

THE WORD OF ANGELS-AND THE WORD OF THE SON OF GOD

Let us go to **Revelation 19** where we will see something to go with what we have been talking about: if you will follow my thought. The reason I say this is because in the Old Testament when God spoke to Israel, He would speak through a prophet. It does not matter which one: the point is, He would speak through a prophet. Yet when we find the apostle Paul in Hebrews speaking in reference to how God spoke unto the fathers by the prophets, and in these last days He hath spoken unto us by His dear Son, went back and picked up that dispensation of the prophets and says it like this, **(Heb. 2:2-3) "For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward; How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard Him?"** This brings it right over to our dispensation of time. If men were absolutely penalized and chastened because of failure to respect the word of angels that was delivered to them by the prophets, how much more should we take heed to the things we hear which are the words spoken directly from the throne of Grace. That is what Paul is talking about here in Hebrews. I want you to think about that as we go to **Revelation 19:7**.

John sees the Bride in heaven. Since he sees the Bride in heaven, keep in mind, he sees her beyond this point of time where God is still preparing her for her flight to glory. He sees her in heaven while the week of Daniel is going on. That is what you have to be aware of as we read this. **(Revelation 19:7-10) "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready. (8) And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. (9) And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God. (10) And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellow-servant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of prophecy."** We have something here that sounds like a riddle. Shortly after Bro. Branham was taken off the scene, every time somebody would read that, do you know what they would say? "That is William Branham!" I have had many individual's say, Don't you think that is William Branham? I would say, No sir. Well Bro. Jackson, don't you believe he was the seventh angel, and messenger to this age? Absolutely. Well don't you believe that was the Lord's way of sending His theophany to show John these things that was going to be in our day? I said that was an angelic being, that was not an angel Church Age messenger back there telling John these things. No sir, not at all. I hope you understand my point. **That is why I am doing my best to go at this message in a way that will help people understand the difference between things that the natural mind might look at as the same thing.** Right at this point John is now in heaven: because when he heard that same voice speak again he was taken up into heaven. Please notice his description of what he saw sitting on the throne. Notice, His face no longer looked like what he saw

on earth. This is absolutely a picture of how Jesus looked in heaven in that High Priest's role He has had for over 1900 years. His face was to look upon as a sardine stone. It just goes to show God has imparted to Him (Jesus) all the majestic honor and glory surrounding Himself. There in heaven, on the Father's throne, is where Jesus the Christ has been throughout all the dispensation of the Grace Age. Any other time that image of Him has been seen anywhere else, it has been conveyed there by an angel. The spirit of God can use that means any time it suits His purpose. That is why it can be a universal thing. That is why in **Revelation 10** we see this mighty angel come down to convey the image and presence of the Lord in His finished work as He is coming to collect together and get a Church ready to rise and meet the Lord in the air. When you and I see the immortal Christ for the first time, we will be seeing Him at the wedding supper. Let us take a better look at something else seen here in **Revelation 19:10**. John said, "**And I fell at his feet to worship Him. And He said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellow-servant.**" Give me your attention now: That is what throws a lot of people because it says fellow-servant. However if you look at it properly it is not hard to understand at all. First of all, the angel is speaking in respects to his role in relationship to what he is anointed and ordained to do within the realm of God's family on earth. We have to realize if Paul could say angels are ministering spirits sent forth by God to them that shall be heirs of salvation, then what do we think they do? They convey His anointing, and His presence. In most cases the angel is never seen, but the power of God is felt many times. You become very aware of the presence of God. It is because God allows the angel to activate that presence. This is why when we look back to the ministry of Jesus and really think of it, there was God's own Son and God dwelling in Him in the fullness of all His Godhead attributes: yet when He was led into the wilderness where He fasted 40 days and nights, and was tempted by the devil, How come angels came to minister unto Him in His weakened condition? What kind of picture do we get from that? Sure, God was in Him; but keep in mind, God ordained it to be this way and you are not going to change it. He has a particular reason for everything He does. It is all part of a master plan. Just like what we said about Moses and Elijah being seen talking to Jesus about the things He would have to suffer. If there were to be things said to Jesus concerning what He would suffer as He faced Calvary's cross, then why was it not an angel saying them? Why did He use the image of these two old prophets? God had a reason. He wanted the image of those men to stand out in that picture so it could be recorded. It is a sign that God is going to honor those men for who they were in their hour of time: that those anointings they held were the two greatest manifested anointings of God that had ever been vested upon mortal man. Here in the end time, just before Jesus comes again visibly, God will send that anointing on two Jewish men that will forerun the visible coming of the immortal, glorified Christ. That is when He will set up His rule and rein on earth. As we get back to this **10th verse**, this angel is actually telling John, Don't worship me! I am a ministering spirit of your fellow brethren. That is really what it means. Think of it: how many times this angel that was talking to John might have also ministered to patriarchs and prophets before his hour. That is why he

said fellow-servant. That is what his role was, a ministering spirit, strictly to minister in that category of the ministry of prophets and this dispensation of apostles. The angel had to talk like that. Furthermore he was not implying that he was some angel messenger to an Age. This is absolutely that ministering spirit that has ministered over and over to holy men throughout the generations of time passed. That is why he could talk to John like that: because no angel ever demands to be worshipped himself. However if that angel has conveyed the image of deity he could receive worship: because the worshiper would not be worshipping the angel since he was being seen portraying the image of the person the worship was directed to. You have to see it that way in order for it to make sense. When we move to **Revelation 22**, the last chapter, and look at the **16th verse**, we again see an angel speaking in the first person of the one that John's attention is to be devoted to. First let me go back to the **6th verse** though: where has been talking about the throne of God and the river of life and the tree of life, and all those things and says to John, "**These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent His angel to shew unto His servants the things which must shortly be done. (7) Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.**" Notice the wording there: "**Behold I come quickly.**" Those words were spoken in the person of Christ; but notice **verses 8 and 9**. "**And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things. (9) Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.**" He was not talking about the prophets that are yet to be. This angel was talking about the prophets that had already been: in the Old Testament. That is why we can say, A fellow-servant is a ministering spirit. That is what he does. This angel knew how, many times he had been dispatched to earth to convey God's presence before a holy man through the dispensations of time: that had yielded himself as an instrument to be used in the plan of God.