

DIVINE ORDER TEACHING  
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MELCHISEDEC ORDER

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The Highest Purpose for Man

To be content with food and raiment,  
the necessities of life

To be in a place free from the influence of  
Babylon and free to exercise and grow in God

To find your place in the Kingdom of God  
which is coming on the Earth

Our scripture text begins with the book of Eph. 1:8. And I might briefly share a truth with you, the books of Ephesians and Colossians of the New Testament are God's Sonship books. They contain truth for those who are ready to come to full growth, for those who are ready to come to maturity. Therefore, the truth that is in them can only be eaten and grasped by those who are ready to come to maturity.

All of Paul's other epistles in the New Testament are for the teenagers in Christ. Now I could preach a whole sermon showing you how this is so, but I'd like to give you just one point. You see, teenagers always have problems, don't they? I'm sure you see that in the natural all around you. Teenagers always have all kinds of

problems just because they are teenagers, and they already think they know it all, so therefore, nobody can tell them anything. This leads to problems. Finally they bump their head against the wall long enough until they discover that there are elders who can teach them a few things, and they begin to be lifted out of their problems. If you will check the New Testament through, you'll find that every one of Paul's epistles, excepting the books of Ephesians and Colossians, he has to spend practically the whole book dealing with problems in the church. In the book of Thessalonians, they have their problems. There are some fellows who had come in teaching the resurrection was already past and that they were living in the resurrection. You'd be surprised to know we still have a few of those going around in the world today. And then there were some fellows teaching that, setting the time for the coming of Christ, and he was going to come in the next few weeks and therefore some of the people quit work and were just lying down waiting for Christ to come. And we've got a few of those today, too. And Paul had to write them and say "he that won't work shant eat." It's still in the Word, Brethren.

Then the Galatians had their problems. The thirteen Apostles had gotten the revelation of the Body of Christ and the liberty of the sons of God and had come and fathered

them in the move of God. But then the Judaeizing Christians, I have to say it, the Pentecostals, from up in Jerusalem, from the organization headquarters, had come along. And they were trying to draw the Galatian Christians back into the bondage of legalism again, and they were teaching them, "it's wonderful to believe in Jesus and to have the Spirit but you've still got to keep the law," "get circumcised, women can't speak in the church," all that stuff. And those foolish Galatians were falling for it and they were going back into that letter, and Paul had to write to them and say, "My little children, I travail in birth for you again, that Christ be formed in you. And how is it that having begun in the Spirit, you're going to go back being made perfect in the flesh and the letter of the law?" And then the Corinthians, the ones that had the gifts in the Spirit, and we think they are the most mature today, don't we? Especially if they have the gift of healing and a tent, running around the country praying for folks. But the Corinthians, they had more problems than anybody. The whole book is full of problems. Problems about marriage, problems about spiritual gifts, problems about fornication in the church, and they had one problem there in Corinth, that I'm sure glad we don't have today, the people had all divided themselves up and were following different preachers.

One said, "I'm a follower of Apollos" and the other said, "I'm a follower of Cephas." I'm sure glad we don't have that problem in the church today, aren't you? But you study the books of Ephesians and Colossians and you won't find Paul dealing with one problem in the church. You won't find him having to straighten out one mess! Hallelujah! But you'll find him opening up those sweet meats, our sister saw in the vision and you'll find him cracking this nut called Christianity, and enabling us to see deep inside it. And starting them where they were, and taking them on to the eternal purpose and the plan of God for them, and ministering to the Ephesians and the Colossians truth that we don't dare minister to the Corinthians today. Now just follow

that thought through and study the books of Ephesians and Colossians and you'll see that it's so. They are the Sonship books in the New Testament. So that's what we're teaching and that's what we're trying to go on to, is Sonship. All we are trying to do here is fulfill the eternal purpose and plan of God for the Body of Christ. So we are going to be ministering to you about that eternal purpose.

Beginning with Eph. 1:8, we read as Paul spoke by the Spirit saying: 8. Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; 9. Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself by the Spirit.

And then in verse 10, Paul tells us what the mystery of his will is, what the mystery of God's purpose is: 10. That in the dispensation of the fullness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth, even in him.

Now you've got to become spiritual to understand these phrases; "in one," and "in him." I'm going to add just two verses of scripture to that in chapter 2, beginning with verse 14. For he is our peace, who hath (notice that hath is past tense, it's all done) made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us: 15. Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances.

Now here is the important part, these next few words, "for to make in himself of the twain (and surely you know that twain means two) of the two, one new man." Hallelujah!

Now we are dealing with the purpose of God here, beloved. Why God called us, why God saved us, why God borned us again, why God baptized us in the Spirit. The total purpose of God we're dealing with here. And our truth begins with the fact of verse 8, that he hath, past tense you see, already abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence, past tense, that the hath already abounded, that word, "abounded" speaks of abundance. Not just enough, but more than enough. Glory to God. That he hath already abounded

toward us in all wisdom. When are we going to wake up and recognize that we don't have to be in the dark any longer? When are we going to wake up and recognize that Jesus Christ didn't come and shed his blood to take us piggyback to heaven, by and by. But he came so that God might abound toward us in all wisdom. For the Bible says; he is already made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification and redemption. And the old Apostle said in Col. 1: I am made a minister that I might fulfill the word of God, even the mystery which was hid in God in times past but now is made manifest to us., now is revealed to us, now is opened up to us, now is made manifest to us through his Apostles and Prophets. Not just through his Apostles is this mystery of Christ made manifest to us, but through his Apostles and Prophets. Beloved, I have preached this end time message across the earth for three years and I've never preached it in any one place more than a week at a time, in city after city in the earth, that God hasn't raised up seeing prophets, and they began seeing visions confirming the word that I have preached. I preached it in Florida and out of the midst of the people came a vision of a side of beef, and God said, "this is my plan, grade A beef." Hallelujah, fulfill the word of God even the mystery which was hid in times past, but now it is made manifest to us, is no longer a mystery, it is unveiled to us through his Apostles and Prophets, even the mystery which is Christ in you, is the hope of your glory.

And we don't have to be in darkness anymore. He hath abounded already toward us in all wisdom and prudence. Nineteen hundred years ago, when Jesus Christ shed his blood, to cleanse a many membered body and being exalted to the right hand of the Father he received the promise of the Spirit, and sent him forth to indwell in us and to lead us into all truth. At that moment he abounded toward us, in all wisdom, when the Spirit was poured out on a hundred and twenty disciples nineteen hundred years ago. When he who was sent

to lead us into all truth, was poured out on a hundred and twenty disciples, nineteen hundred years ago, at that moment God abounded toward us in all wisdom. Do you know why there were a hundred twenty disciples in the upper room that day? Not a hundred twenty-one, not a hundred fifty, but a hundred twenty? It was impossible for them to be more or less than a hundred twenty. Because, you see, twelve is the number in the numerology of God that denotes all, absolutely all or the end. And the end of God's plan is Sonship. You see, we have sixty seconds in a minute, sixty minutes in an hour, twenty-four hours in a day, seven days in a week, and four weeks in a month, and twelve months in a year. But when you come to twelve you come to the end of time as we know it. You come to the highest denomination of time as we know it, you can start over with two years, three years, four years, but you've come to the end. For twelve is the number of the end, all absolutely all. And in that upper room long ago, there were one, two and zero. One, two, and no more. The number twelve was there to signify to us that when that spirit was poured out in fullness upon a hundred and twenty it was poured out at that moment on all the sons of God that would ever come forth until the end of God's plan. And at that moment, he abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence, and we don't have to live in darkness anymore, we don't have to be in ignorance anymore. You know they used to tell us in the old order system, "Well, there are just some things that God doesn't want you to know." I heard that as soon as I got saved. "You have to go on by faith, by faith," but the Bible doesn't teach that. And then they quote you that scripture where Isaiah said about three thousand years ago, "as heavens are high above the earth, so God's ways are higher than our ways." And they quote you that scripture and they say, "some things God just doesn't want you to know." Well, I want to tell you something, beloved. Perhaps, three thousand years ago when God spoke to Isaiah, God's ways were above our ways than the heavens were above the earth. But I've got news for you.

It's three thousand years later and today they're getting closer and closer together all the time. And the day is going to come when God's ways are not going to be higher than our ways. But we will have come to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, and God's ways will be our ways, and our ways will be God's ways. And there won't be any separation anymore! God might have said it through Isaiah long ago, but he didn't say it had to stay that way. And the hour is coming when we shall, as Paul said in I Cor. 13, "We shall know even as we are known." Hallelujah. "Now we see through a glass darkly but then we shall see face to face." The hour is upon us when the knowledge of the Lord is going to cover the earth like the waters cover the sea.

He's already abounded toward us in wisdom, all we have to do is wait on God to give us his revelation of his plan and his order step by step. All he has to find are some yielded vessels. The Spirit has already been planted in us to lead us into all truth. He's abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence. The next line says, "Having made known unto us the mystery of his will." And beloved, please ask God to show you that the mystery of Christ is not simple. The mystery of Christ, the mystery of God's will is not simple or God wouldn't have called it a mystery. The mystery of Christ and God's eternal purpose in Christ is not simple, beloved. This mystery reaches out and embraces the tabernacle that Moses pitched in the wilderness, every piece of furniture, the table of shewbread, the candlestick, the golden altar of incense, the ark of the covenant.

Don't you rest until God shows you what everyone of them means and how everyone of them must be fulfilled in us in this hour. The high priest and his garments, every portion of the garment that his body was clothed with, is going to have to be fulfilled in us, the Body of Christ in this last hour. God's mystery embraces the whole book from Genesis to Revelation and it's not simple.

One dear saint in Lubbock, Texas sent one of our publications called The Word to Dr. So and So, who was pastor of a first church there. She was just coming into the move of God and she hadn't learned better than that yet. She thought he would get all excited about the tabernacle and the mysteries that were there and so forth. So he read it, and then he sent it back to her with a little note and he said, "I find it scripturally unsound, psychologically queer, and the gospel of Jesus Christ is simple. Just believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." I gave her a little note to take back to him in love and I said, "I plead with you, Brother, not to look at it through the eye of psychology, but through the eye of the Spirit of God. Then I don't think you'll find it psychologically queer anymore." Hallelujah.

This mystery is not simple, beloved. But God has made known unto us in this New Testament dispensation, and particularly in this last hour, the mystery of his will. He's unveiling it for us. And that's what we're reaching out for God to reveal, the revelation of the mystery of Christ, line upon line and precept upon precept. Then in verse 10, God tells us what that mystery is. Notice in verse 9 it says, "the mystery of his will which he hath purposed." So we're dealing with God's purpose here. And in verse 10, he tells us what the mystery of God's plan for the Body of Christ is, what the mystery of God's eternal purpose for his creation is. It's all wrapped up in verse 10, "that in the dispensation of the fullness of times." And Brethren, I want you to know that dispensation of the fullness of times is upon us. And do you know what that dispensation of time is? It's a period of time when God deals with men in a certain way. And do you know what the dispensation of the fullness of times is? It's that dispensation of time when God is going to fulfill and bring to a fullness all the things which he's been laying the foundation for in all the times in the past. And that dispensation of the fullness of times is upon us. Therefore, is God fulfilling his eternal purpose in us. What is that purpose? That in the dispensation of the fullness of times, he

might gather together. That's what he's doing today, he's gathering together. Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Pentecostal, what have you, they're coming out of Babylon and God is gathering together. Glory to God.

In this hour, we don't care what label you bear, and we don't know you by what label you bear, but we know you in the spirit of God and by the Spirit of God. And he's gathering together all in the Spirit. Therefore, if you come into this assembly and you're moving in the Spirit, of course you can feel free to move into this pulpit and minister whatever you desire. For if you are in the Spirit we will know you in the Spirit, and if you're not, we'll know that too.

Gathering together, that in the dispensation of the fullness of time, he might gather together. That's the word for this hour, beloved, that he might gather together in one. If you miss that phrase, and it's meaning of one, then you're dead. If you miss that phrase "in one," and its meaning, you've missed God. "That he might gather together in one." Not in five, ten, twenty, thirty; not in Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, not in my little group or your little group, but in one. In one. Hallelujah.

And let me serve you warning, Brethren. Here in Miami, we're always looking for something that's moving in what God's doing to join ourselves to. In the old days we got a little new truth and we said, "We're the true New Testament church, therefore, everybody's going to have to come and join us." Well, we don't want you to join us. If you're moving in God, we'll join you. Hallelujah. If you're moving in what God's doing in this hour, we'll join you. So if God hasn't told you yet, beloved, if you get another truth that the rest of the Body of Christ didn't get, for God's sake, don't build another New Testament church. We've got about a thousand of them across the country. They're all New Testament churches, and they all think they're the only New Testament church. As soon as they get another line and precept that God has for his whole body, they say, "we are the New Testament church now and everybody is going to have to come to us." And

they get a revelation that everybody is going to have to come to them in the end. And they start building themselves another kingdom around that one truth that God has given them.

Beloved, let me tell you, Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, Pentecostal, what have you, whatever level of revelation, or whatever level of experience they may be in their growth in God, they're all God's New Testament church. They're all the Body of Christ. We may have one more line or precept that they don't have. If we do, God has given it to us only that we might suffer to share with them.

Don't build another New Testament church, please, if God gave you a little fresh truth today. We've got too many already. We're not expecting anyone to come join us, we'll join you, if you're moving in what God's doing. We'll seek only to add to what we're doing because we know in the end, it must be "in one." That's our vision.

We know in the end there must be one body. And I'll tell you something else too. In order for us to join you, or for you to join us, we don't require that you believe everything we believe, just the way we believe it, we only require that you don't require us to believe everything you believe, just the way you believe it. Then we can all move on in the unity of the Spirit of God and one day God will bring us to the unity of doctrine. For we are one and this is the hour when he is bringing together in one all things which are in Christ.

Now I'm glad he said, "all things which are in Christ." I'm glad he didn't just say, "all things," bring together all things. Because if he said, "bring together all things," then that would make it a work of the flesh. And these fleshy men are always trying to get all things together under their banner. Khrushchev tried to get everything under his banner, DeGaulle tried to get everything under his banner, President Johnson tried to get everything under his banner. Time wouldn't permit me to talk about all the churches that are trying to get everything together under their banner in the flesh. But since he didn't just say gather together all things.

But he said that in the dispensation of the fullness of times, he might gather together all things that are in Christ. Brethren that makes it not a work of the flesh, but a work of the spirit of God. And that's the one I'm going with, because you can bet your boots, that's the one that's going to succeed. "He may gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth." Now you need to know about this one also. I've got news for you. God isn't just gathering us together. This plan of God, this eternal purpose of God is not just here on this physical plane. Some folks haven't recognized that God's plan is for his whole creation. There is a warfare going on in the heavenlies also, and that when God gets through, the mystery of Christ is far bigger than most of us thought. For the Bible says, "of him and in him do all things consist and have their being." And God isn't just bringing together in one we who are in Christ here, but his purpose is: "that in the dispensation of the fullness of time, he might bring together in one," in the Body of Christ, "all things both which are on earth and in the heavens." And I've got news for you, beloved. The day is going to come when walking right here on this good green earth, in this state of Florida, I'm going to have the same communication and fellowship with the holy ones that I'm having with you. Some folks don't know that there are things that are in the spiritual realms, that are in Christ. The Bible says in the book of Hebrews, "we've been brought to fellowship with the general assembly of the first-born with an innumerable company of angels and the spirits of just men who have already been made perfect."

Our fellowship is with them. The angels in the heavenlies are in Christ. All things that are of God are in Him. And Brethren, the day is going to come, when walking up and down here on this good green earth, I'm going to have the same communication and fellowship with Michael and Gabriel and the spirits of just men made perfect, and all those in the heavenlies, that I'm having right here with you.

And I'm not going to have to wait until I get out there to do it either.

People say, "Bro. Fife, you're going to have fellowship with the angels; communication with the angels? That's impossible!" Well, I want you to know I'm already having it. For the Bible says the angels are ministering spirits who are sent forth to minister to me. If it wasn't for the fellowship that I have with the ministering spirits who are sent forth to minister to me, my airplane would have long since been knocked out of the air ever since God set me to flying. And if it weren't for the visions that have been ministered to me by the angels of the Lord warning me at various times of the plans the devil has made to knock my plane out of the air, I wouldn't be here preaching to you this afternoon.

I'll give you a couple of examples, I remember one time about a year ago, when my wife and I were holding meetings in Colorado Springs. We had finished five days of meeting there, Monday through Friday and were scheduled to leave Saturday morning and fly to Lubbock, Texas, to begin ministering there in Lubbock. We had our bags all packed. Then Saturday morning just at daylight, I awoke, I became wide awake. An angel of the Lord began ministering to me a vision. In this vision I saw my airplane flying through the air, and a dark cloud came up behind it, and engulfed, enveloped the airplane. So I knew the ministering spirits were warning me that Satan had plans to put my airplane out of the air, to cause it to crash that day.

And I waited on the Lord, to see if God was warning me that I should cancel my trip, or if I should just speak the word of faith. Then the Lord said speak the word of faith. So I spoke the word of faith for God to deliver from it. My wife and I got up and got dressed and ready to go. The brother, at whose house were staying, was also a pilot, but he doesn't have a plane. And because we were flying to Denver (20 minutes away) to pick up a lady who decided to hitch a ride with us to Amarillo, he decided to fly with us to pick up this lady, and then we'd drop him off on the way back, in order

for him to get in a little flying time and experience. So we went out to the airport together, and this brother said he noticed that I checked the plane over more than I ever had before, because I was looking for that thing that God had warned me about in the vision, but I didn't see anything. So we climbed in the plane, and he got in the pilot's seat. We flew up to Denver, and it only took about twenty minutes. When we landed, we noticed that the brakes were pulling a little to the left. I didn't think it was anything too important. Probably a little grease on them that would burn off. So we taxied up, and picked up this lady, and then I got in the pilot's seat, because we were going to drop the brother off on the way back. And as I taxied out to the takeoff runway, I noticed that the brakes were still pulling to the left. And as I was on the end of the runway, warming up my engine, getting ready to take off, the Spirit of the Lord spoke to me and said "don't take it off. It was those brakes I was warning you

about in the vision." So I turned and taxied back to the hangar. I called the mechanic out and asked him to look at my brakes. He took a look at those brakes and he said, "Man, it's a good thing you didn't take this plane down the runway one more time to take off, because there is a disc on the outside of the wheel that has to do with the brakes that is supposed to have five clips in it, holding it in. But everyone of those clips is gone," and the mechanic said, "if you had taken that airplane down the runway one more time to take off, that disc would have come out and locked itself in the wheel and flipped the airplane over and that would have been the end of you."

Brethren, I could give you many more instances, but the middle wall of partition, the veil between flesh and spirit is already being broken down, already having communication. That's why God supernaturally birthed you in the Spirit, baptized you in the Spirit and now is growing you up in the Spirit, so that he could gather us together in the Spirit with those in the Spirit in the heavenlies, and make us all one in

him. That in the dispensation of the fullness of times, he might bring together in one all things that are in Christ, things in heaven, and things in the earth.

And then verse 14 of chapter 2 says: "for he is our peace." We have a lot of so called wise men in the earth, who think they're going to bring peace in the earth. And they have all their kind of plans, and they get together with their congress and their committees, and they have all their plans for peace. But today, in this message, I'm going to give you a revelation of God's plan for bringing peace in the earth in the Body of Christ; in and through the Body of Christ. It's the only thing that is ever going to bring peace in the earth, this eternal purpose and plan of God.

"For he is our peace, for he has broken down the middle wall of partition," and this is the hour when God is breaking down all the middle walls of partition of denominationalism, that have had us separated, he's breaking down the middle walls of partition of race and color. I've got news for you, Brethren, when I was in Haiti ministering a couple of months ago, the only all Negro republic in the world, I slept with my Haitian brethren, I ate with my Haitian brethren, I put my arms around my Haitian brethren and kissed them on the cheek, just the way I would you. For God is breaking down the middle wall of partition in the Body of Christ. And I want to tell you this, we've just got time to touch on it. If this question of desegregation or segregation isn't already settled in your mind and heart, then you're missing God. Let them fight about it out in the world. They are never going to settle it. But let me tell you something, the Bible says in Christ there is neither Jew nor Greek, bond nor free, male nor female, black nor white. But of one spirit we have all been baptized into one body. And how in the world are you going to segregate yourself from your own body? I preach this all across the country. Even in Birmingham, Alabama a few weeks ago and Brother, you better know God's with you when you preach it there. Hallelujah. God is breaking down the middle wall of partition that he might make the twain, of

all the two's that have been separated in the earth, that he might make, of all the two's, one new man. And not just one man. For those who leave out the little word new."

He's making one new man. There's going to be a new man after a new order. He's going to be a new creation. That's God's purpose for calling us, for borning us again, for baptizing us in the Spirit, for breaking down all the walls of partition, for bringing together all things that are in Christ, that he might make of all the

two's (there won't be anymore two when God gets through) one new man. And here's what this man is going to be for.

A new man for a new age. That's what God's doing, Brethren, he's preparing a new man for a new age. I hope we don't shock any of the children, but you see, all of our so-called orthodox life, all we ever heard was "the end of the world, the end of the world, the end of the world coming."

So we grew up looking for the end of the world. All the preachers ever thought about was the "end of the world."

Now I'm going to tell you something folks, there ain't going to be any end of this world. I can speak better English than that, I'm just trying to emphasize. There ain't going to be any end of this world. There is just going to be an end of an age.

If you would like an interesting study, that will really open your eyes, you don't have to know Greek to do it. Get yourself one of these big thick books called Young's

Analytical Concordance. That takes all the words in your English translation and right beside it gives the original

Greek word and the true meaning for the original Greek and Hebrew word. Look up all those scriptures in the King

James translation where Jesus spoke of "the end of the world." You'll discover in the original, Jesus never said the

"end of the world" at all, he just said "the end of an age."

Look up all the times where Jesus spoke in the King James version of "those who would be counted worthy to attain to

the next world." And when we read about that, we thought about way out there somewhere, didn't we? Check it, and

you'll find in the original Greek, Jesus didn't say, "those who

are counted worthy to attain to the next world," but he said, "those who are counted worthy to attain to the next age." Right here! Beloved, there isn't going to be any end of this world. You might as well stop packing your grips and praying to God to kill you and take you to heaven. We have too many Christians in the world today with dying faith, but they don't have any living faith. They're always wanting to die, and go off to heaven to be with the Lord. That is until they get a belly ache, then they run down to the hospital and spend their very last dime to keep from going out there to be with the Lord. It gets pretty ridiculous. They're always preaching to go out to be with him. Something is wrong, there is a squirrel in that hole somewhere. It's because it's not of the Spirit of God. Because the Spirit of God doesn't want us out there, he wants us right here bringing in this new age. There will be no end of this world, only an end of an age. An end of an age of sickness, an end of an age of suffering, an end of an age of sorrow, an end of an age of sin, an end of an age. An end of an age in which Lucifer and his demon kingdom has been ruling over the world, and a bringing in of a new age in which God's many membered man is going to be ruler over all this world that God created for the sons of God right here! That's what God called his many membered son out for and that's what God is preparing him for. For a new age. There is only going to be an end of an age in which God, through his redemptive plan in Christ is calling out and preparing a new man and bringing him to Christ's stature. And when this new man is prepared, then God by his judgment is going to wipe every other man off the face of this earth. And those saints who work toward this day, who've gone on to be with the Lord, are going to return incorruptible to be with Jesus. But he's bringing together in one the things, all the things in the heaven. And they're going to be a part of this man also. And we are going to reign in this earth, throughout eternity! Hallelujah! God spoke to Isaiah long ago. And he said he formed it to be

inhabited, and Brethren, she's going to be inhabited, on and on and on! Hallelujah!

No sense in going out there because you won't be able to stay long. Because God's raising up a group of sons of God that are going to fulfill God's plan. All he's going to have to do is come back with Jesus when we bring him back, so why go to all the trouble. Frankly, I'd rather be here to greet him, than go out there to come back with him. And I intend to do so. You see, God is preparing a new man for a new age right here on this earth. And when he gets that man prepared, a many membered man, then he's going to cleanse the earth, just the way he cleansed it in Noah's day. And the other man, they'll go to their Hades throughout eternity. Those who rejected and refused to become a part of the Body, this new man. And then God's going to turn it over to this new man for a new age. But, here's what I have to warn you of, this new man is going to be after a new order.

First, I want to drive home, what new order means. We hear the words floating around the earth today. Old order, new order, divine order. Then some folks don't know what order means. They hear the words, "new order" or "divine order" and they think it's just a new message that's coming forth. That's all it means, for everybody to preach and shout about. Oh, beloved, if that's all you see in it, you're going to miss it. An order means a system of things. There always has to be an order, beloved, remember that.

If some of those preach that God is doing away with the organization in this hour (we're not preaching he's doing away with order), some of the little ones want to follow the revelation; "Well, we've broken away from the organization, we're meeting in our homes now. For divine order, we'll all gather around and whoever wants to say something, they'll say it. And we won't have any head over us except Jesus. Anybody can jump up at the pulpit and say anything they want to any time." Brethren, that's not divine order, that's no order. And if you get involved in it, you're going to have a mess. Divine order is that order God has revealed in

scripture, that he is going to put this new man in. Hallelujah. This new man is going to be after a new order. He's not going to be after the old Levitical order of Aaron, and the Aaronic priesthood. You see, beloved, a priest in any age, and in any situation is only a mediator between God and the rest of his creation. That's what a priest is. This new man is going to be a priest forever. He's going to be the mediator through which God meets the rest of his creation forever. But he's not going to be a priest after the order of Aaron and the Levitical order of Moses. Neither is he going to be a priest after the so-called democratic order that we have in the world and in the church today.

This new man is going to be a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec. For God had a priesthood long before Moses. Sometimes we don't think He did, we think the first priesthood that ever came into being was the Levitical priesthood, which came through Moses. We're not just quoting scripture, we're just dealing with how it has been in the earth. God had a preacher long before Moses, God had a priest long before Moses, long before Aaron. And he was God's church for that hour, because Abraham paid tithes to him. His name was Melchisedec. You see, the Apostle Paul reveals in Hebrews 5 that there are a lot of New Testament truths we ought to know about Melchisedec that we don't know yet. For Paul went out in the desert and got the revelation and the things that Peter died not knowing, and all the other Apostles also. Paul said to the Hebrew Christians of his day as he spoke of Melchisedec and the fact that Christ is a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec. And there in the last part of chapter 5, Paul said, "I've got many more things to teach you about Melchisedec, but I can't teach them to you because your ears have become dull of hearing. And when for the time you ought to have become teachers of others, you've become such as have need of the milk of the word again." Hasn't the Holy Spirit ever pricked your curiosity as to what Paul wanted to teach those Hebrews about Melchisedec? Well, Brother, he has mine. He dealt

with mine until finally I got on my knees. Because if the Spirit wanted to minister to the Hebrew Christians, then it was New

Testament truths. And for years, I knew that God had truth for the New Testament Body of Christ concerning Melchisedec. But he couldn't give it to us for the same reason he couldn't give it to the Hebrews. Because most of the church today, when for the time they've been Christians, some have been Christians forty years and they ought to have become teachers of the mystery of Christ, and most of them have become such as need the milk of the word again. So I waited on God for that Melchisedec truth that's pertinent to God's purpose for us. Now let me give it to you.

You see, Melchisedec, at the time of Abraham, was King of Salem. And Salem was the city which later became Jerusalem. By interpretation, Salem means Peace, or city of peace. And so in that sense, Melchisedec was a type of Jesus, who is the king of New Jerusalem. The spiritual Salem. Since he was king of the city of peace, he was also a type of Jesus, who is also the King of the city of peace. But more than that, as the scriptures present Melchisedec to us, he's the only character in the Old Testament that has no genealogy. Check your Old Testament and just about every other Israelite ever mentioned from the littlest to the biggest, they always gave a genealogy for him. Every time they mention somebody's name, they said he was the son of so and so, the son of so and so, the son of so and so, and after while you get tired of reading it. But you see for Melchisedec, it presents no genealogy for him. And for a purpose. The Apostle Paul explains to us that purpose in the New Testament. He says God presented Melchisedec to us as having no genealogy. Therefore, implying to us he had neither mother, nor father, nor beginning, nor end of days. And Paul said in that sense, he was a type and a revelation of Jesus, who is also a priest forever, not after the order of Aaron but after the order of Melchisedec. Now since Jesus is a priest after the order of Melchisedec, and the Bible says

you and I are in him, we better get out our thinking caps, amen? We're in him. And he's the priest after the order of Melchisedec.

Therefore, Jesus as he is in the heavenlies, he doesn't have a mother or father, for he is over all. Now when he was here on the earth, he had an earthly mother, in the womb of Mary, and he was conceived of the Holy Ghost. Therefore, he didn't have an earthly father, but now he is even over Mary, she's not over him anymore. As he abides now, he has neither mother nor father, and he is eternal, neither does he have beginning nor end of days. He abideth a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec.

Now let's bring this thing down to you and me. We are in him. He and Melchisedec are not the only ones that have neither mother nor father, nor beginning nor end of days, because you and I don't have an earthly father nor mother anymore. For we've had a supernatural birthing from above. And we've been conceived by the Holy Ghost. Not an earthly mother even, but in the womb of the church. Like Melchisedec and like Jesus, we also have neither mother nor father. The word says that he is eternal, and the Bible says we are in him. Therefore, we have neither beginning nor end of days either, but we abide as priests forever after the order of Melchisedec.

God has finally brought forth a priest in Jesus to replace Aaron in the Aaronic priesthood. For he has neither beginning nor end of days and can't die, and doesn't have to be replaced by some guy that's going to make a mess out of things. And you see, even under this so-called democratic priesthood, we have in the church today, priests die. And a generation of the priesthood dies. They are usually replaced by a bunch of political generations, that make a mess out of things.

Do you want me to prove it to you? In John Wesley's day, there was a priestly ministry that was moving in the spirit of God. But those priests died, they had to die. They were not suffered as Paul said "to continue by reason of death." And

they were replaced in Methodism by a priesthood today that made the biggest mess out of things you ever saw. They don't have anything left but their name. The anointing of God has departed. But in this hour, God is raising up in Christ and bringing to the measure of his stature, a priesthood, not after the Levitical order of Aaron, and not after the so-called democratic order of the church. But a priesthood that has neither mother nor father and is eternal in him and has neither beginning nor end of days. And, Brother, we are going to be suffered to continue, and there isn't going to be another priesthood raised up and make a mess out of things after us. For we are going to be the last priesthood. We're going to be the last priesthood suffered to continue, being in him, eternal, having neither beginning nor end of days: but a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec.

Now stay with me, because, let me tell you something. The Melchisedec order is far more than just eternal life. Far more than just having neither mother nor father. Keep your minds under the anointing, because this thing is being brought forth line upon line, precept upon precept, and if you miss a foundational line, you won't know what I'm talking about five minutes from now. If you want a revelation of the divine order that God is going to set this Melchisedec order in, what you're asking for is the revelation of the order God has for the Body of Christ. And if you want a revelation of God's order for the Body of Christ, which is the Melchisedec man, you study the visible symbol and type God has put in the earth of the Body of Christ, and God's order for it. And that visible symbol and type and revelation of the Body of Christ that God has put in the earth is the revelation of this human body. For the earth is the revelation of this human body. For in I Cor. 12, the Apostle Paul used the human body as a type of the Body of Christ. He said, the human body is one body with many members, so also is Christ one body with many members. And Paul didn't use the human body as a type of the body of Christ just because he decided

he needed an illustration and picked the human body. It was the Spirit of God speaking through Paul who used it because he knew God made the human body and the order of life that works in it a revelation of the body of Christ and God's order for the Body of Christ. And if you want a revelation of God's divine order for the Body of Christ, the Melchisedec man, then you study as the Spirit leads you the human body, and the relationship of all its members to the head, and to one another. And you will have a perfect revelation, when God shows all of it to you, of the Body of Christ and the relationship of its members to the head and to one another. There is your divine order, there's your revelation. I don't have time to give it all to you in this one sermon. But I'm trying to give you the overall plan, so God can give you keys and open up your mind. But here is from whence the revelation of God's order is going to be brought forth, and then is going to be confirmed by the tabernacle in the scriptures.

Let me show you what I mean. You see this hand. The hand of the human body which ministers to the body. This five fingered hand is a type of the hand of the Body of Christ. The reason God put five fingers on your hand to feed your human body, was to symbolically and visibly proclaim the revelation that God has set a five fold ministry, Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers in the Body of Christ who feed the Body of Christ on the spiritual food it needs. The reason you've got five fingers on your hand to clothe your human body, God made it to symbolically and visibly proclaim the revelation that God has set a five fold ministry in the Body of Christ to clothe it. The reason you've got five fingers to wash and bathe your body with, God made it so to proclaim he set a five fold ministry in the Body of Christ to wash it with the water of the word. Even as Eph. 5:27 in the scriptures says, "Jesus gave himself for his church, that he might sanctify it and cleanse it with the washing of the water of the word." The word is what we wash with. And "presents it to himself at his coming, a holy

church without spot or wrinkle." Oh beloved, you might as well get ready, you who are the Body, because the ministry that God's going to raise up in this last hour are going to take the water of the word and they're going to scrub your old flesh with it until it stings so much that you're going to want to run away from them but God won't let you. They're not going to pat you on your flesh anymore and tell you what a fine Christian you are. Because that would never wash you. When you come in this assembly, we tell you God sent you here to break you. And if that's not what you're here for, then God didn't send you, go somewhere else. Folks never heard any preaching like that before. It shocks them. If you came for somebody to pat you on your flesh and tell you what a fine Christian you are, you've missed it. There's a bunch of churches around the corner that are looking for members, they'll do all that stuff for you, go there. But if you come here, God's going to do you like he does all the rest of us. He's going to shed the light of the water of the word on your flesh and the darkness that's in your life that you might be purged and purified and presented to him at his coming, a glorious church without spot or blemish.

The reason you've got five fingers on your hand to clothe your human body, is to symbolically and visibly proclaim the revelation that God has set a five fold ministry in the Body of Christ to clothe it with the fine linen which the book of Revelation says is the righteousness of the saints. They're going to clothe you with righteousness in this hour. There are only five fingers on this hand. That's not any new message is it? They call it a new message. It's not new, it's as old as Adam. God began preaching it six thousand years ago when he put the first five fingered hand on the first man he ever created. And I want to tell you something, Dear Beloved. I'm teaching now, divine order. There aren't six fingers on this hand or seven or eight. There are only five fingers on this hand. In the church we were born in, they only recognize three of the ministries, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers. But this hand doesn't have three fingers, it has

five. The Bible doesn't say when Jesus descended he gave three ministries for the perfecting of the saints. He gave five: Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers. And there aren't eight fingers on this hand, there are only five and I'm sorry, but that doesn't leave any room for deacons, or presidents of the denomination, or chairmen of the board, or any of that fleshy stuff. Just five! Now deacons can stoke the furnaces, and wash the windows, and hand out food to the poor which is what they were called for in the first place in the book of Acts. They were never called by the Spirit of God to hire and fire the preacher. And, Brethren, for those who are moving in the move of God in this last hour, the days of hiring and firing the preacher is over. If you stay in

Babylon, you can do it. But if the Spirit of God moves you into the move of God, it's finished, it's done. Because God, by the Spirit is going to send you your ministry and send you to your ministry and send them in by the Spirit and they aren't going to ask you what they can preach and when you come up and try to tell them, they're going to turn a deaf ear to you. Because they have a revelation of God's divine order, and they know they are the ministry and you are the Body, and they know who is supposed to be where. Everything that God does in this hour is going to be a work of the Spirit. And you see there aren't eight fingers on this hand leaving room for deacons, and presidents of the denomination. Deacons can be helps. When God chose the first seven in the book of Acts, the only reason they were chosen in the first place was because the Grecian Christians and the Jewish Christians were fighting over who was going to get the most charitable food that was being handed out.

Peter and them didn't have time to mess with their fighting, so they said choose seven brethren from among you to take care of this business. What business? Handing out food to the poor. But you see, they politic'd themselves into a position in the church of preacher hirers and firers, and God's going to deal with it. Hallelujah.

There are only five ministries for the perfecting of the saints, just five. Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers, five supernatural Spirit ministries. We could preach about four more sermons on this someday to really develop it for you, but we're trying to give you a pattern now.

I walked into a church one time, and here was a church that thought they had the revelation of the end time move. They thought they were going on to perfection and so forth, and they had written up on the blackboard on a wall, "The ministries for the perfecting of the saints." They had the first five alright, but they didn't stop there. They had about eight or nine of them up there; Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Teachers, Deacons, helps and he just had a line of them strung out there. Everything they could find in the Bible. And that's just what they are, helps. They can be used for helps, but they are not the ministry to the Body of Christ. This five fingered hand is the ministry to this Body. This is a type of the ministry to the Body of Christ. The thumb is the Apostle, it is a type of the Apostle. That's why he's the smallest on the hand. Did you notice that? For Jesus said, he that would be chief among you, let him be the servant of all; and he that would be the greatest, let him be the smallest. And those that the Spirit calls to be Apostles, they know he is to be the smallest. That's why he's the smallest on the hand, yet, he's the only member on the hand that can minister to the heads of all the other fingers. The other fingers aren't capable of this. Only the thumb can minister to the head, because ministering to the head speaks of wisdom and knowledge, and the reason he's the only member of the hand that can minister to the heads of the other four fingers is because it's the ministry of Apostles to be used of God to teach the revelation that calls out, and sets in order and trains the other four ministries, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers. I'm going to give divine order, now check me scripturally on this statement. The revelation of God's eternal plan in any given stage of it is never going to come

through Pastors, Evangelists, Teachers or Prophets, never. It's only going to come through Apostles. I can prove it to you very easily scripturally. When Jesus Christ came from heaven with the new covenant, with the new revelation, Brethren, he didn't give it to any Pastors, Evangelists, or Teachers because there weren't any. He chose out thirteen special messengers, Apostles and he deposited the revelation with them. For the Bible says that Apostles and Prophets are the foundation upon which everything else is built. Then as they went forth preaching the revelation, through their ministry of revelation, the Spirit of God in every place raised up Elders, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers to take it and carry it out further.

You see? That's God's order! And he's not going to get out of it. He's not going to move out of it. In the book of Acts, when the Apostle Paul was traveling up to Jerusalem to keep the Feast of Pentecost, the Bible says he called the Elders of the church at Ephesus out to him at Miletus and he said to them, "I have not shunned to declare unto you the whole counsel of God." They got it from Paul, he declared it to them. And if you want the revelation of what God is doing in this last hour, and the pure revelation, you had better watch out if an Evangelist comes along and starts giving you this and that revelation. As far as God's eternal plan is, they can take the message that comes through Apostles and carry it forth, that's his ministry you see. But when they come along with this big new revelation or that big new revelation, you'd better watch out. When the Elders or Pastors begin to move into a stream of revelation that does more than elaborate and develop and feed on the revelation of God's eternal purpose that has come through Apostles, you better watch them. You better watch them because God's not going to give it to them. He's going to give it to the apostolic ministries that he's brought to a point where he can take them out in the desert, and they are not looking to build their kingdom, or bring anyone into bondage, but waiting before God for wisdom to lead his people into the place he's called

them. I found many good pastors across the country who were called to the ministry of an Elder, who have come to me and said, "Bro. Fife, I'm moving into this message and I've tried to get something established in the city where I am, but I can't. Every time I do, it falls apart. Why?" And I say, "Brother, I'll tell you why. It's not your ministry. You need help from an apostolic ministry. For it's not your ministry to father new works. You're a Pastor, you're a feeder of the flock, you're an elder. You neither have the anointing nor the revelation nor the wisdom for it or the strength for it. Every time you try to build something it's going to fall apart. Unless it's brought in the union with the apostolic ministry who can stand with you and father that thing and bring it forth, and set it in God's order, and then leave it in your hands." Because God is going to fulfill his plan, beloved. He's not going to fulfill your plan, he's not going to fulfill my plan, he's going to fulfill His plan. That's the Apostle, the thumb, he's the littlest on the hand.

Then, next to the thumb is the Prophet finger, which is a type of the prophet. The reason the forefinger is a type of the Prophet and the thumb a type of the Apostle, the Bible says, is the Apostles and Prophets are the foundation stones upon which everything else is built. The reason they are the foundation stones and right together is because it's the ministry of the Prophets to receive words from heaven as seers to confirm the revelation that comes through Apostles to God's people. All of these dear ones who are moving in this move of God in this city, I'll never forget some four years ago when God was calling them out of their denominational churches. They were receiving the baptism of the Spirit and I began preaching a revelation to them that was so far above anything they had ever heard. They were Baptists that had just been born. But do you know what happened? God began to raise up Prophets and anoint seeing Prophets and they began seeing visions confirming the word that I preached. And as they came in, the pastors of the churches they'd come out of, their relatives and everyone

would say, "that guy, Sam Fife is a false prophet, he's leading you down to hell." And they would have felt this pressure, if it hadn't been for what God had done. But instead, they turned around and said, "he's not leading us, we're leading him. It's a two way proposition. Everything the Spirit ministers through him, He confirms it through us." That's why it stood, that's why it held in the face of all the pressures that were put upon it. And that's why it's reaching around the world today. Because God gave that confirmation to his people's hearts, by the Spirit.

The next ministry is the Evangelist which is represented by the middle finger. And that's why he's the longest on the hand. Of all the five fingers, his is the longest because his is the outreach. It's his ministry to take the revelations that are brought forth through the Apostles and Prophets and carry it out, spread it out. And Brethren, God will raise up Evangelists in every local assembly, to carry the message out from there. I could preach a whole sermon on this, but I'm not, I just want to drop this point for you. As assemblies today move into God's divine order, you aren't going to be importing Evangelists anymore. Every member of the Body is going to be functioning and all four of these ministries are going to operate in each local body. And God is not going to have to import Evangelists to do the work that the Body ought to be doing. In the old order, we had five hundred people sitting in the church who couldn't even lead a soul to Christ. All they could do was to go and invite someone to come to the church so the pastor could preach an evangelistic sermon. Is that right? What we had was five hundred members not functioning, and one member, the pastor, functioning. That's like if all the members of this body were standing still not functioning and this body here having only one member functioning. How far do you think it could go? Not far would it? That's why the Body of Christ hasn't moved very far. But in every local body, God will raise up those who have special anointing and special courage and special ability and special wisdom to take into the city, as

Evangelists from the Body, not to the Body. For God's word to Evangelists from the beginning was to go out from the Body not to the Body. And because they will be anointed of the Spirit and truth, fulfilling their function, you won't have to import an Evangelist to come in for two weeks and take all the money out of the church, and get everybody all stirred up and then leave, and everybody falls flat on their face again.

The fourth finger is the Pastor, Elder. It's his ministry to stay home and feed the flock, and watch over the flock. There are a number of Elders in every local assembly. The New Testament pattern keep the wolves from coming in and tearing the flock. Hallelujah.

And then the little finger is the Teacher. Smallest of the four, but no less important. Because it's their ministry to take the revelation that's been brought forth from Apostles and Prophets, developed through Elders and teach the little ones in their various classes or whatever system they're working in at the time.

Here is what we have been coming to now, Beloved. Here's the most important truth of all. One of these fingers by itself has very little strength, not enough to push this pulpit over. And even so, beloved, one ministry in the church of the Body of Christ is never going to cause a tremor in Satan's kingdom. I don't care if it's Oral Roberts, Billy Graham, T. L. Osborne or anybody else. As long as they're working as an individual, they'll never be able to bring in the kingdom of God, because they'll never have the strength to cause even a tremor in Satan's kingdom anymore than one of these fingers can push over this pulpit. But when you put all five of these ministries together, you don't have five ministries anymore, you only have one ministry. The ministry of Christ through his Body. Then you're going to have a battering ram, Brother, when you swing a blow at old Satan and his kingdom, something is going to be toppling over. And especially when this five fold ministry has been restored and sets the whole Body of Christ in God's divine

order and they've got the whole strength of the Body behind them. You see when you just swing a blow from the shoulder, even though you've got a fist, you only have a certain amount of strength and power. But when you have a body where every member is functioning, how does Eph. 4:16 say it, "according to the effectual working, and the measure of every part." Brother, when you've got a body that at last has been set in order, and every member functioning behind this five fingered hand, behind this ministry, then when it goes across the world, you've got a battering ram that's going to knock old Lucifer off his throne, and bring in the Kingdom of God. You can preach revival, and you can shout revival, and Jesus is coming all you want to. But until the Body of Christ has been set in this pure order, and goes against Satan, you're never going to see it.

Now get this carefully. Do you know what it takes for these five fingers to become one? It takes all of them bending and bowing down before one another. That's the only way they can become one ministry, one weapon. That's why they're joined in a way so that they can't bow away from one another. There's only one way they can bend, and that's toward one another! Even the thumb must bend you see, he bends on top. I'm not plugging for my ministry, I'm teaching divine order, but Brethren, you've got to keep the apostolic ministry in its place. He has to bend toward the others also, but he bends in his place. Don't fight it, it is revelation from God, divine order.

That's the only way you're going to have one. And as long as these five fingers, five ministries are standing up straight, it's impossible for them to get together. As long as they're standing up straight, they're only going to have a little bit of strength. They're never going to push anything over. But when all five bow toward one another, even as Jesus said, "submit yourselves one toward another, and in so doing you submit yourselves to Christ." The highest form of submission to Jesus is submitting to the Spirit of Christ in his Body and in his order.

Let me preach it to you now. As we were teenagers, we always said, "I've got the Spirit of God, I don't need anybody. Me and the Spirit of God are enough." You and the Spirit aren't enough, or God wouldn't have made Christ a body. You can talk all you want to about your allegiances to Christ. But if you think you're going to have a relationship with the Spirit of Christ outside your relationship with his Body in God's order, you're going to wind up with a relationship with another spirit and it's not going to be the Spirit of Christ. That's the way it is. And it's true your relationship must be first your personal relationship with the Spirit in you. But if you are properly related with that Spirit and walking with him, the first thing he's going to do is properly relate you to his body. And if he doesn't, then you're walking in another spirit, Brother. The first thing he's going to do is start leading you to a place in his Body and his divine order. And anytime you're moving outside of that, you've been bound and taken and controlled by a demon spirit and that's the way it is. That's the way it has to be, whether it's my ministry or your ministry or anybody else's ministry, only when they all bend and bow down toward one another is there going to come forth one ministry. The ministry of Christ through his Body.

I was ministering in the Lubbock convention, Bro. Bill Britton came around to me after the service and said, "Sam, God gave me one more thing to add to it," he said, "when these fingers are standing up straight, it's easy for them to be separated, but when they are in a fist, it's impossible for them to be separated."

So go ahead and stand up straight ministries, buck out your chest, say, "I've got the revelation of God and me and the Spirit of the Lord is enough." And the demons of hell will keep you separated from the rest of your body and God's purpose forever. But let us bow down before one another, each in our place and, Brother, they'll never be able to separate us.

Alright, now we've been dealing with the ministry, teaching divine order. Now we're going to teach divine order for the Body. You folks who have not yet been set by the Spirit into the spirit ministry that God is restoring today, Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, Teachers, then you're not the ministry, you're the Body. You yield to the Spirit of God, and one day God will raise you up and put you in your place in the ministry. But until he does, you're the Body, not the ministry. You're to be ministered to, you can operate in gifts of the Spirit, yes, but you stay out of the pulpit. You'll never have the wisdom that God gives to the ministry. You're the Body, and you cannot feed yourself. Take these hands, these ministries away, and you know good and well there's not a member in this body that can put food in its mouth and minister life to it. You cannot feed yourself. Therefore, you'd better yield to the Spirit of God and let him lead you to submit to the true ministry that he's raising up for you in this hour. If you don't, you're not going to have life ministered to you and you're going to die.

I'll give you some more scripture for it. Long ago when God was ready to replace the Moses ministry of legalism and law, he raised up Joshua to take the new generation he'd called out, over Jordan and into possess their promised land. Joshua was a type of Jesus Christ in his Body. His very name meant Jesus who is going to replace legalism and laws and rules, and is going to take us into our promised land of full Sonship. When God did, and there was time for the new generation to cross over Jordan and go in and possess their land, God said to Joshua, and he said to them, "when you see the Ark of the Covenant, rise up from its place and start over Jordan, then remove from your place and follow after it. Nevertheless, keep a space of two thousand cubits between you and it, that you may know the way that you shall go. For you have not passed this way before."

Brethren, the Ark of the Covenant has been in the wilderness long enough. And in the last five years God has poured out his Spirit and he's raised up a new generation and he's ready

to take them over Jordan to possess their land. He's raising up a new priestly ministry to carry that Ark and lead them over. When you see that Ark being raised up by the priestly ministry that God is raising up today to cross over the River Jordan, then you'd better remove from your place and follow after it, you'd better remove from your little doctrinal place, you'd better remove from your church situation, you'd better remove from your little Sunday School, where you don't dare move out because Susie likes Johnnie, and Susie would die if we took her out of the Sunday School. You better learn that God's church is not a place for Susie to play footsy with Johnnie. You better remove from your place and follow after the Ark, as God takes it forward in truth today and in the purpose of God, and after the priestly ministry God's raising up to carry it. But you better keep a space of two thousand cubits between you and that Ark and that ministry that's carrying it. You better not put your hand on that Ark, you'd better not tell that ministry how to carry it. You fulfill your place in the Body, and you better do it in order that you might know the way that you shall go for you have not passed this way before. God's going to take you somewhere that you haven't been. You don't know the way and God's not going to reveal it to you, he's going to reveal it to his ministry that he's raising up for you in this hour.

You can't feed yourself, you're not anointed to feed yourself, you can't receive the revelation from heaven that will feed your soul and your spirit, you're not anointed for it, and God's not going to anoint you for it, he's going to anoint the ministry. You're not the ministry, you're the Body. But on the other hand, you have a ministry to the ministry, you who are the Body. You have a ministry and a calling to minister strength to the ministry. Because if it wasn't for the strength that is ministered to the hand, through the shoulder and arm, from every other part of the body, the hand would never have strength to lift food to the mouth to minister life to the body. Therefore, the body would die. For the body to have the fullness of life, every part

must work in its effectual measure. While the ministry has a ministry to you in spiritual things, you have a ministry to them in the natural things. If you who are the body laid down on your ministry, you'd be killing yourself, and that's why there is so much death in the Body of Christ in past generations. You've had a ministry that was always having to beg the body to fulfill their ministry. Always having to psychologize money out of them, always having to stick an offering plate in front of their nose to get them to fulfill their ministry to the hand, as the hand went forth sometimes in dark places in the world, to fight the battles for the Body of Christ. Always having to beg them to get them to church, so they could get their attention and feed them life, the life of the Body. That's why there's been so much death in the Body, because there's been no revelation of God's divine order. But in this hour there is going to come forth a people, that every part is going to work in the effectual measure. And not because some preacher took a Bible and beat them over the head with it and said, "the Bible says you're supposed to tithe, you're supposed to do this, take an offering." But because they've got a revelation of the Body of Christ and they know that if they, the body don't fulfill their ministry to the hand, then the hand can't minister life to them and they'll die. You see it's a one, there's scripture for it in I Cor., where God says, "God has tempered the body together so that the members are inter-dependent one upon another, so that there should be no schism in the body."

You're never going to know the eternal life, your promise in Christ until this body is working in that order. Until it's set in that order, until it's working in that order, until you and I learn what the Bible means when it says "no man liveth unto himself." It's only through living unto the rest of the members. And as every member fulfills its function to the other members, and the other members fulfill their function to them, are you going to see a Body of Christ that's going to show the world the manifestation of Christ. No man is going

to have life unto himself. You can't have life without your ministry, unless you fulfill your ministry to them.

Do you know, beloved, that when I lift something with my hand, there are muscles way down in my belly that have to fulfill a ministry to this hand in order for it to have the strength to go out and do the daily labor, which earns food to put in this mouth to minister life to this body. And that's why the ministry hasn't been able to feed the body like it ought to. That's why the devil has been tricking them to do all kinds of things, and taking advantage of the body. But God's going to raise you up a true ministry, who will die for you, that's what they're supposed to do.

You're the body, you have a ministry to the ministry. If this body doesn't minister to his hand, this hand can't earn food, and put food in its mouth, to minister life to this body, so that he can minister strength to the hand, so that the hand can minister life to the body. It's got to be!

That's what he means when he talks about bringing together in one. Hallelujah. That's the oneness we're going to have to come to that Jesus prayed for in John 17 when he said, "Father I pray that they are one even as you and I are one." And it's going to be done, not by some preacher grabbing a Bible and beating you over the head with it and the law, saying you ought to do it. It's going to be by the preaching of the revelation and the word, the word of God in us. And we've got a revelation of the Body of Christ, that we are members one of another.

Body, you'd better take good care of your ministry, you can't live without them. On the other hand, ministry, you'd better take good care of the body, you can't live without them either. You see, God's got us hemmed in. He's tempered it together so there can't afford to be any schism in the Body. But there will never be life in this body until this order comes forth. Just think about it a moment. Let God make it real to your hearts. I can't live without you, beloved. You can't live without me. That's the way it is! We thought we could. In our ignorance and in our darkness, we thought we

were all individuals and we could live unto ourselves. But the revelation is there, I can't live without you and you can't live without me. I need your ministry to me and you need my ministry to you.

I was explaining how this thing is going to work when God has brought pure order to the Body of Christ, not so long ago, to a brother in Lubbock, Texas, and he was a bricklayer. A fine brother in the move of God there. And I said, "Bro. Sam, you're a bricklayer, and that's all you're anointed for right now, to lay brick." And he is. I said, "You can't feed yourself, you can't receive the revelation from heaven to feed yourself as a child of God, because you're not anointed to receive that revelation, I am. All you're anointed for is to lay brick." But I said, "You get a revelation of the Body of Christ and God will anoint you to lay brick, and, Brother, under the anointing of God, when this thing is working purely, you'll be the best bricklayer ever seen on the face of the earth. God will anoint you to lay brick supernaturally. And you'll lay more brick better than any bricklayer Texas has ever seen. And you'll be provided with a financial means to supply my natural means and minister things to me in the natural, as I turn around, and God will anoint me and I'll be the best ministry of the word that you ever saw. And you'll minister the natural things to me, and I'll minister the spiritual things to you. And through one of my ministries of the spiritual things to you, one of these things, God will anoint you and put you in the ministry and raise up another bricklayer to minister to you." And through that means you're going to see the Body of Christ come to the fullness of life!

When we've got the revelation, and we're no longer children playing with the offering plates stuck in front of us, and beaten over the head with the laws saying you're supposed to do this, you're supposed to do that. We've been moving in the move of God for four years and there's never been an offering taken in this assembly, except a word spoken about a missionary's need, and the folks given this

opportunity to go and put in the little box, there has never been an offering plate passed in this assembly in four years. Money has never been preached from this pulpit. We don't preach that, we don't believe in that here. We believe the revelation of God today is not ten percent, but one hundred percent.

Sonship, all that you are and all that you have to bring in the kingdom of God. In our Sunday School classes we teach Sonship, we don't teach tithing. All we ever do is have a little church to put the offering in by the doorway. And people are always asking, "How do you do so much?" From this little place, the word of the Lord goes around the earth. God gives us airplanes to carry it out, the ministries flying out, tape recorders are going five days a week, just as fast as Brother Phil's wife can keep them going and now he's got one that can make twelve tapes an hour. And he says still we can't keep up with the orders we get from all over the world. Our publication goes out to people all over the world. We're always asked, "how do you do so much financially with such a small group of people?" We say we've got a revelation of the Body of Christ and we're moving toward ceasing to live unto ourselves but living unto the members of our body, who are out there who don't have the food and the life that we have to give them. See, that's divine order.

What do you think would happen to this human body if it woke up tomorrow morning and the foot said to the hand, "I just don't think I'll carry you to your labors today. You hurt my feelings in church last night, I'm mad at you. I won't cooperate with you today." And then the hand said to the foot, "Well, you weren't so nice to me in church last night either. I don't think I'll put your shoes on for you." And the eye said to both of them, "Well, you two are fighting Christians, you're hypocrites, I won't go to your church anymore, I won't see for you anymore." How long do you think that body would go on existing? It would be pretty much of a

mess wouldn't it? Isn't that the mess we've seen in the Body of Christ in times past? But God is giving us a revelation!

This is the last part of the vision of the Body of Christ I want you to be sure and get today. These things God has shown me step by step, concerning his divine order for the Melchisedec man. A few months ago God gave me the greatest revelation he ever gave me in all my life since I've been in Christ and been in the ministry, to crown and add to everything he has done and that was when he gave the revelation that there is only thing the hand can't do. And that's minister to itself. There is only one thing this hand can't do. And that is do anything for itself. It can minister to all the other members of the body. But it can't live unto itself. It can't minister unto itself. And then God developed the thing and he showed me that was the order every member of this body worked under. Every member in the body that is the order of life in it. There's only one thing that it can't do, it's impossible for it to do, and that's do anything for itself. Every member can minister to all the other members, but it can't minister to itself. The foot can carry the hand to its daily labors. There's only one thing it can't do and that is put on its shoe. Got to have a hand you see? The hand can put the shoe on but it sure can't carry itself anywhere. And you see that's the order for this body. That's the order of life in this body. That's why this body has life, because it exists according to the order, where no member lives unto himself, but all members live unto the other members. No member can minister to himself. But the glorious truth, there's no one member that lacks for ministry, and yet every need is always met in this body. Hallelujah.

And I think you can see how this is far better. Glory to God, its far better. Let me show you how it's better. Before I moved into this order as the Spirit of God led me, back in the old order, it's far different from this one. The order of life out there, and in the church is, "after I've been taken care of and all my needs have been met, then if I have a dime or two, I'll drop them in the offering plate." So in the world,

after my own needs are met, and after my own are taken care of, then I'll give a little bit to charity, a little time, a little talent, a little money. Is that what Jesus taught when he came and said, "except a grain of corn fall on the ground and die it abideth alone?" Die to its own life, die completely to its own life to bring forth a full fruited ear of new life, is that what he taught? That is the order in the church, and the world in the past, "after me and my children are taken care of, then I'll send some money to the mission field, then I'll give a little time at the church." Is that the order that Jesus taught when he said, "the son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister?"

There are a lot of preachers in the church that will tell you I am preaching false doctrine when I preach this. And they'll advise you very quickly if you start moving out, ignoring your own needs using more of your time to meet the needs of others, before the needs of you and your family are fully met, that this is not the will of God. You better watch it. You better study what Jesus taught.

That old order has been working out there in the world and it has never produced life. It's an order that produces death. That's the order that's been working in the church too, but this new order where no member can minister to himself, but every member lives to minister to the other members, is far better because you see when I was moving under that old order and I was living just the ministry unto myself, this body of mine had only the ministry of one, me. But now, as God has step by step moved me into the order of the Body of Christ, and I'm taking more and more time ignoring my own needs and ministering to others, this body was before, when I had the ministry of only one, now it has the ministry of hundreds all over the world. I fly my airplane into a city. Before I get there, a dear member of the Body is there with his car and he says, "here Bro. Fife, take my car and use it while you're here in the city." I go to another city and another brother says, "here, Brother, eat at my table, sleep in

my bed." And Brother, I have the ministry of hundreds all over the world to minister unto this body. Hallelujah.

And before when I was under the old order, I just had the ministry of one, me. Just me. Brother, I'd better do it for me because nobody else would. You see, it's far better, beloved, This Melchisedec order that God is bringing forth for this new man for the new age, because in this body, every member in it is so dead to self, that one thing it can't do, is anything for itself.

You've heard preaching on death to self for years. But you've never really heard a real clear definition to what death to self is. Well, that's where you're going, Brethren. That is the definition of the death to self, even the death of the cross. When this old self man is fully crucified. And when he is, and every member in this body, there's going to come forth a new man, under the order of Melchisedec for a new age. A body of people who have so died to themselves that there is only one thing that they won't be able to do and that is do anything for themselves. But they must live and exist and breathe to minister to the other members of the Body. And I'm looking forward to it. You see, we've been laboring under a Babylonish system that said to do everything just because the Bible says you're supposed to do it. And I'm sick of it. I've got a higher vision. When Jesus hung on the cross, died to minister life to others, and he looked out over those who were crucifying him and from the depths of his soul and with a heart full of compassion for their ignorance, he cried, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." He didn't do that because the Bible says that's the way the son of God is supposed to be. He didn't do that because the Bible says that's the way a Christian is supposed to do. He didn't do it because a preacher knocked him over the head and said the Bible says you're supposed to forgive those who do something to you. He did because Sonship, the nature of God had been worked in him and he could not live unto himself. He could do nothing else. And I'm looking forward to the day not only in the daily trials, but in the big test of the

death of the cross that I'm coming to someday, when I can hang on that cross too, and look out over those crucifiers and with a heart full of compassion for them, cry out with a heart full of sincerity, Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

And I'm looking forward to the day when I can do it not because the Bible says that's the way a Christian should act, but because Sonship has been worked in me, and I do it because that's my very nature and I can do nothing else.

There is coming forth a new man for a new age, and that's the order of life we're going to live under in that new age. That's what God is producing step by step. And haven't you got the revelation yet, that this is the order the angels live in, in the heavenlies? For doesn't the Bible say they are ministering spirits, serving spirits who live and exist not to be ministered unto, but to minister. God is calling out, and setting in order, and preparing. This thing works, Beloved, it works.

Let me give you an illustration of how it works. A few months ago when Bro. Bill Britton and I were getting ready to go to Haiti on a Thursday afternoon, we were to leave Friday morning. And my dear wife desperately needed a hundred dollars. She didn't have that hundred dollars, we didn't have a dime left, except my expenses and enough for fuel down to Haiti. The reason she didn't have it was because we had just sent the last five hundred dollars God had given us down to Haiti to feed seventy-five pastors of the Haitian church organization while we taught them in Bible school two weeks, seven hours a day the word of God. If we hadn't given our five hundred dollars to feed them, we would have had the hundred dollars my wife needed. If I had been spending my time working for her and myself, we would have had the hundred dollars, but you see, there's a new order! She desperately needed that hundred dollars Friday afternoon. On Monday afternoon she had that hundred dollars in her hand. Because a dear sister out in Missouri had written a check for a hundred dollars and

dropped a little note in an envelope and said, "Bro. Fife, Jesus told me to send you this." And that dear sister out in Missouri has never met my wife, she doesn't even know my wife's name. My wife didn't talk to her about it, the Head talked to her. The reason the Head had talked to her was because, about a month earlier, at a camp meeting in Missouri, she came to me with a spiritual need. And I sat down for hours and ministered to her and delivered her in her spiritual need. And she went away rejoicing. And I never asked her name and I never asked her for a thing, I just ministered to her need and met it with what God had given me. But one month later, when I had a need, the Head talked to her! It works, Brethren! It works, but it only operates by faith. It takes faith to start moving out and little by little using more of your time, more of your talent, more of your money, more of your everything, to minister to other's needs, instead of ministering to your own. It takes faith, you can't do it all at once. You can only move into it a little at a time as the Spirit leads you. It takes faith to go forth using more and more of your time meeting the needs of others and believing that as you go, the Head will have others coming up behind you meeting your needs. But it works. I've been moving in it for three years, beloved, and it works. And I don't talk to the members either, I talk to the Head.

There's divine order, and it's not just a new sermon, it's not just a new message. It's God's eternal purpose and plan that in the dispensation of the fullness of time, he might bring together all things in one which are in Christ and break down all the middle walls of partition and make of all the two's, one new man. Not after the old order, but a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec! Amen.