20-0510pm - The Spirit of Adoption - Bob Black

Romans 8:15-18

- » 15 † For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.
- » 16 † The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:
- » 17 † And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.
- » 18 † For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

50-0815 WHO.IS.GOD_ CLEVELAND.OH TUESDAY_

« E-21 † Then we, in fellowship, what Adam lost in the fall, Christ restored in His death. (Do you believe that?) to bring man back into fellowship with God.

Now, the Church has moved up to that fellowship with God, communion, like Adam had in the beginning in the garden of Eden, taken all sin away, free from condemnation, Holy Spirit cleansing us from all sin. **Now, you're free to exercise the next step in God. See?**

54-1231 EVERLASTING.LIFE.AND.HOW.TO.RECEIVE.IT_

« 110 † And now, when the Pentecostal church and these people in the last days here that's beginning to find the new birth, being born again, they thought that settled it. No, sir. Your ups-and-downs, and ins-and-outs, and things like that, God can't place you as a son. But when you stay in the Kingdom, stay in the Gospel, stay right, one of these days God will call you out and set you aside, adopt you as His son before the people, and give you something that'll shake the nations with it. See what I mean? It's the adoption into the family.

II Samuel 7:8

Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, **I took thee from the sheepcote**, from following the sheep, **to be ruler over my people**, **over Israel**:

Ephesians 1:17-18

- » 17 † 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:
- » 18 † 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,

65-0829 SATAN'S.EDEN_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-20 SUNDAY_

- « 115 † And so does ministers in seminaries, learning man-made theology; it may seem right, it may be a good understanding of the thing, but it's wrong.
- We don't have to understand It. We believe It because God said it's so, and that settles it forever. The whole thing, that's the way to believe It.
- 117 Oh, how Eve lusted to have a Ph.D., see, how she lusted to be smarter than what she was!

JOHN 5:24

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, **and believeth on him that sent me**, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

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

- Now, to prove that's right. I go down here, and here's a drunk coming along the street, and with some other man's wife on his arms, and cussing, and taking God's Name in vain, and everything else like that. "Say, did you hear what that preacher said? Did you?" "Yeah, I heard It!" That don't mean he's got Eternal Life. See? See?

"He that understandeth My Word," he that is an eagle!

- 161 "Now, Brother Branham, I want more Scripture than that."
- All right, "My sheep hear My Voice. A stranger they won't follow."

65-0410 THE.EASTER.SEAL_ PHOENIX.AZ V-2 N-6 SATURDAY_

- « 88 † It's the Holy Spirit coming down, to quicken, make alive those people that's foreordained of God to be in the Rapture. Notice. That is, if he is a true eagle, he will understand the Message of the hour if he's a true eagle. Now, the little eagle probably, in the barnyard, was eating all right, but he--he knowed it wasn't just exactly right. But then when he heard the Truth, then he received this Truth. Now, in John 14...
- John 5:24, rather, Jesus said, speaking this way, "He that heareth My Words, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting Life, and shall not come into the judgment, but is passed from death unto Life." Just think how simple that is, "He that believeth." Now, the correct way of saying that, "He that understandeth."

65-0410 THE.EASTER.SEAL_ PHOENIX.AZ V-2 N-6 SATURDAY_

- « 90 † Now, you go out here on the street and say to this prostitute, "You believe?"
- "Sure."
- "You believe He's Son of God?"
- "Certainly."
- "Been baptized?"
- "Sure."
- 91 Go down to the drunkard, say, "You hear That? Hear that preacher preach?"
- "Yeah."
- "You believe That?"
- "Sure." See?
- « 92 † But, "He that understandeth, he that knoweth his place in this hour, he that heareth My Word and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath" (present tense) "Eternal Life. Shall not come into the Judgment, but has already passed from death unto Life." Then when this new Eternal Life dwells in you, It is the potential, or the earnestness of you being quickened from mortal to immortality.
- P3 Let me say that again. When This Spirit has found you, the individual, and has come upon you, It is the potential of your Eternal inheritance that God thought of you and made for you before the foundation of the world. That is your potential.
- Like if you asked me for an oak tree, and I give you an acorn. Now, the--the--the life for the oak tree is in the acorn now, but you have to wait till it grows up.

 Galatians 4:1-5

- » 1 † Now I say, That the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;
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- » 3 † Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:
- » 4 † But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,
- To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

JOHN 16:13-16

- » 13 † 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.**
- » 14 † He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.
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 m \uparrow}$ All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.
- * 16 † A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.

II Corinthians 3:18

» 18 † But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

I Corinthians 3:1-6

- » 1 † And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, **but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ.**
- » 3 † For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?
- \Rightarrow 4 † For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?
- » 5 † Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?
- » 6 † I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.

Ephesians 4:11-14

- » 11 † And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
- * 12 † For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:
- » 13 † 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:
- » 14 † 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;

Hebrews 5:12-14

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

Exodus 25:31

And thou shalt make a candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same.

I PETER 4:12

- » 12 † Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:
- » 13 † But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

62-0519 FELLOWSHIP_ GREEN.LAKE.WI SATURDAY_

« E-31 † ...

We're all tried. Every Christian, every son, every child that comes to God is tried by the Word, see if you'll be loyal to It. When the showdown comes, what decision are you going to make? That's it. And he that cannot stand chastisement, but goes on with the world, he is a illegitimate child, and not a son or daughter of God. Certainly not.

Now, but the spiritual-minded catches the Word, lines up with It, and the Spirit comes down under the shed Blood and takes that person.

Hebrews 12:5-13

- * 5 † And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:
- » 6 † For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.
- \Rightarrow 7 † If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?
- \gg 8 [†] But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.
- » 9 † Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?
- » 10 † For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness.

60-0522E ADOPTION.4_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN AD.PT.4 SUNDAY_

« 58 †

But, oh, Job, instead of... What did he do? Did he cuss God when God took his children, when he done all these evil things to him, and everything? Job didn't question. He fell on his face and worshipped (Hallelujah.), said, "The Lord gave, and the Lord taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord." There you are.

God knowed His trust in Job. God knows how much He can trust you. He knows how much He can trust me. But what we're speaking of now is placing this child.

1 Peter 2:1-2

- \Rightarrow 1 † ¶ Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings.
- \Rightarrow 2 \uparrow As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:
- » 3 † If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.
- y 4 † To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,
- ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.
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Daniel 9:24-25

- » 24 † Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.
- » 25 † Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

Ezra 9:5-6

- » 5 † ¶ And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness; and having rent my garment and my mantle, I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto the LORD my God,
- » 6 † And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens.

57-0105 HEAR.YE.HIM_ CLEVELAND.TN SATURDAY_

« E-41 † Now, notice. And this child being borned a son, a tutor was given to raise the child. And when you were born into the Kingdom of God, God sent us a Tutor, Educator, Raiser. And that is the Holy Spirit Who brings word to the Father constantly how His children are progressing.

How shameful it must be as Ezra, the prophet, blushed before God, that the Holy Spirit must have to blush before the Father of the conduct of His children, how that--how sin has crept into the church. The things that goes on in the church today, that we call ourselves the church of God... I don't want to hurt you now, but I want to help you.

56-0611 HEAR.YE.HIM_ INDIANAPOLIS.IN MONDAY_

« E-21 † ...

And I wonder how the Holy Spirit is, how It must, as a prophet of old, blushed when He stood in the Presence of God, when He brings the character and the conduct of the church in this day. How He must blush when He stands before the Father and says, "Oh, they're all separated; they're acting like the world. They're marrying and giving in marriage. The women are dressing and acting just like almost harlots on the street. How the men are smoking cigarettes, and telling dirty jokes, and staying home at night and listening to "Who Loves Sucy," and all those things on television, and neglecting the church... How the pastor is leaving his post of duty for more money somewhere else... How the deacon board is running the bookies and so forth..." How it must make the Holy Spirit blush in the Presence of God.

« E-22 † Let me say this. You say, "Brother Branham, every time you come here you beat down on the people." Well, if you... Maybe they need it. We've got to tally up with this Book.

57-0725 HEAR.YE.HIM_ TACOMA.WA THURSDAY_

« E-20 † ...

And you know, it must have been an awful thing, when the tutor had to come to the father, and tell him the character of his child, if he was disobedient. How he must... walked up with a blush on his face, and said, "Sir, your boy is very disobedient. I cannot do nothing with him. He's so worldly minded." How the father must have felt.

« E-21 † And in this view of this, I wonder tonight, on we, the Pentecostal church, that claims the new birth: how the Holy Spirit must blush, when It comes in the Presence of God, to bring our character record before the Father.

60-0313 HEAR.YE.HIM_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_

« E-40 † Do you know God never made two men the same? There's no two of you in all the world, or ever has been, that's got the same thumbprint. God makes men different, and He has diversities of gifts and sends them to His Church. But we just cramp down on one and there you go (You see?) you don't get the wisdom of the Spirit. That's the reason God can't place us into the position where we should be in His body. For to one is given this sort of a gift; to another this sort of a gift; to another, another sort of a gift, and so forth--but all the same body. But we want to be just exactly like that other one. You can't do that. You must use the wisdom of the Word. The Bible's what our Blueprint is.

EZRA 10:9-10

- » 9 † Then all the men of Judah and Benjamin gathered themselves together unto Jerusalem within three days. It was the ninth month, on the twentieth day of the month; and all the people sat in the street of the house of God, trembling because of this matter, and for the great rain.
- » 10 † And Ezra the priest stood up, and said unto them, **Ye have transgressed, and have taken strange wives, to increase the trespass of Israel.**

51-0928 AT.THY.WORD_ NEW.YORK.NY FRIDAY_

« E-5 † Now, that's what's the matter with the Pentecostal church tonight (See?), too much differences. As soon as you get saved, you start this way, and a little trial comes along, and you fall off, and you go this way, and this way, and ups-and-downs, and fusses and fights, and carries on until... How could God trust you with those things? To adopt you into the Kingdom of God, into His possession, give you heir to all the spiritual benefits of...

If the church would only held together and quit fussing, and splitting up, and arguing over little baptisms, and

things like that, you'd been a lot better off. And one church against the other (See?); **that isn't sons. God can't trust you.**

Divine gifts are very sacred. And remember, a person could send their soul to hell with one. If you'll notice on the platform on my cases, my patients, I'm very careful of what I say. I weigh every word. I find the condition of that soul before I say anything.

60-0712 HEAR.YE.HIM_ KLAMATH.FALLS.OR TUESDAY_

« E-23 † If a man's got to give man to do a certain thing, and he was so zealous of it, the first thing you know he'd be so swelled out. But if a man doesn't want to do such, maybe God can use him for a while, anyhow. If you just can get something out of him... But men that usually wants to go, and blast over the world, and tear it down, **usually God can't trust him because he can't... He wants to do it himself.** He gets into his own way with it. If a man don't want to go, then God almost has to drive him into it. That's the type of man that God usually uses in the Scripture.

I said, "You just live for Him, and love Him with all your heart, and He will place you in the place that He desires for you to be." That's right.

We try to take one another's places; we can't do that. We must always abide in our calling, where God has called us to.

56-1125E A.BLUSHING.PROPHET_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SUNDAY_

« E-8 † Now, this had embarrassed the prophet so much till when he come before God he blushed in His face. The first one he heard about... And it seemed the--the moral decay of his people, it hurt him so bad until he set down and anointed himself, plucked his hair out and his beard out, and was heavy hearted before the Lord in prayer. Then when the evening sacrifice was offered, he went into the temple and fell on his knees and blushed before God for the sins of the people.

Now, he didn't blush for the scarlet streak of the red light district. He didn't blush for the booze drinkers in the hell holes, although as bad as it may be. But he blushed because the sin of the elect. And what we need today is some more prophets with enough God in their hearts to blush in the Presence of God for the sins of the people who call themselves the people of God and doing the way they're doing. What a disgrace we've brought to this place. The morals of our people...

« E-9 † This is not a easy subject to speak on. I could think of many things that were easier to speak on. But, brother, if somebody don't stand out in this sinful, adulterous day that we live in and call the colors, what's going to happen? Somebody has got to speak the thing. Somebody's got to place it before the people. Perhaps Ezra didn't want to do it. But it was in his heart.

And when you see a servant of God get so sincere till he's on his face with his hands in the air, praying to God, and blushing because the iniquity of the people, then you're going to see a revival start. A man cannot lay in the Presence of God, a church cannot stay in the Presence of God under repentance unless the Holy Spirit comes down and gives unction and power to start a move of God in there among those people. Just got to be.

Show me a man. Show me another Calvin, Knox, Finney, Sankey, or any of those who feels the burden of the people, that'll lay on their face and cry and pray before God. Send us a John Smith of the Baptist Church again, who prayed all night for the iniquity of the people until his eyes would be swelled shut the next morning from weeping, till his wife would lead him to the table and feed him his breakfast out of a spoon. Show me a John Wesley again, a firebrand snatched from the fire. I'll show you a revival.

ROMANS 8:22-23

- » 22 † For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.
- » 23 † And not only they, but ourselves also, **which have the firstfruits of the Spirit**, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, **waiting for the adoption, to wit,** the redemption of our body.

I Corinthians 14:20

Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men.

I John 5:20

And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

62-0122 CONFIRMATION.OF.THE.COMMISSION_ TEMPE.AZ MONDAY_

- « 228 † And Jesus is so close to coming to the earth now, until His power has begin to catch the people, and winding them up, getting them ready for the Bride, getting ready to be caught up in the Rapture, a Church that'll just fit just exactly, to be taken up. Through Its power, will draw all the rest of them that's born again, out of the earth. Jesus is coming.
- As my hand against the wall would make a shadow, more, that shadow gets deeper and deeper and deeper, closer my hand gets, and after while the shadow and my hand becomes one.
- And the church started in Martin Luther's time, under justification; under Wesley, through sanctification; and now in the baptism of the Holy Ghost, with the Pentecostals, the restoration of the gifts. And out of that Pentecostal people He's pulling that remnant up here, to show Jesus Christ, reflect His Life just the same yesterday, today, and forever, exactly, when the evening Lights shine. That's exactly.

60-0313 HEAR.YE.HIM_ PHOENIX.AZ SUNDAY_

- « E-37 † Now, you see, Jesus had proven to God that He'd been the right kind of Son. And God took Him up on the top of the mountain, brought witnesses out there--heavenly witnesses and earthly witnesses--and He clothed Him in immortality. When they looked up, they said, "His garments shined like the sun." A supernatural something taken place. His garments glistened like the sun in its middle of the day, as white as they could be. God placed on Him that robe of immortality, showing that He had received Him. That's the thing that God will do to His sons here on earth someday. He will call you aside, Church, if you'll only obey Him and stay on the Word and believe it. And He will place into the Church, before the coming of Jesus Christ... He will place into the Church... All the powers that Christ had in Him will be in the Church. All that God was, He poured into Jesus; all that Jesus was, He pours into the Church. God wanting His work done, He sent it into His Son; the Son wanting the work done, sent it into the Church. "At that day you'll know that I'm in the Father, the Father in Me, and I in you, and you in Me." At that day, because the same power of God, was in Jehovah God, rested in Jesus Christ. The same power that rested in Jesus Christ, rests in the placed sons in the body of Christ.
- « E-38 † Placing of a son... Take him out in a certain place, have a ceremony before Angels, and place him positionally what he is in the body of Christ. Then that person has the authority. Let me say this, if you count me a fanatic from this night on. That very same thing that I'm speaking of will be done. There'll be a power put into the Church, and now is coming in, that the Holy Spirit will so anoint the people, till they'll speak the Word and It'll create Itself right there. We haven't seen powers like's coming into the Church now. I know it for a fact.

"Say unto this mountain be moved. Don't doubt in your heart, but believe that what you've said

shall come to pass, you can have what you have said.": the placing of the Church in position, where the fulness of the power of the Holy Ghost comes into the Church. Then critics mouths will be shut. It'll be a short time. Jesus come right off the mountain, went straight to Calvary. Notice, it won't last long, but it'll be here.

60-0515E ADOPTION.1_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN AD.1 SUNDAY_

We for the land? Over here now, eating the old corn, eating the strong things of God, and got a clear understanding; your--your spiritual mind is all unmuddled up. You know exactly Who He is. You know exactly What He is. You know exactly where you're going. You know exactly all about It. You know in Whom you have believed and persuaded He's able to keep that which you've committed to Him against the day. Oh, that's the one; that's who Paul's talking to now. Listen close. Now, watch...

... the faithful in Christ Jesus: