

This civilization come by Satan

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*Title: 58-0528 — The Sign Of The
Messiah*

And Peter was a ignorant and unlearned man, he never had any education, he could not even sign his own name.

The Bible said he was ignorant and unlearned.

If education plays such a big part, what about that?

And that man was given the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven.

15 Where are we gone to with all of our schools and things?

I'm not saying we don't have them, but you're putting too much emphasis on your education.

That's all right, but that'll never save you; if you don't watch, it'll damn you.

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That's right, because people try to outsmart.

16 It's the, our criminal record... When Captain Al Farrar, the head of the FBI of the Juvenile, was converted in my meeting, he said, "Brother Branham, your statement of that is true. I'll take you right here to every juvenile case that's happened in the past ten years in

the United States, it's amongst the educated people." That's right. Ninety percent of it is.

They're so smart, they figure they can just out-figure the law and things like that.

That's why they're, get in trouble.

17 And they think, "Well, we got a great church; we're a great name." That isn't it.

You've got to be borned again.
Without it, you're lost
completely, no matter how good
you are.



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*Title: 54-0403 — The Hand Of The
Lord Came Upon Him*

26 I'd rather have an old fashion rail fence experience out there, some boy—man with my boy out there, if he didn't even know his ABC's, take him out in the broom-sedge patch somewhere and kneel by him by a stump and pray him through to God, than all the seminary D.D.'s could be

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produced in all the universities of the world. Amen.

That's a big mouthful, but, brother, it's the truth.

And what the church needs tonight is something to base yourself upon, where you know where you're standing.

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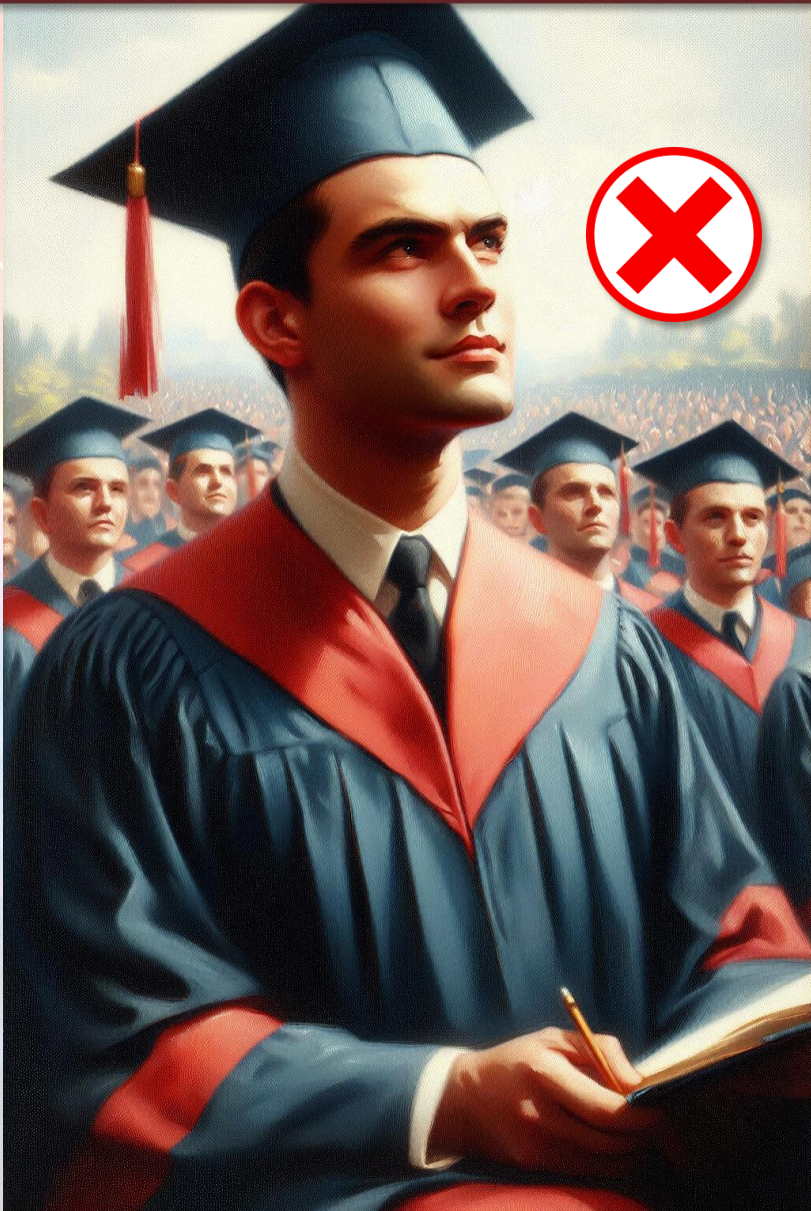
Get so smart you think you
know more than God.

You leave no room for God.

Now, I'm not trying to support
my ignorance; I'm just simply
stating what's fact.



**Sin came by civilization, so your
intellectuals will never get you
back in fellowship with God**



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*Title: 61-0214 — The Basis Of
Fellowship*

73 After he lost his fellowship with God he become a wanderer, had to shift for himself. God taken care of him before then, but now he finds he has to shift for himself, and it's a pretty hard thing. So he doesn't have a loving Father to watch over him, and protect him, and guide him, and direct him, and

feed him, and clothe him, and care for him like he did. So instead of coming back, he tries to find his own way. He wants to make his own way back. Man wants to make his own way; he's always had. Always will, I suppose, try to find his own way, and every time he make his own way, he's always gets wrong.

74 Now, we find out in this age, let's take some of the way he tries to get back yet. He tries in this age to bring himself back through his

intellectuals. He tries to educate himself back. We had a program here not long ago, "If We Could Educate the World." Here about seventy-five years ago the world taken upon itself to educate itself back into fellowship, make all nations, when we civilize the world, brought the Liberty Monarch, and brought the heathen and everything. We started out in our churches making programs to teach reading, writing, and arithmetic. What did we do? Made

him a two child more fold of hell than he ever was to begin with.

75 I just come from Africa, recently. And in Africa the worse thing they ever did was educate the heathen. The hardest heathen there is to deal with is the educated heathen. Now, a heathen is an unbeliever. And you get a—a uneducated heathen, sometimes you can talk to him. But you educate him; he knows more about it than you do, or God does, or anybody else.

76 So, and what do we do? Now, to, and...so that my colored friends here will understand, when you take the African Negro, when he's out in his little hut out there, he's all right. There's only one thing he wa-...needs is Christ. You bring him into the city, and when...

77 And I tell you, in their own living over there, they could teach this Christian world over here morals that they wouldn't know nothing about. Why, there's a tribe there, if a girl is, wait till after a

certain age, until she's married, and if she doesn't have someone or doesn't marry someone by that time, well, she has to take off tribal paint, and go into the city, and just be a roustabout like them that's in the city, go in the compounds. She's no more fit to stay amongst the—the society of that tribe.

78 Now, and if she is married, before she can be married she has to be tested, her virginity. If she be found guilty, she has to tell the man that done it, and they're both

killed together. What if they'd do that in Hollywood, or Los Angeles, or over the United States tonight? There'd be a lot of killing done. No night life in Africa like that. No, they live higher, cleaner, morally than we do, as calls ourselves Christians. Yes, sir. If that girl is found guilty, if a woman ever found guilty of running, or dishonorable to her husband, she's killed right there with the man that lives with her. Yes, sir, there's no immoral among them.

79 I never in all the discernments of cases never found one case of—of venereal disease among them. That's right, not in any of them. I found TB, and other things, even leprosy, but no immorals, any venereal.

80 Now, see there, they're—they're wanderers. And our education, what do we do with them? We're bringing them down there in a compound, and you kick on a piece of tin where those are trying to...have to take off that

tribal paint, and you find that goats, pigs, and everything else run out of there, and four or five children, four or five men, four or five women. That's what civilization does to them.

81 When this country here used to be beautiful, the Indian lived here by himself; he had very little sin, little tribal war. But when the white man come, what did he bring? women, whiskey, killing, murder. Look where it's at now. See? **Civilization brings sin,**

always. When man begin to multiply upon the face of the earth, violence set in and God destroyed the world.

82 Sin came by civilization, so your intellectuals will never get you back in fellowship with God. That's hard statement, but let me say this with all tolerance and not trying to support my ignorance, but I think the worst enemy that Jesus Christ ever had was education. Educate the world, you get a bunch of educated

heathens and you can't do nothing with them.

83 Not long ago I had a FBI man was converted in my meeting. He taken me into the room and showed me how that the...where crime begin. And I made that kind of a statement one time in a meeting, and he showed me on a map, like you take a little thing and pull it out of a map at certain places, and it showed where the highest educated people was, there's where the most crime was.

Right. They think they can outsmart the law and things like that.

84 Educated...Education has been an indebtedment to—to the salvation of the human soul. Now, education's fine as far as it goes, but it'll never take the place of salvation. So man trying to educate hisself back to Christ is fighting the air. He will never do it. He cannot do it.



**Education, civilization, and all
this, comes from Satan.**



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*Title: 65-1205 — Things That Are
To Be*

54 And all this modern civilization that we live in is of the devil. You don't believe that? The Bible says it is; this world, every government. We don't want to believe that. But the Bible plainly states it, that every government, every kingdom of the earth, is owned by the devil and ruled by the devil. Jesus was taken by

Satan, up, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world that was, would be, what more. And Satan claimed them, his, and Jesus never argued with him, because he is the god of this world. See? And he said, “I’ll give them to You if You’ll fall down and worship me.” See? He was trying to give them over to Jesus, without sacrifice. See? It was a bargain that he was going to make Him.

But the world had sinned. So, the penalty of sin was death, and He had to die. That's why God was manifested in flesh, so He could take death on Him, to pay the penalty. There's nothing to come back. It's not earmarked. It's absolutely, freely paid. All the debt is paid. It belongs to Him now. And we are delegates of His Kingdom, assembled here together tonight, in the Name of Jesus Christ our King, setting in Heavenly places.

55 Now, in this world that we live in, this education, I want to prove to you, education, science, civilization, and all these things that we seemingly so enjoy today, is of Satan, and will perish.

You say, “Brother Branham, civilization?”

Yes, sir.

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Genesis 4 proves it.

Cain's son, see, started this civilization, building cities, and organs, and so forth.

And civilization came by knowledge.

Knowledge is what the devil sold Eve, in the garden of Eden, that caused her to cramp, transgress God's commandment.

So there will be a civilization in the world that we're going to, but it won't be this kind of a civilization, for in this civilization

we have sickness, sorrow, lust, death, everything in this civilization, wrong. But in that civilization there will be none of these things. We won't need science.

Science is the perversion of the original, anyhow. See? You split a molecule, to split atoms and do so-and-so, to blow you up. You take gun powder, bang *this*, to kill something. You take the car. And take gasoline out of the earth, and

the materials out of the earth, to loosen up the fibers, so it can blow up. And go down the road at ninety miles an hour, and kill somebody. See? Oh, so nervous, squeezing, hurry up; we got to pushing, taking. Oh! See? It's all of the devil.

The Kingdom of God will not have automobiles, airplanes, or any scientific achievements. No. It won't have any education, at all.

It'll be an education so supreme to this, that this won't even be thought of. See?

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Now, you say, “Brother Branham, why do you read, then?”

56 See, just like, why do I wear clothes now? In the civilization that was to come, that was first, they didn't need any clothes. They were veiled. They had no reason to wear clothes, 'cause they didn't

know they were naked. Now you...
Now you find out, that, in now,
then, that we know that we are—
are—are—are naked, sin abides
here, then we've got to wear
clothes. But it wasn't so at the
beginning; there was no sin. See?

57 Now, the same thing is in
the way of civilization, altogether.
We read, we write, we do this, but
don't never get adjusted to that.
Don't never make that your god,

for that is the god of communism.
See? It's not of Jesus Christ.

58 Jesus Christ is by faith; not what you can scientifically prove, but what you believe. I can't scientifically prove you, tonight, in this building, that there is a God, but yet I know He's here. But, by my faith, vindicates it.

Abraham could not scientifically prove to you that he was going to have a baby to that woman, and her nearly a hundred years old. But

his faith confirmed it. See? Didn't need any scientific proof. Why, the...Why, the doctor would said, "The old man is crazy, out here saying he's going to have a—a baby by that woman; him a hundred years old, and her ninety." But, you see, God said so, so it don't take science. It takes faith, to believe God's Word, not science.

59 So, our schools and things are a blow up. As, God never said,

“Go forth and make schools,” or even, “have Bible schools.” You know that? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.] He said, “Preach the Word.” That’s exactly right. Our educational systems taken us farther away from God than anything I know of, that’s right, farther away from God. Not build schools, hospitals, and so forth; that was for the world and for that group. But, I ain’t got nothing against them; they play their parts, but that still is not that.

We build a hospital, ever so good, and practice with the best medicine we got, and thousands die in it daily. But, oh, my, in the Kingdom of God, there is no death, there is no sorrow. Amen. There's no need of these things of the world. But we've passed from this thing, into the realities of God; where we struggle so hard to try to find, through science. And more scientific we get, more death we bring on ourselves. We're fighting a losing battle there, so turn loose

of it. And by faith, believe Jesus Christ the Son of God, tonight, and accept Him. He is the One.

60 What is science preparing for you? More death. That's right. Sputniks and everything going up, and all these things, to scatter death and everything across the earth. Don't look to that. Turn your head higher than that, towards Heaven. Look where Jesus sets, "On the right hand of God," tonight, "ever living to make

intercessions on our confession,” of what we believe, His Word to be the Truth.

61 Now, we find, this life holds all kinds of evils, so therefore the life that is to come won't have it. This one has lust, and sickness, death. Because, what is it? It's not the house that He's gone to prepare. This is a pesthouse. How many knows what a pesthouse is? [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] Sure. Well, that's what you're

living in. A pesthouse is where they put all the diseased people. Well, that's just what sin done to us, put us in an earthly pesthouse. Were you...They wouldn't let anyone else come in the pesthouse, because there's all kinds of germs flying around in there, and—and the people will take these germs and—and be sick, themselves. And sin brought us into the devil's pesthouse.

62 Oh, but the other one is called, “My Father’s House.” “I’ll go and prepare a place for you. Take you out of this pesthouse and deliver you into My Father’s House.” Amen. There you are; take you out of this old earthly pesthouse. He’s gone to prepare a place, a perfect place where no evil exists, no sickness exists, no old age exists, no death exists.

It’s a perfect place calling you to that perfection, and you have to

be perfect to get there. The Bible said so. Jesus said, “Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in Heaven is perfect.” It’s a perfect Kingdom, so it must be a perfect people come. Because, you have to stand and be married to a perfect Son of God, and you must be a perfect Bride. So how can you do it through anything else but the perfect Word of God, which is, “The Waters of separation, that washes us from our sins”? Amen. That’s right. The Blood of Jesus

Christ, think of It, the dripping,
Bloody Word. Amen. The Blood,
the—the Word of God bleeding
Blood, to wash the Bride in. Amen.
Yes, sir. She stands perfect, virgin,
unadulterated. She never sinned,
in the first place. Amen. She was
trapped into it. See?

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