

The Throne of God

Sunday (am), August 4th, 2019

ISAIAH 66:1,2

¹Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest? ²For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.

ACTS 7:44,49

⁴⁴Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed, speaking unto Moses, that he should make it according to the fashion that he had seen. ⁴⁵Which also our fathers that came after brought in with Jesus into the possession of the Gentiles, whom God drave out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David; ⁴⁶Who found favour before God, and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob. ⁴⁷But Solomon built him an house. ⁴⁸Howbeit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands; as saith the prophet, ⁴⁹Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest?

62-1014M - THE STATURE OF A PERFECT MAN

76) Now, God, or the Bible said here, that. Stephen spoke of Solomon building a temple, "And the Most High don't dwell in temples made with hands. 'For Heaven is My Throne, and earth is My footstool. And where is the place of My rest?' 'But a Body has Thou prepared Me.'" Amen. There you are.

77) "A Body has Thou prepared Me." God dwells in the stature of a man, reflecting Himself into that Being. Perfect worship! God in us, being His Tabernacle, God manifesting. Oh, how we could stay on that till you would almost suffocate in here, from heat. Notice, that, God has always, at all time, reflected Himself in man.

HEBREWS 10:5

Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:

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68) Now in the... Now, "tabernacle," is, course, a place where we go to rest, now, get freshness, and so forth, like resting from sleep, or so forth. Now, Hebrews 10, and the 5th verse, Paul brings it in.

Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice... (That's Christ.)... Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:

69) What is the Tabernacle now? A Body, God tabernacling in a Body.

70) God once, up high, when He come down on the mountain, even if a bullock or a cow touched the mountain, he must be killed. God is holy.

71) Last evening, when those Angels covered Their faces. Holy Seraphims with holy faces, don't even know what sin means, and They have to cover Their face, in the Presence of God; cover Their feet, in humility.

72) Now, holy God could not condone sin, so nothing could touch the mountain where God was.

73) Then God was made flesh and dwelt among us, in the form of Jesus Christ, His Son, His creation. Then that Son gave His life, and the Blood cell of God was broken, that the Life might come out of the Blood, to us.

74) Through that Blood we are cleansed. And now our blood, our life, which came by living through sexual desire, brought our life in the world. The Blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us, changes our nature, by sending upon us the Holy Spirit; then we become into the Divine nature of God, **then we become a dwelling place for**

God. Jesus said, "At that day you'll know that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me; I in you, and you in Me." See?

75) Know how that God is in His Church. The Church is now supposed to be taking the place of Christ, carrying on His ministry. "He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also. Yet a little while, and the world seeth Me no more; yet you shall see Me, for I will be with you, even in you, to the end of the world." See? There it is, carrying on His work.

EPHESIAN CHURCH AGE - CHURCH AGE BOOK

101-1) Now why did this have to be so? Why was it that the seed of the serpent must come this way? Man was created for God. **Man was to be the temple of God.** The place of God's rest (the Holy Spirit) was man, the temple.

62-1122 - RETURN AND JUBILEE

E-38) "...In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelled among us. My sheep hear that. They know it. A stranger they will not follow." They don't hear these creeds; they don't hear these dogmas and these things that's been injected to make an organization instead of a body. "A body has Thou prepared Me," said God. Acts... or, Hebrews. "A body has Thou prepared Me. A sacrifice and offerings Thou wouldest not, but a body has Thou prepared Me," **a body of believers, a body that's been born.**

62-1111M - DEDICATION

84) Then, how beautiful Hebrews 10:5, "But a Body has thou prepared Me," showing that God was going to dwell in a Body. "... prepared Me." Oh! And when this body had been made a sacrifice, the correct Lamb had been sacrificed, there was coming forth then, **God came to His Own Body, which was His Bride.**

II CORINTHIANS 6:16-18

¹⁶And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for **ye are the temple of the living God**; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

¹⁷Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, ¹⁸And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

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346) Now, that is the House that God dwells in; not a building with a big bell on top of it, and a high steeple. See? "But a Body has Thou prepared Me," a Body that God can dwell in, God can walk in, God can see in, God can talk in, God can work in. Amen! Living instrumentality of God, **God walking on two feet, in you.** Glory! "The footsteps of the righteous is ordered of God," God walking in you. "For ye are written epistles, read of all men." And if the Life that's in Christ be in you, you'll bear the Life that Christ bore.

Altar/Throne

61-0108 - REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 2

233) As we seen them, now, that was God's Throne in Heaven, Moses patterned It on earth, was God's Throne because His judgment seat was represented here on earth in the Holy of holy. God... All Israel come to that one place to find mercy, 'cause God only met under the shed blood.

Now, listen close. Then the Shekinah Glory raised from that mercy seat one day, and It settled on another Tabernacle (Amen!), this One, "The Father judges no man but He's committed all judgment to the Son." God's Judgment Seat. Whew! "You speak against Me, it'll be forgiven you," speak **another One coming, another**

Mercy Seat. "Speak... you speak against the Son of man, I will forgive you; but someday the Holy Spirit will come to dwell in the hearts of the people, one word against It will never be forgiven."

235) It keeps getting more severe and more severe all the time, the judgment, 'cause God is continually wearing His patience out, trying to get sinners to come to Him to be reconciled. First, He was in the heavens above and shining through the stars. The second, He was on earth shining through the Shekinah Glory. Next, He come and was made flesh and dwelt among us, still wearing His patience. There, He redeemed man by His Blood, came into His Church in the form of the Holy Ghost, and speak against That it's a finished thing, done. Now you can see where the shaking come. Where the time, they don't realize. People can't comprehend what It means.

237) **Now, the first Throne was in Heaven, judgment seat. The second Throne was in Christ. The third Throne is in man.**

61-0108 - REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 3

294) Now, notice. Yeah, now Cain... Oh, here's Cain; and here's Abel, Abel. All right. Now, both boys come up to this gate to worship. Is that right? So it must have been God's altar. Is that right? And before this altar they built substitutionary, another altar. **Here's the true altar of God, is in the heart of man.**

61-0108 - REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 3

328 Now we're living in another age. Glory! Oh, I love this age! Don't you? Now, God has a mercy seat today to be guarded. You believe that? **Where's the mercy seat found? In the heart of man.** Where did it come in the heart of man? **At the day of Pentecost when the Holy Ghost (which is God) come into the human heart.**

61-0108 - REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 3

266 ...Now, **when Ezekiel saw the Glory of God, he saw the same thing that John saw. You remember last Sunday how we got "the Glory of God," and got the picture where He had It taken with us?** You remember that? "The Glory of God," the same thing Ezekiel saw, same thing John saw, here It is today.

61-0108 - REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 3

308) Now, "the mercy seat." Now, the mercy seat's in the heart, seat where the shining forth of His Glory in all of His children, the Shekinah Glory in the human heart. Here is the human heart. Is that right? Is that the mercy seat? How do you come through it into That through these different systems? Through self-will, self-will. Comes into here, and through there, comes out what? Shekinah Glory. What is the Shekinah Glory? Is God's Presence. And when a man's walking, or a woman, he's reflecting the Shekinah Glory. He don't go into gambling dens and carry on, and go out here and deny the Word. No matter what the people says, he's got his heart set on one thing: God. And if he's truly called of God then Jesus Christ reflects Himself through him with the Shekinah Glory, doing the same things He did back there; manifest the same Gospel, preaching the same Word, same Word being made manifest in the same measure it was then, just like it was truly at Pentecost it's measured back again. Oh, my!

309) "Mercy seat." Ezekiel and John both seen the same things.

Partnership with Man

61-0108 REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 3

228) Now, to this gate there's only one, **one gate, that's called "self-will."** You're the boss of what goes in there.

63-0728 - CHRIST IS THE MYSTERY OF GOD REVEALED

168) Now, oh, the great revelation now! Now to restore back His kinship, to bring back, now, He had to let them get lost. You understand it? He had to let them sin, put them on free moral... He, He could not make them sin, and remain God, and then punish them for something He made them do.

169) But when He put man on partnership with Him, then let man act as a free moral agent, see, the same thing He's got you on today. See? See? You act any way you want to; you're a free moral agent. So, therefore, if He put the first like that, He has to put the second like that, He has to put everyone like that, or He acted wrong in the first place. See? But everybody is on that same basis.

61-0108 - REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 3

231) How did it? Self-will. Why will you call that 'self-will,' Brother Branham?" Because it puts a man and woman back again just like Adam and Eve at the garden of Eden. On what? The two trees! Self-will, this one is death. This one is Life, self-will. Immoral... Free moral agency! God placed the first man, Adam and Eve, right here on free moral agency. He places you the same place. And the only way that you can get this thing fixed in here is your own self-will. Hallelujah! Your self-will! **You have to will to do God's Will. You have to get rid of your own will to let God's Will come in, for this is the only channel that leads to the heart.**

232) Oh, you can join church, you Baptists and Presbyterians. And you Methodists and Pilgrim Holiness can come to sanctification. But you have to will to do God's Will, self-will, to let the Holy Spirit come in here, to bring forth. "These signs shall follow them that believe. In My Name they shall cast out devils. They shall speak with new tongues. They shall lay their hands on the sick or take up deadly things, and so forth. These signs shall follow them that has let their will become My Will, and the works that I do shall they do also." I hope you don't miss it. There's a will to do God's Will. You see what I mean?

I PETER 5:5-7

⁵Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. ⁶Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: ⁷Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

61-0108 - REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 2

272) Then how do--how do we get into this? Now, remember, there was a veil, a veil that hangs between the holy and the Holiest of holy. In the Holiest of holies is where Christ comes to sit down on your heart's throne, Christ is enthroned. He comes through justification (Is that right?); sanctification; "And then by one... " (water... by one church... by one creed... No!) "by one Spirit," from here are we all baptized into one Body which is the Body of Christ. By the what? Holy Spirit.

Who comes in? Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Pentecostals, whosoever will. That veil, you know what that veil is that veils your heart from it? Are you ready? **The veil is called "self-will."** Do you get the picture now? The senses out there, the senses on the body and the senses to the soul, and the veil between that and the holy place, the Holiest of holy. And the only way that you can get in there is to have self-will! "For whosoever... " What? Whosoever shakes hands? Whosoever is immersed? Whosoever joins the church? Whosoever passes his letter? Whosoever does... ? No! "Whosoever will come beyond the veil."

I CORINTHIANS 9:24-27

²⁴Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. ²⁵And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. ²⁶I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the

air: ²⁷But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

63-0728 - CHRIST IS THE MYSTERY OF GOD REVEALED

199) God is speaking back through His Word, to His people, by people. See, God only speaks through man. "I am the Vine, ye are the branches." The Vine doesn't bear fruit. The branches talk, bears the fruit of the Vine. Notice, it's always been that way.

MATTHEW 7:7,8

⁷Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: ⁸For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

59-1115 - MY NEW MINISTRY

E-95) Now, you say, "Well, if He knows it, then why you preaching?" That's God... part of God's program. Preaching is His program. When He looked upon the apostles, He looked upon the harvest. He said, "The harvest is ripe, and the laborers are few. Pray the Lord of the harvest that He will send laborers into His harvest." How many remember that? Well, why would they have to pray to the Lord of harvest to send laborers into His harvest, if the Lord of the harvest was standing there knowing it would be done? Why? God has so arranged it, that His...

Now, listen to this. God has so arranged it, that His program cannot move without you and I. And as long as we're not doing what God leads us to do, we're paralyzing His program. But when the Church moves by the anointing of the Holy Ghost, then we're in God's will, doing His program.

62-0401 - WISDOM VERSUS FAITH

357) Why did Jesus stand there, say to Mary and Martha, "Take ye away the stone"? Why, He was God. He could said, "Stone, be no more," and it wouldn't been there. But she had something to do.

358) Why did He stand there, look upon the harvest? You believe He was the Lord of the harvest? He said to His disciples, "You pray the Lord of the harvest, that He will send laborers into His harvest." Other words, "You ask Me to do what I'm going to do." See?

359) We're buddies. It's a Church. We've got something to do, ourself. You've got something to do. Here is the Gospel, I know It, but if you just set here and don't preach It, what good is It going to do? See? You got something do. You got to make an effort. You say, "Well, I believe God can heal, but I just don't know." Stand up and let that Word become your word. Believe It. Don't reason It; just believe It.

JEREMIAH 29:10-14

¹⁰For thus saith the LORD, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. ¹¹For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. ¹²Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. ¹³And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart. ¹⁴And I will be found of you, saith the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

65-1207 - LEADERSHIP

153) Sometime in life we have to confront the thing just like this young man did, because you are a mortal being and you are given the opportunity of choice. You have a choice. God made it so you can choose. If He put Adam and Eve on free moral agency so they could choose, and then they made the wrong choice, and,

see, He can do no more to you than He did to them. He's got to put you the same thing so you can choose or reject.

65-1121 - WHAT HOUSE WILL YOU BUILD ME

41) Dear God, as we stand here on this platform, which represents, right over the altar here, we realize that we are a dying race of people, as far as this earth is concerned. We look out upon the streets and see sin wrote everywhere, and that the Glory of the Lord is swiftly departing. And we know, **when the Glory of the Lord goes up, so will the Church go with It.**

61-0108 - REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR 3

298) ...Another thing, notice here's another evidence. Cain... Watch the Bible now! I'd have you to turn to it, but it... never mind, you get it in Genesis. All right, watch. Cain went out, Cain went out from the Presence of the Lord from the gate at the garden. So the Presence of the Lord must have been at the altar, and the altar was at the gate. Glory! Oh! All right. **It's God's dwelling place, at His altar.**

PSALM 132:13,14

¹³For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his habitation. ¹⁴This is my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it.

I PETER 4:12-19

¹²Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: ¹³But 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. ¹⁴If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified. ¹⁵But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. ¹⁶Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf. ¹⁷For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? ¹⁸And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? ¹⁹Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.