.

THE SUPERNATURAL

Every servant of God in the exercise of his ministry, as it is called of God, the supernatural must always take place, that is to say, occur. This is what we see among the apostles, because the Bible says:

" So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen." Mark 16: 19-20

The Apostle Paul declared: *"... And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. "* 1 Cor 2: 4-5

***A young girl brought back to life.**

I remember one day I was somewhere and I received a call. It was my beloved sister Sylvie (Bibiche), the mother of Marlene. She was calling me to go and pray for her daughter because she was ill and her condition deteriorated and she did not understand what was happening. Like her mother, our sister, is a daughter of God, the first reaction was to turn to her Lord Jesus Christ. That is why she called me to go and pray for her daughter. The place where I was, was very far from where she and her daughter were. They were at their home. I told her that I was coming.

When I arrived, I found the ambulance already in place and the child was already in the ambulance. Her status was very serious.

I asked her mother to which hospital they are going with the child, she told me and I began to follow the ambulance. The mother and her other daughter, Jemima's younger sister Marlene, were in the ambulance.

We arrived at the hospital of St. Peter and the ambulance went into its place. I stopped my car in the parking, got out of it and followed my sister and her daughter. When the ambulance takes one person to the hospital, that case is treated as a priority, so the doctor came quickly to see the child. When the doctor came into the room Marlene was laid, I also went in. He began asking her mother to know what happened. While the mother talked, the doctor tried to sound the chest of Marlene. I felt that the doctor was panicking as he shook the child because she was not moving. He hit but no reaction. His mother understood that her child was gone and even the younger sister thought that her sister was gone. She did not move, there was no breathing. I touched the body of Marlene, it was cold. When someone dies the body becomes cold, so was that of Marlene. Everyone began to cry, the doctor came out and said he can't do anything. Too late...

I was very sad to see that my beloved sister had just lost her daughter. I left the room and the body of Marlene remained lying. There was a chair in front of the room where Marlene was. I sat, bowed my head and I started praying and said: 'My God, Thou art the same God Almighty, look at my sister who just lost his daughter, you are The Same and you can bring this child to life again. See the sadness of your daughter and give her her child. You can bring her to life.'

Note that it is a family that I love and these kids I have seen them grow, they were like my own children, I prayed with all my heart. After the prayer, I felt something in me, a power over me. I knew that it was the Lord. I got up and I walked into the room where the lifeless body of Marlene was lying. I approached the bed and I placed my hands on her legs, they were still cold, freezing cold.

I started to pray and ask the Lord to bring her back to life. Suddenly, I felt some heat starting to flow to her heart from the place where I put my hands. Immediately she come back to life and opened her eyes. The first thing she asked was to eat a sandwich and her mother came into the room and found her daughter alive. Hitherto, Marlene is alive and her mother is still at the congregation. He still raises the dead.

*** Demonstration of the Spirit**

During my missionary trip to Asia, two years ago, it was in Philippines, I visited several cities and brought the word of God and the Lord confirmed his Word. I remember at one meeting held in Cabadbaran where the Lord manifested himself in an extraordinary way. When I arrived at Cabadbaran, I found banners ads and our brother had invited Christians from different churches. But a pastor of a denominational church told his followers not go to these meetings because as you know the denominational churches do not like the Word of God. So the whole church should stay home. So I started preaching. Something supernatural happened, the members of this church have testified, saying: When we stayed home as pastor recommended us, but something happened where we were- it was like a power that pushed us to come. They did know how to explain it. They came but they were very skeptical regarding the message, especially because of what people say about it. They came anyway. When I started to preach the Word of God, the Lord's presence was so powerful that I didn't even called for a prayer line. But people stood up and stepped forward, weeping. I can assure you that there were instantaneous healings. The Lord was present. The members of this church have not only heard the Word of God but they saw the Lord at work.

So moved and convinced by the Lord, they went to see our brother who organized the meetings and told him:

"Our pastor had forbidden us to come here but something has pushed us to come. We came, listened the Word of God and we now understand what the message is not what we had been told and our eyes have seen the power of God in action. Here's our decision: From now on, we have decided to leave our church and come to your church. We are going to take our instruments and we will bring everything to your church. And we are doing that today."

Our God is a God of the supernatural.

*** A Catholic touched in a supernatural way by the Lord**

When I finished the meetings in Cabadbaran, I went to Manila.

At Manila, in an hotel, the brother who is the head of security of the hotel held a meeting that same evening and invited his Human Resources Director to attend. I was on the plane with my brother Nonoy, I told him I was very exhausted by the many meetings, prayers for the sick, the baptismal service and I asked him to lead the evening meeting at the hotel. He answered quietly as he is a wonderful brother, very calm. He replied saying: My brother, they are waiting for me in Manila, but you. I thought he just talked like that and I told myself that as he was everywhere with me, he will hold the meeting. We arrived in Manila and I went to the hotel and he went home. I was happy and I thought : They've forgotten me for the meeting and brother Nonoy will be holding the meeting in the downstairs room. To my surprise, around 7 pm, I heard ringing at the door of my hotel room. Who do I see? It was our beloved brother Neil, the security chief who came to pick me up with his usual smile and lead me down to the meeting. I hurried to get ready and I came down with him. I do not know that among those who were invited, was his Director. Going down I thought: anyway brother Nonoy will be there, I will just greet them and I would leave the place. When I reached there, brother Nonoy was not there. After a few songs, I was asked to preach, I began to pray and implore the grace of God.

I started to bring the Word of God by showing them that the Lord Jesus Christ was the same yesterday, today and forever. When I said that, something happened and suddenly I said: The Lord Jesus Christ whom I have mentioned is here now. There is someone in this room who has asked to be moved by one day the Savior. Today, He is here, I told everybody this: Stand up and pray, He is here and He can touch you. Suddenly, I heard the voices that began to rise in prayer, confessions, people screaming and crying. My Lord Jesus Christ was there. It is just wonderful! We stayed in His presence, and after I left the podium to give the place to our brother Neil and Pastor Nonoy who arrived during the sermon for the closure.

Neil's brother asked me to shake hands of everyone. I have seen sisters crying, I walked and I shook hands of each of them and I've come to a person and as I shook his hand and he was about to kneel. I held him and I told him not to do so, I also your prayers, I am a man like you. In fact, it was the director who was invited.

That is what happened, I knew it the next day. The next day I had to preach in another room where all the churches were united. In the morning, when brother Neil picked me up, we went down, he opened the door of his car and I sat down and told me: "Brother, I have something to tell you. Yesterday, it happened something extraordinary during the meeting. That is what happened when you said that the Lord was there and you said there's someone here who asked to be moved one day the Lord; and you said the Lord is here, He can touch you. In the room there was my Human Resources Director that I had invited, he is a Catholic. He was attending for the first time a meeting that was not in the Catholic Church. After the meeting, he cried and told everybody: Did you see Him? Did you feel Him? He said: I did, I

felt Him. He stood beside me and He touched me. He told me this: At this moment, it is at the reception, he wants to follow you in order to hear the Word of God this morning. Can I ask him to come? I said yes. He called him and he came. When he arrived, he had great respect towards me and he told me: Can I sit here next to you? I told him, yes of course.

He recounted in the car what had happened yesterday, how the Lord had stood there beside him. He said: When He touched me, I felt something powerful and pure taking place in me. When it came on me, things that were bad in my life, I felt they were coming out of me. He said: I do not understand this, when I got home, I could not sleep, I wanted to be here in the morning to listen to you, I needed to hear the Word of God. In addition, I had problems at home with my wife but when it happened in me, I began to love my wife, we are now getting on well. He said: But I do not understand what is happening. How is it that I began to enjoy listening the Word of God? Such thing never happened in my life, what is happening to me? I could not sleep, I wish it was already morning so that I could come and listen to you. I told him this: In fact He that has touched you is not me, it is the Lord Jesus Christ. As He is the one that touched you, He cannot take you to a man, He will lead you to Him. Are you eager to hear His Word because he has sown His seed in you. This is not the seed of a man, but the seed of God, His Word.

It must produce the thing for which it was sent: The new birth.

This director was baptized with others the same Sunday with in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

* Vision

During my missionary trip to India, the Lord has acted in an extraordinary way. I arrived in the city of Thiruvananthapuram, the starting point of meetings. I was very touched by the reception and the eagerness of the crowd listening to the Word of God.

Then my brother Sundar said: **"Brother, if you see the joy and eagerness of people to listen to you, it is because before you came here, we do not know you, we only knew that you are from Europe, but we do not know you by face, so we prayed to the Lord. It was then that the Lord showed us your face, we knew you were coming from Europe, but your complexion was not fair, but rather dark brown and the Lord told us: 'He is my chosen ...'"**

* His presence that never fails.

July 2009, I was on missionary trip in Gabon. It was a public meeting in the town-hall of Zeng-Ayong, a lot of people were gathered.

Here is the testimony as was given there after the meeting.

"Before the service, I was praying for the meeting and I heard a voice that said: This is my servant, I sent him here because you have some needs." I realized that the Lord was referring to Pastor Leonard. Shortly afterwards during the praise, I saw Him (The Lord Jesus Christ) appearing in the room, I recognized Him because of his marks of nails on the hands and feet, He said: "I am here, the Holy Spirit is here but why so much discord among you?" Then the room was on fire, we were praising and there were flames of fire, all joyful (praising the Lord) and finally, I saw a HUGE AND A GREAT EAGLE that flew over our heads during all time of the praise.

This testimony is known to almost all the brothers and sisters from different churches in Gabon.

Go and tell them that **" Leonard Lifese is terribly deceived."**

They were there, they experiment on that day in Zeng-Ayong something special and

particular. It is God who convinces the hearts and vindicates his servants.

Testimonies of what God has done and continues to do, there are many, until today He continues His great work.

On our website under "Testimonies" you can read others.

Our God is the God of the supernatural. He confirmed His Word.

IV. MY POSITION

My position is the same as that of the apostle Paul as the prophet puts it:

Extract from the sermon: "Position in Christ " of W. Branham.

Be real close, real sure that you know how to approach it: **wise as a serpent, harmless as a dove. That's what Jesus said.**

Oh, these are nuggets, friends. We could just stay on day after day. Aren't they wonderful? Prudence, wisdom, He's abounded towards us: poured out, not give us a spoonful, but took a big scoop shovel and just kept throwing it like that: abounded towards us, wisdom with prudence of His grace. Oh, amazing grace! how sweet the sound. Now...

"Wherein, he has abounded towards us in all wisdom... prudence; Having made known to us the mystery of his will,..."

Who's He talking to? Denominations? Please, my brethren, don't think I'm downing your denomination; I'm not. I'm trying to tell you it was a wrong thing to start with. Jesus said, "Go, preach the Gospel." We went and made denominations. That's the reason we haven't got it. We're walking after the wisdom of men. If Calvin could rise...

Why, I stood not long ago by the grave of great man, a great reformer. And I thought what a great man he was. He was. Well, it... I won't... It was John Wesley. And I thought, if John Wesley could rise from this grave today and see the condition of his church, he'd be ashamed of his name. John Wesley was a godly man, a firebrand snatched, as he called it. John Wesley was a holy man who believed in God and walked step by step after Him. But after John died, they said, "We'll make a church to John so we'll have a church, and we'll call it the Methodist church because of his method of sanctification being the second work of grace."

Then they made a church, and today them church men deny everything that John Wesley stood for. John Wesley preached Divine healing. John Wesley believed in the baptism of the Spirit. John Wesley believed in all the restoration of the gifts. John Wesley, Martin Luther, many of those great men spoke in tongues and interpreted. And today you would speak in tongues in a Methodist church or a Lutheran church, they'd kick you out the door. What's the matter? Right in the time where we ought to be placing sons, what is the matter? They have adopted something else, because they don't know the mystery of God. And they'll never know It through a seminary.

Let me just read something to you. Is it all right? All right. Let us turn over now; I got something wrote down here. Let's find out how Paul... Now, here--here's the teacher of this message.

Let's go to Acts 9: 5, just a minute. [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]

Let me know when I'm out...?...

And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings... (Oh, that little hook-nosed, high-tempered, mean Jew,)... slaughtering against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest, And desired of him

letters to Damascus to the synagogue, that if he found any...

"I'll go look them up. If I can just find them, boy, what I'll do to them (See?) if I can just find them." **But he was predestinated.**

How do you know that old bootlegger down here is not predestinated to life? How do you know that old streetwalker that you won't even speak to, how do you know that a little handshake and invite her to church wouldn't make a saint of God out of her yonder in the glory with... How do you know she's not? That's what we don't know. But that's our duty. Like a fisherman threw a net into the sea and pulled out, he brought frogs, fish, lizards, water spiders, and everything else; but some of them was fish. He didn't know; he just cast the net. That's what we do. Watch Paul.

... desiring letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any in this way, whether they were men or women, he might bind them and bring them to Jerusalem. (Brother, he was really rough.) And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined around him...

There came a priest up the road, Doctor F. F. Jones, and said to him, "You need a--a seminary experience now, son, and I believe God could use you"? Wouldn't that be a horrible looking Scripture to read it like that? Now, that's just as much sense... I ain't saying that for a joke. That speaks, that's just as much sense as what we get out of it today. "You know, your mother was a good woman; I believe you'd make a good preacher." Watch what happened.

And--and as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined around him about, a light... (Whew, starts off supernatural)... a light from heaven.

And he fell to the earth, and he heard a voice saying... Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou Me?

And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said unto him, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: and it's hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

And he trembled and was astonished and said, Lord, what will thou have me do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou should do.

And the men journeyed with him, and went on...

and they found a man, Ananias, down there saw a vision, all supernatural. And old Saul, that old mean guy... This Ananias saw a vision, he looked in his house. He was a prophet, in his house praying, and he saw a vision. The Lord spoke to him and said, "There's a man coming down the road over yonder; he's just as blind as a bat, and his name is Saul; he's Saul of Tarsus."

He said, "Lord, I've heard great things. Don't send me; I'm a little man. Don't send me after him."

He said, "But, behold, on his road down, I showed him a vision. I appeared to him in the Pillar of Fire. I struck him just as blind as he can be. **And I had to blind him and tear him up before I could make anything out of him.** See, I had to tear all of his theology.

You know, he was--he was--he was a great fellow in one of those churches up there. He had all kinds of degrees; he didn't have to polish up on anything.

But He said, "What I had to do is take it all out of him."

That was the thing. It wasn't get more into him, but take it out of him. **I think that's what's the matter with a lot of our clergymen today, that take out of them where God can put in them the Holy Spirit. Take out...** There he said he...

And he said, "Lord, but this--this--this man's a terrible man."

He said, "But, behold, he prayeth. Now, you'll go down through a certain street and you'll come to a fountain. You pass that fountain on the left, and you go down. There'll be a white house, go up, knock on the door. He's just laying there in the hall; that's as far as they ever

got him. Lay your hands upon him; take him down to the river of Damascus; and baptize him in the Name of Jesus. 'Cause I tell you what I'm going to do, he's going to have to suffer many things for Me, for he is My messenger to the Gentiles." Amen!

"Well now, wait a minute, Lord! Now, what school should I advise?" I'll tell you what let's do, let's read Galatians and find out, just the next--next chapter right back. Let's find Galatians 1 and begin at the 10th verse, and let's find out what school Paul went to, what seminary, and whose hands was laid on him, and oh, all that took place. Galatians the 1st chapter, to save time, let's begin *about* his conversion, the 10th verse:

"For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I seek yet to please men, I be not the servant of Christ".

Oh, my, my, my. May I just say a little something be--a--before this here: Galatians 1, get the 8th chapter. How many knows that Paul was the one that made them people be baptized over again in Jesus' Name: Acts 19? Sure did. Let's take just a little above here, the 8th--8th verse.

Though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other Gospel to you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed...?...

Where'd you get this Gospel, Paul? The 9th verse.

We said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other Gospel to you than that which you have heard... received, let him be accursed.

If he's an archangel, if he's a bishop, if he's a general overseer, if he's Doctor So-and-so, whoever he is, if he doesn't preach the water baptism in the Name of Jesus Christ, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, doesn't preach the restoration of the gifts, the coming of Christ, all these things, let him be accursed. If he tries to take any of this Word here and say it was for another day and place it over on some new fandangled idea that we learned off of some seminary, let him be accursed.

Let's read on, see how Paul got it, see how--what I'm trying to say to--to you this morning.

"For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I just pleased men, then I not be the servant of Christ".

How can I expect anything, how can a man that loves God, and a preacher, especially, expect to do anything but be hated by men? Men will hate you. Well, they said... Jesus said, *"If they call Me, the Master of the house... I'm the Master, the greatest of all of you. I'm the One can perform more miracles and do more with the Holy Spirit than all of you, 'cause I got the whole Fullness in Me.*

And if they called Me Beelzebub, how much more are they going to call you?"

But said, *"Don't take no thought what you'll be saying, for it'll not be you that speaks; it'll be the Father that dwells in you, do the speaking at that time. Just stay right with the Word."*

And He... When He got through writing the Book, He said, *"Any man that'll take one Word out of this Book or add one word to It, the same will be taken out of the Book of Life, for him."*

God help us to stay right with It.

Now, the next verse, let me read now, read quickly now.

But I certify... (That's take you to judgment.)... I certify you, brethren, that *the Gospel which was preached of me is not after man...*

"Now, I'm neither Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, or Pentecostal... it was not after man.

Neither... For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it,...

"I never received it from man, no seminary, no doctor, no divinity, no school of education. I never received it that way. I never taught it that way. I never found it that way. it never come to me that way." How did it come then, Paul?

... taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

"When Christ revealed Himself to me, that He was the Son of God, when that Pillar of Fire fell upon me that day, I said, 'Who are You, Lord?' He said, 'I'm Jesus.'"

Now, look. I'm going to show you what--what happened to him. Now, right now if a fellow had experience, they'd want to give him ten years to learn Greek, and ten more years to learn something else, and by that time he's gone.

Look:" *... neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ*".

For ye have heard of my conversations in times past in the Jewish religion,..."

"I was a big doctor, boy. I had it." He was taught under Gamaliel, the highest teacher that they had in the land. How many knows that Gamaliel was one of the great--greatest teachers?

Yes, sir. "My Jewish religion, boy, I had it down; I knowed all how to say the Apostles' Creed and all those things. You see? I knowed how to say all the morning prayers and to bless the people." See?

... how that beyond measure then I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it: (How that I tried to stop that bunch of holy-rollers. See, see?)

And I profited in the Jewish religion...

"I was a great man. Boy, I really... I profited; I showed them I could smash them down, 'cause I killed Stephen and a whole lot of other things I done. See how I done." *How that beyond measure he persecuted.*

... I profited in the Jewish religion above many my equals in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the tradition of their fathers.

Now, remember, not the Word of God, "*the tradition of the fathers,*" tradition of the church, in other words. "I guess I was a Methodist to the core; I was a Baptist to the core; I was a Pentecostal to the core." Oh, you are? **I want to be God to the core. Yes, that's it. See? See?** All right.

... traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God,... (Oh, oh, Paul, here you come.)... *who separated me from my mother's womb...* (Who even brought me to this world),... *and called me by his grace, to reveal his Son in me,...*

How is that? "The Holy Spirit in me. It pleased God to take me, Who separated from my womb, and give me the Son (which is the Holy Ghost in the form of the Spirit) in me, to reveal Hissself in me." Oh, my. Whew. I--I--I believe I want to shout just a little.

Look, let me tell you, brother. When it pleased God... Oh, hallelujah. When it pleased God... A drunkard father, a mother... God bless you, mom, I'm not saying nothing against you. But a mother that knowed no more about God than a rabbit knowed of snowshoes. And a father that laid drunk on the streets. And with not even shoes to go to school, and long hair down my neck, and everybody hated me because I was a Kentuckian over here in Indiana. And how, oh, how it was just a stinking sight. But it pleased God. Amen. It pleased God, Who separated me from the womb of my mother, that He might reveal His Son in me, by making a minister of the Word, that would stay right straight with It, that would show visions and signs and wonders and miracles. And, oh, my...

See what He was talking about? It pleased God to do that. How? Listen close. "To re..." Take the 16th verse now.

To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with

the church:

"I never went to any bishop and asked him what I ought to do. I never went to any flesh and blood, any organizations, or anything else. I never had anything to do with them. I never conferred with flesh and blood. Neither went I up to Jerusalem to all the great holy priests, and the holy fathers, and all those, and said, 'Now, you know, I had a vision; what must I do about it? I saw the blessed Lord Jesus in a vision.' They'd said, 'Get out of here, you... What's... You holy-roller. Well, what's happened to you?' No, I had all their degrees to start with." Had...

And Paul said over here; I can show you in the Scripture, that he said he had to forget everything that he ever learned, and count it as nothing, that he might know Christ.

Unquote.

V. CONCLUSION

I am very grateful to the Lord for the grace He granted me.

I was blind, I didn't understand why I was hated without cause, insulted, criticized etc.. And the end is all that happened when all of them stood up against me with all their strength to destroy completely the influence of my ministry. I thank very much the Lord. To all the brothers who hated, insulted, criticized, fought me ..., may them be in peace for I have no hatred thoughts against them. For all these things worked for my good. If I was not hated or rejected, I would not have had the grace that I had, I'd still be in a system.

God has freed me completely, I am really free now. I thought I had brothers and sisters and those I saw were the servants of God.

Oh my God! This experience was very beneficial for me, the Lord opened my eyes. I love Him more. I am very happy and for nothing on earth I will return in these things. I'm free; I'm no more in a camp or group. I remember when the Lord spoke to me (related in my brochure: Arise) I said, I will remain in the middle and will serve the Lord. It is my position. God has again positioned me. Since that trial, the Lord has completely put me aside and His action in my ministry has become more powerful. His Word has become much clearer.

I totally depend on Him, on the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

And He leads me perfectly.

I'm in the same position as the apostles who were serving their Lord. Exactly as the Apostle Paul. I AM NO MORE IN TOUCH WITH MY BROTHER, AND CONVERSELY HE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME. I NOW SERVE MY LORD FREELY.

Every preacher, especially those in Africa, takes their position. As camps were established, here is how the collaboration was done. You was asked: "Brother do you collaborate with such and such brother, do you go all the first weekends there?" If you say yes, then you are in the truth and in the way of the Lord, all the preachers of DRC etc.. give you their hand of fellowship.

I WANT IT TO BE CLEAR TO ALL: I GO UP NO MORE; it is not me who cease the collaboration, but my brother. I have never shown him disrespect. That's how he treated me and tried to destroy me! In fact, for the preachers he has the right to tell me anything, I must just be silent and submit myself. Him, he can do everything, he has the right to do anything. You can stay in your system, God got me out of it. That is wonderful, is that I never thought of that. But see how I was harassed. But, I did not know that it was the Lord wanted me to leave, to get out of the system.

FOR ME THIS IS THE TIME OF JUBILEE, every preacher is free to make his choice. I HAVE CHOSEN TO FULLY SERVE MY LORD JESUS CHRIST; YOU, YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE WHO YOU WANT TO SERVE AND MOVE FORWARD.

CAN YOU POINT ME A FALSE DOCTRINE THAT I HAVE MADE SINCE YOU KNOW ME? THEN WHY DOING THIS TO ME? THE ANSWER IS CLEAR: YOU TOO DID NOT LIKE ME IN YOUR HEART AND YOU ALSO SEIZED THE OPPORTUNITY.

DO YOU THINK THAT I'LL BEG PEOPLE SAYING: "OPEN YOUR DOORS FOR ME PLEASE? Far from it! YOU WILL BE SURPRISED TO SEE WHAT THE LORD CONTINUES TO DO. DOORS ARE STILL OPENING EVERYWHERE.

"... I have set before thee an OPEN DOOR THAT NO ONE CAN CLOSE. Who will close it?"

Your hatred and your critics will help me grow even more in the things of God.

Joseph had to be rejected by his brothers for God to fulfill His purpose with him and finally he was a blessing to all.

David had to be hated and pursued by Saul for God to shape his character and equip him for his work.

The Lord had to be hated and rejected by his owns for salvation to reach the Gentiles.

Paul had to be rejected and hated by his owns for God to utilize him mightily.

The Apostle John had to be hated and regarded as a witch, a magician and exiled on the Patmos Island for the book of Revelation to be written.

Examples are numerous because the Lord said: "If they hated me, they will also hate you."

Would I be spared? You have witnessed it: HATED WITH NO REASON.

Through this trial, the Lord granted me the grace to see that He had some people, that I also have some brothers and sisters that He gave me. Oh, I am so grateful to Him! To all my brothers and sisters who have taken a stand for the Word of God during this period, please find here my thanks for your encouragement and testimonies.

I cannot but thank the servant of God who against all odds in his country with the campaign to destroy the influence of the Ministry of Leonard Lifese in his country, did not flinch, he stood firm and took a firm and clear stand, my beloved brother Robert MENZAN from Bondoukou in Cote d'Ivoire. I will fail to mention all his companions: My brother Kouassi, brother Adou from Daloa, my brother Honore from Lakota and my brother Corentin from Divo and this young brother N'Zi Germain who was the only one to take a position the Word of God. The Lord has used mightily this young man, may the Lord bless him and strengthen him. May the Lord bless my brothers Bouadi, Blaise, Soro, N'dro, I will not forget my sister Assam, my little Eunice, my brother Paul and Seba!

May God richly bless my beloved brothers and sisters of our congregation in Brussels He granted me by His grace. My beloved brother Ngongo who took a stand for the word of God, my beloved brother Joseph Baranowski, my beloved brother in Christ Ildefonso, my beloved brother Emmanuel Uwizeyimana, the husband of my beloved sister Irene and brother Benjamin. All brothers and sisters of the congregation who have stayed with me. The Lord really opened my eyes. Around the world, He gave me brothers and sisters and servants of God who remained committed to the Word of God. May God richly bless all those brothers and sisters in Africa: Brother Bolhas from Kamapala, brother Marobe from Bukavu, brother Maheshe from Bukavu brother Jerome from Burundi, brother Jean Hugues from Bujumbura, Sentabire from Rutshuru, Sessa from Uvira. I also think of the Family Nuru from Kigali, my sister Brigitte NDO from Gabon, my brother Joseph Ngoyo, my brother John and his entire congregation, all other congregations etc.. There are many, I cannot mention them all here: Angola, Burkina, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Rwanda,... I'm thinking of my sister

Elevanie from Kigali, sister Valentine etc.. In Europe, my precious brother Pascal Soupe from Lyon and his entire congregation, a servant of God who serves his Lord with dedication and took a stand for the Word of God, brother Ivan, brother Mikael from Lyon, brother Jean Morales from Paris, William and Anne-Marie from Finland. To my brothers and sisters who are in different cities in Spain. In France, my sister Ester Bloy and her entire family, my sister Sarah, the sister Rachel and her entire house, my sister Rachel in Toulouse and all the other brothers and sisters who are in other cities.

In Asia, all the saints remained attached to the Word of God because it was the Lord Himself who convinced them. May the Lord bless my beloved brother Orsel, a precious brother, my brother Nonoy a man of God, they are many! In England. In Canada, my beloved sister Carole Lafrenière, my sister Rebecca Bogui and all brothers and sisters who meet at different places and are in connection. In the USA, Malta, India, Mexico, my beloved brother Lazaro Ixtepan from Veracruz and his entire congregation. In reality, throughout the world I realized that the Lord had a people and He gave me brothers and sisters who had not bowed the knee before Baal.

It's amazing! Invitations for missionary trips keep pouring, and I sometimes have to decline some of them. This is quite the opposite. God is now opening doors in countries far away on islands. When I was in Grenada, I saw the mighty hand of God, the Lord really loves His children. After the meeting, I sat in my hotel room, after seeing what the Lord had done, the Lord led me to read: "*Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof. Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up their voice, the villages that Kedar doth inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains. LET THEM GIVE GLORY UNTO THE LORD, AND DECLARE HIS PRAISE IN THE ISLANDS!*" Isaiah 42: 10-12.

This is what happened. Grenada is an island among the Caribbean islands. What the Lord did there went across other islands because many had come from different islands to attend the meetings.

All hell has risen against me because of the call and the ministry that the Lord gave me. I know this is not the brothers who hate me, I know it's Satan. What did David do to Saul that he hates him? Nothing! For the Scripture says: "As they returned, following the return of David after he killed the Philistine, the women came out of all cities of Israel to meet King Saul with singing and dancing to the sound of tambourines and triangles, and uttering cries of joy. Women who responded to sing to each other, saying:

"And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of musick. And the women answered one another as they played, and said, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands. And Saul was very wroth, and the saying displeased him; and he said, They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed but thousands: and what can he have more but the kingdom? And Saul eyed David from that day and forward. And it came to pass on the morrow, that the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times: and there was a javelin in Saul's hand. And Saul cast the javelin; for he said, I will smite David even to the wall with it. And David avoided out of his presence twice. And Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him, and was departed from Saul."

1 Samuel 18: 6-12

The misfortune of David was to have received the anointing oil from the Lord. *"¹And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not sit down till he come hither. And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. And the LORD said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he. Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah. ¹But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him. "*

1 Samuel 16: 11-14

Saul hated David because he thought that David was trying to take his place while David was innocent and he did not even think about that. Saul sought to kill the child and pursued him everywhere.

He was king, he had means, army, money, popularity etc..

David had nothing at all and he even said.

"David also arose afterward, and went out of the cave, and cried after Saul, saying, My lord the king. And when Saul looked behind him, David stooped with his face to the earth, and bowed himself. And David said to Saul, WHEREFORE HEAREST THOU MEN'S WORDS, SAYING, BEHOLD, DAVID SEEKETH THY HURT? Behold, this day thine eyes have seen how that the LORD had delivered thee to day into mine hand in the cave: and some bade me kill thee: but mine eye spared thee; and I said, I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he is the LORD's anointed. Moreover, my father, see, yea, see the skirt of thy robe in my hand: for in that I cut off the skirt of thy robe, and killed thee not, know thou and see that THERE IS NEITHER EVIL NOR TRANSGRESSION IN MINE HAND, AND I HAVE NOT SINNED AGAINST THEE; YET THOU HUNTEST MY SOUL TO TAKE IT. THE LORD JUDGE BETWEEN ME AND THEE, AND THE LORD AVENGE ME OF THEE: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

As saith the proverb of the ancients, Wickedness proceedeth from the wicked: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

AFTER WHOM IS THE KING OF ISRAEL COME OUT? AFTER WHOM DOST THOU PURSUE? AFTER A DEAD DOG, AFTER A FLEA. The LORD therefore be judge, and judge between me and thee, and see, and plead my cause, and deliver me out of thine hand.

1 Samuel 24: 8-15

Why this fury? I never tried to take the place of anyone. Besides, why should I seek to take the place of someone else? The Lord gave me a ministry so I serve according to that ministry and my calling.

I have nothing to do with the place of someone else. Let everyone be in his place and serves the Lord according to the ministry he received! I am now the topic of the sermons to a point that : he went from "**terribly deceived** to downright **Lucifer**."

I'm not sure we can find a much stronger declaration. But I never said anything against him.

Below is an extract of an email from a brother of Cotonou in Benin.

"Dear brother and pastor LIFESE,

I am a brother, I am 47 years old and I live in Cotonou, Benin. I think I'm misinformed about many things. Yesterday while listening to the sermon of Brother Frank of October 31, 2009, I understood that brother Frank was talking about someone like you! And when I came to your website, I have not seen his picture. What's up, I am a little bit confused! What attitude should I take?" End of the e-mail

This e-mail came from a brother. This is what we are sowing today. Need we say more? Regarding the picture, how can you see while I was asked remove it from my website. They should inform you about it.

Here is the e-mail from the Freie-Volksmission:
(Notice the joy with which the good news was announced)

"Hello my dear brothers,

I hereby inform you that yesterday the board the church of Lifese oppose him and demanded he corrects his many errors, what he of course refused saying that the "Lord talked to him" audibly Saturday night at 5:00 am and told him to fire all of them from his religious company.

Therefore Lifese fired an old, a longtime preacher and three deacons ... a number of people left and some of his former associates, including computer scientists carefully destroyed his website and hopefully at this moment they are currently completing the destruction of his writings which have done so much harm to believers especially in your area ...

You can try by yourselves to access his website at <http://www.intmissioncenter.org/>

Praise God for this iniquity removed from His kingdom!

PS: I just hope that if he redesigns another website that will remove his picture with brother Frank.

The DVD will come very soon because at the end he did not expect an elder to talk publicly and this elder gave him a strong reply. "
End of the email

Those who thought that I was at fault for doing so, should find the answer here. I just gave them what they wanted. They are the ones who started everything. I left them everything: freie volksmission, the brother and his circulars letters because that was their expectation. I FULLY TURNED TO THE LORD TO SERVE HIM, I HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THEM ANYMORE.

I will conclude with this: to make a decision, it is imperative to hear both sides. I would like everyone to make his decision in good conscience before God. The judgment day, nobody will say, I didn't know it, Lord or I followed this or that. You will be alone. THE LORD LED ME TO WRITE THIS TO SERVE AS A TESTIMONY. I do not care what you think but, I have done what the Lord wanted me to do.

I would remind you of something. In the Scriptures we read that John the Baptist was the forerunner of the first coming of Christ and he himself testified, saying: " And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, UPON WHOM THOU SHALT SEE THE SPIRIT DESCENDING, AND REMAINING ON HIM, THE SAME IS HE WHICH BAPTIZETH WITH THE HOLY GHOST. And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God. " John 1: 32-34

That servant of God had testified to the truth in a clear and precise manner. He told all the people that JESUS WAS THE CHRIST.

The Bible says of him: " *There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.* " John 1: 6-8

And the Lord Jesus said to him: "... *And when the messengers of John were departed, he began to speak unto the people concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness for to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously appavelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet. This is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. FOR I SAY UNTO YOU, AMONG THOSE THAT ARE BORN OF WOMEN THERE IS NOT A GREATER PROPHET THAN JOHN THE BAPTIST*". Luke 7: 24-28

What a testimony from the Lord!

However, this same servant of God who has given such a powerful testimony of the Lord Jesus Christ, suddenly changed versions: "*And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That God hath visited his people. And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judaea, and throughout all the region round about. And the disciples of John shewed him of all these things. AND JOHN CALLING UNTO HIM TWO OF HIS DISCIPLES SENT THEM TO JESUS, SAYING, ART THOU HE THAT SHOULD COME? OR LOOK WE FOR ANOTHER?"* Luke 7: 15-17

Can you imagine such a thing? What was the Lord's answer? "*Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.*" Luke 7: 22-23

If you were at that time, what would have been your position? Would you have remained with John the Baptist or would you have followed the Lord? You are given a choice.

Let every man make the choice freely and continues to serve whomever he wants. **Me, I will serve the Lord Jesus Christ WHO IS MY CHIEF.**

In my case: **ONE PAGE OF HISTORY HAS BEEN TURNED PERMANENTLY.**

May the Lord our God give you His Grace!

Bro. Leonard LIFESE