THE LAW OF TESTAMENTS



Hebrews 9:16 - 17

For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator.

For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.

51-0718 THE.ANGEL.OF.THE.LORD_ TOLEDO.OH

E-43 And when he come out, he's kind of a red headed fellow, very hard-boiled. He walked out sarcastic; I looked at him, and looked like his face had tendered up. He said, "Whose name's Reverend Branham?"

And I said, "Mine, sir."

He said, "Stand up on your feet." And I stood up. He said, "Reverend Branham, one of these days, you're going to pass off of life's scenes like all mortals do."

I said, "I'm aware of that, sir."

He said, "But as long as there's a Christian civilization, your picture shall never die." He said, "It's the first time in all the world's history that a supernatural Being was ever photographed. But I put it through every test that can be thought, and," said, "It was a supernatural Being that's been shot." He said, "For myself, I have said and heard of your meetings, and read it in the magazines, and I heard about that Angel, and so forth. I said within myself, even to the time that I received the negative, 'It's psychology." He said, "But Brother Branham, the mechanical eye of that camera will not take psychology." Said, "The Light struck the negative."

E-44 He said, "My mother was a Christian. And I--I thought I was." He said, "But God have mercy on me." He said, "Come forward." And everybody started crying. He...?... said, "It was once said, Brother Branham, by the old hypocrite (he meant the unbeliever), that there's no scientific proof of the supernatural Being." Said, "Them days is passed now." He had the negative in his hand. He said, "Them days is passed." And he said, "It's scientifically proven that here's the supernatural Being." He said, "Mr. Branham, I will submit this to you."

I said, "It's not mine, sir."

He said, "Oh, wait a minute," said, "that negative's worth a hundred thousand dollars right the way..."

I said, "If it... to me, It's worth life."

E-45 He said, "Brother Branham, do you realize what..." said, "You'll never live to see the day that the picture comes into its value, because the--the testator is always dead before the testament is seen." And he said, "It'll be in the days after you're gone."

He said, "But right now, do you realize what that is?"

And I said, "Sir, It belongs to the American Photographers Association." I said, "It... if Jesus Christ, my Lord, thought enough of me, to come down in a battle like I was, and have His picture taken with me, for the first time in all the world's history, I love Him too well to commercialize it." And I said, "I will have nothing to do with it."

55-0608 ABRAHAM_ MACON.GA WEDNESDAY_

E – 22 But when they pulled this other one out, there was the picture of the Angel of the Lord on it. And they sent it to George J. Lacy, FBI fingerprint and document, he kept it in this place for several days, and then, it was copyright in Washington, DC as the only supernatural Being that's ever been scientifically proven. And that's right, in Washington, DC, now, copyrighted.

E-23 And then, they come and said, "We'll give you an analysis of it." Mr. Lacy said, "Whose name's Reverend Branham?"

I said, "Mine."

He said, "Stand up."

I stood up. Kind of a red-headed fellow, kind of hard-boiled eyes. I hope he's not setting present to hear this. So he... Hair hanging down in his eyes. When he seen it, first, he was very hard about it.

He said, "Reverend Branham, come here." Said, "You'll die like all men do." See? I said, "I'm sure of that, but I prepared for it."

He said, "But as long as there's a civilization here, a preacher will never go out of his business." He said, "That's the only time a supernatural Being was ever photographed." He said, "The Light struck the lens. It's the truth," like that.

And he submitted it me, and I give it over to the Douglas Studios in Houston, Texas; they're the ones that own it. And he said some little thing there to me, something, said, "The testament unto the testator..." something. Said, "Well, as long as you're living that picture will never be in force, but afterwards," said, "wait till you're gone, It'll be on ten-cent stores, and things like that."

E-24 So what it is, is... What it is to me, if I... If this is my last night on earth, if this is my last night to be on earth, my testimony's the truth. The church knows it, millions around the world; I've come in personal contact with just more than ten million people, and around the world. It's been seen by thousands times thousands of people, everywhere. I trust to God that It will come visible here in Macon before I leave, before the audience. And they see the works and signs of It, that's the Truth. And the scientific world can't say there's no supernatural Being any more, 'cause it's scientifically proven it, God's here without an excuse, now.

So we're thankful to the Lord tonight to know that our great Jehovah God was with Father Abraham, and He's still here tonight with His Church, moving on, just the same as He was

in the days gone by. To my opinion, the same Pillar of Fire that led the children of Israel, Jesus Christ, the Angel of the Covenant, the same yesterday, today, and forever, scientifically proven.

57-0809 BLIND.BARTIMAEUS_ EDMONTON.AB

E-67 What about the lady setting right behind him there? See, It just moved right back to the lady right behind him. You're sick too aren't you, lady? You got high blood pressure. Isn't that right? It's true. I don't know you, do I? Never seen you in my life.

E-68 Besides that you got varicose veins. If that's right raise up your hand. You also have arthritis. I see you trying to move alongside of a street or something, walking real slow, taking you time, especially when you get up of a morning. If that's right, raise up your hand. You're a wonderful person. Mrs. Spears, do you believe that God would heal you? You believe He would? That's your name. All right. Now, go home and be well in Christ's Name.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do you believe it? Let's give God praise like this then [Brother Branham begins clapping his hands--Ed.] just saying, "Blessed be the Lord."

Oh, He's so real. Friends, don't let this day pass by you. I--I--I don't think this is personal. Don't pay no attention to me; I'm a sinner saved by grace. But God's done something for the world, and they can't see it. See?

E-69 Did you realize the priests that burnt Joan of Arc to the stake as a witch, because the voice of God talked to her, later the Catholic church dug up their bodies and throwed them into the river, when they canonized Joan of Arc as a saint.

The testament's not enforced until the testator's dead. They never knew Jesus truly to be the Son of God till after His resurrection. Sure. They never appreciated Elijah till it was all over. These things come into our midst, friends, and it's over. They... Look at Saint Francis of Assisi. See? They don't know these things. John the Baptist, they knowed not who he was until it was over.

E-70 Christ is visiting the Gentile church. It's the evening lights that's a shining now. The prophet said, "In the evening time it'll be light." Now, this is the hour.

57-0810 JEHOVAH.JIREH_ EDMONTON.AB. SATURDAY_

E-19 They sent it away; it was tested by George J. Lacy, the head of the FBI in finger printing document of one of my critics. The next day when he... About four days afterwards we went to the Shell Building where he had been brought from California to test the picture. He said, "Whose name's Mr. Branham?"

I said, "Mine."

Said, "Stand up." Said, "Come here." Said, "I've been your critic." Said, "I've heard people say that about that Light and so forth." "But," said, "I said it was psychology." But he reached out his hand, he said, "Mr. Branham, the mechanical eye of that camera won't take psychology." The Light struck the lens. And he said, "As far as I know, that's the first time that a supernatural Being was ever scientifically photographed in all the history of the world." He said, "Someday that'll be on ten cents stores." "But," said, "not while you're living, for the testament is not in force until the testator is dead." We know-we know that.

So that's sealed the testimony, and we're grateful to that, because God is still the same; He never fails. He's still the same Jehovah God. I'm sorry to have took that much time on that little picture there, but I'll try to hurry with my text.

57-1215 SPEAK.TO.THIS. MOUNTAIN_ BROOKLYN.NY

E-38 Listen. Why can't these things be seen? Then here's what come to me. When George J. Lacy, the head of the FBI, give me that picture, he said, "Mr. Branham, someday that picture will be sold on ten cent store shelves, but not while you're living." That always stuck with me. Why?

I said, "Why, sir?"

He said, "The testament is not in force until the testator is dead. It would start a heathen worship," turned around and walked away.

That stuck with me. And here a few months ago I was studying, then here's what come to me. Listen. God's justice... God by foreknowledge knows who will and who will not. You know that. You're taught here by these fine teachers.

64-0418B A.PARADOX_ TAMPA.FL

- 180 When Jesus was on earth, He said, "I come from God, and I go to God." And we know that He was the I AM. And the I AM was that Logos, that Pillar of Fire. And then when He went back to God, and ascended up on high, Saul of Tarsus was on his road down to Damascus, one day, and that same Light fell in before him, and blinded him.
- Now, look, it's possible that one can see It, and the other one can't. Tens of thousands have seen It. When I used to tell about It, they say, "Oh, that's psychology. He just imagined That. Them people, just so under emotion."
- But when George J. Lacy took that picture, he said to me that day, over at--at Houston there, in the--in the building, before all that Times, Life, and Collier's, and all them there, the magazines. He said, "Mr. Branham, I'm one of your critics, too." He said, "But I want to tell you. I said it was psychology, but," said, "the mechanical eye of this camera won't take psychology." [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] "... the testator is dead." See? He said,

"But someday after you're gone, it'll be on ten cent stores." Said, "I'm in position to know there's never been a supernatural Being that's been scientifically proven. But," said, "This is scientifically proven. The Light struck the lens." Then, you see, the testimony that I given since a little bitty boy, that I've seen that Light before me always. And you know, you read the books and seen the documented statements. See? It's the truth. I'm not here to deceive you.