

PREACHING No.24: THE TREE OF LIFE

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Well, this morning I would like to indicate more precisely what the revelation on the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was. You see? I want to point what Moses saw ... No! Rather what God was talking about when He spoke to Adam ...

First let's read Genesis 3:22-24 " *And Jehovah Elohim said, Behold, Man is become as one of us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he stretch out his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever...! Therefore Jehovah Elohim sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he was taken. And he drove out Man; and he set the Cherubim, and the flame of the flashing sword, toward the east of the garden of Eden, to guard the way to the tree of life.*"

Let's pray! ... Lord Jesus-Christ, bless this moment! People came from all the districts of Abidjan to hear the confirmation of the echo that they received! There is no piano here, there no wall carpet here, nor choir, nor fan and air-conditioner, the place is very small to even contain us but here there is the Word of God promised for this hour and make so that all those who are here this morning can understand It! Because you have the power of doing it! Amen!

Well, when God spoke to Adam that day, it was in Genesis 2:16, saying to him not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, Eve was not there and Adam was what we will be in the millennium. Everything was beautiful and harmonious. And Adam was god and Adam was living at the same time in the spiritual and physical dimension. Adam had seen with his spiritual eyes what those two trees were and he had interpretation of it but after the fall, cherubim were set there with flashing swords to prevent him from approaching it. You see? The sin made that God started to behave towards Adam as if He had never known him. And the most pitiful thing is that two thousand years later, those same cherubim did not allow the prophet Moses to approach the tree of life nor see it. Moses stood so far that he... Well, Moses, the prophet of the law, came up with the blood of bullocks and goats upon him. Oh poor Moses! He wanted to come up and see what it was but the cherubim shouted to him with a loud voice: "*Stop! Stop Moses!!!*" And Moses stood at a distance and cried. Had Moses cried when he saw the cherubim with whirling swords? Yes brethren, believe it simply! Why? Because humanity was doomed to perdition. But two thousand years after Moses, when the sacrifice was made... on the island Patmos, John, a great-grandson of Adam's approached and when those cherubim saw him, he said: "*I am John, a great-grandson of Adam and I am a prophet of Moses' descents. I come not with the blood of bullocks and goats but with...* [Ed: *the congregation says "Amen"*] *I come with the blood of Jesus*". And one of the cherubim told him with a voice of thunder: "*Come and see!*". [Ed: *The congregation says: "Amen"*]. And John said: "*And he shewed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, going out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of its street, and of the river, on this side and on that side, the tree of life, producing twelve fruits, in each month yielding its fruit; and the leaves of the tree for healing of the nations.*" Revelation 22:1-2. You see? This tree is Jesus-Christ who produced twelve fruits, that is the twelve apostles. We can see that at the beginning, in the middle and at the end of the Bible. And Judas was the representation of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil by Jesus. Now notice that John stood so close to the tree, so close to the throne and so close to the river that he could even no longer see the four branches about which Moses talks in Genesis 2:10-14, that is the four Gospels. He went beyond the four branches of the Gospel. They are not four Gospels but four aspects of the same Gospel. Moses stood so far that he could not see but the four branches at a distance outside the altar and the sanctuary, yonder, behind the cherubim! Those four branches, Adam could have access to them, Moses could have access to them, baptists and branhamists could have access to them, even catholics could have access to them. What is it? It was the inner court whereas Eden was the perfection I would say the presence of God. Eden was the holy of holies. What Aaron was making on the earth with the blood of bullocks and goats was only for the terrestrial image unless it is the blood of Jesus Himself. I want to say that when Aaron entered into the most holy place, it was for the days to come when the blood of Jesus would be shed. If I want to go into each detail so that everyone understands, I will be obliged to spend one month on this fifteen-minute teaching and then I will spend twenty years to preach the midnight Cry but I have faith that the same Spirit will seize the five ministries to explain that over the world.

And now, let's consider those four branches; which one of these rivers of Gen.2:10-14 corresponds to which Gospel? Let's read that! ... "*And a river went out of Eden, to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became four main streams.*" Well let's pay attention now! "*The name of the one is Pison: that is it which surrounds the whole land of Havilah, where the gold is. And the gold of that land is good; bdellium and the onyx stone are there.*" It is the book of Matthew, it is the lion. "*And the name of the second river is Gihon: that is it which surrounds the whole land of Cush.*". Cush, it is Ethiopia, it is question here of the Gospel of Mark. "*And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: that is it which flows forward toward Asshur.*" Asshur is Babylon, it is the reign and image of man. It is the book of Luke. "*And the fourth river, that is Euphrates.*" And here it is the Gospel of John and Revelation that John wrote. And when he says: *And the fourth river, that is Euphrates*, he does not say anything more.

Well, let's come back to Rev.22:1, John thought in his heart: "*If such is the tree of life, I will do well to look on the other side, for that of the knowledge of good and evil should not be far*". Yes, that tree could have been there but when the sin took place, God cut it. The same way that God cut the serpent, its representation in the garden was also cut. When the sin took place, God cut in Eden, that tree which had the appearance of the natural tree and which was close to the tree of Rev.22. Even before God made the sacrifice, that tree was cut. The same way, before the sacrifice of Jesus was made on the cross of Golgotha, God cut Judas... You see? God did not allow Judas to subsist beside Jesus after the resurrection. God had cut their spiritual and symbolic representation in the Heaven and now God was cutting their physical interpretation on the earth. Thus,

in the garden, Adam should have the interpretation, the revelation that the tree of the knowledge of good and evil that was there was not a tree like that of Rev.22:1-2 but the serpent. Do you understand that? Very good! That's it. Jesus-Christ is thus the tree of Revelation 22:1-2 with the twelve fruits and whose leaves are the miraculous virtue for healing the nations.

You see? Now pay attention to what I am going to say, for this is the spiritual revelation of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil that you must bear in mind: spiritually, those two trees were God and Satan, the Spirit of God and the spirit of the devil. Then trees which are only spiritual as we can see it in Rev.22:1-2 whose physical interpretations were on the one hand Adam himself in his divine state before woman was even formed and on the other hand the serpent of before the fall. And if the forbidden fruit by God is the sexual act, see also in any son of the devil, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. You sisters, keep yourselves from those trees. In the same way, you brethren, keep yourselves from it! You say: "*Brother Philip, woman too?*" Yes brother, when God spoke to Adam in Genesis 2:16, He was talking about woman. On the one hand, that tree of the knowledge of good and evil was Eve. Brother, when you see those girls with their lower abdomen out, their legs out, skirts drawing their derrières, even though it is a sister, be wary of her! It is the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Do not eat of it! When you see those girls with false hairs, in trousers or their bosom out, it is the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Do not eat of it! You shall not eat of it until God overshadows it with life like Mary and authorizes it to you through the dowry and the blessing. Let's take Rev.12:1 "*And a great sign was seen in the heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars*". That is the image of the Tree of Rev.22 and it is woman. And you sisters, when you see them like angels ready to buy half of the world for you saying the things like: "*I want to have serious relationship with you...*" beware! It is the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. You see? And notice that Eve, in the beginning, was called Isha, meaning woman. But when she prostituted herself, her name became Eve, that is, *the mother of all livings*, Adam's children and the serpent's children. In the same way, when a church prostitutes herself, you will see a name other than *Church of Jesus-Christ*.

And if in the middle of the Bible, the tree of life manifested itself as being the Word, know also that the tree of the knowledge of good and evil manifested itself as being theology and they are those catholic, protestant, evangelical and branhamist priests and pastors,. And the midnight Cry says that even if you are travelling, you must not eat or drink of the cup of their doctrines. They only preach the good and the evil, that is to say morals and the Bible says that they are poor, blind, miserable and naked.

And to end, I would like to say that you cannot understand what I am saying unless you consider the spiritual and physical significance of those two trees. For example in Joh.12:28-29, it is said: "*... There came therefore a voice out of heaven, I both have glorified and will glorify it again. The crowd therefore, which stood there and heard it, said that it had thundered. Others said, An angel has spoken to him.*". Well, what will you consider? A thunder or a voice? You see? That's it. And in the evening time, one day, while William Branham was with some brethren hunting, there were three claps of thunder, but instead of that, W. Branham heard three words pronounced with a loud voice: "Judgement West Coast" and two days after that, a great earthquake struck Alaska.

Thus, you must spiritually see this tree of Rev.22 as the river and the four main streams of Gen.2:10. You say: "Brother Philip, does Genesis 2:10 talk about a spiritual river?" Yes brother, it is in a vision of Moses and observe a little and you will see that a river does not supply any stream. The natural side of Gen.2:10 is not even possible. A river does not flow into streams but rather streams that flow into a river. It is thus spiritually Jesus-Christ, giving power to the four Gospels and to the twelve Apostles.

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