

A scenic view of a coastline. In the foreground, a stone wall made of large, light-colored blocks runs along the edge of a cliff. The cliff face is steep and rocky. To the left, the ocean is a deep blue, with gentle waves lapping at the shore. In the distance, a city skyline is visible on the horizon under a clear, bright blue sky. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day.

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Today I am reading in the Book of Ephesians, Chapter 3, and I want to take a thought and title it, *Are We Being Boastful or Being Factual?* And you will see what I mean as we go along. People sometimes think we are boasting when we say that we, the Wife of the Lamb, are the only ones that have the message of the glorified flesh and bones—but we are not boasting; we are just being factual. We are the *only* Wife of the Lamb; for there is only one Lamb of God and He only has one Wife. Now let us pray before going deeper into the Word of God.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your goodness and for the way you have led us and guided us and brought us through the years. You have brought us into this time of 'in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye,' Lord, when all things are moving and we are in that quick, powerful short work that you spoke of in the Book of Romans 9:28. It says it will be a short work, a powerful work, and, Lord, we are at that now, and we thank you for it. We are seeing it come to pass daily, Lord, as you move by your Holy Spirit. So today I pray that you will be with us in that special way, anoint us to speak the Word, and not only anoint us to speak the Word, but anoint the hearers to hear the Word. And we will be so careful to praise you for it, in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

As we read our scripture today, I am not only going to be dealing with what Paul said about the Word and his place in the Word, but I am going to be dealing with *our* place in the Word as the Wife of the Lamb. And when Paul spoke about *my gospel*, which was the gospel that God had given him, many people thought he was boastful, but he wasn't. I love some of the scripture that he spoke of in the Book of 2 Corinthians, Chapters 11 and 12, where he began to tell them, "Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they the seed of Abraham? So am I. Are they ministers of Christ? I am more, in labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths often." He said, "Of the Jews I received forty stripes save one. Three times I was beaten with rods, once was I stoned, and three times I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep. I have fought with wild beasts, in journeying's often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in by

the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren.” And on and on he went. And we could say, “That Paul! He is very boastful of what he has done.” No, he was not being boastful; he was being factual. And he said, “And these things I do that I may cut off occasion to them that seek occasion,” meaning those that wanted to put him down or make what he was saying something on the order of just a normal thing. No, he was special, for he was called to a special calling. And there is one group in the Bible that is called to a special calling, and it is the Wife of the Lamb.

So as we move forward today in the Word, I want us to think about the title here—*Are We Being Boastful or Being Factual?* And there is a difference. Stating facts is good; and stating facts is something that is needful at times. So Paul was stating facts (even though he called it folly), and he said he was doing it to cut off occasion to those that sought occasion, and to those that were saying ‘we are this’ or ‘we are that,’ and to those that tried to belittle what he had done and was doing. But he brought it in where it was impossible to accuse him of being boastful, but they would see that he was being factual. That is what Peter, James, and John saw in the Book of Galatians, Chapter 2. When Paul was speaking to them, at first they might have thought Paul was boastful, but when he got through speaking, they saw that he was not boastful but he was factual. Christ Jesus had appeared to Paul in a special way when he was on his way to Damascus; for a bright light struck him down, and he was given a special ministry to do a special job, and it was for a special people—and those were the people that he called from both the Jews and the Gentiles, which created a new group that had not existed before, for it was a new creation. And this new group or new creation is the group that is married to the Lamb of God. We are not of any certain nationality, neither Jew nor Gentile, but we are a new creation, created by the Word of God.

So I am going to read in the Book of Ephesians, Chapter 3, starting with Verse One. It says, “*For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,*” In other words, he was sold out so totally to Jesus that he was not himself anymore. That is why he said, “I am dead, and my life is hid with Christ in God.” And then he said in Verse 2, “*If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:*” And at other times he would say, “This is how it is according to *my*

gospel." Now some might think Paul was boastful because Peter did not say that, the other apostles did not say that, so what gave him a right to say it? Well, he was called to a special calling for a special purpose. And it is the same for us in this moment of time because we are claiming that we are the only Wife, and we are married to the only King, and He is our Husband in the sense of this body of people being married to Him. And we are not being boastful, but we are being factual because what we are speaking today is exclusively to the Wife of the Lamb.

I brought this in sometime back, so I will not elaborate on it too much here, but one person told me, "Well, if Jesus Christ does not take everyone in the rapture, He would be showing partiality." And I said, "That is exactly right. And you better show partiality to your wife; if you do not, you are in trouble." So the Lord does show partiality to the Wife of the Lamb, and She is the only one dressed in a certain way, and that is in fine linen, clean and white. So we can say that we are walking forth today as the living Word of God, for we are the walking, talking, Word people who are the Wife of the Lamb, and we are dressed in the fine linen, clean and white (which is the righteousness of the saints) that He has given to us. He gave us a special righteousness, and it is without works. And He did it because He loved us, and He chose us, and we were part of Him from the foundation of the world.

Notice, we were part of Him back then, and we are still part of Him today; for we are made (created) from that special part of the Word that Jesus Christ was made from. And Paul used the word *created* in Ephesians 4:24 when he talked about a new creation. Well, what happened? How did he create? His gospel created a special people; and they alone were the virgin to be married to Jesus Christ in that day. And they did not walk around with their heads down; for even in that day they felt like they were 16 foot tall. And now, in this moment of time, they really are 16 foot tall because the same ones that heard Paul then (those who knew there was a special message coming forth) are hearing *this* message of the last trump of God now, just the same as we are. We are all hearing it together because we are part of it, for we are the living Word. We are not boastful, but we are factual. And when we are being factual, people think we are being boastful. But there is a big difference in being factual and being boastful.

When we look at the natural realm, we can see there are people that God has blessed in certain ways. Yes, they have certain blessings, and when they speak about them, some will say, "They are just boasting." But they are not boasting if they are being factual, for they are just stating facts. And when we talk about the Wife of the Lamb being a special people and there being none like us in all the world and that there never has been and never will be, then some will say, "They are just boasting." But we are not boasting, for we are just stating facts. And the fact is, we are that special group of people that others are talking about when they quote that scripture in 1 Corinthians 15:51-52, "*Behold, I shew (show, or tell) you a mystery (a secret); We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.*" No, not *all* the dead appear at this time, and not *all* are being changed, but only those that are part of the Wife of the Lamb.

When Christ Jesus came down from heaven shown in the Book of 1 Thessalonians 4:14, He came and He brought with Him those that had gone before. He did not leave them in the realm where they were, for He brought them into another realm to hear this last trump of God message. So they are not where they were in the days before, but they are here with us enjoying this last trump of God message. They are shouting as we are. And *this* Word is glorifying them, as well as us, giving us all glorified flesh and bones, for our great get-together is taking place now, and then we will all go up together in the rapture. And we are not boasting, but we are being factual.

In the Book of Revelation, Chapter 7, there is a multitude of people who are known as the tribulation saints, and they give their lives as they make their stand for God during that tribulation period. Yes, they have a certain place in the Word of God, and they fit perfectly in that place, for they are earthy (or earthly minded). Paul spoke of earthy people and heavenly people in 1 Corinthians, Chapter 15, and there is a difference. Yes, there is a heavenly people living in the earth now; they have their mind in heaven, for they are in heaven. And there are other people that are Christians, but they live more in an earthly realm. And when I say *earthly realm*, I am not talking about a worldly realm in the sense of being sinful like the world, but just meaning their concerns are a lot in the earthly things. But there is a people whose

minds are so in heaven that it is hard to get their minds on earthly things just enough to do the things we have to do—and that is the Wife of the Lamb, and that is who we are, dressed in fine linen, clean and white. We are bone of His bones and flesh of His flesh because we were with Him as the Word from the beginning. And we were made from the same special part of the Word that He is made from; and we are not boastful, but we are factual. And this trump of God message that you are hearing today and have been hearing, it is a message that makes us bone of His bones and flesh of His flesh.

As Paul's message created the espoused virgin in his day to be married to our Lord Jesus Christ, it was so special; for there were certain mysteries given to him that was not given to other preachers. And so is it in this day as this trump of God message has brought about the marriage. And some people say, "This preacher thinks that he is the only one that has the Word." No, many preachers have the Word of God, but the question is what part are they to play in God's plan of redemption? We have the Word for the Wife of the Lamb. And here it is, coming forth, making us what we are. So we are not being boastful when we say this, and we are not saying no one else has anything, but we are being factual of what *we* have, and it does not have anything to do with what they have and what they do not have. But we know there is only one Wife of the Lamb, and that is the only group that is clothed in fine linen, clean and white. And when John saw the Lamb's Wife in Revelation 19:7-8, it was exclusively to a certain people, a special group of people. And this special group of people is one body but many members.

In 1 Corinthians, Chapter 12, Paul saw the body of Christ, but he was seeing a body of people that were baptized into the Spirit, and it was a spiritual body that had not yet taken on glorified flesh and bones. And that was a wonderful thing, being part of the spiritual body of Christ. That was for his day and his hour of the engaging or espousing a virgin. But then in Acts, Chapter 21, when Paul went to Jerusalem, he was taken captive and sent to Rome to stand trial, and there he began to write prophetic Word. His ministry was over as far as a public ministry, and he began to write; and that is when God began to reveal certain mysteries to him that had been hid since the world was. Even in this chapter here, he tells about mysteries that had not been made known since the world was. And he even says the angels listen to what

we have to say because they are servants to them that are heir of salvation, and especially to the Wife of our Lord Jesus Christ.

So Verse 2 of Ephesians, Chapter 3, says, *“If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words),”* Why was it such a mystery when Paul went forth and preached? Because it was Word that was hid in God. And at times in his earlier ministry, he tried to blend the Jews and the Gentiles together and make them just one big glorious church. But it always came apart because God had two separate workings there. There were the Jewish people that believed in Jesus Christ, and they were to play a part that was different from what the espoused virgin (who was to become the Wife) was to play. And as Paul began to preach his gospel, many of the Gentiles believed as well as some of the Jews, for there were some that came from each group. But there were *some* who came, and when they saw that Paul was not going according to the Law of Moses, then they went away and complained about it; and even some of the preachers came down from Judea, saying, *“Except you be circumcised and keep the law, you cannot be saved.”* Well, Paul did not go along with that. He had a special ministry that was directly from God. He had met Christ Jesus, and there he was, standing in the stead of the Lord Jesus Christ. He said it in 2 Corinthians, Chapter 5, *“I am here in the stead of the Lord Jesus Christ telling you these things.”* *“Well, that is very boastful, Paul. You are taking a lot upon yourself saying that.”* No, he was speaking to a certain group. In Galatians 6:15, he said, *“For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.”*

So that is what Paul’s message was about. And now people still have trouble with revelation that is fresh from God. And that is why it is so hard for people to understand that when they try to associate this last trump of God message with the other realms of Christianity today, it does not fit in because it goes contrary. It has certain authority that gives us confidence that we are right in what we are talking about. We are not tossed to and fro. And all these things work to the point where we can stand with confidence. And some say, *“You think you are right on everything.”* Well, we are not boastful, but we are factual. He reveals certain mysteries to us.

Starting back when I wrote the book, *An Old Testament Prophet Comes to a New Testament Age*, speaking of Brother William Branham's place in the Word of God, I showed that he was not part of the fivefold ministry of Ephesians 4:11. Oh, you ought to have read some of the letters I got! People wanted to pull their hair out! But there were some that saw this truth by revelation and went on with the Word as they realized that indeed Brother Branham was not part of the fivefold ministry. Then as the revelation of the Word continued to flow, we came through that phase, that period of the fivefold ministry, and came on into the fullness of the body of Christ, the Wife of the Lamb, where we all have the same mind and where the ministry is not just for the preacher alone but is the whole body speaking by revelation. Yes, within this body there is apostolic leadership as it was in the days of Paul, and it is a special ministry, because now 'my gospel' has become 'our gospel' in the marriage of the Wife of the Lamb.

A while back when I brought in a message where Paul said, "My gospel," a brother, who was a minister that has already passed on, said to me, "Yeah, I know Paul said that then, but if he was living in our day, he would not say that because it would be offensive if someone got up and said, 'My gospel'. It would make it look like he had a special gospel and everyone else had to come to that." Well, everyone else does not have to come to this gospel unless, of course, they are part of the Wife of the Lamb, and they come to it because that is what they are. They just know that they know that they know. They will know in their spirit by revelation, "This is what I have been looking for all my life. I have finally come into it."

That reminds me of a similar thing that I said years ago when I was raising chickens. I had been praying if maybe I should stop raising chickens so that I could totally give myself over to the work of the Lord. So one evening I went to check on the chickens, and while in the chicken house, just as I turned, there stood someone that looked just like me. And the first thing he said was, "Do you know me?" And I said, "Yes, I have looked for you all my life." (Sometimes we come in contact with what we have looked for all our lives.) And then I got a direct Word from God. He said, "This shall be your last bunch of chickens." That is what I was asking God about—"Is it time to move now? Should I tarry longer, or is it time to move on and do this other?" I did not get the answer for a while, but then when I got it, I will never

forget it! I did not wonder, “Did He really say this,” or “Was this real?” No, it was an absolute Word then, which has produced an absolute gospel in this moment of the twinkling of an eye.

Notice, Paul had a gospel that was absolute. And he brought mysteries that were absolutely hid in God from the foundation of the world, mysteries that were not known until they were revealed to Paul. And when he began to preach about them, people began to go away from his ministry, for they did not want anything to do with it because, “He thinks he is the only preacher preaching the Word.” There are those that say that today about my gospel of the marriage of the Lamb—“He thinks he is the only one that is preaching the Word.” Well, I will tell you what, everyone that preaches to the Wife of the Lamb will preach *this* gospel that I am preaching. Now what they preach in other realms is a different story. And we are not being boastful, but we are being factual.

Yes, there are certain things that are factual, for we have seen it through prophecies, and the ways God has moved and led, even a time when an audible voice of the Lord came into the room; for many things have come our way showing that we do indeed have a gospel. And it is not just so much my gospel now, but it is our gospel. But it takes believing my gospel to have our gospel. Did you hear what I said? In other words, if you are my epistle, then that makes you the epistle of Christ according to my gospel of the glorified flesh and bones.

Yes, the Bible is right, and even the serpent could use the Bible. He said, “Yea, hath God said,” but he could not put it together. He could not put the life on it. He could not produce a child with eternal life. Yes, he could produce a child, but it was only by the Word of knowledge. Adam was the only one that could have went to Eve and produced a child with eternal life—but we know the fall took place before it could happen. Likewise, Paul was the only one that could espouse a virgin to Jesus Christ. No one else could because he had the gospel to do it with. And it could be said here, “Paul, you are boasting about it. You are saying you are the only one.” Yes, he was the only one that could do that because he was ordained to do it, and what you are ordained to do, you are the only one that can do it. And now in this time of marriage, this trumpet message that we are bringing is the only message that could have married our Lord Jesus Christ to the body of Christ in the earth in our day, thus making us His Christ Wife.

We often get compliments on our books, how they are put together from the preached messages into a readable form as we take the thought (the Spirit) of the message and put it on paper. I like what one man said, he said, "When I read the books, it is just like me sitting and talking to you." It is because we and the Word are the same. Master hands have put it together; and I am not the only one that is involved in putting it together. As the Word comes, we work with it and get it where it needs to be in order to be readable. And that Word is wonderful Word. We can take the Bible as it is worded, word for word, and it can become a tree of knowledge, and so can the books that we write if you just want to quote and say, "Ben said this," or "Ben said that," and just go without a revelation. It has to be a revelation to you. You have to know that you know that you know. And when you say, "I know that this is right. I know these things by revelation." You are not boasting, but you are being factual, and you are walking around 16 foot tall, and everything is working for you.

So there is a difference in boasting and being factual. That little man named Zacchaeus was small in stature, but in a moment in the twinkling of an eye, a short powerful work took place, and he spiritually became 16 foot tall. Is that boasting? No, it is being factual. Zacchaeus was a very little man who had hid himself in a sycamore tree but was hid no more when Jesus passed under the tree and looked up and saw him and said, "Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for today I must abide at thy house." And he made haste and came down and received Jesus joyfully. And standing 16 foot tall, Zacchaeus said unto the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold." Well, he was a very wealthy man, and what he said was factual. In other words, he could back up his word, and he was not boasting.

So we are not boasting in the sense of blowing up and magnifying flesh. But our flesh is magnified and glorified in the Lord Jesus Christ, and that is not boasting, but it is factual. And the Lord has put glorified flesh and bones on those departed saints that Christ brought back with Him, for together we are made part of this Word to the point that we have become bone of His bones and flesh of His flesh. That is what has been taking place. That is the reason it is so different. And that is not being boastful, but it is being factual.

See, Paul was not boasting, but he was factual when he said, "Let me tell you about a group at the end time." And he did not know when the end time would be, and God was so gracious that He did not tell him it was going to be a long time. He gave Paul the Word and he spoke it. He said, "There is going to be a group, and I will tell you about them, they are not going to die. They do not even have to be baptized for the dead." And he said, "We which are alive and remain." (He included himself in that *we* there. And although he went to the grave, he is part of us (we) which are alive and remain. So that *we* fits there anyway.) He said, "We which are alive and remain," and he was talking here about a literal walking, talking people in the earth, a Word people that are now here. See, Paul was not boasting when he told about a people that would not see death, but he was being factual. And we are not boasting when we say we are those people, but we are being factual; for we are being changed in this moment of the twinkling of an eye. Yes, that is where we are. We are in this moment of the twinkling of an eye. We have been on a long journey, but that journey is over. It has come to an end, and here we stand.

So now as the Wife of the Lamb, with an understanding heart, we plainly declare that the head of death is crushed for us by the sounding of this last trumpet of God message. Yes, death the last enemy is now destroyed for us. And here stands a people that does not just quote 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 but are the living Word of this scripture. And we are not boasting, but we are being factual.

One preacher said, "Sometimes it sounds like you are braggadocios." And I am not even sure if that is a word, but that was his word for it—braggadocios. Well, we are not bragging or being boastful, but we are being factual. We are it. When we say that we are the Word, we are not boasting. And John said, "The Word was made flesh and dwelled among us. We have handled the Word of life." Well, if the Word was made flesh and we are part of that Word (that Word made flesh), then it is dwelling among us. And right now we are here, and we present and represent the Lord Jesus Christ as we walk around here as the Wife of the Lamb.

Well, what about these other Christians? (I just want to drop enough in to make the difference here.) There are people that love the Lord. There are people that are doing the work of the Lord that He gave them to do, and they have their place in His plan. And we are not trying to

belittle them. They need to feel good in their place. Just because our Lord Jesus Christ has a Wife, it does not mean there are no other people that are saved. But the Wife of the Lamb is a small group without nationality, who are neither Jew nor Gentile. Oh, we thank God for this last trump of God message going into Israel, and now the elected, those that are part of the Wife of the Lamb, stand 16 foot tall. Right now the Wife of the Lamb is living in the moment of the twinkling of an eye, for She has come forth. And those of Israel that are part of the Wife, this gospel makes them that they are neither Jew nor Gentile. It takes away their nationality in the spiritual sense because of marriage.

So we see these things taking place all around us; they are coming to pass in this moment that we are now in. And some people say, "I will be glad when we reach perfection." Well, in their realm, I do not know what their perfection is, and I am not too concerned about that because I know the same God that brought *us* here and is taking care of us will take care of all His people in whatever realm they are in.

I remember the time when I began getting revelation about the millennium. I got it basically from a man that came on the radio many years ago—Herbert W. Armstrong. He began to preach about the millennium, the people in the millennium, and so on. Of course, he did not see the church as we do, or the Wife of the Lamb, but he saw that part about the millennium. God gave him revelation and he began to talk about that. But he could not put it all together in the sense that we know what we know now. Then later on, God sent a man named Raymond Jackson, better known as Junior Jackson, from Jeffersonville, Indiana. He showed how in the Book of Matthew, Chapter 25, the Lord separates the sheep from the goats at the onset of the millennium, which before he brought this, we thought this happening was at the great white throne judgment. But here came Brother Jackson and said, "No." He told us the facts on those things. It became so factual that the Lord gathers together those that remain at the beginning of the millennium and He separates; for He allows certain people (the sheep) to go into the millennium, those that have good morals even though they are not born again, and they repopulate the earth during that thousand years. Well, those people are so happy in their position. And the Word says it was prepared for them from the foundation of the world.

Yes, but that has nothing to do with us, see. This special working that God is doing now, He is doing outside of religious influence. If you get religious influence in it, the old antichrist can also spread his influence because he disguises himself as Christ, but the Wife knows the difference, because She is the Christ. But the denominational churches fall for it because he makes them feel a certain religious way. But thank God there is a people that is in the earth today that have become the Wife of the Lord Jesus Christ who is called Christ the Wife of the Lamb. That is the name. We have become the Christ because we are anointed with the fullness of that Christ Spirit and we are married to our Lord Jesus Christ. And not only that, but He has put glorified flesh and bones on us. We are the epistle of Christ. In other words, whatever the Word was, and whatever the Word is, that is what we are.

In the days of Paul, most did not agree with his gospel. Remember in Acts, Chapter 21, when Paul went up to Jerusalem and met with James, and all the elders were present, he declared particular things that God had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministry (his gospel), and when they heard it, they glorified the Lord. And then Paul was told, "There are thousands of people here that are believers in Jesus Christ and are very zealous of the law who will want to kill you, Paul, because they have heard you teach that the Jews that are amongst the Gentiles do not have to circumcise their children and that they can eat whatever is set before them." Yes, Paul *was* preaching that, and it was exactly the right gospel to preach for the people that he was preaching to because he was 'and he is' the apostle that brought that in, and he is still alive today even though the body died and went to the ground. But God sent his spirit (along with the spirits of all the other departed Wife saints) back to earth with Christ when He came, and this glorified Word flesh and bones is being put on his spirit, just the same as with us.

So the Word that Paul brought was so good, but some people thought that he was boasting. And I am not going to make a long story out of this today and read a lot of scripture, but if you care to read that in 2 Corinthians, Chapters 11 and 12, you will see what I am talking about. He even said, "I knew a man about fourteen years ago," speaking of himself. That is when he was beaten for the gospel and carried outside the city and left for dead. And what happened was, instead of him

dying, God took him to heaven for a while. He took him where the departed saints were at who were to be part of the Wife of the Lamb. And he came back and wrote, "If this earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, eternal in the heavens." He saw the souls in the same form they would be in when they came down to earth to take on their glorified flesh and bones. And that was confirmed by the Prophet William Branham when he went over and saw the departed saints; for their souls were in the form they will be in when they appear to us in flesh and bones, without any discrepancies about the physical part.

See, those that Christ brought down from heaven with Him have a perfect body, and they have received glorification on that body, so they are perfect in every way. Even so, when the other saints who are not the Wife receive their glorification, which is at the beginning of the millennium, they too will be perfect in every way; so there are going to be others besides the Wife of the Lamb who receive glorification, but they will not have the place of the Wife. The Wife is the tree of life that is bringing forth *Her* fruit. And She is special of all the people in the world. But the point I want to make is that I do not want people to say we are being boastful. If they want to say it, that is all right, but we know we are not being boastful but we are just being factual. We are just telling what we are and who we are. Yes, spiritually we are 16 foot tall. Spiritually in every way, we are more than conquerors. And we are being factual when we say the Wife of the Lamb is the only one that overcomes death while still living here in this physical body. We are not boasting, but we are being factual. We have the message, the ministry of the glorified flesh and bones, and it is special, and it came in a special way—for the Lord Himself came in the form of the Mighty Angel and brought the living Word (the little book) to His Wife for the changing of our mortal body, giving us complete redemption. (Revelation, Chapter 10)

Notice, the message that Paul preached was so different. And as he preached his gospel, it spread out, and not only the Gentiles came in, but some of the Jews began to come in. He said God used him to break down the middle wall of partition between Jew and Gentile, and he created a new group that was not in existence until his ministry came forth. And there is a new group that was not in existence until *this* ministry came forth here, and it produced a people that is the Wife of

the Lamb—not a virgin and not a little bride who is not yet married. The virgin has no glory when compared to the Wife because the Wife is the only one that is clothed in fine linen, clean and white, while all the other saints of God, whatever position they are in, are dressed in white robes. They are dressed good. White robes are beautiful. That is what John saw in the Book of Revelation, Chapter 7. He saw such a great number of people that you could not count them. You could not estimate how many it was; it was just a huge crowd. And he said they were dressed in white robes with palms in their hands, and they were praising God. But he saw another group in Revelation 19:7-8, and the size of this group was not mentioned, for he was seeing a group as one person, known as the Wife of the Lamb, the body of Christ made flesh and bones. He said, “The marriage of the Lamb is come and His Wife has made Herself ready, and to *Her* was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white.” This is special to *Her* alone. And I love how we see that *Her* as it springs forth there, and then in Revelation, Chapter 22, it says, “She bears *Her* fruit.”

Notice, that is what Eve was to do; she was to bear Adam’s fruit. So it is man and woman all the way through; and it is not to be mixed this way or that way—just take the Word as it says it. And the Wife of the Lamb takes the Word just like it says. And we stand here and say, “Yes, we have a special message. Yes, this special message has clothed the Wife of the Lamb in fine linen, clean and white,” because it has brought a revelation (now do not miss this point), it brought a revelation that She is righteous all because of the fact that He has given *Her His* righteousness. So it is not *do’s* and *don’ts* with her. She has the righteousness of God. We are as righteous as He is righteous, and we are not bragging, we are not being boastful, but we are being factual that there is the Wife of the Lamb in the earth today who is married to our Lord Jesus Christ, walking around here rejoicing and being exceedingly glad while we are waiting to be caught away in the rapture to meet Him.

So we see everything has started breaking loose on the earth now in the worldly realm, everything is coming apart. And after we leave this earth, it will get even more so during the time of tribulation. We can read the Book of Revelation, and we have it in our book, *The Interpreted Book of Revelation*, showing all these things are coming to pass, for we can see they have already begun. We can see the coming events casting

their shadow before them, and we can see how things are going to be, but thanks be to God there is a rapture where we are caught up together and leave this earth. And that *together* is that great gathering together of the living and those that died through the church ages that Christ Jesus brought back, and that is taking place now. And I want to make that plain—Christ Jesus brought the departed Wife saints back with Him. (Revelation, Chapter 10) He brought them back, and they began to take on glorified flesh and bones by the sounding of this trumpet, and it has brought them and us to completeness. Notice that—to completeness. And that is where we are. This message has brought us to total completeness. And we can barely keep our feet on the ground—which is the way I am feeling right now! We are seeing the total completeness of His great plan for the Wife of the Lamb. And now we are just here enjoying this moment of the twinkling of an eye that we are living in, waiting for the time when He calls us on up. Praise God!

Notice, Ephesians 3:3-4 says, *“How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, Whereby, when ye read, (now watch) ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)”* Now that sounds boastful. And when you read *our* books, you will understand our knowledge of the mystery of Christ. Well, that is not being boastful, but it sure is being factual. It is a factual thing that is taking place. So here we are. Yes, God blesses us and anoints us to talk about how wonderful it is to be the Wife of the Lamb and how precious it is to be clothed in fine linen, how precious it is to be of that special group, and how precious it is to know that there is only one Lamb of God, and He only has one Wife, and we are it.

See, that is what Paul said, *“Whereby, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in this mystery.”* Well, from the worldly standpoint, from the way people look at things, that sounds like Paul is boasting. No, he was not boasting, but he was being factual. I saw something the other day that said Christianity would have died out had it not been for a man named Paul who just kept pushing it to other areas although he was whipped and beaten. And although he was put down in every way, he always just stood for the truth of the gospel that the Lord had given him. He fought with wild beasts and many of the brethren forsook him. In one place he mentioned that there were just a few people that were left with him, but he stayed right with his

calling. That is what we have done today. And now we have gotten to the place where there is nothing else but this! For this is the mystery of marriage made manifest in the earth today. And we are not bragging about it, in the sense of being boastful about it, but we are being factual about it.

I thank the Lord for the light that just appeared in the building. I tell you, God is moving by His Holy Spirit. Praise God! So we are being factual about this. So if you want to tell about how great this is, how wonderful it is, go right ahead. But if they say you are boasting, just say, "No, I am not boasting, but I *am* being factual."

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your love, goodness, and mercy, and for the great power of God. Oh, we praise you for it today in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Take these words and use them for your glory, we pray, in thy wonderful name. Amen.

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