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Wisdom Pt3

II CHRONICLES 7:17-22

- 17. And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, and do according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt observe my statutes and my judgments;
- 18. Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdom, according as I have covenanted with David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man to be ruler in Israel.
- 19. But if ye turn away, and forsake my statutes and my commandments, which I have set before you, and shall go and serve other gods, and worship them;
- 20. Then will I pluck them up by the roots out of my land which I have given them; and this house, which I have sanctified for my name, will I cast out of my sight, and will make it to be a proverb and a byword among all nations.
- 21. And this house, which is high, shall be an astonishment to every one that passeth by it; so that he shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus unto this land, and unto this house?
- 22. And it shall be answered, Because they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath he brought all this evil upon them.

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM [56-0428]

...Solomon, who finally died a backslider...

FUTURE HOME [64-0802]

Wish we had time now. I got marked here, Solomon courting this girl, the Bride. Oh, we just have to omit it; it's getting too late, see. I'll get it, again. When he tries to get her, but she's engaged to a shepherd boy. Some probably thought that was a song he sang. Oh, no. Solomon was the throne inherit of David, on earth, but showed that kingdom had to pass away. It was a type of Christ in love with the Bride.

AS I WAS WITH MOSES, SO I WILL BE WITH THEE [60-0911M]

Someone asked me sometime ago, "Shall we seek our gifts now for our ministries?" some Methodist brethren who'd just received the Holy Ghost.

I said, "No, don't do that. When you do, then God can't use you." I said, "The only thing to do, is just go ahead being a Christian. If God's called you, He'll place you just exactly where you belong." Usually, those who seek and try to get things, if God would give them something, they'd, more or less, be a stuffed shirt. Usually the man that God calls is the man that's trying to run from Him, if anything; Moses and Paul, and different ones tried to get away from the call.

THE SIGN OF THIS TIME [63-1113]

I find that among the people, that somebody gets all influenced and kind of hepped up a little, by the Holy Spirit. Which, it's wonderful, stimulated. But there someone will come to you and say, "Does the Lord say so-and-so?" See, you--you don't have to give them an answer. Don't you say it unless God says it, then you've got THUS SAITH THE LORD. Then nothing can keep it from happening. It's just got to happen.

GIFTS [56-1207]

Now, there's where the people get these gifts all mixed up. You see? One will say, "Because you don't do this, you haven't got it, or you don't do this, you haven't got it." Now, you're wrong on that. **God is like a great diamond**. Listen, so you can really understand this. **God is like a great diamond**. And each diamond has a chip of a diamond has chip places, this big master diamond. And lay it in the light, great rays of light shines off from it.

And those are God's messengers, gifts. <u>All of it comes back to the selfsame God</u>. The gift of healing, the gift of preaching, the gift of prophesying, <u>all the spiritual gifts of the body are just rays or reflections off of the selfsame God</u>.

See the big diamond? For to one is given knowledge, to another, wisdom, to another, gifts of healing, to another one, gifts of prophecy, but all by the selfsame Spirit, the great diamond. And the big rays of light that we see shoot this way and shoot that way, all declare one thing: there is a God that lives and reigns.

GIFTS [56-1207]

Now, if you see a man here prophesying, and another a pastor, one evangelist and another a teacher. Now, you can't say you're not in it, because <u>it's just one of them rays</u> <u>off of God. It all points right back to God, that big master diamond. Don't forget that.</u>

ECCLESIASTES 1:16-18

- 16. I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more wisdom than all they that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge.
- 17. And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit.
- 18. For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.

THE SIXTH SEAL [63-0323]

I have to watch, 'cause people just take them tapes and just try to pick them to pieces, you know. So when they say, "Brother Branham, wish we had a ministry..." You don't know what you're saying. You... Honest, you don't know what goes with it, brothers, sisters. Oh, my, and the responsibility, when you got people that hangs to what you say... Remember, if you tell them wrong, God will require their blood at your hands.

ECCLESIASTES 2:11-14

- 11. Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, <u>all was vanity and vexation of spirit</u>, and there was no profit under the sun.
- 12. And I turned myself to behold wisdom, and madness, and folly: for what can the man do that cometh after the king? even that which hath been already done.
- 13. Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.
- 14. The wise man's eyes are in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness: and I myself perceived also that **one event happeneth to them all**.

ECCLESIASTES 2:26

26. For <u>God giveth to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy:</u> but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God. This also is vanity and vexation of spirit.

ECCLESIASTES 7:19

19. Wisdom strengtheneth the wise more than ten mighty men which are in the city.

ECCLESIASTES 9:18

18. Wisdom is better than weapons of war: but one sinner destroyeth much good.

JEREMIAH 9:23-24a

- 23. Thus saith the LORD, <u>Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches</u>:
- 24. <u>But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that</u> I am the LORD...

PSALM 90:12

12. So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.