

# WHO IS THIS SON OF MAN ?

## PART 22

### JOHN 1:1 & 14

» 1 † ¶ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

» 14 † **And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.**

### COLOSSIANS 1:18

» 18 † **And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.**

### ROMANS 8:14

» 14 † **For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.**

» 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.**

### HEADSHIP

1) « 336-4 † LAODICEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.9

But now He is standing in the midst of the Church. As He stands there revealing Who He is in this last age, He calls Himself the "Author of the creation of God". **This is ANOTHER CREATION. This has to do with the church. This is a special designation of Himself. He is the CREATOR of that church. The heavenly Bridegroom created his own bride.**

**This is the true revelation of God. This was His purpose. This purpose took form through election. That is why He could look right down to the last age when all would be over and see Himself still in the midst of the church, as author of this New Creation of God. His Sovereign power brought it to pass. By His own decree He elected the members of this New Creation. He predestinated them to the adoption of children according to the good pleasure of His will.**

### THREE STAGES

2) 63-0324M QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.ON.THE.SEALS\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN

« 9 † **And--and then also knowing that right among you, things are happening (See?) that I--I'm just... I--I know... I know you, that you don't see it. See? I'm just positive that you don't see it. See? And you say, "Brother Branham, that's a hard thing for you to say that." I know it is. But look; let me just say this now. I suppose this is just tapes for ourselves and so**

forth. But let me say this (See?), that you--you don't--you don't get it (See?), and you're not supposed to get it. So don't try to interpret anything. See? Don't try to put your interpretation to it. You only--you only get further away.

## OBEDIENCE

### 3) 63-0901M TOKEN\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-19 SUNDAY\_

« 338 † The Token is the sign that the purchase has been **made and been accepted**. Now, you can't get the token from the railroad fare until you pay the price; and the only way you're going to pay the price is pay it. That's right. What? Believe It. Accept It. **Full obedience to the whole Word of God will entitle you to the Token. Full obedience! Not the part of It as far as your denomination goes, but all of It. Full obedience to the Word, which is Christ, brings you into Christ.**

« 339 † Now what if you was just all in, but your feet hanging out? What if you was all in, with hands hanging out? Most all of us in, but the heart hanging out? See? See? The heart's in the world yet? See? But we don't do that.

**340 Full, complete obedience puts you and the Word One. You believe It, every bit. And all of It's in you, and you watch It working through you.**

## STATURE

### 4) 64-0823E QUESTIONS.AND.ANSWERS.2\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN COD SUNDAY\_

« 117 † I am not He; I am His servant. **And the Pillar of Fire is not He; It's in Spirit form (See?) which was upon the Son of man and has come now to anoint sons of men, to bring back a ministry just exactly like He said it would be, in order for the Head and the rest of the Body to connect together.**

Just like the--like the pyramid as Enoch built. And we find in that pyramid, they never did get the headstone on it. Why? **The Headstone's yet to come.**

## GALATIANS 4:1

» 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;**

» 2 † **But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.**

» 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,**

» 5 † **To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.**

» 6 † **And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.**

» 7 † Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

5) 54-0512 THE.SEVEN.CHURCH.AGES\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-26 N-2  
WEDNESDAY\_

« 16 † I remember staying a year and six months in this Book of Revelation in--in the Tabernacle here. That's what I like in--in teaching. **I just love teaching. Oh, my. I--I--I think it's wonderful. It gives the basis and settles the church.**

6) 60-0515E ADOPTION.1\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN AD.1 SUNDAY\_

Now, preaching usually catches the sinner, brings him under condemnation by the Word. **But teaching places a man positionally what he is. And we can never rightly be able to have faith until positionally we know what we are.**

7) 60-0518 ADOPTION.2\_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN AD.2 WEDNESDAY\_

« 114 † Now, what is adoption? Now, let me get this now; I don't know whether... I won't have time to get through this, but I'll hit it. Then if there's a question, you can a--ask me a little later on sometime in the message, something. Listen. **Your adoption is not your birth. Your adoption is your placing. When you were borned again, John 1:17, I believe. When we are borned of the Spirit of God we are sons of God. But we were predestinated. Now, here's what I'm trying to get you to, for this sons of the last day (You see?), to the... See? We were predestinated to--unto adoption.**

Now, now here we are. Now, this is what hurts Pentecostal a little. They say, "I got borned again. Praise the Lord, got the Holy Ghost!" Fine. You're a child of God. That's right. **But yet that ain't what I'm talking about. See, you were predestinated unto adoption. Adoption is placing a son.**

8) 55-0116A THE.BELIEVER'S.POSITION.IN.CHRIST\_ CHICAGO.IL SUNDAY\_

« E-41 † Galatians the 4th chapter first 1 to 5 verses, gives a beautiful picture of it, how that we were under the tutors so on.

**But now, when this child was born he became a son, the very moment he was born in the family. You get it? Now, then there was a tutor over this boy, to educate him and to raise him up. Well, he was no more than a servant, said the Galatian letter, until he came to a age, a certain limited time that was set. And this tutor would always take the father word, "Your son is progressing right," or whatever it was. And now, that's**

where... I--I'm not disagreeing, my dear brother. But here take it as from one who loves you.

« E-42 † There's where Pentecost failed to see this. See? If the Holy Spirit, maybe, not willing to give it then. Look, when you were borned again of the Holy Ghost, you said, "This is It, brother."

It was; you was a child. You was just as much child as you ever could be; you were born in the family. But yet, the Tutor, which is the Holy Spirit, has watched over the church as it's been maturing.

« E-43 † Now, if this tutor in the natural went to the father and said, "Now, here, that boy is not going to be very good. I try to teach him; he--he just won't listen. He's got his own headstrong way and he just won't listen. He's going to be this, or he's going to be that."

The father realizes right then, that that boy cannot take over his domain. That's right. Because what would he do? He'd run it through... The return of the prodigal son gives a very beautiful picture of it. See? He could not. What he would do would be mortgage the farm, or sell it off, and drink it up, and run around.

« E-44 † Now, in the spiritual sense after we were born into Christ, we become children of God. But then see, God knows best. Now, here's where I say, reverently, disagree with my latter-rain brethren. You think I'm persecuting church? No, my dear brother, no. See?

Now, this boy, after he got a certain age, he had to be adopted into that same family he was borned into. Any minister knows that's the placing of a son. He had to be adopted into the family that he was borned into. Could you imagine that? But that's the Old Testament teaching; it's... Paul's referring to it here in Ephesians, the church of Ephesus.

« E-45 † Now, the thing of it is, brethren, we have tried to make each one here, and each one this, and each one that by laying on of hands and separating or setting apart. But God has to do that, the only One can do it.

Now, when the father became aware that this boy was not worthy, he never disowned him. He was still his boy. But he couldn't put confidence in him. He was too carried about with all kinds of winds of doctrine. That's what the Scripture says, "Be not carried about by every winds of doctrine, be stabled, always abounding in the works of the Lord, for so much as you know your works is not in vain." Quickly, wish we could stay on that awhile.

« E-46 † But notice. This father then... The day come when this boy maybe, had been all right and was a worthy man. He listened to the father; he took instructions; he was a good boy. Then the father taken him out into the public street, and then he put a special clothes on him. And then the father had a ceremony and adopted this his son into his family.

Paul saying here, "Having predestinated us unto the adoption (See?), unto the adoption." Moses a prefigure of it...

**And then this son after he came out there, was given no longer--no longer was he just like the servant under a tutor. He was the boss. Amen. I hope this soaks real deep.**

## **FIRST STAGE**

### **ROMANS 8:14**

- » 14 † For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.
- » 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.

## **SECOND STAGE**

- » 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.
- » 19 † For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.
- » 20 † For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope
- » 21 † Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.
- » 22 † For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

## **THIRD STAGE**

- » 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.