

The Importance Of An Absolute Pt2

The Word

JOHN 1:1

1. *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M] Any Divine promise in the Bible, you can tie your soul to it. No matter how much the waves whip you around, you're still tied; your absolute.

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M]

...the absolute to the Christian, is like the... It, it's like the anchor in the ship. Yes. You, you got to have an absolute. And if Christ is your absolute, it's like the anchor.

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M]

...and Christ is the Word; not your church, your word. The Word!

* Bro. Branham says the phrase "*Christ is the Word*" 92 times throughout the Message *

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M] He is my Absolute. Now make Him your Absolute.

AN ABSOLUTE [63-0127] Now, if He is our Absolute, there can be no other absolute. You can't have, say, "Well, my--my church is my absolute. My creed is my absolute." If Christ is your Absolute, you believe Christ's Word. There's no other way to do it.

AN ABSOLUTE [63-0127]

The Word is Christ. And you must be sure that you can say "amen" to that Word, or your absolute is wrong.

You've got it built upon some creed. You say, "Oh, I believe Christ, but I don't believe that Stuff. I--I believe Christ, but I don't believe This." Then your absolute is wrong. Your absolute is in some creed, and not in Christ, because Christ is the Word.

AN ABSOLUTE [63-0127] Now, now, This tells whether we got the right absolute or not. See? If you can read in that Scripture, something that Christ has ordained or commissioned us to do; and, because of some twisting around, if someone would tell you That was for the disciples or someone else; and then you don't hold onto That, then Christ is not your Absolute. That person who led you out of the Way is your absolute.

But if that Word, Christ, still holds, see, then He's your Absolute. We mustn't let anything stir us out of the way of the Word. See?

AN ABSOLUTE [63-1201M]

And every man-made absolute and every man-made achievement must go to dust. They must go to dust. It's the wrong kind, so it fails.

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M]

If I die in my tracks, **my absolute is Jesus Christ**, upon that is what I believe, if everybody walks out.

I CORINTHIANS 14:36-38

36. *What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?*

37. ***If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.***

38. *But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant.*

I CORINTHIANS 11:1

1. *Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.*

CHURCH ORDER [63-1226]

...you get two man, you got two opinions. **It's got to come to one final absolute, and my absolute is the Word, the Bible.** And as a pastor here of the church, my absolute is the Word, and I want... I know you are brothers, **you kind of look to me to be your absolute** to what... as long as I follow God as Paul said in the Scripture, "*You follow me, as I follow Christ.*"

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M] [NB note: re the Shunammite woman]

And when that baby was laying dead, she said, "*Saddle that mule and don't you stop.*" She went up there. She knowed. And I like that, the way she come. **She got to her absolute**, her tie post.

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M]

Look at her. Oh, my! This is it. She said, "*All is well.*" Why? **She had come to her absolute.** "*All is well.*"

AN ABSOLUTE [63-0127]

And then, no more than said that, there stood the girl before me, in a vision, normally well, smiling. And she was looking towards a young man. And I looked at the young man.

I looked back. Vision left me. I said, "Norma, does she have a boyfriend, kind of tall and dark hair?"

"Yes."

I said, "Does he do something with them in singing?"

Said, "Yes. That's right."

I said, "Don't you worry. I have THUS SAITH THE LORD. She is coming out of it."

Norma threw her hands and caught me by the knee, looked up to her husband, said, "Honey, it's never wrong." Said, "It's never wrong."

AN ABSOLUTE [63-0127]

And now, see, now she sings at the tabernacle now. Now, there is men and women here, from--from Jeffersonville there, that knows that story is true. If you're in here this afternoon, raise up your hands, how many knows that story? Yes. See? All around, that know that it's true, absolutely true. Now, what was it? That little lady used that vision as an--as an absolute, an ultimate. See?

AN ABSOLUTE [63-0127]

You remember the story a few minutes ago, of the little lady? That vision was her absolute. She knowed it had never failed, so it was her absolute. If she could get God to speak back and say "*It's over,*" no matter what the doctor said, it was an absolute. It was absolutely anchored down.

EXODUS 2:12

12. And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

EXODUS 20:13 *Thou shalt not kill.*

REMEMBERING THE LORD [63-0122]

But you want to not make any man your example. You want to make God your Example, Jesus Christ, and you want to take His Word.

INFLUENCE [63-1130B]

Not the holy man, but the Holy Spirit working in that man. The man will fail. He's a failure to begin with, anybody. The very greatest of man fall. Don't never put your confidence and your... to make some man your example. Look to God. Christ is your Example.

INFLUENCES [64-0215]

When you look and try to make a man your example, you'll sure go wrong, 'cause he'll fail.

AND THEIR EYES WERE OPENED AND THEY KNEW HIM [57-0421E]

Forget about me being William Branham. **Look at Jesus Christ**; He's the One that's here. I challenge your faith, in Christ's Name, to forget about me and believe that this is the Lord Jesus here, and see what will happen.

HEBREWS CHAPTER FOUR [57-0901E]

Don't look at the messenger. Listen to the Message. Believe It.

BIRTH PAINS [65-0124]

Don't pay any attention to the messenger. Look at the Message it is.

IS THERE ANYTHING TOO HARD FOR THE LORD? [60-0328]

Brother, sister, I'm just a lump of clay. Don't you pay any attention to me, but you listen to what I'm saying.

AN ABSOLUTE [63-0127]

I'm only telling you the Truth, friend. Don't let It pass by you. I'm not claiming... I'm nothing. I'm your brother. Don't you pay any attention to a messenger. You watch the Message. Don't watch the messenger. God will take it away from you. **He will share His Glory with nobody**. That's right. Don't you watch the messenger. Watch the Message.

If a man run in here, he might be black, yellow, brown, ragged, if he's got a check for you for a bank draft for a million dollars, you wouldn't care what color he was or how he was dressed. It's the message he has for you.

Now, don't look at my grammar and--and the things. You just remember I'm telling you about Jesus Christ Who is here now. You believe Him with all your heart. Don't you fail to believe Him.

STRAIT IS THE GATE [59-0301M]

Now, you, don't look at me. My, I'm a Kentucky hillbilly, as far as that concerned. I--I don't even have enough education hardly to--to write my own name. **But there's one thing I do know, I know Him**.

ADDITIONAL QUOTES

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M]

Oh, it's a wrong kind, so they always fail. They are man-made absolutes. You can't take a man-made absolute. I don't care if it's a--a president, if it's a dictator, if it's a king, if it's a church, if it's an organization, if it's a creed. Any of those things are going to perish, just like all the absolutes of that kind through the ages.

We can look back. Look back. Look at men who trusted the emperors. Look at men who trusted the dictators. Look at men who built their hopes upon them kind of absolutes, and look where they are today.

Now let's turn ourselves around and look at the men who put their hopes upon the Bible, upon God's Word, and held It for an absolute. Look where they are now.

Paul gives you a little brief of them, in Hebrews, the 11th chapter, what they did. *"How they subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, and so forth. And they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins. Of who the world is not worthy of."*

AN ABSOLUTE [63-0127]

And if Christ is your Absolute, you are tied to Him in that manner, no matter what anybody says, how hard the persecution gets, how bad the storm seems to be, how--how it looks impossible for it to happen. If something has happened in you, that, Christ becomes your Absolute, or any promise in the Bible becomes your absolute. If you are sick, and--and you are praying for healing, and something becomes to that, strikes that promise in the Bible, "I've got it," there is nothing going to wave you from It.

ABSOLUTE [62-1230M]

...how many feels (you) He is your Absolute? [*Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.*] The Word, He is the Word. Do you that believe that? [*"Amen."*] He is the Word. And the Holy Spirit germitized that Word, to make that Light live in you, of the Word, the vindication of the Word.

A ABSOLUTE [63-0304]

No matter how bad it seems like, and how dark it gets, still believe your absolute.

EVENTS MADE CLEAR BY PROPHECY [65-0801E]

No wonder Jesus said to them, "You garnish the tombs of the prophets, and you are the one that put them in there." After their Message is gone! A Message goes through, the people see It, they make fun of It (the world does). And then after the messenger is finished and the Message is done, then they build a denomination upon the Message. And there they die, right there, never come to Life again.

TESTIMONY [50-0823]

...it isn't the messenger, it's the message that he gives you. Is that right? So don't notice the messenger; it's the message that you're hearing.

LOVE [57-0519E]

Don't you look at the messenger; look at the message I'm talking about.

THE QUEEN OF THE SOUTH [58-0620]

Don't pay no attention to the messenger; listen to the message.

THE TIME OF DECISION [59-0611]

Don't notice the messenger, but believe the message, and God will unload to you tonight His promises.

THE ANGEL OF GOD [51-0720]

And because some human being, poor and uneducated, and so forth, is declaring it; don't look at the man; look at the God. If a man would run in here tonight with a telegram or a money order for you for a hundred million dollars, you wouldn't care whether he was dressed ragged, whether he was colored, yellow, who he was. It's the message that he brings.

IS THIS THE SIGN OF THE END SIR [62-1230E]

And, friends, don't look to me. I'm your brother. Don't pay no attention to me, because I'm just a mortal. I have to die like everybody else. Don't you listen to me; but listen to what I've said. What I said is the Message. Don't pay any attention to the messenger; watch the Message. Keep your eyes, not on the messenger, but on the Message. What It said, that's the thing to look to.

REMEMBERING THE LORD [63-0122]

It don't make any difference who brings the Message. It's--it's not the messenger. It's the Message you hear.

PERSEVERANT [64-0619]

It's not the messenger; it's the Message you want to listen to. *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."*