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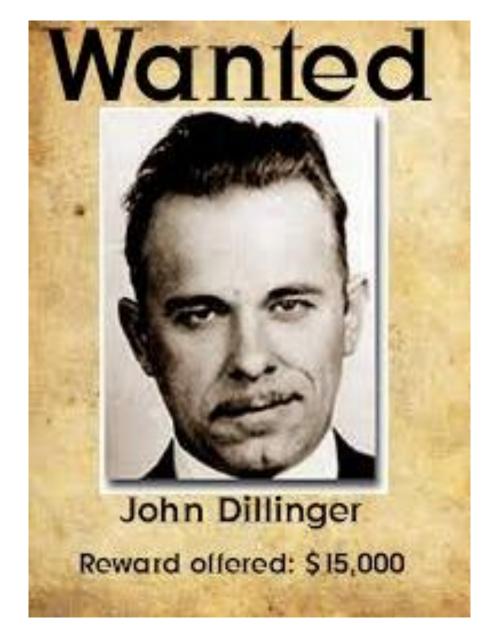
16-0420 - Do You Know Jesus - Bob Black

MATTHEW 16:13-18

- * **13** \dagger ¶ When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?
- » **14** † And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.
- » 15 † He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?
- » 16 † And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.
- » 17 † And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.
- » **18** † 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.

LUKE 4:41

- And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, Thou art Christ the Son of God. And he rebuking them suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was Christ.
- 1) 62-0603 THE.END.TIME.EVANGELISM_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-10 N-5 SUNDAY_
- « **185** † Now, that's such a big word today, "decisions." I wish somebody would make some deciding to serve God instead of join a church. "Make a decision, come in, put your name on the book," send a whole big bunch of people down there, would write. "What's your name?" "John Jones." "Do you accept Christ as your Saviour?" "Yeah." "You believe Jesus Christ to be the Son of God?" "Yeah." Satan does the same thing, same thing. The Bible said he did. He believes and trembles. Yes, sir.
- ** But you don't tremble when you really believe. You rejoice. Amen. "All those that love His appearing." As I said someone constantly telling me, sending me letters, "Brother Branham, you scare people to death, telling them the end time is coming." Scare the Church? My, that's the most glorious thing could happen, the Coming of the Lord, the end time. I wish it was right now. Sure. Well, it's the most glorious thing I ever thought of, to meet my Lord. This old robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise and seize the everlasting prize, go back to a young man again, and live forever with my Lord, with all my people. Why, my! I can't think of struggling through this sin and trial, and aches and pains in this old pesthouse here. To leave this thing and go to a--a crown of righteousness, why, it's the most glorious thing I ever heard! Like the Apostle Paul said, "I've fought a good fight, I've finished my course, I've kept my faith, henceforth there's a... I've kept the Faith, and henceforth there's a crown of righteousness laid up for me, that the righteous Lord will give me in that day; not only me, but all those that love His appearing." Not believes His appearing; but "loves" His appearing, such a joy to know He's coming! Certainly! Yes, sir!
- 2) 64-0314 THE.INVESTMENTS_ BEAUMONT.TX SATURDAY_
- « 70 † Now, we find that it wasn't because that he wasn't a church member. It wasn't because he wasn't morally right. He was.
- 71 But we can be a church member, and morally right, still not obtained Eternal Life. Not to know the Word; some of them are theologians, and scholars, and Sunday school teachers, Bible expositors, but that doesn't mean anything. Satan knows that Bible better than any of us. The Bible said, "To know Him is Life," not know the Word. "Know Him is Life." Satan also believes and trembles. But we've got to have an experience of a death, burial, and resurrection, from our old life, to the new Life which comes in Christ. It comes only by the Holy Spirit, the new Life.





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3) 64-0308 THE.TOKEN_ DALLAS.TX V-19 N-12 SUNDAY_

- « **100** † And now watch, as we see the great end-time signs in the earth, that He promised, how much more it's warning us that the time is at hand. Quit unbelieving. Come together. We should love each other and believe, and separate ourselves from the world.
- **101** Notice, they were not to just come together and talk about the message. They were to get into it, get under the blood. Not come say, "You know, Moses told us. The messenger, he said, he told us that we should have blood. What do you think about it, boys?" That wasn't it. Get the lamb killed, and get the blood up there!
- 102 We can come and sit and agree with the Word, and everything else, but don't have that Token, what good does it do us? No good. Get beneath It. He was not responsible for anyone out from under that blood. And He is not responsible for anybody, today, out from under the Token.

4) 64-1205 THE.IDENTIFIED.MASTERPIECE.OF.GOD_ YUMA.AZ SATURDAY_

- « **135** † How can a man have the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit wrote the Word, and a man have the baptism of the Holy Spirit and deny the Word? How can the Holy Spirit in you deny Its own Word that was set forth for you? I can't understand it. **It's got to agree with the Word.** And if your spirit in you won't punctuate every one of God's promises with "amen," there is something wrong.
- **136** Brother Fred Sothmann or somebody here tonight, quoted, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever." He's the Word. That, sure. He's always the same, see, and your spirit has to punctuate that with "amen."
- 137 "Oh, He, in one way He is." In every way, He is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

5) 61-0214 THE.BASIS.OF.FELLOWSHIP_ LONG.BEACH.CA TUESDAY_

« E-**55** † When a baby's born, there's three elements comes from--for the baby's life. What's the first thing? Excuse me, sisters. What's the first thing come? Water. If it isn't, it's a dry birth; the baby's not normal. Second thing, blood. That right? What's the next thing? Life. What come from Jesus? Water, Blood, and Life. Pierced His side... What constituted the natural birth constitute the spiritual birth.

If a baby's born, and he's stillborn, he doesn't cry, there's no emotion to him, what's the matter with him? He's a dead born baby. That's what's the matter with the churches today. What's wrong with our Pentecostals? We're bringing forth too many dead born babies. Exactly right. Yes, sir, we are. That's exactly right. What's do you do with a baby if he's stillborn like that? You just takes him by the heels, and raise him up, and give him a little posterior protoplasma stimulation, just as hard as you can, and that fixes him up. And if anything the church needs tonight, is a good old fashion Gospel spanking with the power of the Holy Ghost.

6) 63-0321 THE.FOURTH.SEAL_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN THURSDAY_

« 64 † Now, now, the power of revelation brings stimulation to the believer, for the power of wine, natural wine is to stimulate. See? It's to--to bring a person that's all slumped down to a stimulation. See, see?

Well then, now there's a power of the revelation of the Word gives stimulation of joy to the believer, stimulation of satisfaction, the stimulation that it's vindicated, it's proved. It's called in the Scripture, as we want to refer to it, as new wine. We always refer to it like that as "These are drunk on new wine," (See?), all right, or spiritual wine. I think the best interpretation would be--would be on spiritual wine.

7) 63-0321 THE.FOURTH.SEAL_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN THURSDAY_

« 65 † As the natural wine reveals itself in stimulated power, so does the new wine as it reveals the Word of God which is Spirit. Now, that's the--that's the... See? The Word Itself is Spirit. You believe that? Let's read it. Let's read it. Saint John 6, let's just do... You... Then you--then you don't say, "Well, I... Somebody said that." Let's--let's see Who said it, and then we'll know whether it's Truth or not. Saint John the 6th chapter, and--the 6th chapter and I believe it's the 60--63rd verse. All right. (I think it's it.) Yes.

It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profit nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

8) 63-1229M THERE.IS.A.MAN.HERE.THAT.CAN.TURN.ON.THE.LIGHT_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-1 SUNDAY_

- « **57** † Now, great Light! "The Gentiles who sat in the regions of the shadows of death, great Light sprang up among them. In Zabulon, and Nephthalim, in the... by the way of Galilee of the Gentiles, great Light, they saw a great Light."
- **58** Now light, the first time light, we find it in the Bible, is found in Genesis **1:3**. It was, God's spoken Word made the light. God said, "Let there be light," Genesis **1:3**, and there was light.
- Now remember, then, light comes by the spoken Word of God. And light is the vindication, or the subject that He has spoke, is light. When the light flies, shows that. God said, "Let there be light." There was no light, and He said, "Let there be light," and there was light. That's a proof. The light is a vindication of His spoken Word. Same thing today, a vindication of His spoken Word.

9) 60-1204M THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN ROJC 9-67 SUNDAY_

« **146** † So then you see why Satan is so against the Book of Revelation. Anything that's revealed, spiritual revelation, Satan is against it. That's why he's so against the ministry today. Because, what is it? The revealing of Christ.

Let the church go on with its great denominations and organizations, and its little flowery messages and so forth. Let them go on, Satan won't bother that. They don't have no troubles. Everybody pats them on the back.

When there comes a time that God, through the Holy Ghost, reveals Christ back in the Church, with the power and demonstrations of healing the sick, and making the signs that He said would follow the believers, come to pass, then Satan turns over in his bed. He does something about it. *Until that time, Satan don't care how much church you join. He don't care how much.* But when Christ reveals to you that He is the Son of God, and the works that He did you do also; not some other works, but the same works.

10) « 16-1 † THE.REVELATION.OF.JESUS.CHRIST - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.1 You will recall that I mentioned at the beginning of this message that this Book we are studying is the actual revelation of Jesus, Himself, in the church and His work in the future ages. Then I mentioned that it takes the Holy Spirit to give us revelation or we will fail to get it. Bringing these two thoughts together you will see that it won't take just ordinary study and thinking to make this Book real. It is going to take the operation of the Holy Ghost. That means this Book can't be revealed to anyone but a special class of people. It will take one with prophetic insight. It will require the ability to hear from God. It will require supernatural instruction, not just a student comparing verse with verse, though that is good. But a mystery requires the teaching of the Spirit or it never becomes clear. How we need to hear from God and lay ourselves open and become yielded to the Spirit to hear and know.

11) 54-1204 GOD.PERFECTING.HIS.CHURCH_ BINGHAMTON.NY SATURDAY_

« E-24 † Now, notice here, just a little farther as He went on. God making Himself known through the Fatherhood, through the Sonship, and through the Holy Spirit. Now, see, He brought into Hisself a blood cell, wrapped Hisself up into this, broke forth the Blood at Calvary, throwed out His Blood that He might bring through this Blood-cleansing, by this same Atonement, taking every sinner and cleanse him, bring him into a fellowship that He can talk with man and walk with man, like He did in the garden of Eden before sin ever come on the earth. And our relationship is restored to Jehovah through the offering of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. And Christ's body was only revealed in that Blood cell and through the offering of Blood (which is Life), that He might destroy the life of sin and bring in the Life of righteousness through His Son, Christ Jesus, putting a part of His Life in ours, and we are together. Didn't Jesus say, "In that day, you'll know that I'm in the Father, the Father is in Me, and I in you, and you in Me?" There you are. Then the Church of the Living God is the anointed body of the Lord Jesus Christ, walking on earth here, giving every hope and everything to the outside world, that the--nothing else can give, Eternal Life.

12) 63-0728 CHRIST.IS.THE.MYSTERY.OF.GOD.REVEALED_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY_

« 393 † God's great secret has always blinded the wisdom of the world. They can't get it. They just don't understand it. Satan don't understand it. None of the rest of them understands it, but just those who are predestinated to understand it, how God and Christ are One. They'll make Him three every time. See? They certainly will.

13) 62-1124E ALL.THINGS_ SHREVEPORT.LA SATURDAY_

« E-37 † If you'd come seeking the Holy Spirit, and let Him, the faith that you've got in Him add to that virtue, and to that brotherly kindness (II Peter 1:7), until you're built in the full stature of Christ, then the last thing is love, which God, the Holy Spirit, seals you to your destination.

You can't impersonate. You can impersonate it, but as I said last night, it's just like a--a blackbird putting peacock feathers in his wings and saying, "See, I'm a peacock." He just added them, pushed them in. If there's something on the inside of him, made him push them out, he'd actually be a peacock. Certainly. But some people are trying to do something to look like somebody else, or impersonate somebody else, because they thought they did it. And you see what it does? It brings us back into a ritual and form again. It's the Blood, the Life that electrifies and sanctifies your life. That's right.

14) 65-1126 WORKS.IS.FAITH.EXPRESSED_ SHREVEPORT.LA V-7 N-1 FRIDAY_

"Why, this man, he sees visions and so forth. He does this, and he run around with this man's wife. He believes in--in three gods, and all these things." That don't stagger It a bit. And here's one thing they can't impersonate: the Word! No. They can have all these things, they can speak in tongues, they can shout, dance in the Spirit, and still be devils. Uh-huh. That's right. But this Word measures them up. See? That's exactly right. This is where it comes to. As Moses, and Jambres...

And remember, He said, "As Jambres and Jannes withstood Moses, in the last days these impersonators would rise on the earth again." Did He say it? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] So, we got them.

15) 63-0324E THE.SEVENTH.SEAL_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SUNDAY_

« **249** † Now, why? Let us prove it. Why? It is the secret that no one knows about. John was forbidding to write about it, even, even write a symbol about it. Why? This is why there was no active in--activity in heaven; it might give away the secret. Do you see it now? If it's so great it must be included, because it's got to happen, but when the seven thunders...

Now, notice, when the seven angels come forth to sound their trumpets, there was one thunder. When Israel was gathered, there was a trumpet. When time shall be no more, the last trumpet... One thunder, but here is seven straight thunders right in a row: one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, that perfect number. Seven thunders in a row, uttered not... making just--just one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, straight. Then heavens couldn't write that. Heavens can't know about it, nothing else, because there's nothing to go on. It's a relaxing time. It was so great till it's kept secret from the Angels. Now, why? If Satan should get a hold of it, he might do great damage. There's one thing he don't know. Now, he can interpret anything he wants to, and impersonate any kind of a gift (I hope you're learning.), but he can't know this. It's not even written in the Word. It's a total secret. The Angels, everything shut up. If they made one move it might give something away, so they just shut up, quit harping; everything stopped. A...