

17-1004 - Jesus The Gardener - Bob Black

John 20:1-15

- » 1 † The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, **and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.**
- » 2 † Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, **They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.**
- » 3 † Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.
- » 4 † So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.
- » 5 † And he stooping down, and looking in, **saw the linen clothes lying**; yet went he not in.
- » 6 † Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, **and seeth the linen clothes lie,**
- » 7 † **And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.**
- » 8 † Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.
- » 9 † **For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.**
- » 10 † **Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.**
- » 11 † **But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,**
- » 12 † And seeth two angels in white sitting, **the one at the head, and the other at the feet,** where the body of Jesus had lain.
- » 13 † And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.
- » 14 † And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, **and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.**
- » 15 † **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.**

1) 55-0117 HOW.THE.ANGEL.CAME.TO.ME.AND.HIS.COMMISSION_ CHICAGO.IL FOOTPRINT.BOOK MONDAY_

« 120 † I walked over to my Bible again, and, oh, It just come all over me again. I picked It up, and I thought, "What's in there He wants me to read?" I kept reading on down about "repentance towards God, and faith," and so forth, and I read on down where It said, "The rain cometh oft upon the earth to dress it and prepare it for what it's meant for, for here, but the thorns and thistles which is nigh unto rejection whose end is to be burned." And, oh, It would just shake me!

121 And I thought, "Lord, are You going to give me a vision of what..." I was up there to ask Him for something another.

122 **Then all at once, before me, I seen the world rolling, and it was all disked up. And here went a man with white, with his head up, sowing Seeds like this. And when he went, coming, just as he went over the hill, here come a man behind him, dressed in black, with his head down, sowing seeds. And when the good Seeds come up, it was wheat; and when the bad seeds come up, it was weeds.**

« 123 † **And then it come a great drought on the earth, and the wheat had its head hanging over, just about perished, wanting water. And I seen all the people with their hands up, praying for God to send water. And then I seen the weed, it had its head down, bowing for water.** And just then the great clouds come across and the rain just gushed down. And when it did, the little wheat that was all bent over went, "Whish," stood right up. And the little weed right by its side went, "Whish," stood right up.

I thought, "Well, what's that?"

124 Then It come to me. There it is. The same rain that makes the wheat to grow, makes the weed to grow. And the same Holy Spirit can fall in a bunch of people, and can bless a hypocrite just the same as It blesses the other. Jesus said, "By their fruits you shall know them." Not whether he shouts, whether he rejoices, but "it's by his fruit you shall know him."

125 I said, "There you are!" "I got it, Lord." I said, "Then that really is the Truth." This man... You could have gifts without knowing God.

2) 64-0705 THE.MASTERPIECE_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-4 N-7 SUNDAY_

« 153 † Remember, the Church begin at Pentecost, and It fell at Nicaea. It sprouted, not like the real Grain, no; it was some of the Life in there, but it sprouted in order to make an organization. And He pulled through that organization. And then what did It do? Then It went, from that organization, It went into another organization, went into another stage of the Word; justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost. See? And as It went through this stalk and process, It kept coming on more.

154 Remember, the little pollen is more, the tassel is more like the Seed than the stalk is. And the husk is more like the Seed than the tassel was. **But the Seed Itself is beyond that. See? It just used that for transportation, to take Itself through.**

3) 62-1014M THE.STATURE.OF.A.PERFECT.MAN_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-18 SUNDAY_

« 418 † **I can imagine them apostles never acted liked us. They went around, probably men of few words, till they got in the pulpit.** They walked in and they done what they was supposed to do, and

walked out. Yes, sir. They had power. They had virtue. They had no arguments with men. They know where they stood. That's all. They know who they believed. They kept on walking in the Spirit. Doing only...

419 Just as I said the other night. One little nod, that's all God had to do, then nothing going to stop them. They didn't question and study, and hum-haw and worry like we do, whether they should do this or that. They went ahead and done it, anyhow. Just one little nod from God, that done it, just as soon. Why? How could they know it was a

nod from God? **They had all these virtues in here, all these qualifications.** And the first little nod of God compared with every bit of this, and with His Word. They knowed it was the Word of God, and away they went.

Didn't have to worry about nothing else. When God spoke, they went. We speak...

« 420 † God speaks to us, and we'll say, "Well, we'll start off. We'll see if we can live this Life." First thing you know, somebody upsets you. Well, sure, that's the Devil.

421 You ought to seen him trying to keep me away from this meeting this morning. You ought to have that one time. Oh, mercy! I have to fight every time I mention a meeting. And if I'm going to pray for a sick, and somebody dying and not saved, there'll be thirty calls come in in ten minutes, if they can get that fast, to keep me from it. "Oh, Brother Branham, you got to do this." But there's a soul at stake. Sure. Yeah.

4) 62-0318 THE.SPOKEN.WORD.IS.THE.ORIGINAL.SEED.2_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-2 SUNDAY_

« 401_ † Now, Philip had been up to Pentecost, Jerusalem, to worship. How many says "amen" to that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.]

402 The eunuch, he had been with all the D.D.'s and L.D.'s, and everything. But why didn't he get something? He come back down, studying the prophecy of Isaiah.

403 Although an Angel directed Philip to him, **but the Germ of Life had to come through the Body, Philip.** Ah! Oh, brother, now we're on the line. **Where did the Germ come from?** Through the Angel? The Angel showed him where to go. An Angel is a messenger. **Here is a son. Philip had the Germ, the Message, the Word. That's how a Child can be born. Philip laid his hands upon him. Philip baptized him in the Name of Jesus Christ. There come forth the Spirit of God. Sure. Now, the Germ had to come from the Body. What Body? Christ's Body.** Correct. And Philip was a member of the Body.

« 404_ † Now listen. The same thing took place in Acts 10:48. Peter was on the house top. An Angel directed him to Cornelius' house. **But where did the Word come from? The Body.** Oh, oh, oh, oh, oh, oh! I feel pretty good, feel like traveling on. An Angel come and said, "Don't worry. Don't call nothing unclean. Just go on, don't think nothing."

405 "And while Peter spake these Words," not the Angel, not the cardinal. "While Peter spake these Words." **What? He was the Body. He had the Word. The Word took hold. Oh, brother! Whew! Huh! Oh, my! Angel directed it, but the Life come through the Body of Christ.**

5) 57-0309B I.WILL.RESTORE_ PHOENIX.AZ SATURDAY_

« E-22 † By and by that corn matured. And after while it become a tassel. I said, "The first two leaves were you Lutherans, first Reformation. And after while, along come the tassel. That tassel looked so pretty. **It looked back down to the leaf and said, "I haven't got nothing to do with you. I'm a pretty tassel, and you aren't nothing but just an old green leaf."**

But if the truth was known, the very life that was in the leaf has made the tassel. And it has to have the leaf to drop its pollen to further on towards maturity. After while the ear come, had grains on it--the Pentecostal, restoration of the gifts, back to where it went into the ground, the return of the power of God in fullness, showing Christ alive, at Pentecost, through the gifts and manifestations of the first church.

But you know, when this ear of corn come on, it looked back to that tassel and say, "You ain't got nothing. You ain't even in it. And you old dead Lutheran leaves down there, there's nothing to you."

6) 62-0422 THE.RESTORATION.OF.THE.BRIDE.TREE_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-15 SUNDAY_

« 415 † But what? He was God's perfect Prophet Tree, the example Tree, the Bridegroom Tree. Amen. Glory! Going to say something, directly. If... He is the Bridegroom Tree. Do you believe it? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] From the garden of Eden? ["Amen."] Then, the Bridegroom Tree, without the Female, don't bear fruit, so He's got to have a Bride Tree. She has got to be born of the same material, the Word made flesh in the Tree. Hope you get it. It's the same Life in this female Tree, the Bridegroom, as It is in the Bride. "The works that I do shall you also." Is that right? ["Amen."] He was the Bridegroom, remember.

« 416 † You say, "That ain't Scriptural." Oh, it is. I caught that now. See? We're fixing to have a healing meeting in a minute. I caught that. He was.

417 You want proof of it? He said, "**I am the Vine. Ye are the branches.**" Saint John said it, see, "**I am the Vine. You are the branches; you bear the fruit.**" See? **And the male tree and the female tree produces the pollen, one to the other, brings the fruit.** And the branch and the vine does the same thing. See? That's exactly right. So He said, now.

7) « 172-2 † PERGAMEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.5

Notice the harmony of the Father and the Son. Jesus never did anything until it was first showed Him by the Father. John 5:19. This harmony is now to exist between the Groom and His bride. **He shows her His Word of life. She receives it. She never doubts it.** Therefore, nothing can harm her, not even death. **For if the seed be planted, the water will raise it up again. Here is the secret of this. The Word is in the bride (as it was in Mary). The bride has the mind of Christ for she knows what He wants done with the Word. She performs the command of the Word in His name for she has "thus saith the Lord." Then the Word is quickened by the Spirit and it comes to pass.** Like a seed that is planted and watered, it comes to full harvest, serving its purpose.

8) 64-0705 THE.MASTERPIECE_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-4 N-7 SUNDAY_

« 155 † Notice, the Bride. If the Bride, in the beginning, was the Word, or the Bridegroom; and then if the Bride is taken from the Bridegroom, It must be the Word also. Notice, the Bride must be.

156 Why, why must the Bridegroom be the Word manifested, made plain? **Is because the Bride and the Bridegroom are One. She is just a smitten piece off of Him. There is the Masterpiece.** It was smitten. Say...

157 Michelangelo could not reproduce that again. He could not put it back.

But God is going to do it. **He is going to bring this little Bride, that's smitten, right back to the side of the original Word. And there He is, there is the Masterpiece, the family back again in garden of Eden.**

9) 65-0418M IT.IS.THE.RISING.OF.THE.SUN_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-12 SUNDAY_

242 But, remember, He went there with you in Him. See, God had never separated the Bride from the Groom, yet. So when God looked down upon the body of Christ, He saw both male and female. It was all redeemed in that one body. See? They are one, same, same Word. The same Word, spoke of the Groom, speaks of the Bride.

« 243 † Well, how can the Bride come, and fail to manifest everything was promised of Him; and the Groom come, and He wouldn't be the Bride? But when He did everything, even to proving it by raising Himself up from the dead, afterwards, then don't the--the Bride have to do the same thing, have to be exactly what the Word said She would be in these last days? Don't She have to return through Malachi 4? Don't She have to be manifested like it was in the days of Sodom? Don't the world have to be just exactly like it is? Isn't these things a perfect identification of the Word of God made known to us?

244 Well, friends, I know I'm keeping you a long time, fifteen minutes yet till dinner, but maybe I'll get through by then. But notice, looky here, what a perfect thing it is. I don't know when I'll see you again. See?

10) 62-0714 THE.UNCERTAIN.SOUND_ SPOKANE.WA SATURDAY_

« E-58 † Now, it was about a thousand years there, there was nothing but a stump. **But you cannot, because the Life of that tree's predestinated to bring forth a Tree... Up come Luther, started It growing.** What did it do? Organized. **The husbandman pruned the branches.** Come up into the Methodist. What did it do? Organized, just like the mother: **prune the branches.** Come on up into the Pentecostals. It's done the same thing, organized. God's pruned the branches.

But that life in the heart of that tree has to live. God said, "I will restore," for the evening Light's to--to ripen. **In the middle of that tree stands the heart of God. That's the Bride Tree to meet the--the--the Bridegroom Tree, just like was in the garden of Eden originally--the tree, the two trees of life.** Take Adam and Eve as--as a shadow of the two trees that actually stood there, life and death.

And there's where it goes to today. Oh, they're a bit confused. They don't know what to do about it. When they hear the trumpet sound, they don't know which way to go. They say, "Well, I--I--I don't know." It's pitiful, it's pathetic. That's right.

11) 62-0422 THE.RESTORATION.OF.THE.BRIDE.TREE_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-15 SUNDAY_

« 511 † "I will restore, saith the Lord." Hallelujah! Glory! Praise be to God. The fourth Light is to come, that will bring forth the same signs. Watch. Justification brought back the pulp.

Sanctification brought back the bark, doctrine of holiness.

512 What brought back the leaf? Pentecostals. What is it? **Pentecostals, leaves, clap their hand, joy, rejoicing, pentecostal.**

513 What? **The fourth was the Word, Itself. The Word made flesh, fruits of the proof of the resurrection sign that Christ has finally, after justification been planted, sanctification been planted, baptism of the Holy Ghost. Organizations died out. And Christ has again centered Himself like that cap of the pyramid. First line, justification; sanctification; baptism of the Holy Ghost; then coming of the Cap.**

12) 64-1212 THE.HARVEST.TIME_ PHOENIX.AZ V-18 N-6 SATURDAY_

« 353 † Now, doesn't Malachi 4 teach us, that before the great and terrible day of the Lord shall come, that this will take place? How many knows that? "And He will restore the hearts of the children to the fathers," is that right, "the Faith of the original pentecostal fathers."

354 **"And in that day," Luke 17:20, I believe it is, Jesus said, "when the Son of man is being revealed," not man. "The Son of man," not an organization. "The Son of man," the Word living Itself again among the people! See?**

355 **The Word, Itself, made flesh in you, you are a reflection of this hour, the Message, reflection of it.** See, you live again, live the Life that was in Jesus Christ. You're in the Presence of the Son. Then to the...

356 **What happens to it? What happens to that Church? Finally, listen, that shuck pulls away from that wheat, when it begins to be manifested. What happened? The Life that was in the shuck, went on out in the wheat.** The Life won't change. The carriers change, they denominate; see, the blades, the tassel, the shuck. But the wheat can't change. It's got to be a ministry just exactly on the Word like He was on the Word, and like the first Church was on the Word, Spirit filled, Word fed; not denominational fed. **Word fed!**

13) 64-1212 THE.HARVEST.TIME_ PHOENIX.AZ V-18 N-6 SATURDAY_

« 365 † **The wheat is here. Thanks be to God, the wheat is here. Christ is here. He proves His Word, It's the Truth. The wheat is here, it's maturing now, it's laying in the Presence of the Son.**

366 **Not any man may touch It, it's all pulling away, "We'll have nothing to do with It." You have to do that.**

367 **Oh, brother, get in the wheat, let your Life that's in you come out into the wheat.** Will you? Believe God. Don't... Just stay with God. Are you sure you're going to make it? What if somebody said... I don't care.

14) 65-0725M THE.ANOINTED.ONES.AT.THE.END.TIME_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-5 N-3 SUNDAY_

« 167 † Notice, the anointed ones, **only the Word will separate them**, not the signs. Oh, no. They'll do the same signs, but the Word what's separated them. Sure. They all prophesied. They all done this, that, and the other, sure, just the same. Jesus said they'd do the same thing. **But the Word is what separated them, notice, not signs.**

168 Did you notice? Jesus said here, in Matthew 24. He didn't say, "There shall rise false Jesuses in the last days." Oh, no, they would never stand still for that. No. You get a Pentecostal that's a real Pentecostal, say, hisself, he is "Jesus"? See? You get a false Methodist, or a Baptist, or somebody like that, or one of the organizations, say, "We are Jesus"? They know better than that. They ain't going to do that. But the Bible said they would be "false Christs," not Jesuses, but, "false Christs." They wouldn't recognize, say, "I'm Jesus." Oh, no.

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« 169 † **But they're "false Christs," and don't know it, because they're contrary to the Word.** And God vindicates the same. Now, I'm just bringing this right down to a showdown now, 'cause you've seen the same thing done by these people that's been done in the real. And Jesus said so.

170 Now, as I've said, now to you people out on, in the telephone land there, I--I'm not condemning you, but this is my church and--and my group that the Holy Spirit set me over, and I've got to tell them the Truth. The hour is getting late.