

THE THIRD PULL
[1956 - 1962]

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1. Vision of the Third pull. [New Ministry; Mark 11:20-24 & Matthew 17:20]

[Many major events and visions occur at the end of the year, in December.]

MARK 11:23

For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

WHY ARE PEOPLE SO TOSSED ABOUT? JEFF. IN 56-0101

4-5 So I said, "I'll tell them when I get to Arizona," (after I left California). I didn't have the nerve. So after... I said, "When in New Mexico," and on and on, till told them coming right down here in Indiana. But they--they understood it pretty well.

Billy didn't get it too well. He said, "Daddy, I think you're making a mistake."

But I went home tired, weary, upset, crying, went to bed that night; and after the wife got to sleep, I went in the room, and knelt down, and said, "Dear Jesus, I don't know what I'm going to do. Here I am right back where I started from again. I guess I made a failure." About two hours from then He appeared to me. And He showed me a vision of such a panoramic view of people, I never seen. I was talking to my wife in the vision.

Now, you people that know me, know I'm not a fanatic. I don't say these things 'less they're the truth. That's right. And I--I seen it. Then I seen Brother Arganbright standing there. And I went up to him. He said, "Brother Billy," said, "we've given out all the prayer cards, and everything's ready now for the meeting. We got a way to take you in and out."

I said, "Thank you, Brother Arganbright."

And I walked over to some more brethren. And there was another brother preaching. I said, "Who's he?"

They said, "They put him up."

I said, "Who is they?" And they just turned around, walked away. And the man made--dismissed the audience and let them all go. And I said, "Oh, you shouldn't do that, because there is--there's no altar call."

"Oh," they said... Another fellow spoke up and said, "We done took up the offering."

I said, "When is the offering more important than souls before Christ?" See?

And at that, the Angel of the Lord taken me out then, and He taken me to a real bright stream of water. It was the most beautiful blue water; and great fish were swimming around in it. He said, "I will make you a fisher." And He said, "Now, cast your lure into the water; and when you do, pull it slow, first time; and the next time, just give it a little jerk, not too hard; and the next time, set your hook for the catch."

And I started to throw my line in the water. I pulled, and everybody begin rejoicing and saying, "That's wonderful. That's wonderful." I got all excited and jerked it hard on the next one out; I pulled the fish and all out of the water. And what it was, it was a little bitty fish, and it, just about the size of the lure. And I got my line all tangled up. And I was straightening out my line, and the Man which was talking behind me, walked around in front of me, dressed in Palestinian clothes and a turban on His head. He had a white robe. He said, "Brother Branham, that's it."

I said, "I know I didn't do right," I said, "I jerked it when I ought not to."

He said, "Don't get your line tangled up in these kind of times."

And I said, "Well, I'm running it as straight as I can. I'll be very careful."

He said, "Now, the first time I spoke with you, you put your hands on the people and told them what was wrong with them. And the second pull, why, when you did, you would know the secrets of their hearts. And I made you a seer before the people. But you was always trying to explain it. You oughtn't to have done that." He said, "You made a public showing out of it."

I said, "I'm very sorry."

6-3 Then He taken me from there, and I seen a great huge tent. I never seen such a--a tent. And it was packed and lined everywhere with people. And I walked out to the... Looked like I was standing above the people, looking down, where I'd just made an altar call; and hundreds and hundreds of people were weeping and rejoicing after they had accepted the Lord Jesus as their Saviour.

And I looked, and then heard a man get up and say, "Call the prayer line." And people begin to line up over on this side, the left from where I was looking down towards the platform, and they lined all the way up and down the street for a prayer line. I noticed to my left, which would've been to my right if I was on the platform, a little wooden building. And I seen that Light, that all--they have the picture of, you know, that's always in the meetings; I seen that Light leave me, and go to that building, and go in that building; and a Voice said to me, "I'll meet you in there; that'll be the third pull."

I said, "Why?"

He said, "Well, it won't be a public show like they had it." And I came to.

And I... Now, at the beginning of this new year, back to my tabernacle where I started from (See?), back to the beginning where I--I started... I--I am very grateful to God for these things.

And many of you know that just before leaving on the other crusade, about eight or ten years... I think about ten years since... Well, nine years it has been. It was... These things were told exactly how the auditorium services (You remember.), exactly how that Brother Lawton would live exactly three years, and then be taken away; that Brother Ward would build a tabernacle down in this position, this direction here, and all of it just exactly. You know it, you old timers. It happened just that way, and so will this, for it's THUS SAITH THE LORD. And you'll know.

And now is, I believe, that the--that the brink of the greatest meetings that's ever--we've ever--I've ever held for the Lord Jesus is laying right in the future before me now.

BEING LED OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 56-0219

E-7 (...) And the vision was this. Years ago a vision started... The first one I can remember, I was still in a little long dress. I don't know whether you know what that means or not, a little boy, had a dress on. And we raised in the mountains of Kentucky, and I... Little boys and girls both wear little dresses until they're great big children. And I remember that dress that I had on. It was a...

And I remember a preacher shooting at some birds and seventh shot hit me in the leg. I sure remember that. And that I was... Mother said then that I was... Well, I was... We come to Indiana when I was three years old. So you can imagine. That was about a year later, so I couldn't have been over two years old at the time when it first happened.

But when I was first born, this Light that you see on the picture here was standing over the bed, five o'clock one morning on April the sixth. That's my mother and father's, and the ones' that was around testimony in a little cabin up in Kentucky. They didn't know what it meant, and none of the rest of us did. And I didn't know till just about ten years ago. All my life, it was visions.

And then after He told me and sent me into the work, I knew that there would be things that we'd have to watch. And one of them is money, the other one's popularity, and women. There's three things that man falls with, and ministers especially.

Now, notice in the Bible, seers. We find out that Balaam fell because of money. Samson fell because of women, and Saul fell because of popularity. So I had to notice those things. I knowed popularity, and--and women I shunned, but...?... He... I don't... Sisters, I don't mean a brotherhood, fellowship, but I mean in the--in the way when I was a kid, I... A voice spoke to me. You've read my life story, all of you, haven't you? When He told me, "Never smoke, drink, or defile my body," well I, that I kept reverent.

And I didn't... wasn't much afraid of that, because... But the test of money, that was the thing that bothered me. And I was raised so poor, my, I thought money will just be... So I said, "Lord, going out in the meetings, I'll certainly keep money in the background. And if You'll help me, and if I'll never let anybody beg for money in my meeting. And then if there's ever a time that You ever fail me, just by taking up the offering, and You fail me, I'm coming off the field." Well, for nine years He kept me going.

And then recently in California on a meeting, I lost five thousand dollars in one meeting. The next meeting I lost ten thousand dollars; I'm still owing it. So then, the... That the meetings didn't pay out... Now, that... I come... I went home that night. I went to--went to the cabin where I was staying, about two o'clock in the morning when we finished up. I told the wife, "I want to go out and pray a little." So I went out and prayed. I come back in, almost towards daylight. We were leaving for home, face red, tear-streaked. She said, "Billy, what's the matter with you?"

"Oh," I said, "I was just out talking to the Lord." And I couldn't have the nerve to tell her I'd quit the meetings. And I told the Lord, I said, "This is my promise."

On the road home I said, "When I get over and out of California, I'll tell them when I get in Arizona," Billy and--and my wife. And he's... And then I said, "I'll do it when I get over in Texas." And then when I get to... Well, I told them when I come in home in Indiana. And--and my wife couldn't understand it. She said, "Bill, I'm afraid you're doing wrong."

And Billy Paul said, "Now look, daddy, that's what you promised God. God never told you to do that."

I said, "Yes, but a man of honor will keep his promise." And that's one thing true.

Said, "Well, you... I don't believe you... You just couldn't do it, daddy." Said, "Don't the Bible say, Paul or somebody said, 'Woe to me if I preach not the Gospel?'"

E-12 I said, "I'll preach the Gospel. So I'll rent the old theater down there, and get a broadcast, and have the people come in here to Jeffersonville and pray for them, whatever." I said, "But on the field, no, where you have to have a lot of money through this time." And so I said, "I'll pay this off, and I'm going back to work and get me a job. I promised God I'd do it and I--I'm going to do it." And then that was in my heart.

And then went to bed that night, and the next morning got up. I just got off on the side of the bed which we never got in till rather late. My wife said, "We got to get the little girl off to school, Billy." And I said...

And so I got up on one side and she was getting out on the other side. We always go and--and kneel and pray by an old chair there every morning when we get up. It's been a custom all my life of doing that since I've been a Christian, and it was she also. And so then when she was just setting on one side of the bed, one side. And I was rubbing my eyes like that.

And I looked coming down out of the wall, and here come two little dark looking children half naked, pulling a little wagon with wooden wheels. And I said, "Now, Meda, that's what I'm trying to tell you." And I could hear her, yet I was done too far into the vision; I couldn't--couldn't understand why that she didn't an... She come around. And now, when them visions strike like that, well then, you're just in a coma like. See? And so then, she went on out of the room.

And I started walking up, and I met Mr. Arganbright, and he told me that the meeting was already in session. I should go in. So when I went to the meeting, oh, my, I never seen so many people. [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]... of people. And they looked like kind of dark people and smooth though. And I thought, "Where are they at?" And then there was someone else speaking in my place and in the vision. And I said, "Who's speaking?"

And he said, someone, minister's standing there, said, "Oh, they put him up."

I said, "Who's they?"

E-14 And just then he said, "You're all dismissed." And oh, about maybe twenty, thirty thousand people started leaving. And I said, "Why, they never made no altar call." And I said, "That's not right."

And another minister, kind of blond-headed, raised his hand up and had some sack in his hand, said, "But we got the offering."

I said, "When did it come to a place that the offering was more essential than the altar call?" And so then just then, well, I said, "There won't be--there won't be twelve people out."

They said, "You're to speak this afternoon."

I said, "What time?"

Said, "Just anytime."

"Why," I said, "there won't be twelve people out." And I said...

He said, "Well, wasn't Christ left with twelve when He told them the truth?"

And just then I was taken off into a--another place. I set down by the side of a--of a--of a little place, and I seen a little baby shoe, little moccasin. And I had a great big string almost the size of that post there, trying to lace through that little eye of that moccasin, trying to lace up the shoe. I hope this don't hurt anyone. I never put it in the magazine. How many people here are saved, let's see your hands, really borned again with the Holy Ghost? Yes, all right. Then I'm sure you'll understand me. I never put--placed it out in the magazine like that.

But I was trying to thread this little shoe up with this string and, oh, the little eyelet was about an eighth of an inch and this shoe, the string I had was about a half inch. And I was breaking the threads, and it was trying to push it through just with all my heart. And a Voice spoke from behind me. And It said, "What are you doing?"

And I said, "Lacing this shoe."

He said, "You're using the wrong end of the string." And I looked down on the floor and there laid the, truly, there laid the--the string, oh, went out to a nice eighth of an inch and taped down real nice. And He said, "You can't teach Pentecostal babies supernatural things." Said, "You'll cause carnal impersonations." Now, that's true. I can only say what the vision said. See? "Can't teach Pentecostal babies supernatural things. You cause carnal impersonations." And so, and I--I stood there.

And just then, seemed like I went off into another dimension. And when it was... Now, remember, watch these things. They'll come to pass word by word. It's--it's perfect. And I was standing by a lake, looked like. And He taken me and set me down there by this lake. There was lots of ministers around a fishing. And I looked and there were great big fish. And some of them was just catching little bitty fish. And just then I said, "Oh, my." I said, "I'm a fisherman. I'll--I'll catch the fish."

E-17 So I picked up the pole that was laying on the ground. And just then, this One said to me, said, "I'll teach you to fish," the One that had been talking behind me to my right side.

And I said, "All right."

He said, "Fasten on the lure, but throw way out in the deep." And I went way out in the deep. He said, "Now, when you do, let your bait settle down. Pull slow first." He said, "The small fish will follow the lure." Now, that's really fishing technique all right. He said, "Pull slow." And said, "The small fish will follow. When you get a strike," said, "just jerk it a little bit, not hard." But said, "Don't tell nobody how you're doing it." Said, "Keep it still. Don't tell nobody what you're doing." Said, "Pull it slow. And then," said, "when you feel your strike, just pull your bait far enough to scatter the little fish. It'll make the big fish run for it, and then when you get a strike, then set your hook for the catch."

I said, "I understand." And I threw it way out. And just as I did, all these ministers and people run around, said, "Praise the Lord. Brother Branham will really catch fish." They was just going on like that. And I felt real big about it, because they were telling me I was a fisherman. And so when...

I said, "Now, I'll tell you how it's done. Here's the way you do it." And I said, "The first, you're supposed to pull slow. And then when the little fish goes to following," I said, "you set it like this." And when I did, I jerked bait, hook, and everything out of the water. And I looked. I caught a fish, but I was wondering how he ever got the lure in his mouth, 'cause it looked like just the skin of the fish stretched around the lure. It was such a little fish. And just then I said, "Oh, my, look."

And just then this One had been talking behind me stepped around in front of me. It was the same Angel of God that's always spoke to me. He said, "You've done just what I told you not to do, standing on the platform, and trying to explain it, and telling the people, and I told you to keep it to yourself." And said, "Look what you've done. Look at the carnal impersonations you got rose." See? And I hear people say that.

And I hear people say, "Brother Branham, oh, the Lord's give me a ministry." You got probably greater that... Yeah. But just like that no, never will be as long as I'm on earth. He told me that in the beginning, never will be (See?) as long as I live. Now, He told me that. And I hear people say that, and I know it's wrong, but I just don't want to criticize, tell them that. But then when they...

He said, "You cause impersonations." And then I started weeping. And I took the string and was trying to straighten it out. And just then He looked at me. And I wondered what He was going to do. And He said, "Keep your line straight in these kind of times."

I said, "Yes." So I got the line ready to throw again, and just as I did at that time, He taken me away again, and He stood me up in the air over a great auditorium up or--or big tent. Oh, I never seen such a tent, spread way out. And in that there was a, look like I'd made an altar call and hundreds of people, real softly and sweetly were weeping, setting by the altar, receiving the Lord Jesus. And I said, "That looks better."

E-21 And then He said... There was a nice, smooth spoking gentleman stepped out and said, "Now, while Brother Branham's a resting a little bit, we'll line the prayer line up." Said, "You all with prayer cards beginning at a certain place line up to my right." And so, I looked over, that would be to my left from where I was standing. And there was a little building setting in there, little--little building that's built like that.

And all the people were, oh, just looked like went around the tent, and out a city block or more, a great line of people. And they were all standing around there with their prayer card. And just then I seen a woman in an ambulance stretcher was laying, and a man behind her was standing on crutches. So they were standing there waiting for their turn. There was a lady taking down their names and things. And then there was a canvas stretched here that no one could get around that tent.

And just then... Now, I want you to watch this and listen how it is now. So you watch the difference. Then I heard something whipping around. Whrrr, whrr, whrr, like that always goes every time we have a healing service. That's just what happens. That's the way it has always sounded. Sounded that way in the bush that time when I heard it. It's always been that way. And I felt it. I heard it, rather, going, moving. And I looked, and here went that real soft Light moving away from me and went down and went into that little building.

And then there's something different between the Light and the Angel, 'cause He was still here with me, and the Light had went into the building. And this Angel still speaking behind me, which is a big Man, and He said, "I will meet you in there."...

So then I said, "I don't understand why in there."

He said, "Watch." And this woman when she come out of there on the ambulance stretcher, she was pushing the stretcher out the other side.

And she said... The lady asked her with the--the... Said, "What--what happened?"

She said, "I don't know. It just happened." She said, "I've been in this stretcher." Said, "I've been down in bed for years." And here come the man out packing his crutches. And they asked him what, said he didn't know. And he was coming to the platform to testify.

And I said, "I don't understand that in there."

And watch, He's always Scriptural. He said, "Did not our Lord say, 'When thou prayest be not like the hypocrites that like to make a show.' Said, 'Enter into the secret closet, and when you've done so, close the door. Then pray to your Father what seeth in secret and He that seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.'"

And He said, "You remember that name that you were hunting that time that you dreamed about?"

And I said, "Yes."

He said, "I'll meet you in there and this time it won't be a public show." And the vision left me.

E-25 Now, we got the tent in making. And then in there I'll be able to carry a prayer line right on through. Now, you remember, I speak this before it comes to pass. The exceedingly abundantly is fixing to take place. I can't wait till I get into that place. I just... My heart's a yearning and burning.

And these things here that you see now will be amateur to what our Lord is fixing to do. You just remember that with all your heart. And live for Him now and be reverent. And just be yourself. Just--just be Mrs. Doe or Mr. Doe and--and love the Lord and just move on with a true heart before Him, and love Him. He will take care of the rest of it. You see?

But then it'll be no end to the prayer line for it'll go hours after hours. And watch what our Lord is fixing to do. Now, the thing that happens in there when He told it... Now, remember, the Bible is laying open. I did it first, my hand over my heart. A human being in this world will never know it. I made a show out of the other, but God being my Helper...

The reason I waited till this night... It's the first time I've told it in public. I waited till this night to tell it. God being my helper, they'll never be a human being know this till death sets me free to go home to be with God. I'll never make a show or a--a public thing of this. It's too sacred for to be given out the way I did the other time.

And I ask the people, and trying to explain something that I didn't know nothing about myself, you forgive me. You're not supposed to explain God. You just believe God. There's no way to explain Him at all.

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E-45 Now, why do--why do... You say, "Brother Branham, why do you have such faith standing there? Ain't you afraid there'd be a mistake?" No, sir.

"Aren't you afraid you'll say something wrong?" No, sir. God said so. That settles it. That's just all there is to it.

"Are you afraid now you making this, concerning this new ministry that you're entering, do you think that's going to be... You say greater?" Yes. "How do you know?" God said so. Oh, I haven't got one bit of doubt, my heart's just leaping and jumping to get to it. See? Because God said so, that settles it. That's just--that's just all there is to it. It's going to be that way. God said so, and that settles it.

LIFTING HIM OUT OF HISTORY. JEFF. IN 58-1001

E-3 And it's been told me, some time ago by a vision, that the Lord gave me, some year ago, I suppose, or maybe a little more... I have it wrote out in a book at home, of a changing of a ministry. And many of you people setting here, I wouldn't say many, but remember, when we first built this Tabernacle? You remember the vision that come the morning we laid the cornerstone there, when He said, "This is not your tabernacle. But He set me under the skies," and said... told me that different things would take place.

If you know, you watched that come to pass, just exactly as it was told. See? And it always has been that way; so therefore, I rest assuredly that what He says, it's God, and it has to be true.

And then some time ago I was in a vision, and I saw a--a large tent. Oh, it was a mammoth, big affair. And I'd just been speaking, and many souls were at the altar, and were just kindly weeping with their hands up, quietly, and softly. A nice gentle spoken man came out to the platform and said, "Now, they will form the prayer line, while Brother Branham's making ready." And I was standing that way... Of course the prayer line would been to my left. And I noticed a crowd of people, that seemed to cover a city block or more, that was standing in line.

There was a little building, wooden building, inside of this tent. And there was a woman, standing there or man one, taking names. And people were going in on crutches, and stretchers, and coming out the other side, walking. Well, I wondered what all had taken place in there. And then that Angel of the Lord, Who's picture you see here, It went from me, and went right over that little building, and stood there, and then went down. And a voice spoke and said, "I'll meet you in that place."

Well, now, I've looked forward for that time. I've been off some time now, resting because of overwork. I come back, and the last weekend we had a little, kind of a church doctrine, for three nights here. That's last Saturday night, Sunday morning, and Sunday night, prior to this meeting, kinda get this church shook in condition, so we could go ahead with this meeting, coming on now. And then, immediately after this Sunday night, will be my farewell night to the Tabernacle for some time, as far as I know.

2. Ministers testifying of Brother Branham's ministry.

3. Hair pieces nothing wrong with them.

WHY ARE PEOPLE SO TOSSED ABOUT. JEFF. IN 56-0101

37-4 How did He lead Bosworth? Oh, just look across the country at the hundreds, through dreams and visions, and how it's all been. Then that makes me know this: that He met me there when He stood by my side and He said, "You were born in this world to pray for sick people." Said, "Your ministry starting, will sweep the world around." And it has. Look at the healing campaigns, millions around the world is healed now. I couldn't take it. Certainly not. But I started, by God's grace, and it flowed around the world to this great revival.

I was setting the other night...?... finished now. The other night, a few months ago, with a bunch of ministers gathered together in a healing campaign. They each one was to tell a personal experience. They didn't even know I was around. I was setting back in this great stadium, my coat pulled up like this, a hair piece on my head, a little pair of dark glasses on, just setting there listening. One of them walked up to the platform and said, "Well, my ministry is about gone. I don't know what to do." He said, "A little humble fellow come along, Brother Branham. That started me."

The other one walked up, and said, "As the brother testified, so was it with me." He said, "I pastored a little old church, and I went home one night." He said, "There it started."

I set there crying, crying. I just got up and walked out of the building. I couldn't stand it no more. See? He said this. I thought, "God, it's just exactly what You said would take place, exactly."

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 64-0830M
1107-210 But that's all right. If you ain't got no hair and you want one. If you can do it, that's perfectly all right. Yes, sir. If a woman, her hair isn't long enough, she wants a switch of hair in it, I'd say, put it on, sister.

If a man takes bad colds and things, and wants a--some way--even to his appearance to his wife, if he wanted to wear a hair piece, do it. Yes, indeedy. Nothing wrong with that (no, sir.) no more than you would be your teeth, or artificial arm, or anything else. If nature has some--taken something from you and it's so handy you go ahead, that's perfectly all right.

4. Private interviews by Brother Branham.

MELCHISEDEC THE GREAT PRINCE. JEFF. IN 55-0109M
E-3 Now, I was noticing the results from last Sunday's meeting. The people that was prayed for, we have a--little interviews privately to get the people... I tell you, you see, friends, the reason we don't have healing services here... You understand, we don't have any adequate room to take care of the people. That's the way it is, it's never announced healing services at the tabernacle here, although we pray for the sick each time that I'm here. And auditoriums are hard to find and so forth. And you strangers that's of different parts of the country coming in, there's not too many full gospel people right in the community, or however, or in the vicinities here, but they... Not all that--that sponsor the meetings, or cooperate in the meetings, rather, are full gospel people, because there's many of them which are different churches.

We do not try to represent any certain church organization, only we try by God's help to represent the Lord Jesus Christ, and--and free to all, everybody.

I just for one, noticing at... Last Sunday in the room there was a colored brother who's just recently been saved a few months ago and his beloved wife, and she was a cripple on a support. And he was hideously ruptured. And while speaking with him in private terms in the deacon's office, with a private interview that he had called ahead and got the arrangements made... Each Sunday we have so many we can get each Sunday. I...

Feeling, while setting there in the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, why, a lady had just went out that was on crutches, that had let... went out walking without them. And this man very definitely, believing the Lord Jesus, why, was prayed for with a great hideous rupture... And I told him, I said, "Now, that rupture will start from this very moment going back to its place." I said, "Now, as it--as it goes back, then you watch it as it moves back, which will give you more faith.

See, faith's got to be based upon something, not just mythical thought. It's got to have something basically to stand on, faith does. And that's the reason we believe that the Word of God teaches Divine healing, deliverance to the soul, deliverance to the body. And we base it upon God's eternal Word.

And I said to the brother, "Now, that you might know that I have told you the truth..." For seeing before me in the vision, I said, "You take, when you go home, and tighten around that rupture, a string, and measure it, and then cut that string off. And don't touch it anymore till next Sunday. And before you come up, take that... take another string and rap around that, and bring me the difference that shrunk in the strings.

He said, "I'll do it."

Well, here's the string, about an inch and a half cut off of it, like that. Here sets the man, the man... Just so that you could see that what has happened. Now, something has taken place. I have never in my life seen any times that God ever said anything, or told it by vision, or a revelation, but what it was exactly the way God said it would be (See?), just exactly.

His wife, last Sunday coming, was walking on support of a crutch, or stick, cane. And I noticed her today, she was in there. She couldn't walk, or she... I told her that the Lord would make her well. She had a--a limb that was stiffened. And I see her walking up, she had took her cane to her shoulder in there, and here she is today.

E-6 [A woman speaks in the congregation--Ed.] And there--there's another lady that, another one of them, from down... that was... She was in such a fix with so many diseases last Sunday and crippled up, and she lives way down somewhere around Georgetown, is it, lady, or somewhere down in there? Georgetown, Indiana. She said, "But, Brother Branham, I'm old."

I said, "But Abraham was too, lot older than you, and he was asked to believe something that was impossible." And she accepted it, and there she is. And here's the other lady, setting right behind the lady I was talking about, right behind her husband here, the colored lady setting right here, and the other lady back there. Her strains for evidences, the crutch is gone for evidences. Jesus Christ lives and reigns for the supreme evidence that He rose from the dead and is with us this day. How we thank Him from the depths of our heart, that He still lives; He is not dead. He rose from the dead and living amongst mortals today, ever willing, able to do the exceedingly abundantly above all that we could do or think. We praise Him with all of our heart, for His loyal goodness to us.

HEAR YE HIM. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 56-0611

E-3 On the private interviews this afternoon, in a room, a young woman, I'd say middle aged, come in, been a teacher for years. And something has been wrong with the lady for a long time. Even when Doctor Lee Vayle, has been introduced here, the pastor of the First Baptist Church up at Spencerville, Ohio, bosom friend of mine, was keeping the ten minute interviews with each one as they passed. And the lady come in, and in her case it was a required for God to move and to show something. She'd done everything, been prayed for. But then the blessed Holy Spirit came down and undone the whole thing, and showed the thing, and the lady was perfectly delivered. After many, twenty years or more, of torment, the Holy Spirit delivered her. The great smile on her face when her ten minutes was up, left the room rejoicing. What do we say? The faith that was once delivered to the saints is delivered again tonight to those who believe. The Lord be blessed.

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 57-0614

E-2 It's been a grand week for me. I've had many private interviews with the people, which seldom take place in a regular campaign, but in this convention it was 'lotted for me do it. And to see the Holy Spirit move into the room and do the works that He has done.

Just a few moments ago, I just left the room of the emergency. And in there, I was so stricken as going through and talking to the blind, and deaf, and--and crippled. A man on crutches when I was leaving, walking up-and-down the floor without his crutches.

A little boy setting in a wheelchair from Canada that had muscular something. I forget just what it was called. And he said, "Looky, I can put my hand up." And weeping, his father and them.

And to see a deaf man that was setting over there, could not hear, hearing. And different ones... And a little paralyzed girl from birth setting up, raised up in her mother's arms and all of them were just rejoicing.

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. JEFF. IN 58-0928M

208 Now, interviews are fixed. Anybody that wants to see me, perfectly all right. If you'll call BUtler 2-1519, just look in the telephone directory and find William Branham, BUtler 2-1519, arrangements will be made for interviews. [Telephone number has been changed. Call Branham Tabernacle--Ed.] And it'll be put down just exactly the time and the place to do. Now, I can meet every person, be with them, help them with their problems and things, but I can't just go and stay a day with one, and four or five hours with this one, and next day miss the whole thing. We have so much time. We ask them what they want and how much time, and bring it right down. And we see every person. We got that...

And the man that answers the phone will be Mr. Mercier here or Mr. Goad setting right there. And they'll fix that right on the book exactly for the interviews, and I'll see every person.

If it's a special case, if it's during time for the prayer service now for the sick, bring your sick and afflicted in and let them listen a night or two.

Now, we'll pray for them emergency cases, but then after about a couple of nights, I want to start in on my new ministry. And I want to take them back here in this room, because you know the vision. How many remembers the vision (Sure you do.) of the little tent in the room.

Now, I'm going to take Meda in with me on the first night on account of sending women in. And then if it--see how it works just with her in there. And then, if it don't work right that way, then I'll turn around and send two women in at a time, bring two women at one time, 'cause they're coming into a place where there's just a man. See? And that... 'Course now we got a clean minds, but the devil don't have it out there (You see?), so--what he'd think about it (See?) and what the world say. But it's a ministry that I can't let be known to the public. No one will ever duplicate this. You see? No, sir. No, I know it's right on the merge now. I can just, look like, just reach out there and take ahold of it; it's laying right there.

LOOKING AT THE UNSEEN. JEFF. IN 58-1003

E-5 (...) And today in the interviews, the Holy Spirit was wonderful today. And it seemed like that maybe, it's just go to continue on for awhile, until that tent comes in, up under the same ministry that I've had, because in the interviews today, there were four, great, outstanding visions took place in--in the interviews. So it seemingly, maybe, I will continue on until that maybe the tent starts, or wherever it is He has chosen to begin to declare His Name in a new way. But when it does, it'll be just as perfect as the others. It'll be just... And I'm trusting to God that it will be greater than the others; not because of--of our ministry, but because of the sick and needy people. There's such a need in the land today.

5. Case of uremic poisoning. [Backslider]

INTER VEIL. STURGIS, MI 56-0121

E-19 A few nights ago, I was called to an emergency call of a young lady dying at the Clark County Memorial Hospital. And said she had--she had been a member up at the--the Tabernacle where I used to pastor years ago. And when I went into this young lady to talk to her, she was under an oxygen tent. I said, "They tell me you used to come to the Tabernacle?"

She said, "Yes, Brother Branham, I did."

I said, "You realize you're dying?"

She said, "I do, Brother Branham." Said, she was the mother of one child. She was nineteen or twenty years old. And she had a four-month baby that has... Adults could read between the lines, and understand. She'd taken uremic poisoning, and oh, so many things. And there wasn't one thing the doctors could do, but lay her back and wait for death. That's all. Nothing could be done for her in the medical science.

And she was going out to meet God, just a child. And I said, "Sister, do you remember on the cradle roll, you were baptized into the fellowship on the cradle roll." I said, "What was the matter?"

She said, "Brother Branham, I tell you." Said, "I still love the Lord Jesus." But said, "I--I find it so hard to serve Him."

SPIRITUAL INSPIRATION. OWENSBORO, KY 56-0128

E-19 (...) Said, "Brother Branham, I've wandered far away." She said, "But, oh, I've gotten married. I married a sinner boy." And said, "I just couldn't live it." She said, "Last summer I was just about to drown and I screamed out for mercy." And she said, "Then God warned me to come back, that my time was at hand." Said, "I--I didn't come."

And said, "Now, here it is again, and I knew you was in town so I sent for you, Brother Branham," struggling through her breath, under the oxygen tent. And then we got down; I said, "Sister, Jesus is just as willing to take you back today as He was the day He accepted you at the altar, more willing because you're still His child, just out of His will." There through struggles she turned her face towards God, the tears run down her young cheeks, eighteen month old baby leaving, and one dead within, and pray, and the prayer of faith... And in less than five minutes time the woman was setting up under the oxygen tent saying, "Brother Branham, something's happened in my soul. I'm right with God again."

And there when the doctor looked at it, said, "Look, something's happened." Said, "I believe in the morning we'll just take the baby for the operation."

WARNING THEN JUDGMENT. JEFF. IN 63-0724

139 And the--the next morning the called me up to come back out there. And come to find out, they come in that morning for a test and to see how the--the uremic condition had advanced, and found out she didn't have a speck of it. It was all gone, every bit of the uremic poison had left her. The doctors was so excited till they said, "My. Why, this, we ought... It's something very strange." Said, "We'll--we'll get her ready," and said, "if it's still that way by in the morning..." Said, "We'll keep giving her penicillin," or whatever they was giving her, keeping the infections down. Said, "We'll operate and--and take the dead baby before it set in something else." Said, "If she's all right, then..."

Well, two or three times that day they tested her again. And that night late, they tested her, nothing wrong, was perfectly all right. And they prepped her, took her out from under the oxygen tent. Everything was fine. They was going to operate on her the next morning, take the baby.

Well, I went out there. And because that this was done... Now, I never knew it; I never knew. The Lord never told me nothing about it. You could ask the people, if you wish. So they... She... He never said it would. But, oh, my, to see such a--a thing, her husband, being a sinner, come over and said, "Brother Branham, I--I want to give my life to the Lord Jesus."

And I said, "All right, just kneel down here and take hold of your wife's hand, and then you walk this straight life together."

143 The mother come back; she said, "Brother Branham, you know, here's me and my children," said, "we've all been in and out, and in and out, and around the Tabernacle, and things. We set and listen at you preach, and we'll go up to the altar and come back." Said, "I'm backslid too, Brother Branham." She said, "I want to come back to the Lord Jesus for His goodness to my child." Well, you see, that--that's very nice, but you don't come to the Lord Jesus because of that.

Along towards midnight, twelve, one o'clock, her mother dozed off to sleep. And she said, called her, said, "Mother."

And she said, "Yes, honey, what do you want?"

She said, "You know, I'm so happy."

She said, "I'm so glad of you being happy."

Said, "I'm at peace with God." And said, "Oh, how fine it is." In a few minutes again she called back, she said, "Mother."

Said, "Yes?"

Said, "I'm going home."

And she said, "I know you are." She said, "Yes, sweetheart," said, "the doctor will take the baby tomorrow. And then about a day or two, when your incisions heal up and you get away from here, you go back home and be happy again, you and your hubby and the little children, and be a Christian and live for God."

She said, "Mother, I mean I'm going to my heavenly home."

She said, "Sure, honey, at the end of the journey."

She said, "This is the end of the journey."

"Oh," she said, "now, what's the matter?"

Said, "The end of the journey." So said, "Yes, mother, within a few minutes I'll be gone."

Well, she thought she'd just got nervous and delirious. She called the nurse; the nurse taken her respiration. Everything was normal. And within five minutes she was gone; she was dead.

And then when I come back home in a week or two after that... I think Brother Graham preached the girl's funeral. When I come back home and Meda told me that that girl died that night, my, I couldn't...

I--I went to see the mother. "Yeah."

And I--I--I don't know what caused me to do it, but I said, "Lord God, You--You owe me an understanding (See?) after me going out there and--and telling that husband, and him coming to the Lord after You done these things for him, and all like that, and then take that girl's life like that." I said, "You owe me an understanding."

When you tell God something like that, He'll leave you setting alone. I don't... He don't owe me nothing. I'm in debt to Him. Well, He just let me pout it out for a few days, you know. And after about three or four months, one day I was out on the creek bank, and the Lord spoke to me in a vision, and said, "Now, go to her mother, and say this to her mother, 'Did not her time come the year before that, when she was drowning in a creek on a picnic? She should've went at that time, but I had to take her when she was ready to go.' And that's why all this happened and why you went out there."

Then I got down and cried. I said, "Lord Jesus, forgive me, Your poor stupid servant. I should have never said that, Lord."

152 And I'd went back down to the lady; she lived over here on Market Street. And I went over to her, and I said, "I want to ask you a question."

She said, "Sure, Brother Bill."

And I said, "Is it true that this girl almost drowned?"

She said, "That's right, Brother Branham." Said, "Her husband and they--they had to get her out of the creek." And said, "They had to use artificial respiration upon--pressure, and they had to get a machine and pump the water out of her." Said, "She had her skirt on. They was having a picnic. She was out there and stepped in some sand, slipped off over her head and strangled in the water. They didn't notice her. And directly they seen her coming up and going down, and they run in and got her and brought her out." And said, "She almost died." Said, "She..."

I said, "That was her time to go."

See, God knows what He's doing. Now, the Lord probably would've told me that if I hadn't have taken the attitude that I did, "Lord, You owe me, to tell me about that." He don't owe you nothing.

6. Fasting.

INTER VEIL. STURGIS, MI 56-0121

E-26 Christianity is not something, God's not One you have to beg, and cry, and plead, and fast, and starve, and everything like that to get to. Certainly not. I'm not degrading a fast.

But here not long ago, a man wrote a book on fasting. My, women come into the meeting, and men, who'd went on those fasts that were insane. They went just because the book said to fast forty days. Some of them with false plates, and their teeth would drop out. And their eyes would sink back. And mothers-to-be to... women to be mothers, their little ones as you understand, they would completely go mentally out, and be taken to the institutions. Many, many of them, come in that condition. I believe in fasting. Certainly. But when you fast, you don't hunger. Jesus after He had got through fasting, the Bible said, He was hungry. God puts a fast on you. You don't put it on yourself. He certainly captured the women, the man did that wrote the book, when he said, put a picture of a woman there, she looked twenty years younger, said, after the fast. You ought to seen her then, just about a year later what she looked like, after that. See? Certainly.

You don't do that. You don't do things by works. It's by grace. God in sovereign grace...

7. New Heart, New Spirit and My Spirit. [Ezekiel 36:26-27]

8. Wheel in the middle of wheel. [Ezekiel 1:15-16]

EZEKIEL 36:26-27

A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.

EZEKIEL 1:15-16

Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.

The appearance of the wheels and their work was like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel.

HIDDEN LIFE WITH CHRIST. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 56-0213

E-42 Don't be tossed about with every wind of doctrine; believe God's Word. Get stable. Get set. "How do you do it, Brother Branham?" Here it is. There's many... Remember in the Old Testament there, in the outer courts, the manna fell

on the ground. And the thing of it was, God told Moses to pick up this golden omer, and make it full of manna, and put it in behind the holy place by the ark. It stayed fresh continually, year in and out.

But that that fell on the ground, withered away. The people would go and get it, and they would eat of it. But they found out, that before the day was passed, many of them become weary. Many of them would get hungry again. Because the manna only lasted so long.

And how many times that I find that--that people now in this day... What is that manna a type of? Now, I'm going to rub just a little bit, and I hope you love me the same. But I'm only trying to get something to you; I hope you see it.

Notice, that manna was a type of the Holy Spirit. God provided manna for the entire journey, coming down from heaven with Christ, coming down from heaven and dying to make life for the world. And the--honey, little honeycombs is what it was. It'd come down from heaven; they picked it up and made bread out of it. But the bread only lasted so long.

And after it got up along in the day, the sun come up, it perished. But that that was in the holiest of holies perished not. It stayed good all the time.

Remember, many people today, claiming the baptism of the Holy Spirit, which they do have... But it's your position, where you're keeping yourself. It's what's causing your meal cramps that you're getting. That's right. Many people, you find them... A man that's out here, justified, come in and believe on the Lord. Sure. Only the Holy Spirit alone can bring conviction, any man. Justification is a work of the Holy Spirit. But it depends on where you're eating, where you're getting your supply from.

People today, even regenerated people, many times, go to God and they love God and they praise God, and they go to the service, and they enjoy the service. And when they leave the service, the next morning they're just as lean as they was when they went in that night.

Many own experiences of Divine healing, come and watch the Holy Spirit move and do signs and wonders. And they set and marvel at it, and eat the good things of God. And the next morning in the presence of--of some official or something, they would deny the very existence of it. And they're afraid to testify of it. Because it's where they are living; it's where they're eating their manna.

Now, the Bible said that He would give us a new heart. And He would give us a new spirit. And many people, even Pentecostal people, and Full Gospel people has been deceived in that. Many times God said, "I'll give you a new spirit." That wasn't His Spirit; that's your spirit. Then I will put My Spirit in you. I'll give you a new spirit, then I will put My Spirit in you. And many times you get the new spirit and think you've got the Holy Spirit. And trusting upon emotions and signs and things. When your life doesn't pivvy up to that. Now, that's just a little raw,. but remember, it's the truth.

E-47 Many people--that spirit, that new spirit, God had to give you a new spirit to get along with His Spirit. Well, some people so mean they can't even get along with themselves, let alone with God if He'd come in. That's right. So doubtful and up and down. God has to give you a new spirit, give you a new nature, so you can get along with His Spirit when It comes. Amen, I hope you see it. God gives you a new spirit for yourself, and then puts His Holy Spirit in there (Amen) to dwell with you and abide with you.

Notice, the same manna that was eat out in the courts was eat in--also in the holiest of holies. But this manna out here give out quickly. You've met people like that, would eat out there and say, "Well, Brother Branham, I had the same thing; I did this, and I did that just like they did. But I've meet that woman; she's always on the housetop. There's never a worry in her mind. I meet that man; wherever he is he's got a big smile on his face and saying, 'Praise the Lord,' how you feeling? 'Wonderful.' And every time he gets sick, the preacher comes prays for him, brother, he's out and gone the next day, he's just wonderful. I just can't hold my blessing somehow."

It's the place you're abiding at. It's where you're at. Oh, I--I want you to get this close. Remember, that's a--many times, on the campground, these blessings run out. You're eating the manna, the correct manna, but you haven't consecrated your life yet, and went into a place, like Aaron, behind the holiest of holies. When he was in there, nothing, he didn't hear the world no more.

And what men and women need today, after you've been brought into the Kingdom of God, is a hidden life. Men and women, who'll get with Christ and the curtains drop around, and you're... You don't care what the world says. You don't care what people say. You're living in there with Christ, where the manna; you're eating from the golden pot of manna every day, day and night all the time: Living on the mountain, underneath the cloudless sky.

When Aaron walked in there the curtains fall behind him, he was all surrounded in a place to himself, with God alone. Hallelujah. That's the place that every borned again man and woman ought to be abiding today, in the presence of God with the rest of the world shut off from around them. Hallelujah.

WHAT DOES TAKE MAKE CHRISTIAN LIFE. CHICAGO, IL 57-0113

E-33 Now, He taken, and what did He do? Give you a new heart, give you a new spirit, and then He puts His Spirit, His Spirit in you. It's just like... You don't have to go around and pretend that you're a Christian man. That new spirit brings new life. The Holy Spirit in your new spirit, in your new heart... Your new heart, your new spirit and the Holy Spirit goes right in the center of your new spirit, and your new spirit goes right in the center of your new heart.

So it's like a--a mainspring in a famous watch, and it's self-winding. All right, it sets right in the middle of that new spirit, and the mainspring of a--of a famous watch sets in the middle of the watch and makes every organ of that watch, every little instrument, tick just perfectly to time. It's all done by a mainspring. And the little works out on the side move with this mainspring. It is the wheel in the middle of the wheel, as Ezekiel said.

Now, when you receive the Holy Spirit It goes right in the middle of that new dispensa--disposition of yours. "Oh," you say, "I quit drinking; I quit smoking. You know, I--I--I just feel like a different person." Oops. Wait a minute. See, you just got a new spirit, but the Holy Spirit comes into the middle of that spirit and then He makes you every--every main motion, every intellectual, everything agreeing right into this middle of the wheel. What God says, that's... [Blank spot on tape--Ed.] If the days of miracles,... If Jesus is the same yesterday and forever, the Holy Spirit would bear record with that, and every intellectual move of yours will say the same thing.

And when you have these little temper fits and you fly out, and you tell lies, and you proselyte, and you jump the fences, and you so selfish with your organization that you're so narrow minded you couldn't hear another minister, just remember, the Holy Spirit isn't ticking in the inside of you. Whew. I didn't know I was going to say that, but--but that's right. See?

E-35 The Holy Spirit will make every movement like Christ. It'll make you Christ-like. The fruits of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, goodness, meekness, gentleness, patience, faith. Those things are what the Holy Spirit controls, our emotions.

Our emotions is not so much as jumping up-and-down. You could do that. A shindig will bring that to you. But the Holy Spirit brings you into operation, or in control of God, that you walk in peace and in love and in joy with longsuffering, goodness, meekness, gentleness, patience. You see? It isn't something that you do. It's something the Holy Spirit does in you. You see, it's no longer an intellectual thought of your own; it's a subconscious moving of the Holy Spirit. Oh, I wish I could shout the praises of God around the world to that.

Church of the living God, there's where our Pentecostal move failed. We have some manmade musical, clap hands, jump up-and-down emotion. When if we go back out on the street and the Holy Spirit doesn't govern our lives to cooperate with that, we have not got the Holy Spirit. That's not skim milk. But, brother, that's what the church needs. Only life can come by the Holy Spirit.

WHY SOME PEOPLE CAN'T KEEP VICTORY. OAKLAND, CA 57-0324

E-50 Yes. That's what we need today is experiences of the new birth. Now, I want you to watch the order that Ezekiel brought it in. He said, "I will give you a new heart, and I'll give you a new spirit, and I'll put My Spirit in you." I want you to watch; there's three of it. A new heart. "I'll take the old stony heart away." That's that old different heart you have. "And I'll give you a new spirit." Now, many times, and there's been a terrible mistake, the people has thought sometimes that that new spirit was the Holy Spirit. But it isn't; it's a new spirit. God gives you a new... Why, you couldn't even get along with yourself with your old spirit; how you going to get along with the Holy Ghost? God had to give you a new spirit so you could get along with His Spirit. And sometimes people...?... "A new heart, a heart of flesh, so you will receive it; then a new spirit in that heart, and then I'll put My Spirit in that." You see? New heart, new spirit, "and My Spirit," three things He spoke of.

Now, many times we try to make that thing just say... Well, as soon as you get the new spirit, you quit your stealing, you quit your lying, things like that. You say, "Oh, hallelujah, I got it." And you find out the first time anyone crosses your path a little bit, oh mercy, what a difference. Sure. You blow up like a frog eating buckshot. But let me tell you, brother. That's the reason you never got God's Spirit. That's true. "Oh," you say, "he stepped on my toe; I'll just not put up with that." All right. That shows what you got in you. That's true. "I'll put a new spirit in you, and then I'll put My Spirit in you."

Now, the heart is in the center of the emotions of the human being. Your heart is the middle of you. That's exactly right. So God puts a new heart in the middle of the old man, then He puts a new spirit in the middle of the new spirit, or heart, and puts His Spirit in the middle of the new spirit.

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E-54 Now, you know, Ezekiel saw it again. And he, this same prophet, he saw it as a wheel in the middle of a wheel, turning up in the air. Now, the wheel... First there's a--is a rim. The tire, then the rim, then the spokes, and then the hub.

Now, when Luther started, "the just shall live by faith," justification, he put the tire around it. Yes. All right. Wasn't much of a wheel yet. All right. Then here along come Methodists with sanctification, put the tire on it--the rim around it. And then along come Pentecost. And they taught sanctification, the Luther, or the Methodists. The Luther taught justification, which was a tire on the outside. And the rim then was the Methodists with--with sanctification. And the Pentecostals come along, and they put a spoke in it: speaking in tongues.

Well, let me tell you, brother, it don't consist just of that. That's the reason we're lumping, bumping down the road the way we are. There's not one spoke in there, but there's nine spiritual gifts in that church, not just one. Them's all right. The tire's all right; the rim's all right; the spoke's all right; but like the colored man eating the watermelon, "There's more of it."

And that's what I mean today. There's more of it. There's nine spiritual spokes in this wheel. And it's turned by the wheel in the middle of the wheel, all connected with the hub. Oh, I feel religious. I sure do.

Yes, brother. The good thing, no matter what we're doing, how you're doing it, you're fighting the air, because God done said, "I will restore saith the Lord." It's got to come.

Now, the hub is where it all turns from. And the mainspring is where all the watch works from. That mainspring, it ticks it right up, keeps every blessing just exactly.

Now, these gifts... [Blank spot--Ed.] Your gift of tongues, wonderful; justification by faith, wonderful; sanctification, fine; speaking in tongues, wonderful; interpretation, fine; messages from God, wonderful; prophecy, fine... Brother, if it hasn't got no hub in it, what's it going to amount to? Your spokes will get across one another. They'll cross up, fuss, fight, isolate, and chaw, and tear on up each another. That's what's the matter.

We need the Mainspring. What good does it do to have the little bitty springs, and the little bitty gadgets in here, and the winding springs, and the alarms, and the faces, and the big hands, and all this thing, if there isn't something in there to make it operate?

E-57 I believe the Pentecostal church has got the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I believe the rest of you do too, that claim it. I believe your speaking in tongues is right. I believe that your prophecy's right. I'd go with you on...?... being a Baptist. I believe it. Sure I do. But here's one thing, brother. It's not keeping the right kind of time. That's what I'm trying to say. So it takes the baptism of the Holy Ghost to come into that human heart there to make the thing run right.

The love of God, God is love. And unless each one of these gifts is put right in the center of love, it'll become selfish and indifferent, and pull itself off, and isolate itself, and cross over, and fuss and stew. But when it's anchored right into the middle of love, it'll fellowship everywhere. And that's right. That's exactly what we need. The church is dying for love, brother.

9. Polygamy.

THE SUPERNATURAL. OWENSBORO, KY 56-0129

E-47 Speaking to someone the other day about polygamy. I said the nation in a whole would be better off if it practiced polygamy. It would. We're the highest rated nation in the world with divorces, marrying and intermarrying, marrying and intermarrying. Because we try to make the men of the world outside coincide with Christian doctrine, and you can't put the nature of a lamb in a pig. Polygamy would be better off for him. You may not believe it but God would look at polygamy and excuse it a lot quicker than what He would...

Now, remember, don't you say that I believe in polygamy; I don't. I...?...what God said... Moses said that... The Pharisee said to Jesus, said, "Why did Moses suffer a writing of divorcement?"

Said, "*He did it because the hardness of your heart.*" Right. But it wasn't so from the beginning, never will be. God did it because of the hardness of their heart.

But in the nations where they have polygamy the divorce courts are at ebb, low. But in here where we're trying to make and govern this country as a nation, because being a Christian nation, but the name of Christian nation doesn't make it a Christian nation. And you cannot govern the world by the rules of God. You can't. I have no--nothing against a sinner drinking. I have nothing against a sinner committing adultery, nothing against the sinner doing this. But what I'm talking about is these people who are supposed to be Christians and then doing that.

If a pig wants to stick his snout in the manure pile and eat all day, that's his business, 'cause he's a pig to begin with. But the lamb doesn't do that. The sinner, he's a pig to begin with. But then when you try to make a lamb out of a pig, you have to have a conversion and he has to come into a different atmosphere. And when he comes into the atmosphere his desires will change and his nature will change. That's the way it is today.

SEVENTY WEEKS OF DANIEL. JEFF. IN 61-0806

209 The divorce courts of America produce more divorces by our women than all the rest of the nations. The morals in our country is lower, and divorces, than it is in France or Italy, where prostitution's on the streets so... But they're prostitutes; ours is married women trying to live with several men, and several married men trying to live with other women.

In the nations where they have polygamy, it's a thousand times better. And yet, polygamy's wrong; we know.

REMEMBERING THE LORD. PHOENIX, AZ 63-0122

E-39 So was Hagar misunderstood, and she had her child, little Ishmael, that was the fruit of her womb from a legal marriage to her husband Abraham. And she was--she was a slave girl. And she'd been given by her mistress, Sarah, to Abraham to wife, which polygamy was legal in them days. And she lawfully had married the man, because she'd been given to him. She'd bore the child, just what their hopes was. There's nothing the woman had done out of the way, and yet misunderstood by her mistress and put her out into the wilderness to die. What a place to be.

10. Vision of woods.

BEING LED OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 56-0219

E-82 (...) Thank you, Christian Business Men, for your offering the other day, got it today in the letter. Thank you very kindly. I'll be as reverent as I know how to be. And Brother Jack Moore sends his apology to all of you.

The little fellow setting here on the end, down at the end of the row there, in the--the other morning setting there in the breakfast meeting... I said, "You know, that I this morning I saw a vision. A woods coming down, and the woods had been cut out, all clearing up." And the Angel said to me, "Now, this is ten years you've been in the service. And the road that you've long for, it's just about straight ahead of you now."

Oh, my. And I said, "Where? Just then I looked, and I seen Brother Moore, and he looked at me. He said, 'Mama, here comes my mama, Brother Branham. That's the reason...'" Remember me saying over there the little fellow at the end of the road...?...

11. America's last chance to repent in 1956. [Revival's overseas]

LUKE 21:25-26

And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;

Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

AMOS 8:11-12

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:

And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find it.

SECOND COMING. PHOENIX, AZ 55-0220A

E-27 But I believe that the great calling of the revival in America has been turned down by the American people in whole. It just simply can't conceive--perceive, rather, the Word. There's been enough Gospel preached in the form of the Word across America to last this country a second garden of Eden. But they put it down. And the great evangelists, Billy Graham, Jack Schuller, many other great men, Oral Roberts, has crossed the country, preaching the Gospel, God working. Oh, He's been moving upon the people and accepting the--the Christ as their personal Saviour, go back out into wallow of the world, just like they was in the first place.

FELLOWSHIP. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 56-0212

E-11 And I just started out this New Years on something new, and Brother Joseph Boze will be here in a few nights if you haven't... How many gets that "Herald Of Faith"? Is that what it's called, "Herald Of Faith," Brother Boze's paper? Did you read the vision? How many read the vision in there? That's fine. Well, he will be here in a few nights, and I'll talk a little more of it. One of the greatest things, I believe one of the most outstanding things to ever happened to me in my days of serving the Lord was that happening. The greatest days of all lays just ahead. Remember that.

And I believe that this 1956 is a turning time. I predict this, not by spiritual inspiration, or I don't say that, not by vision. But this is the turning time for the U.S.A. They'll either accept it this year or they'll be cast off. See, there's only so many fish to be caught anyhow, and when the pond's all seined dry, won't do no good to cast nets in no more. So there'll be a time.

I stood not long ago at the great city of Rome and saw the great Neros and emperors that once lived there. The great power of the world existed in Rome, and now you'd have to dig thirty feet underground to find the remains of it. Stood in Athens, Greece, where the--the great Alexander the Great, many of those great men where old ancient cities are sunk, many of them.

WHAT IS A VISION. CHICAGO, IL 56-0408A

22-2 And I say this and make this predicting. I'm not saying it in the Name of the Lord now. I'm saying it as your brother. I predict this. (And listen close.) I predict that America this year, the United States this year will either receive Christ, or she'll start falling from this year. Yeah. This is America's time to repent, and if it doesn't... I predicted that on, I think, about January the 15th or 16th of this year, just feeling led to say it, and it's--I've stuck with it, and I look at the wheels turning up.

I notice the great famous evangelist, Billy Graham; he come back from overseas, and he staged his meetings: New York and these great places, to hit the very nerve center and so forth. And I see that Brother Roberts, excommunicated out of the foreign countries.

Mr. Arganbright wants me after June, and them to go into Germany, back down into South Africa, and through there, but something's holding me to America. And all the others seems to be the same way, and I believe that America is going

to get her last call this year. That's right. I'd be daresn't... Look here at the tapes down here. They might be played twenty years from today.

See, have to watch what you're talking about; watch what you're saying, but I believe that. Now, the Lord hasn't told me that, but I believe that, that America is either going to receive Christ or is going to turn Him down flatly this year; and I predict that they will turn Him down. I do.

MAKING THE VALLEY FULL OF DITCHES. SHREVEPORT, LA 56-0728

E-56 Tonight, two or three hundred more people than was here last night... What's the matter? The end time is here, brother. It's here, beyond any shadow of doubt. That same action in Germany, Switzerland, Africa, anywhere in the other lands, that same thing would've took place, there'd have been a hundred thousand people there, there'd have been at least twenty or thirty thousand come to Christ. And the next night, there'd have been double that.

What is it? The Holy Spirit flew away from us, and She's gone overseas hunting lambs to dwell in. That's really, exactly what's taking place. What a time, what a tragedy, to see that we... The more the church preaches, the more the saints cry out, it seems like the farther away from God the nation gets. No wonder airplanes are crashing in the air, boats are crashing on the sea.

The Bible said there'd be perplexed of times, distress between the nations, great signs, flying saucers through the air, sights in the heavens above and on earth below, all these things taking place; but the Gospel will be preached.

And He said, "*There will come a famine in the land, not for bread and--and water, but for the hearing of the Word of God, the true Word of God.*" A famine... Oh, what a day that we're living in. We ought to be ready, making ready.

12. Infinite mind of God and finite mind of man.

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM. SIOUX FALLS, SD 56-0223

E-7 (...) So we're just in a category here, as we said last night, God is infinite, and His mind is infinite. And we are finite, so we can't... We cannot comprehend to what the great things are of God, only if it was we'd know as much as He does. But we do not try to know what He knows; we just accept what He said by faith. See? It doesn't... No man can know God at all, otherwise than by faith. He that cometh to God must believe that He is, and a Rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE. JEFF. IN 56-0603

E-48 What we scared about? Listen to me, my weary brother, the Bible said that Jesus was the Lamb of God, slain from the foundation of the world. Notice. Oh, my, how this burns your heart, how this gives you the hope. Way back before the foundation of the world, when Satan perverted to evil. God being infinite, looked down through the stream of time and saw the end: foreknowledge.

If He don't know all things, you have a limited God. You've made Him finite like you and I. But God is unlimited. God's power, God's knowledge, everything, He's the omnipotent. Way back before the foundation of the world, when Satan done the evil, 'cause Satan had in his mind what he was going to do, then God seen how He could counteract it. Amen.

IMAGES OF CHRIST. JEFF. IN 59-0525

E-23 Let's think this. Oh, some of us claim to have all the knowledge. We have those who say, "Now wait..." They love to be doctors, and holy fathers, and so forth. But knowing all of this--if you had all the knowledge, it wouldn't do you any good. Except you was--had a Spirit in you of love. The Bible said, "Though I have all knowledge and have not charity, I'm nothing." And what good does our knowledge do when someone say, "I wouldn't go to a revival like that, because those are not educated people. I--I wouldn't associate with them." No matter whether they don't know their ABC's or not, they can know Christ. Certainly.

You never can get too low. May God always keep that Spirit in me. No matter how...?... low, what he believes, what he doesn't; what creed, color, or what, I want to reach a hand out to help him. Sure. I want that Spirit in me. I will not think I'm better than somebody else. I could stick my chest out and say, "All the people stand when I come in." Or, "I had the greatest campaign of them all." Who am I anyhow, but the clay that God has made? Let me humble myself, that His life will be reflected. Let's all Christians feel like that. Knowledge gets us nowhere.

For instance, what if there is a cage full of canaries. And the cage is the size of this Tabernacle. And one little canary bird flies up in the cage and says, "Gentlemen, I want to tell you all something. I happen to be just a little superior to you all. You see, I'm--I'm a canary that knows all about the human being. Oh, I can explain it all. I seen the lady walk through the house; I've seen the children play. I know all about it. Now, you all listen to me."

And about the time he's pouting off his little brain, a Princeton University, college man steps up with a polishedness of grammar. And he begins to carry a conversation with that little canary bird using the highest grammar that he can, and speaking to this little canary bird. I'd imagine the little fellow'd turn his head sideways; he would listen from one side to another. But he don't know a thing he's talking about. Yet, he can hear him, Yet, he can see him, but what does his

knowledge amount to? Nothing. Because he don't know what the man's talking about. Why? He's got a canary brain. He hasn't got a human brain. He just understands as canaries understand.

And that's the way the human is. I don't care how intellectual you are, we still got canary brains, because we're only human beings. God's knowed by the Spirit and by the revelation by the Holy Ghost. We'll never be able to understand Him through intellectuals. You might talk in inter--and have intellectual meetings, and psychology, as much as you want to, and people will never know God. They can't.

You can explain, and say the people that cry and turn the other cheek are just the old fashion. But that's the man that's reflecting Christ in his life, a man who is humble. A man who will walk with God will act like Jesus.

But, you see, the little bird couldn't understand. Yet, he thought he could. Because he's not made that way; his intellectual will not compare with the intellectual of this smart student.

And neither will our intellectuals ever match God. How can our little infinite mind ever compare with the finite mine--or the finite mind of us ever compare with the infinite mind of God? That infinite mind of God is so far beyond human intellectuals until it would never be.

The only way that bird will ever know what the man's talking about is by yielding himself, and accepting it, and doing whatever he thinks that the man wants him to do.

E-27 That's the only way we know God is to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. That's old fashion. It's God's program. It's always been God's program. It always will be God's program. "*Not by power, not by might; but by My Spirit, ' saith the Lord.*" That's where it comes.

13. Three kinds of believers. [Two angels to Sodom and Gomorra.]

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM. SIOUX FALLS, SD 56-0223

E-23 So, you see these with these ups-and-downs, they've never been there at the first place. See? They just a make believe. Amen. Salvation is for believers, not unbelievers, or make believers. It's for true genuine believers. And it's not a case of law, and God's going to make you do something; it's because you love to do it.

HEAR YE HIM. EDMONTON, ALBERTA 57-0807

E-31 Did you notice in the Old Testament, the son would put on a special robe for this adopting ceremony? And God put on Jesus a special robe. He'd glorified Him right there in the presence of the witnesses of heaven and the witnesses of earth: glorified Him. And you know Peter as usual, like men get excited when the supernatural's done...

And let me drop a thought right here, if you'll excuse me for a moment. When the supernatural is done, what did I say the last time I was here? There's always a mixed multitude goes with it. When Moses was down in Egypt, the supernatural was done; a mixed multitude got into it. There was believers, unbelievers, and make believers. And they was the one who polluted the camp. Out of that come Korah. Korah was swallowed up with the earth. And when the supernatural is done, always a mixed multitude goes with it. Men get excited. We don't come to God under excitement; we come to God sanely, believably, honorable, saying, "I am guilty, oh, God, and Thou art righteous. Forgive me of my sins, and I'll serve Thee as long as I live." That's the way you come to Him, meaning it from your heart.

WILL CHURCH GO BEFORE TRIBULATION. JEFF. IN 58-0309E

E-9 Then it's remarkable to notice, that how on the side of Cain they become very religious. And they were church going people. And so was Cain a church going person. He worshipped the Lord. He built an altar. He belonged to church. He paid his debts. He was in every respect, as a man could look at him, of being a real believer.

But there's only three classes of people. That's believers, unbelievers, and make-believers. And the world's still full of them tonight.

And Cain was just making believe. And out of his lineage come a great group of church going people, very religious. Now, this is most unusual, but did you notice that out of his side come the cultured, educated race? The Bible plainly states it. He said they were building and they were doing great things. Science came out of the lineage of Cain. And the great scientific, and the doctors, and the great men come out of the lineage of Cain, where the other side was a--a poor, peasant type of people, but they were people who believed their God to be real. Oh, God, number me with them!

WHAT IS THE WORKS OF GOD. LOS ANGELES, CA 59-0404

E-43 (...) Now, there's--there's two classes of people here, three classes. There's always... Don't never leave those three, the mathematics of the Scripture, like Father, Son, Holy Ghost, and so forth. Leave those mathematics. If you stay with them, it'll make the picture come into itself right, like put your jig-saw puzzle together.

Now, there was down in Sodom, there was the rank sinner who had no confession. There was Lot and his wife and children, who had confession. And there was Abraham, who was the elect. You believe there's an elect, elected by the foreknowledge of God? Sure you believe it. Any Bible reader does.

Now notice. Just before the end time. What was it? Just before the fire was fallen... They'd had message after message, warning after warning, by Lot preaching. And that's the pastor, Lot. The Bible said that the sins of that nation vexed his

righteous soul. And he preached to them. But it didn't do no good; they turned it away like idle tales, same as they do to the pastor today. They said, "Not... Nonsense."

But there come down from Heaven three men. Notice. One of them stopped and talked to Abraham. Two of them, a modern Billy Graham, and so forth, went down into Sodom and preach for the revival, called out those who were eligible to be called out. But notice. One stayed back with Abraham.

14. Corporal body.

MAKING A WAY. JEFF. IN 56-0304

E-3 And then when this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one there waiting. See? We enter into that; we'll know one another. We can't shake hands; we have no senses of that feeling. We can't--I couldn't shake your hand, say, "How do you do, brother," because I--I--you wouldn't have that type of hand, but yet we're not in a corporal body as we are now. We're in a--a celestial body. And then when this...

And I was thinking of down in Egypt, that when Joseph left a memorial to the children of Israel, his bones, that someday they were going out. And as they went out, they would take his bones with them up to the promised land. And every Hebrew that desired to be back in the homeland... So no matter how well they was treated, yet his longing was to be back at the homeland. And every time they passed by and saw those bones, they knew that someday they were going back to the homeland.

While we're here waiting to cross out of this place, we see an empty tomb over yonder in Jerusalem, let us knowing that something happened. And then when we take on that glorified bod--not glorified, but celestial body, and we're walking around in the glory-lands with Christ, looking at each other, speaking to each other, we can talk, souls under the altar crying, "How long?" And then what will be the memorial there that we're coming back to earth again to eat and drink and sleep? There He will be setting there on a throne in a corporal body. Amen.

Someday we'll rise in that corporal body, and when He returns back, these celestial bodies will take on glorification, then we'll be like Him and we will live forever in that body. What a--what--what does anything else matter?

MIGHTY CONQUEROR. JEFF. IN 56-0401

E-61 Now, after the message and you people have received Christ as your Saviour, the great resurrection morning... Now the time is at hand that I must either be a false witness or a true witness of Christ. If I have told the truth, as I believe this Bible to be the Truth, and no other book, and anything contrary to this is not the truth. I only believe that this Bible contains the Truth of God. And if this Bible said that He has risen from the dead, that He is the same yesterday, today, and forever, then He's got to be the same in resurrection, got to be the same in power. He's got to be the same in principle. He's got to be the same in every way except a cardinal body. This body, the corporal body of His is setting at the right hand of God Almighty in glory. Do you believe that? He's setting at the right hand of God Almighty in glory making intercession.

Did you ever think of it? That when the children of Israel was in Egypt, they know they were going home someday. Why? Because that they seen Joseph's body laying there, the bones of Joseph, and they knowed that was a sign that they were going to go home someday.

And then when we go out of this earth, when we die and are going into another type of body... That's not the kind of body. We wasn't made for heaven. We were made for earth. We're earthen people, and do you remember the Bible, souls under the altar crying, "How long?" They--they were--they were crying to get back to a body again, shake one another's hands, and eat, and fellowship. That's what we were made. That's how--what we were made for.

E-63 And then they have a sign there that they're going back. What is it? The corporal body of the Lord Jesus Christ setting on the throne of God, and when we pass by that one... If we go today and He don't come for a hundred years, I'll meet you there. I'll say someday we're going back. See there? That body will rise from the throne again. He will come back to the earth; and when He does, every spirit that's borned again will come back to a corporal body, young man and woman, and live forever in the Presence of God.

BLIND BARTIMAEUS. COLUMBIA, SC 56-0414

E-48 There was three people raised in the days of Jesus. Thousands died, but three is a witness in the Jewish laws; three is a confirmation. "Mouth of two or three witnesses let every word be established."

Now, but He didn't feel no virtue go from Him there, because-- greater was the miracle, but God had showed Him what to do. But this woman pulled the virtue from Him.

Now, Jesus cannot be here in a corporal body. Because when that body returns, the end time's here. "As the lightning cometh from the east, even to the west; so shall be the coming of the Son of man. Every knee shall bow, every tongue shall confess."

He can't be here in a corporal body, but He's here in a spiritual body, in the form called the Holy Spirit.

WE WOULD SEE JESUS. PHOENIX, AZ 57-0226

E-20 But He's never left us. He's here in the Spirit called the Holy Spirit. Now, when He led the children of Israel, He was in a form of a Light (All of you know that.), a Pillar of Fire.

When He come on earth He was a man, come down into flesh to take away sin. He said, "I come from God, and I go to God." He went to God.

After His resurrection, there was a man who saw Him. After His resurrection, after He'd ascended on high, and His body had been taken back to God, and was setting on the throne, there was a man saw Him. And I believe that's Acts about the 8th chapter, 9th, somewhere along there. And that man's name was Paul. And he was on his road down to Damascus, and a Light (That right?) struck him down, right in the middle of the day, and he said, "Who art Thou that I persecute?"

He said, "It's Jesus." He was in Spirit form.

And that's the form He will be until He returns in His corporal body. He will be in Spirit form, a Light. God is Light. He was in the beginning. He's still the Light. He was made flesh, went back to Light, and will be Light till He comes in the flesh. And when He comes again the second time in the flesh, then our bodies will be transformed, and made like unto His, and we'll be with Him forever. What a beautiful, rejoicing thing that is.

GOD KEEPS HIS WORD. JEFF. IN 57-0407M

E-38 (...) And today what's happened with the Pentecostals? They's two factions of them. One of them is just as cold and formal and stiff and starchy as they can be. And the other's after a big bunch of isms: running oil and blood from their hands, and everything else across the country, and call it evidences of the Holy Ghost; and frogs and lizards and things jumping out of people and putting them in a little alcohol and so forth. Anyone knows that a devil doesn't have a corporal body. And the Blood of Jesus Christ dripped down on a man, it was a corporal body, and Christ is already come, and it's wrong then.

LOVE. SASKATOON, SASK 57-0519E

E-84 Right here in the Presence of Jesus Christ, right here where He's moving, working, infallible proofs of His being here. Here it is, ever way could be proven He's here. The next thing you'll see of Him, will be His corporal body coming in glory. Then he that's filthy is filthy still; he that's righteous is righteous still; and he that's holy is holy still. The time will be over.

BLIND BARTIMAEUS. LOS ANGELES, CA 59-0408

E-41 Jesus Christ, the Son of God, when He appeared here in the last day with the Gentile people, as He promised to do... He will have to show the sign of the Messiah, His resurrection, just like He did when He was here in a physical body, He's here now in the corporal Body of His Church when we're united together in prayer, and the Holy Spirit is present.

15. Unwritten law of nature. [2 Corinthians 9:6, Galatians 6:7-8]

JOB 4:8

Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.

ARROW OF GOD'S DELIVERANCE. SHREVEPORT, LA 56-0801

E-20 And in our text tonight it's a very outstanding text to me, that when... They'd had a great line of kings since the death of Ahab. And Elijah had told him of how he was going to die, and what God was going to do because he was wicked, and how that Jezebel was going to be fed to the dogs because that she'd did the evil thing that she had done.

And remember, my brethren and sisters, you'll reap what you sow. You that... Well, that's God's law. That's God's law of nature. You reap what you sow.

YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN. JEFF. IN 61-1231M

196 (...) And today on this Sunday school lesson, it's been long and drawed out. But, Father, I believe that it's ordained of You, that it should be this way, that we might understand what birth and resurrection mean, what it means to be borned again. We have to... First things first, we have to die in order to be borned again. You never change Your law. The law of nature still provides. The law of nature is that any seed must first die in order to be borned again. And we realize that we too must die in order to be born again. And so many, Lord, today, I pray You forgive us, so many has depended upon certain experiences they had, that they claim they're borned again. But the fruits of their life shows that it--they were brought on the wrong tree.

UNITING TIME AND SIGN. JEFF. IN 63-0818

78 Watch nature. Oh, my. Nature, if you'll just watch nature, it does the same thing. Nature is God's calendar of signs. Did you know that? Jesus told them to watch nature. The sea would be roaring (See?), and there'd be different things, and earthquakes in divers places, national strife, signs in the heaven, signs on the earth, everywhere there'd be signs of these coming time.

Watch the clouds. Before the clouds can bring up a rainstorm, you know how it's done? Several little clouds get together, make one big cloud. Well, this one's got a little bunch of wind blowing it; this other one's got a little bunch of wind blowing it; and they all blow together, and then they got a hurricane. See? They unite before they can have the storm; they have to.

Watch ducks and geese unite themselves together before they leave their country. See? They unite together. You can see them flying from this pond to that pond, from here to over there, all of them getting together. They're uniting, getting ready for their take off. See, it's just... That's nature, and God created nature, and nature works by the plan of God. It's a law, an unwritten law of God, that nature works according to His law.

81 Just like speaking at a funeral service; of the sap that goes down into the grave in the bottom of the tree root to lay there until the resurrection in the spring. It's a law of God. There's no intelligence can make that sap go down there; you couldn't drain it out; you couldn't milk it out. There's no way of doing it any better than God does it. God's got the perfect way. So when the leaf drops off, then He sends the sap down into the grave and hides it. As Job said, "Hide me in the grave until Thy wrath be past." See? It goes down there, because it's a law of nature, before frost. Look at the leaves now begin to fall. Why? It's a law of nature.

16. Judgment upon America. [Russia bombs Vatican City]

17. Germ warfare upon ungodly. [Sealed]

18. Atomic Bomb.

ATTITUDE AND WHO IS GOD? CLEVELAND, OH 50-0815

E-8 Grant, Lord, that something will be said tonight, or done, that will cause the wayward to turn to Christ. For we believe, and feel pressed in the Spirit, that great judgments are upon these lands [Blank spot.] last days. Plagues, disease germs already bred up to be scattered throughout the nations. No doctor know even how to take a hold of it. O God, we'll have to believe in Divine healing then. When nations are breeding germs together, to burst them in bombs, and millions die an hours over it.

But oh, we're so thankful that when the destroying Angel went forth, You said, "Touch not none that has the Seal of the Father upon their forehead. They are Mine." Oh, we're so glad tonight, to be under the Blood, safely protected; as Israel in the days of old, putting the blood upon the lintel of the door, and upon the door post, sign of the cross. When the death angel was sweeping the land, the dark wings bowed down, but when he seen the blood, It rose again, and "I will pass over you."

GOD'S PROVIDED WAY OF HEALING. CHICAGO, IL 54-0719A

E-42 (...) Let me pass something, here quickly, as our time's a going. Listen, did you know the Bible predicts that in the last days, that they'll be a germ warfare? That diseases will break out upon the people, and will fall on everyone without the baptism of the Holy Spirit? But with the Angel or who had charge over these plagues was given orders to touch no one on whom the mark was. Why, how much, kind of teachers have we got to be, brethren, to get the church in order to be in that condition? Immune.

HANDWRITING ON THE WALL. JEFF. IN 56-0902

E-52 Look at the modern American home. You know where? Pop, where's he at? He's down to the barroom having a social drink with the neighbor. Where's mom at? Well, she's down at the stitch and sew party, playing cards. Where's junior at? In his hot rod, out racing on the streets, dragging with everybody with a girl wrapped in one arm and a cigarette in the other. Where's sis at? She's down at the canteen doing the rock-and-roll, out all night with a bunch of soldiers and everything she run with.

That's a modern American home. Brother, the handwriting's on the wall. That's right. Thou art weighed in the balance and found wanting.

And great men has crossed this nation. Billy Graham, Jack Schuller, Oral Roberts, and them preaching the unadulterated Gospel of the Lord Jesus. And people has laughed at them and made fun of it and turned it down flatly. And there's only one thing left; that's Divine judgment, and it's coming. And Russia's down there setting there waiting for you.

E-53 Brother, to realize that a hundred and fifty million people could die in one hour and that could be before daylight breaks in the morning. This whole nation could become annihilated. And what do you think will take place? When fail these...?...

If ten thousand planes loaded with atomic bombs, if each one would drop an atomic bomb or a hydrogen bomb on this nation, the whole world would shake plumb from its orbit. What would that do? Fulfill every word God said would come to pass. What would it do?

In the time of the antediluvian world when they built the sphinx and so forth, those big pyramids, that we couldn't reproduce it today if we had to, back in that same country where the fuss is beginning now in Egypt, a very striking Bible prophecy if we had time to get it. But we haven't.

But notice, God prophesied over in Ezekiel about in the 9th or 19th chapter, I forget just now which it was along there. That in the day just before the coming of the Lord, there would be a highway come out of Egypt and go up into Syria. And they just completed that highway after twenty-five hundred years of prophecy.

ISAIAH 19:23

In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians.

GOD'S PROVIDED WAY FELLOWSHIP. KLAMATH FALLS, OR 60-0709

E-101 How we thank Thee, that in this great hour, that when all hopes of mortal life has finished... Atomic bombs are laying in hangers, hydrogen bombs, sickness and diseases, germ warfare... O God, and everything the way it is, knowing that the Bible said that man would actually rot in their flesh... But that Angel was given commission, "Don't you touch any of those! Don't you come near those who has the wine and the oil. Don't touch those who has the seal of God upon their forehead."

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0513

134 (...) Now, if you'll give me one more night, if God does, I'll prove to you that communism is working straight in the hands of Almighty God to destroy the Roman... And remember, I say this as God's prophet: The Russian empire will drop an atomic bomb of some sort on the Vatican City and destroy it in one hour. THUS SAITH THE LORD. And the Bible said that God took them cruel-hearted men and put them in His hands, and they were instruments in His hands to fulfill His will, and to bring back to her exactly what she had coming to her. That's exactly. That's the Word.

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19. Man the head of family; kids and wife.

20. Women cutting hair and wearing men's garments.

DEUTERONOMY 22:5

The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

1 CORINTHIANS 11:13-16

Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?

Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.

QUESTION & ANSWERS ON GENESIS. JEFF. IN 53-0729

23-74 (...) Let me get this in right good now, so that you can see. See? Woman is subject to her husband. And the Bible said that a man should rule over his wife. But how they've changed that. The woman rules over the man, "Now, you stay home, John. You're not going." And that settles it.

"Yes, my dear." See?

But let me tell you something, mister. You are going to have to answer for your wife, but your wife is never going to have to answer for you. You are the head of the woman, and God is the head of man. Therefore He said, "*Let the man cut his hair because of Christ. And let the woman have her hair, for if she cuts her hair she dishonors her husband.*" See? See what I mean or what the Scripture says?

I had a hot one on that down the other day in Shreveport. They was talking about the women, and should women wear long hair. And I said, "A woman that bobbed her hair, her husband had a right and a Bible right to divorce her." That's right. That's what the Bible said. That's exactly right. Oh, my. Holy Ghost women setting there, just the way they been taught; that's all... See? Yes, that's...?... loosely. And if...

He said, "*Now, if they would cut it, if there's something wrong they had to cut their hair,*" said, "*let them take a razor and shave it all off and make her hair real slick until it come out their head.*" That's right. That's what the Scripture said. It says if she cuts her hair, she dishonors her husband. And a woman that's dishonorable has a legal right to be put away in divorce. But he can't marry again now. But he--but he can put her away in divorcement. That's right. That's Scripture.

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 56-0715

E-30 Like Eve was in the garden of Eden, Adam turned his back on God and went with Eve. And America and the rest of the world has turned their back on God and went with the women. That's scorching. But that's true. Look around.

Why, you men, what's the matter with you? Any man that'll let his wife wear clothes like that and smoke cigarettes, that shows what you're made out of. Men, do you know you're the sons of God? ... You don't know God... You don't fear God; you fear your wife. That's right. Broken cisterns, Hollywood nonsense...

Now, that's not only in Presbyterian and Catholic; that's in Pentecostal and holiness. That's true.

Years ago when the trumpet was beginning to sound, you women wore long hair; you dressed like ladies. But you Pentecostal women are getting just as rotten as the rest of them (That's right.), chopping off your hair. And the Bible said, any woman that cuts her hair, her husband has the right to give her divorce and leave her: I Corinthians the 11th chapter. See if that's not right. She even dishonors her husband.

E-31 Why do you want to wear clothes like that? Now, I'm talking to you women, 'cause I see you letting your kids on the street act like that, and you yourself are. What in the world do you want to wear clothes like that for? It's... I don't care how much religion you are supposed to have; that shows in your heart what's coming out. That shows exactly what you're made out of. Why? You've deafened your ear to the real Gospel of liberation. That's right. You are marked by the antichrist, acting like him. The fruits of your life prove what you are.

And you men, because you let her do it, it shows who your God is and shows what you done. That's Gospel. That's the Word.

Now, who's got the mark of the beast? So close that would deceive the very elect, if possible. Can't you see, friends, that apple trees bear apples, pear trees bear pears? What in the world does a woman that's supposed to be a child of God want to dress like that?

You say, "Well, they don't make blouses and clothes." Oh, they don't? You go a sewing machine, some of you have. It's because that down in your heart, trying to hold it over with a religious crust, you've listened to the devil. That's right. And maybe your pastor's guilty for not telling you the truth. That's right.

E-32 You are a peculiar people, a separated people, a holy people, a royal priesthood, altogether different from the world. You don't act like them, dress like them, talk like them; you are a called out, separated. That's right.

Now, you see what I mean? If you refuse, now you'll go away and say, "That preacher is just popping off." Am I? It's the Scripture. Then it's the Scripture popping off. Then if you got your ears so bored that you've listened to the devil, and you can never no more hear the Gospel truth and walk in the Light, that's the mark of the beast. That's the Scripture... You refuse to hear truth, liberation, that Christ has made you free from those things.

And you men, you poor little boneless back thing you, that'll let a woman, your wife walk around and blow cigarette smoke through her nose, and wear shorts, and act like that around your house, and you're not man enough... You are a poor substitute as a son of God. I don't say mine will never do it. If she ever lets down, the devil gets a hold of her, she'll do it; but that's the day she ain't Mrs. Branham no more. That's right. That's the truth. Stand up. God don't put wishbones in men. He puts backbones in men, Gospel bones, that'll stand for the truth.

E-33 Oh, my, what a horrible time we're living. Look around and see sin. Look at it. Oh, yes. You couldn't go to prayer meeting. "It's just too hot." "It's just too cold." "Well, after all, the preacher preaches too long. But you can keep your head in that old devil television day and night.

PAINTED FACE JEZEBEL. CHICAGO, IL 56-1005

E-26 Now, and so then Jezebel, when she got in there, she stomped that little high heel shoe she was wearing, and she said, "Now, Ahab, I'll run this business." That's wrong to begin with. The man's the head of the house. All but in the United States, the woman's the head of the house here. This is a woman's country. The woman is the god of America.

I predict that before the coming of the Lord that a woman will be a great ruler in the United States, 'cause it's a woman's country. Started in Hollywood, that's how it run right on out.

And now, you see a little old man coming down the street and the little Jezebel with a cigarette in her mouth, puffing along like that. She say, "Well..." She hollers, "Scat." and he jumps through to the door. That's right. And at nighttime she's setting out there with them pretty red fingernails till it looks like eagles claws and been eating raw beef steak with it, standing out there. She won't wash the dishes, 'cause she's afraid the paint will come off. While her poor husband is scrubbing the dishes, after washing like that, and her setting in there sucking a cigarette. And he's taking care of the baby. Right. That's rank, isn't it? Sounds ridiculous, but it's the Bible and the truth. Just exactly right.

How could you ever eat a pan of biscuits with a woman that made them with that big long fingernails. I couldn't; I tell you, it would turn my stomach. I just couldn't do it.

E-27 So anyhow, but, oh, my, that's all right. But you little weakling man. I'm ashamed of you as Christian brothers, will let your wife do such a thing as that; it shows what you are made out of. That's right.

Now, women, you ought to say, "Amen" after fussing at you like that 'cause he's the ruler. That's right. And the way he let you live, it's his fault. God's going to hold him responsible for it. That's right. If you ain't man enough to take up and

put your own house in order, God be merciful to you. That's right. 'Cause the Bible said in the very beginning, that, "He shall rule over thee."

Now, she's not a door mat now; she's your sweetheart. See? But you should set down and talk to her, and reason it with her, and tell her, and read the Bible, and pray together. These things wouldn't be in the church then, if you done that. That's right.

HEAR YE HIM. EDMONTON, ALBERTA 57-0807

E-20 You talk about a fifth columnist; that's the fifth columnist. I'm not worried about Russia coming over here and doing any harm to us. They're not going to hurt us; we're hurting ourselves. Our own moral decay is what's taking us down. It isn't the robin that pecks the apple that hurts it; it's the worm at the core that hurts it. It's our own rottenness.

Say, "Brother Branham, you're picking on the women." All right, you men, here you are. Any man that'll let his wife put on them dirty clothes, like that little old shorts, and get out before the public, it shows what you're made out of. I don't call him much of a man. That's right. You're supposed to be the head of the house, but she's the neck; she tells you where to turn. It's a woman's world. That's right. And you're giving in to it.

E-21 And you come out and find Christian women laying out on the beach to get a tan. Well, I got two girls here tonight. I don't know what the future holds, but if I ever catch one of them, when she's a young woman, laying out on a beach to get a tan, she'll get a tanning all right. It won't be from the sun, it'll be Charles Branham's son with a barrel slat in his hand bringing her home, making her jump every time.

What we need today is some more old fashion mamas and papas. Instead of having all of this old "True Story" magazines laying on the shelf, as to have God's Word laying there and reading It and believing It, and teaching their children to be brought up in the admonition of the Lord.

LIFE. BANGOR, ME 58-0519

E-47 Holiness women wearing these little bitty old clothes and getting out here in the yard, mowing their yard, walking up and down the streets with shorts on, letting your children do it... Then you say, "God, send us a revival." How would God ever put a revival on a bunch of filth? Can't do it. Now you're going to find out why we haven't got a revival. Why did you do it? You see, the world begin to seep in.

Many people that call themselves Christians will stay home on Wednesday night from prayer meeting to hear this old, "We Love Lucy" or all kind of nonsense like that, instead of going to a church. Shows what's on the inside of you, what you're thirsting. That's your character, your conduct.

E-48 And you women, at ten o'clock at morning when you ought to have prayer meeting, you listen to some old ungodly thing like Arthur Godfrey with his old dirty jokes and things with that bunch of women and then call your selves Christians. Go on. That's the truth.

You say, "Brother Branham, I don't wear shorts. I wear slacks." That's worse. The Bible said that a woman that'll put on a garment pertaining to a man it's an abomination in the sight of God; and God doesn't change. And you wear these little old skirts that's so tight, going down the street so tight till the skin's on the outside. And you call yourself, "Holiness women." Is that the way a daughter of God would act?

Listen. You say, "Preacher, that's the only kind of clothes they sell." But they still make sewing machines and sell them. You ain't got no excuse. And besides that, they still sell goods that you can make your clothes. I know that hurts, but it's good for you. It's the truth. It's what the Bible says.

E-49 That... You see, we can't have a revival. That's the reason. Oh, certainly, it makes you hard--makes--goes down... But if it was wrong to begin with, it's wrong now. Something's happened. Here's where it's at. There's no foundation to lay a revival on. How can you do it when God forbids it?

Now, you say, "You're awful hard on us woman." All right, men, here you are. Any man that'll let his wife wear them kind of clothes and smoke cigarettes, that shows what you're made out of. I got little respect of you being a man. You're supposed to be the head of the house. What happened? Something went wrong.

SERPENT'S SEED. JEFF. IN 58-0928E

17-7 Now, notice. This man, when he was created, God separated his spirit, and He took a piece off the man, his side, and made a woman out of it. And then He took the feminine, dainty spirit of the man and made a woman out of it, and He made the man masculine, burly. And when you see a--a man that's little, you know, manicuring (or whatever you call it) his fingernails and, you know, four on one side and five on the other, and--and is slicking his hair down, and holding his mouth open in front, and such stuff as that, one of these pretty boys; you just remember, sis, there's something wrong with that bird. There's something wrong. You better keep your eye on him.

And when you see a woman with a cigarette in the side of her mouth, with a pair of overalls on, and saying, "I tell you, 'feller', what it is." Brother, you watch that old gal. There's something wrong with her.

A woman's supposed to be a woman, and she's supposed to dress like a woman. When God made a man, He made him one thing; and He made a woman something else. And when God dresses a man, He dresses him one way, and a woman something else. And the Bible said it's a abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man.

18-3 And you women, putting on these little old pants and things, and wearing them out here, little old (What is it you call them?) Knickerbockers... Or what is it? What is that, sisters? No, no, it's not shorts, it's that--got the long legs in them: pedal pushers and overalls, dungarees...

Go and they said, "This is for the ladies."

I said, "No, you're mistaken. Ladies don't wear them things: women might, but ladies don't." That's right. The Bible said it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment... And for a man to put on a garment that pertains to a woman... And man is becoming more sissified everyday, and women is becoming more masculine. What's the matter? (We're going to find out in a few minutes by the Bible.) Women ain't women no more. I don't mean you Christian women. I'm talking about the general run. They want to act like men, want to cut their hair like men; put their hand upon a bar like that and sing "God Bless America" with a cigarette out of the corner of their mouth.

SEAL OF GOD. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0216

E-58 And when the--when the sleeping virgin went out, which already received the mark of the beast... You say, "Mark of the beast, that?" Yes, indeedy. So did Cain receive the mark and went out. What was it? When the Baptist church, when the Pentecostal church, when the Presbyterian church, took on the mark of the beast instead of receiving the Holy Ghost, they went out from God and made them an organization. What'd they do? Took them a false wife, a false wife of the world, brought in painted up Jezebels and everything else, with short hair and wearing shorts and skirts and of a hollywood fashion. And preachers got out to taking them in with--deacons with two or three wives and... And a man...

E-59 You say, "You're always talking on our women, about our women." All right, men, I'll comb you down once then. Let me tell you something. Any man that'll let his wife smoke cigarettes and wear shorts, I got little respect of him even being a man. He's so sissified he don't even know what he belongs to. He ain't a man. That's right. Oh, hallelujah. That's right. He's a poor excuse for a man. Oh, he may be six foot tall, weigh two hundred pound, but that don't look like a man to me. That shows who's boss around your house. She'll stomp her foot, "I'll tell you right now," and you'd bow down like you was a sick kitten. What's the matter? We need...

What we need today is men. We need Gospel preachers. And any preacher that'll stand in the pulpit and hold back on those things, I got little respect of him being called of God. Right. A man that's ashamed to stand in the pulpit and tell the God's truth, when he knows it's an immoral thing for a woman to cut her hair... The Bible... A man's got a right to leave his wife and give her a divorce when she cuts her hair. The Bible said so. Who's the head of the woman? Her husband. And the Bible said, "If a woman cuts her hair she dishonors her head." No dishonorable woman should be lived with. Amen. She cuts off her glory. And so does the church. When she does the same thing she cuts her glory stream off.

Um. Oh God, why do I say these things? But it's truth. No, we don't--we don't need compromisers. We need men and women who'll stand for justice and right and tell the truth, regardless of what it is. Amen. The seal of God...

PERFECT STRENGTH. JEFF. IN 61-1119

383 How many women in here this morning... I say this in the Name of the Lord Jesus. How many of you are ashamed of that short hair you're wearing, want God by His grace to let it grow out for you? God bless you.

How many men are ashamed that you let your wife smoke cigarettes and wear trousers that actually belong to you?

And the Bible said, "It's an abomination in the sight of God." Do you know God can't change? He can't change. He has one nature; that's holiness. He can't change. If you don't become like Him, you'll not see Him, "Without holiness no man shall see the Lord." And if wearing slacks is--makes God sick at His stomach and vomit, He's sick, and abomination's filthiness, how are you ever got a spirit like that in you and will ever get to heaven? How will you get to heaven with short hair, when God said it's a shame for a woman to cut her hair? She denies the very principles of being a--a wife. God doesn't change. That's His Word, friend, you better listen.

And you men that will let your wives do that, aren't you ashamed of yourself? Aren't you ashamed?

21. Perverts as in Sodom and Gomorrah. [Mathew 24:37-38, Romans 1:18-32,]

MATTHEW 16:4

A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

LUKE 17:26-30

And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.

They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.

Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed the all.

Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.

ROMANS 1:23-28

Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:

Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.

For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

JUNCTION OF TIME. JEFF. IN 56-0115

E-27 Notice closely now as we move on into this. Watch how God did just before the end time. Lot down in Sodom, perversion was on the increase. Men become homosexuals, perverted, changing the natural course of human nature into perverted ways. Look at the world today. The whole thing is becoming a perverted dispensation.

And great places where man go to study religion, and great schools... And I've talked it and knowed it, where men are not allowed to marry women. But it's so horrible. And out of these schools today and these modern churches out there, how this great pain, men has drink, and smoke, and stimulated the passions, and run down young girls and so forth, and start in their infancy till their real course of life is perverted. God give them over to destructions. And their lives has been mingled until they're not natural men and women no more; devil has so caught them.

Look at the junction there with Sodom and Gomorrah. Look at the junction in the days of Noah: marrying and giving in marriage. You see the signpost?

FIVE JUNCTIONS OF TIME. STURGIS, MI 56-0122

E-72 (...) The junction time is here. The Head of all things is come. The time, end of all times is come. Notice, eternity's next.

When Lot chose to go down in the well places, oh, he could build bigger churches, perhaps. That's the modern--the modern idea of it. He was in the well watered place. Oh, the big church and all the... And his wife had become the head of the ladies sewing circle perhaps. And Lot was the mayor of the city. Oh, he had things easy, everything. What did he lose? He got down there till the world got in such a ch--chaos, until men absolutely failed to have natural use of their body and become perverted.

The perversion was to be a sign of the end. And today the perversion in the homosexual is on the increase, that even forty percent of our national government is possessed with perversion. That's newspapers. That's right.

In California the letters that comes to me from the mothers and things up and down there, where women has become the god of the world. And they'll... Brother, those flappers will make men bow quicker than anything in the world, women with their dirty, rotten dress. And you look to your televisions and things and see some of them old girls out there that's put on all this stuff, and you go out and try to impersonate them, and don't realize they been married four or five times. And some of them ain't fit to be door rugs. And you make that your example instead of the humble Lord Jesus, Who died at Calvary to save you from sin. Take your choice today. Amen.

E-74 Modern half of the church members cannot tell you how Jesus was born or even many of these things, but they can sure look in one of these old love story magazines and tell you who wrote it and what time this actress done this or that. It's a shame. That's right.

You say, "What are you preaching, brother?" I'm telling you the truth, and I want you to listen to me.

Sure, it's a disgrace from the way things are going on in our modern world today: A sign of the end time.

That's what they were doing in Sodom and Gomorrah. The natural use our bodies... The men become so plain to women today, there's not even respect. They'll hardly take off their hat, men will in front of women, and they have no respect for them at all. What did it? The women done it theirself.

And you all talking about juvenile delinquency and things. I think it's parent delinquency. Some of you let your girls go out and run around all night with a cigarette smoking, cocktail drinking party. Come in the next morning with her clothes half off her, old make-up all over her face and that, And you call the Kentucky mothers ignorant. Write her patch down with those Dogpatch, Lil' Abner, and make fun of the Kentucky mothers. That's some of my people up in there.

Let one of them girls...?... it up there and, brother, I'll tell you, she wouldn't get out of bed for six months. She'd take a hickory limb and beat what clothes she had le ft on her off. And if you had something like that back in the church today, you'd have better. Amen. God give us the old time mothers. I've got two girls coming. I don't know what they'll be.

E-76 And I've see them laying out on the beaches half naked before man stretching themselves out there, say they get a sun-tanning. Brother, I--I may not live. But if God lets me live and keep my right mind, if one of mine does it, she'll get a son-tanning. It'll be Mr. Branham's son with a barrel slat behind her. She'll be tanned all right. She'll know where it come from too. Yes, sir.

We need the day of old fashion God sent Saint Paul's revival, and the Bible Holy Ghost, than a lot of this old chicker-chocker, halfway formal religion broke up and Jesus Christ preach in the power of His resurrection, where signs and wonders and miracles can take place again in the church before the end time. And we are going to have it. Get that. All devils out of hell can't stop it, for God said it would be here. It's going to be here. Sure it is.

Sodom and Gomorrah... The junction time come; evil set in. Then when evil set in, God had a true prophet appear, Abraham. Amen.

BE CERTAIN OF GOD. CLEVELAND, TN 59-0708E

E-51 Now notice. And this... The coming of Jesus is three times. Did you know that? Jesus come the first time to redeem His Bride. He comes the next time; we're caught up in the air to meet him in the air. We caught up to meet Him. He comes to receive His Bride. The next time He comes, He comes as King and Queen to reign on the earth with His Bride: three comings. Right.

And the Church is in three stages: "*Let him that's filthy, filthy still; let him that's holy--righteous, righteous still; him that's holy, holy still.*" Jesus said, "*As it was in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man.*" How many knows that Jesus said that, say, "Amen."? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.]

What was it? A day just like that day. Look at perversion, homosexuals. Picked up a paper last week when I was in Los Angeles, the Christian Businessmen's meeting where I was their speaker;, and homosexual is on the increase forty percent over last year. Boys, man living with one another, living in hotel rooms, Perversion. The natural course of life being perverted, because women has belittled themselves and becomes so common, it's perverted man, perverted minds: women living with women, man living with man. Just what God said would take place. "*As it was in the days of Sodom, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man.*"

QUEEN OF SHEBA. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0219

E-51 And notice, Jesus said, that a wicked and an adulterous generation seeks after signs. Did He say that? Right here it is, read this verse. "*A wicked and adulterous generation seeks after signs; and they will receive no sign, except like the prophet Jonah was in the belly of the whale three days and nights; the Son of man must be in the heart of the earth three days and nights.*" Now, what was the sign that a wicked and adulterous generation would receive? The sign of the resurrection.

Well now, tell me, when did we ever have a more wicked and an adulterous generation, when perverts is here in California increasing twenty to thirty percent every year? When in our own government they claim there's thirty-five or forty percent of the homosexuals. "As it was in Sodom..." Tell me when we ever had any more wicked... Why, people do things that the ancient people wouldn't think about doing, the cruel punishment. Wicked, unbelieving, unregenerated, every evil imagination in a man's heart like it was in the days of Noah, that's the generation He was talking about. A wicked and an adulterous generation will receive what kind of a sign? The sign of the resurrected Jesus, the sign of the resurrection; they would receive it. Now, He says so right here in the Scriptures.

BEHOLD A GREATER THAN ALL IS HERE. SPOKANE, WA 62-0715

E-63 Now, watch. He was speaking of a weak and an adulterous generation. Let me say this with sincerity. He was speaking of this generation. For if there ever was a weak, dishwater generation that's full of adultery as this nation, this people...

Look, our nation leads the world in divorces. Homosexuals is worse than it is in Paris, France. I read an article the other day where forty percent of the government employed was thought to be homosexuals. I was flying over Los Angeles recently, and put in a paper in the state of Los An--of California alone, homosexuals, year before last, increased twenty percent.

My office lays full of letters of mothers crying, their boys taking other boys and going to rooms and living with them. They have absolutely abused themselves so much, and so forth, till they've perverted the natural course between man and woman.

A wick--weak and an adulterous generation seeks after signs: this generation. Watching... And they shall receive it. What? The sign of Jonas. What? They'll receive the sign of the resurrection. "*For as Jonas was in the belly of the whale three days and nights, so the Son of man will be in the heart of the earth three days and nights.*" But He will raise again. And the weak and adulterous generation will receive the sign of the resurrection. You get it?

TRYING TO DO GOD A SERVICE. JEFF. IN 65-0718M

142 Can't you feel the Holy Spirit screaming out from you? "Oh, United States and the world, how oft I would've gathered you, but you would not. Now, your hour has come. Your god of pleasure, your god of filth, your Sodom and

Gomorrah god, that's come among you..." Even our little kids, Beatle haircuts and bangs across their faces, little perverts starting out. Our women is gone, beyond redemption. Our men has become big sissies, walking around with little short pants on and acting like a girl, and hair hanging down their necks, and... We're Sodomites, and the fire and the wrath of God waits for us.

You know how He'll kill, how He'll destroy it? The way He always did. When a prostitute did anything wrong, she was stoned to death. They picked up stones to kill the woman that was a prostitute. That's how He'll kill the church. The Bible said He'll rain hailstones out of the heavens, will weigh a hundred pounds apiece, and He'll stone them. Who's going to stop Him? What science is going to say it can't be done? He'll do it the same as He made a ark and floated Noah to safety; He'll do it again for His church. And by His own laws and His own way, He'll stone that prostitute who's committed adultery with the kings and captains of hundreds and thousands. He'll stone her to death by His own laws that He set in order. Who's going to tell Him He can't make a hailstone?

Ask someone who knows how a rain drop starts, and makes a circle, and goes back through a terrible picks up more and more and more till it gets to a certain weight, and then it falls down. He, God, Who gravitation could not even hold Him on the earth and He lifted up into heaven, God, Who made gravitation, can also make a terrible big enough to swing a stone till it'll weigh a hundred pounds. He said He would do it, and He'll do it. Who's going to tell Him not to do it? He'll do it, because He said He would.

22. Trip to Mexico part of Third Pull vision. [March 1956]

IS YOUR LIFE WORTHY. JEFF. IN 63-0630E

108 I had a little something to happen in Mexico not long ago, General Valdena, elected of God, the Light shined across his path once in one of the meetings. That great Catholic warrior, one of the highest generals in Mexico, come humbly to the altar and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. He went back down into Mexico; he kept crying for me to come down there. Finally I decided to go down; the Lord led me--had a vision, told my wife. Went down there, and when he did, him being one of their chief generals--four star general he went to the headquarters, to the government. And they--they're hard against Protestants down there, you know. So they knowed this was going to be a terrific meeting, so he went down there and got a militia guard. And when they did, they got the big arena. And they was going to bring me in like that. The government was bringing me in. So when they did, the--the bishop, one of the great bishops of the Catholic church went up to him--to the governor and said, "Sir, I understand that you're bringing in a non Catholic."

Said, "Yes, what about it?"

"Why," he said, "you can't have a man like that in here. This government has never knowed of doing a thing like that."

But said, "we've done it now." He said, "Why," said, "the man's a reputable man. I understand that thousands of people comes out to hear him. General Valdena, he's my bosom friend," he said... And had the... The president himself's Protestant, you know, Methodist. So he said--he said, "The--the man's a reputable man as far as I know." Said, "General Valdena here, he's converted under this man." Said, "Why, he's a--as far as I know a reputable person." Said, Thousands of people, they claim, will come hear him."

And this bishop said, "What kind of a people is it, sir? Just the ignorant, that's the ones that goes hear a person like that."

The President said, "Sir, you've had them for five hundred years, why are they ignorant?" That was enough. That settled it. Oh, my. That dehorned them. Yes, sir. Yes.

SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEPFOLD. CHICAGO, IL 56-0403

E-18 (...) And then Mr. Arganbright come and told me, said, "Say, how about going to Mexico." Brother Joseph tried to get me to go to Mexico.

I said, "No, I don't want to go Mexico."

Then something said, "Go on to Mexico."

So I said, "All right, get it fixed up."

They said, "We got a hall down there," some kind of a big hall. And the next night I was over to Brother Wood's and I said, "You know what? That's just it. Little dark children, ragged, that's it." And Brother Arganbright was supposed to arrange it. You read the vision. And so I said, "That's just..."

E-19 But the hall kinda disturbs me, 'cause it was in a panoramic, and somebody dismissed the meeting and nobody knowed who done it. I said, "That was strange." So a few nights after that he called back and said, "Say, we got the big bull ring." Said, "That's what we're going to have, the bull ring." Panoramic just right. I said, "Oh, my, this is it, just what the Lord said." And I said, "What bothers me is somebody dismissed the meeting, and nobody knowed who done it." So... Well, we went on down into Mexico, as we was supposed to go. And we got down there, and Brother Arganbright said, "Now, on the 16th I'll meet you at the Regas Hotel." I went to the Regas Hotel; he'd never been there, no arrangements or nothing. Brother Moore and them said, "Well, what about this?"

I said, "I don't know." I said, "And we're not registered?"

"No." So we went in, got some rooms anyway. Knowed nothing about it, many of our American friends down there at Mexico I knew, waiting. And so I said, "This ever what it will, it surely will be the will of God. But I can't make out..." And I said...

Do you remember in the vision I said it come up a little rain, do you remember that? Well, then when--when we started out to the bull ring... It never rains in Mexico this time of year, as you know, and at Mexico City, up in the mountain there. And it come up a rain and the driver said, "Say, we don't have this very often."

I punched Brother Moore; I said, "What about that."

And he said, "Well, Brother Branham, if I wasn't a believer in it, I'd be a believer now."

And I said, "You watch; we're going to have trouble when we get to that ring." And when we got there, there was not a soul there (That's right.), no one there. Somebody dismissed the meeting, and they didn't know who. We tried to get a hold of one, the other one; we spent all night calling America and couldn't even contact anybody. Finally got a hold of--of my wife, and she said, "Brother Vayle," which is of the Baptist church said that he'd been in California and the meeting was dismissed." Said, "They didn't know who done it."

Well, Brother Moore said, "I'll find out who done it."

I said, "All right, I'll just say this. You don't know who done it, and you won't know who done it." You see? So he tried all day, didn't find nobody knowed anything about it. Nobody knows yet. That's 'cause the vision said that.

I come back home. Well, I went out to pray. Many people were there, and Brother Arganbright come up from down in there, and he said, "Brother Branham, here's the General Valdena and many of the Mexican government, and the first time in all the world's history, or the history of Mexico that ever a Protestant was invited in by the--by the government." And said, "You must come."

And so I said, "Let me pray first." I went back out to the woods and I prayed. And the next morning before daylight, the Lord came to me, give a vision. And said, "Go on back down to Mexico; I'll be with you."

So away I went to Mexico the next day. And when we went in down there... You can imagine how poor the people are; it was pitifully. And they wouldn't let us have no newspaper room. All the advertisements, they wouldn't let us put them out or nothing. And they wouldn't let us have no place to seat the people. They just give us a great big lot of a thing about two city blocks--kinda oblong, like that, and everybody had to stand. I could have three nights of meetings for them. And--and we averaged how much ground we had. And there was standing on the ground by the multitudes, they were standing six people every three square feet. Now, they stood up from morning until ten, eleven o'clock at night, just standing there. But they're used to standing, sacrifice.

E-23 And our blessed Lord Jesus done the exceedingly abundantly. The first night, it was marvelous to see what He was a doing. And it was so easy to humble into the Spirit of God, 'cause poor people standing there just reeling against one another, holding each other, and them blowing sands and winds shifting around, and four crippled, afflicted...

And on the next, the second night... The first night the Lord healed a man that had been blind for years. Many other things taken place. And on the second night the--the climax came at the second night of the meeting, that when they went... A--a lady way back, way back, almost a city block, screaming and fighting and pushing and going on, and finally she got to the platform. Billy Paul was with me, Brother Moore, Brother Brown. I wonder if Brother Alment is in the meeting tonight? He... Yes, Brother Alment, you--you was there, wasn't you? Is Leo and Gene here, they're supposed to be. Leo and them wasn't there, I don't believe. Was anybody else at the Mexican meeting that was there as a testimony or witness. Mr. Alment was there; I know he was there, 'cause he went down with us as far as Texas, and then went on down on the bus.

When I looked over and Billy came to me and Brother Moore and them said, "Brother Branham, you can't do nothing with her." Said, "Her baby died." And said, "You can't do nothing about it." Said, "She's fighting her way and screaming, 'Padre.'" You know that word, father. "Padre, Padre." Going on.

So I said, "Brother Moore go down..."

Billy said, "You... She's just fighting everything." Said, "She got that dead baby there, and it's stiff in her arms." And said...

So I said... She was standing then as close as the corner there, down over the audience like that. And I said, "Well, Brother Moore, you go down and pray for her and console her some way. She won't know the difference of who we are praying." I said, "Go and console her," like that.

Brother Moore started down there, and I looked up and saw a vision. And there I seen a doctor shake his head and say to her, "The baby's dying." And the baby actually had died. And that was the day before he told her. And the mother brought the baby that day and couldn't get up there. And then that day, the--the following day, which was the second day of the meeting, she had brought the baby and standing back out there, and it a terrible night. And the baby died in her arms, just straightened out, and stiffened out and died. And she started screaming. The baby been dead ten, fifteen minutes maybe and maybe twenty, time she got up there.

Well, I went down to where the little fellow was in his mother's arms, dead. And I said... I couldn't speak to her, no interpreter there to talk to her. So I just took and laid hands over on the little fellow and said, "Dear Lord Jesus, just look at the heart of this poor mother." And when I did that the little baby started kicking and screaming; it come to life. And that just tore Mexico up. I'm... And she had it there at the platform, a live baby, nothing wrong with it, perfectly alive.

(...)

E-26 And so when this little... I said, "Don't no one raise your hand. I can't make an altar call no more, and if you raise your hand, be sure that you understand that you are now forsaking your sins and accepting Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, after you have seen and declared that He has risen from the dead. He still does the same things today that He did." I said, "Once you might've thought there was a Jesus, but He died many years ago and that was the end of Him. But two thousand years has passed and here He is right here now in the midst of you, doing the same thing. 'The lame walks; the blind sees; the poor has the Gospel preached; the dead's raised up. And blessed is he who is not offended in Me,' said the Lord Jesus." I said, "How many now upon--that's never been Christians, that will accept the Lord Jesus as personal Saviour?" And all around... They judged around twenty thousand at one time accepted the Lord Jesus as personal Saviour; twenty thousand people at one time.

23. duPlessis, David plans working with Brother Branham.

REVELATION BOOK OF SYMBOLS. JEFF. IN 56-0617

73 The great council of meeting, not long ago, 1958... I was asked yesterday to represent the supernatural working of God before six hundred and something delegates from all the world, if God tarries until 1958, to be in Boston. Massachusetts. One of the ministers, a great man with the general gospel, David duPlessis, said, "Brother Branham, when all the delegates of the world is gathered together, and the Christian nations from everywhere is gathered together at this great world council," said, "just the speaking of the Word, and the power to reveal the Holy Spirit coming present," he said, "evangelicals from everywhere will sway in." And when they get a faith to live a real Gospel, it'll close the Gentile dispensation and issue in the Lord Jesus' second coming.

FATHER THE HOUR HAS COME. CHICAGO, IL 56-1002A

E-17 I was speaking today at lunch with Brother duPlessis and Brother Joseph, and was speaking about foreign missions and a worldwide revival, that a worldwide mission journey that I'm fixing to take around the world, in every city a few nights, every major city in the world. Then thinking of the follow up. I said, "It's like..."

They said, "If you don't have the follow up, then you lose what you--you went after."

24. Worldlism. [Canary brain]

1 JOHN 2:15-17

Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

ARROW OF GOD'S DELIVERANCE. SHREVEPORT, LA 56-0801

E-21 So now, dear people, you here in Shreveport, let this be a warning to you. If you believe me to be God's servant, listen. The best thing for you to do around Life Tabernacle and everywhere else is keep an old fashion prayer meeting going, and keep the unity of the Spirit, keep looking up and watching for the coming of the Lord. Keep all the worldliness out of you, no matter how bad it hurts; circumcise by the Holy Ghost will cut away the worldly things. Now, I begin to feel a lot of worldliness creeping into you. So now, get that out. No matter how bad it is, I... Life Tabernacle I'm talking to you. Now, you Baptist brethren, talk to your people over there the same way.

But I begin to notice there's something different. It ain't the same Life Tabernacle I used to come to. And I want you to remember tonight, you keep that old fashion prayer meeting. Keep the old fashion Holy Spirit falling among you. Keep the world out. Seal Christ in. And you're letting down in prayer some way. Just remember, as you sow you'll reap. Just remember that.

E-22 You've got one of the best churches I ever walked into in my life of anywhere, on any continent. Life Tabernacle's one of my favorites. It breaks my heart to see you letting the world reach into you the way you're doing. So don't do that no more. Snap out of it. Pray out of it, and let God come back and take over. Submit yourselves to God and get the old fashion blessing back again.

And Shreveport, you dear, dear southerners down here, who are the finest people I ever met... I don't say that to compromise with you; I say it because I love you. If you want to get some real good treatment, and real good, old fashion hospitality, come to Louisiana. I mean that from my heart.

And I tell you, don't let the world creep into you. Don't let the world get into your churches, brethren. Pray it out, fast it out until God comes down and takes a hold. That's right. Keep the joy of the Lord among the saints. Keep them prayed up. And guard every little place. If Noah seen a leak in his ark, why, he put some pitch in it. And so that's about the best thing I know to keep the leak out, the world out, is to stop up the leak, is the best thing that I know to do. Only one way to do it; that's prayer. Prayer stops the leak. Prayer changes things.

HEAR YE HIM. EDMONTON, ALBERTA 57-0807

E-18 It used to be wrong for Holiness people, and Methodists, and the people that tried to live right, the women to wear manicure, or ever what you call that stuff you put on your face. I know that's the wrong word, but I can't never think of it. Anyhow, it used to be wrong, but now you can't tell one from the other. It used to be wrong for the Christian women to bob their hair. Something went wrong somewhere. The Bible says it's wrong. Now, either you've got out of the harness, or your pastor got out of the will of God and quit preaching it. But that's the truth, and the Holy Spirit bears record before God. That's right.

It used to be wrong for the people to go out to picture shows and entertainments of the world. But today you can't tell one from the other. People will miss prayer meeting to attend some kind of a lodge meeting. And how in the world can a Christian, who calls himself a child of God, ever go into these places to eat, and so forth, these little old nickelodeons, and play them rotten songs of Elvis Presley's, and all of those things that talk about being shook up. I tell you; you're going to be shook up one of these days, and that's true.

E-19 But how, not only the young folks, but grandma and grandpa does it. That's right. Babysitters, while mama and papa is out gattin' around over the country... And on Sunday morning they go to church with a long, sanctimonious face. What you need's a good, old fashion Holy Spirit shaking, is what this country needs. You know that's truth.

SIRS WE WOULD SEE JESUS. JEFF. IN 61-1224

34-1 The churches--the churches are swapping Christ for the world and creeds. The church is on a swapping program. Oh, they sure want to--to swap. Yes, sir. They'll go and they'll swap. They want--on a swapping program. They want to swap what God says for what the denomination says. They want to swap what God says to the--follow the pastor. They want to swap what God says to the--follow the organization. They're swapping. Do you know what? The people's shopping. Oh, there's a big commercial going on now. It's another Christmas, just a bogus made-up. (We had just a little more time, I'm going to get back on this subject again one day. Passing too much up here that the Holy Spirit give me awhile ago. See?)

While the church is swapping, the church is shopping, the people are, so-called church. Yes, sir. They're swapping; they sure are. Shopping and swapping, they're shopping for what? The biggest church, the best dressed crowd, the biggest denomination. And the people (I'm going to say something.), the people is trying to find (even Pentecostals)...

34-3 The Pentecostal women is trying to find a place that they'll let them get by with more things of the world: shorts, bobbed hair, paint. They're shopping. "Bless God, I'm Pentecostal. Hallelujah, I belong to this," and; "Oh, our pastor don't believe..." See? You're shopping for the ones that'll let them live the dirtiest (God, have mercy.), the one will let them live the filthiest and the most like the world that they can. They're shopping from place to place, turning down Christ. That might grind like everything. It was meant to do it.

The people's shopping. They're Christmas shopping where they can find bargains, bargain hunters. "Well, I'm Pentecostal too. Well, we don't have that old narrow-minded stuff." But the Bible says so.

If he's a true disciple of Christ, he'll lead you to the cross. "Oh, Brother Branham, I went out and spoke in tongues." That don't mean nothing; a mule did that one day. Yes, sir. That's... Yeah, I don't mean to make fun of God's holy Word. I believe in speaking in tongues, but devils speak with tongues. A people can speak in tongues and live any kind of a life. But I mean that the devil's got a--a copy of everything that God did. And he can copy everything but the genuine birth of Christ; and he can't do that, 'cause you have to die first, then the Word raises you up. How do you know when you're alive? When that Word, every word of It's made flesh in you; everything that the Bible says, you say the same thing, and it comes to pass, just exactly like He said it. That's when it is. When you--when your spirit agrees with Him (He is the Word.), when your spirit agrees with what He said and the Spirit makes Itself manifest through His Word, then you're living. See? You're through shopping then, and swapping, and all the rest of it. It's all settled.

35-2 Yes, the people are shopping to find where they can live the worldiest at: Pentecostals and all. Don't you Pentecostals make fun of them Baptists and Presbyterian. Pot can't call kettle dirty. No, sir. No, indeedy. It's all the same.

So they're shopping to find where they can go into a church and join an organization, that they can be popular, well thought of in the city, the mayor of the city goes to the church (which now, he could go to a church and be borned again. Now, I'm just saying in--in the run), the biggest church in the city.

I know people right today that belong to a little organization up here on the road, a little church, but it was too little; so they said, "So our--our children will--and we can be a little better thought of," they took their letter from one church and went down to another, a bigger organization. And besides, this other one had a picture show in the basement and they had play bunco, and everything like that, you know, and have these games, and so forth like that. So they got the children

down there; they had a--got a pool table down in the bottom (See?) so they can play pool, and have recreation, and things like that, and have a ten minute Sunday school class and a coffee break, and a break so the pastor can smoke cigarettes, get outside. Oh, yes, that's right; I wouldn't say it 'less I knowed what I was talking about. That's right. Oh, sure. See, they're shopping.

36-1 If they can go ahead and live the kind of life that they want to live, do anything they want to, and still be promised Eternal Life hereafter, they're shopping for that. I'm telling you: if you want to shop, come to Calvary. That settles it. Die to your dirty self, your sins, and be borned again anew. "And if you love the world or the things of the world, the love of God's not even in you." That's what the Bible says. That's right.

Say, "I don't believe in holiness." No wonder you can't. But the Bible said, without it no man shall see God. God's holy. If God lives in you, you're holy too. And tell me you can go out on these parties and drink a little sociable drink. Why, the Pentecostals do that: go out on these parties, and take them women out there and live in these places, and go down and strip theirself off in bathing suits, and go in swimming before men, when your husbands, and brothers, and sisters and so forth, and Pentecostal people going out in bathing suits and calling yourself a member of the Bride? The Bride of Christ don't do them things.

DOOR IN A DOOR. TUCSON, AZ 63-0223

E-67 I said to our ladies one time about... Not as I got against the ladies, they're our sisters. But I'm zealous of this church. When I see the worldliness like Sodom coming into it, then I have to cry out against it. There's something inside that my heart bleeds and I cry out, "Don't fashion after Marilyn Monroe, or some of these women there. Do like Sarah in the Bible. See?"

Don't try to be Mr. Some--Something or other, run over the platform and carry on, and--and try to dress like some bandbox, and...?... and carry... Don't... We got too much Hollywood showmanism in Pentecost. That's right. We need the Holy Ghost. Now, you might not love me; you might not want me back again. But this is an opportunity to speak truth, and this is truth. Try it. Find out if it's not so.

Some lady said, "It's my own American privilege."

I said, "But you'll forfeit that."

HOW CAN I OVERCOME. JEFF. IN 63-0825M

145 We're sometimes tempted to go back. Many of you, tempted to go back to the denominations, go back and take up, 'cause all the world's saying, "What denomination you belong to? What church are you affiliated with?" We're tempted to do that. All of us are. Our sisters are tempted to go back, go back and join up with the--some of the rest of the churches, with some of Assemblies, or Churches of God, or some of them, still be Pentecostal and let your hair; just cut off and dress just about any way you want to. See, you're tempted to do that, go back and be popular with this wicked generation that we're living with, when this is the major sin of our day, the major sin among our people, worldliness. As the Bible said the Laodicea--Laodicea age was, she's worldly, rich, have need of nothing, and don't know that she's naked, miserable, wretched, blind. That's the sin of our day. When you hear the Word of God call out against it, then you take the other route, you're unpopular with the world.

146 You're tempted to go back. I know you keep saying to me. I know you're saying all the time... I know you get tired of me harping on these things. I get tired seeing you do it too. This sin that I'm trying to tell you about... Say, "What are you harping on it for?" Stop doing it then. Trying to save your life by the Word. I get tired also. So just straighten up. This is a sin, shouldn't be done. Yes, sir.

If we are to overcome these things, we're expected to be tempted by them, the world, "If you love the world, the things of the world, the love of God's not in you," said Jesus.

25. Last call is Divine healing.

LUKE 14:16-24

Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many:

And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.

And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.

And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused.

And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of thehouse being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.

And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.

For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

WEDDING SUPPER. CHICAGO, IL 56-1006

E-28 Now, then the--the servant come back and said, "Lord..." That was down from Luther on down to Wesley age. All kinds of excuses made. "Oh, well, we got other things to do."

But then, when the servant come back and said, "I done all this and they got all excuses." Watch what he said to the preacher now.

"Supper's already fixed." Amen. It's already past time. Said, "I want you to give the supper call now. Leave them alone, they won't come anyhow."

But go out and start a healing campaign. Bring in the lame, the blind, the halt. And everybody hollers today about healing campaigns to get a crowd. "What's the matter with you, preacher?" That's the light of the Bible. That's right. "Go, get the lame and the halt." That's the last call before the coming of the Lord according to the Bible. Go out and call a healing campaign. Miracles and signs and wonders will be done. And bring them in 'cause I'm--I'm going to have My table set full." Amen. "I've made it. I've killed My fatlings. I'm going to have a real supper and you go out and bring in the lame, the halt, the blind, the afflicted." Brother, that's a meal call.

Divine healing is the program of today. That's God's last call, is Divine healing. And then these fellows that wouldn't accept it and set back with their big old dry theology, tries to say that we put Divine healing in the paper to get a crowd. Jesus said to. Amen. Oh, that would make a Baptist shout if he had the same thing. That's right. Divine healing is the order of the day.

GOD'S PROVIDED WAY. LA. CA 59-0415A

E-24 Now, when the invitations was given out, the excuses was made. Then back they come and said, "They won't come." Now, if you notice the last time that He sent them out, was to go into the hedges, and highways, and byways, get the lame, halt and blind, and compel them to come in. For God is determined that His table will not be set and there'll be nobody there. God wants His tables full. The fatlings has been killed. Everything's been fixed and everything's ready. And if you'll notice, the last great message that was to go, was to go into the highways and byways.

Now, I like that about this little church here, feeding the poor, taking in the lame, the halt, the withered, praying for the sick and... I reading this little sign here, what give me the idea. "And the lame shall walk," it said. Certainly.

The last calling and the last invitation was a great time to sweep across the country in Divine healing. That was the last. And we're winding up the end of that, just pulling in the loose ends right now. So how close is the coming of the Lord?

26. Third Pull; events in the prophet's ministry that pertains to Divine Love.

EXPLOITS OF FAITH. CHICAGO, IL 53-1213E

E-42 Listen, God bless you. I want to tell you just one thing. I know I'm holding long, but I just want this one little thing. I know, and I want you to remember. There's something fixing to happen. Remember, I told you that. There's a step up coming in the Church now. See? These things that you're now seeing, are going to be just little things after while. Something's a moving.

And I say this by the power of the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom I... Every one in our doctrine, in our baptism, we've come to a place, but there's some key that'll unlock something here. Now, he saw the Book sealed on seven seals. And when the... Daniel saw the same, and when the thunders uttered their voices He said, "Don't write." What that was in the Scripture, but it'd be revealed in the last days. We're at the time. We're at Kadesh right now.

Here a few nights ago, I went into Brother Vibbert's, over from--over at Paducah, Kentucky, crossed over into Evansville. Oh, Brother Bosworth was with me. And I said, that day I said... It just kept burning on my heart a message, that I knowed that something God had promised on the opening up of the power, yet I'm waiting now for Him, which I believe will appear to me visibly.

I say it with reverence; I've seen Him twice. 'Course it was vision. He was standing in the air. One night I stood, and I even broke a straw off the field, put it in my mouth and chewed it. Looked again, I said, "Surely this is not vision." I stood there in the broom sage a looking. I'd been praying all night. And I looked again; I seen Him with His foot like that and His hands folded, looking towards the east.

And I walked around this way and cleared my throat. And when He looked around at me, raised out His arms, I fainted and didn't come to till the next morning. And I have an idea what He looks like. And I've been feeling for the last few months that I'll see Him again. Here in... pretty soon that He will reveal again His... something that's fixing to come forth.

Oh, brother, if I have it right, God forgive me if I'm wrong, but seeing it in the Scripture, seeing that when He rose and ascended up, He received a new man... Name that no one knowed about. Then I see Him coming in His power. I went over, and I said, "Don't no one bother me today. Let me stay alone."

And that night at Brother Vibbert's church I prayed, cried, I called Billy and I said, "What prayer cards you give out?" And we called up about twenty-five. All down through that line there wasn't nothing at all that I could see, that I looked, and I for... only woman was hard of hearing in one ear. So I just kept talking. I said, "Call another group."

And when I got the other group, the very first one in the line, a poor old daddy leading his boy. And He said, "Brother Branham, I come from Cincinnati." He said, "I brought my boy over to Owensboro, brought him down by bus." Said, "I never could get a prayer card and get in the line. But I'm so happy to be here now."

And I looked, and I said, "What's the matter with your boy?" He had his head down, young fellow about eighteen. E-46 Said, "When he was about eight years old, he hit a dynamite cap with a hammer. And it blowed this eye completely out, wasn't nothing but a socket. And this eye, the end of the cap bursted right into the sight and shattered every nerve." And he said, "Ever since we've heard about you, we've believed God would answer your prayer if you'd pray for my boy."

Standing there with an old dirty jacket on, not dirty, I didn't mean to say that, but washed-out. His shirt open, his underclothes here, just a typical old daddy holding his boy so reverent, a fine looking young man standing there. And I said, "Well, come here, brother, and let me pray for you."

And I put my hands on him. And I said, "Heavenly Father, I pray Thee if Thou will, O God, have mercy upon him and open this blinded eye." And when I asked, it was two big in the auditorium there was two big lights shining like this. And I said, "Son, look up to that light and see if you can see."

The poor fellow looked around this a way trying to see the light in the dark corner. And I turned his head. I said, "No, up this a way." And I got his face turned up that way. He said, "I'm sorry kind, sir, but I--I can't see nothing."

And his dad said, "Brother Branham, if you had a--a powerful flashlight right in his eye, he'd never know it." Said, "Every nerve in his eye is bursted."

I said, "And you still have faith."

He said, "Yes."

Now, usually I would've let that boy go (See?), and said, "Now, son, the Lord bless you, and may He give you your sight." But there what I had in my heart, digging down...

He said, "If thou..." When He said to that tree, "Cursed be that tree, no fruit grow on you." He said, "If you shall say to this mountain, be plucked up."

I said, "Who ought to have faith? If anybody ought to have faith..." I'm ashamed after back yonder from a little baby, the Angel... the first thing I remember nearly was God speaking to me in a vision. And down through the age He's never failed one time. When He met me in Person as an Angel and told me, "I'll not fail you. I will be with you," I thought, "Who ought to have faith? I ought to be ashamed." I kept standing there; I thought, "If this is true, if God has said, 'I am the Vine ye are the branches.' If we be in God then we're energized by His Spirit. And His--my hand are His hands."

I looked at the boy again and I begin to feel Something inside of me. Now, friends I know that'll work. I've seen it in hours of trial when something will actually happen. You can't bluff it; it's got to be there. It's got to be the thing.

I remember that night and that maniac walked to the platform, Portland, Oregon. Many of you has read of it. That just one case 'cause of quoting it, because it was in the book. When that man walked to the platform, insane, about a hundred or about two hundred forty, fifty pounds, seven foot tall, about, walked to the platform, five hundred preachers shrunk back.

He spit in my face and said, "You hypocrite, you deceiver of man." Said, "You call yourself a man of God." Said, "I'll break every bone your measly little body tonight." And they begin to scatter back. And usually I would've knowed what to done. But when I turned to that man, I knowed he was whipped right there. There was Something on the inside moved up and said, "Don't fear, I'm standing with you."

E-50 That was it. When that happens, I seen it in the tremendous time in that momentous minute. And when I knowed that man was going to be defeated... When I... He drawed back his fist, and I said, "Because that you have challenged the Spirit of God, tonight you'll fall across my feet."

He said, "I'll show you who's feet I'll fall across, you hypocrite." And he spit in my face again. His eyes balled out and his teeth like that. He drew back his fist to strike me like that; I said, "Satan, come out of him."

He went, "Eeewwww," And begin to run around, around, around, and fell and pinned my feet to the floor till the police had to take him off of my feet. What was it? The power of Jesus Christ all present standing there, because he had challenged the Spirit of the living God.

I remember here not long ago when my boy struck a habit that he ought not to had among some young boys, and I kept telling him. God had warned him. He almost got killed. Then He showed me one night in a vision; He said, "Watch, Billy." And I seen him fall and just limbs over limb, over limb, over limb, going like that, falling to the ground. And I thought... I screamed, "O God, have mercy on my boy. It's the only boy I have, Lord. Don't let him die like that."

And he was going, falling through space like that. And I come to myself in the vision, I was standing in the room screaming. I thought, "Oh, my. Did I wake my wife up?" I looked around, I thought, "No." I thought, "Oh, my," and I got down and begin to pray. Looked brassy in front of me. I thought, "Oh, my, God, don't let my boy be killed like that."

I went and told Billy. Went on a few days, he had been fishing down the river. He come back up, and he said to me... We got a doctor friend there that's a very good pal of mine, Dr. Sam Adair. And so some man come over from India, and I

went down in New Albany, we was talking over the possibilities of the Pentecostal churches of India cooperating in the meeting and so forth.

And while we was down there, wife was up getting the baby's tooth ground. And while I was setting in the car, something said, "Get out of the car, go walking." He wouldn't speak where them men was. I said, "Is that impression?" I went like that and seem like I just went off. I could hear my ears puffing out. I heard a voice say, "Get out of this car immediately."

I went out of the car and started walking down the street. I said, "Excuse me, brethren." I walked down the street. He said, "Return home as fast as you can. Something has happened to Billy." And that quick we, wife come down; we jumped in the car and took out home.

When I got to the porch there my mother-in-law was standing on the porch screaming, saying, "Billy Paul come up by Dr. Adair's and had a sore throat, and he give him a shot of penicillin; his heart stopped on him. He's in the hospital now. The ambulance has been here. They got him wrapped; they got specialist from Louisville. And he's unconscious, laying there dying," said, "even his toes is that big."

E-54 Well, I dumped everyone out, got in the car, and ran out there, and here come little doctor down through the room. He seen me; he threw his hat in the floor like that. Said, "Bill, I've killed your boy."

And I said, "Oh, my." I run into the room. There Billy laying there, with a tube in his nose and mouth open like that, face just as black as it could be. They give him shots of adrenalin. His blood was twenty over thirty, I believe it was, his heart... And there he was going down. They give him adrenalin in his heart, drop lower, give him another shot of adrenalin, drop lower.

He said, "I've killed your boy, Bill." And he walked down the hall crying. I walked in.

I said, "Shut the door." I got down; I said, "O God, now..." And no more than I knelt on my knees, Something moved up there. And I knowed something was happening on the inside. That time when it has to be, when it has to be It moved there; I said, "God, he's gone as far as medical science is concerned, but I ask You to be merciful and don't let my boy go."

And while I calmly reached my hands to him, that vision broke before my eyes, and I seen him going, whirling again down through the air. And I seen two big arms reach under him, catch him like that and go to bearing him back up again like that. In a few moments he was setting on the side of the bed talking to me. Yes, sir. And they didn't know. There wasn't...

What is it? Brother, in that moment in time, in that spur of a moment... Now, if that faith can come at that time, why can't it stay all the time? When that boy, standing there and his eyes blowed out like that, I looked at him and there's something... I said, "Lord, this what I'm believing. Now, there's a keynote how to go in there, and I believe that God's going to let me know it."

So then if that happened, these things that you're seeing will be so amateur up the side of what that'll be when it is fully revealed. And then stand there by that boy, I said, "Lord God, if I have found grace in Your sight, let it be known right now. If I am right I pray that You'll bless." I turned around to the boy, I started crying. I couldn't help it. Something on the inside of me pushing, I just couldn't help it.

I put my hand over his eyes and I said, "O God, be merciful to him. And now, Satan, you done this. God never intended this boy to be blind, never. So I give this boy his sight. In the Name of Jesus Christ the Son of God, I give him his sight as God's servant and my hands acting in His place." And that what I thought He should tell me to say, I said it.

And when I dropped my hands down, that boy let out a scream and said, "Daddy, here I am. I can see." And he grabbed his daddy around the neck and got so excited till a Baptist preacher setting on the platform grabbed a chair over his head and run through the audience, butting people as hard as he could with a chair turned over his head. What? Brother, excuse me, I didn't... Amen.

E-58 We're on the verge, brother. Somebody's come back from Canaan; the grapes are good. It's our land. God give it to us. We can take it, God said so, didn't He? God said we had it; it's ours. And we're living in the last days; don't you believe it? He said, "In the last days I'll send down the rain in abundance like that. Both former and latter rain will fall in this day. And what they had back there plus what God's going to give us is right now at hand. Amen.

I'm... I believe it with all my heart. And I believe we're at the age of the battle. Don't you think so? Let's not push back. If they want to push back, let them push back. But we're going forward. Amen. It's ours. God said, "It's yours; now go in there and take it."

UNCERTAIN SOUND. MIDDLETOWN, OH 61-0315

E-77 Just come in from California the other day. Hadn't got my suitcase in; hadn't been home for two months, right at two months. I got about the second suitcase in, the phone ring; it was a lady. Well, she used to be kind of a girlfriend of mine, years ago when I used to pastor the Milltown Baptist church.

She had two lovely daughters. And she married a fine man, a Brother Huff. And he was a millwright. He'd had it--one of his fingers and thumbs cut off, a very nice brother. And they had-- had two twin--twins and another girl, making three children. And the twins were staunch Christians, they--they were UBE. people, but they--they really believe God. And so

they... One little girl, going to school, she got a complex. The girls tell her, "Well, why don't you smoke like we do? You think you're better than we are? Why don't you go to dances?"

Now, they didn't go to dances, nor neither did they smoke or drink. And they made fun of... The healthier girl, she said, "Humph, Let them jump in the river. I'm the one serving Christ. They don't want to, let them go ahead."

But the other one, she begin to think, "Oh, maybe I could do something." And she built a complex, got nervous. She went insane. They had her in a institution two years. And so, they was trying to doctor her, by give her all kinds of stuff and treatments and--and everything. They... It didn't work right.

So then, when I got in home, they said, "Brother Branham... They got her over to that Catholic institution there, and Monday they're going to send her to Madison. That's a padded cell. That does it."

She's eighteen years old, and a genius. She one of those perfectionists. She even teaches opera, and plays overtures, and teaches music at eighteen years old. See? Just a real smart girl. And so she... a real good Christian... And they couldn't understand it.

And so when they said they was going to put her there into the padded cell, that was all. They give her, I forget how many shock treatments, and that's a shot in the dark, you know, and so it just made her worse. So the doctor said, "There's not a hope for her so we're going to take her to Madison Monday."

And so the little mother said, "I remember our... Brother Branham, used to be down here at... and used to tell us about Christ being a Healer." Said, "I... And I've heard all kinds of newspaper reports and things about where he's been." They was country people way back out in the country and so. And said, "If I could just get a hold..." So they called Jeffersonville, the office, and they said I was in California; be home in a certain day. Said, "Well, that'll just give us..." I think that was on a Friday. When I come in, that'd be Monday, they going to take her away.

E-79 So he went and ask the doctor if I could come over... And the doctor said, "No. Naw. Don't get her worked up." Said, "They... Nothing can be done for it," the psychiatrist and them were there. So they went ahead, and Brother Huff said, "Look." It was a Catholic hospital. Said, "Our--our brother is just like if you was going to give the last rites or something, a priest."

He said, "Well, he's... Nothing can be done." Said, "Let me talk to that preacher."

Said, "All right." And he give him my number. He called; I was out. Said, "Have..." and he told my wife, "Call him back."

I called all day Saturday and all--all night, and up till twelve o'clock Saturday night. he never did come in. I seen he was giving me the dodge (You see?), keep me from coming over.

And Brother Huff called and said, "Brother Branham, they're going to take her Monday."

I said, "Tell you what, Brother Huff, he don't know me, so you take me in as a visitor. Just let me go in as a visitor."

And he said, "All right." So the next day he come up to get me as a visitor. And the... his... The twin, one of the twins and the other little girl got in the car to go over with me. We went over the river and so the mother and father drove ahead.

And I begin to question the girls. Said, "You know, the funniest thing, Brother Branham," said, "this morning..." Lovely little thing, she said, "You know, our pastor said, started to preach on a certain thing, and he changed his subject and begin to talk about healing by oil." And said, "Papa and mama started crying because... and we did too, because we knew you were coming--to get you." Said, "There's some kind of healing that people does in the Bible, by oil."

I said, "I... Sis," I said, "I know what you're talking about."

She said, "You think that could have been pertaining, that God was trying to tell us through our pastor of something we had a chance that way?"

I said, "We'll see when we get over there and see what the Holy Spirit says."

E-81 And when they open the door, you know, they unlock the door and then lock it back behind you, unlock the elevator and take you up, then lock it back again, you know, keep the people... Put you into the cell.

Set there... a pretty little thing, little eighteen year old, little darling, about that high, great big soft pretty eyes, Setting there, just--just--oh, just in a terrible condition, just--like that. And I said, "You remember me, Margaret?"

Said, "Oh, oh, oh..."

And I said, "I'm Brother Branham, don't you remember me? 'Billy' you used to call me, down there... you and I'd... When you come, you was like a little pumpkin seed, little bitty girl, the last time I seen you all, little bitty dresses like that. Don't you remember me."

Said, "Uh..." great big eyes, you know, looking like that.

And I thought, "Oh, God..." I set with my... Just kind of put my leg across the end of the bed. There was a man setting there trying to hold his wife; she was in terrible condition. This girl setting here and the father was standing by the girl. The mother set down on the other corner of the bed. We was setting there... I kept wondering, "Lord, will You say something? Will You say something."

I said, "Don't you remember me, Margaret?" And that just kept on looking at me. She couldn't make out nothing.

Said, "Brother Branham, she... Only thing she keeps talking about is about blood and on the highway and things like that," said, "funniest things..."

And I said, "How long this thing going on?"

Said, "Two years."

And I kept talking to her. Oh, but the grace of God... Just in a few minutes the Holy Spirit begin to move in. I said, "Margaret, you don't know me, but," I said, "all your life, since you've been big enough to know about boys, you always had in your mind you was going to marry a preacher. You wanted to marry a preacher." And she started to smile. That caught. See? And I seen the Holy Spirit had it. And then I said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, it's over." And I thought, "What did I say?"

Many of you has read about the squirrels and so forth. I said, "It's over." "Well," I thought, "if He said that, I'm staying right with it." I said, "Brother Huff, I don't know why I said that. I cannot tell you." I said, "I just said it and that's all I know, just said it." And I said, "But you just watch. In the next few hours there's going to be a change in here." That was about five o'clock in the afternoon. I said, "There'll be such a change in here in the next few hours."

I just spoke of it that morning in the church, down at the Tabernacle. I guess that some of the Tabernacle folks here now. Fred Sothmann and them, I know was here. There--them, down there that heard that being said. Oh, I believe these boys setting right here was down. How many in here remember me saying at the Tabernacle...? Yeah, they're here. See? I said, "Be in prayer," I said, "something's fixing to happen; something's fixing to happen."

And when I went back out, I got outside the... They unlocked the doors and let me back out. And then when I got in the car and drove around the corner, I said, "Heavenly Father, why did I say it? Why did I say it?" No more than it was when said to those squirrels and so forth and appeared; I said, "Something's fixing to happen."

It was confirmed again over here at the next meeting, this last one like that, what was fixing to take place.

And when I got home, I just changed my clothes and was going back down to church; Brother Huff called me. He said, "Brother Branham, I just couldn't hold it any longer." Said, "You know what? After you left, about a--a half hour after you left, the doctors come in." Said, "Margaret was setting on the bed..." And when I was setting there, and I said, "Margaret, it's THUS SAITH THE LORD. It's over." And her mother just hit me across the--the knee like that, and she screamed at her daughter, not even knowing what she was doing, and she said, "Honey, he's never wrong." like that, "He's never wrong." And I walked out of the building.

Mr. Huff called me up and said, "Brother Branham, the doctors walked in here and said, "What's happened?" Said, "The girl's come to herself."

Said, "We're going to take her home tomorrow. She's dismissed. She's normally, and well as anybody could be." She's home tonight, rejoicing because, why? There was a certain sound. No matter what's contrary, it's a certain sound. Oh, God, that certain sound...

E-86 Just two or three more, about five more minutes. A certain sound... How we could go on. Something happened on the road the other day. Same thing, it just keeps moving in, more and more, more and more, more and more. Why? It's a certain sound, 'cause yonder in that woods that day, Brother Fred, Brother Tom, and the rest of you all here, Brother Leo, you... When that man--Angel of the Lord stood there in the woods and said that thing, "Speak that Word and watch it happen," that was no uncertain sound. That was a sound. I know it's the Truth. I believe it with all of my heart, with this Bible over my heart, it's God. We're at the end time.

27. Three Comings of Christ.

SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEPFOLD. CHICAGO, IL 56-0403

E-9 (...) See, there's everything in the Bible runs in threes; we know that. And there's three comings of the Lord. The first coming is past; the second coming's the rapture when we meet Him; and the third coming is when He's coming to rule and reign a thousand years. And everything travels in a trinity like Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the one God in a trinity. And the works of grace in a trinity, and all... Everything in the Scripture runs in the trinity.

HEAR YE HIM. EDMONTON, ALBERTA 57-0807

E-8 But we find in this Scripture, that Jesus had chose three of His apostles. I just love to think on the numatics of the Bible, how the threes, sevens, twelves, forties, fifties. And if you get those numbers running right you can just place the Bible like one great picture.

And three is a perfection like Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; and water, blood, and spirit, and so forth. And the three comings of Jesus, once He come to redeem His Bride, next time He comes to get His Bride, the next time He comes with His Bride after the Marriage Supper.

28. Church set in order.

PERFECTION. JEFF. IN 56-0610

E-67 You remember here long years ago when we had the church in order. (I'm talking to you. You're praying, heads bowed.) Remember when we had the church in order, when a message was given in prophecy, or in tongues and interpretation, when we wrote it down and laid it up here on the platform, witnessed by three men? I gave the message from the platform. If it didn't come to pass, you had an evil spirit among you. You come up here and made it right.

If a person done what was wrong, a sister or brother seen them doing wrong, they went to them. When they come in church, got them by the arm, went back here in a little room, said, "Brother, I seen you at the wrong place. I'm not going to say it before the church, 'cause I love you. You were wrong. Let's us pray now." See?

SECONDHANDED ROBE. BROOKLYN, NY 56-1206

E13 And the gifts of the Spirit as one would speak in unknown tongues and the other give the interpretation... And it could not be just a quoting of Scripture, 'cause God doesn't use vain repetition. It must be some direct message to the church. And then, if it was a--to the church before it could be received in the church, they had to be at least three spiritual gifts there. And that was to call them--we call them like judges to judge. Three people with the gift of discernment, in the Bible it's called.

And one of them would raise up and say, "It's of the Lord."

And the other one raise up and say, "It's of the Lord." Well, the two out-ruled the one. So then the message was taken down and then placed on my desk. And it couldn't be now like, "Jesus is coming soon." We know that. And the other things that the Scriptures declared...

It would be something like this: "Tell, THUS SAITH THE LORD, tell Brother Jones to get away from that place where he lives, for it's near a railroad track, for tomorrow at two o'clock, there's going to be a wreck there, and his house will be destroyed." Or, "Tell Brother Branham that tonight there'll be someone come in from a certain place that's got a certain disease, be dressed a certain way. And he shall go to them; they'll be brought in tonight by ambulance and tell them that this thing that's--that's against them. It's THUS SAITH THE LORD."

Well then, if them messages was taken down that the witnesses witnessed that it was the Holy Spirit, it was laid on the--the pulpit, and then when the church begin to gather, all the gifts they would done had their part of the need. There was nothing taking place then but the singing of the Word--of the singing of the--the hymns.

And then, when I came out to speak, which was in the room, they pressed a button, a red light come on. I'd been in there maybe all afternoon, praying, walked forth with--with the message of the Lord on my heart. Before I made the message on the platform, on the pulpit, leed--laid these messages. I read them off, then went on with the message. And then, after the message, the altar call.

And if the things that were written on there did come to pass, we thanked the Lord and praised Him for it. If it didn't come to pass, they had a cleaning up time. There was an evil spirit among them, 'cause God don't tell lies. See?

And that's the way the gifts should be operated. And then, all this stuff that goes on in the name of the gifts would be culled out. And then, no one wants a evil spirit on them to lie and do those things. They want the real; there's a real Spirit. You don't have to have that kind of a spirit. God's got a real Spirit for you. And so, you don't want them things that the devil would give you.

E-16 And if that was wrong, then all of those people repented and prayed, and fasted, and went before the Lord till that spirit got off of them, of all of them. And the witnesses and all, the--the one who discerned it and so forth. They were all wrong. And then, we had the thing cleaned up. And that's the way that the gifts should be operated in the church to my opinion. That's the way it worked wonderful in our tabernacle at home.

And then, if that would work in a Baptist church, it surely ought to work in a Pentecostal church. It certainly ought to. So then, if--that--it's just the sincerity. And you must respect those gifts and give them their places and everything where they're--they should be.

And the Bible is a blueprint, just how they should be put together and how they should operate. Then, you'll have no trouble at all nowhere. Everything will move just exactly in the will of the Lord. If He wants anything said, He will speak and give the interpretation of it, and set it out, and it'll happen just exactly to the minute just the way God said it would.

And oh, the marvelous things that we have seen our Lord do in those things. But it takes a consecrated life, a surrendered life, and--and so forth, and a church that's purged daily by the Blood of the Lord Jesus and them things will take place.

And there's a vast difference between a gift of prophecy and a prophet. A gift of prophecy will act on one and then another and it's to be judged. But a prophet has the Word of the Lord. And a prophet is a borned a prophet. See?

CHRIST IS THE MYSTERY. JEFF. IN 63-0728

12-4 And now, you've got tapes on that. You've got tapes on what we believe. You got tapes on discipline in the church: how we behave ourself in the church of God, how we got to come here together and set together in heavenly places. Don't stay home. If God is in your heart, you can't hardly wait for them doors to open out yonder to get in here to fellowship with your brothers. If you don't--don't feel that way, then I tell you, it's time you got to praying, 'cause we're in the last days where the Bible exalted us--exhorted us to--to much more as we see that day approaching, to love one another with

Christian love and Divine love, to assemble ourselves together in heavenly places in--in Christ Jesus and love one another. *"This will all men know you're My disciples when you have love one for the other."*

29. Mystery of Jesus Christ revealed by His angel. [Discernment sign]

REVELATION BOOK OF SYMBOLS. JEFF. IN 56-0617

78 Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the Word and of the prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

Oh, my, if we just could go into it right now... Look. When is the time at hand? When the Revelation of Jesus Christ has been revealed to the Body of Christ, and Christ has been revealed, not dead, but alive, living in His Church, doing the same things He did, the same ministry, the same Gospel, the same sign, the resurrected Christ, when He's revealed by His angel into the Church, then the time is at hand. And never a time, since that day until this has the mystery of Jesus Christ ever been revealed until these last few years. Then the time is at hand.

30. Holy Spirit making intercessions.

LOVE. SHREVEPORT, LA 56-0726

E-7 (...) "Well, Brother Branham, can you explain that?" Yes. See, Christ was God's love gift to the world. You believe that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Greatest gift that God ever give was His only begotten Son. Is that right? That was God's greatest gift.

Now, God had His gift in His Son, and could use It any way He wanted to. Now, when God showed Him something to do, that was God doing it. Now, God hadn't showed Him this, and the woman done it; but her faith in God moved God through His Son, because that was her point of contact. You see what I mean?

Now, she pulled from God by her faith, what she desired as she touched the garment of the Son of God. Now, that was the woman doing something; the other was God doing something.

Now, this morning, or last night, when I left here, after I had been gone a few minutes, I thought I'd go get something to eat. See, I only do that after one of those meetings. Now, if I'm preaching, I always go eat. I went and got something to eat. And I come back. I went to my room. I set and talked to Billy awhile. We went to bed, prayed.

Just a few moments, Something come in, and a vision, that there's a great crash coming, and for me, real quickly, to be on my knees a praying, right at once, 'cause there's somebody in there that was praying, for me, to pray for them. And this morning in the paper, two big liners crashed together, one of them from Italy and one from Sweden. There it was. And some was killed. See? The Holy Spirit, going ahead, through prayer.

Mr. Ekberg, many of you all know him, don't you? Einar Ekberg, one of our singers from Sweden. He was making a forced landing after he'd flew over the world, and was going in, and the hydraulic wouldn't let the wheels down on the plane. They told him he was going to have to skip it in on the grass and try it. Take his glasses off, laid it on the floor, and he begin to pray. He said, "Lord Jesus, help me at this time. And I pray that somewhere that You'll let Brother Branham be praying for me." And at the same time, I was driving down the road.

And Something said, "Pray." And Brother Ekberg come in front of me with his hands up. I slipped off the side of the road, and prayed for Brother Ekberg. And just at the time the plane come down the pilot gave a great shout back, "The wheels has come down." And they landed safely.

I didn't... I stood and asked Brother Ekberg. We just got to California about two months after that, and standing in the tent meeting he said, spoke it. And I said, "Brother Ekberg, what day was that?" And I told somebody else, "Find me out," I said, "what--what day it was." I said, "What day was it?" Just exactly the same time. See? That's the Holy Spirit making intercessions. You see? And how marvelous. Oh, I've seen it done hundreds of times, the things. But that's... That's the sovereign grace of God.

31. Time of crisis.

HEAR YE HIM. CHICAGO, IL 56-0930

E-30 I hope you see it. The character of the Pentecostal, and Baptist, and Presbyterian church... Our characters should have us up into a place where we can be in an office to meet the crisis of this hour that we're in. What a shame we are. But will God answer in a time of crisis? He will not only answer, but He will make manifest in the time of crisis, if the people assemble together. No matter if two or three, whatever it is, and pray there, He said he would hear from heaven.

I HAVE HEARD BUT NOW I SEE. SHREVEPORT, LA 65-1127E

101 Now, sometimes these great pulsations of faith come right in the time of crisis. It's usually crisis that drives us into this. It was a crisis that drove Job into it. Why, he was at the end of his life. His children was dead; his camels, and all of his goods was gone and destroyed. And his own life, he was broke out from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet with boils. It was a crisis that he pressed hisself, there's where the inspiration struck him.

32. Luther and Wesley were reformers.

33. Justification, sanctification and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. [Joel 2:25]

WITNESSES. CHICAGO, IL 56-1004

E-32 In the early centuries after the dark ages, it was Martin Luther who gave witness one day, in the first reformation after fifteen hundred years of dark ages, who took the Catholic communion, the Kosher, and threw it on the floor and said, "It is not the Body of the Lord Jesus," and protested it, because God had witnessed to him that that was wrong. The Body of Christ is His borned again Church, and it's not a communion. And he stood in the midst of chaos and gave witness that God still lives.

It was John Wesley, a few hundred years later, after Calvin had come into England and had sewed the England church up to a place that they had said, "The revival days are gone." It was John Wesley who bore witness that revival days are still here, and God was with him.

GOD COMMISSIONING MOSES THE PROPHET. JONESBORO, AR 53-0508

E-36 I can think of old Elijah. When Elisha threw his mantle on him said, "Come, follow me." He went from Dothan. Elisha kept following him. He went to the school of prophets. He followed him. He went on down to Jordan. The very beautiful type... If I just had time, I see it's getting away. But I just had time to get to that. How that when he left Dothan, justification through Luther. He went up to the school of the prophets with him: very beautiful symbol of Christ and the Church, the old prophet and the young. Went up there to the school of prophets. Luther, sanctification. But he finally come down to Jordan, where everything had to die out.

Elijah said, "You better turn back."

He said, "*As your soul lives, I will not turn back.*" He was going to stay with him. I like that. Hold on to it. So he took his mantle off and struck the Jordan. They went across Jordan. Luther, Wesley, Pentecost, the three ages, the three golden candlesticks this side of the dark age.

I WILL RESTORE. OWENSBORO, KY 53-1110

E-45 Well, that Fire was hid for a while through the dark ages. But the first one saw that Pillar of Fire was Martin Luther. He sounded the trumpet, and come out of the Catholic church. And the first thing you know, it caused a great universal revival. All right. Then the next thing you know, Martin Luther got to organizing. And he organized down so tight until the Pillar of Fire moved again. But Luther couldn't--couldn't go, because he was organized and full of bunch of doctrine. But the Pillar of Fire moved just the same.

John Wesley saw it in England and away he went. Justification that Luther preached by faith, and the first thing you know Wesley saw sanctification through the Blood. And away he went, believing it. And the first thing you know, a great revival saved England and America. When him and Asbury and--and all of them come here to America, great revival swept the land. The Pillar of Fire moved. Then the first thing you know, Wesley begin to organize, the Wesleyan Methodist church and the church. He got so organized, till after awhile, away went the Pillar of Fire again out of the Wesleyan church, and Wesley couldn't move because he was organized.

E-46 I'm going to scorch you, brother. Look. Not me, but the Holy Spirit... Notice. And Wesley couldn't move because he was organized.

The Pentecostal people saw it and away they went. That's right. Right out under that Pillar of Fire they went shouting and speaking in tongues and having a great time. Is that right? But brother, the sad part, the Pentecost has organized now. It's so tight. "Well, now, I belong to the Assemblies, and I belong to this." And you're organized so tight. And God's moving the Pillar of Fire right out again. Hallelujah. And the Church is going after It. Hallelujah. Signs and wonders and miracles...

34. The Woods family is neighbors and friends to prophet. [Banks Wood]

WITNESSES. CHICAGO, IL 56-1004

E-50 And while walking in a few moments ago with Brother Wood with his arms around me, I was thinking of dear Brother Wood. When I was in Shreveport, Louisiana, the Lord woke me up one night and showed me a vision. Said, "Tell Brother Wood to be careful. He is going to get hurt." And how that faithful, that man...

He had a boy with a drawed up leg. His wife and them are setting here somewhere tonight, and with a drawed up leg. He was a Jehovah Witness, and his wife was a (I believe) a Methodist. And when they come to Louisville and saw what the Lord could do, they just... He quit his job. He was a contractor and followed the meetings.

And here in Ohio--Cleveland, Ohio, after a year later nearly, he was setting back there with his boy, and his wife with a big tumor, and his wife, and his boy with a crippled up leg from paralysis; and the Holy Spirit turned and said, "The man setting right back there, the little boy with the yellow sweater on, they come from Louisville, Kentucky. He is a contractor. He has a wife that's got a tumor, and a little boy that's crippled from paralysis. His leg is drawed up. **THUS SAITH THE LORD**, Rise up you're healed." They didn't know what to do. In a moment the little boy stood up perfectly normal and well. He don't even know which leg was hurt. And then that same Lord Jesus...

He moved, and moved over next door to me. Has been my buddy. After Sunday, he will be the books salesman here in the meeting, he and his beloved wife.

And then a little later when I was at Shreveport, the Lord told me, "Tell Brother Wood to watch." And he was helping some Methodist preacher to build a little miracle mile like, and he was watching his car. Thought he didn't know what it would be and all of a sudden cut his thumb plumb in like that, the end of it off, and by the grace of God it was brought back together again and healed.

And how I was standing there, and a few days ago while together, I said, "Brother Wood, I'm fixing to have something happen to me. The Lord Jesus had told me just exactly. I said, "Something's fixing to happen to my little boy, Joseph. He's fixing to have a little sick spell," what it would be. Just exactly and just to walk with the Lord. He don't tell us all things, but what He does say is perfect the same. That same unknown world to the world is still alive tonight. The Lord Jesus Christ, the Author and Finisher of our faith and the blessed Creator of all eternity still lives and reigns, and is here tonight in this meeting, just as alive as He was when He was here some nineteen hundred years ago. May the Lord bless you.

SECONDHANDED ROBE. JEFF. IN 56-1125M

E-24 A few weeks ago, Sister Wood here, and Brother Wood, two bosom friends of ours here at the church. I was in Michigan with my friends Leo and Gene. We left the Chicago meetings and went to some of their people to--for two days to go deer hunting with bows and arrows. And on my road back, my wife had got a hold of me, and she said, "Pray for Mrs. Wood's mother. A cancer that is eating off her face." And said, "I have never seen Sister Wood so alarmed; she's weeping."

Sister Wood has always been a hero of faith since God healed her boy with a crippled leg, and healed her with TB, and so forth. But she'd given down. There at the room that night we prayed. Coming in Mrs. Wood said, "Brother Branham, we'll go over..." And we went to her mother, which was in Louisville. And she'd had a cancer on the side of her nose. And the doctor had tampered with it, scattered it to just a little ring the side of her nose and up just about a eighth of an inch from her eye, just the bone laying there, just eating it just as fast as it could eat away.

Go into the room and I knelt down; I said, "I want to speak to her alone." And I goes into the room to pray with the woman. And while in the room, I thought, "O God, if You'll just show me a vision of what's going to happen to the woman."

Mr. and Mrs. Wood setting on the outside waiting to see what the vision would say... But while I was there, I got condemned. I was condemned by waiting for a vision; seemed like something referred back, "Wasn't the calling. What do you need a vision when the promise is already been said." So I knelt down and prayed. And while praying something just answered on the inside, the faith of the promise.

Come back out and Mrs. Wood, when I told her about it, she said, "Did you see anything, Brother Branham?"

I said, "I never exactly seen anything, but I felt something that told me that His promise was true, and He was going to do it. And I believe that He's going to do it."

And in less than twenty-four hours the end of that cancer begin to break away and a scab form over it. Cancers don't scab as you know, less its dead. So there it was now, and the woman is healed and home. What a wonderful Christ. By keeping our eyes on the promise, God said so...

But when we are prayed for sometimes, we go off and say, "Well, it wasn't done just immediately, so maybe we'd better go back again." Oh, no. Keep your eye on the promise. God said so; that settles it. That's all of it. If God said so, God's able to keep His promise or He'd never make it.

35. John Smith.

BLUSHING PROPHET. JEFF. IN 56-1125E

E-9 (...) Show me a man. Show me another Calvin, Knox, Finney, Sankey, or any of those who feels the burden of the people, that'll lay on their face and cry and pray before God. Send us a John Smith of the Baptist Church again, who prayed all night for the iniquity of the people until his eyes would be swelled shut the next morning from weeping, till his wife would lead him to the table and feed him his breakfast out of a spoon. Show me a John Wesley again, a firebrand snatched from the fire. I'll show you a revival.

36. Elvis Presley.

BLUSHING PROPHET. JEFF. IN 56-1125E

E-17 We look today and see that the church has taken its pattern not out of the Bible, out of Ruth, and out of Naomi, and out of Sarah, and the ones in the Bible; but they're patterning, even the women of the church, after Hollywood and the very dregs of the devil. It's how that our people who call themselves Christians, go out there and get this evil man's ways, these records of Elvis Presley, ever what his name is, one of the most deluded, devil possessed people I've ever heard of in my life.

GOD KEEPS HIS WORD. JEFF. IN 57-0120E

E-22 Now, today as we're approaching it in this dark evil time... Now, I do not like to call people's names, but I'm going to have to call somebody's name now. But I pray for the young man, and I pray all the time for him. But he is a instrument in the hands of the devil, and that is this man Elvis Presley. The people are gone boogie-woogie or rock-and-roll wild. The American people has gone. And they're trying by that same spirit, to get the thing into the church.

I like church music played like church music and not rock-and-roll in the church. But when they get these spirits, there's something behind this, and the devil puts hisself out a challenger. And it happens to be that this poor backslidden Pentecostal boy said, "The way he learned his maneuvers of jerking and shaking, he caught it and learned it in the church." He is a member of the First Assemblies of God of Memphis, Tennessee. His pastor's a friend of mine. And he is the devil's instrument of deluding and polluting the minds of these teen-agers, of getting them into a place till... They just left a place in Canada, I think they sent fourteen young people to the insane asylum a few days after he was there.

And all over the country... But the people have gone wild, frantically. The reason they do that is because they don't know anything better. Oh, how I wish that they knowed the Lord Jesus. How much better... I do not condemn; I feel sorry for the mortal.

LAMB AND THE DOVE. OAKLAND, CA 57-0325

E-47 And you get these little old, sissified men today with a shock of hair cut down low on his neck like that, and a pair of sideburns like Elvis Presley, and stand up and make all this boogie woogie stuff, and you Christians try to impersonate an impostor like that. Right. Right. Go along with a little old pair of clothes on, looks like some sissy, and a woman out there with a pair of man's trousers on. Do you know the Bible said that's abomination in the sight of God? Certainly is. You know that's the truth. That's exactly the truth.

Well, listen, you say, "Now, brother, what..." Well, just look what happened. What happened to the old fashion meetings you used to have? What went with them old prayer meetings? Where is them old sincere saints that weep and cry? Where is those tent meetings you used to have? It's gone. Why? You started snorting like wolves, and acting like Elvis Presley, and going on like that, and the Dove took Her flight and went right away. That's exactly the truth. That's right.

CORINTHIANS BOOK OF CORRECTION. JEFF. IN 57-0414

E-30 Even a lot of preachers trying to justify this Elvis Presley, which is nothing in the world but a modern Judas Iscariot. Judas Iscariot got thirty pieces of silver. Elvis Presley got a million dollars and a fleet of Cadillacs, but he sold out. He was a Pentecostal believer and sold out his birthright to become a rock-and-roll, and is inspired of the devil. And I don't pull any punches on it. No, sir. And a modern Judas Iscariot...

And then even the ministers trying to upbuild that kind of a thing. And Elvis Presley saying, "Yeah, I trust God for all my success." How would a living, holy God ever give success to vulgarity. And a devil demonized thing that's absolutely been one of the greatest hindrances that this nation has ever been seen, is a guy like Elvis Presley, who sent millions of souls to hell by his old dirty, filthy rock-and-roll stuff. Certainly, I don't have any apology at all. If you can believe me to be God's prophet, remember there is a incarnated devil, absolutely.

And Jimmy Osborn and those has got no business with the Word of God. And neither any man that takes the Name of God in vain and shindigs and dances with old rock-and-roll and vulgar stuff like that to come to any pulpit and to try to take the Word of God. That's what's the matter with many of these churches today. You get some of these little old boogie-woogies out of these places out here. A little old girl that's out shindigging and doing all these here rock-and-rolls one night, and she comes to the altar, and the next night you got her up singing a special. Some of you guys take them little old guitar players out of the places out yonder on the night club, and put him in the pulpit preaching in two weeks. Brother, I tell you, he'd never do it here. No indeed, he's got to study to prove himself a man of God and find out.

37. Demos Shakarian and the Full Gospel Business Men Association.

GIFTS. BROOKLYN, NY 56-1207

E-7 (...) Tomorrow morning is the Christian Businessmen's breakfast. And I think minister's wives and whatmore is invited, anybody that wants to come is invited. And I... Many of you brethren, perhaps, are members of this fine organization of--of the Christian Businessmen. They have been very kind to me. I've spoke for them everywhere. And they have been very kind.

Demas Shakarian, their President, Miner Arganbright, Vice President, and many of the others, and Tommy Nicholson as the editor of their paper... And I'm always happy to get to help them because it's in the line.

Myself, when I was a Baptist and coming to you full Gospel people, the first thing... Each denomination wanted to come and join their rank. I wouldn't do that, because if you do, what little influence I have, it throws it to one denomination. I've tried to stand right in the breach and say, "We're brethren, all, we're brethren."

And I like to see a united effort for all churches for the Lord Jesus Christ. And now, that's my motive is to keep that that way and just stand in the breach and don't join any certain denomination, just stay in between, so we can be brothers and

not have any different feelings, and say, "Well, now, he's a Presbyterian, or he's a Baptist, or Pentecostal." I'm just your brother. That's all.

38. Jack Coe dying.

QUEEN OF SHEBA. KLAMATH FALLS, OR 60-0710

E-6 (...) And then when the late honorable brother, Jack Coe, had his trial, when a certain denominational church has took sides with a infidel to fight against Brother Coe down in--in Florida at his trial. And then the judge, willingly to show justice, and yet the church men (as the paper gave) had turned against Brother Coe and had joined up with Joe Lewis, the free thinker, infidel, and calling themselves a notable church. But just because they were so against Christ and against healing... But shows how it comes out all right.

The judge said, "Mr. Coe, do you still claim that this child was healed?"

He said, "I claim Christ healed the child."

And he said, "He took his braces off on one side of the platform in the presence of Mr. Coe, walked across the platform and fell at his mother--crippled." And he said, "Could you show me any place... If there's any one here can show me any place in the Bible that Christ ever did a trick like that, I'll be willing to forfeit the case."

And Reverend Gordon Lindsay (one of your Oregon boys here) raised up and said, "I can produce the case."

And Mr. Lindsay gave him the case. He said, "One night Jesus came walking on the water." And he said, "Peter screamed from the boat, and the rest of them said, 'If Thou be the Christ--the Lord--bid me to come to You on water.' And Peter stepped down out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus, normally, on the water. But when he got scared, he sank."

That settled it; certainly. You can be healed one minute and sick the next. See? It depends on how long your faith holds out. And faith is all what... Divine healing and salvation is nothing that we as individuals can do. It's already a finished work, that Christ did at Calvary; it's our faith in that finished work.

SECONDHANDED ROBE. BROOKLYN, NY 56-1206

E-6 And tonight, he lays very ill with polio in his lungs, I think, and is very, very bad. And now, Brother Jack as I know in the foreign fields where we deal with leprosy and everything, and Brother Jack has had to face lots of sickness and things. And that... No one can really, truly, outside of God, appreciate a man that goes before every kind of a thing like that.

So I think before we start the service, will you just bow our heads for a word of prayer for Brother Jack.
[Brother Jack Coe died in December 1956.]

1957

1. Holy Spirit is interpreter of Scripture.

2 PETER 1:20-21

Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

INFALLIBLE PROOF OF RESURRECTION. STURGIS, MI 57-0114

E-18 Our dear heavenly Father, it is indeed with a great privilege that we stand tonight before this group of people with Thy Word laying open. And we realize that it is of no private interpretation. And Thou alone, Lord, can interpret Thy Word. And we ask Thee to be so kind to us to come tonight and send the Holy Spirit, that He might get right in the Word and interpret the Word to us, and It's right life.

For we are a hungry people who are desiring to know truth. And we do not want to know truth to argue points. We want to know truth so that we can be free before God, and that we might be His servants, and might be able then to help others to know the Lord Jesus.

HEAR YE HIM. MIDDLETOWN, OH 58-0328

E-10 And the Scripture is of no private interpretation. It was wrote by the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit is the only One Who can reveal it, for it is hid from the eyes of the wise and prudent, and it's revealed to babes such as will learn. So if you don't watch, if you don't use the mind of the Holy Spirit to put it together, you'll have your scene all mixed up, for instance, like a cow picking grass in the top of a tree. And that's just about the way some of it looks. When we think that we could go to heaven by shaking hands with the preacher, or being baptized in water a certain way, or some little creed to repeat, why it's ridiculous.

Jesus said, "Except a man be borned of water, and of Spirit, he will in no wise enter the Kingdom." So it--it... The picture looks ridiculous, but the only way that we could find it is by receiving the Holy Spirit first in us, then He teaches us the truth and the life. He will never disagree with the Word. He's always on the Word.

So if the spirit in you says that the days of miracles is past, it's not the Holy Spirit. If you believe that Jesus is changed in the years that's gone by, if that spirit in you says that, then it's not the blessed Holy Spirit. It bears record of the Word.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 59-1223
468-6 (...) And all Scripture will fit together if It's rightly put together, if... It's just like a big jigsaw puzzle. And I don't mean... If I'm saying wrong, then God forgive me.

The Scripture is something liken unto a jigsaw puzzle. See? That... It's all broke up and just mixed up in a box, and it takes the Holy Spirit to place that together. See? And--and we cannot do it. Now, there's no 969 different interpretations to It, because the Bible said the Scripture is of no private interpretation. It's just the way It's written. We just believe It to... (Thank you, Brother Pat.) We... It's just the way it's--it's written in the Bible; that's the way that we have to take It, like that. So if we try to make It say something here, well, It won't say the same thing over here then. See, if we--if we put... You've got to make the Scripture answer Itself here, answer Itself here, answer Itself here, just each one go right into Its place to make It all fit together.

GREATER THAN SOLOMON. DALLAS, TX 64-0306
26 And God is His own Word. *"In the beginning was the Word, the Word was with God and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelled among us."* He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. He still... God don't need any interpreter.

We interpret; we say, "This, there... This is that, and this is that," and so forth. God don't need an interpreter. He's His own Interpreter. God don't need us to interpret His Word. The Bible, It's written, and It said It's of no private interpretation. God said in the beginning, "Let there be light," and there was light. That's the interpretation of it. God said, *"A virgin shall conceive,"* and she did. That's the interpretation of It. It doesn't need anybody to interpret.

God said, in this day, these things would happen, and they are. It don't need any interpretation. It's God doing His own interpretation. It happens. No matter how much we try to twist It, and say it don't mean this, and don't mean that. It means just exactly, and God is His own Interpreter. He vindicates His Word, and that's His interpretation of It, because it's brought to pass.

2. Eagles.

IMPERSONATION OF CHRISTIANITY. JEFF. IN 57-0120M
E-18 Now, Ezekiel was prophesying or foretelling what would take place in a age to come, not in his age. But a prophet is a seer and is referred to in the Bible as the eagle who goes way high in the air. And higher you go, the farther you can see.

So the eagle soars up much higher than any other bird. There's no bird can go with the eagle. And there's no eye like the eagle. The hawk hasn't got a chance in his sight. And the hawk could not stand the--the altitude of where the eagle can soar; he would die. He doesn't... He hasn't got the makeup that the eagle has.

Now, the hawk is a bird, and so is--is the other birds. But the eagle was made thus, because he is a high soaring bird. And he can go way so high until he can see things that the other birds cannot see, because he's higher. And God in making the eagle made him for that purpose, because his nest is higher than the others. His little ones is up in the nest, and they feed on the ground. So in order to see the storm or the trouble coming, the eagle to survive must go higher so he can protect his little ones.

And God likened the prophet to the eagle that would go in the makeup of a prophet. He is a--a seer that in the Spirit climbs beyond the emotion of the church. He goes beyond the rhythm of the music. He goes beyond the clapping of the hands. He goes beyond the joy among the saints. He goes beyond all that. God brings him up into a realm alone: alone. Then He opens his eyes, and He lets him look around and see things that is to come. Then He brings him back down among the members of the body to foretell them of what is in the making.

3. Church espoused to Christ. [Galatians 5]

SECOND COMING OF THE LORD. JEFF. IN 57-0417
59 If you want to look it up, look in Galatians 5. You'll find out that that woman represented the Church, and the Church is an espoused Wife to Christ. And the tablet that the Church is supposed to wear is found in Galatians 5, which is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, goodness, meekness, gentleness, patience. That is the tablet that's supposed to be wore in the Church: brotherly love, kindness, fellowship.

MANIFESTED SONS OF GOD. JEFF. IN 60-0518
233 And I want the church to remember... Now, Sunday morning we're going to pick up from here, and I'm going to try not to keep you no longer than two o'clock, so you can have an afternoon meeting, if we possibly can, and if I do as well as I've done tonight, ten-thirty. Do you forgive me? Friends, we ain't got much time left, honey. I--I--I'll call you "honey" because you are. You--you are my honeys. You know what? Let... Here's a Scripture come. Paul said, *"I am jealous over*

you (His church) with godly jealous, for I espouse you." There you are; that's got it. That's it. "For I espouse you, engage you to Christ as a chaste virgin."

Now, if that was true then on that day, he said (them, the people said to me), said, "Jesus will come to you, and you will present us to Him, a chaste virgin." Judged by the Word that you preached to them. And, look, if I preach to you just what Paul preached to his church, if his group gets in ours will too, 'cause we got the same thing. Amen.

IT WASN'T SO FROM THE BEGINNING. BLOOMINGTON, IL 61-0411

E-47 Eve was the first one to pervert the human race. She was the one, the Eve which represents a church. A woman in the Bible always represents the church. Christ is coming for an espoused virgin.

THIRD EXODUS. JEFF. IN 63-0630M

15-2 The Life of the Messiah manifested making a church ready, a Bride... A woman marry a man and disagreeing with him, it would be some kind of a--a fuss continually. But when a man and his wife, his girlfriend, his espoused, when they're in perfect harmony like one soul and one mind, because they're going to be one flesh... Then when the church can get in such harmony with God until the manifestation of the Bridegroom is manifested in the Bride, because they're going to be One... Oh, what a great lesson.

4. Teaching on Music. [Elvis Presley & Jimmy Osborn]

TESTIMONY WILLIAM BRANHAM. JONESBORO, AR 53-0510

E-31 If I tell Brother Reed here, "You go tell a certain man a certain thing," that would be me sending a message, and some of us are born, friends, to be preachers, Brother Reed, many others. Some of us are born to be musicians. I noticed that young lady tonight, beating on those things there, xylophone, playing the organ, piano. Why, I don't know nothing about that. Why, I wouldn't know if it was in tune or out of tune. I couldn't tell it. God never sent me to play music. But I was born a seer.

Now, they play the music for the glory of God. That's the way of preaching the Gospel. The man preaches It by the Word. And my way is by vision. Won't you believe all the witnesses that God has sent to you? Can't you know that God's in them songs when you sing, that something blesses your soul? Isn't there someone, the preacher's preaching it just confirms everything to you? Isn't that right?

GREAT WARRIOR DAVID. CHICAGO, IL 55-0118

E-19 They went on back down, and the Spirit departed from Saul. He'd backslid and went so far away from God until the Spirit had left him, and a evil spirit took His place, come on Saul. And Saul was all moody and in a bad humor, and--and kicking things around, all out of sorts like some people gets on Monday morning. So they--he was out of sorts all the time. Did you know that's a evil spirit? That's exactly.

So they didn't... The doctors couldn't do him any good. They had a lot of doctors down there, but they couldn't help that, because it was a spiritual condition. So one of the men had passed around and seen a few places, they said, "Well, we know where there's a Divine healer at."

"Why, who would that be?"

Said, "Jesse's got a son back out there, he..." Yeah, he's a Divine healer. Sure he was. He healed by music. Amen. That's what he did. He had a gift of casting out evil spirits. The Holy Ghost hadn't come in those days, so he cast them out by music, playing the words of the Lord. "*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside still waters.*" And it disturbed the evil spirits so much that they left Saul.

Shame on you people don't believe in string music. No wonder, evil spirits never like it. They have to get away. David cast out devils by playing on his string instrument. That's what the Scripture says. That's right. And when David would begin to play, the evil spirit would leave Saul. Is that right? So this little boy was borned in the world for a purpose. You believe that?

PAINTED FACE JEZEBEL. CHICAGO, IL 56-1005

E-40 Why, here the day I met a bunch of women who was having a prayer meeting, shouting and speaking in tongues with shorts on, smoking cigarettes: Pentecostals. God have mercy. It's backslidden sinners is exactly what it is. I'm not judge, but, "*By their fruits you shall know them.*"

Do you realize it's insanity? Do you realize there's only one time in the Bible that anyone ever stripped their clothes off, and that was a devil possessed person? Do you realize that all this stuff that's going on today, these rock-and-roll parties that you're--you all are attending, up in them places, when they go so frantic and get in such a maneuver, the Presley and them, till young ladies take their underneath clothes off and throw them up on the platform for him to autograph, and call that civilization, when they send dozens of them to the insane asylum afterward? And our radio programs and everything nearly you hear is full of that chaos? It's the devil like a roaring lion. And they're bringing that same thing, with boogie-woogie and everything into the church.

Way in the Hottentots of Africa, that same mournful sound... When I seen them stand there, and the witch doctors, and they'd go, and them sounds. Heathens with paint over their face, and the young women would dance out there till they'd...?... sex parties and everything else. And America in it has reached the top of civilization and swinging backwards and going into heathens again, painting and rocking, and-rolling thus, and--and even calling themselves church members. Amen.

GOD KEEPS HIS WORD. JEFF. IN 57-0120E

E-22 Now, today as we're approaching it in this dark evil time... Now, I do not like to call people's names, but I'm going to have to call somebody's name now. But I pray for the young man, and I pray all the time for him. But he is a instrument in the hands of the devil, and that is this man Elvis Presley. The people are gone boogie-woogie or rock-and-roll wild. The American people has gone. And they're trying by that same spirit, to get the thing into the church.

I like church music played like church music and not rock-and-roll in the church. But when they get these spirits, there's something behind this, and the devil puts hisself out a challenger. And it happens to be that this poor backslidden Pentecostal boy said, "The way he learned his maneuvers of jerking and shaking, he caught it and learned it in the church." He is a member of the First Assemblies of God of Memphis, Tennessee. His pastor's a friend of mine. And he is the devil's instrument of deluding and polluting the minds of these teen-agers, of getting them into a place till... They just left a place in Canada, I think they sent fourteen young people to the insane asylum a few days after he was there.

And all over the country... But the people have gone wild, frantically. The reason they do that is because they don't know anything better. Oh, how I wish that they knowed the Lord Jesus. How much better... I do not condemn; I feel sorry for the mortal. And now, would not that even be appropriate in the day that we live, that when things are going the way they are, and the idol of America is the Hollywood glamour girl, when she sets the pace of all America... When...?... come out with her immoral dressings on... And practically every woman in America will fashion after her.

CORINTHIANS BOOK OF CORRECTION. JEFF. IN 57-0414

E-29 I heard something this morning that actually curdled my blood. When I turned on my radio, just before coming... No disregards if there's anybody here relation to the person. I don't mean to hurt you. But it's time, and God help me to always be Christian enough to put--make what's black, black and white, white. To be honest. I heard someone singing, and said "I have my testament" and turned on and read a Scripture and preached from the First Psalm, "*Blessed is the man who setteth not in the seat of the scornful, walketh in the way of sinners.*" You know who it was? That rock-and-roll guy, Jimmy Osborn from on the radio preaching the Gospel. Oh, brother, if there ever was a disgrace, a person like that has got no business moving into the Word of the living God.

And you take this fellow on the Renfro Valley barn dance, up all night in an old shindig, clapping their hands, and going on an old shindig, and the next morning, change his voice around, and talk like a Christian. And why, it's vulgar and filthiness in the sight of God. The hand that waves this judgment rod must be cleansed by the power and the resurrection of Christ. He's got no business handling the Word of God.

Even a lot of preachers trying to justify this Elvis Presley, which is nothing in the world but a modern Judas Iscariot. Judas Iscariot got thirty pieces of silver. Elvis Presley got a million dollars and a fleet of Cadillacs, but he sold out. He was a Pentecostal believer and sold out his birthright to become a rock-and-roll, and is inspired of the devil. And I don't pull any punches on it. No, sir. And a modern Judas Iscariot...

And then even the ministers trying to upbuild that kind of a thing. And Elvis Presley saying, "Yeah, I trust God for all my success." How would a living, holy God ever give success to vulgarity. And a devil demonized thing that's absolutely been one of the greatest hindrances that this nation has ever been seen, is a guy like Elvis Presley, who sent millions of souls to hell by his old dirty, filthy rock-and-roll stuff. Certainly, I don't have any apology at all. If you can believe me to be God's prophet, remember there is a incarnated devil, absolutely.

E-31 And Jimmy Osborn and those has got no business with the Word of God. And neither any man that takes the Name of God in vain and shindigs and dances with old rock-and-roll and vulgar stuff like that to come to any pulpit and to try to take the Word of God. That's what's the matter with many of these churches today. You get some of these little old boogie-woogies out of these places out here. A little old girl that's out shindigging and doing all these here rock-and-rolls one night, and she comes to the altar, and the next night you got her up singing a special. Some of you guys take them little old guitar players out of the places out yonder on the night club, and put him in the pulpit preaching in two weeks. Brother, I tell you, he'd never do it here. No indeed, he's got to study to prove himself a man of God and find out.

We don't believe in this here overnight jumping around like this. That's what got the church in the condition it's in today. We need truth. This Word is truth. That's right. The hand that sways this judgment rod must be a clean hand. Absolutely.

5. Israel. [Jews and Mohammed's, Moslem of Omar & Catholics]

[Daniel 11:31, Romans 9:4-9, Matthew 24:15, Matthew 24:32-34, Luke 21:24]

ISRAEL IN EGYPT. JEFF. IN 53-0325

111 You've heard say, "Oh, all the Jews is God's chosen people." That's not right. That's not right. The Jews are not God's chosen people. See, they aren't. Now, you listen, see if Paul didn't say the same thing, and he was a Jew. See, Abraham had eleven sons, you know that, didn't you? And they were all the seed of Abraham. They was all the seed of Abraham, but "In Isaac thy Seed shall be called." Not in the rest of them, not in Ishmael, and not in the other nine sons from the other, third wife he had. No. It was, "In Isaac was the seed called." Wait, I believe this is in the same chapter.

Who were Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenant, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises;

Now, he's talking about Israel now. Now, watch him, what he says.

Whose are the fathers, and of them who are concer... for the flesh Christ come, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

Not as though the word of God... taken none effect.

For they are not all Israel, which are... Israel:

Is that right? Then they're not all Israel which are of the Jews there; they're not all it. Watch.

Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham,...

That don't make them Israelites. Now, watch. "What are you typing, Brother Branham?" I'm typing the church. All that confess Christ is not Christians. All that go to church are not Christians. All Abraham's seed wasn't--wasn't--that had the promise. It was an elect; it was the promise. And the promise was foretold to Abraham. And the elect of God was foreordained before the foundation of the world. See? Notice.

Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they the children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.

Not in the rest of the Jews, but in Isaac. Through Isaac come Christ. That was Abraham's Seed, is Christ. And then the Seed of Abraham, first, wasn't through sexual seed; it was his faith that God reckoned. And it's through faith, in us to believe the death, burial, and the resurrection of Christ, brings us Abraham's Seed.

Q. & A. ON GENESIS. JEFF.IN 53-0729

47-Q-6 *Do you believe that the Jews'--Jews' return to Palestine is a fulfillment of the Bible prophecy? We heard you were going to Palestine, is that true?*

Yes. Yes, sir. Let me tell you something, one of the greatest... If you want to see what time of year it is, look on the calendar. If you want to see what time of night it is, look at the clock. If you want to see what day you're living in, look where the Jews are. That's God's timepiece.

And look. The very night, the very day that the angel of the Lord met me, 1946, on May the seventh, at Green's Mill, Indiana, that same day the treaty of peace was signed for the Jews and they were a established nation for the first time for twenty-five hundred years. Hallelujah.

And tonight, the oldest flag in all the world, the six-point star of David, flies over Jerusalem for the first time in twenty-five hundred years, since the carrying away of Babylon. Jesus said, "When you see the fig tree putting forth its buds." There she is. There He said, "*Learn a parable. You say summer's nigh. When you see this, know that the times is at the door.*" We're right at the end of time.

Look how the "abomination" of Daniel, and so forth...?... he said. "When the great Prince shall come, He'll prophesy a--a thousand and two hundred and threescore days," which was three years and six months. And that's exactly what Jesus preached. He come to the Jews alone, then He'll be cut off for a--a Sacrifice for the people. "*And that abomination maketh desolation,*" the Mohammedans set up the Moslem of Omar there. "*And they would tread down the walls of Jerusalem until (Whew. Until what?) the Gentile dispensation be fulfilled.*" And then He will return to the Jews again, and there's when the Battle of Armageddon takes... There He called the Gentiles, to take a people out for His Name, His Bride. Notice. Yes, sir. The hundred and forty-four thousand are all redeemed Jews that's got to stand there yet. All these...

48-224 Then when the church is taken up, Moses and Elijah appears in Revelations 11, and preaches Jesus Christ to them. And the Holy Spirit's took from the Gentiles, and the rapture comes for the church to be taken up. And the Jews that's left here will be preached for three and a half years, because he said, "*There's seventy of weeks still determined on Thy people, and Messiah shall be cut off in between them.*" When He's taking away, the Gentiles will be given a place, and then they got three more years and a half to be preached to, of Jesus Christ.

SECOND COMING OF THE LORD. JEFF. IN 57-0417

38 Jesus in the--also in His address to His people, He said, "*Learn a parable of the fig tree. When it is tender and begins to put forth leaves, you say summer is nigh. And when you see these things begin to come to pass, know that the time is at hand.*"

Notice what the fig tree was. The fig tree has always been the Jewish nation. He said not only "*the fig tree,*" but "*the other trees.*" "When you see the fig tree and all the other trees putting forth their buds..." Now, He spoke not only of the fig tree, but the other trees.

Now, let's just notice when it's putting forth its bud. We have lived in a very peculiar time in the past few years. The Gentile church has had one of the greatest revivals that it's ever had since there--since the days of the apostles; oh, and the Gentile church didn't have the revival then; it was the Jewish church that had the revival. But the Gentile church in the past ten or twelve years, has had the greatest revival of the history.

We are thinking of the Martin Luther revival, yes, sir, it was a great, but that was in Germany alone. We're thinking of the Wesleyan revival that was in England; it spread forth over here, and a few of the British Isles, but never took too much effect. But in this day, this revival that's on of the Supernatural has absolutely covered from sea to boundless sea, the world over, through great radio, and magazine, and evangelists who's went out, unsponsored by mankind, and has brought a revival that tens of thousands times thousands of souls has been born into the Kingdom of God.

In my own little fragile ministry that the Lord has given me, I've seen well over a million souls come to the Kingdom of God. Think of it. When others with these great ministries, who sweep out in radio, and so forth, to the millions... There's revival fires that's burnt on every hill in the world practically since I--since about ten years ago, since I--we got started in the revival. We're at the end time.

43 Now, notice, then just before that, He prophesied here, and said, "*The walls of Jerusalem will be trod down by the Gentiles until the Gentile dispensation would be finished.*" The Mohammedans have took it over. We realize that. And I want you to look at the crisis tonight, how Ishmael and Isaac are still at each other's neck right at Jerusalem where it's predicted they would be. And a few years ago there was hardly any Jews at all in Jerusalem.

Now, Jesus speaking, "*When you see the fig tree put forth its bud.*" Now, the Jews has been scattered to all the world, great numbers, millions in Germany, and in Italy, and in the United States, and all over the world. And God, as He did in the early days, hardened Pharaoh's heart, He hardened Mussolini's heart on the Jews, and the Jews was ousted from Italy. He hardened Hitler's heart, and they were ousted from Germany. He hardened Stalin's heart, and they were ousted from Russia.

And have you been noticing the paper, that we, the United States, are taking sides with the Arabs? Oh, brother, the handwriting's on the wall. God said, "*Whoever blesses Israel will be blessed, who curses Israel shall be cursed.*"

Q. & A. HEBREWS. PART 1. JEFF. IN 57-0925

219-52 Now, if we could take that back yonder and run back there, how that--that even on "The Decline of the World's War," in the second volume, when General Allenby had fought in till he hit the lines of Jerusalem, and he wired back to the King of England, and said, "I don't want to fire on the city, on the account of the sacredness of it." He said, "What shall I do?"

He said, "Pray."

And he flew over it again, and when they did, they said, "Allenby's a-coming." And there were Mohammedans in there, thought he said, "Allah's a-coming." And they hoisted the white flag and surrendered, and Allenby marched into Jerusalem and took it without firing a shot, according to the prophecy (That's right.), and turned it back over to the Jews.

Then they raised up a Hitler to persecute the Jews, and all around over the world, and run them back in there.

And the Bible said He would bring them back on the wings of an eagle. And when they begin to come back... The "Life" magazine and them packed it a few weeks ago, where they brought them back by the thousands into Jerusalem, and they went to packing those old ones off on their back. They were interviewed. I've got it all on reel and picture. And he said... There hung the four-star flag of David, hanging there, the oldest flag in the world, the first time it's been flown for two thousand years.

Jesus said, "*When the fig tree puts forth its bud, this generation shall not pass.*"

And here they was bringing them old in, and said, "What? Are you coming back to die in your homeland?"

Said, "No, we've come to see the Messiah."

And, brother, I tell you; we're at the door. There's the servants, them who's way down yonder, not this bunch of Jews that would cheat you out of your false teeth if they could; that's not the Jew He's talking about. But it's those down yonder who's kept their--their laws and things, and never even knew there was a Messiah.

GABRIEL'S INSTRUCT TO DANIEL. JEFF. IN 61-0730M

138 For nearly two thousand years the Jews has been out of their homeland, scattered to the four winds of the earth. How that we could make this message last for weeks now if we had to go to details. We can chase Israel right back and show when it was scattered by the Roman empire on their rejecting of the Messiah; how she was drove to every nation under heaven; go back to Jacob, Israel, back in Genesis 44 and 45, and show back there that how He blessed those patriarchs and told them exactly where their standing would be in the last days; and I can point to you exactly every nation of Israel, every tribe of Israel standing exactly in the nations where it said it would be. And here we are today.

The Jew that we know, that's not the real Jew. The real Jew's that real orthodox who has not defiled himself with the things of the world, who's not went out and joined other churches. That's the ones that's returning yonder, living on cheese and bread, upon the hillsides, not allowed in the old city. Had to build them a city on this side in a no-man's-land, with machine guns pointing both ways. But she's beginning to put forth her buds. Amen and amen. The time is at hand.

140 There's Ishmael and Isaac standing there fussing about the land yet, but she belongs to Israel. If you happen to go over in the new Jerusalem... They won't let you come to the old Jerusalem. You have to go there first and let them explain it all to you, the Arabs, then take you over to the other side; that's Ishmael's children. But wait, there's coming a time when God's children's going to take her over. That's right. Jerusalem will be rebuilt again. The daily sacrifice will be set up. And the antichrist will make a covenant for them last seven weeks, and in the midst of it he'll break that covenant, turn them all into Catholicism. The abomination will spread over the whole thing like that, and then the end shall be. Watch.

6. Revival over in America; revival going overseas.

QUEEN OF SHEBA. SASKATOON, SK 57-0517

E-20 Then if He sends the thing, it's up the people to receive it or to reject it. And each one, as an individual, not because of your church standing, but as an individual... It doesn't lay within whether your church accepts it; it's whether you accept it. Salvation is a personal work. It's a personal faith, not a universal church faith, but a personal faith in the Lord Jesus. No matter if father don't believe, and mother don't believe it, it's what you believe.

And notice, when they did receive it, then great signs and wonders and jubilee broke out. But when they rejected it, then darkness and gross darkness come to the people. And oh, people of this last day, can't you see why gross darkness is falling on this country? The Gospel of Christ has been rejected. You don't want to believe that, but it's a noted fact. It's the truth; it's too bad, but it's the truth. And I think that if that be the case, that each one of us should take inventory of our own experience and our own standings with God and see how we stand in His sight.

HEBREWS. CHAPTER 3. JEFF. IN 57-0901M

87-4 And so I believe that--that Rosella will finally turn into the mission field somewhere; because America doesn't want the Gospel (You know that.); we just might as well admit that. This Anglo-Saxon people is finished; that's all. There's no more Gospel that America will receive. Oh, you get a few stragglings now and then; but just as the Gospel, it's over. And you can't even preach to them, can't talk to them. They won't believe nothing. See? They just got their own hardheaded ideas, and they're set, and the next thing's for this nation is judgment. She's going to have it too. It may be through depression; it may be through an atomic bomb; it may be through a great plague, a disease or something; but she's ready. It's a-coming; thousands times thousands will fall.

ABRAHAM'S COVENANT CONFIRMED. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0210

E-7 Now, that's just the way it is. There's been so many things to this American revival, that's happened, till it's become so common to you, until you don't realize what it really is. And them people who has never seen it or heard it, my, their--their hearts are just built and ready and gone. See? That's what it... It becomes common to us. And, brother, sister, that's why you hear me cutting it as hard as I can the remar--"The American revival is over." It ended about four years ago. So it's--it's over. And there's no more revival in America; we're only gleaning in the fields that's been already reaped and burnt over. You pick up a stalk once in a while, but very few. Now, we don't only find it here in Los Angeles or in Long Beach; we find it all over the nation, the same way, everywhere.

And the--the meetings now, the big revivals is in the overseas, over in the--in the other lands, out of here. And that's--it's... I was talking to one of your missionaries right from the church, a boy setting here tonight, met his wife back there, a lovely brother, just come back from the Gold Coast. And, oh, my, I said, "What do you think?"

He said, "This--this will never be no meetings for me here no more." See? You just don't have the same heart, when you go. And you see our American people so well dressed and fed and needing nothing, you know, and don't know that thou art miserable, wretched, blind, poor, naked, and don't know it. And you see them laying there on the street dying, the little baby, and his little belly swelled up from hunger, and the mother dying, pulling along on the street... And just to speak about Jesus Christ, they just long and wait. And just say one thing, and they're just ready. When you go to leave or something, they'll follow you to the airport, "Just tell us once more about Jesus." See? "Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled." That's right.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 62-0527

718-152 Now, we know that we're facing something. I know it; you know it. I--I--I don't know which way to turn. You remember about four years ago in Chicago, one day the Spirit of the Lord came upon me and I said, "This is it. And the revival is over, and America has turned down her opportunity." It's on tape. "And there won't be no more. Her last opportunity she's turned down."

I want you to watch. Does anybody know what day that was on the tape? We've got it. Leo and Gene's got it. I heard it here not long ago. Boze put it in his paper. And so just watch what's happened since then (See?); the revival has stopped.

I said that over at--at Blue Lake the other night, and a little fellow got back up the next morning, said, "Brother Branham might say the Pentecostals has had it, but not me. Glory to God. Hallelujah," and on and on. See, but the little fellow just didn't know which end of the horn he was blowing from. See, he doesn't understand. See, he doesn't know. It's all right, enthused, that's perfectly all right.

But look around. What are they doing? What's the matter with the people? What's happened to the revival? What's happened to Billy Graham, Oral Roberts, the rest of them? Where is the revival going on? It's finished. The smoke is done settled up. The seeds are sowed. The meeting is over. The fires are burnt down. (In the old temple of Rome, in Vesta, when the fires went out the merchants went home, at the altars.) Now, we see the revival is not on. It isn't the enthusiasm.

Then I think about the river in 1936, I think what He said. What happened there? Many of you know. I was just a boy, and of baptizing my first baptism when that Angel of the Lord came down and stood over where I was at. Some people said, "You didn't see it." Then science proved that it was so. See, see?

Now, what did He say there? *"As it was, as John the Baptist was sent forth to forerun the first coming of Christ, your message will forerun the second coming."*

I've watched that across the earth, around the world it went. Just almost overnight, revivals broke out everywhere. Revival fires was burning everywhere; there's been the greatest revival we've ever knowed of. But was there anything before that? Not a thing. When two weeks before that, I heard a man make a speech in New Albany, said, "People used to believe that ballyhoo of--of revival, like Billy Sunday and them." Said, "We know that there cannot be no more of that, people wants concrete evidence. There's no such a thing." When they was making that big ballyhoo, at the same time God blast forth the greatest revival we had since their early centuries, more people has been saved: millions.

719-159 Statistics shows that a man's message lasts three years, any of them, then he lives upon his reputation the rest of the time till God calls him. Now, that's been since Christ; His was three and a half. See? And shows that all down, Spurgeon, Knox, Calvin, all the way down, it shows three to three and a half years is the limit for a man's ministry. The rest of it... His candle's burnt; he lives on his past reputation. If he's been evil, his--his works follow him; if he's been right, his works follow him. That's all.

Now, what did that mean? I've been preaching to this church here and telling you that I believed there was a great one coming. I believe and have told you that I believe that the Scriptures support that there will be a messenger of the last church age. I believe that. I've looked for that person to appear; I've watched constantly.

And I see a man rise up; I hear of him, a great man start sweeping; I notice his message; it's far off the Bible. I see him fly back over in a corner. See? I watch another one raise up, fly up yonder, but he doesn't get amongst the eagles; he stays amongst the denominational crows, stays down here, his organization, and another one bring in more membership and so forth. I watch it; I see it die down.

I think, "God, where is that one that's going to restore the faith of the fathers to the children? Where is them Seeds going to be planted? Where's it at? What's to take place?"

Now, it comes to this. If--if that message down on the river that day, if that was it, the coming of the Lord's at hand; it's about here. If it isn't, there's a lull before the storm. I don't know. He hasn't revealed it to me. I'm trying to wonder, "Was that His official message? Was that what all He wanted me to say? Was that when He commissioned? Was that all of it? If it is, we are real, real near. It's later than you think. If it wasn't, there's a lull before a storm.

CALLING JESUS ON THE SCENE. DENHAM SPRINGS, LA 64-0319

E-13 Now, we find out that they were rejoicing over the works that had been done in that day's revival. And perhaps I would liken us tonight in the same manner.

Now, we have just witnessed one of the greatest revivals, I believe, that the world has ever seen, in these last ten, fifteen years. It's been a revival, not just like the days of Billy Sunday, or the days of the Welsh revival, or the days of--of Wesleyan revival, or the Moody revival, or Billy Sunday revival; it's been a worldwide sweeping affair, around the world. Great healing services and great revival fires has burnt on practically every hill there is in the world. Right tonight, way over in the lands of Africa, down in China and Japan, this Gospel's being preached and the people are being healed right this very minute, around and around the world. It's been one of the greatest revivals because I believe, it's one of the last revivals this world will see, a world-sweeping revival.

But, now, in the last few years it's quietened down. You don't notice the enthusiasm in the people that used to be. I remember of having the privilege by the Holy Spirit to spearhead that revival that started when that Angel of the Lord appeared on the river, and said that about... many years ago. And to see it happen, and see it set ministers' hearts afire everywhere... Revivals broke out. Why, you could just simply walk into a building then; the people just get up out of their cots and stretchers and walk away healed. You didn't even have to say one word. Just--just being there, that's all it taken.

E-15 I remember one night in Vandalia, Illinois. I walked into the meeting, and had no more had been in the meeting over five minutes and there wasn't a feeble person around the place, anywhere. Wheelchairs pushed out and piled up, blind was seeing, and deaf and dumb speaking, and--and it just simply, It's... The Spirit of the Lord was present, and He just healed the whole group of them. Now, that's when you can do something, when revival is going on.

But let that revival fire die down, then you can hardly... The people are still Christians, but they're not revived into that Spirit, that great atmosphere that does something. It's just like in a forge in a blacksmith shop; you've got to get the iron hot before you go to pounding it on the anvil. If you don't, you'll never straighten it out. That's what it takes to have a

revival, is everybody under the heat of the Holy Spirit that's brought down the powers of God in a revival moving. Then there's prayer meetings going day and night, every minute everywhere. Why, the people wouldn't even leave the grounds.

LAODICEAN CHURCH AGE. CHURCH AGE BOOK. CHAPTER 9.

347-2 Then there is all this talk about the glossalalia--it is supposed to be the evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and people are thinking that we are in the midst of a great revival. The revival is over. America had her last chance in 1957. Now the tongues are God's sign of impending disaster, even as they were when they appeared upon the wall at Belshazzar's feast. Don't you know that many are going to come in the last day and say, "*Lord, Lord, have we not done many wonderful works in Thy Name, even to the casting out of devils?*" And He will say, "*Depart from Me, ye that work iniquity. I never knew you.*" Matthew 7:22-23.

7. The 15th Mystery of the baptism of Holy Spirit without sensation.

JOHN 5:24

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

GOD KEEPS HIS WORD. 1. PHOENIX, AZ 57-0306

E-44 (...) How do you come to Christ? Not because you boohooed at the altar, not because you cried all night, not because you sought God, because you never sought God. No man sought God at any time. Jesus said, "*No man sought Him at anytime. No man can come to Me except My Father draws him first, and all that My Father gives Me, comes to Me. (That's right.) And he that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out.*"

Listen here. The Bible said, "*He that heareth My words and believeth on Him that sent Me hath Everlasting Life,*" without one sensation, without anything else. "*He that heareth My words, and believeth on Him that sent Me has Everlasting Life.*"

Now, you take that Everlasting Life and run to a Greek word to it and see if it ain't, "Zoe." "Zoe" is "God's own life." Ever who believes on Jesus Christ, I don't mean intellectually believes, but with your heart believes on Jesus Christ, God's Life comes into you and you got Eternal Life. And you pass from death to Life, and Christ said, "*He will never come to the judgment, but I'll raise Him up at the last day.*"

GOD KEEPS HIS WORD. 2. PHOENIX, AZ 57-0307

E-52 (...) Just once more, across from my right. Someone that hasn't raised their hand would say remember me. God bless you, my brother. Oh, how you'll remember that. What if tonight is your last night? How you'll remember that in the presence of God. You say, "Brother Branham, what does that do?" Well, it just means the difference between death and life.

Now, don't be carried away with some fantastic. Jesus Christ said, "*He that heareth My Words, and believeth on Him that sent Me has everlasting life, and shall never come to the judgment, but has passed from death to life.*" No emotions, no sensations, it's faith.

We are saved by faith through grace. How's the grace come? "*No man can come to Me unless My Father draws him first.*" Grace: knock [Brother Branham knocks--Ed.] at your heart; you believe it? Then you raise your hand; what does that do? Break every scientific rule in the world. Your hand should hang down, but when there's something in you making a decision for God and raising your hand, it breaks every rule; it's a spirit in you, that's saying, "Raise your hand, now." Will you do it?

HEBREWS. CHAPTER 5 & 6. JEFF. IN 57-0908M

189-136 A lot of you Methodists and Nazarenes shouted just as hard as you could shout, steal corn out of a man's patch (That's right.), and do everything that could be.

A lot of you Pentecostals spoke in tongues like pouring peas on a cowhide, sure, went right out and run away with the next man's wife, done all kinds of things. That's not it, brother.

Don't try to have any sensation, anything to take the place of the Holy Spirit. When the new birth is come, you are changed. You don't have to do anything to prove it; your life proves it. As you walk, your love, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, meekness, patience, that's what you are. And the whole world sees the reflection of Jesus Christ in you.

WHY. PHOENIX, AZ 61-0128

E-75 Now you that's standing here to accept Christ as your Saviour, you know that it was God. When you raised your hand back there, you broke every scientific rule. You know, science... According to science you can't move your hands. They're hanging down, see. You break gravitation, the laws of gravitation, because your hand's hanging down. And actually the world... If it was that, why then, if you could, just at leisure, your hands would go up like that, then your feet wouldn't stay on the ground. You'd just go on out in space.

But what did you do when you raised up your hand? What did you do when you walked up here? You defied the laws of gravitation. Why? You raised up your hand towards your Maker because Something spoke to your heart. Then you got a

spirit in there. That spirit made a decision. "Yes, sir. I want Jesus Christ as my Saviour, raised up my hand." That defied every law of gravitation right there. A spirit in you, a Spirit by you, spoke in you, and said. "You want Christ for your Saviour." You raised up your hand.

Now watch how simple. Now, *"He that will confess me before men, him will I confess before the Father and the holy angel. He that heareth my word and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into the judgment,"* done passed from death unto Life. You have Eternal Life because you have believed.

E-76 Now upon the basis of... It's not no sensation, see. Sensations won't work. See, I've had--I've had sensations sometimes that I feel so bad I didn't know whether I was even a servant of God or not. But it ain't that. It's the Word. Jesus defeated the devil on the Word of God, see. That's where... it ain't how I feel; it's what I believe.

He never did say, "Did you feel it?" He said. "Did you believe it?" You got to have faith. Any kind... Buddhists have sensations. I've seen--I've seen them get around, drink blood out of a human skull, and have all kinds of sensations, and call on devils, in Africa. They had sensations. I've sat in the camps when they had the bull-snake dance, and screamed, and carried on. That's sensations.

8. Revelation helps prophet to pray for sick.

FAITH ONCE DELIVERED TO THE SAINTS. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 57-0610

E-5 Now, the last few weeks has been a change that I--the Lord has given me in the ministry. The first time I ever tried to pray for the sick in the manner that I shall start here in the tabernacle, the Lord willing, was a few days ago in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, at the ice arena.

When I was in Maine with my recording boys here less than a month ago, the Lord revealed to me there in the north woods of how that I could retain my strength and yet with the visions and pray for the sick. And I tried it in Saskatoon, and it was marvelous. I believe the best meeting I've had in America in the past seven or eight years.

WE WOULD SEE JESUS. SASKATOON, SK 57-0516

E-7 I just had a revelation the other day. How many's ever been in my meetings before, let's see your hand. Well, that's almost a complete hundred percent, just friends that's been in my meeting. I'm happy that you're here again tonight to be with you. The big thing that's been in my meetings; the people doesn't get prayed for. I have a very odd, unique ministry the Lord has given me by visions, as you all know. And I'm... It's been hard. I can't... But the other day when Mr. Mercier and Mr. Goad here, my tape boys, we were in Maine, up in Moosehead Lake, Maine. And I went from my room, in--from their room into my room. And I know, if you're Christian, you'd understand what I say. The Lord was in the room. I noticed, outside, the wind blowing in the big birch and evergreens, and seem like the wind came into the room, or either I went out to the wind. And then, all of a sudden, I recognized the Presence of God. And There He met me and revealed to me, and encouraged me, and told me that He would give me a way that I could use my ministry in this United States and Canada, through the North America.

It's always been so hard. In Africa, just one of the supernatural miracle; over in India, why, my, just one time, that's all it needs, and everything there will raise up. I don't care what condition they're in, they'll make an effort. And they'll go the next day just believing that they're going to get well anyhow. And you never hear no more complaints. But in America, we've been taught laying on of hands. Now, I call this America because it is America. It's just North America, the continent. So we... And over here we've been taught laying on of hands, and the people just has to be personally contacted or they just don't get it right.

So the Lord has given me a revelation on what to do. Now, this will be my first time to ever pray for people in that way, beginning tomorrow night. And I'm... I trust that the Lord will bless the efforts that we put forth.

STAND STILL. SASKATOON, SK 57-0518

E-47 Now, reverently and quietly. I have changed my services the last two nights. To my opinion, last night was an exceeding better night than the night before. And I have a vision. I know Gene and them's catching this on the tape recording. I will not tell it now. But not long ago I saw a vision. And I didn't realize it was Saskatoon where it was going to be. But it has... It was just revealed a few moments ago, standing in my hotel room, looking at a river with a falls on the left side. I didn't understand it till just a few moments ago, when months ago I had the vision what was going to happen. I could speak it right now, but I got to wait for something to take place.

But just on the tape I said that, so that the tape being played back, you'd watch and see. See if it's wrote right here on the fly leaf of my Bible, what's going to take place. Now, watch and see.

HEAR YE HIM. SASKATOON, SASK 57-0519A

E-4 Now, this evening we're going to have another healing service or prayer for the sick. And last evening was one of the outstanding times to me, when God can open the eyes of the blind, and make the dumb to speak, and the deaf to hear, that means God is on the job, doesn't it? Certainly does.

And now, I'm almost positive that the vision I was speaking of has--is being fulfilled. And maybe tonight, the Lord willing, I'd like to--I've got it wrote on the flyleaf of my Bible, here, that happened on, I believe January the 14th, at Lima, Ohio. I want you to see just exactly how it unfolded, which was told. God cannot lie, 'cause He's God. He can't--He can't tell something and then take it back. I have tell things, and I have to take it back, 'cause I'm a man. You tell things, and you have to take it back because you're mortal, too. But God can't say anything and take it back, because He's God. He knows the end from the beginning.

LIFE. JEFF. IN 57-0602

E-59 Now, the vision that I had and explained it in the church here about the water, you remember that? And the dam being on the left-hand side and the river running back that way? Every bit of it unfolded right there in Canada just perfectly. And the Saskatchewan River runs east instead of west, and the falls was on that side instead of the other, one end. And it cold, blowing, and snowing, come back out and there wind--sun was shining. Went right in there and found the old stump, everything, just as perfectly as it could be, and a turn around in my ministry. Exactly.

And now, on the platform after the visions was over... We called the visions in the plat... first to begin with. And then when the people come up, was first, you'll see the testimony now...

Now, here's the reason, right here, if--if we hadn't have been raised together. See? We're just kids here together that we've been raised together. That's the reason, you know... Oh, you know that I like to hunt, and fish, and so forth; and that--that's what takes it away. Brother Bill is just your brother. See? That... You love me and I love you. See?

And you come out here and well, if--if you wanted your lights fixed, you wouldn't care to call me to come do it, try it. And if I couldn't, I'd call Brother Rodey, so then we just... or something, you know on that order. See? And that's just common among you. Somewhere else it seems to be different. When we... Well, now, we don't...

[Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] That's one of the makeups just like brown and blue eyes. See? It--it's just one of the makeups. We can't help that.

In Canada, when I got there, well of course, I told you what had happened. We had several thousand people out, but they were mostly all Anglican and Baptist, and so forth, which has sponsored my meeting. Pentecostal people has flatly turned me down. So then, but that's all right. I... That... I love them just the same. See?

But in there that night, a woman come to the platform the first in the meeting. And she'd been blind I don't know how long, just like the lady that comes here we pray for. They had to lead her to the platform. She couldn't tell daylight from dark. She had been that way for years. And standing there praying for that woman, her eyes come open on the platform. And she goes down and gets a typewriter and types her own testimony to me.

The next through was a little boy that was absolutely... The little lady here who come here and prayed awhile ago about a little child was a mute. We had that child there on the platform. I think it was about, oh, I'd say about eight or ten years old. Couldn't... Didn't know one word, couldn't make a mutter, couldn't hear a thing, never did, was born that way, absolutely no hearing, no speech. Stood there, and cried, and praised the Lord, and could hear anything, and run off the platform rejoicing.

The next come was a spastic child about twelve years old. Billy helped pack him up to the platform and two men. He was in such a fix, just like this. See? Reminds me of little Edith Wright. And they brought that little thing there. And while I was praying he said, "Let me down. Jesus has healed me." Well, what could we do but let him down? And when he did, he walked down through there going like this praising God, and shouting, and walking up-and-down that place like that. And people fainting almost in the audience like that.

Then come a little hunchback, big hump in his back. And he was a Catholic. 'Course we understand they believe in healing. Now, to you Catholic people, nothing against you. That's all right. See? It... But they believe in like the statues and so forth. You see? And--and I said, "Now, look, sonny. We do not believe in healing that way. We don't believe in touching statues. We believe that we are by grace of God, sons and daughters of God. See? And God's Spirit is in us."

And I said, "Now, here's the way we believe it. Here comes along... Jesus came by one day, and there was a tree standing there. And He said... And He looked for fruit and there was no fruit. He said, 'No man eateth from thee from forevermore.' Went on away. And the next day when they passed by, that tree was withering."

Peter said... Why, you know Peter, how he was; he--he said, "Why, look at the tree. Behold it."

And Jesus said, "Have faith in God, for if you would say to this mountain, be moved, and don't doubt, but believe that what you say shall come to pass, you have what you say."

I said, "You get that?"

"Yeah."

"When you pray, believe that you receive what you ask for. You shall have it." And I said, "See, we, after receiving the Spirit of God... Now, God made the world out of nothing. It's just His Word. He just created. His Word is creation, so He just spoke it, and the world was created because it was the object in God's mind in His heart. He just spoke it, and it come into existence. He was a Creator."

I said, "Then if we have Zoe, God's Life, in us, we become sons of God and amateur creators." I said, "'Cause He said, 'Whatever you say, believe that what you say, you shall have.' And I've noticed that. A lot of times I'd say things that I couldn't hardly think myself, but I'd say it anyhow. I come to find out, it did happen just that way. I'd say things that I didn't hardly didn't mean for it to happen that way, but it did anyhow because I'd said it."

I thought, "Wait a minute." So I said, "You see, when we speak anything, if something is anchored to us, we shouldn't never speak it till we believe it. Then when we believe it, we speak it, and that creative word goes out. It's a part of God. See? And it creates."

E-66 Said, "I understand." I put my arms around him, prayed for him.

Knowing him being Catholic, I said, "Now, you just wait. Tonight when you go home, you put a little string around you like this and pull it up tight, let mommy do it. And cut it off, and then tomorrow night if it hasn't shrunk three inches, then I'm a false prophet. Bring it back and bring the same string, cut it off, and lay it up here."

After that I thought, "What'd I say? What'd I say?" What if that would be some criticism there. You see?" I thought, "But if God said it, 'cause I didn't know I was going to say it. So I'll just leave it right like that, let him go ahead." Next night it was just about that long. See, where he...

So the next, couple after that was a little boy come through, a little hump on his back, come way out like that. There'd been a whole bunch of little French Canadian Catholic had come down, and was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit there. See? And this little boy had a arm down like that, a little hump on his back, a little bitty fellow about like this. He come through, and I was just going to pray for him.

I said, "Honey, you see what I told that other boy about his little shoulder, and his..." See, the little hunchbacks they can't raise their arms like that, see the hump. Something goes in the back here.

He said, "Yes, sir." Said, "I can't come back." And find out, he was a real poor family from way over in British Columbia. See? Didn't have any money to stay any longer.

I said, "Well, God will heal you, honey." I put my arm around him. Now, I--I--I don't want to--to say something isn't right. I--I want to say what is right. You see? And I had my arm around the little fellow, and my hand over that big hump, and it felt to me like that hump moved and my hand went in. So when I quit praying I looked at him, his little eyes part... I said, "Did you feel that?"

He said, "Yes, sir, I did." I looked around, there wasn't any hump there.

I said, "Raise up your hand." And here he went just perfectly normal right before the audience there. And oh, that was just, oh, I don't know how many great things our Lord did every night of the deaf, dumb, blind.

And you know that little girl I tell you about in Germany that had that... You know how she come up the platform, and it made the Communists taking the sales away down there and say... That story repeated perfectly. A little girl come up, had long plaits, little peaked looking face, blind. They led her up.

And I said, "She looks like the little German girl," little eyes white. I said, "She looks like the little German girl that was in Germany." I said, "How many in here ever read or heard on the tapes and so forth?" And oh, hundreds and hundreds of hands. I said, "It looks just like that little German girl." And I said, "Are you her father?"

He said, "Yes, sir."

I said, "What are nationality?"

I said, "I'm German." Said, "We're--we're German," both he and his wife both.

Well, the little German girl exactly, them little plaits hanging down her back like that... Oh, I thought, "Lord, if You just do it again." See? Now, what is it? I thought, "Now, I... If I can just give me that faith to know that it's going to be that way, I can speak it, and I believe it'll happen. But first, it has to happen here first. See?"

So I got it with all the sympathy I could with the little thing. And I brought her up like that. And I said, "Can you see anything?"

"No, sir." Said she hadn't seen... Oh, I don't think she... Maybe she never did see. I don't know just how long it'd been since she'd seen, maybe never. Her little eyes just was like little white balls over them like that.

E-71 And so, I held the little thing like that and prayed for her. And she was smiling when I turned her loose. I said, "Do you see, honey?"

Said, "Yes, sir." And she started smiling, little tears running down her little cheeks, just a little thing about like that. I said, "Do you really see?"

She said, "Yes, sir."

I said, "Now, you come over here where I am, and put your finger on my nose." And here she come smiling like that and went over and put her finger on my nose. And I said, "How many fingers I got up?"

She said, "You have five." And her father just like to fainted.

I said, "What'd you say, honey? How many fingers?"

She said, "You only have one now." And there she was totally blind, received her sight. Oh, He is wonderful. It's--it's almost unbelievable.

9. God has sent His Message.

QUEEN OF SHEBA. SASKATOON, SK 57-0517

E-8 It's a pitiful sight. But why does this happen, friend? It's because that this condition has to come. There's an atomic bomb laying yonder to settle the difference. And that's right. God can't pour out His--His judgments upon a just people. And His mercy has sought and pulled, and different types of evangelists the kind with the resurrected Christ, with the miracles, then with the intellectual. He's called from every angle, that He can be called Just, because He's give every man a chance. The radio, the televisions and everything, the blast of newspaper, evangelists on the corners, and it's swept. And continually we grow wickeder and wickeder by the hour. *"As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the coming of the Son of Man."*

It's just the hour; there's nothing can stop it. All the preaching I could do, and all the resurrection that Christ could show, and everything will never stop it, the Bible said. But here's what we're responsible for: giving a voice against the wrong. That's right.

I could never stop ladies from wearing little old vulgar clothes. It's the nature of them. They already seen it; the devil presented it; they was a subject to it. I could never stop men from drinking. Certainly not. I could never make the church spiritual. All the preaching I would do, it would never make it spiritual. But there'll be one now and then that's a fish. God wants him in the kingdom. I'll give my voice. I don't know who it is, but I'll preach it. And as I preach it, he'll hear, for *"All the Father has given Me will come to Me."* That's right. And that's why I'm here. I'm combing again.

I hope as soon as I come back from overseas to comb Canada completely through again. I want in the generation that I'd rise with to stand there and say, "I haven't shunned to declare the whole council of God, as I knew it." Then the blood of the people would not be upon me. And then if God has sent His message and He's combed the cities and showed the wonders and signs and everything else, and then the people continue, go on in sin, they're past hope.

10. Speaking little fish from dead. [Third Pull.]

MATTHEW 17:20

And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

MATTHEW 21:21

Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done.

MARK 11:20-24

*And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.
And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.
And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.
For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.
Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.*

BELIEVE FROM THE HEART. JEFF. IN 57-0623

E-52 Now, notice, day before yesterday when we went back... I come back to the Indianapolis meeting, and I thought I'd have to stay just a little while away from the people till I got kinda rested up, 'cause I'd have twenty or thirty a day on private interviews, and those visions coming. I was just about dead when I got home. No one knows what I go through on that. No one, there's no way to explain it.

But then, Brother Wood, and his brother, and I, went run off down to the place and to fish again for a day and night. And that afternoon, setting back there, Brother Wood begin to speak about an old woman that used to belong to the Anderson Church of God up here, when they were in their bloom, when how good. Said, how she used to take them little Jehovah Witness boys and love them.

And Brother Wood said to his brother, Lyle. He said, "Lyle, would it not be great now, if we would go find that old sister and let her know that we're saved?"

Now, that word found favor with God. After he'd been talking about God for a long time, but that word found favor. Those two Jehovah Witness boys, both of them aged men, wanted to find an old woman and tell her that they were saved: two brothers. When they said that, the Spirit of God in His sovereignty fell on me, setting there in that boat. Oh, how I wished I could've had voice some way that I could sink that into the people's heart.

E-54 I could not no more control myself than you could fly to the moon, just by that word. And I said, "Boys, there's something fixing to happen. There's a little animal of some sort; it'll be brought to life. There's going to be life connected with it, and you'll see it right away."

And I thought, "Now, what have I said?"

And I begin to think of some things, what made me say that? No vision, it was just something spoke. What was it? It wasn't my intellectuals; I couldn't even think of such a thing. It was down below that. It was in the heart that God had come into. He was doing the speaking. I didn't even, wasn't thinking of such a thing. And It spoke.

I think there's where Jesus said, *"If thou believeth in thy heart, and shall say to this tree, or to this mountain, and then don't doubt, but believe that what you say will come to pass, you'll have what you say."* There's my point.

Get to that spot to where something is not yourself. It's something beyond your reasoning that speaks it.

We went on. In closing I say this, Brother Wood and them are setting here as a witness. The next morning... That night we went, and the Lord gave us a great night of fishing. No one caught any fishes, and we caught three there just in a few minutes. And the three weighed nearly twenty pounds. And we just had great strings of fish.

The next morning we went back, and was putting the baits new on the line and not one fish. It was over. I said, "Let us go into this little cove and rest a few minutes, brethren. And we shall fish for bluegills with a fly line."

We went back up there, and was fishing for bluegills, back in the little cove with our boat. And every time we'd get stopped long enough, the motor would stop... We wasn't fishing; we were talking about God.

And Mr. Lyle, which is now... He went to his sister to try to get her out of Jehovah Witness. And she told him... She--she told him he was listening to devils, that we were devils; said, "Lyle, you know better than that," and all these certain things.

Then Lyle caught a little bluegill about like that, and he was talking. So he let the little fellow swallow the big hook. It went plumb down into the stomach of the little fish. And when he got a hold of it, he couldn't pull it, so he just squeezed it in his hand, wrapped it around, and pulled the entrails out of it. Had to get this hook out of the mouth, for if he cut the hook off it would kill... dead fish, going to die anyhow.

And here's the words that he said, "You sure shot your wad little fellow," and threw him into the water, and he flipped three or four times, and went circling down through the blue waters till he hit the bottom, laid there just a few minutes till he come back up to the top water, and fluttered three or four times; his little fins straightened out like that, laid sideways curled over. And for about twenty minutes, us fishing, he'd done floated back into the wilderness, back up into some trash.

E-58 And I was... And someone said, "Them little fish is really having a breakfast, they're feeding."

I said, "Yes, that's right."

And we said, "Oh, isn't God great to you?"

Brother Wood said, "Oh, it's so great, Brother Branham; we have the privilege of being here with you."

Oh, I said, "Don't think that, Brother Wood's. This," I said, "it's not a--it's not the holy mountain; it's not the holy place. It's the holy God, not a holy man, but a holy God." [Blank spot.--Ed.]...?... And while we were talking Something moved on me. Said, "I'm going to show My power now."

Before I knew what I was talking about, that Scripture come to my mind, *"Whatsoever thou saith, believe that it shall come to pass; in your heart say it, and you'll have what you say."*

I--I can just almost... It was flooding out of me. And I thought, "What's this going on?"

Lyle and Banks setting there, we were fishing. The little dead fish been laying about twenty minutes all curled over there, floated back into the place, his little entrails hanging out of his mouth. And I looked at that little fish, and the thought come to me, He said to the fisherman, *"Cast on the other side of the boat."* They took His Word.

E-60 Peter said, *"Lord, we've fished all night and took nothing. Nevertheless, at Your Word we'll throw the net."*

There it is, at the Word. Something said to me, "God knows the fish; just speak the Word and watch what happens to that fish." (...)

I HAVE HEARD BUT NOW I SEE. SHREVEPORT, LA 65-1127E

20 So just about that time, I heard Something coming off the top of the mountain up there, a whirlwind, whirling around and around. Here It come down like that, and the Spirit of God come over the boat, said, "Stand up on your feet." Said, "Speak to that dead fish. Say, 'I give you back your life.'"

BELIEVE FROM THE HEART. JEFF. IN 57-0623

E-60 (...) I said, "Little fish, in the Name of Jesus Christ come back to life." And God, my solemn judge, with them two man standing there, that little fish turned on his side, and swam away from there as hard as he could go, alive again. Speak the Word. Almighty God, as I stand here before Him in the presence of this company, and this Bible, knows that's the truth.

When people are dying, and yet God showed His power to those two--two Jehovah Witness that He is the Resurrection and Life. And there's nothing, but what He told you about. "Thou sayest and believe that what you say comes to pass, you'll have what you say."

What was it? God showing His power, not me, just a vine, or a branch. He energized the branch till I couldn't keep from uttering them voices. What would I ever thought of a little dead fish laying there, when we even had them cut up, and baited on the line? That little fish hanging there, laying there dead...

Mr. Wood and them setting right here looking at me now are witness of that. And the Spirit of God swept down through that valley until you'd thought the rapture was coming, even till Mr. Wood screamed out and said, "Oh, it's good to be here." Said, "Brother Branham, we're so happy to be here." The only expression they could give was to me being they're brother.

E-62 And I turned quickly, 'cause they seen that God had used me to speak life to a fish, and now it sounds crazy, but that's the same God that spoke life to that dead opossum laying there in the yard. He's Alpha and Omega, the Beginning the End. He's the Life, the Resurrection. He's the Power and the everlasting One, the same yesterday, today, and forever.

11. Abortions.

THIRSTING FOR LIFE. CHICAGO, IL 57-0630

E-28 You'll go up and throw your arms around some other man, have a little clean fun, have a little date on the side, a little afternoon kiss at the back gate to satisfy that thirst that God put in you to thirst after Him. And you'll take another man's wife, and run off with her, and live in a hotel with her, and carry on like that. I don't say you do it; you may be here. If you are, God burn that in your soul (That's right.), thinking you're having a little clean fun. There's an all seeing eye watching you.

And the devil is trying to burn your passions after other women as they walk up-and-down the street half dressed. And your long looking, almost half wreck, at them little old dirty, vulgar, stinking women out there with them little old dirty clothes on.

And you men that'll let your wife do that, that shows what you're made out of. That shows what kind of a man you are. A man is the head of the family; he's the head of the house. But today the women's the head of the house, head of the factory, head of the church, and everything else, because it's become a conglomeration of sin. And Satan took Eve, and he's still using her. And America is a woman's nation.

E-29 Not long ago in Germany, or Switzerland, some lady said to me, a Christian woman; she said, "Brother Branham, I'd like to go over to America. I hear that the ladies are really... Well, they have the big sway there." Not in Switzerland. No, sir. "Well, we have no..." I said, "But here's what follows. It causes prostitution." Right here in Chicago, according to your paper, you have two thousand abortion cases every day, two thousand abortion cases. Two thousand innocent babies die every day because of filth. How can you have a revival under them kind of circumstances.

How many prostitutes hit the street last night, and men with other women, and women with other men? And little girls sell their morals, and up-and-down the street, till finally they end up on skid row down here. As I walked through the city last night of Chicago and I looked what was going on. How can you expect the Holy Spirit to sweep a revival over something like that? It's got to have a place to anchor.

12. Eagle & chicken story. [Little form of Life in you then.]

EAGLE IN HER NEST. CHICAGO, IL 57-0705

E-26 I laid there; I cried like a baby. I said, "Oh, Jesus, You have purchased Your Church; You set them by the still waters and the green pastures. They have a wonderful time rejoicing and praising You. And You climbed the ramparts of glory; You're watching over them. And someday You're coming again to spread forth Your wings to take them back into the heavens above, out of the great tribulations and things that's coming upon the earth.

I was amazed one time, speaking of an eagle, I heard of a farmer, and he was setting a hen. And used to be women knowed how many eggs went under a hen for a setting. I doubt whether there's a woman here that knows how many eggs it takes to make a setting. Ha-ha-ha. I'm sorry; it takes fifteen, I told you. Ha-ha-ha. Fifteen is a setting.

So this farmer went; he got a eagle's egg. And he lacked one in having a setting, so he put the eagle's egg under the hen. And when that hatched out, it was the funniest looking little thing to all those little chickens. Why, he couldn't understand what they were chirping about; he spoke in a different language. He didn't know what them chickens was talking about. I hope you know what I mean.

So then, he watched them, and he didn't know what to do. And they all picked on him, 'cause he said he was an odd fellow. He perhaps was. But he was an eagle to begin with. They could stretch their little wings and flop around, and he'd look at them. And they were, all the way they were. Old hen would cluck, and they knowed every one of the clucks, so here come the little chickens all running in. But the eagle didn't understand that cluck. And he wouldn't come in, because he didn't know that kind of clucking. I'm not going to say much, but I hope you know what I'm talking of. He didn't understand it. He talked different.

You know, I'm talking about some of these old hens that take you out to a little bathing beach, and all these other places, strip your clothes off of you, and set you out there and... Oh, you know what I'm speaking of. You guys down the pool room, where they take you down there, and give you a little friendly glass, and all like that. A real borned again child of

God don't know nothing about it. They say, "Oh, we belong to church." But you don't understand a cluck. That's right. You're borned an eagle; God knows His own. He knowed you before the foundation of the world; predestinated you to be sons and daughters of God.

Notice, then we notice that this old hen, every time she'd find a little bug or something, she'd cluck to her little chickens and all the little chickens come, the little eagle come in the back looking around. He was a funny looking little creature.

But you know, one day she happened to be out in the barnyard feeding, and the old mother eagle happened to fly by. And as she flew by her great shadow swept over the top of the barnyard; she looked down, and she seen her own. He knows His own. And she screamed to him, and when she did, the little fellow turned his head and begin to look upward. That's the way he ought to have been looking all the time. And when he looked up, she screamed back, and she said, "Son, you're not a chicken; you're mine."

I'm so glad that God's got children all walks of life, businessman, whatever they may be, but God knows His own. And when they hear the Gospel of the power of Jesus Christ, they know that voice. "My sheep know My voice."

Oh, how I was all bent down with a big denominational pen behind me, but one day I heard a voice coming from above me, not from headquarters, not from the Presbyter, not from the deacon board, or not from the Bishop, but I heard a cry come from heaven. Oh, how the real thrill that give my heart.

The old mother said, "You're not a chicken; you don't belong there. You are mine." And he wondered what he could do; that's what he wanted.

And you know, there may be a many a little eagle been walking in some old denominational chicken yard for a long time, setting here tonight. That's right. But I hope that He calls you and says, "Son, you're Mine."

"What must I do, Lord?" That was the cry.

She said, "Just make the first big jump and flop your wings."

And he made the first jump and flopped his wings; he found out he wasn't earth bound any more, 'cause he set on a barnyard post, right in a center of a Pentecostal organization. His mother said, "Son, you've got to come higher than that, or I can't get you." Said, "Just give another jump, and I'll bear you up on my wings."

E-31 If there's anything the Church of the living God needs tonight, is another jump from all the barriers of denomination, from all the isms. Just cut loose every life, every line, and go free, and jump, He will bear you away on the wings of a great Speckled Bird.

It's such meetings as this; it's such times as this; it's in such audience as this where we can make that great jump to feel His power, reach under us with His Word, and bear us away from these little earthly cares and things that we have. He's your Father; He loves you. And nest stirring time has already come, but we need another jump. We got to the barnyard post, but we need to get free, so we can just ride on His wings for our first solo flight. What a joy it will be, when that great final day comes. That those who know how to jump and flop their wings, those who know how to do it, someday He shall come, the great Eagle of the sky shall come in glory, and He will spread forth His great power, the Holy Spirit, and those who are magnetized to it shall take a ride for eternity, forever.

GOD WHO IS RICH IN MERCY. PHOENIX, AZ 65-0119

47 Many of you can--can fellowship with me on this thought. When you was a little boy, or a little girl, you'd walk around and there would be certain things that would just, where it wouldn't bother the other kids, it seemed like there was something in you that cried out. There was God somewhere, yet you were a sinner. You remember that? Certainly. Now, what was that? That was that little form of Life in you then.

And then after while, you heard the Gospel. Maybe you went to church; you picked out this and that, and went from denomination to denomination. But one day, you being part of God, you had to be part of the Word. And when you heard the Word, you know where you come from, you knowed what was the Truth. You were always, the seed was in you always. The Word seen the Word that was in you, that was before the foundation of the world, saw the Word and you come to It.

Like my little eagle story, of how the little eagle was hatched out under a hen. And the little fellow walked with the chickens, he, the hen clucked, and he didn't understand her clucking. And--and the little chickens, their diet they had in the barnyard, he--he didn't understand that, how that they did that. But there was something in him, seemed to be different from what that chicken was, because at the beginning he was a eagle. That's right. One day his mama come hunting him, and, when he heard that scream of the eagle, it was different from the cluck of the hen.

And that's the way it is with every born again believer. You can hear all the theology you want to and all the manmade discrepancy; but when that Word flashes out there, then there's something takes ahold, you come to It. "You who were once dead in sin; that life has He quickened." There has to be a Life there to quicken to, first. God by His foreknowledge knowed all things. And we were predestinated to be sons and daughters of God. "Ye who were once dead in sin and trespasses, wherein we all had our times past, but hath He quickened."

51 Look at Paul, when Paul was a great theologian. But when he come face to face with that Word, Jesus, it quickened. He come to Life right quick, because he was ordained to be that. The... He was part of the Word; and when the Word saw

the Word, it was his nature. All the clucking of the hens in the orthodox churches, didn't have no effect upon him; he had saw the Word. It was part of him. He was an eagle. He wasn't a chicken; he was just in the barnyard with them. But he was a eagle to begin with.

13. Mr. Krause's healing. [Divine Love]

GOD PROJECTING HIS LOVE. EDMONTON, ALBERTA 57-0806
E-37 Here some time ago I was interested in a great thing, with Mr. Krause of the Full Gospel Christian Business Men, many of you know him. A very good friend to our most honored and beloved brother, Oral Roberts. And so, when... Mr. Krause was such a good friend to Oral Roberts. "Oh," he said, "if anything hit wrong with me, I'm a friend to Oral Roberts." So finally one day Mr. Krause developed a kidney trouble. So he goes down to eat dinner with Brother Roberts.

And Brother Roberts said, "Oh, Brother Krause, that's just a minor thing to God." Laid his hands up, and Brother Oral with that real (excuse the expression, but) bulldog faith; threw his hand over on him and said, "I rebuke it." Said, "Brother Krause, don't worry; you're going to get all right."

And Brother Krause said, "I really felt better."

But after a few days it come back again. Said, "I went down to Brother Roberts again," and said, "The same thing taken place." Said, "Then I thought that I knowed William Branham, so I would go over to him." And said, "He saw visions. So I would stand before William Branham; he's a good friend of mine, and then William Branham will be able to help me."

So he called around and found out that I was in Shreveport, Louisiana. Mr. Krause and his wife flew down to Shreveport, and they come into the meeting. And he said, "Brother Branham, I've just got a little time. Let us go to a side, and I would like to see what the Lord would tell me."

I said, "All right, Brother Krause, let us go aside." I stood there for forty-five minutes, and the Lord said nothing. I said, "I'll pray, Brother Krause."

He said, "If the Lord shows you anything, call me up. I prayed for him. He said, "You know, I feel better. I believe the Lord just healed me without showing me any trouble."

I said, "Well, we're thankful to God."

So on that night, being a dear friend to Brother Krause, I prayed for him, continually prayed. And about a few weeks, he come back again. He said, "Let us stand before the Lord and see what He will tell me. I'm in a serious condition." I stood for another hour or more, and the Lord never said anything.

So then away he went to the doctor. The doctor says, "It's too much job for me; you better go to Mayo's." Up to Mayo's he went.

Mayo's looked him over and he said, "Sir, you've got one chance out of a thousand to live. That is immediate operation." "Well," he said, "I'll take it."

And he went out and he said, "I thought if I was that close to dying, I'd better check up with God." So he said, "Lord, You know I love You. And I've tried with all my heart to support everything that's right." (He is a wealthy man.) And he said... He manufactures plows; you may know him, from Kansas. And he said, "I have tried to live right, and You know, Lord, I love You. Now, if You are ready for me to come home, I'm willing. I've lived a good many days, and I'm willing to come. But, Lord, if You can use me while I am willing..." He said, "I have stood before Your servant, Oral Roberts and William Branham, and it seems like that their prayers did not take effect to heal me." And said, "Maybe it's something that I have done, but surely, You would've revealed it when I stood there before the discernment." He said, "But if it's my time to come, I'm ready to go, and I love You. So I'm going to the operating room, the only chance that I have."

And the doctors checked him again. And said, "Mr. Krause, are you sure that you want to take it?"

He said, "I have prayed up, and I'm sure I want to take it." So in the operating room they went. And the last thing he said he remembered, was saying, "Lord, if Thou art ready for me, I love You, Lord. I love You, Lord." And they put him to sleep. And when he come to, the whole room begin to turn light. And he seen the doctors standing around.

E-41 And they run to him, and they said, "Mr. Krause, something has happened. We never seen an operation so perfect. And we thought you were going to die, but all of a sudden you were normal." What was it? When Divine love had been projected, sovereign grace come in to take its place. It has to.

14. Elohim. [Hebrews 7]

HEBREWS. CHAPTER 4. JEFF. IN 57-0901E
143-136 That's the reason:

*My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary.*

You think that's a big thing for God? God, Who made all the potash and calciums and everything in the world, He come down to visit Abraham; He said, "You think I'll keep it from you, seeing that you're the heir of the world? (Amen.) I'll not keep it from you."

God just got a... We're made out of sixteen elements. He just got some potash, and some calcium, some petroleum and cosmic light, went... [Brother Branham blows--Ed.] "Step in that, Gabriel." A body... [Brother Branham blows--Ed.] "Step in that, Wormwood." He stepped in it. Two Angels out of heaven...

God reached and got a handful of it, [Brother Branham blows--Ed.] stepped in it Himself, come down and was hungry. Blessed... What about that, Adventist brethren, that won't eat meat? We're going to get into that after while. God Almighty, Jehovah... Find out if that same Name isn't translated the same One at the burning bush. Hallelujah. And when He stood on earth, He said, "*Before Abraham was, I AM,*" that same One at the burning bush." That's right, Elohim. See if it isn't the same. He was the One was at the burning bush.

143-141 He was the One here in the presence of Abraham in a body of flesh that eat the calf, and drank the milk from the cow, and eat butter on hoecakes. Blessed be the holy Name of God. Walked right down there and said, "I'll not leave..." And He had His back turned. He said, "Abraham, I'm going to visit you, and you're going to bring that child. You're a hundred years old now, and Sarah's ninety." And Sarah in the tent went [Brother Branham illustrates--Ed.], laughed. He said, "What made Sarah laugh?" Behind Him, the tent between them...

Abraham said, "Sarah, did you laugh?"

"No, I never.

Said, "Yes, you did." What kind of a telepathy is that? What kind of a mind reading was that? He does the same today. He's Jehovah-jireh, Jehovah-rapha, the same yesterday, today, and forever. He never fails.

Look at Him; there He stands, walked right out and talked to Abraham and vanished in his sight. And the great patriarch Abraham said he talked face to face with God: Elohim, the same God. You get it? Not no three people, brother, three offices of the same Person.

MARY'S BELIEF. PHOENIX, AZ 60-0311

E-54 But there's one Angel Who stayed with the Church elect. And He said to Abraham (Now He was a Stranger.), He said, "Abraham, where is your wife, Sarah?" Your wife, Sarah? a Stranger. See?

Said, "In the tent behind You."

Said, "I'm not going to keep this from you." ("I"--personal pronoun now) "I'm not going to keep this from you, but according to the time of life, Sarah's going to be a young woman again (You've heard me preach on it) and she's going to go back, have this baby."

And Sarah in the tent behind the man--never seen Him, in the tent laughed within herself.

And the Angel, with His back turned, said, "Why did Sarah laugh?"

Abraham called him "Elohim"; not the man setting there eating steak and drinking milk, eating corn bread. But it was the Spirit that was in Him. Now, what was it a sign of? That the Spirit of God would dwell in the flesh of people again and show the same sign before the end time. "*As it was in the days of Sodom, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man.*" Now, Sodom was the one that burned; fire fell out of the heavens and burned them. And that's what's going to happen again; it ain't going to be water; it's going to be fire. So the Angel of mercy comes with the same message to warn the people, "Stay away from Sodom!"

EPHESIANS PARALLELS JOSHUA. JEFF. IN 60-0515E

99 Let me, before we go any farther, go back, Genesis 1:26. I'll pick it up Wednesday. When God made man... Before He made man, He called Himself "El," E-l, El; E-l-h, "Elah," "Elohim." The word means, in the Hebrew, "the self-existence," all by Himself. Nothing existed before Him. He was all the existence there ever was, self-existent One: "El, Elah, Elohim," means the "all-sufficient, all-powerful, Almighty, self-existent One." Oh.

But in Genesis 2, when He made man, He said, "I am Y-a-h-u, J-u-v-u-h, Yahua, Jehovah. What did it mean? "I am the all-existence One Who has created something off of Myself to be a son of Mine, or a temporary, or an amateur little one of Mine." Oh, glory. Why? He gave man... "Jehovah" means that He gave man to be an amateur god. Because He is Father God, and He made a man an amateur god, so He isn't self-existence anymore; He exists with His family. Amen. Elah, Elah, Elohim... Now, now He is Jehovah, "Jehovah" meaning the "One Who exists with His family."

15. Numerology of the Bible. [Numbers]

HEBREWS. CHAPTER 3. JEFF. IN 57-0901M

90-15 There's not another piece of literature written anywhere that can do that. And mathematically, and geographically, and every way; there's not a Book in the Bible wrote like the Bible. There's not a book in the world, I mean, wrote like the Bible; there's nothing. The numatics of the Bible is perfectly in harmony; just even chapters, and punctuations, and everything is perfect. Not another book... You couldn't read a chapter out of it without crossing itself back. But there's not one cross-up in the entire Bible. And was wrote by many, many, many people; and hundreds, and hundreds, and hundreds of years apart, not knowing one piece...

One wrote It here, and one wrote It here, and one wrote It over here; when It was all formed together, It made God's Bible. And not one contradicts the other one. And no... Not mathematics, geographics, anything else of the Bible,

everything, numatics, everything runs perfectly together. If that isn't inspired, I don't know, what will you call inspiration? I'm so glad for the blessed, old Bible.

Some of them said, "Are you a Catholic? Protestant?" I said, "Neither one; I believe the Bible." That's right. I believe the Bible, and I'm glad that we still have the freedom to preach It in this nation. Oh, it's wonderful.

REVELATION CHAPTER 4. PART 3. THRONE MERCY JEFF. IN ROJC 61-0108

151 Thrones, lightning's... What? Seven lamps, or lamps, or seven stars, called seven Spirits, meaning the mani--seven manifestations of the Holy Spirit of the seven church ages, the seven seats of mercy for the people. Here they are, seven seats of mercy, seven seats, seven churches, seven stars, seven manifestations, seven Spirits, seven lamps. Oh, my, how God is so perfect. Every...

Let it be in the numatics of the Bible, numatics of the Bible is the most perfect thing there is on earth. You can't get one flaw from Genesis to Revelations in the numatics of the Bible. Not another piece of literature written that you can't find a flaw 'fore you read three verses; but not in the Bible.

ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED AFTER HIM. CHICAGO, IL 61-0423

E-73 "You're name is called Simon; hereafter you'd be called Peter. You was Saul, but you'd called Paul from now on." How about all these names, if they don't mean something?

"Oh," you say, "that's numerology." The devil's got one (that's right), and God's got one. Everything the devil's got, he's patterned it off of God. Exactly right. Changed his name... After Jesus overcome He received a new Name Himself.

16. The 14th Mystery of no eternal hell fire. [Matthew 25:40-46]

Q & A. HEBREWS. PART. 1. JEFF. IN 57-0925

Explain what it means by everlasting punishment in Matthew 25:46.

But the... That's the question.

213-24 (...) Now, listen real close. Everybody now,

Matthew 25:46.

And these shall go away into everlasting punishment:...

Now, the question is, "What... Explain..." Now, the word "everlasting" comes from the word "from ever and forever," and "forever" is "a space of time." It only means "so much time," as forever. Now, if you'll just read... I don't know who wrote the questions, 'cause no one put their name on them; it didn't have to be; I don't want them. See?

But these shall go away into everlasting punishment:... (Now, watch; that's the wicked.)

Now, dear--dear person that asked the question, just read the rest of It.

...but the righteous unto life eternal...

The wicked shall go into everlasting punishment, "a certain space of time," but the righteous has Eternal Life. You'll never find eternal punishment: couldn't be. See, if they got eternal punishment, they got Eternal Life; they got Eternal Life, they're saved. See, it can't be. Now, if you'll watch, the--the question asked itself--answers itself. See?

And these... (Now, watch, I'll get before here:)... and they...

In the 20th--44th verse.

... and they also answered, said unto Him, Lord, when shall we be hungered, when with thirst, and and a stranger, and naked,... and--and in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

Then shall--then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as you did it unto one of the least of these, you did it... unto me.

And these shall go away into everlasting... (everlasting)... punishment... (That's the wicked.):...; but the righteous into Eternal Life.

See the difference? The wicked has everlasting punishment, but "everlasting" is "a space of time." Now, if it would've been the same, it would've been written, "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment, the other shall go away into Everlasting Life." See? Or, "They shall go away into eternal punishment, and the other one into Eternal Life." See, if there's an eternal punishment, to be punished forever and ever, then he's an eternal--he's got Eternal Life; and the only one Eternal Life, and that comes from God. Everything without a beginning has no end; everything with a beginning has an end. See what I mean?

Now, the Scripture Itself that the--the dear person answered... Now, if you'll take it in the Lexicon,

"And these shall go forth into ainion, cutting off, and into everla... into fire, the lake of fire."

Now, the word "a-i-n-i-o-n" means "a space of punishment," in the Greek Lexicon, right here, "space of punishment," or, "time of punishment." See? They shall go away into a time of punishment. The word is used, "a-i-n-i-o-n, ainion," which means "times, a time, a limited time." Then take it back into the--into the translation here, the English, "everlasting" is "a limited of time." See? It comes from the Greek, "a limit of time." The word "ainion," or "a-i-n-i-o-n, ainion" means "a limited time of punishment."

215-32 But then read the other, "*But these shall go into eternal*" (That's a different. See?), Eternal Life. Eternal comes from the word of eternity, and eternity had neither beginning nor end. It's forever and forever. Now, that should answer that (See?), because if you'll just read the Scripture real close, you'll see. "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous..." The wicked shall go into everlasting punishment, be punished for a space of time: maybe a billion years, I don't know; but you'll certainly be punished for your sins. But as certain as sin had a beginning, sin has an end. Punishment had a beginning, and punishment has an end. And hell was created for the Devil and his angels. See? All right.

17. Divine Revelation. [Matthew 16:15-18] [Birth of the Holy Spirit.]

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. CAMPBELLSVILLE, KY 55-0806
E-40 And Jesus vindicated the same thing when He said, "*Flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, Simon Peter,*" when he confessed Him to be the Lord. "Flesh... You never learned this in a seminary. You never learned this from some church, but My Father which is in heaven has revealed it to you. And upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Spiritual revealed truth of the living God.

When God has revealed to you by the Holy Spirit, not by theology, not by mental thinking, but by the actual birth of the Holy Spirit, that Jesus Christ raised from the dead, you have Eternal Life. That's the revelation. Wish we had time to bring it through the Bible.

ENTOMBMENT. JEFF. IN 57-0420
27 And may I stop here to say that the church of the living God is built upon Divine revelation, not upon denomination, organizations, not upon creeds or doctrines, but on spiritual revealed truth of the living God.

Abel, in the garden of Eden had it when the church begin. How'd he know to bring a lamb? Why didn't he bring fruit like Cain did? But it was revealed to him.

Jesus once speaking, said, "*Who does man say I the Son of man am?*"

"*Some said You're Moses, and Elijah, so forth.*"

He said, "*But Who do you say I am?*"

You see, it doesn't rest upon what somebody else thinks; it's what you know to be the truth. "*What do you say?*" That question would meet every one of us in the face tonight, "What do you say?"

And Peter quickly speaking up without one hesitation, said, "*Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.*"

As Jesus Who knowed the secrets of all hearts, for He was none other than Jehovah manifested in flesh, and He said, "*Blessed art thou, Simon, the son of Jonas, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father which is in heaven has did this. And upon this rock I'll build My Church, and the gates of hell cannot prevail against It.*"

ENTOMBMENT. JEFF. IN 57-0420
34 It is a Divine revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Person of His Being made manifest in the heart, "*Upon this rock I'll build My Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*" It works perfect with Matthew 24--5:24--or St. John 5:24, "*He that heareth My Words, and believeth on Him that sent Me, has Everlasting Life; and shall never come into condemnation, but has passed from death unto Life.*" Not because you had any move, any emotion; but because you have been the privilege of having Christ revealed to you from heaven, "*Upon this rock I'll build My Church.*"

ENTOMBMENT. JEFF. IN 57-0420
122 I wonder tonight now, quickly, those who would like to accept Christ as personal Saviour, say, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner. I want to come by the shed Blood. I'm tired of joining churches and running from place to place. I want to be borned again. I want an experience in my heart that I know that Christ has revealed Hissself to me by the spiritual revelation that you just spoke of, Brother Branham. I want the spiritual revelation, the Holy Spirit in my heart, making me alive, bringing Christ more real to me than I am to myself. I desire that experience, Brother Branham. Will you pray for me as I raise my hand?"

18. New birth is different from the Baptism of Holy Ghost.

Q. & A. HEBREWS. PART 2. JEFF. IN 57-1002
270-370 Now, the question is... Let's answer it just one by one; there's three questions.
By one Spirit we are all baptized into the body of Christ.

That's correct, I Corinthians 12 would give the answer to that. All right.

At that time we receive the new birth, this takes place? Is that when?

That's what they want to know. Yes. "*By one Spirit...*" No. No. By one Spirit we're all baptized into one body. See, that isn't when the new birth begins; the new birth begins when you believe on the Lord Jesus.

Now, see, there's not a--there's not one thing... Now, listen. What can you do besides believe? What more can you do? What can you do about it any more than just believe it? Tell me one thing you could do. There's not one thing that you can

do outside of believe it. Now, if anything comes outside of your believing, it isn't an act of your own; it's a act of God. Therefore...

Now, if we'd say that when you--the... A lot of times I've seen, many times, people accepting "initial evidence of speaking in tongues" as the Holy Ghost, and sometimes shake the people, or beat them and pat them, saying, "Say it. Say it. Say it. Say it." You know, repeat a word over and over, "Say it. Say it. Say it." See, it's something you're doing yourself. And--and--and it don't... It doesn't... It--it's nothing. You might get a confusion of tongues. You might get a--a lot of things and sensations. But if anything comes outside of your own personal faith, it has to be a Divine gift of God given to you. See?

"*And by one Spirit we're all baptized into one body.*" That's correct. See? The baptism of the Holy Ghost is a different act from the new birth. One is a birth; one is a baptism. One brings you Eternal Life; the other one gives you power. It gives power into Eternal Life (See?) to operate. Now, you got it? Okay, all right.

19. Four beasts of Revelations. [Revelation 6:1] [Lion, ox, man and eagle.]

EZEKIEL 1:10

As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

Q. & A. HEBREWS. PART 3. JEFF. IN 57-1006

320-683 Now, these four beasts of Revelations, if you notice them, every place... (You Bible readers, and which the man is going to listen to this tape recording...) Those four beasts, they had four faces: one had a face like a man; the other one had a face like an ox; and the other face was like an eagle; and the other face was like a lion. And they never went backwards; they couldn't go backwards.

How many remembers the old book of Revelations when they taught it years ago, when I took about two years here on the Book of Revelation? A lot of the old-timers do.

Look, they could not go backwards, because every way they went they were going forward. If they went this a-way, they was going like a man; if they went this a-way, they was going like a lion; went this a-way, they was going like an eagle; if they went this a-way, they was going like an ox. See, they couldn't go backwards; they were going forward all the time.

Now, those four beasts... Now, to quickly get this, 'cause I don't want to stay too long on this. But the four beasts... The "beast," in Bible represents "power." And you notice these beasts were not out yonder in the lake or in the sea somewhere coming up, but they were at the throne of God, and they were worshipping God. Those "four beasts" means "four powers" that come up out of the earth, and those four powers was the four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John; one don't contradict the other one.

And one of them, the... As the Gospel goes forth as a lion, it's stern, it's bold; the Gospel is brave like a lion, and it's a king like a lion. If it goes towards a man's face, it's cunning and shrewd like a man. If it goes the eagle, it's got the swift wings and the high heights. It... See what I mean? If it goes like the ox, it's the work horse that can pull, the work ox that pull the--the--the burden of the Gospel. The four beasts was the four powers, which were Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, the four Gospels that ring out in the Presence of God. That was...

If you noticed, they had eyes in front and in the back. They--they... Everywhere it went, it reflected. They seen everywhere they were going. And that's the power of the Gospels as it goes out; it can... It's got the shrewdness of a man; it's got the swiftness of an eagle; it's got the--the--the--the power, the pulling power, the burden-bearer like an ox; it's got the--the sternness and the boldness of a lion. See, it's the four Gospels, which are the four powers of the Revelations the 4th chapter. All right, now the next...

20. New Jerusalem. [Revelation 21:1-5]

[Eight day, after millennium, after fullness of time.]

Q. & A. HEBREWS. PART 3. JEFF. IN 57-1006

344-857 And when the thousand years are expired on this earth, then the devil comes up; and the second resurrection comes, the resurrection of the unjust. They gather a great army like the sands of the sea, and they come up to compass the camp of the saints. And when it does, God rains fire and brimstone out of the heaven and destroys them.

And John said, "*I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth was passed away, and there was no more sea. And I, John, saw the holy city, the New Jerusalem, descending from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.*" There you are.

There he said, "The wife... The Lamb and the Bride will be there forever." There'll be a new earth, millions and millions of square miles. Oh, my. The city, the Bible measures out the city of fifteen thousand square miles. It's fifteen thousand miles long, fifteen thousand miles wide, and fifteen thousand miles high. That's exactly the description the Bible gives of the City. No wonder there's no more sea, there wasn't no place for it.

Oh, there'll be such beauty. And in there, there's a fountain right at the throne of God, that flows before the throne. There's a tree on either side of the tree--of the river of Life. And in this tree dwells prayer--twelve manner of fruit, and yields its fruit every month.

345-861 There's the twenty and four elders. There's your Bride. There's the forty and four thousand, the temple eunuchs. Oh, brother, we're going somewhere. Things lay ahead for us. The four... The twenty and four elders, the hundred and forty-four thousand eunuchs, the Bride setting with Christ, my, you talk... My home, sweet home... Amen.

PHILADELPHIAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN 60-1210

260 And over in the New Jerusalem, how that the kings of the earth even bring their glory into the city there. Oh, it's wonderful. Let... If you want to take that... See, just like shine like stars, crowns. And Daniel 12:3 gives a great, big description of it, if you'd like to write it down. Maybe we'd have time just for a few minutes to get it. Let's get Daniel, what he says here in 12th chapter of Daniel. All right. Let's start at the 1st, at the 12th chapter:

And at that time shall Michael... (See? Oh, you know Who that is.)... shall stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble,... (What is it? Right after this: tribulation.)... such as never was since there was a nation even till that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that is found written in the book.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, and some to everlasting life... (the crown)... and some to shame and everlasting contemptment.

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness shall as the stars for ever and ever.

Oh, brother, there's your crown, that glorious crown of Eternal Life: a crown of Eternal Life.

(...) (continues)

PHILADELPHIAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN 60-1210

277 ... a pillar in the temple of my God,... and I will write upon him the name of my God,...

Now, what's the Name of God? Jesus. If you want to jot this down (We're getting a little late.), "Jesus." Ephesians 3:15 said in heaven and earth all's named Jesus. You see? All right. All right. Now. All right.

... and the name of the city of my God, which is the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from my God: I'll put on him... (Oh, you can see it's all the same Name, if you'd already caught it. See, see?)... I'll put on him the name of the city of my God,...

"The City," He goes ahead and say, "*which is the New Jerusalem (See?), the New Jerusalem. I'll put on him the New Jerusalem.*" Now, the Bride, or the church, is the New Jerusalem. How many knows that? The church itself is the New Jerusalem. You believe that?

Let's just prove it. Revelations 21, I think it is that we want. All right, let's look back here so we can show. The Bible said, "Prove all things." See? Now, Revelations 21. Oh, listen to this right... Just listen to this, if you want to see what this new City of His (God's Name) is.

And I saw a new heavens and a new earth: for the first heaven and... first earth was passed away; and there was no more sea.

And I John saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

The new--new church is the Gentile church, the Bride. The Bride is a Gentile, and the Gentile has His Name. He took a people out of the Gentiles for His Name's sake. You believe that?

If you don't believe it, turn to Acts 15:14 and find out. Acts 15:14, if you want to turn over to it just a second, and we'll... Then you'll... Acts the 15th chapter and the 14th verse, I believe we'll find it. Then we're just about ready to close. Acts 15 and the 14th verse...

And after that they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men and brethren, hearken unto me:

Simeon has declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name. (All right, there She is. Oh.)

21. Brother Branham's brother Howard Branham dies.

22. Altar of Fire. [Ezekiel 1:26-29] [Appeared in California; during November 1957.]

BE NOT AFRAID IT IS I. LAKEPORT, CA 60-0720

E-5 (...) Looking at this platform, to some of my friends that's here, one of the deacons of our church, or trustees, rather, Brother Sothmann and them... That picture that was taken, was taken right here at this platform the last time I was there. How many's ever seen it? You mean not--only just a few, just the people right from home. Oh, it's one of the outstanding ones. The same Angel of the Lord that's been taken all over Germany and everywhere, was taken standing right here at this pulpit. And I happened to notice these flowers here. There was something like it setting in front here. And the man taking the picture from this side, and there It was just as perfect, our Lord as It could be.

THE MESSIAH. SHREVEPORT, LA 61-0117

E-74 I was preaching the other night on them four living creatures, trying to... And they were--they were not beasts, because the words in... They're living creatures. In Hebrew--in Revelations, 4th chapter, the--the word translated is "zoon: z-o-o-n" which means "living creatures." In Revelation 11 and Revelation 17 that's another name altogether, and it means--it means a "wild untamed beast." But this was living creatures.

What they were, they were cherubims, like was at the gate guarding the holy place. We see them in Ezekiel the 1st chapter, when the amber Light of God, and the rainbow was there, and the glory of God. Which we got a picture of It, the same way that they saw It there. We had a picture taken of It. And there It was, right in the building. Taken a picture of the Light (right), just exactly the way Ezekiel saw It. Ezekiel 1:26 to 28 shows you the picture of It, just like he saw the glory of God.

REVELATION. CHAPTER 4. PART 2.24. ELDERS. JEFF. IN ROJC 61-0101

151 Now, "*He was to look upon as jasper and sardius stone.*" Let's turn back. I get... We got a little time, haven't we? We got about forty minutes yet. Let's notice; let's turn back to Ezekiel 1. Go back in the Bible to the Old Testament, unto Ezekiel, and let's read here where Ezekiel saw Him too, and compare these Scriptures now and see where we're at. Ezekiel the 1st chapter, all right, now let's read for a moment. I'm going to read the first five verses, and then we're going to read, I've got marked out here, from the 26th to 28. But let's read the first verses now of the 1st chapter of Ezekiel the prophet. All right.

And it came to pass in the thirtieth year, and in the fourth month, in the fifth day of the month,... I was among the captives--among the captives by the river of Chebar,... (Is that right, Chebar? C-h-e-b-b-r, Chebar)... and the heavens were opened, and I saw a vision of God.

And ... (Now, watch.)... in the fifth day of the month, which is the month that king Jehoiachin's captive,

The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of... Chaldeans by the river of Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was... upon him.

And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north,...

152 Watch this prophet here, five hundred and ninety-five years before the coming of Christ; see how his vision compares with John's.

... a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud,... a fire unfolding itself, and the brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof was the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had a likeness of... man.

Notice the color of the Spirit of God which was above the likeness of these four Creatures, was amber. Amber is yellowish green. Now, watch: yellowish green, amber... Oh, He's the same yesterday... He revealed Himself to Ezekiel in the midst of Ezekiel's vision. This Light that he saw coming above the four living Creatures was yellowish green. When He come to John, He appeared in the emerald which is also yellowish green. He comes now to the revelator in yellowish green. He comes to us in yellowish green, the Light. Walk in the Light; He is the Light.

Let's go to the 26th verse now, so we can read to the 28th. The 26th verse, "*And above the...*" Oh, when you get home, I want you to mark that and read every bit of it. Save time...

And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of stone, as the appearance of sardine stone: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness of the appearance of a man above... it. (That was the Son of man. See? Christ.)

Now, watch how He was--how He was arrayed here.

And I saw as the colors of amber,... (Watch, around this Son of man.)... *as the appearance of a fire around about within it,... about within it, in it, from the appearance of his loins...*

Listen. Be spiritual; be understanding, and in your own hearts here, I adjure you in Jesus' Name, keep this to yourself. But just remember how blessed. "I..." Let's start again in the 27th verse. Listen, everyone. Be real understanding now.

And I saw as the colour of amber... (That's yellowish green.)... *as the appearance of fire around about... it,...* (fire around the amberish green),... *now from the appearance of his loins even upward,...* (from his loins upward)... *and from the appearance of his loins... downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had the brightness around about.* (fire all around)

As the appearance of a bow and the color in the days of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness around about. This was the appearance and the likeness and the glory of the LORD. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

158 Watch. Are you ready? Listen. Keep this now, just remember, to let you know. (Gene, you can hold this tape.) Listen. (No, I don't have to hold it there; that's all right.) I mean just keep the tape; permit this to the church. Notice this. Now, that you might know that the color of the Light that's with the Lord, and the Lord's Light that follows the Lord, and

this is the Lord, is amber, yellowish green. That's the same color of the Light that's with us today, as the scientists has took Its picture: yellowish green, amber.

When a little boy, and I seen It for my first time, you remember, the old-timers here. I always told you before the actual picture was taken, "It was yellowish green, which is amber." Now, to let you know that the Spirit of the Lord...

He said, when he seen it from the loins of the living Creature that stood in his Presence, "*From his loins upward was like fire, a Light from his loins downward was covered with Light. And all around was many colors like unto a rainbow.*" Is that right?

I want you to remember, God still exists in the same colors, "*from the loins upward, fire, amber color,*" shot with a movie camera or with a color camera, "amber from the loins up, from the loins down, and all around, many colors like is in the rainbow in the sky after a rain": Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever. The Holy Spirit's still in His power, still in His church in this last day. There you are. Not me, I was just standing there, but it was a picture that was taken. I want you to look at that, just exactly what Ezekiel saw: same colors, the same way, and acted the same way, and flushed the same way, of the living Creatures. What is it? The living Creatures represent the living church, the church that's a living by the power and the resurrection of Christ. Them same amber colors has covered it from the loins upward, from the loins downward.

162 There's no more guessing; science has took the picture. Look at their colors; just look at the colors of fire in there (See?), the rainbow. Look at this yellowish-emerald color. Now, on this camera, it was just a straight photographer's camera. On this camera was color, colored pictures, Kodachrome color. Look at the emerald color in there. If I could get it over a light somewhere where you could see it in the back. Can you see now? "Like unto a rainbow," look at the streaks coming back and forth like the rainbow, every one a different color. We're going to get into that in a few minutes, what are those colors and what do they reflect?

Oh, that just makes my poor heart jump for joy. And to know that in this day that we're living, that Christ... When all other grounds is sinking sands, all other ground... I think, "Why can't I tell that? Why can't I make the world see it?" The world wasn't meant to see it. The world won't see it; they never will see it. But the church is receiving the mightiest shaking it ever had.

23. Joan of Arc, Saint Patrick and Saint Francis not Catholic.

I STAND AT THE DOOR AND KNOCK. JEFF. IN 57-1208

E-33 Saint Patrick hated the Catholic church and protested it. But after he was dead, they canonized him a saint. They never knew he was a saint till he was dead and gone.

They never knew that Saint Francis of Assisi was a saint. He protested the Catholic church. He was a walking preacher with a Bible under his arm. Went down to the river to preach and little starlings a hollering, he said, "Little sisters, hold your peace. I'm preaching the Word of God." And they shut up. But they didn't know that till he was dead a long time.

Joan of Arc, who saved France, the girl was a saint. She was spiritual. She saw visions. She was a spiritual woman. She heard Angels speaking to her. She heard the Voice of God. She saw a vision. What did they say? "She's a witch." And the Catholic church drove a stake down and drove her to it and burn her, them priests did, and her screaming for mercy.

Two hundred years later they realized she was a saint. So they done a lot of repentance. They dug up those priests' body who burnt her and throwed them in the river. That's a lot of repentance, of course. But they didn't know her until she had come and gone. Jesus said they could not believe, because Isaiah said they got eyes and can't see, ears and they can't hear.

24. Comments on movie the "Ten Commandments".

Q & A. ON THE HOLY GHOST. JEFF. IN 59-1219

420-56 Did anybody in here ever see Cecil DeMille's "Ten Commandments"? Did you notice when the commandments was being written? How he caught it, I didn't know. There was two or three things that I seen in it that I really liked. First thing is that emerald light, that's exactly what It looks like. See? Another thing was when the commandment was written, and after it was over, did you notice flying away from that big Pillar of Fire, there was little licks of fire flying away? Did you notice that? Now, that's what I think this was at Pentecost. There appeared unto them, so they could see It. It didn't say, "There fell in them." But there appeared unto them licks (we'll call it), tongues, like tongue like this tongue here [Brother Branham demonstrates--Ed.], shape of the tongue, lick of fire. Now, ear--as I said, ear is ear; finger is finger. Finger don't mean you felt it; it mean it looked like a finger. And if it was a ear, it didn't mean they heard it; it looked like an ear. This was fire that looked like a tongue, not someone speaking, a fire that looked like a tongue.

THIRD EXODUS. JEFF. IN 63-0630M

35-2 Did you see Cecil DeMille's "Ten Commandments"? I guess many of you did. I don't believe in going to picture shows, all this stuff, but I recommend it to the church that anybody that... If they didn't have nothing but that, that wanted to see it. It would be all right if they wanted to see it, because I would not let... First, some of my brethren went; they

come telling me. I hadn't been around one for many years; finally, I went down here, when it was at this drive-in; I looked at it. And I seen what it was, and then I said to the church, "If you want to go to see that, it's all right."

1958

1. Change in gift of discernment so as not to make Brother Branham tired.

[This first happened during a meeting in January of 1958 in Chicago.]

NEW MINISTRY WILLIAM BRANHAM. LOS ANGELES, CA 59-0406

E-18 And that night, when I come in, where I called, that woman was about the fourth person in line. Nobody knowed about it yet. And each time, when people comes, and I say to them, "I've never seen you before, have we?" Just find out. When I seen her come to the platform... That's been four years since the vision. But a very attractive little lady, packing the baby, and I thought, "I--I... Seem like I ought to know that lady." And she walked closer to me; she was packing the little one. And I said, "How do you do."

And she said, "Howdy do."

And the vision broke. And I said, "Your name is So-and-something," ever what it was. And said, "Your pastor has advised you to bring the baby, because it's dying."

She said, "That is right, sir."

And I said, "The baby is six months old and weighs three pounds."

She said, "That's right."

And I said, "What you put in the baby, can force into it, it doesn't stay in the baby. And the doctors can't find out what it is."

She said, "That is right, sir."

And I seen the little baby laughing, and jumping, and playing, a little child. I said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, the Lord has healed your baby."

E-19 She broke down to weeping. I thought there's something strange about that woman. And the Holy Spirit spoke to me and said, "Don't you remember her? the brown coat?" Oh, there it was. The change of ministry, right there.

ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIFE. CHICAGO, IL 59-0612

E-42 No, it's in my other Bible. When the Lord gave me a vision and said the change will be when a woman will come to the platform, how she'd be dressed, and would have a little baby that was incurable, wrapped in a little blanket, and the baby would be healed. She'd be wearing a coat suit, and how she'd look, and all like that. And that would be the time that my ministry would change. How many's ever heard me say that? 'Course, for years. How many knows when it happened? Right down here in the Armory, when I was here the last time.

Walking across the floor, my wife, my daughter-in-law, and even Billy, and they were all there. And I seen this little woman a coming. I had a prayer line moving. And this little lady come, and I thought, "Well, I--I don't believe I... There's somewhere I've knowed that woman, but I can't quite place her." See, it'd been so long, five or six years. Though it lingers, yet, it will speak in its day.

Let's see, is the five over there, Billy? Billy? Is the five there? 1 to 5? 6, 7, 8, 9, 10... 5--5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. All right.

And so, I looked around to find Billy. He wasn't on the platform. I looked for my wife. And her and Loyce, my daughter-in-law, they were looking some other way. And I seen what it was, it was the little woman. She had the baby. And she brought the baby up, prayed, and the Lord Jesus healed her, made her well--made the baby well. And Rosella, where you at? She was here to witness about the little baby. And so...

Here's how the story started. I went down to pray for the li--for the children that had been hurt in this Catholic school that burned. You remember the case? And remember, the Full Gospel Businessmen had a--a meeting there to offer prayer for the sick, and the sisters and them was in the hospitals.

And this little lady had went to her pastor. Rosella, am I right? Was that the Swedish Covenant church, or something she belonged to. And the doctors here in the city many of them, had give the little baby up. He couldn't live. And her pastor said, "Go see Brother Branham; God will hear his prayer." Now, if that man is present, God bless you, brother, for that, 'cause you did something for that lady. And so, the... If I'm telling the story right, you follow me. And so they... That night when the...

That afternoon, I just made a congregational prayer for the little sick fellows in the hospital and the sisters that was hurt, and I left. And the little lady was crying, because she had to go home. The father was baby-setting with one or two more children. And so, the... I believe Rosella seen her crying, or something. And they said, "Well, why don't Brother Branham..."

She said, "I brought the baby. The... My pastor told me to come have Brother Branham pray for it." And said, "The doctors has give it up." Said, "But he never prayed for the sick."

And she said, "That'll be tonight. That was for the school, today."

And so she said, "But I can't stay."

E-46 And I believe one of the ushers held the baby, or something, while she went and made a call to her husband. Her husband sweetly said, "Well, go ahead, honey, stay."

So Rosella said, "Now, I tell you. Usually, Brother Branham's son, Billy Paul, gives out the cards." Said, "You stand there at the door, and he will tell you were to go." And said, "You tell him you want a card." So Rosella helped her, and Billy gave her a card.

And that night... I don't think she was in the discernment line, she was just coming down along the line. But however, I... When she come in, I seen the little baby, and I thought, "Wait a minute: Dress like that? I know that baby."

Brother Gene Goad, setting here, up in New Hampshire last spring, there was a lady come on the platform packing a baby. Now, he said, "Brother Branham, wasn't that that lady?"

I said, "No, that wasn't her." We'd been looking for about four or five years for her. And I said, "That wasn't her." I said, "Because this woman was a... It had... It was blond headed, and she was tall, and dressed different, the baby was older." And this was a little bitty baby, real, real sick.

And so, when the lady come up, the Holy Spirit begin to move, and said that the--the doctors had give the baby up, begin to tell all the history of the baby, as He usually does, and told her that her little baby couldn't eat anything. Every time it would eat, I believe (Is that right?), it would throw it up. And it was so many months old, and only weighed just two or three pounds, or something. And if it did stay in the stomach, it went right through it as a dysentery. And they... It was in a terrible shape. But the Holy Spirit spoke out, THUS SAITH THE LORD, the baby's healed.

And I looked to see where Billy was; I couldn't see him to make him understand. So I said, "I'll just wait and see how blind they are, if they was as blind as I was." So went on.

And after we started home that night, got in the car. My sis--my daughter-in-law said, "Did you notice that sweet little baby on the platform?" She said, "It was the cutest little thing. And so sick."

Wife said, "I noticed that baby."

And I thought, "Now, they'll name it." I let it go on. They never named it.

Next day, we was going home, and I couldn't get out of Chicago till noon. My car froze up, and I had to get it thawed out. And it was about noon fore I got to leave. And going down the road, the wife said, "Billy, did you notice that little baby last night? Wasn't that the sweetest little thing?"

I said, "Yes, it was." and just went on. And she's kept passing by it again. I said, "Honey, did you know anything, any special about that baby and mother?"

Said, "No, I don't think so."

I said, "You remember about five years ago, a little woman to be dressed with a coat suit on."

She said, "That was it?"

I said, "Just exactly. That was it." And my daughter-in-law and son, later we caught up with them and went in to have our--our night's supper; we call it. And so, we went in to have our supper. And the--and Loyce named about the baby again. And I mentioned to her.

And Billy said, "That was right, daddy. That was that baby, wasn't it."

"Yes."

E-50 And from that, the thing's changed. Everybody... I can bring here, haul them up and pray for them. That doesn't matter. And every one... Sometime along the line, the Holy Spirit will stop me, and say, "Talk to this one." And then usually, if I've had discernment on one, I couldn't have no more. Every time I met a person, it'd be the same thing. But now it isn't. See? I can have, maybe, go along, and something has to be, I see somebody look like they're going to need it, the Holy Spirit will sometimes talk, stop, speak to them. Then maybe It'll leave me completely. And maybe It'll go way on down somewhere else, maybe somebody else, maybe discouraged or something; It'll stop, tell them. Then completely leave me.

And I rest up between those times (You see?), so I can make an altar call. Oh, it's--it's way different than it used to be. That way, I can pray for every one of them, every person. And my meeting has been revolutionized, because the thing the people here thought, "There's not enough gets prayed for." Well, I couldn't help it. When I'd have discernment for one, He'd bounce right to another, and then I just couldn't come away from It. But now It does. It just leaves me, and goes on (You see?), 'cause God takes a notion to say something. Oh, that's much better.

2. Going home of Brother Bosworth. [January 1958]

WHO IS THIS. JEFF. IN 59-0510E

E-18 And what caused me to say that, I was speaking of Brother Bosworth. When I went to see that old saint, when we heard he was dying, eighty-something years old... The wife and I going down to--there to see him before he died, I just had to say something to him. I like to watch saints when they're entering glory. And I had to see him. And we burnt the tires off of the car.

But when I got there and rushed into the door, in the little corner laid that old patriarch. He raised his head up when he seen me coming, his old feeble arms hung out with the flesh hanging down, and he reached his arms for me. And I grabbed him around the neck and screamed, "My Father, my Father, the chariots of Israel and the horsemen thereof." For he was a sainted godly man.

And I said, "Brother Bosworth, I want to ask you something. Do you believe that you'll get well?"

He said, "Why, I'm not even sick."

I said, "Well, what's the matter?"

He said, "I'm going home." He said, "I'm tired, and I'm wore out; and I just want to go home."

I said, "Then you realize you're dying?" I said, "I want to ask you something. Back down through the seventy-some-odd years of ministry, what has been your most glorious minute? Could you speak to me, sir, and tell me what experience you had down along the line that you could count your greatest hour?"

E-19 If I shall live to see his age, I'd never forget, as those dark eyes caught me over the top of those glasses. He said, "My dear brother, this is the greatest moment of my life. I can't think of any time that was any more glorious than right now."

I looked him in the face, and I said, "Sir, do you still know that you're dying?"

He said, "Brother Branham, I'm laying here waiting every minute for Him to open that door and come take me home with Him."

That's the way to die. That's the way to go. And as you know, that about two hours before he died, he was--been laying in a coma for over two days. And when he come to himself, he raised up in the room, and begin to speak to his wife. Then all of a sudden, he seemed to be transparent. And he was--shook hands for a solid hour or more, with friends who's been dead for forty or fifty years, who was his converts in his church, shook hands with his mother and with his daddy until he was--life was left his body. Laid down on the pillow and went to sleep in the arms of the Lord Jesus. There's nothing like serving Him, expecting Him.

And as I talked to this man about this, and told that experience, I said this; I said, "Sir, oh, won't it be glorious when we see Him? Oh, if He would come today."

He said, "Brother Branham, don't scare the people like that."

I said, "What do you mean?"

He said, "Oh, don't try to tell people that the world's coming, or Christ is coming. It wearies them."

"Oh," I said, "no, I beg your pardon. To those who are looking for Him, it's the most glorious news that they could hear, that Jesus is just about to break through and to take His Church."

Old age will be changed for you. Joy will be given in the stead of gloom. Life will be given in the stead of death. Immortality for morality will be exchanged. Oh, what a moment to know that He shall come.

WHAT WENT YE OUT TO SEE. UTICA, IN 59-1001

E-5 I just heard the testimony Brother Graham give about Brother Busty. That's Brother Roger, Sister Creech's father. He's operated a few days ago, and they found cancer, and they just sewed him up. So let's continually pray for him.

But one of the sweetest things. Brother Creech had called me to go and to see him, and I didn't know he was in the hospital. And when I went in the room, he said, "Brother Bill," he said, "I've often heard you all speak about laying hands on somebody."

And I said, "Yes, Busty." I called him Busty; it's a nickname that... Really his name is Everett. And I said, "Yes."

He said, "I just know why I come in here." He said, "He's been with me ever since I come in." He said, "And Something laid Its hands on me awhile ago." And over in the corner, he saw a rainbow. Right then you'd know that Something's moving up close to the hour.

But the grace of God to that... I'm not saying this because it's Sister Creech's father, but he's a fine man. I think I baptized him years ago into the Name of the Lord Jesus. But he never did become that real consecrated borned again experience that we like to see, Brother Graham. But that's when it happened, there in the hospital. He's a changed man. The grace of God Who--Who ordained him to Eternal Life gave a rainbow, and a rainbow's a covenant, keeping His covenant with him. And he's ready to go. So happy for that. He's a veteran of the First World War.

And awhile ago, or this morning, rather, I was called to an old friend. I didn't... had a hard time finding her. Many of you remember Mrs. Morse downtown. Brother Ruddell just visit there awhile ago. And she's been unconscious for several days, and she's just calling all the time. And when I got in there, she's called my name when I went in. Said, "Billy's a good boy." Said, "He had a hard time." Said, "I--I wanted to see him before I go." And she'd wait just a minute and say, "I... Have you ever seen him yet? I--I want to see Billy." In a few minutes, she spoke to her husband that was gone on, oh, forty, fifty years ago. Talked to him, and begin to talk to her loved ones. You know what that means, that it's just near the gate.

And isn't that strange? Even blind as she can be; she's in a world of darkness. She's ninety years old, right at ninety, about eighty-nine and something. And now, yet, her eyes is so close to the other side, till she can see the--the objects on

the other side, and can't see them on this side. Did you ever think of that, watch a loved one when they come down to the end of the road, watch them.

Old Brother Bosworth, an old associate of mine. I rushed down to Florida to see him, Meda and I, about two years ago when he was dying, nearly ni... eighty something, eighty-four I believe. He'd just come from Africa with me on a meeting. There laid this godly old man in a little corner. I walked in. I... Them little old arms reached out for me, an old veteran of about seventy years of preaching. And I got him in my arms like that and I screamed, "My Father, my Father, the chariots of Israel, and the horsemen thereof." And I set down on the side of the bed with him, put his head over on my shoulder, and I.

He come and was patting me, and he said, "Son," said, "don't fail. Hit them fields quickly, 'cause we haven't got much time."

I said, "You realize you're going?"

Said, "Yes, I'm going. Just pretty soon." And he said, "I want to tell you something, Brother Branham. This is the happiest time of all my life."

And I said, "Why would you say that, Brother Bosworth, and you--you're dying."

"Why," he said, "any minute, I'm looking for Him to come in the door to get me, the One that I've loved all these years."

I... We left him, wife and I. And then when we went back... About a hour or two before he died, he was sleeping. And he woke up, looked in the room; he said, "Dad." Raised up in his strength and shook hands with his daddy, with his mother. He said, "Here's Brother John. He was converted in my meeting fifty years ago. Here's So-and-so." Shook hands with his converts that had been gone for years and years.

E-9 What happens then, friends? I think that we don't realize just what this is all about. Sometimes I wonder, even if when we come to meeting to worship, if we haven't got the... kind of a wrong impression, to think that we come merely to meet together as... That's good. It has its purpose. Or to rejoice and have a good time, that has its purpose. But we're in a preparation. We're preparing for something.

And I've said this several times, that might be good to make it again. As I begin to get older, and begin to see that my days is shortening, I begin to think of this life in a way, Brother Graham, like it was--it was a nightmare I been having. Many of us here has dreamed, and got in a serious dream. You try to fight yourself. Many of you's done that. I've done it many a time, trying to wake yourself up. Somehow you know that you are asleep.

And I feel that's about like life is. Just about time we think we're straightened out and everything's going to be fine, then something comes along and knocks it out again. Now, all you people that's up, especially around my age, know that: trials and battles of life. So sometimes I try to wake myself up. "O Lord..." And one of these mornings, or one of these evenings, or sometime, I'll wake up; I'll be in His Presence; and all trials and sorrows will be over. I hope that is to be true. I hope that someday I can wake to be like Him. That's my heart's desire is to wake in His likeness, to see Him, and to... as Paul said.

Now, there's one thing that I want to make sure of while I can in my right mind. I want to make sure that I know Him in the power of His resurrection. No matter what else takes place, if I die a pauper and they bury me in the potter's field, or my grave shall be in the bottom of the river or the sea. Wherever it may be, I want to know one thing: I want to know Him. That's all that counts now. That's right. To know Him in the power of His resurrection...

3. Unclean spirit leaves. [Luke 11:24-26]

MATTHEW 12:43-45

When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.

Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished.

Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.

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8-2 But today as Billy Graham, our beloved brother, as he's having the people to dump themselves out with sin, he hasn't got the message of filling-up again. That's what's the matter. You are dumped out. But let me humbly speak to you as your brother. The Bible said, "When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walks in dry places." In other words, he's going around everywhere trying to find rest. A spirit is not very bad until he can find somebody that he can talk to or live through.

Just recently I could feel the spirit in the meeting. And you all who are sending your letters in as an apology of the first night or two to believed that it was some kind of a mental setup, and now you're convinced, sure, I forgive you. God does too, and the Lord bless you. Certainly.

Now, when the meeting going on, a evil spirit in the meeting, that spirit is almost harmless until it can catch somebody that it can work through. Then when it can work through, it'll certainly do damage, because it is a evil spirit. And the Holy Spirit is here, trying to find somebody to work through, and when It finds somebody to work through, It can do good.

See, the two spirits, their motives, objectives? Watch how it is. Watch their works. Watch their fruits. Then you can see what spirit is on you.

8-6 You are motivated by spirit. If you have no spirit, you're dead. And if you have a spirit, it motivates your life. And if your life bears the fruit of a Christian, it's a Christian Spirit.

Now, you may be filled. Now, watch this evil spirit. When he goes out, he walks in dry places hunting a place to find rest. The Bible said he could not find it. So he says, "I will return back to where I come out of." He goes back to this person that he was once in, and he finds the house all swept, cleaned up, sanctified, all condemnation gone, oh, just a real happy believer. But it's empty, and he said, "Come here," seven other spirits, worse than he was... Will you please try to get this. The Bible said that's the truth, Jesus said it's the truth. And he comes back to this house.

A man who has confessed Christ to be his Saviour, has got rid of his wickedness, has quit his drinking, quit his smoking, his lying, his stealing, he has become sanctified, cleaned out. His house is all swept; He feels free. So he comes back, and he finds that house. Then he goes and gets seven other spirits worse than he was and comes into this person. And the Bible said that the last estate of a man is seven times worse than it was at the beginning.

Now, what just happened? A re--evangelist comes through. They preach repentance, and you clean up from your sins. And then when you're cleaned up, the devil goes away from you. You take your things back that you've stole. You go, confess your wrongs to your wife or your husband. You're really cleaned up. And then the thing of it is, you're just clean and make a real good target for the devil.

Now, after the people believed and was baptized, they were filled with the Holy Ghost. And that's God's Divine program. Now, if you are filled with the world... And when you get saved, you might be filled with good thoughts and so forth, but unless you are filled with God... God sent the Holy Spirit to the earth to motivate the church. And you might be filled with thoughts. You might be filled with theology. And you might be filled with education, a know it all. And you might be filled with religion, and still be a target of the devil. That's right.

Now, when God made you so you could empty... For when you was born, you was made with a place to be filled. By nature you're a child of the devil. And when you... Evangelist comes along, and you repent and get cleaned up, you see what the devil comes? He brings back to you, and sets you in some little denomination, and say, "Our church is the biggest one." You're wrong, right there to start with. Then you get heady, high-minded, "Why, it don't condemn me to stay home and watch television. It doesn't condemn me to smoke a little friendly cigarette or take a drink once in a while." Your fruits tells what you are.

10-1 And then you'll hear some clergyman get up... And you might be reading a Bible, and you see where Jesus performed and done miracles. You take it to the pastor. "Oh," he'll say, "now look. We don't believe that." Who's we? Who is the, "We don't believe it?" Him and who? It isn't him and God, for God wrote it. It's him and somebody else.

And if you'll get behind it, it's the same motive that was at the tower of Babel: to build a manmade earthly dominion. But God don't want that. He don't want you all united under the Methodists, under the Baptists, or under the--any ecclesiastical church head. He don't want you all united under Rome. He don't want you all united under the--a--any--a church dominion. He wants you united under His Spiritual Kingdom, the Holy Spirit. And when the Holy Spirit comes, the world becomes dead, and you're filled with the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

And the devil is a person that has to stay away from you. You're under God's domain. You are a new creature. The Holy Spirit come into that empty place and filled it up.

4. Rapture of Bride before tribulation.

GREAT COMING REVIVAL. CHICAGO, IL 54-0718A

E-20 Now, as I've just said that the antediluvian destruction, Noah was the sign. And Noah had a sign to start on. When he seen Enoch was taken up, Enoch was taken up, then Noah--was time Noah to start, for he knew that that would be the sign of his beginning and then the end would be near.

And Enoch, of course, was the--a type of the raptured group of the church. And Noah is a type of the carried over or the elect of the Jews that will be carried through the tribulation period. And we're now living in that day.

MIGHTY CONQUEROR. CHICAGO, IL 58-0110

E-5 It has been our privilege in the last few services to speak on the oncoming judgments, and also on the rapture of the Church just before the tribulation period. And I solemnly believe with all my heart that the rapture will take place before the tribulation.

Now, there may be many teachers that disagree with that idea or with that teaching. But I have no education, and I just study the Bible from types. And the types are shadows. And if we can see what the shadow of anything is, then we will have a general conception of what the positive looks like.

And we notice that before the flood, not one drop of water had ever fallen, until Noah and all that would be saved from the flood, was inside the ark and the doors closed. And we see that before one lump of fire could fall from the heavens on Sodom and Gomorrah, that Lot had to leave the city and be altogether out of the way of the judgment.

For the righteous Judge could not judge the just with the unjust, because the believer has already been judged when Christ was judged in his place. Therefore, it would be unjust for the holy God to judge them again, after He's already accepted our judgment in Christ.

5. Rushing mighty wind as on Day of Pentecost.

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23-2 Ask how things are foretold weeks after weeks, and months after month before they ever happen. Later on in the week, I'll show you what this is. This is your own faith, and that's the reason things can't take place. It's you pulling from the Holy Spirit. The...

Jesus never seen a vision for the woman; it was her faith that touched Him. That's the reason He got weak. It's your faith that does it, not mine. It's you that's a-doing it. And if you can get them spooky feelings away from you and really believe God, this thing will break out into one great big hallelujah revival, and the lame, blind, halt, and everything will take place. But as long as you set cooped-up, how can He do it?

I believe in being conservative, but not only that, that conservative thing gives you a spirit of superstition. Don't tell me. I'm standing here now. I know what I'm speaking of. The Holy Spirit's right in this building right now; will heal everyone of you right where you're setting, if you'll believe it. He's already done it. How many believes that? Do you believe it? All right, I'll see how much you believe.

Bow your heads just a moment. Lay your hand on somebody near you. Now, just get away from every superstition. You're under the dominion of Christ. "Wherever two or three are gathered in My Name, I'll be in their midst."

You might call me a hypocrite, but you'll find out in a minute. I see people right now being healed. That's right, right now. You might not recognize it right now, but if pastors in this building don't see people coming to them, after I'm gone, telling them that stomach troubles and things like that left them, I'm a false witness. That's right. That's right; I see it. I'm watching it now in another world. You believe.

You believe. Surely, if a poor ignorant Hottentot in Africa that doesn't even know which is right or left hand can accept it, what about you who can read the Bible and been taught in Christianity? If that poor fellow has to believe just by one time looking at it ('cause I have got to go somewhere else the next day), and thousands raised out of wheelchairs, and crippled and blind and... What about you? Oh, God, how merciful You are, how long suffering, not willing that any should perish.

Now, set closed in with God. Confess your sins. Confess your unbelief. Tell God you're ashamed of yourself, of your unbelief. I challenge you to do that, and you'll see the glory of God.

I feel anointed right now to do something different than I've ever have done. I've never did this in my life, but I feel led to do it right now.

24-4 Confess your sin, right now. You say, "Well, I'm a Christian." Confess your unbelief. Tell Christ that you'll never disbelieve Him again; right now you're accepting Him; right now it's going to be over; you're never going to complain about it anymore. No matter what it looks like, what it feels like, you're going to believe it, because God said so. God said so.

You've come out of Babylon's tower. You've come out in the valley where the Lily of the Valley is at. You've come to the mountainside, where the grace of God is flowing freely from the Fountain of Life.

Confess your faults, say, "God..." If you've done anything to somebody say, "I'll go back and make it right." Do that now. Now, I want each one of you now, as I say this prayer, I want you to pray it. You say it out loud with me. I'm just going to say it, but you pray it from your heart. With your heads bowed, eyes closed, everybody, don't raise your head till I say so. I'm just looking to see what I can see.

Say this behind me: Almighty God, Creator of heavens and earth, Author of Everlasting Life, Giver of every good gift, be merciful to me, O God. Forgive my unbelief. I believe the Gospel. I believe that You're here. I believe that you're now performing Your Word in my body. Open the channels. I empty out my unbelief. I receive Your Spirit. I believe that You're in me now. I believe my sickness will vanish.

How can death and life exist in my body when You are in there? I believe You, and I accept You now as my Healer.

25-2 Now, keep your head bowed. That's your prayer. That's your prayer. Now, I'm going to pray for you. Keep shut in; keep shut in with God. Don't have nothing else on your mind now. He's right with you, right there by your side. You say, "I want the Holy Ghost, Brother Branham." All right, He's right there to give it. You say, "I want healing in my eyes, Brother Branham." He's right there to give it. "I want my baby healed." He's right there to do it. "I want my brother or my mother..." He's right there to do it, right there, Jehovah-jireh, the provided Sacrifice.

Now, I'm going to pray for you. The Bible said, "The prayer of faith shall save the sick; God shall raise them up." If I found grace in your sight by the working of the Holy Spirit, I'll pray with all my heart right now, that the Holy Spirit will witness to you that the work is finished.

O God, my Father, I come in Jesus' Name to pray for this people, who has now honestly and sincerely have confessed their wrongs. O blessed God, may this be a night that they'll never forget. May the Holy Spirit come into every heart just now, and just move out all, everything and all the sickness from their body.

I now challenge the devil to a debate. Satan, you are aware that you are whipped. You have no legal rights. Jesus Christ, my Lord, stripped you of every authority you had when He died at Calvary to take away sin and sickness. And you're nothing but a bluff and we're calling your bluff. You know that when our Lord came to the tree, He cursed the tree. The next day it was withering. And our Lord said to His disciples, "Have faith in God. For if ye shall say, ye shall say to this mountain, 'Be moved,' don't doubt in your heart, but believe what you have said is coming to pass, you can have what you said."

Satan, you know the Scripture on that. And I just taught this people that God is in them, and if God is in them and they speak to that disease and say, "Be away from me," and don't doubt in their heart; right then that disease has to move, for Christ said so. For it's not them that speaks, it's the Father that dwells in them that's speaking. They're in need so, come out of them in the Name of Jesus Christ. I say as God's servant by a message from an Angel, Who anointed and has prove to the people that Jesus is here, and the message is right. So come out of them in the Name of Jesus Christ. I adjure you to leave every sick person and get into outer darkness in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

[Brother Branham pauses for seven seconds, listening to God speaking back--Ed.]

[ME: I heard roar sound in background on tape.]

26-2 Did you hear that? I'm sure you heard that. How many heard that great roar go through the building just then? That was it. Surely you won't doubt any longer. That was God speaking back. Can't you see?

[Brother Branham pauses for six seconds--Ed.]

Rise. Do you believe you're healed? You believe that God answered prayer? Raise your hands to Him. Thank Him for it. It's over. You're healed. Jesus said, "If ye shall say..." What is it? When you are out from Babylon, you're out from under unbelief; you're out from under superstitions; you're out from under all these things; and you're filled with God's own Life. Your voice is His voice. You are; I spoke it.

In my room awhile ago, God told me to do this and here it is, He's confirmed it right now. Amen. And blessed be the Name of the Lord. Oh, what a time. That's the first time that's happened since South Africa. How long will you grope in unbelief?

(Did you get that?)

The wind swept through this platform here just now, as the Holy Spirit crossed over here, because it was the spoken Word of God that did it. Amen.

How many of you is healed? Raise your hands. How many feel different in your body? Raise your hands. There it is. You are now healed by the glory of God. All that feels different, if you couldn't move your arms, move it. If you couldn't hear out of your ear, stick your finger in your ear and listen; you can hear. If you couldn't walk, stand to your feet. If you're blind, take off your shades from your eyes; you can see. The Holy Spirit passed through this place just now in a confirmation of the Word. Hallelujah. Blessed be the Name of the Lord.

A wind-like went over the building. How many could feel that, when it went through here? Raise your hand. Be honest with yourself. That wind that passed through the building, that's the Holy Spirit. Say it, and it shall be done. Like a great loving wind went, whoosh, right down across through here, and I heard it as it crossed over the audience. You heard it, and felt it too. It's His Presence. All now that feel different, all now that feel that you are healed, all now that feel that Christ is in you...

27-1 What was that? Just like the Holy Spirit come on the day of Pentecost: come right down, the wind just swept over here. How many's a witness of it? Raise your hand. Everyone honest from your heart... There it is. It swept right through the building just then. It's the same Holy Ghost, the same Holy Spirit comes by the same Word. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. Amen.

All that believe that you are healed, stand on your feet. Everyone that believes that you feel different, that--that you're right now healed, stand on your feet. Amen. Amen. That's it. Amen. While they're waiting, as you begin to feel different... If you had a headache, if it's gone, stand up. If you were sick at your stomach, stand up. If it's gone. Stand up as a witness. There you are. What does it do? It's the Holy Ghost that did it. Amen. Filled with His goodness... Oh, my. This is my story, this is my song. Oh, don't you feel good?

...?... *this is my song, (Everybody!)*

Praising my Saviour all the day long;

This is my story, oh, this is my song,

Praising my Saviour all the day long.

Let's sing it again. Everybody pick it up.

This is my story, oh, this is my song, (Everybody!)

Praising my Saviour all the day long;

This is my story, oh, this is my song,

Praising my Saviour all the...

27-3 How does it feel to be healed? Wave your hands to Him, how it feels to be healed. Just look there. Tell me the devil ain't defeated? Certainly, he is. Amen. He's wonderful, Oh, my. Give us a tune to "Wonderful, Wonderful, Jesus Is To Me." How many know that song, "Wonderful, wonderful, Jesus is to me, Counselor, Prince of Peace, mighty God? All right. You know it, sister?

Wonderful, wonderful...

Counselor, Prince of Peace, mighty God is He,

Saving me, keeping me, from all sin and shame.

Wonderful is my Redeemer; praise His Name.

Oh, Wonderful, wonderful, Jesus is to me.

Oh, Counselor, Prince of Peace, mighty God is He,

Oh, saving me, keeping me, from all sin and shame.

Wonderful is my Redeemer; Praise...

For the benefit, if there might be a doubter standing by, which I feel it in my heart now and against my spirit. Someone's thinking that that roar that went through just then was caused by a plane or something. God, Who is my solemn Judge, that Spirit come across this platform, even fanned my coat by my side and roared out over that building, right there. I felt it, seen it as It went out. How many is a witness now? The Bible said, "In the mouth of two or three witnesses..." It's absolutely not... It's the Holy Spirit.

You remember when Jesus was praying one time and there was a roar that came from heaven? How many remember that? And some of them said... oh, something... "It thundered," or something like that. That still--skeptical spirit still lives, but God still lives too. He's right here, the same rushing mighty wind that come down from heaven on the day of Pentecost is right here to witness that same thing again. God Almighty is the Judge of all things. Amen, do you love Him? Praise the Lord. All right, everybody reach over and shake hands with one another while we sing, "Wonderful" again. You Methodists and Baptists make up now. All right.

6. Motive & Objective right. [Matthew 10:19, Mark 13:11]

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. SOUTH BEND, IN 58-0207

E-7 Now, you go to the medical doctor and he will say, "Don't you go over to that surgeon. He's nothing but a--a butcher. He will just cut you to pieces. He's a saw-bone."

And then the--the surgeon will say back to the medical, about the medical doctor, "You don't need sugar pills. You need an operation." Well, then both of them will say, "Don't have nothing to do with that chiropractor." See? It isn't nothing but just physic, your mind.

And the chiropractor will say to the osteopathic, "Your bones need adjusting, not your muscles rubbed." And--and they're all against the preacher. So now--so, there you are. But what I think that the motives and the objectives is not right. See?

If everything's right... It's--it's a money making thing. If everything is right and a man has got his right motive and his right objective to it, I think this, that each of us, and all know that operations does good, medicine does good. Bible said so. And--and you know a chiropractic and osteopathic, many times helps people. We know that. You just... That's a good aid, a help.

So what we should do, would each one of us join hands and hearts together and march forward to do everything we can for our people to make life a little more pleasant, this journey that we're here in anyhow, to help one another, to do all that we can to benefit and to make life more pleasant for each person that's traveling this journey.

It's to this end that I'm here, to try to--to do that, to join hands with your doctor, with your chiropractor, with your surgeon, with your pastor, with your neighbor, and--and all to try to make life just a little better.

HEAR YE HIM. SOUTH BEND, IN 58-0209A

E-46 Now, it's all right to shoot a fawn; if the law says you can shoot a fawn, that's all right. It's all right to kill a calf. Abraham killed one and fed it to God. That's exactly right. It's all right, but not to kill a whole bunch of them just to be mean. It's your attitude; it's your objective and your motive again. That's where the church stands today on that. If your objective and motives is right towards God, the love of God will stream down like a fountain. That's right.

But not because, "It's my church. I want to see it my town, I want to see it my..." That isn't it. "Oh, love of God, come into my heart." There's when He comes.

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. MIDDLETOWN, OH 58-0323

E-36 (...) Now, do not listen with any selfish motive. Let your objective be right. Let your motive be right. For anything outside of the right motive and the right objection, God can't use it. Jesus said once, "If you say to this tree--if you say to

it--to this mountain rather, 'Be moved,' and don't doubt, but believe that what you've said is being done, you can have what you said." What could move a mountain?

Here He told a mortal man, "Say to the mountain and believe that it's being done." Only Deity can move a mountain. Only God can do it. Then if He told a man could--could do it, it would have to be God speaking through the man. And the only way a man could know it was God, would be the right objective, or, and the right motive.

If your objective is right and your motive is right, then it's not you speaking anymore. It's the Father that dwelleth in you. "Take no thought what ye shall say in that hour; for it's not ye that speaks; it's My Father that dwelleth in you. He doeth the speaking."

E-38 So you see, God's not wer--very far away. He's right here. It's our own selves in the way; it's our unbelief. It's our superstitions. It's those things that blinds the eyes. It isn't God. A man walk out and say, "I'll show you I can move the mountain. 'Mountain be moved.'" It doesn't happen. Certainly not. Your motive's not right, and your objective's not right. So we've got to come to this one place. Is our motive and our objective being right with God? Then it isn't you that speak anymore.

7. Body must be born again like your soul.

HEAR YE HIM. CHATTANOOGA, TN 58-0301E

E-17 Now, Divine healing is not a hocus-pocus. It isn't touching a totem pole or pouring some mysterious stuff from--that's run out of somebody's hands on you.

Divine healing is an act of faith in the finished work of Calvary. That's just as purely the Gospel as I know how to place it. It's a finished work that Christ died for at Calvary. "*He was wounded for our transgressions; with His stripes we were healed.*"

Now, healing is not on the same basis as salvation. When you're borned again, you receive a new spirit, new Life, Immortal, cannot die. But when you're healed, it's just an attribute of the Divine love of God that healed you temporarily for a while. Your body must be borned again just like your soul.

8. Africa trip vision.

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME. MIDDLETOWN, OH 58-0323

E-23 And I just want say this, the many who knows me, and my friends are in here tonight, I just got my telegram back this morning from Durban, South Africa. The vision where three hundred thousand people will be gathered pretty soon for a meeting which is coming up right away... Oh, I'm so thankful for that. Dr. Vayle, I don't know whether you... Yeah, I believe I did tell you in the lobby awhile ago that we had gotten back now. I guess we will... The letter of details will coming soon.

9. US Constitution broken.

HEAR YE HIM. MIDDLETOWN, OH 58-0328

E-17 I was reading a little article the other day in a paper, that where the last flower of real democracy faded and died in one of your Ohio courts the other day, when a Mennonite family was sentenced to two years in prison for not letting their children go to a modern high school. Has this become a place, it's not the freedom of religion anymore? Democracy, we don't have any anymore. It's exactly right. Oh, what a disgrace.

And then the unjust judge tried to justify himself by saying to the father, "*Give Caesar what's Caesars.*"

And the father answered him back and said, "*Unto God...*"

E-18 They've never had a juvenile delinquency among the Mennonite people. They've never had any rock-and-roll teenage stuff among the Mennonite people. And if they can produce a crop like that without our modern education, God be with them is my prayer.

I'd rather have my boy in something like that and not even know his ABC's. I'd rather he'd know Christ, and be borned again, and not know the difference between split beans and coffee. Right. We need the old fashion Gospel preached again in the power and the demonstrations of the Holy Ghost. When our nation gets to a place that it robs us of our constitution, it shows that communist has rottened it to the core. Exactly right.

Mennonite, I'm for you. God bless you. Stay with it. I'll pray for you and do all I can.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 59-0628E

387-124 And now, that church was taken up, and the remnant of the woman's seed who keep the commandments of God and have faith in Jesus Christ (See?), not the bride, the remnant of the woman's seed... Then the dragon spurted water out of his mouth to make war with the remnant of the seed. That's when the Protestant church under the Federation of Churches, which is the image to the beast, which is now being formed... And there'll be a boycott upon all churches like this.

Like we're in a great tax gathering right here now, a dispute, trying to say that we're not a church, and we got Constitutional rights to say that we are a church. As long as the Constitution stands there, no amendment to that, then we absolutely have the rights, just as much right as anybody. Our forefathers stood for that. But what have we done? We've broke every Constitutional law that they can break, and soon the Federation of Churches, which all the churches and denominations are invited into, and the devil's got in and making worldliness and everything in local church members and so forth like that, and great congregations, and class, and society, when the little old church is still down yonder being borned again in a mess like any birth is, still paying the price, still getting down and dying out, acting the same way they did when they first got born at the day of Pentecost, same kind of a church down there... They'll be closed and shut out under the Federation of Churches. It'll be a boycott like a union or something. You'll either come in or you'll go out.

THE COMFORTER. JEFF. IN 61-1001E

73 We are all American; I think so, in--in the--the church tonight. We're all American citizens. We're thankful to be American. But yet, what happened to our American heritage. What was it? We begin to compromise. And as soon as we compromised, we lost the sacredness of our heritage, because we compromised. We run Presidents four times; that breaks down the the--the--the constitution. And we do things today. And we even... To this little parking meter we have on the street, that's unconstitutional. There's no such a thing in the constitution. It's against the constitution, yet we do it. And we do all kinds of things that's against the principles that this nation was founded upon. We do everything contrary, so we lose our heritage. Because why? We compromise upon the principles that it was based upon.

10. Pillar of Fire, you must meet It.

I KNOW MY REDEEMER LIVETH. JEFF. IN 58-0406S

E-34 It was our character this morning, Job, that when he was in the deepest of his distress, when all of his riches had gone from him. His children was dead; his body was broke out in boils; and he was in the greatest distress that he was ever in, setting on an ash-heap with the crock scraping the boils and his wife in the door, "Why don't you curse God and die?"

When the members of his church had their backs turned to him for seven days and accusing him, when they ought to have been comforting him... But they were accusing him of being a secret sinner, accusing him of being a backslider. It was in that great hour; it was in that great momentous time, that when God took Job to the sacred sands where He takes every believer, to an experience unto the backside of the desert like He did Moses, until the little secret closet where He took you, until the coal shed where I received it.

God has a place, and a purpose, and a time. And when He had Job in this condition, He had him on the sacred sands. For He was going to reveal something to him that would never go away. Oh, for those sacred sands, He has to take every real child there. He gets you on those places where there's no devil can ever come. There's no teacher can ever explain it away. He gives you something on those sands back there that, an experience that you'll never forget as long as ages roll on.

No matter how atheotic your mother, your daddy, your husband, wife, your associates may become... Every true believer has that spot where God has met him. There isn't one left out. Every believer has it. Every person that's borned of the Kingdom of God knows that spot, that minute, that hour, that where God took him. And on those sacred sands in the Presence of the burning bush, He did something to that believer that all the mentality of the world could not destroy. *"Upon this rock I'll build My church and the gates of hell shall not destroy it."* Upon this rock, the spiritual revelation of the resurrected Jesus; upon this rock.

HAVE FAITH IN GOD. PITTSFIELD, MA 58-0510

E-31 (...) What the ministry needs tonight, is not so many B.A.'s or D.D.'s, but it's an experience of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, that puts life into the man, and gives him faith in a Living God, that changes not--an experience.

Moses was taught in all the wisdom of the Egyptian. And he had had forty years of teaching under his mother, and he could even teach the masters of Egypt. But it taken God just forty years to get that all beat out of him on the backside of the desert.

And one day while he was herding Jethro's sheep, running from Egypt, running from the task, and thought he'd just go back to work, and let it all go, because he'd tried in himself without having any experience. Teaching's all right, but the letter killeth. The Spirit giveth Life. And in the presence of that burning bush, he knowed more about God in five minutes, than he'd been taught in forty years.

What was it? It was an experience. He just didn't have a letter to read, or the laws to read, or the books to read, he had an experience, that God still lived. The God of Abraham was just as live in that day, in that foreign land, as He was when He talked to Abraham or Adam.

That's what it takes. And every man that ever goes to the pulpit ought to have the place in his heart, a backside of the desert. God gives all of His children that experience, where you meet God and talk to God, and He talks back to you, and you know there's something real.

All the doctors of divinity in all the world, they might explain this away, and talk that away, but they'll never be able to take you away from that backside of the desert experience, where you meet God face to face.

E-34 Then, when Moses had met God, he afterwards took the children of Israel through the fires of hell, for he endured as seeing Him, Who is invisible, not by His teaching, but by the experience he had.

11. "...a wicked and adulterous generation."

MATTHEW 16:1-4

The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven.

He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red.

And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times?

A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH. DALLAS, TX 58-0613

E-26 And he walked out of the belly of the whale and begin to go through the streets preaching. And Jesus said that those people repented. Those ignorant, unlearned, didn't know gee from haw (or right hand from left hand, I mean to say. Excuse me for saying that. I didn't mean to say that.). All right. How many farmers in here knows what "gee" and "haw" is? Well, you know what I mean, then. All right. He didn't know the right from the left hand. And they repented.

And we're are supposed to be an educated, smart, intelligent bunch of people that's living in a day when a greater than Jonah is here. And what about this? To that poor, ignorant people, "I want you to notice," Jesus said.

They said, "Show us a sign."

He said, "I'll--there'll be no sign given to a wicked and adulterous generation, but the sign of Jonah."

Now watch. What was the sign of Jonah? "As the--Jonah was in the belly of the whale three days and three nights, so the Son of man must be in the heart of the earth three days and nights." So what would be the sign to a wicked and adulterous generation? The sign of the resurrection (Amen), the sign of the resurrection. Sure it is. There we are. And we're living in a wicked and adulterous generation.

E-27 As my good friend, Jack Moore, once said, "If God let's this America get by without punishing it, He will be obligated as a just God, to raise up Sodom and Gomorrah and apologize for burning them up. That's right. Sure, we are living in an awful age: a teen-age rulership, rock-and-rock, boogly-woogly, all that ungodly carrying on of filth and gaum and untrue living. Divorce is on the run, and perversion, and homosexuals, and oh, it's a awful, just like it was in Sodom, the same thing we're having.

Then the holy God's obligated. He hates sin, but He loves the sinner. And He promised that He would give this wicked, adulterous generation the sign of His resurrection. And if He's raised from the dead, He will do the same signs that He did before He died, if He's raised again.

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH. GREENVILLE, SC 58-0620

E-32 And watch how God moves, and how that great city that they didn't know "gee" for "haw," or right-hand from the left-hand. And they repented at the preaching of Jonah. And Jesus said, "A greater than Jonah is here." A ignorant and unlearned people repented at the preaching of Jonah, and He said, "A greater than Jonah is here." But He said, "As Jonah was in the belly of the whale three days and nights, so shall the Son of Man be in the heart of the earth three days and nights." Remember, they just asked Him, after all the signs that He'd done, He prophesied. Here's another good thought there.

Notice what He did. He said, "A wicked," or "*evil and an adulterous generation shall seek after signs. And there'll only be one sign given them, and that will be the sign as Jonah was in the belly of the whale.*" Therefore the wicked, or weak and adulterous generation is this generation that we're living in now, the adulterous generation. History has repeated itself. And it said it would be given the sign of the resurrection.

And brother and sister, we are living today to see the direct witness of the resurrected Jesus Christ performing the same things that He did when He was here on earth. He prophesied.

E-33 Then He referred them to Solomon's age. Solomon was given a great gift. And the good thing about Solomon's age, all the people rallied around that gift. And it was the--it was the millennium for the Jewish age; it was called the golden age of Israel. Why the news of it spread everywhere. And all the people was with one accord. Everybody believed that gift that was in Solomon. Why, he had a gift of discernment; there never was such a gift of discernment as Solomon had, until that day. And all Israel rallied around it. It was the greatest age they had ever knowed of.

And friends, would not it be nice tonight, if all the Church of the living God would rally around the gift of the Holy Spirit like they ought to do it? We could just ditch all the atomic missiles and everything else. It'd be the greatest defense that the world's ever had, if everybody, all churches, would just rally around the great Holy Spirit, be sincere, not notice your denominations, but just be sincere and rally around the Holy Spirit, what God would do. All the nations, everywhere,

would recognize that this, something's happened over here, if they'd rally around the gift of God that's been sent to them in this last day.

[The last generation.]

FORMER AND LATTER RAIN. PHOENIX, AZ 60-0303
E-22 Look, the Baptists has got a revival, Billy Graham. The Catholic is having a revival. And the Methodists is having a revival, some of them, and some of the Baptists. Pentecost has got a revival: Oral Roberts and so forth, great men of God who's gone forth in a revival. And Israel's got a revival. God deals with Gentiles as individuals, Israel as a nation.

And Israel for her first time for twenty-five hundred years is restored again to Jerusalem. O people, don't let that go over your head. That's the fig tree putting forth its buds. This generation. Forty years is declared a generation. It's already been gone a long time, way into it sev--ten, twelve years. We're into the last generation.

Watch what He said would take place. As it was in the days of Noah, there'd be marrying, given in marriage. Look at the Reno, Nevada's and everywhere else, even to the ministry, leaving one wife and marrying the deacon's wife and so forth, back and forth, and allowing it in their churches. Oh, take warning, people. "They'll run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase." It'll come a time that the warning gave that the church would get to a place it'd be *"heady, highminded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, truce breakers, false accusers, incontinent and despisers of those that are right; having a form of godliness,"* going to church, that form of godliness.

I'm not saying this to call any certain church. Every one of us is guilty. The Pentecost is guilty; the Presbyterian's guilty; the Baptist's guilty; all is guilty. *"We've all sinned and come short of the glory."* Exactly right.

ASHAMED OF HIM. JEFF. IN 65-0711
223 Don't be ashamed of Him in this generation; sinful, perplexed, the last generation that'll ever be on the earth, this sinful, adulterous, and full of all putrefied sores. All, everything that's been decent has become indecent. National politics, filth... Nations are broke up.

12. New Ministry. [Third Pull] [Mark 11:20-24, Matthew 17:20]

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH. GREENVILLE, SC 58-0620
E-17 Now, there's a change in my ministry coming. And how many... Would there be one here that remembers when I first started on the field? Let's see your hand. Oh, my, there's several. You remember how it was given to me by the Angel of the Lord, that I would take my left hand and lay it onto the--the person was standing sick, and not use my own voice, and It would speak out and tell them what was wrong with them? You remember that? And you remember, I told you that the Holy Spirit told me that night when I talked to Him, what it would be. And said, "Then if you'll be sincere, it'll come to a place that you'll know the very secret of their heart." How many of you that was in my first meetings heard me tell that before that ever come to pass, raise up your hands high. That's good. Now, has it come to pass?

Then He said, "If you'll continue to be sincere and humble, it'll grow greater and greater." And now, this ministry is going to step higher now, into another realm, where it'll be far beyond what it is now. I don't know just what it is, but I'm warned of the Holy Spirit to quickly now, close my meetings off (My last one will be in Philadelphia), and go into the hills and wait on the Lord to see which a way to conduct this ministry. When I come out again, it'll be in a new ministry. This ministry will never cease; this ministry will continue on. This first will continue on; it's still just the same.

God gives gifts; He never takes gifts. He... Your gift remains, but if you be honest with what you got, God will take other talents and just keep pouring them on, if you just keep climbing on. He's always done it.

WHO IS THIS. SAN JOSE, CA 59-1122
E-4 So remember this coming week now, if the Lord is willing, we'll be speaking Monday night, the Lord willing, upon the issuing in of the new ministry. Now, many know that way back from the beginning, how the Holy Spirit revealed first before I started on a gift. And then I come up the west coast and across Canada for three or four years, telling you that He said that something else would come which would be far greater. Then along it came. Then he said, "Just keep humble; keep away from money and all the things of the world. Don't never try to be big; just stay humble; and there'd be something else greater." Now, that's coming in now. You see? Oh, He's just God; that's all I can say, just, "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound." So we're happy for these things and grateful to God for them.

BE NOT AFRAID IT IS I. PHOENIX, AZ 60-0305
E-2 (...) And now, being that tonight is rather pushing for the service of healing, or praying for the sick, we want to say... I want to make this statement, the reason I haven't had any healing lines this week, there's been something that's been on my heart.

And I told you the last time here there was a new ministry coming. I spoke with some of the brethren today, and was telling them about what's happened. Just remember, that the first time I was here, you remember the Lord had told me something was going to happen: change in the ministry. It happened. Said another one's going to happen, and it happened.

Now, there's a another one greater, far greater than all the rest of them put together, already confirmed and ready. I hope it happens tonight. I just might say that. I don't have the time to explain it to you, but the brethren who does know about it, it's wonderful. It'd be such a great thing for the people. And I am grateful to God that the hour is soon at hand (I believe it), when God is going to help His children. Especially, it'll be for those who can't muster the faith to raise up and get a hold of God like they should. I believe the Lord is providing a way for us now to take care of them also.

Some runs into the faith that they can just reach over and receive anything. Why, that's great faith. Some of them has mustard seed faith, and has to wait so long to get through. I believe the Lord is making a way for those people now. And I don't know when it will be, but it will be. Just as certain as I'm standing here, it will be.

I KNOW. JEFF. IN 60-0417S

7 I was looking at Brother Pat Tyler sitting over here. I was just talking to someone last night. That our last meeting in Oklahoma, I tried to, trying now (and I'll announce this) to lay aside until God would call me to do it, my old ministry of discernment, because I think beginning, it's the-- the new ministry is coming in.

The other night, no one knowing nothing about it, I tested it on a child coming across the platform, had been borned blind, a baby, and was totally blind, about a sixteen-year-old boy. And just immediately he let a scream out, "Brother Branham, I can see." And there, and Pat Tyler standing near, right by the boy, when his eyes come open for the first time in all of his life. And so I trust that you here, with great anticipations, with myself, I'm looking for something God to do for us, and bring us up to another level than what we have been. Let us bow our heads now for prayer.

REJECTED KING. JEFF. IN 60-0515M

6-3 Many of the meeting from my new ministry coming in... A brother, Baptist brother standing here, his daughter, teenage, had been kind of a little wayward, and I told him, "I give you your daughter for the Lord Jesus," the other morning, and when he went home she's saved, and the other one here this morning to be baptized, and going on.

And a man, Mr. Sothmann, a friend of mine from Canada, his mother-in-law in a dying condition, said, "You'll find your mother-in-law when you get there, well, on her road to recovery, all right." That's just the way it was. And just-- people just coming in. It's just in its infancy now, moving. But oh, we're expecting the exceedingly, abundantly above all. We're in the evil and last days, but in a glorious hour.

WATCHMAN WHAT OF THE NIGHT. LAKEPORT, CA 60-0722

E-2 Well, we are happy tonight to see the gathering out on this hot night. And we are happy to hear the reports from the last night's meeting. I wonder if there's anybody here that can show, or would raise their hand, that was prayed for by that new ministry last night can show--can know that there's a definite improve in their conditions? Let's see you raise your hands for them that went through, went through the prayer line. Good, fine, that's good. All right.

Someone told me that the man that was paralyzed in the wheelchair here last night, is setting back there somewhere in the audience tonight without the wheelchair. And we're glad to know that. Where are you, brother? Would you raise up your hand, everywhere you are, the brother that was in the... Here he is, setting right here. Thanks be to the Lord. That's-- that's fine. That shows what just letting a little faith go to work.

Now, the new ministry is to curse the disease that's in there. Have you noticed what the Holy Spirit has done? The first thing when He told me, was prayer for the sick. Now, I complained and said, "It... They won't listen to me, because I am not educated."

And He said, "As Moses was given two signs, you'll be given two." And then, He said, "The first one, the people just lay their hands on yours, and you'll tell them. And they'll even see the reaction, whether it's gone or not."

Now see, that becomes... You have to watch that; that becomes an entertainment.

And then said, "If they won't believe that, then there'll be another sign, which you was born with. You'll see the vision, and know what the people has done, and all about them and so forth."

And I said, "That's what I was here for. I've been told that that was wrong." Then He laid the Scripture to me, and that settled it. But I long for that day to come.

How many's in the building tonight that remember when I first come up the West Coast, and oh, down through the south, and--and just had that one ministry of that laying of hands? Can you remember that? Just look at the friends. All right.

Then did I tell you that the Lord told me that there would be another ministry (You remember that?), which would be the discerning of the thoughts of the heart and so forth. Well, them ministries has worked perfectly the world around. See? One went its day, the other one lived its day.

E-5 Now, a little later on if I get a chance, I want to tell you what happened just recently, bringing in a new ministry. I'll just speak the word. And it brings... It puts it right back into the lap of the people again. If they will come with the right attitude and believe, it's just got to happen. How many's read the book? Of... In the book... All right, there's a few here that's read my life story in the book. When it was a... How that He told me that I was born to pray for sick people. "Get

them to believe you, then be sincere when you pray. Then nothing shall stand before the prayer." Did you ever hear that before? Sure you have.

All right, now that... Then these signs and miracles of showing the past, future, and what would be, and what has been, and all about it, was the vindication of the approaching Messiah. And to let the people... It was to show the people that I have told them the truth, that I was called to pray for the sick. That's the idea, praying for the sick.

Now, the second ministry's leaving, and the third is entering in. So I'm so glad about it.

PERGAMEAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1207

6 I didn't see you here, brother. How are you, Brother West? I just heard some good news, that the last of Brother Daulton's family came in, the other boy--the other girl. That's ten, is it? Nine. You remember that was under the new ministry when the Lord told him there that the--his family would be saved. I been praying for them, standing there not knowing what I would be saying; the Holy Spirit said, "I give you your family." See? And--and there it is, every one of them. See how the Lord does? See, His words are perfect; they never, never fail. Well, we don't want to get onto the Divine healing side; we're trying to stay as long--this part, on the prophetic side.

13. Statue of the Lord Jesus crucified.

BY FAITH MOSES. JEFF. IN 58-0720M

E-19 The great evangelist John Sproule, which was a convert of Brother Bosworth's ministry, who many of you remember, years ago, of the old glory barn. He said, one day he was taking a trip, before the deceasing of his beloved companion and wife. They were in Alsace Lorraine, France. And I had the privilege of visiting the same place. And the guide was taking them out through the gardens and showing them the different things, and they come upon a certain statue of the Lord Jesus, the crucifixion. And Mr. Sproule was standing off, looking at it, he and his wife, and in their hearts were criticizing, what the artist must have had in mind, or the sculptor, rather, when he hewed out of a stone such a horrible looking thing to be--to represent the suffering, and the love, and the pity of the Lord Jesus, and how it was all crudely and chopped-up looking.

And the guide came to Mr. Sproule, and he said, "Sir, I suppose that you are criticizing this statue of the Lord Jesus?"

And he said, "I am."

And he said, "I am not a bit surprised, because most people that look at it first, they do criticize it."

And Mr. Sproule said, "Why, I can't see any pity or any inspiration from looking at such a thing. So I'm wondering why the sculptor every made it like this."

And the sculptor said, "Mr. Sproule, the statue's all right. And the sculptor had the right thing in his mind. But where the trouble is, is with you; it's the way you're looking at it." And he took he and his wife by the hand, and led them down to a altar at the foot of this said cross. And he said, "Now, Mr. Sproule, look up, now." And when he looked up, he said his heart like to have failed him.

E-21 What a difference it was to stand off there, and look at it that way, and to get down and look at it the way, that it was made to look at. And that's the way that God is. That's the way that faith is. It's the way you look at it. If you looked at it as some sort of a historical Bible, of something that was in the days gone by, you will never be able to get the real value of the Bible. You are supposed to get on your knees, and obey the commandments of this Bible, and look at it through the eyes of the Holy Spirit.

14. Three high words evil spirits work through. [Father, Son, & Holy Ghost]

[Germany, tent blowing away by witches.]

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. JEFF. IN 58-0928M

139 Let me tell you a little personal experience. Switzerland, Germany, and the places where I've been, how does fortunetellers work, how does evil spirits travel? I want you to believe me as your pastor, 'cause you're the one I'm speaking to. Devils travel in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. They cut feathers and everything else and throw spells on each other through the name of Father, Son, Holy Ghost. Call it the three high names. The mother of it is Catholic churches. They go to these little statues, and kneel there, and cut a feather with scissors and turn it backwards, and throw spells on their neighbors and so forth, where they were burnt to death and everything else for it.

In Switzerland I stood with my hands on the post like that where honest men and women died when they cut their tongues out, and burnt their eyes out and everything with hot rods, that prostitute Catholic church. Not only that, but the early Anglican churches too and your Protestant churches did the same thing. And they threw those spells by the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

ABRAHAM RESTORED. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0211

E-67 If Brother Arganbright is setting near, he could tell you the story; I was thinking how fifteen witch doctors on one side and fifteen on the other one, called up a storm to blow away the tent in Switzerland, or I believe it was France--Germany. Going to blow away the tent. Told us they was going to do it. And set there and cut those feathers and started

going through maneuvers, "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost...?... Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, three high words," they said. All like that, and here come the storm up. Brother Arganbright will tell you same where tens of thousands of people in the tent jumping up and down. I said, "Pray, Brother Arganbright." I said, "Brother Louster, don't interpret this." I said, "Heavenly Father, I landed off that plane up here in the Name of Jesus Christ, because You sent me here. You promised that You'd take care of me. What can I do in a case like this? I rebuke this storm in the Name of Jesus Christ." In one flat second that storm parted right over the tent and moved back. Thunder begin to roll back, like that. And thousands run to the altar to get saved. And the witch doctors was defeated.

15. Manifested sons of God. [Romans 8:17-22]

ROMANS 8:19

For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

SERPENT'S SEED. JEFF. IN 58-0928E

21-7 God hid it from the eyes of the wise and prudent and promised to reveal it to the sons of God in the last days, when the sons of God would be made manifest. When God's sons that rejoiced with Him before the foundation of the world, when the great revelation of the Godhead and things would be brought down in the last days, He would manifest these things to the sons of God. You know the Scripture teaches that. And here we are.

That's the reason that God is opening these things to us. God is bringing His sons into manifestation. He's going beyond the limitations of any human knowledge, way into the spiritual revelations and bringing it down.

Haven't we been teaching in this Bible, "Here's to him that has wisdom." Not what he learned in some seminary, but what he can learn on his knees before God, and what pleased God to give him: sons of God made manifest.

SHOW US THE FATHER AND IT WILL SATISFY. YAKIMA, WA 60-0731

E-70 Man was made to be a god. His domain is the earth. The whole earth's awaiting now for the manifestation of the sons of God to be made manifest. Look how far behind we are. But remember, the prophets... He said, "*If you call them gods, who the Word of God came to...*" What was a prophet? A Divine interpreter of the Word, had the Divine interpretation. The signs of Him foretelling, and foreknowing, that was a vindicate to the people that he was a prophet.

16. The 12th Mystery of "The Serpent's Seed". [Genesis 3]

I WILL RESTORE. DES MOINES, IA 54-0620A

E-20 Now, when Cain was born and Abel was born, there were two sons, two boys, and both of them had a spirit. And one was contrary to another.

Now, I'm sitting here, perhaps, before a dozen or more churches. And I wouldn't teach a doctrine that was contrary to anything you'd heard. I have my opinion of whose son Cain was and where that evil streak come from. It could not have come from God nor from Adam. So he was evil to begin with. He was borned evil. And being a little Calvinistic myself, I believe in foreordination, and predestination, and so forth. And I see that Cain was borned an evil one. And Abel was born a just one. Abel, of course, being correctly the son from Adam.

JOSEPH MEETING HIS BRETHREN. JEFF. IN 56-1230

E-39 Now, in the beginning when God spoke, and Satan was standing there and he heard it... And the people are trying to find this missing link. I'll tell you by revelation, if--if you want to receive it, that missing person between animal and man is the serpent, before he had his legs taken from him.

The Bible said, "He was the most subtle of all the beasts (not reptile), of all the field." He was the one who beguiled the woman in his beauty. And she conceived, and now by doing that and seeing sin was coming, God put such a curse upon him till science will never find any relationship between this serpent as known today and mankind.

But, there is your fallen, degraded being between--that hooked the animal life together. There you are. God has hid it from the wise and prudent, but will reveal it to babes such as will learn. See? There's your fallen person.

The serpent, he was brought from way, the most subtle, the greatest, the most beautiful, the more like human being. And then because of this evil that he did with Eve; He brought him down to a reptile to go on his belly all the days of his life, and dust should be his meat.

SERPENT'S SEED. JEFF. IN 58-0928E

22-8 Now, watch the serpent, this serpent which was first. Let's draw a picture of him now. He's a great big fellow. He's between the chimpanzee and the man. And the serpent, the devil, Lucifer, knew that that was the only blood that would mix with this human blood. The only person he could deal with... He couldn't deal with the chimpanzee. That blood wouldn't mix. He couldn't deal with different things. He couldn't deal with the sheep. He couldn't deal with the horse. He couldn't deal with any animal. He had to deal with this serpent.

Let's take him now and see what he looks like: Great big fellow, prehistoric giant. That's where they find these big bones, and I'll show you this in the Bible. Now, watch closely then. All right. This great big fellow, let's say he was--he

was ten foot tall, great big shoulders, looked just like a man. And his blood, after coming down, coinciding one animal to another...

You can cross animals. They kept getting higher blood, higher form of life, higher form, till it climbs up into the man realm. But the last connection here between here was cut off. How many knows that science can't find the missing link? All of you know that. Why? Here he is, the serpent.

Here he was a great big fellow. And the devil comes down. Now, he says, "I can inspire." Now, when you go to looking at women and actions of women, remember you are anointed of the devil, if it's not your own wife. Notice. Now, the devil come down and got into the serpent, and he found Eve in the garden of Eden naked. And he talked about the fruit in the midst, the "midst" means "middle" and so forth. You understand in a mixed congregation. And he said, "Now, it's pleasant. It's good to the eye."

23-4 What did he do? He begin making love to Eve. And he lived with her as a husband. And she saw it was pleasant, so she went and told her husband; but she was already pregnant by Satan. And she brought forth her first son whose name was Cain, the son of Satan.

"Now," you say, "that's wrong." All right, we'll just find out whether it's wrong or not. "And I will put enmity between thy seed and the serpent's seed." What? The serpent's seed. She had a seed, and he had a seed. "And he shall bruise thy head, and you shall bruise his heel." A "bruise" there means "to make an atonement."

Now, there's your seed of the serpent. Now, notice, here comes these two men out.

Now, this serpent, when he stood there... This great big giant of a fellow stood up there. He was guilty of committing adultery with Adam's wife. Where's sin lay today? What makes things the way they are today? (Now, I--I... Surely you can catch what I'm talking about.)

And there he was. And when he did, God said, begin to call for Eve and Adam. And he said, "I was naked."

And He said, "Who told you you was naked?" Then they begin to--in army fashion, passing the buck.

Said, "Well, the woman You gave me done it. She was the one who persuaded me."

And she said, "The serpent give me an apple." All right, preacher, get next to yourself. She said, "The serpent beguiled me." Do you know what "beguile" means? Means "defiled." The...?... The devil never gave her an apple. "The serpent has beguiled me." And then the curse came.

24-1 He said, "Because you listened to the serpent in the stead of your husband, you took life from the world; and you--now you'll multiply your sorrows, and your conception shall be to your husband," and so forth. "And because you listened to your wife instead of me--I took you from the dust the highest specie--back to the dust you go." "And serpent, because you did that, off goes your legs; upon your belly you'll go all the days of your life. And you'll be hated, and dust shall be your meat." There you are. There's that missing link.

Now, here comes Cain. Let's watch the natures. Here comes Cain. What is he? He's a shrewd businessman. He tills the fields: smart, intelligent, religious, very religious. Watch his--watch his attributes now. Just move with me for just a few minutes longer. Here he comes out. He knows he's mortal. He wants to go to church. He builds him a church, makes him an offering, brings an altar along--built an altar, puts his flowers on it, put the field--the fruits of the field, offered it to God, and said, "There You are, Lord. I know we ate apples. That's what caused it." (Some of his offsets have the same kind of an idea. Shows where it came from.)

Brought his apples in out of the field, laid them on there, said, "This will make an atonement."

God said, "It wasn't apples."

But by spiritual revelation Abel knew it was blood. So he brought a lamb, hacked its throat, and it died; and God said, "That's right. That's what done it. It was blood." (You know what blood I'm talking about.) All right. It was blood that did it. Now, watch.

And then when Cain saw his holy-roller brother had been accepted before God, and signs and wonders was being taken place down there, he got jealous of him. He said, "We'll stop this stuff right now." Look at his brothers. Look at his children on today. "Now, I'm smarter than he is." So he got angry. Where did angry come from? Could you say that's anger? He killed his brother. He was a murderer. Could you call God a murderer?

And Adam was the son of God. The Bible said that Adam was the son of God, that pure beginning back there. Adam was God's son, and that jealousy and envy and everything could not come out of that pure stream. It had to come through another place. And it come through Satan, who was a murderer to begin with. The Bible said he was: a liar and a murderer to begin with. There it is. And he killed his brother.

And there was a type of the death of Christ. Then out of that, 'course, He raised up Seth to take his place: death, burial, and resurrection of Christ.

17. The 3rd Mystery of the Translation. [1 Corinthians 15:51-54, 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17]

SUDDEN SECRET GOING AWAY OF CHURCH. JEFF. IN 58-1012

E-50 Why? She was ready. She lived and been the kind of a woman that he wanted. It happened just in the spare of a moment.

And that sudden secret coming of the Lord; the world don't know it's going to happen, but we do. It's at hand. Don't be like the young lady they stripped the clothes from in Pearl Harbor; you'll go down in disgrace. Be like the one who made herself ready, and kept her virtues, and was waiting for the coming of the Lord, 'cause it'll be secret and sudden.

Q & A. ON THE HOLY GHOST. JEFF. IN 59-1219
411-20 (...) Jesus said, "Say to this mountain.." And you've heard the--about what's been taken place; that's the ministry that we're entering into. We're way up the road now. Soon the coming of the Lord Jesus. And we've got to have rapturing faith in a church that can be changed in a moment in a twinkling of an eye to go out, or we'll not go. But don't worry, it'll be there. It'll be there. And when the power of this church rises, it'll bring its brethren; the power of that church rises will bring its brethren; the power of that church will bring the other brethren; then there'll be a general resurrection. We're looking forward to it.

MANIFESTED SONS OF GOD. JEFF. IN 60-0518 [Complete tape]
65 Now, the other night, or the other morning, at seven o'clock, when the Holy Spirit, by His goodness and His grace, taken me from this body, I believe (I believe. Yes or no, I don't say.), and entered into that land and saw those people, and they were all young. And I seen the prettiest people I ever seen in my life. And He said to me, "Some of them was ninety years old. They're your converts. No wonder they're screaming, 'My brother, my brother'"
Now, that is a celestial body, that when we die we don't become a myth; we become a body. If we'd every one die, if the atomic bomb would blow us up at this minute, in five minutes from now we'd be shaking one another's hands and hugging their neck, and screaming, and carrying on, and glorifying God. Yes, sir. And Brother and Sister Spencer setting here, I guess one of the oldest couples in here, will be eighteen, twenty years old. Brother Neville will be just a young boy, and I'd be a young kid. And we'd just all be... That's exactly this truth. "If this earthly tabernacle of habitation be dissolved, we have one already waiting."

When a little baby drops from its mother, as in natural birth, its little body is a-twisting and legs a-jumping, and so forth. Excuse the expression, you young women. But when it does, it's got life muscles a-jerking. But when it comes to the earth, the first thing, it catches its breath, and there is a spiritual body of nature to come into that baby right then. Let it alone, it'll take its little head and root against its mother's breast and begin to nurse. If it didn't do that, the milk would not even come down.

Did you ever notice a calf when it's born, it's... soon as it can get strength enough to get on its legs? Who tells it? Walks right around to its mother, starts rooting around and starts nursing. Oh, yeah.

For when this earthly body is brought here, there is a spiritual body ready for it. And as soon as this... Oh, hallelujah. "If this earthly tabernacle of our habitation be dissolved, there is one waiting yonder." Just as soon as we step out of this one, we step into that one: one that don't want a cold drink of water, don't have no need of a drink of water; one that don't eat, they're not of the dust of the earth. But they're just as real, and can feel, and shake hands, and just love, and everything is perfect. And that body is waiting yonder. It's part of it. There's three of them.

70 You begin your Eternal Life right here at the altar. Here's where you start eternity. Oh. You start Eternal Life right here. Then you are borned again, a son of God. And then when you die, you begin... When your death strikes you in this body and the heart quits beating, and the mortal wheels begin to stand still, that little shadow that was a shadow of the shadow, in one second it becomes a shadow of the shadow, then the next it becomes the shadow, then the next it becomes a little trickle, then the next it becomes a creek, then the next it becomes a river, and the next it becomes the ocean; and after while you're standing in the presence of your loved ones standing yonder, clothed in the garments of a celestial body, that you know one another, love one another. You've turned back to a young man and young woman again. Exactly right. It waits there until the coming of the Lord Jesus. And someday that glorified body of His...

Now, remember, that is a celestial body, not a glorified, a celestial body. And someday that celestial body will leave heaven with Jesus.

"For I say this unto you," Fir... II Thessalonians, the 5th chapter, or I Thessalonians 5th chapter, one or the other,

"I say to you; I would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those that are asleep, that you sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe Christ died and rose again the third day, even so those that sleep in Christ will God bring with Him. For we say this unto you by the commandments of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord, shall not prevent or hinder (the best word) hinder those which are asleep. For the trumpet of the Lord shall sound, and the dead in Christ shall rise first." These celestial bodies come down and put on earthly glorified bodies. "And we which are alive and remain shall be changed in a moment in a twinkling of an eye, and shall be caught up together with them to meet the Lord in the air."

"I will not drink of the fruit of the vine nor eat no more until I eat it anew with you in

My Father's Kingdom," the wedding supper. For the three-and-a-half years the antichrist finishes up his reign, the whole world is destroyed. The Jews are called out, Joseph makes himself known to the Gentiles--or to the Jews. Remember, when Joseph made himself known to the brethren, there wasn't one Gentile present. When he sent...

TEN VIRGINS. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1211M [Complete tape.]

141 It'll be a secret coming; no one will know when it's going to happen. We're commanded to be ready and watching. We don't know what hour. But whatever it is, we'll not prevent any of these back in here; for just as soon as Jesus appears, the whole watch rises. Dead or alive, doesn't matter.

We don't--we don't meet Him first; we meet one another first. The Bible said, Ephesians 5th chapter, It said, "*For we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord (down here) shall not prevent or hinder those which are asleep.*" Them precious ones that sealed their blood--sealed their testimony with their blood. "*Not prevent (or hinder) those that are asleep, for the trumpet will sound.*" Something'll take place, "the Gospel something will sound," the announcing of His coming. "*And the dead in Christ shall rise first. And we which are alive and remain shall be changed.*" Standing, and feel a change come on, the gray hair go out, the wrinkles fall away, be changed in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye. And we shall meet our loved ones first: "There's mama, papa; there's my buddy. Oh, hallelujah, we're ready." And then, together with them that were dead," says the Scripture, "we'll be caught up in the air to meet the Lord." The order of the coming...

18. Brother Evan's healed of a rattler bit.

LIVING DYING BURIED RISING COMING. LOS ANGELES, CA 59-0403

E-1 (...) I taken a little vacation, about three days and went down to Florida fishing. I'm trying to rest up my voice a little bit. So I had quite an experience down there. I thought maybe I might just kinda pass it on to you tonight. We'd been fishing in--back in the Okeechobee swamps, and I'd caught a nice string of fish.

And there was one of the Brothers that was with me that--Brother Evans from Tifton, Georgia. He had a brother that lived down there, and the--near the swamp, and he fished in the swamp all the time. And he'd been after me some time to go down. So recently I was at Brother Theo Jones' place. And that morning I was to have breakfast with--with Brother Evans.

While I was getting ready to leave the room, I saw vision of Brother Evans trying to hide a sack of fish from the game warden. So I--I said, "Brother Evans, I don't want to hurt your feelings, but where you fish at is kinda like bayous isn't it?" He said, "That's right."

I said, "You, and two of your boys, and another fellow was down there just recently, and you had sack full of fish, and you was afraid that the game warden was going to catch you, and you hid them fish five times 'fore you got out of there."

And he said, "That's right, exactly."

So his brother had been fishing a week or two before that, and--or a month or two (pardon me), and he got bit by a ground rattler. That's a little different rattler from the diamondback you have here, but he's a very poison. I guess the boy's body's swollen twice its size, and they had him under medical treatment. He was a sinner, not a Christian. So he had an awful time. He come back out, and his leg's in cast from where the snake had... They thought they might have to amputate that leg it was so bad.

Then while we was out there, his Christian brother was fishing along by the side of me. And I had a big fish on the line and just a small pole. And I walked him up-and-down the bayou trying to land him. And when I got him wore out and up to the edge of the weeds, why, Mr. Evans said, "Just a moment, Brother Branham." And he pulled off his shoes and rolled up his trouser legs, said, "I will catch it for you." And he run out.

And as he started out, a big old rusty rattler grabbed him. And he let out a scream and run back to the bank and said it felt like that the bone in his leg had turned to ice, it was aching so hard. Well, if anyone knows what a snakebite is, you get sick right away.

E-4 So I thought, "Well, if I had to pack him those two miles, he much larger man than I, how was I going to get him out of that swamp." And it just come to me, then this Scripture, "And they shall tread on the heads of serpents and scorpions." And I said, "Just a moment, Brother Evans, I..." And put my hand over on the place where the two fangs had went in and the little blood oozing out of the holes where the rattler had bit him, I said, "Heavenly Father, Your Word... In Your Word, it says that they shall tread on the heads of serpents and it shall not harm them."

I no more than said that till... He must have been standing by somewhere. And He heard the Word quoted, and the--all the pains left immediately. We fished the rest of the day, went in that night, and his brother said, "You get to the hospital just as quick as you can." Said, "Because, oh, it might break loose anytime."

And his Christian brother said, "If God has cared for me this far, He will take me the rest of the way through." And he's never had any ill feelings of it yet.

The Lord Jesus did that. It pays to be a Christian. The sinner was bitten and almost died. The Christian was bitten and didn't not even have to have medical attention. Goes to show, that every Word in God's Book is true, every Word, every chapter, every verse, every line is the truth.

1959

1. Brother Roy Borders started to work with Brother Branham.

LET US SEE GOD. SAN JOS, CA 59-1129

3 I want to also say to my little brother here, Roy Borders; I've just knowed Brother Borders for a short time. I've always wanted to find someone who would set up meetings for me. Brother Roy seemed to hit just the spot. He's not a minister. He's a businessman. I've let him set up two or three meetings just to see what he would do, and this is the outcome: one accord. And usually if a minister comes to set up meetings for you, well, there's always a minister has something another, and he's got a doctrine, or--or something another that--that he wants to present. And he get amongst a bunch of ministers and he presents a doctrine, then--then you're in trouble. See? So it's better for a man not a minister.

2. Vision to go to Kingston and Puerto Rico. [February 1959]

STRAIT IS THE GATE. JEFF. IN 59-0301M

8 But, however, I'd just woke up, it was about three o'clock in the morning. And my wife and little boy was asleep. And I raised up on the side of the bed, and I seen a great number of people had gathered at a large place, and I said to Billy Paul, "You go in there and give those people prayer cards."

And he said, "Okay, dad." In a few minutes he returned and said, "You can't give prayer cards to those people." He said, "You see this man standing here?"

I said, "Yes."

He said, "He was over here, and I said, 'Everybody wants a prayer card, hold up your hands.'" And said, "I went to give him a prayer card, he went somewhere else. And then I went over there, and he was over somewhere else. Now, here he is way back over here." Said, "I can't even give out one prayer card."

I said, "Well, Billy, you won't have to give out prayer cards, because there's such a great space here till everybody can..." Prayer cards is to keep a riot (You see?), and keep them in order. I said, "Oh, I can take everybody there, no more than what there is in the space I've got, and line them up and pray for them one by one."

And he said, "All right." And he turned to the right and went away from me. And I turned around this way as he went off that way, was watching him.

And I--I heard a Voice come down from heaven and said, "But at this time I will begin to magnify thee." And I looked, and I never seen such a crowd of people, they were swarming from everywhere.

14 And Brother Roberts' name was called, said, "Now, Brother Oral Roberts is coming to see you."

And I said, "How shall I greet Brother Roberts?"

Said, "Just the same way he greets you."

Well, I seen Brother Roberts coming with a black suit on and a little hat like Bing Crosby wears, them little turned it up and pull down, a little black hat. And I was standing kind of up, and he looked up and said, "Hello, Brother Branham."

And I said, "Hello, Brother Roberts," shook his hand. Said, "You got a nice crowd."

I said, "Quite a crowd, Brother Roberts." And he turned and went off the way Billy did, to the right.

And I thought, "Where am I going to speak to them from?" And I tried on everywhere to find a place to speak. I was in such a situation, something down, that I couldn't see where to--to speak to them from. And somebody said, "Well, come over here."

I said, "Well, you couldn't see no better there." And I started across the place. And I remembered this, then I said, "The main thing for me to do is keep humble in my heart always before God and His children."

And I come out of the vision. And I thought, "What does that mean? Maybe it means we're going to have such... Or where is it, where's he going to be at?" You see, sometimes, in visions He don't tell you just where; He--He just speaks and you just... It's in parable, like. And I'm sure you that read the Bible understand that.

And then I went into the front room and set down for a little while, and it was about three-thirty or four o'clock in the morning. I got real sleepy. I went back and laid down, and I dreamed a dream, and it was the most odd dream. And most all of you know one of the managers, Jack Moore, Brother Jack Moore. I've knowed him for years. I thought that I was out with a date with his daughter, a girl about seventeen years old, and was taking her by the hand, leading her up the hill, little Jackie. Well, I've knowed her since she was just a nursing baby. And I was leading her up the hill, and I went three city blocks up the hill, leading this girl. And we come under a big tree, and she set down. And like a lot of the little teenage girls today wear them skirts that, you know, kind of bulged out, and she had on one of those kind of a skirts. And she took this little skirt and kind of spread it out and sit down. And as young folks usually looking at each other, she folded her hands like this and begin to look up towards the sky. Well, Jackie is a very fine little girl, but she has a great

big mouth and great big eyes, and kind of sandy hair, not too attractive, but a real little lady. And I could see her big eyes as she looked towards the skies, and how the reflection of the skies was in her eyes.

Well, I went about five feet from her, and kind of laid down sideways like this, and got a straw, and put it in my mouth, and begin to chew on this straw. And I begin to think, "What am I doing up here? Why, me an old man, and with this young girl. Why," I said, "I'm married and have a bunch of children. I don't have any business up here with this young girl."

And I started to raise up. And, when I did, a Voice came from the tree and said, "This is for a sign and for a cause."

And I woke up, and I almost screamed, a--a nightmare. I thought, "Oh, wonder if that means that I'm going to backslide or something happen to me? Well," I thought, "If I go to trying to use my own mind, then I'll get it all mixed up; so I'll just wait on God." And I started praying. I said, "Lord, does that dream pertain to that vision just in the early part of the night, or what does it mean?"

24 After waiting some time, maybe an hour (My wife was already up and had breakfast ready.), then the Voice came back again and said, "Go on to Kingston, and it'll be told you there what to do."

So immediately I went to Kingston. And they--they knowed Thursday afternoon that I'd be there Friday. That's all the advertisement we had. I'm not very good at making a...?... or estimating crowds, because I usually exaggerate on it. But the first night, I'd say we had about twelve, oh, about twelve hundred people out, because it was just known one day. And the next day they started runners running four miles on relay up the mountains. One runner would run for four hours, and then let some other runner go on up the mountain. And the second night there was about five thousand. And the third night it was estimated around fifteen thousand, maybe twenty. And there were thousands times thousands came to the Lord.

And the vision was, the little church, the girl was a virgin, just a child, and that meant the virginity of the church. And the three city blocks up the hill was three days I would minister. And taking the little virgin church by my ministry, from where she was, on higher in the things of God, until it shook the entire island...

And, oh, ministers and people around, crying and begging and persuading, "Just a night or two more," the city officials.

We went from there to Puerto Rico. There we were met with great high triumph, and thousands times thousands packed the track, until it was estimated some forty thousand precious souls came to the Lord Jesus. And at the going, I hope I... I'd say this to my own church, but I couldn't do it out in the public, around where home folks are not, because it might be looked at wrong. But I have the judge's name here on a piece of paper, who gave the talk when we was leaving, right here, him and his staff.

And I... He--he said, "We have been honored in the island to have different ministers." He said, "When Mr. Billy Graham has just left the island recently," and said, "we had a--a glorious meeting," he said, "but Billy Graham just brought us the same Gospel that we've always heard." He said, "Then we were honored to have Mr. Roberts on the island." He said, "And Mr. Roberts gave us a great three-day meeting." But said, "The expenses was so high in the hotel," said, "left thirty-five thousand dollars for three nights for the hotel expense." He said, "Then Mr. Osborn was here, which was a great servant of Christ." But said, "When Mr. Osborn left, there was a letdown. It looked like everything was gone."

But said, "We noticed in this meeting that there really wasn't hardly anybody on the platform for Brother Branham to pray for." But said, "After the services was over, we'd pick up truck loads of old chairs, and clubs, and everything, out into the audience." He said, "It wasn't a man this time; God came to us," he said.

I said, "Don't expect my prayers, but your prayers out there; lay your hands on each other." And they'd bring maybe a dozen or two at the platform, and when the discernment would come down, the people would just scream. We stayed in a fourth-class hotel and paid all of our own expenses and ways, ourself.

You helped do that yourself with your tithings that you send me. That's what did it. And I want you to know, that out of all of that, you have a part of it. And in the great glorious day to come, God will reward you that. See, you didn't have...

If the person itself goes and performs something, then, you see, when that person leaves, they think, "A big letdown, God left us." God don't leave you. He's with you always. See, it's you just as much into it as any--as anybody. God may use a person for a certain ministry, but that don't mean that that person has an option on God. It's your own faith in God.

34 And they'd go out there in little old wheel buggies, that they'd take like baby-buggy wheels, and--and make a board, and lay the people on it and wheel them in. And after the service was over, all the racetrack would clear up, they'd just go along with wagons and scoop up little old carts and big old chairs, and clubs, and cots, and beds, and just where they just walked away and left them, because that the Presence of the Lord was there. That's what we want to see. Man's out of the picture then; God is moving.

3. duPlessis, David works with Brother Branham's campaign.

WHAT IS THE WORKS OF GOD. LOS ANGELES, CA 59-0404

E-28 (...) That's why Brother duPlessis is here to try to instruct. I heard him saying he'd been in meetings around for ten years. A man of honor, a man should take his Word. He will not give his own Word, it'll be God's Word. But to instruct the people, so they... And you listen to what he's got to say. Brother duPlessis and I have never worked together in this

fashion before. But I--I heard him say... I didn't know how long he'd even been around the meetings. I never know; people just come and go. But I learned to love him and know that he was a good man with a high reputation around the world among all the churches.

JEHOVAH JIREH. LOS ANGELES, CA 59-0417

E-3 Just talking to my good friend, Brother duPlessis back there, which is leaving us tonight to go further into more services. And he's going into Europe now to set up meetings in the different places there, and--for me, and down into South Africa, and Germany, and Switzerland, and...

And then we're anticipating then to Australia right away now. Depends on how soon as Mr. Graham gets out. We're waiting for him to get out long enough that it won't look like I just rode right in on his ministry. I don't want to do that. I don't want to be there while he's there.

4. Two angels to Sodom and Gomorra. [Billy Graham & Oral Roberts, etc..]

[Luke 17:26-30]

FAITHFUL ABRAHAM. SAN JOSE, CA 59-0424A

E-37 Now, Jesus said, "*As it was in the days of Sodom...*" Now remember, two preachers, a modern Billy Graham and O--somebody else, we'd say any great evangelist, Oral Roberts, or some of them, went down into Sodom and preached. Now, they were great preachers, for they did do a sign down there, a miracle, but not that sign. See? Went down into Sodom, and they preached a warning message that they'd better "get out of there, for God's going to destroy it."

And who's doing any better job on that today than Billy Graham and that bunch. I respect Billy Graham, a great man of God. He's got his ministry. I can see some of them say, "Well, he doesn't believe in Divine healing." Look. God's running this business. It isn't us. God knows... If Billy Graham would accept Divine healing, them churches would kick him out that quick. And God's holding him there for that purpose, so that all will be guilty before God, 'cause you've already heard about it. See? Billy's doing a wonderful job. Instead of talking about him, pray for the man that God will continue to use him. I like him.

Look over there in--in Australia, that ungodly place, when they tried to run him out, and booed him, said, "Get on back to America; we don't want you no more. And we want Oral Roberts and some of the rest of them..." Put signs on the streets. Did that stop him? He wasn't made out of the running type. He had a commission from God. He stayed right there. And his eye black all around like that, and almost sent him to a stroke, and sick, and everything else. But he laid right with it, till God got the purpose out of his going over there. You have to admire a man like that. Yes indeed. Sure.

Two mighty evangelists went down into Sodom and they preached the Gospel. And just a few came out, Lot and his wife, and his--two of his children came out.

5. False Christ and false prophets. [Matthew 24:21-28]

MATTHEW 24:24

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

TO SEE JESUS. CHICAGO, IL 54-0718E

E-42 Do you realize that in the last days, when this duel of the spirits comes... I wasn't going to say this, but the Holy Spirit is pressing it on me now. Do you realize that the Bible teaches that in the last days, when the two spirits has the showdown, that will not be through some doctrine of churches or something? The Bible said, "The two spirits would be so close till it'd deceive the very elect if possible."

Did you realize that it was talk that as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these men, reprobate concerning the faith, how that they try to withstand the Spirit of God in the last days? We're living in that day.

PLANT THE VINE AND WHERE TO PLANT IT. JEFF. IN 59-0920

E-14 But if you ever studied, or had any way of studying mythology, myth, something that seems like it is, but it isn't... And in the Scriptures, we find that Jambres and Jannes withstood Moses by doing practically the same things they did, by casting down the rod and turning to a serpent. Moses called for plagues, and they could call plagues too. But they could not take the plagues away. They couldn't heal, because God is the only Healer. But they could cause plagues to come; then Moses took them away.

And then, the final showdown came where Moses did just as God told him to do. And I know all this that's dividing the world today is finally going to come to one great showdown someday, 'cause the Bible said, "*As Jambres and Jannes withstood Moses; so will men with reprobate mind concerning the faith withstand in the last days. But their follies will be made manifest.*" It's a prophecy that must be fulfilled. And you can see both sides a rising now.

6. Brother Kidds' testimony. [Meetings at campgrounds in September 10-15 in 1959.]

WAY OF A TRUE PROPHET. PHOENIX, AZ 63-0119

E-4 Down at the Tabernacle at home there's a little old couple by the name of Kidd comes down there from Ohio. Now, they're both in their, well, in their eighty-five or eighty-eight. And they're so old until they can't go into churches much more, because their--they haven't got enough voice. But you know what they do? About every tape... This little old woman saved her money and bought a tape recorder. And so she take--gets a tape... I send her tapes. And she'll take these tapes, and she'll go at the hospitals, everywhere that she can put this tape recorder up, her and her little old husband, playing them tapes. And then I'll send her a big roll of--of prayer cloths that I've prayed over. And every once in a while, "Brother Willy, I'm out of prayer cloths again." And then when I see them... She'll come in the church, little old white hair, little shawl, and he, a little bitty fellow.

'Bout four or five years ago, when I was at the... What is the name of that place there in Ohio, where they have that convention each year? They call it Chatauqua, but I forget now. It's on the grounds there. But what the--the name of the city is, I can't think of it. Now, it's... You're right close now. Somebody said... We go right through Miami, and it's close to Franklin. Yes. That's right. Right at... I believe it's in between Franklin... Middletown. That's it. That's right. That's right, Middletown, down on the river. So at Chatauqua grounds in there. That's that great basketball athletical center there.

And this brother... Oh, I've knowed them for years, and little old Brother Kidd's, oh, I guess he's eighty when they taken him over, and the doctors found out that his prostate had turned to malignancy. And so, this growth just wrapped him around. Well, they said he'd have to be operated. So when they opened him up, why, there's no need of operating. He's too far gone. See? Said there was no way of doing it at all. Well, they brought the little fellow home. And the operation, hard on an eighty year old man, and he only weighed about, oh, I guess, less than a hundred pounds.

So Mrs. Kidd called up down... I'd just come home from somewhere. Brother Kidd was dying, and said, "He wants to see you, Brother Branham, before you--before he leaves." Well, Billy and I took a turns-about. We got the--the message one night about ten o'clock, and we started the next morning about four, because at noon the next day I had to leave again. And we almost tore the tires from our car getting up there.

Little old fellow, they got him up when I got there. And he had a little shawl over his shoulders, setting there like a old patriarch. I--it just done something to me. And when I went to look at him, he looked over. There was another old lady setting there, been one of the members of his church since he'd preached in the mountains, coal country in Kentucky, where she washed for fifteen cents a day to send her husband out into the fields to preach the Gospel; that was about ten years before I was born, preaching the message.

And he looked over and he called her "Grandma," and him eighty years old, and she was past ninety. And so, he said, "Grandma, you look white as snow."

And I thought, "That's the way for a minister to look at some of his congregation, laying, setting there dying. 'Grandma you look white as snow.'" And he looked back around, and he said, "Brother Branham?"

And I said, "Yes, Brother Kidd?"

He said, "Well, I guess it won't be long till He'll send my chariot down." Said, "I'm going up this morning."

And I said, "That's wonderful, Brother Kidd." I said, "That's the way to feel."

And little old Sister Kidd... How many knows her in here? I know... Oh, lots of you know them. So he said...

She said, "But, Brother Willy, don't you think that God could heal papa now?"

I said, "Sure He could."

And he said, "Well, glory to God." He said, "If He wants to heal me," said, "I'm--I'm ready to work again."

And I thought, "Eighty years old," and I started to kneel down. There come the vision. That was it.

Two days later, they took him back over to the hospital. His boys was on the police force there in the city. They couldn't understand it. Took him back to the doctor. And the doctor scratched his head, said, "Man, there isn't a trace of that I can find anywhere. Now, tell me your story."

And then he like to tore the hospital down. Right back with his tape recorder, here he come, playing the message. And they live there at the in a--right there near the Chatauqua, and they're...

E-9 Now, as soon as I start this seven seals as we did the seven church ages... She called me the other night, she said, "Well, honey, if I just had the money," she said, "I'd sure like to come down."

I said, "Forget it, Mrs. Kidd. Your--your room's waiting. You and pop come on down."

She said, "Bless your little heart."

And that just makes me feel real good, you know, 'cause they encourage me. At eighty-five, or eighty-six years old, and still going, and then me complaining here at fifty-three... So, my, it makes you feel like taking courage.

7. Sister Meda Branham sees Pillar of Fire.

FROM THAT TIME. KLAMATH FALLS, OR 60-0716

E-109 My wife, about six months ago, saw It for her first time. She was on the river that day when it appeared down there. When the article went all over the--the English speaking world on the Associated Press: "Mystic Light Appears Over Local Baptist Minister While Baptizing." Stood there... It talked; people heard It talking back and forth. Thousands of people standing there watching me baptize from my first revival--five hundred converts--in the Ohio River... It was in

the paper, newspaper clippings; we have it. Got on the Associated Press, Canada got it, all around over the country. "Mystic Light..."

Now, the scientific world has taken It. Now, they got It three or four different times. Germany has taken It. They taken It down here in California not long ago. That is real men with real cameras.

The German cameraman said, "Wonder if our camera could catch It?"

I said, "You're welcome to try."

And when the Spirit was coming down, they took It coming down, took when It was discerning, and taken It descending back up again. Oh, my. Thousands times thousands fell to the Cross in Germany. And that's where I'm to return back as soon as they... I can get loose to go back into Germany again, there at Lucerne, Switzerland, It's come again.

8. Tax case against Brother Branham. [Started in 1955 finally settled in 1962.]

THINKING ON OUR WAYS. CLEVELAND, TN 59-0706

E-33 (...) The other day I had a confession to make myself. I was in my home and--and some people had been bothering me day after day. And a big office, and they were--just had me so wearied, I--I didn't know what to do. Finally, I was--felt like the world was pulling the top of my head out. I was so nervous, and I couldn't leave to go to meetings, and meetings waiting, hundreds of Christians waiting to be prayed for, sick children crying, mothers and fathers in the hotels and motels with their sick and dying, and I had to stay in an office with an attorney on the case for somebody... And they were pushing me right and left, and up-and-down. I didn't know what to do. I was answering everything, then they'd take me right back over it again.

And I'd went home to eat my dinner. They told me I could be off that afternoon. I was going to catch up on some of my sick calls. And there was the phone ringing. It was my private phone. I have an answering service. My wife went to the phone, and she picked up the receiver, and she answered. And when she did, she held her hand over the top of the phone. She said, "Billy, it's them attorneys again."

"Oh," I said, "I can't go through another half a day." I said, "I told them that same thing over and over and over and over, day in and out, day in and out. And then they're going to call me again?" I said, "I can't do it. I will... I just... There's so many people waiting to be prayed for." I said, "Tell them I'm not in here," and run around behind the house.

And when I come back in a few minutes, my precious little wife standing in the door, she looked at me, and I know what she meant when her eyes caught mine. She said, "Billy, was that just exactly right?"

You now how you like to justify yourself, I said, "Oh, sure. I wasn't in here."

She said, "But you was when the phone ring."

I said, "But I--I wasn't in here when you told them that." I said, "That was all right."

She said, "Billy, are you sure of that?"

"Oh," I--I--I--I said, "I think so."

And I started out, and I got my hat. I went down to make a sick call. I went into the room to pray for a little sick baby. A man had been waiting a long time with this baby. And I went in to pray for it, and when I started to lay my hands on it, Something said to me, "Can you lay your lying hands on that child?"

The Bible said in I John 3:21, "If our hearts condemn us not, then we have confidence in God."

That's what's the matter today with the Christian Church, can't get anything done, is because our hearts are condemning us with unconfessed sin. It's not easy for me to tell this, but it's the truth. That's the way to be truthful.

And I started to pray again, and I seen I wasn't fit to put my hands on that baby. I said, "Sir, I will see that your appointment is held. You just stay here."

I rushed to the phone and called the attorney. I said, "Can I speak to you a minute?"

He said, "Sure, but the other fellows are done gone."

I said, "Just stay in your office a few minutes." I rushed down there and went into the room. I said, "Attorney, I want to tell you something. When you called awhile ago, I was there." I said, "You--you... When you called, you had me so nervous, I hardly knew what I was doing. I was almost beside myself." I said, "I had my wife to answer like that, but it was a lie. And I've lied to you, and I caused my wife to lie."

Said, "Well, you wasn't in there just then, Billy. She said you wasn't."

I said, "I wasn't. But I run out of the house and run behind the house to keep from being in there." I said, "It's a lie anyhow." I said, "Will you forgive me for it?"

Walked across the floor, looked me right straight in the eye, and I could see in his gray eyes little tears begin to form. He took me by the hand and hugged me. He said, "Brother Branham, I've had great confidence in you, but I got more than ever now." Why? When we think on our ways. I went and prayed for the baby.

E-37 Went back and the next day, I went up to my cave, where I go to pray, way away. I stayed all day, and it was getting along about evening time. About three or four o'clock I come out of my cave and stood by the side of a big rock hid way back.

People's tried to find that for about fifteen years. They never find it. I went in the wintertime, see them hunting for it. They get almost to it, and see how they turned. Something mysteriously turns them. God gave me that cave. That's the place I go to pray. In there's an altar and everything. I never touch one thing. It was just that way when I found it long ago.

And I prayed all day long, and I said, "Lord God, I did wrong, and I caused my wife to do wrong. Don't hold it against her, Lord. Please forgive us. I want to stay clean before You, Lord, that when I'm called to pray for Your sick children, there'll be no condemnation in my heart. I want to be right, and that condemns me. I couldn't pray for that little baby. Will You forgive me?" And I prayed and wept in there from about seven o'clock one morning till about three or four that afternoon.

There's a big rock lays at the mouth of the cave. And it faces the east, way back in the jungles and woods. And I come out and get on this rock, and raise up my hands and--and just praise the Lord. And I was standing there thinking on my ways. I thought, "Lord, why did I ever do such a thing? Why could a man get so bothered? But I'm so glad that You love me, that You let me think of it, that You revealed it to me, that You told me I was wrong. That means that You want me to do right, that You love me."

You ought to thank God when He condemns you for your sins, and the things, as you're thinking on your ways. E-39 And as I stood there praising Him, after I had a satisfaction that He'd forgive me, and a Scripture come to me. And I said, "Lord, there was one time that You hid Moses in the cleft of the rock. And when You passed by, he said It looked like the back of a man." I said, "You've been so gracious to me around this place, could it happen once more, Lord? Just to let me know that... I took my gift and started to the altar, and I went and was reconciled, and then come back to offer my gift according to Your Word. If You forgive me, pass by me, Lord, and let me see You."

I don't know how much you believe this in radio land. You may call me a fanatic after this. That's between you and God.

When I said that, over to my left, a little space, just about like that little Pillar of Fire you see in the picture, a little wind went to whirling in the bushes. Come right down and rolled right past me like that. Went on down through the woods. I raised up my voice; I wept and I cried. I hollered to God and said, "I love You with all my heart, Lord. I'm so glad that You are a prayer answering God, and forgive them that will turn to You with all their heart and repent." Call upon the Name of the Lord.

"He that will cover his sins shall not prosper. But he that confesses his sins shall have mercy."

WHERE IS HE KING OF JEWS. JEFF. IN 58-1221M

53 (...) And taxes has always been the ruin of all nations. Every nation that ever fell, fell by its taxes. (...) .

MOTHER'S DAY. JEFF. IN 59-0510M

7 And then I would like to make just a brief announcement, that in the coming of the Tabernacle, and so forth, I... We're making a renewalment of our foundation, especially my part for the campaigns. All down along through the meetings, since I started in this, on the evangelistic side, many years ago, instead of forming a foundation to have another group of people, I just used the group that I was acquainted with; and from... And made a foundation that all of my meetings would be carried under the name of the Branham Tabernacle. And that would be used at the Union National Bank in New Albany, as where funds could be paid--paid through that, that it would not be taxable. If I didn't, all the money was taken up would be taxable to me if I didn't use the Branham Tabernacle as a foundation.

Many of you has heard me announce that, time after time. I have to do it, and to--in order to do that. And then--then we're setting up a new foundation now. And we'd like as many as knows that I... How many ever heard me announce that, that all remunerations, I work through the Branham Tabernacle? Just raise up your hands, all... Sure, all of you. It's all...?...

And so when the service is over, if you will, I got a little statement there, so that you, if you'd sign it as you go out... Brother Roy Roberson will have it back there.

'Cause we're going to set up another foundation, same thing just--but another foundation, that all of our funds and things that's taken up in the meeting, keep from being taxed, will be--is placed, as usual, in the Union National Bank, to be operate through the Tabernacle, instead of having a--a found--another foundation. 'Cause this is already a foundation, in the name of the Branham Tabernacle. You see? And so there's a Branham here and a Branham there, and like this, and different foundations that don't go too good. Brother Roberson will take care of that, you that will, as they go out. We'll appreciate it.

AS I THOUGHT ON MY WAY. CHICAGO, IL 59-0610

E-2 Then today I happened to pick up some of the advertisements. As Brother Joseph told you last night, I just kind of run in this time. I was scheduled for overseas at this very time, but was turned down on account of some investigation from tax that I'm going through at this time at my church. And the foundation of the church, how we have to have a governmental numbers and so forth, that we didn't know, because the Tabernacle is a interdenominational tabernacle. We didn't know you had to go through all that rigmarole; we thought that you were just a church and had deacons and pastors

and so forth. But the government changes. They changed in forty-nine, I think it was. Well, I was out on the field preaching then. I didn't know their changes and what the congress did.

ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIFE. CHICAGO, IL 59-0612

E-4 They think, as I got into the little trouble by not getting that number for my foundation... Being a church, I didn't think I needed it, but they said, I did. And so, that's where the trouble come up. And I've sent now, and is getting a number, and everything will be fine.

And I just take a--a salary of about seventy-three dollars a week, when they take-out, the things that I have to be taken out for taxes and so forth, a--a week. And all the rest of the money goes into the Gospel work alone. I don't touch it, never none of it. The church just gives me a check, and that's how we live. We have big family. And you know what it... You don't live very expensive, or very high on sick calls, and everything else, and then seventy-three dollars a week.

REVELATION. CHAPTER 4. PART 3. THRONE MERCY JEFF. IN ROJC 61-0108

3 And we go from there to Phoenix, Los Angeles, down to Long Beach. And then we come back, the Lord willing, and go back to the east coast, back up into Virginia and South Carolina, come back then to Bloomington, Illinois. And from there to the Lane Tech High School, last week in April: Christian Business Men. And then I leave from there to go to northern British Columbia, up towards Alaska, and be in there until June. And then we're hoping to have a great time.

Praying then if the investigation of--that I've been under for a while by income tax, concerning the church here, will be over by that time. And then we'll--I'll be able to go overseas then if it is right in June, which will make it just right for Africa; for June, July, and August in--in Africa. So I certainly need your prayers.

ALL THINGS. SHREVEPORT, LA 62-1124E

E-12 I had a little experience the other day. I guess I shouldn't say it here, but I want to say it. I've been under a great burden for five years now, as you people here know about it, from the federal government. And they were trying to find some way to arrest me. In the meetings in these sixteen years on the field, they had traced back and picked up checks that people had made out personally to me in the meetings, and had my name on it, and me endorsing it, turned it in to the Tabernacle for expenses.

And the federal government income tax collector said that those checks were mine personally, no matter what I done with them, if... Like, some brother signed a check at the window for so many thousand dollars for an overseas trip. Then he signed it, just pay from his foundation to the order of William Branham; I signed it, and put it in the Tabernacle Foundation. We kept every check, everything, brought it back.

He said, "But when you signed it, it was yours. Then you turned it over to the Tabernacle." There's no way of beating it. That's all.

So, oh, my, over the coals and back and forth. And they said they was going to make me, that I owed them with delinquency, and with all of my meetings, three hundred and something thousand dollars.

I said, "I can pay it at a dollar a year. I hope I live long enough to get it done." And... But I rejected it. I said, "I pay my taxes. I..." But there it is.

They said, "You owe that too."

Well, up and down, and they'd been years searching for character. And I say this with my Bible open, men setting present who was there and know it, that not one cent did they ever find that I spent for myself: only the Kingdom of God. That is right.

So the attorney called me in the other day, and he said, "Brother Branham, the government is ready to compromise," after five years. I had the--the Ice and Miller at Indianapolis was suggested to me by Brother Arganbright. I couldn't leave the nation. I was under control of the government, a federal case. And I thought, "My, what have I ever done?"

And he said, "Well, this is what you've done. You ought to have knowed better."

Wasn't defraud, because I'd placed it into the church, just as people would make out a check. They wouldn't know to put it in a foundation. They just made it out, "William Branham."

Well, when that goes through the clearing house, there's a photo static copy made of it. So they had every one of them. But they seen where I deposited them back here in the Branham Tabernacle to pay the expenses, and so forth, and the overseas meetings. Well, back and forth...

And then he said, "You--you can... They want to compromise with you."

And I said, "Well, I--I don't owe it."

He said, "Well, now here's what, Brother Branham." Said, "I believe you have ninety-nine percent chance if they call you to trial." Said that, "They can't indict you, but they're trying to call you to trial to say that you owe it. And when they do, they're going to have about one percent chance on what they say, that your name was on it, and you endorsed it. Therefore, it was your property. And then you turned it to the Tabernacle..." Said, "They could get a case against you."

E-15 And it'll all been deposited, was on deposit in the church, and so forth, which we were using as a non-profit foundation. Back and forth... Brother Gordon Lindsay, here this morning, he come up and fought for me, and--and everybody tried it. But there's no way of doing it. They just held it right down.

And he said, "Here's one thing, Brother Branham." Then when he told me what it would take to compromise, it scared me to death.

And I said, "I couldn't do that. There's no way for me to do it.

And he said, "Well, now here's one thing." Said, "We can take the case, and we're your attorneys. But if we go there, and have the case, there is a chance that we could tell them that these were unsolicited gifts and was untaxable. Then you get an inheritance tax. And there it might drag it over another four or five years."

And I said, "Oh, my." I said, "I don't want that. I'm about..." I said, "I never had a gray hair when this thing started." And I said, "Just the thought of trying to accuse me, like of being a crook or a thief..." And I said, "How does it come that they can take a minister, who's trying to preach the Gospel, and proved to use the money for the Kingdom of God to convert criminals, and so forth, and make this a better place to live, and want to make you do that, when the cigarette companies, and the whiskey, with vulgar television and everything else, put cancer in you from smoking and everything else like that, and can write it off, that advertisement, for their income tax for the government? It's just not fair." I said, "It's not fair. You're not treating me fair."

Said, "That's for the government to decide."

And I said, "God will make the last decision. That is true." So I held on.

Then the--the attorney said, "Here's what, Mr. Branham." And I was so thankful for that. He said, "There's a... We can't find one thing against your name. But if they ever call you to trial, and being a minister with your reputation, they'll mud it across the nation, going to a trial."

"And what happens then?"

Said, "No matter how innocent you're proved, among many people you'll still be guilty."

Like that precious Baptist brother down here not long ago, that a woman said he come into her house and insulted her. You heard about it. It was over here somewhere in the south, and about three years ago, or maybe not that long. And that minister proved with his congregation that he was a hundred and fifty miles away for days before, and the same day, and many days after. Even the courts wanted to turn around and ask the minister if he wanted-- she wanted--he wanted to sue the woman for slandering a minister's name.

Said, "Let her go."

And did you see that popular vote across the country? Quickly they slammed his name everywhere, and the people said, seventy percent of the Americans said, "Oh, where there's smoke, there's fire." Now, that precious brother will have to linger under that all of his days, when he's as innocent as anybody here. Well, there you are.

And now, he told me, said, "It'll take a lots of money to do it." And I didn't have but about seventy-five dollars, and he wanted forty thousand (See?) pay the attorney fees and the government. I said, "What have I done?" I went home.

I said to Meda, my wife, "Wash the kids' faces, get their clothes ready. I'll be a vagabond the rest of my life." I said, "I'll not do it. That's all there is to it. If I owed it, I'd sweat it out to pay it. But I don't owe it, and they can't say I owe it. They can't prove it. They've had five years to do it, and they still can't do it."

She's a very calm woman. She waited a little while, and she come put her arm on my shoulder. She said, "Now, just a minute." She said, "But remember, Bill. If they--if you run, that's a coward." And said, "They'd still hold it against you." And said, "There's only one thing; that's face it."

And I went in the den room and I said, "Lord, what must I do? Give me a Scripture."

Here's what come to me: One time they asked Him, "Is it right for us Jews who are free to pay tribute to Caesar?"

He picked up a penny and said, "Whose inscription's on it?"

He said, "Caesar's."

Said, "*Then give Caesar what's Caesar's; God's, what's God's.*"

Then I seen where one day He said to Peter, "Let's don't offend them. You know, you got a fish hook in your pocket you pack around at the time, just commemoration that you was once a fisherman. I've got a bank down there in a fish. (You know, He owns everything anyhow.)" So He said, "They just made a deposit awhile ago. Go down there and cast in the hook, and the first fish you bring up, open his mouth, and the bank will pay off. And take it down there and give it to them for Me and you, so we won't offend them."

I said, "God, You still got fish."

I don't know how I'm going to do it, but a brother setting right here, it went on my note. I went down and borrowed forty thousand dollars, with the understanding that I'd pay it back in ten years, four thousand a year. I don't know how to do it, but He's still got fish. And I--I... He's got... All of it belongs to Him.

E-19 I went home, and I wrote... After writing the check... And I put on there. "Paid in full for all back taxes." And I thought, "Would the government accept it like that." And just before coming down here, I thought I'd better call the bank.

I called the bank, and the teller went in and looked. He said, "Yes, they accepted it, Billy. You're free. You're pardoned." Oh, my. Something run over me. I run into the room and grabbed my wife around the neck. I said, "Honey, I'm pardoned. I'm free. The old account's been settled. I can go now wherever I want to, wherever the Lord leads me. I'm free. Oh, what a thing to be pardoned, something I couldn't help."

9. Squirrels spoken into existence. [Third Pull] [Mark 11:20-24]

[First happened on Oct. 18 1959; the second time on Nov. 7, 1959.]

MATTHEW 17:20

And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

POSSESSING THE ENEMY'S GATES. JEFF. IN 59-1108 [Nov. 7, 1959]

39 Lord Jesus, we come in that great Almighty Name of the Royal Seed, the Seed of Abraham, Who was promised him on the mountain where You provided a lamb, and put that lamb in the wilderness, a mysterious thing, the same as You did those squirrels yesterday. I pray, O Lord God, that You'll send power, a faith, and let every seed... I know they will, Lord, because You said, "The seed of Abraham..."

NEW MINISTRY. JEFF. IN 59-1115

E-31 Then, it was on the... I got some dates set down here. On October the twelfth... On the fifteenth, deer season was opening over in Wyoming. On--on the twelfth was the last day I could hunt. And we were going to leave on the twelfth. I mean, on the tenth. We was in the woods, which was a Saturday. Sunday, I preached, which was the eleventh. On Monday, Brother Sothmann and Brother Roberson back there, and all of us, we left for--for the meeting--or for the deer hunting over in Wyoming.

On that morning of the tenth, which would be... Then on the eighteenth, the season would close in Indiana. We would have no more squirrel hunting. So I said, "This will be the last time I can go out." And we'd gathered a bunch together, and I strayed them around the woods. And I went way back up into a place where I love to go at Salem. Season was late. Squirrels were few. I'd been out several times, just getting one squirrel at a time.

So this morning, I made my way to the same woods. And the wind rose, and it begin to blow. And anyone who hunts knows that's a bad morning. I hunted all the woods through without seeing one squirrel or hearing one. I went down into a creek bottom, and started up to find another little scope of woods. And as I drew near this little woods, there was a--a lot of walnut trees and locust trees. The leaves all off of them, just a bare thicket.

Along beside of two sycamore trees. Now, squirrels don't hang around sycamores. But right up from it, I seen looked like I got the glimpse--I caught the glimpse of a squirrel going up through the woods, but he was running fast. "Well," I said, "there's no need of hunting. Here's people out here. The farmers picking their corn right around this little woods. The squirrels would not be here.

So I sit down between the two trees, and propped my feet upon one and leaned back against the other in the warm sunshine. I thought, "I'll just take a little nap. Then I'll get Brother Banks, and Brother Sothmann, and the boys as I go back, and down the road." And as I sit there... [Brother Branham coughs--Ed.] Pardon me. As I sit there under the tree, just got snugged down, and the warm sun shining on me, Something said, "*If you say to this mountain, 'Be thou plucked up and cast into the sea,' and shall not doubt in your heart, but believe that those things that you said will come to pass, you can have what you've said.*"

I said, "Well now, there's that Scripture in my mind again." I said, "I've got a while here, about an hour before I have to go get the rest of the boys, so I'll just study that Scripture." And I said, "Now, how could that apply." I said, "Here's the only way it could've been. That those disciples lived the other side of the atonement. The atonement was later, about a--oh, several weeks later, before the atonement was made. Jesus gave them power the other side of the atonement, like He did the prophets."

And when I said, "prophets," Something struck me again. "What was the prophets?"

E-34 Then I begin to think of it, about what He did with the prophets. And it got... After I was speaking there for awhile, inside myself, just thinking, till I become so conscious of Something near, till I was talking to Someone.

And Something said to me, "That's in the atonement, for if a man or a woman is so consecrated and surrendered to God, that God just moves in and uses their voice, and it isn't the man speaking, it's God that's in him speaking..."

I thought, "That's right."

Something said to me, "Who do you think... How do you see those visions on the platform? How do you see those visions out here? What is it? Do you think it's your own wisdom, that you could predict something that would happen every time to the letter? Do you think it's you speaking? Would you think sometime when the Holy Spirit gets into a message, and you don't know what to say, what is It speaking then? What is it when a man will speak with a tongue that

he doesn't know nothing about it? What is it that will interpret that same tongue, neither one of them knowing anything about it? Is it the individual, or is it the Spirit of the living God?"

I said, "That is true. I see it. It's God that's speaking, and all the Church needs is a step closer to Him, a more of a consecrated life to live with Him."

And while I was setting there just for a moment or two, thinking on this, I caught myself talking to Someone. And I heard Something say, "Ask... Say what you will, and it shall come to pass."

And I said, "What do You..." I said, "Who am I talking to? Who are You? Who's standing here with these bushes that I can hear that Voice talking to me? Who are You? Speak out to me." I got all excited and jumped up from between the trees; I said, "Speak to me. Who are You? I can't see You." I looked for that Light there; I could see nothing. I screamed out, "Who are You? Where are You? What You want with me. Lord, where are You?"

Something moved back and say, "*Say what you will, and it shall be given to you.*"

I said, "Lord, are You changing my ministry? Is this the change You been speaking of? Is this what it's coming to? Is this what it'll be, something in that little house that I saw in the vision. Is this it?"

Just then, a reel deep, sweet anointing of the Holy Spirit raised me like off of my feet, and said, "Say what you will, and it shall be given unto you."

E-36 I stood there amazed. It left me, I had nothing. I thought, "Well, what could I say? There's no sick people here. There's nothing here. I'm in the woods. What could I say? What--what--what could I do?" And I thought, "Wha--Wha... Am I losing my mind? Have I studied so hard till I'm--my mental powers are cracking up?"

And just then, I heard It just the same as you hear me, said, "Aren't you hunting? And you have no game?" Said, "Speak anything that you wish."

Well, I thought this, "God said, 'Prove all things,'" I said, "Lord God, if that be You, and this is a sign that You're fixing to change my ministry from those visions to something greater I've looked for so long." I said, "Let it come to pass that You'll answer my prayer."

And I stood there a little bit. And I thought, "What did He say? He didn't say, 'Pray,' He said, '*Say what you will.*' *Just say it, and your words will materialize. Say to this mountain, and it'll do just as you say.*"

So I put my shoulder against the tree. And I'm used to... Got my rifle set for fifty yards to drive tacks. So I--I looked around to see a tree at fifty yards. And the one that was fifty yards away up out of the leaves, I said, "It's almost total impossible for a squirrel to come to that tree. Right near them farmers there picking their corn." I said, "But there will be a red squirrel come out on the end of that limb and set down there, and I'll shoot him from here."

And no more than I'd said it, there was a squirrel. I trembled a little, and leveled down, and shot the squirrel, walked over and picked it up. I was shaking all over. I said, "Maybe that just happened that way." You know how people can doubt. But you want to be sure. Don't do nothing unless you're positive, and then you know what you're doing.

I rubbed my face a little, and I looked, perfectly eye shot. So I went up and set down on the side of the hill, and I said, "Lord, it is written in Your Word 'that the mouth of two or three witnesses, let every word be established.'" I said, "If that was You, forgive me of my stupidity. But I pray Thee to give me another squirrel like that." And I said, "Then I will believe You, that It's You. And the devil won't have any room to say that it just happened that way."

So I set down. Just in a moment, here come that (I call It) super-anointing, swept over again, and I was almost off of my feet, and say, "Say what you will, and it shall be given you."

I looked through the woods until I found another tree some fifty yards away, had a lot of brush in it, and grape vines and things wrapped around where squirrels seldom ever take a tree like that. I said, "And there shall be another young fox squirrel setting right there."

And I took my finger down and looked around through the woods, and looked back, and there set the fox squirrel looking right at me again. I shot that one, picked him up. And I thought... Oh, I was trembling. I thought, "Think, the great mighty God of heaven is here in the woods, and He's confirming to me in my own way, hunting here, that He's going to do just exactly what He told me fifteen years ago."

I watched a little bit. I said, "Lord, it shall happen again."

He said, "Speak the place where it'll be."

I said, "I'll make this radical." I said, "That old snag sticking out there by the side of the field, bare, slick and white." I said, "There shall come another red squirrel, and he will go out on the end of that snag and look out over the field at the farmers. That'll be that way." I looked back and there was no squirrel there. I looked for about five minutes, there was still no squirrel. I--I said, "Well..." I said, "Two--Two squirrels is fine." I said, "Two's a witness. I'll believe it like that."

And Something said, "But you said there would be one."

E-39 I waited another five minutes, nothing. And it kept quoting in my heart, "You said there'd be one." I waited and waited.

Something said, "Are you doubting?"

I said, "Not one bit."

And I no more than said that, till out that limb went the red squirrel, stood and looked at the farmers. God's my judge standing here. I shot the squirrel. Went over and picked him up, and walked through the woods till I was way hours a past picking the boys up, to see if there'd even be one more anywhere. And there wasn't. Then, I come home and told you about it.

And then on November the seventh, I was down in Kentucky. I was with Brother Wood's brother-in-law, standing there, Charlie Cox (standing there at the pilaster), and with Brother Tony Zable, one of the deacons here in the church (Are you here, Tony? Ah, he's here somewhere.), Brother Tony Zable, and also, Brother Banks Wood. And we were up in the mountains, hunting.

And I started into the woods, and squirrels were very scarce, no--the leaves deep on the ground. And I started up into the woods. And Something said to me, "How many squirrels do you want this morning?"

I said, "Well, I've got a hundred and fourteen this year, a hundred and seventeen." I said, "If I had three more, it'd make a hundred and twenty. That would make just an even number to stop on." And I said, "Another thing, it would be--give me six to take home." Which I love them better than any meat there is to eat. And I said, "If I could just get three more..."

I walked on up through the woods a little farther, and oh, there was none. Good hunters like Charlie and them got one. And I said, "Well, I..."

Something said, "Say to it. Speak the three squirrels, and you'll have it."

I said, "That's happened once."

So I stood by the side of a little tree, late in the afternoon on a side of a ridge. And that Anointing come so great till I could hardly stand on the ground, and said, "Speak! What you say, don't doubt and you can have what you've said."

I said, "I shall get three squirrels."

He said, "Where will they come from?"

I said, "One will come from that way, one from that way, and one back this a way." Make it radical. God don't care how radical that it seems. He's God of circumstance.

E-42 And while I stood there for about a few minutes, I could hear no shooting around from the rest of the boys around anywhere. I happened to look to my back. Way up in the woods, about ninety yards, I thought something was on a stump. I watched it. After a while, it jumped off; and it was a gray squirrel. So far. All the way across the hollow upon top of the ridge. When it come along by the side of the tree, I shot it. It was about ninety yards, and it killed it. I said, "There's one. I might as well turn and look this other way for the others, 'cause they're coming."

See, God has a way of bringing things to you, making you sure what you're talking about. That anointing I... was off of me then. Well, I waited and watched this a way for about a hour. Nothing happened. I was getting cold. I thought, "Surely, if that is the Holy Spirit that's telling me those things, it will be just exactly; because when the anointing was on me I spoke that word, and it'll have to be that way."

Now, listen real close to this. And this is going to be a tape recording that'll go all over the world.

Now, and then to my left, I kept watching. After while, I looked upon a tree. Coming around a beech tree, there come a gray squirrel. I said, "Just exactly that way. That's right, Lord."

I turned down, raised up to shoot him, and there come another squirrel. I said, "There's two. Just exactly. Make my three." And I raised down, shot the first squirrel.

The other one run under a log. I could see him cutting on a--a hickory nut or something, under the log. The log was about that high at the end, raised up about a foot. I could see the squirrel. I killed the first one. I said, "Now, I'll get the other one."

And I leveled down, put those cross hairs right over his ear, not over forty, fifty yards away, and shot and hit the log. And the squirrel never even got excited. And I put another bullet in it. And he turned around and went down the log, and went to the other end. Well, I leveled down and took the best aim I could. And I'd only missed five shots all year. So then, I leveled down, right perfect shot, and touched the trigger again, and I hit about four inches above him. I said, "I must have knocked my scope out."

And then I watched again. The squirrel run up and went right out in the side of the woods, broad-sided from me. "Well," I said, "I knocked my scope out. I'll just shoot him broad-sided then in the chest cavity." And I raised up and put the cross hair... And I thought, "Maybe I've got cold and shaking." I thought, "I wasn't cold and shaking when I shot the other one." So then... just the same about a minute or two apart...

And I got a hold of a bush and put it in my hand, and held the gun real tight, and put it on the cavity, chest cavity of the squirrel, and pulled the gun off. And I shot a foot under him. And I pulled to get another shell, and I... Gun was empty. While I was loading, I said, "I will get him if he will stand there." And when I got it, the squirrel went on up through the woods.

And I stood there. I thought, "What? There's three shots straight missed. And I've only missed five out of a hundred and fourteen." I said, "How could it be that I--my gun would be out."

E-46 And just then, it come to me. "You can't shoot that squirrel that way. He must come from that way." God's Word is perfect. Couldn't shoot him from the south; he's coming from the north. "Well, I said, "I will just turn around this way then and watch north till he comes."

I put more shells in the gun and watched. The little... I said, "If he comes, he will have to be awful close." I don't like to shoot one close, it isn't sport. It isn't nice to do it. So one was... The thicket there... I said, "Well, I'll have to get this one from the north, 'cause I said that way." So I stood this way, watching.

And I--I said that, I've... just got late. I said, "A quarter till four. Now, at four o'clock, I'll have to leave, because--with them two, because the boys are waiting for me." And so I waited a little while. Four o'clock came, three minutes after four. I said, "Well, I will go get my squirrels." I went up and got the squirrels, come back. So dark, I could hardly see in the hollow.

I started down the hollow. And as I was going down the hollow, it was dark. And I'd passed the place where I'd been standing, Something said to me, "Aren't you going to go up there and get that squirrel?"

I said, "How could I see him now?" With a little telescope sight, little bitty fine target scope. Hardly enough light to see; few feet in front of me. I said, "How could I see it?"

He said, "But you said that there would be another one."

Oh, I wished I could just make that... somehow I could get... see what that... hear that... what that really means, friends. See, under that Anointing, it wasn't me that said it, It was God that said it.

And I walked a couple of steps. Said, "Turn and go back towards the north. Your squirrel's there."

I went--turned. And I said, "Lord God, I won't doubt a bit." I started walking back towards the north. There are those setting here that knows this, started walking back towards the north. And way upon the ridge, fifty or sixty yards away, a squirrel run up the tree. Just enough light that I could see him. I searched with my scope all up and down the tree, no squirrel I could find. After while, I thought I seen a knot on the tree, way up there. So dark. I said, "Well, I will try that anyhow." And I shot. And when I did, a squirrel run around the tree and run down. I heard it hit the ground. I thought it jumped off. Same time that happened, about twenty feet from it, one run up a white oak. And I said, "He run down one and run up the other one. Now, surely, Lord, You won't let me miss him after I've already said under that anointing that this would be, and You're confirming my ministry. This'll be six times that You've confirmed it to me." The number of man, six times. I said, "You won't let me miss him."

E-48 I looked all up and down the tree. And way up in there I thought I seen some leaves. I seen something moving in it. And I raised and shot. And the squirrel dropped to the ground, stone dead. Up the hill I went, rejoicing and happy. I went to the first tree over to my left, and there laid the squirrel. "Well," I said, "I know I got that one, but I wasn't sure of this one. I said, "Then, Lord, You give me one for good measure."

I goes over to find the other squirrel; he wasn't there. And I looked and I looked, and I searched under leaves, and raised up little pieces of chunk, and tore open an old log. And there wasn't but one log laying within thirty yards. And I tore it all to pieces, looked under the sides, and held my hands in the leaves and felt. There was no squirrel there nowhere.

On up, there's a big old snag on top of the hill. I went up to that little snag, and there's a little bitty hole. And I felt in there, and I thought I felt my squirrel raising up and down. When I was... I said, "Well, I can't get to him. So in the morning, I will bring the boys back and get it." I got to go tell them. And I went down to Brother Charlie. Stopped the hole up, went down to Brother Charlie and them, and told them.

We went over to their house that night for supper. We was rejoicing in the Presence of the Lord. And when... Before going to bed, Brother Charlie there asked Brother Tony Zable (back there) to lead in prayer.

Now, I don't say this to conflict or to hurt Brother Tony. He is one of the finest Christian gentlemen that I know of. But to just show you how the Lord works. Tony, in his prayer that night, said, "Lord God, let it be known to us that our brother's telling us the truth, that tomorrow he will find that squirrel in the stump."

That was... I never said I'd find a squirrel in a stump under the anointing. I said, "I shot the squirrel." Of course, I couldn't get the squirrel. Because if I did, that'd made more than I'd said. Just exactly what I'd said under that anointing, that's what God produced. So I didn't say nothing about that.

See, that's how a lot of times people say, "Brother Branham said so-and-so." When Brother Branham says anything, that don't have nothing to do with it. But when God says it, that's eternally true.

But Brother Tony didn't get it. He said, "If that squirrel is there, then we'll know our brother's told us the truth."

E-50 Brother Woods, Brother Charlie, all of them picked it up. We said nothing. I slept with Brother Tony that night. The next morning at the table, we were talking about... Oh, it was a horrible day. And Brother Tony said, "Well, there's one thing. Brother Branham will probably get his out of the stump this morning, out of the tree."

I said, "Brother Tony, I never said the squirrel was in there. I said I could feel it. When it would raise up, it would drop."

He said, "It'll be there. It'll be right in the stump."

We went on up. And when I left the car, I started to turn back again, and say there's something wrong. I'd better tell Tony now, because if that squirrel isn't in that hole, in that stump, I come back with no squirrel at all, then according to

the way he prayed last night, he will still believe I told a lie. And I said, "God, You know with my Bible, that I've told the honest truth." And God knows that's the truth, said just the truth.

And I went on. Something just drove me on. And I went walking up through the woods, hunting. I kept thinking, "What if that squirrel isn't in there." He gave me his hunting knife so I could cut a--the hole bigger to reach in and get it.

And Something said to me, "If it isn't there, or if it is in there, what makes a difference?"

I said, "He will... He wouldn't believe me. He prayed and said that, "If we find the squirrel, he will know that our brother has told us the truth."

And that great Anointing come, said, "Just say the squirrel will be up there, and you'll get him."

I thought, "Surely, Lord, surely. This will be seven times straight while this anointing's on me." I said, "Is that You?"

He said, "Say what you will!"

I said, "I shall find that squirrel." The Anointing left me.

E-52 I hunted on till nine-thirty. And what we was supposed to do coming down and go get some dogs. Then they thought they were. And I went on up the hill at nine-thirty, looked in the hole, felt around, cut. There was no squirrel there at all in the hole. I felt all around. Now, what I was picking up was little fine grass roots or roots of trees. I'd pick it up and feel it, and it'd fall off the stick when I run the stick and pull it up like that. I thought I was picking up the squirrel, and it was sliding off the stick, but it was little roots and things: no squirrel in there.

I thought, "Now, what will I do?" I said, "Here it is nine-thirty, I've got to go back." I picked up my rifle and started down the hill.

And something said, "Did not you say you'd find the squirrel?"

I said, "Where would I find him?"

God, being my solemn Judge with His Word here, and I'm a man of fifty years old, a preacher of the Gospel, standing in this pulpit, Something said, "Look under that little piece of bark."

I said, "Lord, I wouldn't doubt You for nothing." I walked over and picked up the bark, and there was no squirrel there. I thought, "I was..."

But just before I did it, Something said, "What if he isn't there?"

I said, "Oh, he will be there." And I picked it up and there was no squirrel there. I looked down with amazement. I saw a little bitty piece of gray sticking out from under a leaf. I pulled it up, and there laid the squirrel, making it just exactly right what He had said to do.

E-54 Down the hill I went and told them about it. And we rejoiced. And when I come to the car, Charlie standing right there, Banks, they were talking. "Wasn't that strange that Tony would say a thing like that in his prayer, as well as he loves Brother Branham? And why would he doubt his word and say that?" See, he just had to say it that way, for God knew that I'd stand in the pulpit this morning and claim the same thing.

You've got to watch what man says, and then what God says. What God says is true.

Then I thought, "Well, praise be to God." And I went down. We had a great time, come home.

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E-35 And just as I scooted down to kind of get myself warm, that Scripture came to me again, "Whatsoever you say, believe that what you say shall come to pass; and you can have what you say." "Well," I thought, "why does that Scripture keep coming to me when I can't preach on it, because I don't know nothing about it? I could not go before a congregation and try to explain that Scripture." Well, I set there a little bit; I thought, "There's only one thing to it. If I'm ever called on to preach on that subject, here's the way I'll do it. I'll say, 'Jesus told that to the disciples and gave them that authority; that was about a year and six months before the atonement was made. So if it wasn't in the atonement, it was the other side of the atonement. So if anybody ever asks me that question, I'll just tell them it was the other side of the atonement; it's the only thing I know. Because Jesus was still a living; the atonement was not made and He was not wounded for our transgressions, nor by His stripes were we healed yet. So He just gave them that power the other side of the atonement.'"

And then, all of a sudden Something spoke to me and said, "*What about the prophets?*" Well, I begin to see then; it begin to unfold to me. "*What do you think that taken place in the meeting when you're standing there? Do you think you're the one who knows those people? Do you think that it's you that can predict and say to those people that you're going to do a certain, certain thing, and a certain certain thing that has happened to you, and a certain certain thing will happen to you? Do you think that's you saying it?*" Oh, my. It my--it means so much; it's never left me.

And I thought, "Surely not, Lord. It's You."

"Well then, do you think it's you talking?"

"No."

"Do you think it was the prophets talking? Had not you just got through preaching on the subject that the prophets was so anointed with the Holy Spirit that it wasn't them that done the speaking; it was the Holy Spirit in them crying out. Then whatever you say if you're anointed wouldn't be you saying it, it would be the Holy Spirit saying it."

"Well," I thought, "if that may... That's right. If the person, through the atonement, sanctified by the Blood of Jesus Christ, can live into a sphere with God so close that he can be wrapped so completely in God, by the Blood of Jesus, that it wouldn't be him talking, it would be the Holy Spirit speaking these things."

And no more than I'd said that, till I--the anointing of the Holy Spirit struck me like I have never had before in all my life. God knows that. I raised up to my feet; I got scared. And Something said to me, "Now, this is the beginning of your new ministry. Now, ask what you will, and it shall be given to you."

I stood there. I--I don't want to be a fanatic, I--God knows I want to be sane, and just, and honest, and faithful, and true. Well now, I'm fifty years old, can't be too much longer that I've got to go meet Him. And I want to be--know that everything is perfectly right before I leave this world. And I thought, "I don't want to be off on a deep end of something," I thought, "maybe I'd..." Now, I'd bite my finger; I said, "I'm not asleep, I'm not dreaming this, so something's wrong." And I was real numb like all over my face and everything. I thought, "Maybe I just studying it so much till I--I got into a place I can't shake myself out of it." And I thought, usually when anointing comes deeply a vision follows it. I thought, "Well I'll just--I'll just wait here a minute."

E-38 And I--I started moving my hands around like this and walking around, and Something said, "Say what you will, and it shall be given to you."

I waited and listened; I thought, "Was that... Where You at, Sir?"

And I heard it again, "Ask what you will, and it shall be given unto you. I'm confirming the things that I will do."

And I said, "But what should I..." I thought, "Who am I talking to?" I--I felt like I'd lost my mind. I thought, "Who am I talking to? I don't see a person. Where's that Light at? It usually is the One talk to. There's no Light here. Who are You? Where--what do You want?"

I thought Something said, "Ask what you will." That's right. I was thinking of that Scripture: Mark 11:23, "Ask what you will." I thought, "Well, what would I ask? There's no sick people here, what could I do?" I thought, "There's nothing out--maybe, am I beside myself?" I said, "What would I ask for?"

And Something, just as plain as you hear my voice saying, "Aren't you hunting? And you have no game?"

I said, "That's right." I thought, "Is this... Lord," I said, "if I'm--if I'm doing anything wrong, You forgive me." Now, isn't that awful? If you're doing anything wrong. I said, "Lord, if I'm doing anything wrong, forgive me. But is this You? Is this the Scripture that You're trying to get to me? Is this that other step that we're coming up to? You give me a vision and said it be confirmed in a little building somewhere in a meeting when the tents get started." I said, "Is this what it's leading to? If it is, Lord, then I'll take You by Your Word."

I looked around, I thought, "I'll find something impossible." And I found that old locust thicket; I said... I usually set my sights in for fifty yards. I... The Lord... I'm not a shot, but I--I--if my gun won't drive a tack at fifty yards, it's out. So then, I was... I shoot squirrels, never shoot one with his back turned, or head turned; I got to see him just right and shoot him in the eye with a twenty-two rifle. Now, if it don't, let him go. So then...

And I said, "There's fifty yards," about the distance across this building; I said, "And there shall come a young red squirrel and set on that old naked limb out yonder and I'll shoot him from right here." And there come the squirrel. I turned the gun, aimed up, through the little telescope sight I seen it's eye, shot it, dropped down. I walked over to look at it; I thought, "It's bleeding; a vision don't bleed." And I--I looked at it, picked the squirrel up, felt it; it was a real squirrel. I got real scared. And I thought, "Well, you know, it just happened, that's all; it just happened like that."

E-40 So I started to walk away, I thought, "But a squirrel out here in this locust thicket? Well, they'd be back over yonder in the woods. They wouldn't walk out there like that, and I been hunting all morning." So I stood there just a little bit, and I said, "Lord, if that was You, the Bible said, two or three witness is a confirmation. It can't happen a second time." So I walked up side the hill and set down, and I said, "Now, here I'm acting crazy." And I said, "Well, I--I'll just get ready and go home now." I said, "It'll..." But I thought, "Believe I'll try it." And I said, "And there shall come another squirrel and set over there in them bunch of grapevines, right there." I took my finger down and looked back; I didn't see any squirrel. I said, "Well, ma..." Looked back," and I thought, "what is that there?" Pulled up my telescope, and there set a squirrel looking right at me, fifty yards away. I shot the squirrel, walked over picked him up, see if it was a vision, but it--it wasn't a vision, it was a squirrel. I eat them. So they... And I--I picked up that one, and I thought, "Oh, my." I just felt real funny. I thought, "Two, but You said three."

"Well," I said, "This... I--I--I--I kind of believe it was You, Lord." I said, "Maybe You're going to do something for the people now; You're going to help Your people. So I thank You very much, and I--I thank You, Sir." I took off my hat and I said, "I--I certainly thank You, Sir. I--I believe You now, and You're going to do something for Your people, so I--I sure appreciate it, Father dear." And I said, "Now, I'll be going home."

He said, "But you said you wanted three."

"Well," I said, "yes." Now, that seemed liked it was something inside of me. I didn't hear a voice, but just something inside of me said that. "Well," I thought, "I'll make this one so radical that it--it--it'll have to be something supernatural. And I looked out in the field, towards the field there's just a big old slick snag out there with one big old limb run out. And

I said, "And it shall come to pass there will be a young squirrel go out on that limb, set on the end of the limb and look over at the farmers cutting their corn," shucking their corn, "and I'll kill him from this tree right here. It shall be that way." E-42 I stood there a minute, no squirrel, looked back. About five minutes passed, no squirrel. "Well," I said... I thought, "Well, this is enough. Anyhow, it's getting time for me to go." I said, "I better go." And I started to walk away, and as I did Something said, "But you've already spoke it. And the Scripture says 'If you'll not doubt in your heart but believe that what you have said...'" Hallelujah. I waited up against the side of a tree. I looked off, looked back; there no squirrel. I waited another ten minutes, no squirrel. I said, "How could a squirrel ever get out there?" So I said, "Well, I guess I'll just move along, and I'll be going home because it's time to pick up Mr. Sothmann and them, so I'll just walk on." I started to walk away like that.

Said, "Are you doubting?" God knows how to school you. "Are you doubting that what you said?"

I said, "No, I'm not doubting." And just as I said that, coming out that limb come a young squirrel, walked out to the end of the limb, and stood looked over at the farmers. I shot him from right there, making my three squirrels. And I said, "I'm going to see if there's another squirrel in this territory." And I was about three hours late picking up Mr. Sothmann and them, couldn't even hear one. I went home. I told them. It bothered me. I didn't know what to think about it.

JEHOVAH OF MIRACLES. SAN JOSE, CA 59-1126

E-22 (...) It was just a few weeks ago, about three weeks ago, when I set down by some sycamore trees, as I was telling you, and begin to think. It was there for the first time that He came and declared the new ministry to me. Think on Him. "Draw nigh unto Me, and I'll draw nigh unto you," saith the Lord. Think upon Him.

10. Revelation is progressive.

NEW MINISTRY. JEFF. IN 59-1115

E-12 What a gracious promise. And it is absolutely the truth. This stumped me, or as I should use that expression, for a long time. How could that be?

And one time, when I first started preaching here at the Tabernacle many years ago, I run on to the word of "hell." And I run the reference to it many times, and it referred to "hades" in the Greek, which meant "the grave." And I didn't know what to say, because I do not want to be responsible for men's souls at the day of the judgment. So I searched it and searched, until I found what was the truth. For about four or five years, I would not touch the subject of "hell," until I found what was truth about it.

And then, this Scripture stumped me even more, because it was outstanding: such a promise being made by none other than Jesus Christ. And when He said to His disciples, "*What things soever you say, you can have. If thou shall say to this mountain, 'Be plucked up and removed into the sea,' and will not doubt in your heart, but shall believe that what you have said will come to pass, you can have what you said.*"...

Oh, if we could weigh those words: "You can have what you say," not what I say, but what you have said. "You can have what you said."...

For years, I lingered over that. I went to every lexicon, commentary, every translation, even to the Douay version. And every translator translates it the same: "You can have what you say."

So I know that if it's written in the Scripture... To me, all Scripture is Truth. And if I can't rightly divide It, It's still the Truth.

E-14 So I believe sometimes that God just lets us see things when it's time for us to see things. He withholds these blessings. Like, the blessings that we're enjoying today, our forefathers did not enjoy those. It wasn't season for them.

11. Trap set for you! [Scene of kissing in service.]

SPEAK TO THIS MOUNTAIN. SAN JOSE, CA 59-1123

E-30 Fred Sothmann, a friend of mine, bosom friend from Canada, He's here in the meeting somewhere, was with me in a New England campaign just last year. And we went over in the Adirondack, where I was lost at that time, and the only time I was ever lost in the woods in my life. And I wanted to show Brother Fred where my wife and children was--or Billy, was waiting for me to come back when I was lost in that snow storm that night. And when we were standing there by the side of a little lean-to where I'd had Meda and Billy laying in this mea--lean-to while I was hunting bear...

Well, I stepped out to one side ,and the Spirit of the Lord came upon me and I begin to shake. And it said, the Spirit of the Lord said, "There is a trap set for you, and be thou careful what you say."

Fred, where are you at? Are you in the meeting here tonight? I know he come over. Yes, right back here. That's right. And we left there and I told Brother Sothmann, "Something's fixing to happen." And when we got to the meeting that night I said to the audience, "Remember, **THUS SAITH THE LORD**, there is a trap set for me. And all of you pray that I'll know to do the right thing when this comes to pass."

And the next night it happened. The devil sent in two people, a young boy and girl to break up the meeting. And that was in--it was in, not New Hampshire, but Vermont. Freddy, you remember the name of the city, it was the capital, what--

of Vermont. And we were just across Lake Champlain. And so when we were in the meeting this boy... The girl looked like kind of a Mongolian girl. But the boy was just holding... They were both at least twenty-five years old apiece. But such immoral acts in a church... They were setting about like this from me. And when I started preaching, he would just grab her, and throw her head back, and climb up on her, and kiss her, and carry on, and just act awful in the meetings. And the ushers couldn't make him be quiet. And I said to him from the platform, I said, "Young man, don't do that; you're attracting the attention while I'm preaching." And he just laughed right out at me. I thought, "Oh, oh, there it is, there's the trap, right there."

I went right ahead speaking just the same. And oh, he got so immoral with her, till I had to stop again. I said, "Don't do that, sir, please." I said, "If you want to make love to the young lady, then you leave the building, but this is a--a religious meeting." I said, "You shouldn't do that. Don't--please don't do that while I'm preaching." I started again and he just made it worse.

And then when I was turn--I said, "Don't..." And Something said to me, "Say what you will, and it'll be done." I stood there. Mr. Mercier, the tape boy, and all of them standing, Brother Fred, and many of them standing present, the perspiration was just running from me. Something said, "Say, 'Blindness,' it'll be blind. Say, 'Death,' and they'll pack them out. Say what you will." I couldn't speak. I couldn't move. And it just left.

I thought, "God, what--what must I do?" And I turned, and he stood there, and his face white, looking at me. I thought, "What must I say?" Then I turned, and looked like, before I knowed what I'd said, I said, "I forgive you of your act."

And it must have been just the right thing to say. It was God trying a--a reaction on an action. That night it was revealed to me that I'd said the right thing. I knowed it was all leading to something, but what was it? What to do?

You know you have to watch what with a Divine gift what you do with it. Remember what Moses did? So I must've said the right thing. "I forgive you." For you know John, young John, wanted to burn up Samaria one time because they wouldn't feed them.

Jesus said, "You don't know what kind of a spirit you are. The Son of man came to save life, not to destroy it." And I... Them Scriptures just kept pouring over, all night. I didn't sleep. But that was a trap set that Satan would get me all worked up and then make me say the wrong thing. But the Holy Spirit was there and told me beforehand to be careful what I said. Oh, the goodness of God, how it was. It... Just His mercy. "Be careful what you said." And from then on there was a relief come. Then about... I begin to notice the different things that I would speak out unconsciously, not knowing what I said, and it would happen that way. I begin to speak about it.

12. Back to Eden.

WHAT HOLY GHOST WAS GIVEN FOR. JEFF. IN 59-1217

32 God poured Himself into Christ. Correct. Christ poured Himself into the church; therefore... Now, watch. "At that day you will know that I am in the Father, and you are in Me, and I am in you." At that day you'll know it, for it's--the whole thing is one plan of redemption coming down, that God coming back to live in, and dwell with, and commune to His people as He did at the beginning. Now, then as soon as He gets His church in speaking conditions, gets His church to a place that He can flow Himself through, and love, and persuade, and fellowship, then there'll come a Eden. He'll take His church back to where it--it left Him at back to an Eden again, there where it fell. It... Now, that's where it made its first start of fall; there's where it'll be taken right back with every clean slate of redemption, bringing them straight back to that place again.

13. Tongues as on the Day of Pentecost. [Acts 2:1-18]

IDENTIFIED WITH CHRIST. JEFF. IN 59-1220E

23 *1c. And explain how do we know some of the people on the day of Pentecost spoke Galilean?*

There the biggest part of them there was Galilean. And all of them... Now, as I said this morning... Now, there is two things, two faculties. Now, I'm going to take the side that the people was speaking in tongues, the people, speaking not in tongues, but in languages when they come out of the upper room and begin to meet the people. But if you'll read the Scripture... Listen close now: "Are not all these Galileans which speak? And how hear we--how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Are not all these Galileans that speaks?"

They could've been speaking Galilean, but they were hearing them in another language. It could been they were speaking another language, their own language. Either way wouldn't matter; it still doesn't make the Pentecostal conception right (See?), 'cause listen. Here's why. Not to say something different, but just to make a--facts straight. If you notice... Why did Peter get up then and speak to the whole multitude, and they every one heard him in the language he was speaking, for three thousand was converted of staunch Jews, who were just as staunch in their religion as they could be? But they must've stood--understood every word of Peter preaching on the prophets, and so forth, bringing up to Pentecost, for they screamed out and said, "Men and brethren, what can we do to be saved?" See?

Peter said, "Repent, and be baptized, every one of you in the Name of Jesus Christ for remission of your sin."

Now, just let me say this with--with the--all of my heart, so that you'll see that what I'm trying to get to you. I certainly do believe in speaking in tongues. I believe that it is a gift to the church. I believe that there is a tongue. I've spoke in tongues many times myself.

Let me give you a little instance what I think Pentecost was, and then I'll--or something like it now, or something on this order: I was in Dallas--Houston, Texas, just before this picture was taken (about one day). We could had the Music Hall; we was holding eight thousand. The people couldn't get in, so we went over to Raymond Richey's tabernacle. I forget just... It was a mammoth, big tabernacle. And--and we'd filled that full. And I'd preach and pray for the sick here. Then while they put them out, I'd go over and preach and pray for them over here at Raymond Richey's across the river.

And then, when we was over there fixing to come back to the Music Hall, I'd... Howard had just let me go as far as I could go, and he touched me on the shoulder, patted me on the side. If you noticed in the room, when the anointing is on, they'll pat me like this [Brother Branham demonstrates--Ed.]; that means it's time to quit, don't say no more, come on. And Howard... Used to be, I'd stand there. He'd just get my hand, and throw me over his shoulder and walk on out (See?), 'cause he knowed I just had enough.

Well, I started to leave the platform when he patted me. I said, "Okay, brother." Started to leave the platform, and a girl--a little girl was setting--standing here crying, a little Mexican girl, looked to be about twelve, fourteen years old, just teenage. And I looked at her, and I said, "What's the matter, honey?" I said, "She's crying, Howard."

"Look, I..." said, "You've had enough. You got another group over there waiting."

And I said, "Bring her up here." And I just reached over, motioned like that, and she come up on the platform. (I believe Brother Wood and them was present; now, they was at the meeting. I don't know whether they was at that time or not. Brother Wood, where are you at tonight? Was--is that right? Yeah, you was there.) And I said, "Bring her up on the platform." Well, I said, "Look, honey. Do you believe that God is able to tell me what your trouble is?" And she just kept her little head down. "Well," I thought, "may--she may be deaf and dumb."

So I looked again; I seen it was speech. And I said, "Oh, she can't speak English." She couldn't speak one word of English. So... She was from Mexico. So they had an interpreter to come. And I said, "Do you believe, honey, that the Lord Jesus can tell me what your trouble is?"

Well, she spoke back through the interpreter, said, "Yes," she believed it.

And I said, "Can't you speak English at all?" And the interpreter said to her...

She said, "No," She never knowed any words of English; she was from Mexico.

And so, when I... Then the vision started. And I said... They don't interpret the visions (You see?), 'cause you're speaking constantly. Never interpret a vision so--until it's all over, and then they tell them what happened. So then, while I was--I started to speak; I saw a vision. I said, "I see a little girl about six years old. She's got on a scotch plaid dress with black strips of hair hanging down her back and bows of ribbon in it. She's setting by an old fashion fireplace. There's a large kettle, and she's eating yellow corn from it. She eats so much corn till she becomes violently ill. She falls, and her mother lays her on the bed, and she has epileptic fits. And that's what happened to her." See? I said, "You've had epilepsy ever since."

And quickly, before anyone said anything, she looked up to the interpreter, and she said to--in her own language, "I thought he couldn't speak Spanish."

And the interpreter said, "Did you speak Spanish?"

I said, "No, sir. I spoke English."

He said, "Well, she said you spoke Spanish."

I caught it. I said, "Stop the recorders." There was a big bunch of recorders, maybe thirty of them going.

In them days... Brother Roy Roberson, wasn't you there? Yes, Brother Roy Roberson and Sister Roberson and them was there.

So I said, "Stop the recorders. Play it back." And it was actually in English. But you see, then when I started... As long as the vision was going on, I was speaking English, but she was hearing it in Spanish. "How hear we every man in our own tongue wherein we were born." See? And... But as soon as I started speaking myself, then she didn't hear a thing that I said; but while the inspiration was on...

30 Now, apply that to Pentecost, just once. See? Friends, God's my Judge; the Holy Spirit did that. Now, let's apply that back to Pentecost for our meaning. The Holy Spirit wouldn't do anything just--just to say He did it; it's got to be a cause and a reason. See?

Now, on the day... "How hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Are not all these speaking Galileans?" How did they know they were Galileans, if they wasn't speaking Galilean? They all dressed alike. How did they know they were Galileans? "Are not all these that's speaking Galileans? And how do we hear, every man, in our own tongue, wherein we were born?"

And then up gets another man, a Galilean, Peter, and begin to preach to them. And somehow another in that multitude of people, three thousand souls understood him, and came, and was converted, and gave their lives to Christ.

1. In Kingston, Jamaica. [Was there in 1959.]

CONFERENCES. PHOENIX, AZ 60-0228

E-8 We was in Puerto Rico last week, or week before last it was, I believe. We was in Kingston, Jamaica, and having about three thousand converts each night. And went to Puerto Rico... We was there about three or four nights, went to Puerto Rico for two nights, had three to four thousand each night there coming to the Lord. And here I'm at Phoenix now for fifteen days. My, I just trust that the Lord will do something great for us.

MEANEST MAN I KNOW. PHOENIX, AZ 62-0127

E-5 Usually, God in His mercy shows me my people before they go. My father, he died on my arm, and I committed his soul to God. My brothers... Brother Shakarian and I, many of the men here, was overseas (last year I believe it was) there at Jamaica, Kingston, when one morning at a breakfast the Holy Spirit came in, and I said, "Now, His Presence is here. To know, see that lady going there with that on her arm? Call her over here just a moment." Told her of her condition. "I see the young man coming here now. He has a certain thing," and what's bothering him.

And just then, I looked down and I saw a person dying, and a young man standing, having a convulsion or spitting blood. And I said, "Call Billy Paul at once." The young man was spitting blood. "Don't let him go up on Blue Mountain today. I don't know what it is." And then later, we found out it was my mother-in-law dying at the same time, and my brother-in-law standing there convulsing out blood.

2. Young Joseph Branham sees vision. [Joseph is under five years old.]

HEAR RECOGNIZE ACT ON WORD. JEFF. IN 60-0221

196 Brother Demos Shakarian had seen that vision so manifest, and come to pass five days later to the perfect, it just liked to have dropped him out of his shoes. He called me. He said, "How is Joseph?"

I said, "All right."

Said, "Does he see visions?"

I said, "Yep." He told me of David, Brother Wood's son, where he'd fall on a motorcycle, three or four days 'fore it happened, just exactly.

He said, "You know, those things follow families."

I said, "Righteous or evil does, either one, it follows families."

FROM THAT TIME. DAWSON CREEK, BC 61-0520

E-5 And now, I am not very formal, because, you know, God's without form. The Bible said so. So we don't have nothing formal. Around our home, we--it's nothing formal. I have three lovely little ones at home, and Billy, my son, is with me. And we're just a great family of people that love the Lord with all of our heart.

I've got a little boy 'bout... he was... Yesterday he was six years old. And... But six years before he came, the Lord told me I would have this son. And I should call his name Joseph. And the little boy is already seeing visions and speaking things that actually comes to truth perfectly.

3. Third time the prophet saw the Lord Jesus. [New ministry the Third Pull vindicated.]

BE NOT AFRAID IT IS I. PHOENIX, AZ 60-0305

E-17 Remember, reminds me rather, of a recording I was listening to a few days ago, when I was laying in the bed, the day that I saw the Lord Jesus walk into the room, and I don't think I've told you about. To talk about this new ministry to me. When I was laying there in the bed, I was listening at a teacher a teaching on a tape. And someone said to this teacher, "Why is it that you don't go and stay straight in the road with your text?"

And this teacher said, "All the people I teach to is not on the highway, so I have to go by the wayside to pick them up." That's pretty smart, Brother duPlessis...?.... Brother David...

And true, Jesus will take His teacher to one side off of his text, and Jesus will go aside to win one soul or to do one thing to help somebody.

GO TELL. JEFF. IN 60-0417M

139 And I wanted to go back. But I felt a little nudge. And I said, "Well, for the brethren's sake, I'll set the meeting." As soon as I arrived in this valley, my throat closed right up, and I didn't speak for nine days till the meetings passed by.

Brother Ruddell, he may be here this morning too, one of the brothers from this Tabernacle, him and Junie Jackson and them, I was supposed to have a meeting for him. And immediate, my throat just closed up. And the first thing you know, I took a fever of about a hundred and five. And I was going to the meeting first, and--and Doc Schoen said to me... I said, "My throat is hoarse."

He said, "I'll give you something to loosen up them larynx, and you can go ahead and preach." And I took something another he give me, and, what it was, it pulled that sinus down and blocked it. Then I laid in the bed for nine days with just a high burning fever.

Many of my brethren here come to me, many famous brothers come prayed for me. Here come Brother Graham Snelling, here come Brother Ruddell, all these brothers here, all gathered in, praying and everything else, me praying, trying my best, couldn't even whisper. I wondered, "What's it all about?" My lovely little wife setting there, her and them praying for me, just kept on staying just the same. They couldn't understand.

Now, he give me some medicine to take, but I didn't take it, because it was dope. And then I just let it go. And I just kept thinking, "Lord, surely..."

And then after the meetings was all over on a Monday... That was; last meeting was supposed to be on Saturday, and then, I believe. And then on Monday I'd tried to get up. I was so weak, I couldn't go through the room. I set down.

You know, I'm so thankful for a God-given wife. Aren't you, brethren? A real wife, a real companion...

I set down. I motioned to her, and got her over close to me. And I said, "Meda, sometimes I wonder." I said, "I wonder what's the matter." I said, "Why would them meetings be there, and God let me lay like this?" I said, "Why was it?" And I said, "Sometimes I wonder if He even called me."

She said, "Ain't you ashamed of yourself?" And she told me, said, "Bill, don't you know that God knows what He's doing with you? Just--just be quiet."

148 And so I went in. That kinda rebuked me a little, you know. And so I went in and laid down on the bed, She come in to change the sheets. And she'd got the--the things on her arm, and when she started out, I looked, and there was a...

I seen an old--a great big armory building, that the sun had shined down and bursted out on the ground, blowed it to pieces, the sun shining down from heaven. And there come three women and a man come up, and they had out like little bitty, like little... some kind of little shooting guns like. And he said, "That drives nails." And said, "We'll... You hold these pieces up, Brother Branham, and we'll build this armory back up for you."

And I said, "All right, I'll do that."

But Something said, "Don't do it." Well, I reached down to get a piece, like this, to build it up like this. And just then a voice spoke to me, and said, "Now, they're on the road to get you to go back. Don't you believe it." Said, "They're ever so sincere, and they're coming to you with THUS SAITH THE LORD, but they're wrong." See?

Fred Sothmann, many of them here, was right there when I told them about it. In less than an hour the people drove right up to my door. I said, "There's three women and a man."

"That's exactly right."

"They come with THUS SAITH THE LORD?"

"Yes, sir."

They--I said, "Of course, you know what to tell them. Sincerely wrong. See? Fine people, but sincerely wrong. See?"

Then I thought, "Well, what can I do? What must I do?" And then Meda come in, and she'd gone on back. And Brother Freddie went and told the people. And then after while, I was in there on the--o--on the bed, and I thought, "Why does it happen that way? Why can't I speak? Why can't I talk to somebody or something?" I was laying in there. And Meda come in, and was going back out of the room.

154 And I looked, and I seen something make a flicker over to one side. And I looked, and there was my wall opened up, and I seen Jesus. How many of you ever heard me say that I seen Jesus twice in my life in a vision? And I believed I would see Him again before the end time (See?), see Him again. Now, I looked, and the skies was right out there, just looked like I looked through the wall. And there was the Bible standing right like this, great big Bible standing in the skies. Well, there's something got light around the Bible, and out of the Bible come a real pretty golden cross. And it stood out like this, and the lights coming from all around it, and out of that cross He walked. The Bible reflected the cross; the cross reflected Him. And He come walking out, and walked right down to where I was at. I can see it just as plain; I can see the--that cross reflecting His hair standing there, hung down over His face.

He looked down at me like that, and He said to me, "You are waiting for your new ministry to be confirmed to you." He said, "I've already confirmed it to you. It's already confirmed. You've got to accept it." See? And I stood and listened to Him just a minute. It come into my mind; I didn't hear that; it just come into my mind. Like a man, that he's been a sinner all of his life, and he knows there's a Bible, knows there is a God, but all at once he hears a sermon, then Something tells him, "it's you." Then that same Word's been there all the time, yet it's confirmed to him, then he says, "Lord, forgive me." But it won't do no good until he accepts his salvation, then he goes out and is a Christian. No matter how much he cries, how much he begs, he's got to accept it.

And the--the... He said to me then, "You've got to accept it the same way. You've got to believe it."

I'm afraid of defeat. Anything, I'm afraid I'll bring a reproach. I'm always afraid of it, watching, think I'll call the wrong thing. 'Cause, I've took warning of the Bible, how that Moses was given great power, and he smote the rock instead of speaking to it. I remember of Elijah, because he went baldheaded, them little children teasing him about being

baldheaded; he put a curse on those children, and forty-two of them was killed by bears. See? Now, that wasn't the Holy Spirit, but it was that prophet angered. And I--I've went through all the things, coming to that.

And there He stood, talking to me. And He said, "But you walk with too many." He said, "To walk with Me, you'll walk alone."

160 I'd seen that. I'd been catering too much to denominations and everything (You see?), somebody trying to tell you what to do and what not to do. You got to follow Him. Now, remember the vision that He give me about the fishes, you know, and how that you couldn't teach supernatural signs to Pentecostal babies. You remember. There it was. And I'm right at the brim of this new message.

No more than the vision left me, I said, "Amen, Lord." And my wife was standing there, almost fainted. And I jumped up out of the bed; I could talk as good as I ever did. Just in a second, every bit of the fever left me.

I called up Doc Schoen, I said, "I'd like for you to look at me."

He said, "What?"

And I come over there, and he looked at me, looked through those sinuses, said, "Tell me what happened, Brother Branham."

And I said, "You'd believe my story?"

He said, "How could I doubt it? It's happened."

That's it. See? That's it, friend. God knows how to hold you on an ash heap. He knows how to do something for you until He can get the message over to you (See?) to get to do something.

Today, I don't know how much defeat. I went in not long ago, was listening to a radio broadcast. And there was a minister preaching on the resurrection, from I Corinthians 15. And he was preaching the resurrection. And he stopped right in the middle of his sermon, and he said, "You know, so many people are afraid of defeat." He said, "When General Patton lost a bunch of soldiers," said, "then they told him... He sent back and he wanted some more, and they sent him up some more. He got them killed, and he sent for some more. And when he got them third bunch up there," said, "every time a bullet would whine, they'd run under a tin, or run under something another, scared."

He said, "Send me up men, not kids." He said, "I want men that's ready to die. I don't want somebody that's afraid to die. If the cause we're fighting for is not worthy to die for, then keep them away from me. I want men." They said, "But you've lost two or three battles."

He said, "I haven't lost the war. I've just lost a battle." Something spoke in my heart.

I remember Eisenhower said, "When I threw a bullet, commanded and they threw a shell in the gun, they pulled it off and it was a fizzle; it didn't work," said, "I didn't quit and surrender. I threw the bullet out and put another one in, tried it. If it didn't work, I put another one in, until one did work."

That's the way it's got to be done. I don't know how it will be. But God is my Judge over this pulpit; I don't know how many fizzles and how many--how many battles I'll lose, but I'll not lose the war. He told me He'd be with me. I'll stand till I see that ministry confirmed and see it in operation. I begin this morning by the grace of God. I don't know whether it'll work here, whether it'll work somewhere else, how it'll work, or what'll take place. But I'll walk right down prayer lines, praying for the sick, until I do know what's happening. I seen it happen two or three times.

I seen it happen in Hattie's house. How many ever heard the story about the squirrels, and about the girl, the little woman? The first person in all since we've knowed, since the days of the disciples, was ever given the privilege to say, "Ask what you will," when you're there. Did you ever hear the story? Did you ever see the woman? How many never seen her, and want--would like to see the woman it happened on? We... Hattie, would you stand up? There's the lady.

4. Prophet visits Oral Roberts' and Tommy Osborn's new headquarters.

IT WASN'T SO FROM THE BEGINNING. BLOOMINGTON, IL 61-0411

E-6 When I stood not long ago... Brother Oral Roberts, I remember when he had his first meeting, come over to my meeting here in St. Louis, or at Kansas City, little ragged tent setting across the other side. And he said, "Brother Branham, you think God hear my prayer for the sick?"

I said, "He will hear anybody's prayer, Brother Roberts."

And I remember Tommy Osborn when he nailed himself up that night when the demoniac run out on the platform to kill me (You've read the story of it.), Portland Oregon. And then he come to my house, and he said, "Brother Branham, oh, do you think I have got a gift of healing?"

I said, "Brother Osborn, you are a promising young man." I said, "If this keeps on it'll be like any other revival. It'll come to pass and a fellow won't think he's got a ministry 'less he's got a healing service." I said, "Don't think about that." I said, "If God called you to preach the Gospel, He called you to pray for the sick." And I said, "Just stay right with it. See?"

Your pastors has just the same rights to pray for you as any evangelist on the field. And if your pastor's not there, your good God-saved neighbor can do the same, your husband, or your brother, your child, or whoever it is. "Confess your faults one for another; pray one for another that you may be healed." That's true.

So I never tried to get money. And those two brethren that I mentioned, two fine, loyal, sweet, God-saved men, is T. L. Osborn and O. L. Roberts. That's exactly truth, They are fine men. I know them both since their ministry begin and they're real fine brothers.

And I went to Brother Osborn's the other day, and over there when I had a meeting in Tulsa, and I looked how God had bless him. And he's a great missionary, does missionary work. And the money that you send to Brother Osborn is certainly used right. He is a fine God-saved man. And I went into his place, and he put his arms around me, commenced crying, showed me where all the places he had been. He said, "Brother Branham, that's part of your ministry." He said, "If you had not have went and done as the Lord did and by... tell you to do..." said, "I am just one of your students," as it was. Think, a man of that caliber telling a little person like me that I--he was my student. That's takes a real sweet, humble, spirit.

E-9 And then, when I was there, Brother Oral Roberts fell and hurt his leg. And I went into his lovely big home there, and I couldn't have been no better treated if I'd been an angel come from heaven when I went to pray for him. And he had a knee that had... Oh, it was in terrible condition. And while I was praying, the blood veins come down and made a big "v" on top of his knee; got right up and walked away.

So I went into his homes, and how beautiful, and nice, and a big home. I just wept. When I went outside and looked at his great big building there, how beautiful it was put together, everything in a triune block. And I seen that mirror there of the hands reaching down. And when I walked outside and looked, I never seen nothing anywhere in the world like it anywhere. And I thought, "O God, great Jehovah, how thankful I am. That shows the faith of one man that can really get a hold of God and do something like that. How I'm thankful."

Then Satan said to me, said, "He must not think very much of you. What if He come to your place and seen one little typewriter setting up there in the end of a trailer? What kind of an office would that be?"

I said, "Well, I'm doing the best I can. That's all." Have a hard time ever getting any letters answered. And I looked up and I thought, "My, I would sure hate for them brothers to come to my place and see my office." But then as I was standing there, something sweet happened. And I never forget it. Just as plain as I ever heard a voice in my life, He said, "But I am your Portion."

And I said, "Thank You, Lord. I'll gladly take that way 'cause I cannot have the mentality to operate a worldwide radio like Brother Roberts, and the thousands of souls that he reaches. But in my little humble way if You will just help me, and You be my Portion and I'll just follow you. And wherever You lead me then I--I'll do in the little way, the way... 'Cause we got to have the little stones kinda fits in with the big stones.

5. Vision of a "Pentecostal kitten".

HEARING RECEIVING AND ACTING. CHATAUQUA, OH 60-0607

E-20 God don't like compromisers. God don't want His Church to look like the world. He don't want it to act like the world. He doesn't want to have anything to do with the world, only to preach the Gospel to the world and to call those forth.

God wants separators. The church wants mixers. They want a pastor who'll not be so hard on them, and--and tell them good things, and not dig right down, and just rake the hide off of them. Brother, that's what we need.

Here a few weeks ago in a certain place, I had a vision. And there was a little kitten laying on a--a pillow. And I was raking him like that. And he was just purring, and I noticed above him he had a name. And I thought he's the cutest little fellow, and he was just purring away, like he was sleeping away. And the Spirit said, "Rake him back the other way once." When I raked him back the other way, all the snorting and squalling you ever heard, them green eyes shining, he was the horriblemest looking monster I ever seen. Oh, as long as you can let people just go any way they want to, they'll give you some catnip, all right, but when it comes to a place... We don't need catnip. We need the power of the Holy Ghost back into the church and back into the building, the resurrected Life of Jesus Christ that cleans us up, makes us new creatures. We need strong wines, not catnip. That's for babies.

SARDISEAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1209

61 These denominations is the poisonous things we've ever had in Protestantism, trying to make man govern the church, another a--a image like the one that set on that throne. The head bishop, the general overseers of Pentecost, "Well, now, let me see, what's his doctrine? Oh, he baptized in Jesus' Name? He can't come in this. No, sir, brother." You turn it down. They have to turn it down too. "I'll give you to understand, don't any of you go to that meeting over there. Thumbs down. No matter how sick you are, stay away, no matter what God's doing. If you ain't looking through our glasses, why, you're not seeing at all." So a image unto the beast... And the image had life to speak. That's exactly right. You don't think he can speak, just cross him up a little bit one time. You sure get in trouble.

I remember, Tulsa, Oklahoma, I was... Oh, I was getting in a awful mess there, them denominations begin swinging around there. And I was setting in this building one day, and I seen a--a vision. I seen a--a little, pretty, little old kitten, and he was laying on a silk pillow, and he was the cutest little fellow. And I walked over there (and I'm afraid of a cat),

and I went over and I begin to rake him, and he was going, "purr, purr." You know how they do that, make a funny noise, you know. And I was raking him, I said, "Pretty, little kitty." And he said, "purr," just as fine, you know.

And I looked over behind his pillow, it said, "Pentecostal kitten." Well, I thought, "Now, isn't that strange. Now, this has got to be a vision."

And Something said, "As long as you rake his fur this way, all right; but now, if you want to see what he's made out of, rake his fur backwards." See? So when I raked his fur back, them eyes stuck out, green, and he was a monster standing there spitting at me as hard as he could (See?), just rake his fur back a little bit. Tell him his baptism in Father, Son, and Holy Ghost is of the devil and of the Catholic church, watch what happens to him. See, it stirs it up.

I come down and said to Brother Gene and them, down in hall, Brother Leo and them, I said, "I sure had a real vision of Pentecostal denominations then."

6. Dr. Lamsa, translated American Bible from the Aramaic.

QUEEN OF SHEBA. TULSA, OK 60-0401E

E-4 I have been thinking today, that they misnamed Chicago being windy city. I think it should have been Tulsa. I could hardly sleep last night; the wind was so hard. And I thought, "Many times have I been in Chicago, but never such a wind, as I--we had last evening." And then the service, it was so hard, the wind blowing and making a noise. It was rather a bit of confusion.

But it all paid up today, to get to meet some precious people. I had the privilege of meeting Dr. Lamsa, today, the translator of the Lamsa translation of the Bible. And such a privilege... You know, I would rather you'd give me a little rose bud, right now, than a whole wreath after I'm gone. I think maybe he'd think the same thing. I certainly can prescribe to his translation, for meeting him and finding such a lovely spirit of a real true Christian believer. God bless his gallant soul. I don't know as I've ever met any more spiritual man than Dr. Lamsa. May the Lord richly bless Him.

GO TELL. JEFF. IN 60-0417M

108 A few days ago, talking to the great Doctor Lamsa, who translated the Bible from the Aramaic unto English... And I seen that little sign, God's sign on there, with three little dots in it. I said, "Doctor Lamsa, what is that?"

He said, "It's God, with three attributes."

And I said, "You mean, God living in three offices, such as, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost?"

He raised and looked at me, tears come in that Jew's eyes; he said, "Do you believe that, Brother Branham?"

I said, "With all that's in my heart."

He threw his arms around me and said, "I wondered when I seen that great things going forth, and the signs that you were doing." Said that, "They told me you was a prophet. I didn't believe it till now. Now, I know you are." He said, "That's it. That's the message. That's the thing that'll shake the Kingdom of God." Yes. He said, "Someday you'll die for it, boy." Said, "You'll seal your testimony with that very same thing."

One of the greatest man we got, when Eisenhower and great men of the world, Hollywood, all kinds of movie stars and everything calling for him, but hung right there in the meeting. He said, "I have been thirty-some-odd years getting this translation, not from the Vatican Greek, but from the Aramaic; right straight from that, from the Aramaic into the--the English." And he said, "I've spent all that time," he said, "I have just now walked into the place where I see God of the Bible moving." He said, "You know, Brother Branham, we can see signs and wonders, but we watch what voice the sign has. We Jews, we see a sign, but we watch the voice of the sign."

113 Oh, hallelujah, the voice of the sign... God told Moses, "If they won't hear the voice, the voice of the first sign, then they'll hear the voice of the second sign." Not so much the sign, but the voice went with it.

See that Jew, he knowed what he was talking about. He said, "I've seen discernments; I've seen signs, wonders, the blind being made well, and all kinds of different signs, but I wondered, but now I see the voice behind it will not cut God in three parts, and saying He's one God the Father, and next the Son." He said, "God is God: three attributes of God, three offices of God." Said, "That confirms it."

7. New ministry on Daulton's family. [The Third Pull]

POSITION IN CHRIST. JEFF. IN 60-0522M

2 Just coming in this morning, I met a little boy there and he gave me a little plaque of the guardian Angel watching over two little children. I didn't know that that was the Daulton--little Daulton boy.

And here a few weeks ago, or a few--about two weeks ago, there was a father, Christian father, asked for his teen-age daughter that was not yet a Christian. While he was standing in the prayer line, and the Holy Spirit said to, "I--I give you your child." And here she is this morning, saved and baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus, setting on the platform, just as the Holy Spirit said. And the other children are all setting around. I know the Daulton family's happy.

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH. SHREVEPORT, LA 60-1127E

E-90 What is the mark of a prophet? He's a divine interpreter of the Divine Word. That's exactly. The Word of the Lord came to the prophet. That's who it came to, not the theologian, the prophet. Do you know what "prophet" means? Take the dictionary, and look, and see what it means: "An interpreter of the Divine Word."

And then come and say such as that... See how... People just got so churchy, till they don't know God no more. That's it. That's what makes us so mulely. Uh-huh. It's just... You want to get back to that stage of real genuine Holy Ghost faith.

Yeah, I see one man I know, this Baptist brother sitting over here Brother Daulton. I want to say something. I'm expecting, Brother Daulton, you see why I'm lining him up there about. How many heard the story the squirrels and things? You all did down here, I guess, and so forth.

A new ministry's taking a hold in my life. That's what I got these here for tonight to try it. I seen it happen about three or four times. The first time it ever happened on a mortal being...

The second time it happened was to this Baptist brother setting over here. He's standing there at the church, his children teen-age reckless as they could be. And he'd been... We'd been praying for his children; all at once that same Jehovah-jireh turned around; I said, "I give you your children in the Name of Jesus Christ."

I think everyone of them is saved now. Everyone of them, all of them saved, everyone of them. The brother setting right there from Willow Shade, or Somerset, isn't it Kentuc... Somerset, Kentucky. Somebody in here... Some of you Baptist want to see a Baptist preacher with the Holy Ghost? Stand up just minute, Brother Daulton. There's a Kentucky Baptist preacher with the Holy Ghost. Isn't it wonderful? It sure is. All right.

8. Brother Branham translated into Heaven. ["Joseph, thou art a prophet."]

ADOPTION. JEFF. IN 60-0522E [Translation on May 8th 1960]

215 (...) Yes, so happy to know that that is true. And some glorious day, I don't know when that day will be, but if that was a vision... I don't say I was here. Remember, always bear this in mind; may the tape holders do the same. Whether I was in a vision or carrying away in the Spirit, I do not know. But it was just as real as I hold my Brother Neville like that, just as real. And I could look and talk to those people.

And there stood my first wife; she didn't holler, "My husband"; she said, "My darling brother."

There stood a girl that I used to go with years ago. Perhaps some of her people's setting here, Alice Lewis from Utica, very fine royal Christian girl. Got married a little late in life, and had her first baby, and died in childbirth: Alice Lewis. I walked into the funeral home to see her. I just got in home; I heard she was dead. I walked down there, was nobody in the room, I said, "Is there a woman here, Mrs..." Her name was Emmerke. She married a fine Christian boy, and she was a fine Christian girl. I've been with that girl everywhere, all kinds of places, and everything, as just kids, eighteen, nineteen years old, everywhere. Fine Christian, never knowed nothing about her but genuine Christianity. And I was a sinner. But I would go with her. I walked into... And her husband a born again Christian, real man. And I didn't know; I knowed she was died; I'd seen in the papers. And I went down; they told me. I went down there to Coot's, and I said, "Have you got a Mrs. Emmerke?" He said, "Billy, she's right in the room there."

I went in there and stood there by the side of the casket. I thought, "Alice, I've been in the darkest of dungeons; I've been over dark roads. You and I have walked together down through the roads and down across by the--by the river. When they used to have the old showboats, we'd set down there and listen to that calliope play. Up and down the lanes, what a lady you were. How I thank God for your life. Rest, my dear sister, rest in the peace of God."

And the other night in the vision, there she come running to me. She said, "My blessed brother," and threw her arms around me. Oh, oh, brother, sister, it's changed me. I can never be the same no more. It's so real. It's just--it's just as real as I'm looking at you, just that real. So there's no fear. I may die before the night's over.

I want to raise my little boy back there, Joseph. I want to see him in the pulpit, when I can take this Bible... When I get to a place I see Joseph in the pulpit preaching as a--as a young man filled with the Holy Ghost, anointed with the Spirit of God upon him... And I believe he'll be a prophet. The day when I--when I--when I saw him six years before he was born, you remember me telling you he was coming. Remember when I caught him right there at the side of the altar, not knowing what I was saying, dedicating babies, I said, "Joseph, thou art a prophet."

221 And the other day standing out in the yard, he come in to me, and he said, "Daddy, has Jesus got a hand like yours?"

And I said, "Well, yes, son. Why?"

He said, "I was setting on my bicycle, watching for Sarah (That's his little sister.) to come home from school." Setting out there, I won't let him go out on the road; he was setting back like this. And said, "I looked up," and said, "when I did, there was a hand like yours, with a white sleeve holding over me." And said, "It went on up." Said, "Was that Jesus' hand going up?" I looked at the mother; mother looked at me. We went down to Mrs. Wood's. Ever where she's at, setting here. We cross-questioned him, back and forth, and every way we could. It was a vision. He saw it. When I can see the time of little Joseph standing... I hope I live to see him married, if Jesus tarries.

BEYOND THE CURTAIN OF TIME. JEFF. IN 61-0305

[Paragraphs 17 through 25 is Brother Neville reading the following article of Brother Branham's printed in

the Full Gospel Business Men's Voice:]

E-17 The other morning I was lying on my bed. I had just awoke from sleep, and I placed my hands behind my head, and relaxed with my head on the pillow. Then I began to wonder what it will be like on the other side. I realized that I have lived more than half my life, if I live to be as old as my people. And I wanted to do more for the Lord, before I left this life.

I heard a Voice, saying, "You're just starting. Press the battle. Keep pressing." As I lay there pondering... they there pondering these words, I thought, that I just imagined that I heard a voice.

Again the Voice said, "Press the battle. Keep going. Keep going."

Still unbelieving, I thought that possibly I had spoken the words myself. I placed my lips between my teeth, and held my hand over my mouth, and listened.

The Voice spoke again. "Just keep pressing. If you only knew what is at the end of the road."

I seemed to hear the music and words of an old familiar song.

I'm home sick and blue, and I want to see Jesus

I would like to hear those ardor bells chime,

It would brighten my path and banish all fears;

Lord, let me look past the curtain of time.

Then the Voice ask, "Would you like to see just beyond the curtain?"

I answered, "It would help me so much."--Ed.]

E-19 What happened, I cannot say. Whether I was in the body, or whether I--it was a translation, I do not know. But it was unlike any vision I have ever had. I could see the place to which I was taken. And I could see myself lying back there upon my bed.

I said, "This is a strange thing."

There were great numbers of people, and they came running to me, crying, "Oh, our precious brother." First came young women, apparently in their early twenties. And as they would embrace me, they said, "Our precious brother."

Young men in the brilliance of young manhood, with eyes glistening like stars on a darkened night, with teeth as white as pearls, embraced me, saying, "Our precious brother."

Then I noticed that I too, had the--had become young again. I looked at myself there, and turned and looked back at my old body lying on the bed with my hands behind my head. I said, "I don't understand this."

As I began to try to comprehend the place where I was, I began to realize that there was no yesterday and no tomorrow there. No one seemed to get tired. As a multitude of the most beautiful young women I have ever seen threw their arms around me, I discovered, there was only a great love that overwhelmed me, and no physical attraction as in the human behavior. I noticed these young women all wore their hair down to their waistlines. And their skirts went down to their feet.

After this, Hope, my first wife, hugged me and said, "My precious brother." Then another young woman hugged me, and Hope turned and hugged the young woman.

I said, "I don't understand this. This is something entirely different from our human love. I don't want to go back to that old body on the bed."

Then a Voice spoke to me, "This is what you preached that the Holy Ghost is. This is perfect love. Nothing cannot enter here without it."

[*Brother Neville continues to read:*] Next I was taken up and seated on a high place. All around me were great numbers of men and women to--in the bloom of youth. They were crying with joy, "Oh, our precious brother, we are so happy to see you here."

I thought, "I'm not dreaming, for I can see these people, and I can see my body lying back there on the bed."

The Voice spoke to me, "You know, it is written in the Bible, that the prophets were gathered with their people?"

I said, "Yes, I remember that in the Scriptures. But there are not this many Branham's."--Ed.]

E-23 The Voice replied, "These are not Branham's; these are your--these are your converts, the ones you have led to the Lord. Some of these women you think are so young and beautiful were more than ninety years old when you led them to the Lord. No wonder they are crying out, 'My precious brother.'"

Then the multitude cried together, "If you hadn't gone forth with the Gospel, we wouldn't be here."

I ask, "Oh, where is Jesus? I want to see Him."

The people replied, "He is just a little higher. Someday He will come to you. You were sent as a leader, and when God comes, He will judge you according to your teaching."

I ask, "Does Paul and Peter have to stand this judgment also?"

The answer was, "Yes."

I said, "I have preached what they preached. I did not divert from it to one side or the other. Where they baptized in the Name of Jesus, I did too. Where they taught the baptism in the Holy Spirit, I did too. Whatever they taught, I taught also."

"We know that," the people cried, "and we know that we are going back to earth with you sometime. Jesus will come and judge you according to the words you preached us. Then you will present us to Him, and altogether we will go back to earth, to live forever."

I ask, "Do I have to go back to earth now?"

They answered, "Yes, but keep pressing on."

As I begin to move from that beautiful, joyful place, as far as my eyes could see, people were coming towards me to embrace me crying, "My precious brother."

Suddenly I was back on the bed again. I said, "O God, help me. Never let me compromise with the Word. Let me stay straight on the Word. I don't care what anyone else does, Lord. Let me press on to that beautiful, joyful place."

I am more convinced than ever in my life, that it will take perfect love to enter that place. There was no jealousy, no tiredness, no sickness, no old age, no death, only supreme beauty and joy. (Hallelujah!)

Whatever you do, lay aside everything else until you get perfect love. Get to where you can love everybody, even every enemy. No matter if the plane is rocking, the lightning is flashing, or the guns of the enemy are upon you, these things do not matter; get perfect love.

If you're not saved, accept Jesus Christ as your Saviour, now. If you have not been baptized in water, be baptized now. If you have not received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, receive It now. Press on in that perfect love, which will take you to that beautiful and joyful place beyond the curtain of time. Hallelujah. Glory to God. Amen.

ACCEPTING GOD'S PROVIDED WAY. PHOENIX, AZ 63-0115

E-13 Then a strange thing happened. I used to have a little saddle horse, and I--I called him Prince. And how I loved that little old horse. I used to ride him every morning 'fore school, run my traps. And I seen this little old horse come up to me, and lay his head across my shoulder and nicker. And I patted him. I said, "Prince, I knew you'd be here." And I felt something lick my hand. It was my old coon dog. He put me in school, furnished my clothes, hunting. I said, "Prince, or Fritz, I knowed you'd be here too." And then I felt something happen. I was going back.

That was wrote in the Christian Business Men's "Voice." And a minister wrote me the other day. He said, "I appreciated that vision, Brother Branham. It sounded all very good till you mentioned horses. Heaven is made for human beings. There's no such a thing as horses in heaven."

"Well," I said--I answered him back; I said, "Brother, I never said I was in heaven. I was asking where Jesus was, and He was still beyond." I said, "But if it might help you a little, in the Book of Revelation it says, when Jesus left the heavens of heavens He was riding a white horse, and all the host of heaven was following Him on white horses. See?...?... So that was coming from heaven of heavens."

9. 'I'll call back no tapes.'

REJECTED KING. JEFF. IN 60-0515M

15-4 Then the other night here come a man to tell me that because that I'd preached against such, that a great denomination, about five of them, said, "We'll drop Brother Branham and have nothing else to do with him. You'll either call those tapes back and apologize for them or we'll drop you."

I said, "I'll stand with God's Word though it takes everything that's in my life. I'll remain with the Word and I..."

Said, "Well, shouldn't you not call back such-and-such a tape?"

I said, "I have never preached anything in my life that I was ashamed of. I'll call back no tapes or no records. I'll remain with what the Holy Spirit says; that I'll live by and die by." I'm not trying to say about myself now, but I'm just trying to give you an illustration of what's going on so you will see and understand. It's people wants to be led by man.

10. Calvin was murderer.

MANIFESTED SONS OF GOD. JEFF. IN 60-0518

152 Why, you say, "Calvin believes something like that." I didn't believe Calvin. Calvin was a murderer. Calvin put a man to death because he baptized in Jesus' Name. He was a rascal, needed to be converted himself. Yes, sir. But what he said about some of the things he said was right. Don't... But what his action, a man would kill a man for something like that, that's horrible; that's sinful. All right.

11. Age of Man. [Luther, Calvin, Zwingli, Wesley, etc.]

CONDEMNATION BY REPRESENTATION. JEFF. IN 60-1113

13-1 The Anglican church, the same thing off of Calvin, when they had a revival it was fine. (Brother Simpson, packing it in his pocket now, from Canada.) The Anglican church now, they've gone in, the ministers and all of them, to drinking. They mix their beer, gin, and stuff together right in the church, have parties and drink. What is it? It can never go back to its original again because it's hybrid with the world. It's lost.

Now, we talk about the Anglican, and the Methodist, and the Baptist, but the Pentecostal's the same.

SARDISEAN CHURCH AGE. CHURCH AGE BOOK. CHAPTER 7

253-3 Now toward the end of the fourth age which would be the beginning of the fifth age also, the invasion of Constantinople by the Turks sent the learned scholars of the East with their Greek manuscripts to the West. The purity of the Word and the teachings of true believers were thus disseminated. And not only were these fine teachers of great importance but also the invention of what became the basis of our modern printing presses was discovered, facilitating the production of books. Thus we find the great hunger and demand for the Bible could be answered.

God raised up many mighty men of which Luther was but one. Calvin and Zwingli were two other luminaries and besides these were many, many more who are not so well known. However, though all this was not in vain, the mighty work of God was actually hindered by these very men. For one thing, they did NOT oppose the Church-State marriage of the Nicene Council but actually fostered that union.

The defense of the Gospel by the state was welcomed though there was no Word for it. And though we can see "the wrath of man praising God," in such events as Henry the Eighth taking up for the reformation and the rejection of papal authority, it was a far cry from the truth of Pentecost and protection of an omnipotent God.

In spite of Luther's constant teaching against outside interference in local church matters he was not able to clear men's minds of the "Bishop, Archbishop" concept of church government. Thus the church took one step in the right direction but still remained shackled, so in short order she was again imprisoned in the same dungeon whence she had attempted to escape.

Still the cup of the abominable works was not yet full. Not only did Luther through poor judgment incite to battle and thereby cause the death of multitudes; but Zwingli's party persecuted unto prison the godly Dr. Hubmeyer, and though it did not commit him to the stake, it was actually responsible in great measure for his eventual death by fire. And Calvin did no less, for he demanded the arrest of Servetus who had seen and taught the oneness of the Godhead. The State then tried this brother, and to Calvin's dismay he was burned at the stake.

254-3 If there was ever a time of denominational zeal it was at this tragic time. The words of Comenius describe much of this era. Comenius wrote the "ONE THING NEEDFUL." He compares the world to the labyrinth, and shows that the way out is by leaving what is needless, and choosing the one thing needful--Christ. The great number of teachers, he says is the reason of the multitudes of sects, for which we shall soon have no names left. Each church reckons itself as the true one, or at least as the purest, truest part of it, while among themselves they persecute each other with the bitterest hatred. No reconciliation is to be hoped for between them; they meet enmity with irreconcilable enmity.

Out of the Bible they forge their different creeds; these are their fortresses and bulwarks behind which they entrench themselves and resist all attacks. I will not say that these confessions of faith--for we can admit in most cases that they are so--are bad in themselves. They become so, however, in that they feed the fire of enmity; only by putting them away altogether would it be possible to set to work on healing the wounds of the Church. "To this labyrinth of sects and various confessions another belongs; the love of disputation... What is attained by it? Has a single learned strife ever been settled? Never. Their number has only been increased.

Satan is the greatest sophist; he has never been overcome in a strife of words... In Divine service the words of men are usually heard more than the Word of God. Each one chatters as he pleases, or kills time by learned disquisitions and disproving the views of others. Of the new birth and how a man must be changed into the likeness of Christ to become partaker of the Divine Nature (II Peter 1:4), scarcely anything is said. Of the power of the keys, the Church has almost lost the power of binding, only the power of loosing remains... The sacraments, given as symbols of unity, of love, and of our life in Christ, have been made the occasion of bitterest conflict, a cause of mutual hatred, a centre of sectarianism...

12. Armenians do works to be saved. [Holiness groups]

DEMONOLOGY. 1. PHYSICAL. CONNERSVILLE, IN 53-0608A

35 Now, to see a people like that, and see how that a human being then with an immortal soul now that can't die, can't perish, can't do nothing but have Everlasting Life, that God sovereignly in His Own will gave it to you. And now, then... now I...

Oh, let me correct this just a little bit, or say something. Somebody's going to go away and say, "Brother Branham is a Calvinist." No, I'm not. I'm a Calvinist as long as Calvinist is in the Bible. But when Calvinist gets out of the Bible, then I'm an Armenian. See? I believe in holiness and I believe in Calvinist too; but both of them, one run out on a limb and went this way, and one run out on a limb and went that way. If it wasn't for the Book of Ephesians to bring it back and put it in the right place where God did, we'd all be all mixed up. But they both got a doctrine, but they go to seed on it, each one; that's the holiness and the Calvinists too, the Arminian.

ABRAHAM. BROOKLYN, NY 56-1208

E-21 Now, you say, "That has an awful Calvinistic swing to it, Brother Branham."

That's right. It does, and Calvinism is all right as long as it stays true to the Bible; but when it gets off on the wrong limb, then it's no good. Arminianism, holiness is correct as long as it stays in Bible holiness, not your holiness but His

Holiness. See? Then it's not my holiness. It's... I'm not depending on my holiness. I have none, but I'm wholly trusting in His holiness. See? It's He's the One Who did it. Not my works, but His finished works that I rest assured that I was received into the Beloved and when the Beloved was received by God, God received me in Christ; that settles it. See? No negatives, no ifs and ands. It's a finished work.

POSITION IN CHRIST. JEFF. IN 60-0522M

40 Now, then, when you were... By one Spirit we are baptized into that Body, one Body which is Christ, and we are safe forever.

Now, there's where it seems to strangely strike, especially the--the--the Arminian believers, that they are--have to do something that to merit theirself, or some meritorial something. How can it be by two things at the same time? It's either by grace or by works, one. It can't be by the same thing, it's by two different things, it's got to be by the one.

Q. & A. ON GENESIS. JEFF. IN 53-0729

253 Now, if I say this to--and hurt a little bit, I don't mean it in the way I do. Now, you excuse me, and don't stay away from church. I'm only in the pulpit here to try to help you. See? Now, look, let me show you.

There's not a church on earth could live any more pure than the Nazarene in their teachings, Pilgrim Holiness and them. Is that right? They absolutely believe in the purity of sanctification, not even to their women wearing rings, and anything. Purity and sanctification, every way, they believe it. The Holiness organizations, all the legalists, that's their teaching; they believe it. Holy, women wear long hair and a long skirts; men ain't even supposed to roll his sleeves up, many of them. Everything, not even touch, smoke, drink, any... Nothing of it. See? Holy, you couldn't live any cleaner.

But that same Nazarene church, if a man would speak in tongues in the church, he'd be shot out the door. And they said they wouldn't even set with one. Now, that's true. If you don't believe it, try it once, find out. Find out once. They hate the very thoughts of it. They said, "It's the devil."

Five of them... Ten of them were virgins. Five was wise that had Oil in their lamps, and the other five was just as pure and holy but they had no Oil. They were sanctified, without the Holy Ghost.

BELIEVEST THOU THIS. CHICAGO, IL 53-0906A

E-65 First think you know these people set around there, and most of the members... I'm--I'm preaching... Listen, brother, I got to answer before God someday. That's right.

Not long ago, you holiness people, how you used to do your... take your women out here, how they would dress.

Here not long ago a fellow. I had a man driving a truck. He smoked cigarettes, and a man said to me, said, "Well, you can't have that around us holiness people."

I said, "The man's a good man. He don't claim to be a Christian, and I'm just letting him drive one of them trucks out there."

Said, "Well, brother, you can't do that." Said, "That man smokes cigarettes."

And the very same day in California, in my meeting, they brought a... He says, "I want you to meet our District Presbyter."

I said, "How do you do, sir. I'm glad to meet you, brother."

He said, "Here's my wife. I want you to meet..."

E-66 And brother... Now, women, don't let this hurt you. See? But she was painted like I don't know what, two big earrings hanging way down like, like the devil was using her neck for a saddle and them for stirrups and setting up there with her clothes on that looked like everything.

And I said, "Do you mean that's that preacher's wife?"

He said, "Yes."

And I said, "Is--is she a saint?"

Said, "Yes."

I said, "She looks like a hain't to me, instead of a saint," setting there like that.

E-67 It's a shame. You've let down the bars, brother and sister. That's exactly what you got. You got starch in the church. You ought to come back to the old fashion Gospel again that cleans men up. Amen.

SEAL OF GOD. JEFF. IN 54-0514

141 Now look, one more little thing, if you'll excuse me for making that remark a few moments ago, about--about the men. But, looky here, "Deceive the very elect..."

Now, we've been hitting Lutheran, Baptist, and so forth, and the Catholics, now let me get down to you holiness people just a minute. See? I believe in holiness. You must be holy. "Without holiness no man shall see God," not my holiness, His holiness. And nothing I can do about; it's what He's done for me. Don't stand in my own, 'cause I have none, don't ever try to have any. I don't try to--to be.

"Are you trying to hold on, Brother Branham?" No, sir. I just turn loose and let Him hold on. That's right. He's the One that's holding on. Just stay dead. That's all you have to do. Just keep yourself dead. He will hold on. He's already held on. He held there till He said, "It's finished." That settled it. Oh, God is fixing to do the same. It's finished.

144 But holiness people, you Nazarenes and Pilgrim Holiness now, remember, under the power and the come out of the Wesley church, or the Methodist church, when they organized, you dear holiness people come out, said, "We'll continue holiness." That was wonderful. You just kept up that age, that Philadelphian age, till it come to the Laodicean. But when the baptism of the Holy Ghost come, and the signs turned back to the church, you called it the devil. Because they spoke with tongues and believed in these things, you said, "It was of the devil." And when you did that, you blasphemed the Holy Ghost.

How can I say to my hand, "I have no need of you"? If there is teachers, there's speaking in tongues. If there is evangelists, there's also gifts of healing. How can the foot say to the eye, "I have no need of you"? See? You, if you're a born child of God, you walk and accept everything God says is right. You'll walk right in the Light.

13. Pentecost is an experience.

POSITION IN CHRIST. JEFF. IN 60-0522M

65 I want you Pentecostal people to get this out of your heart. Pentecost is not a denomination. Pentecost is an experience. It's the Holy Ghost. It's not a organization. You couldn't organize the Holy Ghost. He won't stand for it. Now, you've got an organization that you call that, but the Holy Ghost moves right out and makes you set right where you're at, and just keeps on going. See, see? Pentecost is not an organization. Pentecost is an experience.

THE TRIAL. TOPEKA, KS 64-0621

15 Like a certain great teacher, president of the Sudan Missions, my little wife over there was present when he came to my place, Paris Reedhead. And he said, "Brother Branham, I understand that you was a Baptist."

I said, "Yes, sir, that's right."

And he said, "Well," said, "I want to ask you something." He said, "When I was a little boy," said, "I had an experience. And my mother washed and everything to send me to school. And I thought, surely, that when I got my B.A., that I would find Christ." He said, "That, when that was given to me, I didn't find It. When I got my Doctor's Degree, I thought I would find It. When I got my LL.D., I thought I would find It." He said, "Brother Branham, I got enough degrees, both literal and--literal and also honorary, that I could plaster your walls with them. But where is the God of the Bible?" He said, "Was the teachers wrong?"

I said, "Who am I to say that the teachers was wrong?"

17 He said, "Well, here's what I understand, that you turned Pentecostal."

And I said, "Well, I don't say I... I believe, when I was born in the Kingdom of God, I automatically was Pentecostal," I said, "because Pentecost is not an organization. They've tried to make it, but it isn't. God will fill a Presbyterian, Lutheran, or whoever you are. See? So it's an--an experience and not a organization. You can't organize it. It's an experience."

14. Discernment. [Prophet's vindication he's interpreter of Divine Word.] [Gift of Discernment came in July of 1949.]

WHAT HEAREST THOU ELIJAH. CHICAGO, IL 59-0609

E-27 Someone said some time ago, said, "Brother Branham, the only thing the matter with your meetings," said, "when the Holy Ghost is anointing you and you see visions, we believe you then. But oh, that old cold formal preaching you have..." Well, if the Holy Ghost can show visions, It's the same Holy Spirit that speaks otherwise.

HEARING RECEIVING AND ACTING. CHATAUQUA, OH 60-0607

E-41 Somebody wrote me here not long ago. And said, "Brother Branham," said, "I'll tell you; we all believe you to be a prophet." Said, "As long as the Spirit of the Lord's upon you, and you're discerning people and things like that (that discernment), we know that's a prophet. But," said, "your teaching is horrible. No."

Why, brother, you don't even know what a prophet means. What did the Word of the Lord come to? The prophet. What does the prophet mean? It doesn't altogether mean a--a foreseer, or foreteller, or forthteller. A prophet means this, that that is given to him to a vindicate that he is an interpreter of the Divine Word. Absolutely. Glory. How can you be so dogmatic? It shows you're carnal, when people do that.

HEARING RECEIVING AND ACTING. CHATAUQUA, OH 60-0607

E-61 Now, you say, "Now, Brother Branham, you--you--you... If you'd tell us our diseases and so forth, you'd be a prophet, but now you're..." Well, I'm--I'm still the same person. That's right. That's right. I still got what the Scripture said. It's exactly right. Amen.

HEARING RECEIVING AND ACTING. CHATAUQUA, OH 60-0607

E-71 (...) I'll tell you, the Spirit of God is here. And the Sp--if the Spirit of God can tell me in the secret of your heart, the Spirit of God can recognize His Word, and come right back, and preach the Word. I've never preached nothing else yet, but what was in this Bible. I stayed right with it.

I believe in the baptism of the Holy Ghost. You said, "You was a Baptist." I'm a Baptist that received the Holy Ghost. I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I believe in the second coming of Christ. I believe every Word that's wrote in that Bible and preach it just the way it's wrote. I don't turn one thing or spiritualize anything. I just say it is wrote. That's the way I believe it. I hear It, recognized it to be God, and act upon it. Amen.

The Holy Ghost is just as real today as it ever was. We don't have to have any counterfeit make-belief; the real Holy Ghost is here. The real Jesus, He's not dead. He's alive. He is not dead. He told the disciples, "A little while, and the world won't see Me no more, yet you shall see Me; for I'll be with you, even in you, to the end of the world." I believe that.

I believe that He said, "Wherever two or three are gathered together in My Name, I'll be in their midst." You believe that? That's what He said. I believe that.

I believe He's here right now, don't you? He said, "The works that I do, shall you do also." Do you believe that?

There's a woman, one time, pressed through and touched the hem of His garment. He turned around and said, "Who touched Me?" And when He did, though all of them looked around--didn't know what to say. He found the woman and told her what her trouble was. And she was healed. Said her blood issue had stopped. I believe that same Jesus is a High Priest tonight. That same One, He just hasn't failed.

We're going to have a healing service one of these nights and bring the people up. I got a new ministry that's been given to me. That was my old ministry.

Say... No, there isn't any prayer cards, is there? No one's got a prayer card, 'cause we don't--haven't give out pray cards. All right. If you believe this message come from the Holy Ghost, how many sick people's in here, raise up your hands, that you know that I don't know you? All right. You have faith and believe. You believe with all your heart. We'll see whether the same Holy Ghost that preaches the sermon, is the same Holy Ghost that knows the secret of the heart. We'll see whether the Word comes, the Word of God comes to the prophet or not. And I'm not the prophet; He is. He's the One. You believe; have faith. May the Lord God of heaven grant it for His glory.

E-74 Will you believe this is the Word of God that I've preached if He will do it? See? Just keep praying. Be a real reverent a minute. Just quieten a minute. Find the Holy Spirit moving on someone. Just keep praying, saying, "Lord God, I'm sick. I have need. I--I--I really need, Lord. I--I must have You. If I don't have You I'll--I'll--I'll perish.

This man sets here, you raise your hand a few minutes ago, sir? You raise your hand? You believe God knows you? I'm a stranger to you, is that right? I don't know you, but God does know you. Do you believe that God can heal you? If I tell you what's wrong with you, you believe it? It'll have to be the truth if it is. You believe if--if God will tell me, that you'll accept your healing? You will? You think the ulcers will be gone? Think you'd get well of them? All right. Got bleeding ulcers. That's right. You've been lot of places for them. You went to Mayo Brothers: I see you going to Mayo brothers. That's THUS SAITH THE LORD. That's right. That's right. And they turned you down, but God don't turn you down. Do you hear it? Do you recognize it? Will you act on it? Then in the Name of Jesus Christ, go home and be well.

You believe God? Now, the same Holy Spirit speak--preaching the Word is doing the Divine--divining of it, making the Word real. Telling to you what? That's the truth.

There's another ulcer case setting right out there, man with no shirt on: black mustache, or the mustache, out there, no shirt. Collar open, I mean, here at the top, no necktie on his shirt. You believe me to be God's prophet? We're strangers to one another, but you have ulcers. That's right. And you want to be healed don't you? You're not from this city. No, you're from Cleveland. That's right. Let me tell you something else. You got two handkerchiefs in your pocket that you're wanting to get a hold of me, for me to prayer for that for two loved ones at home. If that's right, wave your hand like that. Take it and put it on them. They'll be well, too. THUS SAITH THE LORD. Do you believe?

What kind of a Spirit preaches? The same kind of a Spirit that discerns.

E-76 Here, there sets an elderly lady, sitting right back there. She's praying for her son-in-law that was hurt in a automobile accident (setting right out from that post, there). You believe, sister, with all your heart, that he'd be healed? If you believe it with all your heart, you may receive it. (...)

You love him? Way back in the back of the building, a man back there, you're praying for your--your daughter. I mentioned a accident awhile ago. She was in a accident, too. She hurt her spine. That's right. You got a sister-in-law has got trouble with her neck and head also. You believe that God will heal them? Mr. Golden, will you as--will you recognize God being His voice speaking to you? All right, sir. Stand up on your feet, then. All right. Go home and find them well in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen. The same Jesus, the same yesterday, today, and forever... Can't you get that soaked through you, that it's Jesus Christ the Son of God? Can you hear? Can you recognize? Then, act on it. Every sick person that's in here, God's already healed you when He sent Jesus to die for you. You believe that? Then stand to your feet and accept Him as your Healer and as your Saviour. Raise up your hands. Go into action. Get out of the

wheelchairs, whatever it may be. In the Name of the Lord Jesus, raise up your hands, and praise Him, and believe with all your heart.

UNFAILING REALITIES OF GOD. JEFF. IN 60-0626

91 On a few nights ago someone said, "Under discernment, Brother Branham's all right. But when it comes to his theology, he is all out." Any person that would only know that the Bible teaches the very word "prophet" means, "a diviner of the Word." Those signs are only an--an increase. Teachers, and so forth, can teach the Word. But when you see something coming that's supernatural and divining like that, only proves that that's the thing. That's God's Word.

UNCHANGABLE WORD OF GOD. LAKEPORT, CA 60-0724

E-97 (...) Moses performed that miracle one time and all Israel believed him.

I'm your brother that Jesus Christ sent, witnessed by a Light hanging over me years ago. Even when I was born, as a little boy, at the age of twenty-one when I was to become a minister, He vindicated down on the river before ten thousand people. It went on the Associated press. "I come to you and told you about laying hands on the people and seeing the gift operate, told you that it would come to pass you'd know the secret of the heart." Everything exactly the way He said, it and has been prophesied has come to pass. Is that right? All that was in my first ministry, raise up your hands if that was prophesied would come to pass?

The Bible said, "If there be one among you who claims to be a prophet or spiritual, and what he says comes to pass, hear him for I'm with him." Is that right? That's the sign of it.

Some of them says, "Well, Brother Branham..." Here not long ago, someone said, "Brother Branham--Brother Branham's all right when he's discerning, but his theology's wrong."

That just shows you how much you know about what a prophet means. I don't call myself a prophet, you do. The Word of the Lord came to a prophet. What is a prophet? Is a witness to foretell, to show a vindication that he is a diviner of the Divine Word. The Word of God came to the prophets. Look that down and find out that's not right.

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH. SHREVEPORT, LA 60-1127E

E-89 Here not long ago there was a man in a certain meeting just didn't believe in my teaching on the Bible. And he goes to a meeting, a certain fellow did, and not knowing that I'd know about it, 'cause he's no more than saying it, and I seen it in a vision in my hotel room. I don't see how some people can do that, and come up, and say these things, when you know you know better. See?

So he said, "Now, Brother Branham is a prophet of the Lord," he said, "but don't listen to his teaching, because he's wrong."

The same Holy Spirit that preached the service tonight, the same Holy Spirit preaches all these things is the same Holy Spirit that discerns the thoughts of the heart. Certainly.

What is the mark of a prophet? He's a divine interpreter of the Divine Word. That's exactly. The Word of the Lord came to the prophet. That's who it came to, not the theologian, the prophet. Do you know what "prophet" means? Take the dictionary, and look, and see what it means: "An interpreter of the Divine Word."

15. Thundered across nation after nation till it's covered the earth. [Luke 17:24]

UNFAILING REALITIES OF GOD. JEFF. IN 60-0626

119 That's what it did there, back there in the days of Jesus. He said, "If I would not have come, you would not have knowed sin. But now that I'm here... (Amen.) Now, that I'm here, you have no excuse."

And today, if God made His promise that He'd send the Holy Ghost in the last days and these things would take place, you could've doubted it; but now that He's come and doing it, the world's without an excuse. It's thundered across nation after nation, after place after place, till it's covered the earth. That's right. They're without excuse. They wouldn't have knowed it if God hadn't have come and brought it. But He's brought it to us now, and so then it's a realities, the realities of following the Word, following the truth. Stay with it.

16. Divine One said, "Seven more days, and you'll stand as Moses stood." [Joshua 1:1-9]

[See Brother Branham off field in 1952 #1.]

AS I WAS WITH MOSES. JEFF. IN 60-0911M

5 But then last Tuesday morning, about three o'clock, something else happened. I was at home. And standing before me in a room, was a Divine One that spoke words that I did not understand. And the time that He appointed is near at hand. And I did not hear Him too good, but He was a Divine One. And He said, "Seven more days, and you'll stand as Moses stood," or "will be as Moses was," or something concerning Moses. That leaves me one more day after today; that was the sixth. I don't know what that means. I know that He will work it out, whatever it is, "You will stand," or "have to stand," or "be as," or it was something pertaining to Moses. And I never thought too much about it. I told my family and told some of my loved ones, that I had saw this Divine One. Yet He spoke as a Man.

And then I noticed that my message of last evening, the Lord let me choose Moses. And this morning it's Moses and his successor. And the Scripture that I'm about to approach this morning for, is concerning Moses and Joshua. And this Scripture, Joshua the 1st chapter, has always been a very outstanding Scripture: never preached on it in my life; I'm going to try it this morning.

7 But about two years ago, I saw the Bible, in the room, come down and stand where I was at and a hand from above came down and parted the pages, turned them out, and come down Joshua 1 to the 9th verse and stopped, going slowly. I've waited for this hour to approach to when I would feel that it was God's will for me to speak concerning it.

17. Satan's soul must die.

THAT DAY ON CALVARY. JEFF. IN 60-0925

8-3 And there was a requirement for sin. The requirement was death. Death was the penalty, and that is... We could go into great details of this, because I do not believe that there is but one death. There is one life. And I believe a man that has Eternal Life can never die, and I believe there is a complete annihilation of that soul that sins, for the Bible said, "The soul that sinneth, it shall surely die," not the man, the soul that sinneth. So Satan must surely die to be completely destroyed.

How I disagree with the universalist that say that Satan will be saved. He sinned, and he's the originator of sin. And his soul sinned and he was a spirit. That spirit shall be totally annihilated to be nothing left of it.

18. "Barking up the wrong tree." [Infidel saved]

A PARADOX. PHOENIX, AZ 62-0128A

E-18 And that seed planted in the ground, then what happens? The winter comes on and bursts it. The skin's gone; the pulp's gone. And that germ of life, you can't find it. But in the springtime it comes back again.

Here sometime ago I was down in Kentucky squirrel hunting. And I... we'd dry weather and we couldn't find any squirrels. So we went over in the knob part of the country.

Mr. Wood, a friend of mine, said, "Well, Brother Branham," said, "I know a man over there that's got lots of timber, and there's some big hollows down deep. It'll probably be damp; we can slip through those."

And while I was over there, why, we pulled up to a house, and he said, "I wouldn't get out, 'cause this fellow's an infidel." Said, "He just doesn't believe in God, and he curses the very thoughts of God."

I said, "All right. I'll stay in the car."

So then, we pulled up, and he walked over under a little apple tree where the old man was setting, about seventy-five. And he spoke to him, and called him by name. He said, "My name is Bank Wood." He said, "I would like to know if we can hunt on your place."

The old fellow looked at him, said, "Are you Jim Wood's son?"

He said, "I am."

He said, "Help yourself, anywhere you want to go; plenty of room here. I got five hundred acres of woods." He said, "Well, how is Jim getting along?" Talked just a moment.

Brother Wood said... Now, he was a Jehovah Witness that his boy, crippled, one leg drawn up under him, was healed in the meeting. He's a contractor. So he just quit contracting, moved next door to me, been there about ten years. Now, all of his people, by visions--every one of them, even readers in Jehovah Witness movement, is every one filled with the Holy Ghost. So then we standing there, he said, "I brought my pastor with me."

And this old fellow said, "Wood, you don't mean you've got so low-down, till you have to bring a preacher with you everywhere you go?" And I thought it was time for me to get out of the car then.

So I got out of the car and walked around where the old gentleman was setting. I said, "How do you do?"

He said, "How do you do, sir?" And he said, "And you're a preacher?"

I said, "Yes, sir. I'm supposed to be."

And he said, "Well," he said, "I think not much of those fellows."

I said, "Well, they're pretty good fellows, most of them."

He said, "Well, that's the kind I haven't met yet."

And I--I said, "Yes, sir."

And he said, "I believe..."

I said, "What makes you say that?"

E-21 He said, "I believe they're barking up the wrong tree." Now, anybody knows that a dog that you hunt with at night, and he barks the wrong tree, you're always fooled. So he said, "They're barking up the wrong tree." And now, he said, "They claim to have something treed, but you can never see it."

"Yes, sir."

And he said, "They're always talking about something, but can produce nothing."

"Yes, sir."

He said, "There was a certain preacher come here about two years ago, up here at a little place called Acton, up at the Methodist Campground. They had a meeting." Said, "There was an old sister who lives up here on the hill, was dying with cancer." And said, "This man had never been in this country."

And said, "At the meeting that night where several thousand people had gathered," he said, "this woman's sister was setting over in there crying about her sister." Said, "She couldn't even get on the bedpan no more. Wife and I had to pull a draw-sheet from beneath her." And said, "She... her sister out there with a... crying." Said, "This minister looked at that woman, and called her name, and said, 'You're weeping over a sister that's dying with cancer up on a certain ridge.' 'Yes,' said the woman."

Said, "The minister said, 'THUS SAITH THE LORD. Take that handkerchief right now that you have in your pocketbook, that you put in your pocketbook when you left home, and took it out of a top dresser drawer--a little handkerchief with initial in the corner of it, white handkerchief with a blue initial. Take that handkerchief and lay it on the woman in the Name of the Lord.' And said, 'She'll get well.'"

"Well," said, "the woman took off with some more people." And said, "Honest, it's three miles nearly over there," and said, "we thought they had the Salvation Army on that hillside around ten o'clock one night." But said, "We went over there the next morning, and the old lady was up cooking breakfast, eating fried apple pies for breakfast." And said, "That's been two or three years ago." And said, "You know, she hasn't even had a sick day since." He said, "Now, if I could see something like that happen."

"Oh," I said, "You..." Brother Wood looked over at me, and I shook my head. So he said... Standing there, dirt and squirrel blood, and everything, whiskers about that long, been in the hills camping... And I-I said, "Does that puzzle you?"

He said, "No, sir."

I said, "Do you mind if I have one of those apples?"

He said, "Help yourself. The yellow jackets are eating them up."

I said, "All right." I rubbed it on my old dirty pants and took off a bite. I said, "That's a good apple."

He said, "Sure is. I planted that tree there thirty-five years ago."

I said, "Let's see, this is about the last week in August."

"Yes, sir."

I said, "Sir, I want to ask you a question."

He said, "Go right ahead."

I said, "When you planted that tree there, how big was it?"

"Oh," he said, "it was just a sprout, about this high."

"Uh-huh." And I said, "I want to ask you... It's right now the last week in August. We haven't even had a cool night. But the apples are all dropped off that tree, and the leaves is dropped off of it."

"That leaf has gone back down into the root."

"That's right." I said, "Sir, why did that leaf drop off? Did it get wore out?"

"No." He said, "Well, the life left it."

"Oh, I see. And then the life left it and went back to the roots."

"Yes."

I said, "Sir, if it didn't go back to the root, then what?"

"Well," he said, "the tree... It has to go back to the roots. The tree wouldn't live. It would die. The winter would kill it."

Said, "It gets twenty or thirty below zero down here sometimes."

And I said, "Uh-huh." I said, "Sir, tell me what intelligence tells that sap to leave the tree, and go down to the roots for the winter. Now, you set a bucket of water on the post out there, and see if the middle of August, the water will start going down to the bottom of the post." I said, "The tree has no intelligence. It doesn't know the season. It has no intelligence. Yet, there is an intelligence somewhere that sends that tree back to preserve its life."

He said, "I hadn't thought of that like that."

I said, "Then you see it right here in your yard. Why would you want to see that preacher then, when you see it right here?" I said, "The same Intelligence that told me that that woman's sister was dying with cancer (and in a vision I saw her healed), that same Intelligence is so close to you till it controls the tree that's setting in your yard."

Raised up and shook my hand. I led him to Christ that afternoon. He died about a year later. I was down there this year and I met his widow. I went up to ask her to hunt. She was going to run me off the place at first, when I got back there. I said, "Wait just a moment." She wasn't there when I come up.

E-25 She said, "Sir, can't you read?"

I said, "Yes, ma'am." I come up. I said, "You don't know me."

She said, "No, sir. I don't. Them Indiana license on that car?"

And I said, "I'm Brother Branham. Your hus..."

"Oh," she just started weeping, and raised her hands up, and begin to praise God. She said, "Son, you can hunt anywhere you want to. Stay as long as you want to."

What was it? A paradox. No one knows, no one. You can't find the Intelligence that controls Mother Nature. But it's a paradox. We can't explain it.

19. Kennedy elected President. [1933 prophecy fulfilled.]

CONDEMNATION BY REPRESENTATION. JEFF. IN 60-1113

6-1 Now, look what happened now. In... President Franklin D. Roosevelt took America to England's tea party. That's right. Germany never picked on us; we picked on them, threw the whole world into a war, to cause a world war. The Germans built the Maginot Line, which there--any veteran here knows what she took there at the Maginot Line.

Women, given the right to vote, elected President-elect Kennedy--by the woman's vote, the wrong man, which will finally be to full control of the Catholic church in the United States; then the bomb comes that explodes her.

There's seven things predicted, and five of them has already happened. So you can judge yourself how far away we are. We're near the end. If them five things happened, these other two things are bound to happen. It's just got to happen.

I do not think that Mr. Kennedy will have much effect now, because he'll make a wonderful president in order to bring in the others to get a scene set just like they have in England, like they did Mexico, like they did everywhere else, like that. And the American people, so unstable, not spiritually; they're smart, but too smart for their own good. Intelligence swings backward sometime and backfires. So they... (I'm preaching on that this morning, in a little bit.)

So we find out we're--we're right on the verge... The reason I said this, that's the reason I pressed that the other day so hard the way I did, but it was that that did it. That's right. Women's vote that put...

Did you notice the rallies on the television? Nixon to be pretty near all men. All of them wanted to kiss Kennedy (the women), jumping astraddle the cars and everything like that, jumping up and down.

7-3 And now, let me bring something else. I haven't got it written here, but on magnetic tape (And this is taped too.)... In 1956 in Chicago, Illinois, standing at the--that Lane Tech High School (They were there.), I said, "This year is going to be the changing point of America. I've just come from overseas--don't know why I come. Come back; canceled my meetings in Africa and around--come back."

Billy Graham, something mysterious, he canceled his. Tommy Osborn canceled his. And we all crossing the United States in meetings. I said, "America will either receive or reject Christ this year." Then I said, "When they elected in Indiana, a twenty-two year boy--year old boy to be judge," the Spirit of the Lord came on me and I said, "They'll finally have a president that'll be one of these crew cut, playboy, beatnik-type presidents, a lady's man." Now, them's predictions years ago. See where we're at? It's later than we think.

CONDEMNATION BY REPRESENTATION. JEFF. IN 60-1113

21-4 I say this with respects. I say this with honor. I'm going to Africa. But you know what? To my precious colored brethren and sisters, one of the greatest mistakes this nation made, it made it on November 11, this year. That's was its great fatal mistake.

One of the greatest mistakes that the colored race ever made was down in Louisiana and over in there when they voted for Kennedy the other night, and put him in. They actually spit on that dress of Abraham Lincoln where the blood of the Republican Party that freed them; and voted a Catholic--which Booth shot Lincoln and he died for the race of people to free them and make them not slaves, and then turn around and vote for a Democrat and a Catholic besides. They brought one of the greatest disgraces they ever brought. Because why? The white man with his scholarship has give them a lot of ballyhoo. That's exactly right.

PERGAMEAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1207

123 The birth of Catholicism... In order to do this, to catch the--the eyes of the Christians and also the eyes of the pagans, to weld them together and make one church...

Oh, I wish I had that just now, a piece of paper somebody laid up here the other night. I was going to bring it, and I forgot it; so many things laying around in the room there. They're doing the very same thing right now, and you started it when you elected the last man you elected. They are working now to find even a Bible that won't hurt the Catholic, nor the Jew, nor the Protestant. They're going to make them a Bible that'll fit the whole thing. Can't you see the cunningness of another Constantine? History's just repeating itself back. Now, you see, I got the... You heard me read it the other night, didn't you? And I--I got it laying at home, and they've been working on it for a long time.

Now, they say in '62 they'll... And notice that Pope John XXII has commit--asked all the little daughter churches to come back home to the mother church. Don't worry, she will. They will. She's going to. They're already back. They don't have to go back; they're already there now.

Like I was saying, "This country said, 'Well, if Mr. Kennedy gets elected, the Catholics will take over.'" Take over? They already did it a long time ago and you didn't know nothing about it. Who pays their teachers? How do they get these things to go to their schools, and teaching Catholicism right in the school? And you taxpayers pay for it. Oh, right under

your nose (See?), like that. Oh, my, how he worked in. The Bible said he'd take it by flatteries, and he did. See? That's right. See, pay taxes on nothing. So, oh, there's so much could be said here. I'll just have to cut off from them spots, and go back again to pick up.

UNCERTAIN SOUND. JEFF. IN 60-1218

197 Even the other day, when we had election. They said here sometime ago, that when they counted votes of the political world, and they would say... Then they said, "We have got a machine now, that all has to be honest, because you just pull a little lever and it votes for your man. You pull down, a little click, and votes for your man." Huh. They found out that that's uncertain.

Mr. Edgar Hoover exposed it, exposed the Democrat party the other day. When they had the machines set up, that every time they voted for Mr. Nixon, they had to vote for Kennedy the same. And why don't they do something about it then, if they find out it's like that? Why? Well, there's no certainty to it. Yeah. You know what happened to Mr. Hoover. See, all right (You see?), everything's uncertain. You can't tell who was elected, whether Kennedy or whether... Kennedy was called elected, but I don't know whether he was elected or not. Now, I'm not a politician; I know nothing about it. But I know what is right and wrong. I got that much sense to know that...?... When it's right before us, the--the man has proved by the FBI that they had the machines set up to do it... It wasn't on the other party done that way, it was on the--the--the Kennedy's party that did it. Why? It has to be that way.

There's nothing in this world that can stand, outside the Kingdom of God, for every kingdom is weighed in the balance and found wanting, our nation. Why is it?

RESTORATION OF BRIDE TREE. JEFF. IN 62-0422

50-6 There's an iron curtain; there's a bamboo curtain; and there's a purple curtain. Brother, don't you fear none of the rest of them, but watch that purple curtain. She's setting right here on the throne today in this country.

Remember, just like Ahab did, and Jezebel behind him, that's... The Bible calls the Catholic church Jezebel, prostitute. And Ahab wasn't no bad guy; I don't say that Mr. Kennedy isn't a nice man; I don't know nothing about him. He's a man; that's all I know. He's the President; I believe he will make a good president. It's not him; it's that system behind him. Wait till she gets wormed into the Cabinet and everywhere she can, then watch what happens. Look what it done in other nations; look what it's always done.

And don't the Bible say in Revelations 13... This nation's number thirteen: it's got thirteen stripes in the--thirteen stars in the flag, thirteen stripes in the flag, thirteen, everything in it's thirteen. Thirteen colonies, thirteen everything, and it's found in the 13th chapter of Revelations.

And the Bible said that she come up like a little lamb: freedom of religion; two little horns, civil and ecclesiastical. And after while they united, and he spoke like the dragon did, and done everything the dragon did before him. And the Bible said they made a image unto the beast: the Confederation of Church, just what they got in right now here in New York City. And there that great big morgue up there... And all you Methodist, Baptist, and Pentecostals, and every one of you economical--ecumenical people out there trying to do such things as that, and selling out your birthrights to join that bunch of Babylon...

THIRD EXODUS. JEFF. IN 63-0630M

22-3 But you see, all this stuff has to happen; all because of a politician that you people elected with your crooked machines. And the other day when that governor stood there, sworn and elected into that office by the people, and the question of segregation according to the constitution is, that each--each state can take its own thought about that.

He didn't care, but he read the constitution and said, "Now, the school stands for segregation." They got a school over there, and only two colored children wanted to enter that school when they got their own college. But he stood and said... What he did... He read the constitution.

Then when it come back to this fellow we got up here that knows not Joseph, freedom, pulling for those colored votes, and not knowing it was the Republican party that freed them in the first place, selling out their birthrights to such a thing as that to lead them into a death trap to show that every manmade system's got to fall. That's exactly right.

And Mr. Kennedy, nationalized that "guard" and sent those men right back into the face of their own fathers, standing there under the constitution; that broke the constitution again. Said, "We'll not fight, no, sir," and said, "I hope the nation can find out that we're not living anymore under a democracy, but under military dictatorship."

20. Hybrid cannot reproduce itself. [Genesis 1:11-12]

CONDEMNATION BY REPRESENTATION. JEFF. IN 60-1113

10-1 Somehow, while thinking on that, riding along by myself, and you can't keep your radio on no more because especially in localities where there's just every station's this old boogie woogie music and all that stuff, you know, the rock-and-roll, and you just don't have... 'Less you just happen to tune in just at the hour and you get the news and weather, then you have to turn it off again. So I believe maybe the Lord was helping me, and I wrote on the back of my road map,

"hybrid" because something struck me when I looked at it. Such fine great big grains of corn, I thought, "That's so much different than the corn we used to raise."

Everything becomes a hybrid. But did you know that it's no good? It has no life in it. It cannot reproduce itself again. You can't plant hybrid corn. If you do, you--you've got just a little dwarf field, because it's been hybrid.

Then I got up into the mountain, and--and one of the guides that was with me, he was a chicken raiser, and he--raising chickens. Then he just guided up in the mountains for the pastime: very fine man.

And when he learned that I was a preacher, why quickly he begin to speak to me on hybrid chickens. Then when he did that, that brought back my little text wrote down on my road map, "hybrid." Well, while laying in our camp bags in the snow, up in the mountain, I said to him. "I would like to learn more about such chickens."

"Well," he said, "science has really done a great thing." Said, "They have bred chickens with different things until they got to a place till it's barely no legs on the chickens or no wings on the chickens. It's just all breast." But he said, "The bad part comes now that people don't want it, because it's too soft a meat, and the chicken only lives one year, and it dies. It's almost dead to start with." You see, it's hybrid. It's not right: no good.

And most people now, who wants to have a delicious chicken dinner, goes out in the country and buys themselves a chicken that's got feet, can scratch and wings can fly; and it's--it's--it's a chicken, the way that God made it. But it's the hybrid of the chicken has brought it to just breast, and it topples around, and has to keep it on screen. They can't put it out; it can't scratch. It can't make its living. And the meat has so bad till they can't use it; and if the chicken is made a laying chicken, its eggs will not hatch. And then another thing, the chicken lays itself to death in a year; it only lives a year. And I thought, "Well now, that's some chicken." Hybrid, tearing up what God has made.

Then we had a string of mules that we packed with, and I noticed that the mule is hybrid also. Don't never lay it on God a-making a mule. God never had anything to do with that. No, that was man. The mule don't know where he belongs. He--he can't reproduce himself again. He's--he's a hybrid. See, he--he don't know who his father was nor his mother was, and he can't reproduce again. He's just a mule and he's on the skidrow to death. And no matter how much he tries to bring forth his kind, he can't do it.

11-2 That's all contrary to God's Word. God said here in Genesis 1:11. "Let every seed bring of its kind, for the life is in itself." Let every seed bring of its kind. But man is trying to show that he's smarter than his Creator. He wants to prove that he knows more about this thing than God does. So therefore, he's constantly, through science, trying to show God that he knows more about it than He does. And God just lets him go on through his scientific research; and in doing so, he kills himself. God lets his own ignorance kill himself.

My mother, back there, used to say, "Give the cow enough rope; it hangs itself." Well, that's true; and you just let... God just let man go on and hang himself with his own foolishness. You'll never be smarter than God. God knows what's right. But men through hybrid are trying to produce a better product than what God created.

Now, God, when He created His church, He created a Pentecostal church. That was the original: A Pentecostal church filled with the Holy Ghost, men and women led by the Spirit of God. Man couldn't leave that alone. He wanted to hybrid the church. So he bred in the world with it: theology, doctrines, denominations. Oh sure, it makes a prettier church, my, yes, how much different it is from the original church.

Oh, we got big buildings, educated preachers, the better class of the people the up-and-up, better dressed, putting their names in it and their money in it to keep it up-and-up, sending their ministers to seminaries to polish up their scholarships and theology, all the time taking them farther away from God.

That wasn't God's plan in the beginning. He never sent one of them to any seminary. He sent them to an upper room to wait there until the Holy Ghost came upon them to be ordained ministers of the Lord. But hybrid, bringing the church to theology, instead of letting the Holy Spirit lead it, they bred in bishops, general overseers, when the Holy Spirit is God's original Leader of the church. But they hybrid the church like they did the chicken, like they did the mule, like they did everything else: hybrid it, making it different, breeding in the world, the things of the world, basketball games, and soup suppers, and--and bunco games, and all kinds of things of the world. It's true it's prettier; it's a bigger building, a polished class of people. Their singing may be more orderly in the notes and so forth than the--the old fashion Pentecostal with the tambourine and the guitar, but it hasn't got the seed. It hasn't got the ring to it. They explain away all of it. "This is better than that was." Like they tried the hybrid corn, "It's better than the old was." It wasn't better. The life in it wasn't better. The outside might've looked better, but the life wasn't right; and we're talking about life.

12-1 The life isn't right in hybrid. God wants it in the way that He made it at the beginning. So the church has been hybrid. And now, it comes to a place to where that the church is more like a lodge than it is like a Pentecostal blessing.

PERSEVERANT. SALEM, OR 62-0719E

E-64 I read a piece in the "Reader's Digest" not long ago, where people--our women eating this hybrid beef, hybrid corn, and all that stuff, corn flakes, that they're growing narrower in the hips. And twenty years from now, if something isn't done, science says that the woman cannot have her baby. It's a killing. Anything that's hybrid is wrong.

I come down... I seen a great big sign on, said, "Funk's (or something like that) Hybrid Corn, the best." Great big, fine ears, but it's no good. It's not worth nothing. You try to plant it over and see what'll happen.

Now, that takes science and proves their own argument's wrong about the origin of man. You take anything and cross breed it, hybreed it, and it can't breed itself back again. You take a--a mare horse and breed it to a jack, and it'll bring forth a mule. But that mule cannot breed back and get another mule. It kills it right there. That's right.

And anything I think is ignorant is a mule, a hybrid: great big old long ears, set there. You know, you can't tell them nothing. Got too much mule religion today. That's what's the matter with the world. They set there with that long sanctimonious face, you know, and say... I say... Preach the Divine healing, and the power of God, and they say, "Haw, haw. Days of miracles is past. I don't believe that old stuff. Don't you... Haw, haw." Just old, ignorant, mule religion. That's all. Don't know where you come from... You can't never teach him nothing. No matter, he will wait all of his life to get to kick you 'fore he dies. You know that.

I've handled horses, worked on a ranch. I know what I'm talking about. The thing's just an old ignoramus. But let... You don't know where he come from. He don't know who his pappy is, who his mammy is, or nothing else.

That's the way with some of these hybrid religions today. They don't know who their papa is. Say, "Are you a Christian?"

"I'm Methodist." "I'm Baptist." "I'm Presbyterian. I'm..." Oh, you don't even know where you come from. E-66 But oh, how I love a good thoroughbred horse. Brother, he can tell you... They can look on his pedigree, and you can see who his papa was, his grandpapa, and his grandmamma, all the way back because he's a thoroughbred.

I like to see a real thoroughbred Christian that's born of the Word of God. He knows where he come from; he knows who his father is; he knows who his mother is. It's not some social denomination. It's the power of God, the Son of God. He died to himself, and he's born again a new birth. He's a new creature in Christ Jesus. He's gentle. You can tell him something; he will punctuate every Word of God with an "Amen."

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193 Now, then, Him in view, we see now all denominations and creeds left behind; for He is the pure, unchangeable Word of God, which is the unleavened bread: St. John 1. That's right. He's the unleavened Bread. So you add this, or add that, it's a leavened added to that what's already been originally give for you.

Looky here. What's killing the race today? They take and hybreed things. And when you hybreed it, you kill it. "Oh, it looks more pretty." Sure. Hybrid corn: corn flakes, all the other cereals that comes out of corn... Hybrid corn: great, big, nice long stalks, and great big ears, look like twice as good as the other. But it's death. Science even has found that out. See? Don't cross it; it'll kill you.

Now, here, let me show you. The other day I was watering some flowers in my yard. And the lady had some hybrid flowers that was in a little pot here, a little planter at the side of the house. We have to water them things at least three times a week, or four, or they'll die. And there stood the original plant out in the yard. And it hasn't rained there for six months, just as dry... If it rains, in ten minutes you can blow dust. But that little fellow laying out there just prettier and brighter than the hybrid was with all the water. You keep that water off of him, he'll die. But where did he get his water?

And another thing, you have to go all along spraying them every day or two to keep the lice off of him. They don't, the lice will eat him up, he's so tender and soft. But there ain't a louse that'll get on that original. No, no. He'll crawl up to him and crawl away. He's original. See what the hybreeding has done?

196 That's the same thing in the church. They're trying to mix the denomination with the Word, to make the--try to make the Word say what the denomination says. And when you do that, you have to spray them, and baby them, and--and give them gold stars to come to Sunday school, and everything else. That's right. When a genuine, borned again Christian's borned with the Word of God, he's rugged, can't kill him. The lice and things of the world don't bother him. He's a eagle; he flies plumb apast it (See?), soars in the heavenly. See? It is true.

SMYRNAEAN CHURCH AGE. CHURCH AGE BOOK. CHAPTER 4

124-1 The Smyrnaean church had drifted far from the original. It had become a hybrid. It had hybridized itself the way Eve did. You know that a hybrid is what comes of two species mixing. The result is no longer pure like the original. It is mongrel. Well, when Eve allowed the beast to mingle his seed with hers she produced a creature called Cain that wasn't pure human. He was of the WICKED ONE. Notice how different he was from Abel. Notice how different he was from Seth. He hated God and would not obey the Word and persecuted and killed the righteous. He set himself up above the Word of God.

The church, too, has departed from what she originally was. She is a hybrid. That is, the church nominal is a hybrid. People say, "I am a Baptist." It wasn't so in the beginning. "I am Methodist." It wasn't so in the beginning. Instead of the straight Word of God, instead of the Spirit-filled men in the church who were led by Spirit-given revelation, there are now creeds, and by-laws, and the educated guesses of educated men. Learning has taken the place of revelation. Reason has replaced faith. Program has replaced spontaneous praise in the Holy Ghost. It wasn't so from the beginning. The whole specie has changed. It has become a hybrid church.

21. Church Ages preached 12-4-60 thru 1-8-61; the pillar of fire appeared.

[A light like a shaded moon came on the back wall of the Tabernacle, representing the Ephesian Age; it disappeared; an another circular light appeared and disappeared; this continued until all seven ages were drawn and seen by the people. This took place on January 8, 1961.]

CONFERENCE. SHREVEPORT, LA 60-1125

E-3 (...) Beginning next Sunday a week, the fourth through the eleventh, at Jeffersonville, I am speaking eight nights there on the seven last church ages. I'm going to write a little commentary on it, and the Lord seem to place upon my heart that I would speak it before the church. And it'll go on magnetic tape, and from that to the records, and from the records to the typewriter, shorthand typewriting, and then be out in print which makes at least three new books coming off now of visions, and then this book will come out, the seven last church ages. I believe that we are in that age.

REVELATION. CHAPTER 1. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1204M

11 (...) Now, I may not be able each night, as we have taken upon ourselves to try for the glory of God, to--to bring these seven church messages, or Seven Church Ages in seven nights, taking each night an age: like Monday night, Ephesus; Tuesday night, Smyrna; Wednesday night, Pergamos; Thursday night, Thyatira; Friday night, Sardis; and Saturday night, Philadelphia; and Sunday morning and Sunday night, the Laodicean, the church age that we're living in, giving the historical of the original church, and the--and the writers, and the historians, and the angels of that age, and--and the messages, and the run of the church as it's come down through to this time. And it's amazing to see how every prediction of that Scripture hits solid with history. Just exactly to the thought of it... It even amazed me so much, till yesterday I had read till it felt like my eyes were swelling out. And I come out and I said to wife, "I have never dreamed of it being that way," (See?), how great it was.

THE MESSIAH. SHREVEPORT, LA 61-0117

E-1 (...) Well, we've had one at the Tabernacle. I had a series of subjects, I was telling you, on the seven last church ages, and oh, my. When I finished up last Sunday with the 4th chapter of Revelations... My congregation was about--about four hundred people, or three hundred and fifty, something like that, and I...

While I was speaking, and had called the prayer line, and speaking on the reflection from the Shekinah glory to the stars, to the--stars, to the sea of glass, where the sacrifices was washed, you know, which represents sinners, the waters of separation...

And while I was speaking on that, and turned then to pray for the sick, the Angel of the Lord came right down before them all, went right over and stood in the corner there. And three hundred or more people stood and looked at It for fifteen minutes, screaming, crying, and praising God. All of them looked. The first time It ever come like that before our church: just come right in, and moved right over there and stood there.

I said, "Can you see it?" Everybody begin screaming and falling. And there it was--the big amber Light of the Pillar of Fire, just as perfectly round, standing there. Then It begin to shade Itself, and shaded every one of those church ages just exactly the way I taught them, in that Pillar of Fire. God knows that's the truth here before His Bible. That... He... We're living in the end time, surely.

22. Prophet is a divine interpreter of the Divine Word. [Eagle, hawk]

REVELATION. CHAPTER. 1. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1204M

219 I want you to notice the symbols of Christ also in the Bible and here on earth. On the earth He was a prophet. Do you believe that? A prophet is the Word. We know that. The word "prophet" means "a Divine interpreter of the Word." The Divine Word is wrote, and the prophet has the Divine Spirit of God within him. And, you know, the prophet in the Old Testament was called "god." How many knew that?

Jesus said, "If they called them gods... Isn't it written in your law, they are--'You are gods'? And if they called them gods, who the Word of God came to (the prophet), how will you condemn Me when I say I'm the Son of God?"

Because he was called "god," because he packed within him the Word of God, THUS SAITH THE LORD. Therefore, the word "prophet" means a... His--his interpretation isn't to be mingled with. See? If the God... He says, "*If there be one among you who's spiritual, a prophet, I the Lord will speak to him. What he says comes to pass, then hear him because I'm with him. But if it doesn't come to pass, then don't hear him; I haven't sent him*". That's the way you know it. And then (You see?), the Divine interpretation of the Word has to coincide with this last revelation to the church.

He's God, the Almighty. On earth He was a prophet, which is a eagle. How many know that a prophet is considered an eagle?

223 A eagle is the strongest bird we got, most powerful. Some of their wings stretch fourteen feet from tip to tip. He can take and fly so high that if any other bird try to follow him, he'd disintegrate, feathers would fall out of him, and he'd come apart. Because why? He's built special. And what good does it do him to get up that high if he can't see what he's doing when he's up there? Talk about a hawk eye, you ought to see a eagle eye.

A hawk can--might see a chicken. That's right, that's what's the matter with some of these hawks today. Uh-huh. But I tell you, a eagle goes so... If a hawk tried to follow him, he'd die, he'd suffocate. He can't get into those spheres that the eagle does. And then he's got a eye that he can see so far when he's got up there. So that's the reason God called His prophets eagles. He gets up there and he's a eagle; he can see way off.

23. Ancient of days, "hairs were white like wool". [Rev. 1:10-19, Daniel 7:9]

REVELATION 1:12-15

*And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;
And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.
His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;
And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.*

MARK OF THE BEAST. JEFF. IN 54-0513

45 (...) First, we want to pick up our subject from last night. Last night we taken on the church ages, that how that we saw Jesus standing in His Church, "*Speaking as the voice of many waters and He had hair like wool, eyes like flames of fire.*"

Remember, all the--the Revelation is a vision and symbolic. All of it has a meaning, so you have to watch closely, read the prophets, see what the symbols meant, then compare it over here so that you'll know what the symbols really mean.

"*Had eyes like flames of fire,*" running to and fro through the earth. And we found out that those flames like swords, a sword went out of His mouth, and a two-edged sword. And we found out that that was the Word of God went forth from the Church's mouth. "*And it would even cut to the marrow of the bone and a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart,*" Hebrews the 4th chapter.

We found the Church standing there in Its beauty, Christ just molded into It. And the Church had a white garment on. And you notice, It was a woman. Around the breast, it had the garment covering over Her shame, and was had a golden cord, though, pulled around it that held it around the breast: White, speaking of the righteousness of Christ; and the golden cord represented the Gospel. The preaching of the Gospel brings the Holy Spirit over the Church, the righteousness of Christ; holds it there, tied with the string, the girdle string.

Then He was standing upon, feet like brass, that had been burnt in the furnace. Brass speaks of Divine judgment. And God to appease His great oath that He took, He sent Christ, and Christ paid the Divine judgment. And then the Church is based upon Divine judgment, Christ standing in His place. What a beautiful picture, standing in Seven Golden Candlesticks.

PATMOS VISION. JEFF. IN 60-1204E

180 All right, now Daniel 7:9:

And I beheld until the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garments was white as snow, and the hair of his head was like... pure wool:... (Ancient of days)... his throne was like a fiery flame, and his wheels were burning fire.

And fiery--fiery streams issued and came forth from before him: and thousands... thousands ministered unto him, and ten... times ten thousands stood before him: and judgment was set and the books were open.

"White hair..." All... Anybody knows that's the old judges in ancient days, like English judges used to wear a snow white wig. How many remembers that? Old ancient judges wore a white wig because they was... And here He is, showing again that John's over in the Lord's day; he saw Him as the Judge (Amen.), not as Priest, not as King, not as Prophet, but as Judge. The Father, Saint John 5: 22, committed all judgment to Him. And He's Judge now, come to judge the nations. Oh, for that day when you see Him like that. His hair was as white as snow; Daniel saw Him coming to the Ancient of days. Watch Him blend these two together. All right.

24. New Name to over comers.

REVELATION 2:17

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

REVELATION 3:12

Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

THYATIREAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1208

31 And then, we notice then that this angel would receive--the angel of the church age that received the stone... It was a white stone, mean not his own righteousness, but God's own righteousness.

And in this stone was a name, a name that no one knowed but the one who received it himself. He knew it, but no one else could know it but him. When you hear these guys flatter you, telling there's--they're John, they're Paul, they're Mary, they're this, that, or the other. Don't you believe it, 'cause if it was, he'd never say nothing about it. See? That's right. He has to keep it to Hissself. He knowed; no one knowed but he himself, but he knowed because every perfect overcomer receives a new name in that--in that--that way.

Did you notice Abraham was called Abram, but when God went to use him, He changed his name to Abraham. S-a-r-r-a was Sarra, but when God was going to use her, He changed her name to S-a-r-r-a-h: Sarah, "princess." Did you notice Jacob? "Jacob" was "supplanter." Esau means "red, hairy and red"; red-headed, and red all over, is Esau. Now, and Jacob was "supplanter." And "supplanter" is a "deceiver." Didn't Esau say, "Isn't his name called Jacob, 'supplanter'?" But when he wrestled with the Lord all night long, and overcome, and was blessed, God changed his name: Jacob, Israel, "a prince with God." Paul was called Saul until he met the Holy Spirit in the form of a Light that shined down upon him; his name was changed from Saul to Paul. Simon, when he met Jesus, He changed his name to Peter. That...

And when Jesus overcome, His Name was changed. And He would reveal that Name, "He that would be with Him, overcome as He has, he received a new name; and I'll reveal My new Name to him." See? And every overcomer, I mean, among such as that, them leaders and so forth. Now, all the children of Israel didn't get their name changed, of course. That's right. But those high leaders, when they overcome, they had received a new name. See how it dovetails in just perfectly?

THE FIRST SEAL. JEFF. IN 63-0318

157-3 Look at the days of Abraham. He was first Abram, and never could have that baby until his name was changed to Abraham. And Sarra, S-a-r-r-a could not have nothing but a dead womb until her name was changed to S-a-r-a-h.

"Jacob" means "supplanter, deceiver," and that's what he did. He put sheepskin on hisself and deceived his prophet father to take the birthright. He put poplar sticks in the water, speckled them, and scared the cattle when they was pregnated with the--with their young, to make speckled cattle and sheep. Nothing but a deceiver, but one night he caught ahold of something real. And he knowed it was real, and he stayed with it and held on until he overcome, and his name was changed and called "Israel" meaning "a prince with power before God." Is that right? Every overcomer...

Simon was a fisherman; but when his faith caught and knowed that was Jesus, when He told him He was the Messiah and told him who his name was and what his father's name was, he was overcome and changed from Simon to Peter.

Saul, good name, Saul was a king one time in Israel, but Saul didn't fit an apostle. Might be all right for a king, but not an apostle. So Jesus changed his name from what? From Saul to Paul. Look at the sons of thunder and on down.

And Jesus, His Name on earth was Redeemer, Jesus. When He was on earth, He was the Redeemer; that's true. But when He conquered death and hell, and overcome them, and ascended on high, He received a new Name. That's the reason they holler the way they do and don't get nothing; it'll be revealed in the thunders. See?

PHILADELPHIAN CHURCH AGE. CHURCH AGE BOOK. CHAPTER 8.

318-1 "And I will write My New Name upon him." My New Name. When ALL becomes new, then He will take upon Him a new Name and that Name will be the Name of the bride also. What that Name is, none dare conjecture. It would have to be a revelation of the Spirit given so conclusively that none would dare deny it. But no doubt He will leave that revelation to the day when He desires to give that Name forth. Suffice it to know that it will be more wonderful than we could ever imagine.

25. Revelation 3:16 fulfilled. [Pentecostal Age rejected.]

So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

CHILDREN IN THE WILDERNESS. PHOENIX, AZ 47-1123

E-50 We're in our third and last day. And remember, the Pentecostal age is a rejected age. I hate to say that, for I've never found faith in any church like the Pentecostal church. But it's rejected, because it's the Laodicean last church age, lukewarm. It'll be spewed from the mouth of Christ. But God in there will draw out His people, out of that Pentecostal age.

You say, "Well, I'm looking for a great age." I know, many of you people... There's a teaching, the schools of the prophets. And they'd say it's all the great church age is coming. Don't believe it. The next thing to come is Christ for His Church. That's right. To... So remember, the last church age is the Laodicean church age, a lukewarm that's spewed from God's mouth. It's true. And you know that.

"Oh," you say, "Brother Branham, you're just go on alone." Well, how about a whole council? That's the way the Catholic church started, by the council of men. God don't move in councils of men; He deals with individuals.

SEVEN CHURCH AGES. JEFF. IN 54-0512

180 We're lukewarm. Because we're lukewarm in this age, God said, "I'll spue you from My mouth." This church age will be rejected. There'll be a remnant out of it, that'll be saved. So better mark yourself right good to find out if you're in that remnant now. We'll get into it in a minute, if God willing.

SEAL OF GOD. JEFF. IN 54-0514

131 What we need today is an old fashion, Holy Ghost, God-sent burn-out, a revival that'll make you lay on your face and cry, day and night, and weep and wail, and carry on, for the sins of the world. We'll get into it. That's right.

But there they are. That's just where we got, lukewarm. God said, "Just makes Me sick at my stomach: I'll just spew you from My mouth." That's the church, the Protestant church, rejected. The Protestant church is rejected, from Pentecost to Luther, every bit of It. God's Word says so.

But out of each one of those churches, He's taken an Elect. He has taken the Seed out of every one, out of the Methodist, the Baptist, the Presbyterian, the Lutheran, all through there, Catholic, and all He's taken a remnant, taken a people out.

LAODICEAN CHURCH AGE. JEFF. IN ROJC 60-1211E

253 And today when Jesus; standing outside the door of the Pentecostal organizations, Baptist organizations, Methodist organizations, trying to get back in with Pentecost again, and the people are passing Him by. After you--your worldliness and things has pushed Him out of the church, He's standing, trying, crying to get back in again. And, oh, it's the most pathetic thing I ever seen in my life. Had no need of Him. Him, outside, knocking, trying to get in. That's the same thing He's trying to do. Why? Why? He was outside.

They never threw Him out. They still sang of Him, preached about Him, but had never missed Him in their presence. That's right. They were going right on. Why? They were nearsighted. They was looking at their big building. They were rich. They were looking at the great organization they belonged to, trying to build it up, getting more members to come in, and they didn't miss Him. No, no. They didn't miss speaking in tongues. They didn't miss the great, powerful messages of God Who cuts down to the heart and circumcises the heart, tears off the things of the world and shucks you like a piece of corn. Oh, they...

If you preached like that in their church, they'd oust you out. And that's the way the Holy Ghost preached. Jesus said, "You generation of vipers. You--you snakes in the grass." And John did too, and great anointed man, always tore the hide off of them. That's right.

But they didn't miss Him, 'cause they didn't have that. See? So they had a little flowerly something patting them on the back, and said, "You just join, put your name right here, and--and we'll take you into membership. And you go get your paper from the other church and we will receive you, and--and so forth. Now, your pledge will be how much each year?" You see, that's it, "Rich, have need of nothing." Oh, but you have need of the greatest thing and haven't got it, Jesus standing outside trying to get back in with Pentecost.

1961

1. Mercy seat turns into judgment seat.

REVELATION. CHAPTER 4. Part 2.24. ELDERS. JEFF. IN ROJC 61-0101

207 You know, let's go back to Moses. Moses... We ain't got time to dig it up, so you just take what I'm saying. Moses, when he was give a vision up on Mount Sinai...

I want you to notice that this was not a throne of grace no more. There the blood had been gone, and the sacrifice was back again, and they had been accepted, and the blood was off the mercy seat. And it was now a judgment seat, because thunders and lightning issued off of it. Is that right?

Remember, it was like Mount Sinai. When Moses went on Mount Sinai, what happened? Thunder, lightning. And even if a cow, or a calf, or a sheep, or anyone even touched the mountain, it must die. The Bible said, "So great was the quake that even Moses feared it." And Moses... Said, "*Take off your shoes here; you're on holy ground.*" Joshua the great warrior, was to take the children over and divide their inheritance, could only come halfway up the mountain.

Here stood Moses up there with the colors of God, flashes from lightnings and emeralds around him, watching them commandments be written. Standing in the Presence of God, that voice speaking back out, "*Moses, where are you? Take off your shoes; you're on holy ground.*" A judgment seat, it was now, nothing could stand there but the redeemed. Sinner could not approach it at all (It's finished.), the judgment seat. All right.

REVELATION. CHAPTER 4. PART 3. THRONE MERCY. JEFF. IN ROJC 61-0108

89 Now, these elders setting upon the throne with his crown. Now, the 5th verse, we're going to start.

And out of the throne proceeded lightnings... thunders, voices: and there was seven lamps on fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Oh, I love this. Don't you? Oh, I--I just feel like my coat fits me, you know. I just... when... Oh, I mean in a spiritual coat, of course, you know. All right.

"*Out of the throne...*" Let's speak of this throne now for a few minutes. This was not a throne of mercy; mercy's throne is finished. No more mercy, it's without mercy. How are we going... How is the judgment seat going to be the judgment seat of Christ, the judgment seat, the white throne judgment? Is there going to be mercy then? There is not one speck of mercy to be given. At the judgment throne you could scream "mercy" till you couldn't scream no more, and you just might as well scream out in the air somewhere, 'cause there's no more mercy.

Now, is the day of mercy. Now, let's go back in the Old Testament here just a little bit and find out what mercy is. Go on back and see what happened to this throne. This throne, of course, is the--the judgment seat. And the--the reason today that there is mercy, is because the mercy seat is sprinkled with an atonement: Blood. And as long as Blood is on the judgment seat then it is not judgment no more; it's mercy; because Something died to stay judgment. If you see it, say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] As long as Blood is on the mercy seat, showed that Something died to hold judgment back. But when the church is raptured, the mercy seat becomes a judgment seat.

2. The General Superintendent drew Brother Branham out of their circle.

[At meeting in Beaumont, Texas in January 1961.]

EXPECTATION. TUCSON, AZ 61-0205M

E-33 A certain organization the other day, because that I let another minister set on the platform that didn't belong to their organization, he said, "We have drawn a line. We have drawn you out of it, Brother Branham, out of, out of our circle."

I said, "I'm drawing another one, so big... take you back in again." I said, "So you just can't push me out." That's right. "I'll draw a line right over the top of yours and take you right back." See?

That's for... We are brethren. "We are not divided; all one body are we." Right. We're Christians, borned of His Spirit, washed in His blood. We are Christians. We should act like Christians; we should behave ourselves like Christians, men and women. Let me tell you that that's one thing the church is lacking today, is behaving itself like Christians. We go around and act like dead flies. It's terrible. No faith--not enough, if it was ink, to dot an "I." We just strictly have lost something. What we ought to do is have our shoulders back.

(...)

E-35 Let me tell you, brother, unbelief is of the devil. Let me hit it, Lord. I don't care if it costs my life. Let me break that thing from over the church, those boundaries, and so forth--that we can see by one Spirit we're all baptized into one body, and we're Christians. We are brethren. No matter if a man belongs to the Church of God and I belong to the Assemblies, and this one's Baptist, or Presbyterian; we are brothers, what we are, we are brothers in Christ. Let's break it. Break these boundaries down. We can reach out our arms to every brother.

Here some time ago, they said, "Brother Branham, if you'll just join our organization..."

I said, "No, I'm with your organization, but I tell you what I'm going to do, I'll reach out my arms on both sides for everyone." That's... We're all one in Christ.

FROM THAT TIME. BLOOMINGTON, IL 61-0415B

E-24 And notice, another thing I'd just like to say, amongst the Pentecostal people. There's one thing that we're forgetting friends, is our Pentecostal courtesy. See? Parking in lots... Sometimes I've noticed our Pentecostal brethren, when you could really pull in and give somebody else a--a chance to park by the side of you, just drive in it anyway; cause somebody, really makes what we call "a boo-boo" on the road, you fly loose and tear down. Listen. That's not the way to be a Pentecostal Christian. See? Let's consider the next man. If he's wrong, let him be wrong. If you pattern after him, then you're wrong. See? Let's think of the other fellow. And just try to do right, and think right.

I've got a slogan: "Do right; it's your duty to God. Think right; that's your duty to yourself. And you've got to come out right." And if you'll try to practice the right thing (See?), it'll grow around you just like a vine; it'll hug you into it. And if you can't love your enemy just as much as you love those who love you, there's something wrong somewhere. See?

Now, just think: "It's my duty to love my enemy." You've got to really love him.

I was sponsored by a group of people just recently, fine people, nothing against them, their ideas is their ideas. I draw no lines. But this group of people, seventy-two churches sponsored, and they have a--a way of they baptize by immersing, in a--a way that the others do not believe in baptizing that way. So this one district presbyter called me and said, "Brother Branham, you had a man on the platform last night that was baptized wrong."

I said, "Well, maybe he was."

And he said, "Well, we're just going to draw a little line. You're too compromising."

I said, "Just a minute." I said, "That brother had the Holy Ghost, didn't he?"

He said, "Well, he could not have his sins remitted, because he ewasn't baptized for the remission of his sins."

I said, "But God give him the Holy Ghost. So if God accepted him like that, I do that too."

And listen, I would rather be Scripturally wrong, and have the right kind of a spirit, than be Scripturally right and have the wrong kind of spirit...?... It's what is in that displays itself. See? That's what... You're out... Your life proves what you are.

This man said, "I'm... We're drawing a little ring, and we're drawing you out of our circle."

I said, "Then I'm going to draw a little ring, and draw you back in again." See? So I... That's it, bring you right back. I... You can't put me out, 'cause God put me in. See? So you can't--can't put me out, so that's the way we're going to do. See? Believe that.

You're a wonderful group of brothers. Bless be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds, is that--like to that above.

Let me say this to you as your brother. And I'm just passed twenty-six years old, the other day, you know. You know that, didn't you? I meant the second time. See? So I don't know how long I'll be with you. I don't know about that. But let tell you a little secret. The most powerful force in the world isn't speaking with tongues, or interpreting tongues, or being honored by God to be a minister, or to be a evangelist, or to be a prophet; the most powerful weapon that I've ever found in my life, is love. It'll... The phileo love, which the Greek word comes from friendship, like you have for your wife. There's a difference. It'll make a mother for that baby, run through a blazing fire. Her life means nothing. That's phileo. What will agapao do (See?), the godly love.

E-27 We must love, divinely love one another. Then you don't see your brother's mistake. If he does make a mistake, you never, you look over the top of it, and you love Him anyhow. See? That's it. Love those that love you. Then does not the sinner the same thing? But love those who doesn't love you. That's what shows the Spirit of God is in you, 'cause He loved you when you were His enemy. And He loved you. And that Spirit's in you, it'll make you love your enemy, as you do your friend.

GODHEAD EXPLAINED. CHICAGO, IL 61-0425B

30-2 Now, you see what I mean, brethren? I'm driving towards that one thing: Jesus Christ and the uniting of the Body of Jesus Christ. That's what my purpose is. Now, I don't say nothing about, "Hey, you ain't baptized in Jesus' Name; you're going to hell." Now, that's nonsense.

I'll tell you what happened the other day. I was down in Texas. (Fore leaving... And the brethren here are witnesses to this.) The Oneness church, seventy-two churches sponsoring my meeting, and I put Brother Petty, the Assembly of God brother up on the platform that night. Now, you know that's true. He's a precious brother. Brother Petty, if any of you know him, from Beaumont, Texas. He's one of the finest man I ever met. His wife is a converted Catholic, a real sainted woman. He's a real man of God. Tell me who's a finer man than Roy Weed of the Assemblies of God. Mention any of these men. Look here all these brothers I know around here: Brother... From the Philadelphian church here, and the Assemblies of God men, and... Whose any finer people? Tell me where... Tell me who's a finer man than Jack Moore? Tell me that. He's a, what they call... They belong to them... He's not a radical. You find radical on both sides, and that's where the people point, and that's where the devil points. But they're all men of God; God's give them the Holy Ghost. If it wasn't for the grace of God, we'd all be gone with our fusses and things. That's exactly right. But the grace of God binds us together. No wonder we can sing, "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love." That's what we need.

Then, and so you know what? The General Superintendent over the--the church called me up. He said, "Did you know what you did last night?" My second night there...

I said, "What?" I said, "We had a wonderful meeting."

Said, "You had a man on your pulpit was a sinner."

I said, "I didn't know it. Who was it?"

Said, "That Mr. Petty."

Oh, I said, "A sinner?" Why, I said, "He's an Assembly of God preacher, brother."

He said, "Yes, but he's still a sinner, because he hasn't been baptized right."

And I said, "Brother, pray tell me why?" I said, "He's got the Holy Ghost."

He said, "Brother Branham, what did Peter say? 'Repent and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins.' Therefore your sins cannot be remitted until you're baptized in Jesus' Name."

I said, "Is that the formula, my brother?"

He said, "That's the formula."

I said, "God upset His Own apple cart then in Acts 10:49, for 'While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word,' and they had never been baptized at all. Then God give the Holy Ghost to people that wasn't even converted." I said, "Where in the world are you standing now?"

31-2 He said, "You know what we are going to do?" Said, "We're drawing a little ring and drawing you right out of our circle."

Then I said, "I'm going to draw another one and draw you right back in again." So I said, "You can't draw me out, 'cause I love you. See, you just can't do it." I said, "There's too many of your brethren out there that love me and believe in me." I

said, "You... I'll--I'll... They'll come anyhow." I said, "They'll come, and you can't draw me out. If you draw me out, I'll draw you back in." I said...?... "When you make one circle, God, by His grace, will let me draw another one and pull you right back in." That's right. Draw them right back again...

3. Mark of Beast, they took it. [Revelation 13:11-18]

SEAL OF GOD. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0216

E-53 I differ with my precious Brother David duPlessis, going up there with Dr. McKee and all these big churches. And now what are they going to...

[Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]... now. Oh, the Presbyterians are saying, "We need speakers in tongues. We need them to get the baptism of the Holy Ghost. We need Divine healers," and all like that. Why didn't they accept it forty years ago when it come out, instead of making fun of it? They'll never do it. They are dead. They're denominations, and every denomination's dead. Exactly right. It'll never rise again. No denomination will never rise. Assemblies, you've had your day. Oneness, you had your day. Foursquare, you had your day, time of Mrs. McPherson. The old school assemblies had their day. Well, what have you done? You've denominated yourself and separated yourself. You'll never take a denomination in, because it was a Catholic order in the first place that God condemned in the beginning; it'll never go in, no Baptist, Presbyterian, or nothing else. But God will pull a hungry heart from every denomination that He can, for that's His body that He will take in, and that are sealed by the Holy Spirit.

They've done took the mark of the beast. Look at it now, the Pentecostal church has done showed its colors. Now, it's spewed out. Jesus on the outside, knocking [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit--Ed.], trying to come in. What's He knocking? The very Messianic knock, and everything else, and they still turn Him out. Certainly, they do.

4. Latter day revival has produced twins.

WE WOULD SEE JESUS. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0208

E-17 Oh, people are very religious: always been. As I preached the other night over there, a revival always produces twins, like Esau and Jacob: a man of the world, and the man that desires the birthright. See? It always... Every revival produces that.

This latter day revival has done the same thing. It's true. So let's get on the Jacob side, the one that's going to inherit, the one that's going into the promised land. And we cannot be satisfied just with going to church and putting our name on the book. If we do, there's something wrong. Let's keep climbing higher and higher, till we reach that promised land.

5. Natural & Supernatural seed of Abraham.

ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED AFTER HIM. CHICAGO, IL 61-0423

E-39 Now, that's exactly what God did by the Royal Seed of Abraham. Now, I know Isaac was the seed of Abraham potentially...?... it was the natural seed of Abraham, but not the real Seed of Abraham. The real Seed of Abraham was Christ, the Royal Seed. Isaac only was substitutionary until Christ came, which was the Seed of Abraham.

Now, and then the real seed of Abraham believes the promise, just like Abraham did, because it's to Abraham and his seed after him. Now, watch what God did to the Royal Seed to make the covenant confirmed. He took Christ, which was the Seed of Abraham; on Calvary He tore Him apart. He took the Spirit off of Him, and put His body in the grave and His soul in hell, and raised Him up on the third day, and raised up His body, and brought it up into glory, and there sent the Spirit back down, and kept the body on His right hand side. Sent the Spirit back down, to live in the church, to make a church just so much with the Life of Christ that in the resurrection, the two will come together, Bride and Bridegroom, the church and Christ will be exactly alike with the same kind of ministry, same kind of power, same kind of Spirit. He raised up the body of Jesus Christ and set on His right side, His right hand, and poured down the Spirit upon the church on the day of Pentecost. That's how God proved His covenant with His church.

SUPER SIGN. CHICAGO, IL 61-0430

E-31 They say, "The days of miracles is past," and all these things. Let them prove it. "I'll give you a everlasting sign, the super Sign." Oh, yes. Now, He could've come an angel. He could've come whatever He wished to. But He chose to come as Abraham's Seed (Amen.), Abraham's super Seed. That's right. The way He chose to come to show in this last days God's super signs, a super race... Oh, yes. Not what you call a super race, but what God calls super race... Because they got what? Supernatural power, with supernatural signs, through a supernatural belief in a supernatural Word, from a supernatural God. Amen. You talk about super. Whew.

Supernatural God in a supernatural body in a natural people, giving supernatural signs... Hallelujah. Yes. A super race... They that know their God shall do exploits, great exploits, and show supernatural signs: a people, Abraham's Seed, a sign of the supernatural Christ risen from the dead supernaturally.

And after two thousand years, the critics that tried to put Him to death down there, is trying to do the same thing today. But the same signs, the same supernatural Sign still shows amongst supernatural people, which is the Seed of Abraham. Amen. I feel good. Amen. Supernatural, supernatural..

6. David duPlessis and Brother Branham disagree.

[Sleeping virgins; organizations. Matt. 25:1-13]

ONLY BELIEVE. CHICAGO, IL 61-0427

E-38 I'm going to say this because it was... I ask for it to be abstained one time, and when they did, the brother got real put-out about it. I... Now, I'm going to say it, 'cause it's on tape, and so, our brother can hear it if he wants to get this tape. It's concerning Brother David duPlessis; my precious, brother, friend.

I got a letter of criticism from him. And I--I didn't want to read it; secretary got it, and so, I--I didn't want to read it; because I withheld saying his name on a tape. But this is taped. The tapes are going. Here's exactly what I said. I was preaching on the nearing of coming of Christ. And Brother David is dealing with the Presbyterians, Methodists, and Baptists, and those great men. That is his ministry to them. God has sent him with a ministry. David is a smart theologian, scholar and a wonderful man of God. He's has been with me in the meetings; he's stood by my side. I love him as only a brother could love another. And that is true.

But what I said about David, and the church will bear me witness. I said, "It seems like that Brother David, as spiritual as he is, would wake up to the fact to know that he's dealing with the sleeping virgin. And the Pentecostal people are so glad to see the Presbyterians writing in a little declaration: "We got to go back to Divine healers. We got to go back to speaking in tongues." You've read the piece where they put out. "We got to go back and having healing services."

Billy Graham talking, "Got to go back to Pentecost." Do you realize, brother, that the very hour that they went to wake the sleeping virgin up, when she come to buy oil, that was when Jesus came?

I said, "If wonder if Brother David realizes that."

He thinks the Pentecostal church... They had their picture in the paper the other day with some Catholic priests, standing blessing the Pentecostal businessman's breakfast or something, and things like that; which that's all right. But I wonder if the church really realizes what it is. It's a sign. When that sleeping virgin come and knocked at the gate, that's when she could not get in, for the Bride was gone. Don't you see? That's what I said about Brother David (See?), not nothing concerning his work, or his man--or about his reputation. And David's my brother, and one of the finest godly men that I know of.

But I just wondered how that he--he didn't pick that up, to realize the very minute that outside denominational world begins to receive this Message, that's exactly the hour He's coming. When they--when they went, the sleeping virgin realized she didn't have any oil in her lamp. And when she come to knock on the door to get it, that was exactly when the Bride went out, when the wise virgin left. That's right. They didn't get in. No.

And them organizations won't come in. They won't have the opportunity to, time the message gets around, the church will be gone. So if they're trying to get in right now, how close are we? When we see as it was in the days of Sodom, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man. The very last message Abraham and his seed after him, we see every- everything lays just at time. We've got need. It's time for action. It's not, "Wait till I go away in school and get me a Ph.D., or LL.D." It's get into the Gospel right now, preach. Yes. Get out there now. Now's the hour.

SOULS IN PRISON NOW. JEFF. IN 63-1110M

35-4 Notice. Now, some say, "These people are good." Sure. I don't say they're not good people. I don't say St. Cecilia and all them wasn't good women; so was my mother. But I sure don't pray to her. Certainly not. But I've seen lots of good people, but they're not goddess; they're women. Men... There's only one Mediator between God and man.

And why, why would a man, a Pentecostal world man... That circular letter that Brother duPlessis, our precious brother got circular... Many of you... Some of you has got it. Set (Yeah, you got it.) in the Ecumenical Council by the side of the Pope and said it was very spiritual. That's discernment of spirit, isn't it? "Oh, the Spirit of the Lord was there." Very spiritual...

There you are. Why? Because it's a opportunity to unite the Protestants and that together, which we have fought for for years, and the Bible has stood for and told us that would come. And our--one of our greatest leaders comes right in, said, "That's right. What we do." And the whole Protestant church is falling for it.

And just exactly, if you'll look up there THUS SAITH THE LORD... First the Word said it, then the Spirit of the Lord said, in 1933, that told all these other things about the nations going to war and how the machines would be and everything like that said, that's exactly what would happen at the end. And here it is. It's never failed. And here we see it shaping up.

You remember my sermon on Jezebel religion not long ago? You remember Elisha coming down the road that morning to tell them that... I preached on that. See? And how I predicted then that the time would come when this Ecumenical

Council would finally become the mark of the beast, because it would unite with the beast. It's doing it. In my age I've lived to see it. And hear the Protestants by the millions fall for it. Why? That's what they're looking for. They're blind.

Jesus told those Pharisees, "You blind, leaders of the blind. If the blind leads the blind," He said, "won't they all fall in the ditch?" And that's where they fall. How could I ever believe that a man that stood with me and talked with me could ever set and make a remark like that? See? It's hid, the eyes--from the wise and prudent, and revealed it to babes such as will learn.

I know someday that's going to cost me my life. That's right. It's going to, but here the truth is being knowed.

HE THAT IS IN YOU. JEFF. IN 63-1110E

5 There was one thing that I did, this morning, that I'm sorry that I said it. I--I called a brother's name that I think is in error. I shouldn't have done that. I never call a person's name. And if the tape would happen to fall in his hands, and I--I want to see him and talk to him, because I think the brother, a great man, a good man, that's preached right here from the pulpit, Brother David duPlessis. And I didn't mean to call his name; I was worried about the message and so forth, about whether "what if it is this time?" and I called the brother's name. I don't do that. I'm sorry I did it. I love Brother David duPlessis. He is our brother, and I--I do think that a smart man like that should be more instructed in the Scripture.

I tell you what it is. It's... The talk that David and I had, he once spoke for me in the meetings. He preached right from this pulpit, or in the old church, right here from the pulpit. And his brother, Justus, was my interpreter in South Africa, where I'm returning. And they're out of a fine family, a Pentecostal home, a real fine person. David was, I believe, the chairman, at one time, of the World Pentecostal Assemblies, and at the Pentecostal World Conference. He was one of the chairmen. And later he come to the United States and settled in--out in Texas with Brother Gordon Lindsay, and then just started preaching around different places.

But what it was, where I think that our precious Brother made the error, just like I'm subject or anyone else, he started dealing with the ups-and-ups. He kept talking about the Princeton University and the places that was inviting him, thinking that he was doing what was right, and was feeding fodder right into the machine. See? And such rejoicing... And not only that, but the Full Gospel Business Men which sponsors my meeting worldwide--wide... See? I--I love those man (See?), but I certainly don't agree with them upon the principles that they--they are--they're... They have--they have left from where their principles they started, and now becoming just like any other organization or anything. See? And what it is, they're not trying to remain Pentecostal, but they're trying to mix Pentecost and the rest of it together.

8 And looks to me like that Brother duPlessis, a wonderful, fine man like that, would know enough about the Scripture that when he sees the sleeping virgin trying to buy oil, the time is passed. See? Remember, when she came to buy oil, there was no oil left. That's the Scripture. And she said, "Give us of your oil," to the church, but she did not receive it. She might jump up and down, speak in tongues, and whatever more, but according to God's own Word, she did not receive it. See? And she was out into outer darkness, and there was weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth, when the elected Bride had done gone in; the--the wise Virgins had oil in their lamp.

Now, I--I know another man, something that happened just the other day... What it is, it's these fine people (See?), getting a little, you know what I mean, a little hold among the people. And the first thing you know, they feel that that's God doing that. And many times, that's the devil doing that. See?

Jesus had a chance to come before Herod; He had a chance before many, and they wanted to use Him for showmanship. See? That's all they're trying to do with Pentecost. Pentecost come out of those things, to be different, and like a hog to its wallow and a dog to its vomit, turns right back again, and now in the Ecumenical Council. See? It's too bad. It's a shame.

God, keep me little and humble so that He can reveal His truth. See, I never want to do that. No bright lights, no flare and flash of the world; let me take the way with the Lord's despised few. Let me stay with the Word.

12 Now, talking about the Ecumenical Council consolidating with the Vatican... Do you believe that they could consolidate on the Word? They might in organization, but they can't on the Word. See? That's right. So there's nothing to compromise. See? A organization, it's all the same (See?), everything the same. It's perfectly in line: mother and daughter. But when it comes to this Word, I'm just as firmly against Methodist, and Baptist, and Presbyterian, as I am against Catholicism, 'cause it's mother and daughter according to this Word. It's this Word that I stand by (See?), This, every Word of It.

Now, this precious brother, he and his wife are my close friends. Many of you seen the magazine where how that that precious, God-sent brother could ever let his wife... Somebody told her she looked like Jacqueline Kennedy, and she bushed up a--one of them great big haircuts, and then... What is it? She associates with them kind of people, all the time, and finally... A good man taking a bad woman, she'll either become a good woman... Or, I mean, a good man taking a bad woman, she'll either become a good woman or he will become a bad man. Show me your company; I will tell you who you are. See? Birds of a feather, flock together. Keep away from shiny stuff.

I climbed down in a mine, the other day, way in the top of the mountains on the Arizona and--and Mexico line; Brother Sothmann and I (setting here) was up there together. And I got in there and dug out a bunch of what... It looks just exactly like gold. But the only way you can tell it isn't gold, it shines better than gold. It shines; and gold does not shine; it glows.

See? And what it's called, it's fool's gold. It's not even worth as much as the rock that it's in. It's called iron pyrite. I think in the--the--the scientists claim that the waters and the leaking acids and things never got there quite enough to harden it and bringing it into a place to make it gold; so it--it shines better, but it don't have the chemical in it. And that's just the way a lot of make-believe Christianity is. See? It'll shine, and like Hollywood; but the Church glows with the Gospel. See?

7. O. L. Jagger teaching blood in the hands.

FAITH. CHARLOTTE, NC 56-0427

E-8 I remember O. L. Jagers. The hardest person I ever had to shake away from me was O. L. Jagers. I didn't want to shake him away from me, but he was so skeptic. Oh, my. He was beating it down, and all the time I knew he believed it in his heart, but he just wanted to see what I was going...?... So he, Brother O. L. Jagers, he's a bosom friend, a very fine man, and Tommy Osborn, he was there.

GODHEAD EXPLAINED. CHICAGO, IL 61-0425B

32-5 So do you see, my brethren, I'm trying to drive at something. That this group of people, of men, who has the baptism of the Holy Ghost... Aimee McPherson's group: what did she do? She was first a Oneness, I believe, then come out, and become an Assembly, and then pulled out and organized herself different. here not long ago put in a little group a little...?...

I was setting in O. L. Jagers' meeting. Now, we all know O. L. Jagers. His--his father helped found the General Council of the Assemblies of God. Now, O. L. is a great man. He's a great preacher. I told him not long ago; I said, "Brother Jagers, if I could preach like you did, I'd never even have a healing service." But he had got all that blood and wine and stuff when he first started over there.

Excuse me if I am hurting your feelings, brethren, on that. I--I... That's all right. God can make blood come, wine come, or oil come, whatever He wants to; but that don't remit sins. No, sir. No, sir, no indeedy. "The Blood of Jesus Christ shall never lose Its power, until all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more."

I said, "Brother Jagers..." I took him. I called him up, and I was with the Christian Business Men, and I said--I said, "Brother O. L..."

He said, "Where in the world are you at?" I was in a little, old cheap motel out there, and he said, "You mean to tell me they put you out here."

I said, "That was my desire. When I come to you," I said, "What did you do? You put me over in the Statler's Hotel, and I just had to stand in the corner. You set me down at the table, and I didn't know which knife to use or nothing else, and I didn't... and went down through there without a coat on, and they wanted to run me out," and I said, "I--I don't know how to handle myself."

He said, "I'll take you over there if they are too poor to do it."

I said, "No, sir." I said, "What I want to do is have a steak with you if you'll pay for it."

He said, "All right."

So then we went out to a place, and we set down, and I said, "Brother Jagers, I certainly admire your..." And he's a very dear friend of mine, a precious brother. And I--I had his little pamphlet, where he had that woman that just come over here from overseas that had blood in her hands and things. So I had it in here. I just wanted him to deny it once, and then I had it right on his paper, you know.

I said, "I have noticed where you're going right along, going to have a big revival," started it up 'cause the Business Men had me over there, course...

Look like people would know if the Holy Spirit can reveal on the platform, can't He tell me what's going on in places, brethren? I can tell you word by word and prove it by Brother Carlson, this brother here, I set at the meeting yesterday and told these brethren what would be here this morning. That's right. Exactly. See, because the Holy Spirit woke me up and said, "Stand by the window." I looked at the window, and He showed me just exactly this. I said... Now, brethren, See? Why, they ought to know it.

34-3 Here not long ago a man got up here at the Chatauqua and said, "Brother Branham is a prophet." I don't claim to be no prophet. See? But he said, "Brother Branham is a prophet when he is under the Spirit of discernment," but said, "Oh, his doctrine is poison; be careful with it."

I thought of an educated man would say a thing like that. What does a "prophet" mean? "A Divine interpreter of the Word." The Word of the Lord came to the prophet. You see?

But just... Now, that--that's neither here to say, but anyhow, Brother Jagers and I said... He said... Oh, I said, "I seen about that woman that's got that blood in her hands."

"Oh," he said, "Brother Branham, that is the most phenomenal you ever seen."

I said, "Brother Jagers, I love you. First, I want you to put my hand in yours. Let's say we are brothers."

He said, "Sure. What's the matter?"

I said, "You are one of the most powerful preachers that I know of. What a--what a instrument for God that you are."

He said, "Thank you, Brother Branham. You're really humble."

I said, "I'm not saying that to be humble. I'm saying that because I believe it. You are God's servant." But I said, "Brother Jagers, unless you... You're--you're running too much out; you haven't got a counterbalance for what you are talking about. You're basing..."

And here's what's the matter with a lot of you Assemblies of God and other men on these healing services. I don't blame you. There's so much called... And Tommy here, is a good brother, and we know how solid he stands, but there's so much in the land today under the name of Divine healing, no wonder you don't want to sponsor a meeting in the city. They come and bleed the people, and go out, and what have they got? Don't give the people a bit more than you do from the platform, from your own pulpit; and you're right, brethren. I'm telling you, you're right.

But it's just like I was reading the history of Martin Luther. It said, "It wasn't a mystery that Martin Luther could protest the Catholic church and get by with it (You've read his history.) but that Martin Luther could hold his head above all the fanaticism that followed his revival. There was the mystery. And when the phenomena is done, the uncircumcised follows--just like it was in Egypt; and it always has cause trouble out in the land. We know that when we get out there, which they raised up Korah, God had to destroy. But brethren, I don't blame you.

35-3 Brother Jagers set there and tried to tell me that that was the Holy Ghost a doing that and said... And then I had in his own paper. I said, "Brother Jagers," now I said, "I am a seventh grade pupil, and you are a Doctor of Divinity and studied to be an attorney. You was raised up in a clean, decent church, the Assemblies of God. Your father helped to found that faith, and you pulling away, that's up to you." But I said, "That's up to any man that wants to do that. I don't draw any lines there, but when it comes to a place that an instrument like you could win thousands of souls to Christ, would build your ministry upon a sensation." I said, "Brother Jagers, you build a column like that, if you haven't got a counterbalance for that, it'll fall after while, and you got to have Scripture for what you are talking about."

He said, "There is Scripture."

I said, "Produce it."

He said, "Well, Brother Branham," said, "that's the Holy Ghost doing that."

I said, "Show me the Scripture where It said the Holy Ghost ever made blood come out on somebody, so forth like that. Just show it: oil pour out of them. You said that oil was for Divine healing, and you said that woman's blood would be the salvation of nations." I said, "If that is so, then what happened to the Blood of Jesus Christ? It takes away, and anything that is against It is anti. It is against It"; I said, "it becomes an antichrist doctrine."

"Oh," he said, "Brother Branham, you'll learn someday."

I said, "I hope I never learn like that. Now, brother," I said, "I love you, and you're my brother." And I said, "Brother Jagers, you're going to get on a limb after while that you can't get back off of. Come back to your church, and come back and stay with the Gospel." And I said, "Don't build it upon sensations." I said...

36-1 For now, he's got--he's baptizing to Eternal Life. You know, every time you baptize, you go back to a young woman or man. Now, that's going to... He ain't going never die, so that is he on the end of the limb right now, them vitamin pills out of the Dead Sea...

You see, but that's what it is, brother. You start on those little sensations, and you men here that's got these churches, you let something like that come into the city, and you know, the devil is shrewd, and he--he jumps in on those things like that. He fusses at it. And he--he gets people wound up, and he causes confusions in the church and things, but that isn't so.

Now, here, no matter how much you are right, here's one thing that we fail and miss, my brothers. Now, I'm closing in saying this. No matter how right I am, and how Scriptural I am, and how much I know about God's Bible, if I haven't got the Spirit of God of love in my heart for the whole human race and all, then I'm wrong to begin with.

Now, Paul said in I Corinthians 13, "Though I have knowledge, (See?) and understand all the mysteries of God (See?), under--understand, and have not charity, I'm nothing. And though I speak with tongue of men and of angels," that's those who you speak to God and always the ones can it be interpreted. "Though I speak with tongues (genuine tongues) of men and angels and have not charity (love), it profits me nothing." So if I know all the mysteries of God and can unroll them and--and make them all hit together, and I don't have love, what good does it do? And when I...

Jesus said, "This will all men know that you are My disciples, when you have..." when the Assemblies has love for the Oneness, and the Oneness has love for the Assemblies. When you have love one for another... Be right or wrong, and is long as the objective is wrong, the motive is wrong, rather, then you're wrong to begin with. Isn't that right? See,

FIVE IDENTIFICATIONS. JEFF. IN 60-0911E

54 ... *precious stones... pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of the abomination of the filthiness of her fornications...* (her doctrines, what she was giving out),... *kings of the earth drinking it.*

Anybody could believe that could believe Brother Jagger's vitamin pills, that you can sprinkle water on a woman that's been married to a man for thirty years and had a bunch of children, and turn her back to a virgin and send her to her bridal bed that night with her husband. Anybody could believe that holy water will do that, can believe anything. That's right.

But the kings of the earth commit such things as that. It's so they can live and have a peaceful feeling. Down in your heart you know you're rotten. Take the Blood of Jesus Christ to cleanse you.

8. Danny Henry's prophesy over Brother Branham. [At meeting in Long Beach, California on February 11, 1961.]

TRUE EASTER SEAL. JEFF. IN 61-0402

162 Look here in California the other day. I think I can find it here; here it is. I was at Clifton's Cafeteria, the breakfast. And there a Baptist brother... After I got through just tearing the churches to pieces, telling them how they were doing evil, and the things they were doing, rejecting God. This Baptist brother come up here to put his arms around me to pray. And when he did, he started speaking like in tongues. When he... Now, he's a Baptist, knowed nothing about it. When he got through, he said...

And a woman standing back there from Louisiana, a Frenchman, said, "That wasn't an unknown tongue; that was French." And here sat another woman from Switzerland, Lausanne, which speaks French (I've been there.), she said that she interpreted it right. Here come a young man walking down through there (I never seen him; nobody had ever seen him.); he was the French interpreter for the U.N., said, "Exactly, it's right," said...

And this man says, and you know, this man; I'll call his name just in a minute. His name was Henry. I'll get his last name just in a moment; I think it's wrote on here. I don't know. It's in the Business Men's Voice, if it isn't. But he... Oh, yes, "By Danny Henry." Now, that is... I can't think of that movie star. [Someone says, "Marilyn Monroe?"--Ed.] No, it isn't Marilyn. Meda... Jane Russell, Jane Russell's cousin. And he came up and put his arms around me to comment me, and here's the words he said. He said, "That sermon could be put into the Book of Revelations." Said, "It's right." He said, "I want to pray for you, Brother Branham." He threwed his arms around me, begin to speaking in French, and didn't know nothing about it.

165 And here was the interpretation, he's got it wrote down as the document come in form, and so forth. It said, "I, Victor D-e-D-o-w-x," French name, "am a Frenchman," and so-forth, "and was there when--when Danny (what-you-call-it)--Danny Henry, gave this in message over Brother Branham, on February the eleventh, 1961." He lives at "809 North King's Road, Los Angeles 64." Listen at the--listen at the reading.

Because thou has chosen the narrow path... (Now, see, I get that all right. There's part of it I don't.)

Because thou has chosen the narrow path, the harder way; thou has walked of thy own choosing.

I can get that all right. See? See, you choose it yourself. Moses made his own choice; he didn't have to do it. Neither did I have to take this path. I could have big buildings out yonder like some of them's got. I could be all across on television. But who would sponsor me on--on tearing the very foundation? But one thing, I don't have to bow down to nobody's feet but the Lord Jesus Christ. That's right. Yes. I preach what the Bible says. I don't have to compromise with their organizations, 'cause I don't belong to them. I made the choice. Just like He said up there, "As I was with Moses, so will I be with you." And He give Moses two signs of confirmation to prove. And Moses made his own choice. See, Moses made his own choice. So that's easy to understand that (See?), "Thou has chose a..."

Because thou has chosen the narrow path, the harder way, thou has walked of your own choosing.

167 Now, here, now this man, now watch how it's wrote, you can see it's wrote in--in foreign words.

Thou has picked the correct and precise decision and it is My way. (Bless God. "It's My way," He said.)

Because of this momentous decision, a huge portion of heaven waits thee. (He had never heard about the vision, you see, that just... You remember the vision.)... huge portion of heaven waits thee. What a glorious decision thou has made. (See?)

This in itself... (Now, here's... From here on, I don't understand.) This in itself is that... (big parentheses around it)... which will give and make come to pass their tremendous victory in the Love Divine.

9. Killed caribou and silver tip grizzly in Canada in spring of 1961. [A vision]

SPIRIT OF TRUTH. PHOENIX, AZ 63-0118

E-38 Saw a vision that morning. I seen a large animal laying on a side of the hill. Oh, it had a mammoth set of horns. I was on a hunting trip in this vision, along about ten or eleven o'clock in the day. And I slipped over and shot the animal.

And then on the road back a mammoth big grizzly bear raised right up against me, and I shot him. And then I seen them take the horns, and a little hand reached and get the horn, put the tape on it, and it measured forty-two inches from the top of the beam to the top of the horn, forty-two inches high.

I never seen any animal like it: great big spikes on his horns and yet it looked like a deer. But it... Oh, my, it'd make two or three deer. I never seen anything like it. Well, I said, "Probably it'll come to pass someday. I'll just write it down."

I went down in Kentucky with a friend of mine, and Brother Miner Arganbright called me and said, "Brother Branham, are you busy?"

I said, "Not so bad." I said, "I was on my... I got two weeks now. I'm on a little vacation."

Said, "Run up to Canada, to Alaska, with me. We want to organize a Business Men's chapter at Anchorage and also over at Fairbanks."

I said, "Sounds all right, if I can get the time to do it."

He said, "Well, Brother Branham, if you'll do it, I tell you what. We'll give you a nice grizzly bear hunt."

Said, "Oh, that sounds fine." I thought, "Oh, oh. There's the vision. See? So that's it. A nice grizzly bear hunt." I said, "That sounds good. I don't go for that, but while we're up there, and some of the guides wants to take me out free, I'll be glad to go."

So he said, "Well, they--they'll do it. We got it fixed up."

I said, "Well, now wait. Let me pray over it."

And I went up in the woods that day, and every time I prayed, farther away I got all the time, completely away from it. I thought, "That's strange." And two days after that I called Brother Arganbright, and I said, "No."

He said, "Brother Branham, we was just getting things arranged."

I said, "Don't do it. The Holy Spirit has condemned it." And I told him the vision. I said, "I--I don't know, Brother Arganbright, but it's strange. But He won't let me go up there, and yet, it sounds like that I--that would be the place."

And he said, "Well, now, we're all set to go."

And I said... Now, many of you will see Brother Arganbright. He's coming here now, to make ready with me to go overseas after this meeting. And so you can ask him the story.

So we said... I said, "No. I just can't do it. The Holy Spirit tells me not..." It's best to obey, no matter how much, how good it looks. I'm going to preach on something like that tomorrow night, the Lord willing. So now, remember, no matter how good it looks, if God isn't in it, stay away from it. No matter how glamor it looks, stay away from it. How prosperous... Stay away from it if God isn't in it. Stay away from it. Now we're going to speak on that tomorrow night, Lord willing.

Now, then when I went home, Billy said to me, my son, he said, "Dad, do you know that hunter that you went hunting with last spring up there by the name of Southwick?"

"Oh," I said, "up on the--in the--below the Yukon there?"

He said, "Yes."

Said, "He's got a letter here for--for you." He's Brother Eddie Byskal, which is the head of the--the ministerial association of that northwestern country up in there, a very fine boy. May be here in this meeting. He's planning on coming this a way this time, fine little boy. And he's got a nice family. He's--he's missionarying up there now to the Cree's: Cree Indian. And I was just with him last fall. And then--or last summer, rather...

E-42 Then he... Eddie wanted to take me over to Bud's, which was one of his converts to Christ. His wife was a staunch Pentecostal. Bud was a rancher and he'd just recently come in. But he'd been 'lotted, where they drove the Indians out and put them on the reservation, a great territory for hunting, about six... Oh, I guess he got about three hundred square miles or more, around in there, for a territory 'lotted to him by the Canadian government.

Well, that spring when I was up there, we went bear hunting after the meetings. But when we--in May... But the chinook come, and it cut us off. We had about... He'd never heard of anything about the meetings, and Eddie kept pouring into him about the meetings.

And he said, "You don't mean to tell me, that today that God is showing Himself, and show things that's coming before it happens?"

Eddie said, "That's exactly right."

So he kept talking to me. He said, "You know, I got a brother's got epilepsy." Said, "If you could just only get to that brother," said, "I believe... If I could ever get him to one of your meetings, I believe he'd be healed." I said... Said, "He's had it all of his life."

And I said, "Perhaps so."

Well, it don't get dark up there at that time of the year, you know. The sun just goes down, and gets... Oh, you can... Any time, midnight, one o'clock, you can just stand and read the newspaper, anything. You see? And about--about the last part of May the sun never goes down. It just barely tips, about--gone about ten minutes, and comes back. So we--when you... We just lay down whenever we got tired.

And then on the road coming out, we met the bunch of Indians. And oh, I got the old chief back there. They let him stay there because he's had two children... They bury their children in a log, their loved ones, some kind of a religion, and they hung them in the tree. So they just let that family stay there. Nice old fellow, past ninety years old, setting up in his saddle just as good as one of his boys.

And so, we left the next day. He said, "There's no way across now. Go up over the mountains and this way." Oh, it was another hundred miles to cut a trail. So we couldn't do that. It was too late. We started back.

And on the road back... Bud's got a string of young horses and some of them got down in muskeg and things. And I was going along there talking, and Eddie and I... And Bud was on the lead horse, trying to get out. We had twenty-one head. And then, I got a rope on one, got him out. And just soon as he got out, then my own saddle horse got in. And here I was

getting out over there, and I was muddy, you know. In a few minutes I got up on my horse, and wiped the mud off my clothes, like that, started off.

And right before me across that hill there come a young man. I looked at him. I moved back in the saddle, and stopped my horse, and I seen him fall in a fit, going over and over, and frothing, and got real arrogant, and just tearing up everything. And then he quietened down. I seen an old salamander. I seen his shirt burning.

E-46 Eddie was about half a city block ahead of me trying to get another horse young horse run off the--the trail, getting over in there, pulling the packs off of him, bucking off. So then I run up there to Eddie. We got the horse quiet. I said, "Eddie, I got THUS SAITH THE LORD for Bud."

He said, "Brother Branham, what happened?"

I said, "A vision. I seen his brother."

He said, "Oh, get him."

I said, "Hold the horses back. I'll spur mine and get ahead, run around these horses, see if I can get them and hold them against the side of the hill." I run around the cliff like this with my--on my horse, pushed him up and got up there. And I put my hand over on the saddle.

I said, "Bud."

He said, "Yes, Brother Branham?"

I said, "I want to tell you something. Your brother..." and described him.

He said, "Yes, who told you?"

I said, "Nobody, the Lord just showed him to me."

I said, "Will you believe me as His servant?"

He said, "Certainly, Brother Branham."

I said, "Send down..." About--about eight hundred miles back to civilization... "Get your brother to come up here. And the first time he falls in one of those fits..." And I said, "He's had these since about two years old. You might not believe it, but it's hereditary. Your grandfather had them."

He said, "Now, that's the truth. That's right."

And I said, "Now, when this boy has this fit, you jerk the shirt off of his back and throw it into the fire, and say, 'This I do in the Name of Jesus Christ according to His Word,' and he'll never have another one, as long as he'll believe it."

He just raised up his hands, started screaming. He said, "I've never seen it done, but you sure told me just what my brother looked like, and told me the truth about my grandfather."

I said, "That's right."

E-47 After we left, he sent and got his brother. And he was going out to cut trail that morning, when... He come up on the bus--coming up past us two or three times a week, up and down the Alaskan highway. He come over. And Bud's wife, Lila, is just a little bitty thing, a little woman, about big as a bar of soap after a family's washing is done from it, just a little... Got five children, and a sweet little woman... And so, Bud went out to fix his horses, 'cause he was going to cut trail, so we could get back in that--with his hunters. And as soon as he was gone, well, his brother in there without taking his good clothes off yet, he fell in a fit.

And they were camping in an old barracks, where the Americans, when they was building the highway, had it there. And when... They had a big old salamander as a stove. And little Lila... He got--he got rashal when he got them spells, and she was scared to death of him. And she'd clear a window, or something or other, to get out of the way. But she started to jump out, and she thought of what had been said. She'd been in one of the meetings down at Dawson Creek. She rushes over there and straddles this big fellow, jerks that shirt off his back, crying, buttons and all, his white shirt, walked over to the stove and said, "This I do in the Name of the Lord Jesus according to the Word of the Lord that was told to us." And he's never had one since. That settled it.

He had sent for me to come, a free hunt. And I'm always looking for them free things, you know. So I thought... "Well," I said, "I'll go. I'll see if the Lord lets me go." I prayed, and just no more than praying, and everything moving right that way. I took Brother Fred Sothmann. He's here somewhere in the meeting. Where are you, Fred? There he is. Yes. He's one of the trustees of our church. Brother Fred knows that this was told three months before it happened. Is that right, Brother Fred?

And I guess Brother Simpson. How many is in the building tonight that knows that before it happened was told? Raise up your hand. There you are. And it was told before the church exactly what would happen. Well, I didn't know this to be the time.

So I went up to the--the Alaskan highway, and Brother Fred stopped off at a friend's to go moose hunting. It's too far back there for moose, so we're up in sheep and--country, where we was going. And so we... I took a--a piece of chalk, or dirt, and drew on the windshield. I said, "Now, Brother Fred, so if this is the time, you'll remember exactly what it will be." And he remembers it.

I went on up. That night when we got in the camp, Bud said, "Brother Branham..." He hugged me, and jumped up and down, speaking in tongues and hollering, you know. He said... And that an old rough cowboy too. And he... Just praising God. He said, "You know what, Brother Branham? My brother hasn't had a fit from that time on. He's perfectly normal and well," year before.

And I said, "As long as he will believe it, it'll continue that way." And I said, "Now, tell him to surrender his life to Christ, and serve Him the rest of his days. 'Go and sin no more, or a worse thing come upon him,' See?" I said, "Tell him to do that now."

E-51 So I said, "I have another vision," and I told him of the vision. I said, "Now, there was some little fellows with me. We was on a hunting trip, and they were small men. And one of them had a green plaid shirt on."

And he said, "Well," he said, "Brother Branham," he said, "I don't have a green plaid shirt." His boy Blaine, eighteen, said he doesn't have no green plaid shirt.

Eddie Byskal, another little bitty fellow--weighed about a hundred and ten pounds, he said, "I don't have one either, Brother Branham."

I said, "Well," I said, "now, the animal..."

He said, "What kind of a animal was it?"

I said, "It looked like a deer."

He said, "There's no deer up here; it's too high." He said, "Maybe it was a caribou."

I said, "A caribou has a panel."

He said, "That's right."

I said, "This had spikes."

He said, "Well, Brother Branham," said, "we're going to sheep country, not deer country or anything like that."

I said, "Well, it's probably another trip. Brother Arganbright... It might've been Alaska somewhere," I said, "'cause it was a mammoth big grizzly."

He said, "What kind of a grizzly was it?"

I said, "Silver-tip." That's the most famous of all of them.

He said, "I'm a guide. I've been in these woods here all my life. I've never seen a silver-tip." Said, "I've seen a regular old grizzly." But said, "I've never seen a silver-tip--never seen one in my life."

I said, "Well, there's some--one somewhere, and I'm going to get him."

He said, "I'll say that's the truth." He said, "I'll say that."

We took off three days later. We made camp plumb up above timberline. And God help me, if they stay that way till the millennium, let me live there during the millennium. I just love to bathe in that nature there. Oh. Anybody couldn't see God there is--is blind, deaf, and dumb: just to see Him reflecting Himself in those great mammoth mountains. Oh, my. The deep calls to the deep then, and--up there just having a glorious time.

So we went up on one mountain. You just have to walk straight, like that, to get up it. Oh, no timber, just simply caribou moss is all you see. We seen about thirty or forty head of sheep. There wasn't none big enough to take. It was just little half-rounds, and three-quarter rounds, and I--I wanted one big enough to come out of there with, so, by going that far back. So we... I went back down. And the next day we started across, and Eddie fell in the water when he started to jump across with a big pair of shoes on.

Going up the side of the mountain, Bud stopped and said, "Let me have your glasses, Billy." I give him the glasses.

We'd walk a piece, and talk about the Lord, and shout, and run up and down the side of the hill, just have a glorious time. It's good to go on a hunting trip if you go with brothers.

E-54 And so, I--he took my glasses. He said, "Brother Branham, there's your old ram. There's about eight of them laying about six miles, right there on top of that other peak. Look at them. See them together?"

I picked up; I said, "I'll say, there they are, exactly."

He said, "Well, we might as well go back down, start in the morning about three o'clock." And said, "We ought to be up there about nine or ten. The old rams will be laid down. That'll just be the time."

I said, "What's them other things walking around there?"

He said, "That's caribou."

I said... So six miles away, you know, it's hard to tell what they look like.

And then from then on, six hundred miles the way the crow flies, there's not even a path or a trail. And when you hit the west coast, you go about eight hundred miles to Vancouver, there's not even a speck of civilization. And the next civilization's going this way is Anchorage, about seven or eight hundred miles. Go back this way, you run into the little city, Yellow Knife, where you get a ship in there once a year for the Eskimos. And next you hit Russia. So you're really to yourself.

That's where God can take His rest up there from all of our troubles and trials that we put Him into. So I like to go up there and talk to Him, when He's resting. You see? So then, when--like it was last night on the ship.

So when we went back down... And the next morning we started early. Along about eight o'clock we'd wound through shintangle, and everything, till we got to the top of the hill. And on the road up, here went an old cow caribou, and a nice-size bull went and started up the hill, and big panels on him. And I said, "Well, and so there is the first caribou I ever seen in the woods wild. I've never been this high before."

He said, "Yeah, that's a caribou."

So we went on up the hill and looked. The sheep wasn't there. So Bud and I walked around, and Eddie started slipping around, and Blaine, his boy, looking around for game. And we walked over here, and... Oh, my. I just screamed out "Glory to God." I looked down there, and there was them big snow-peaked mountains, yellow caribou moss below the snow. And just below that come in the evergreen, which was the pygmy spruce. And got a little farther down, there was the buck brush, red. A little further than that was the quaking aspen, yellow, all reflecting in the lake down below it. Oh, my.

Bud and I just put our arms around one another and just danced a little jig around there, just screaming, and shouting, and praising God. And we set down with our arms around one another, and just praised God and had a wonderful time, I guess about two hours.

And I said, "Say, wonder what become of Eddie?" We called him "the Dude." So we went back and started across the hill. I said, "He couldn't get lost up here."

He said, "No, Blaine's back over there somewhere, and he's an Indian."

So we looked around and I seen a movie camera laying there. I said, "That was Eddie's." I looked back down the hill, and I went over this way, and he went the other way.

And Eddie was going, "Sh-h-h-h." He was stalking that little bull caribou, and he was going to take him back down to feed him to the Indian friends that he was missionarying to. So he shot the caribou, and we went out and cleaned it out.

E-58 Come back along about one o'clock. We found our saddle horses again, about a half-a-mile away where they was standing. And we were standing there and he said, "Brother Branham, you like to walk?"

Said, "I sure do."

He said, "If we scale this mountain... Them rams went across this way, and went down into that other hole there, maybe. If they didn't, they went back this other way." Said, "Let's let Eddie and them go back, and go through this cut down here, and take my saddle horse and your saddle horse, and pack the caribou to the camp. And we'll walk just up through here and hit that place. And we ought to get in about ten or eleven o'clock tonight."

I said, "Fine. We'll do it."

So we was standing there. We'd just eat a can of sardines apiece, each one of us, that we'd buried under the moss, this sardines. And our bread we had in our shirt. We'd sweated until it was all in one big lump. But it was good. When you're hungry, and it's all right. So we stood there.

And I was just looking around, and I looked through the glasses, and I said, "Bud, looky here. What is that over there?" About three mile away, there laid that caribou. And it was an odd one. Wasn't panels, it was big spikes. I said, "You remember? Looky here. There's that panoramic just exactly, and there lays that animal just the way..." And I said, "There's only one thing that hinders the vision, somebody with a green check shirt." And there stood Eddie with a green che--check shirt on. I said, "I thought you didn't have one."

He said, "My wife must've put that in the pack. When I fell in the water yesterday..." He had to change shirts. He said, "Now, I didn't know she had it in there, Brother Branham. I'm sorry I told you something wrong."

I said, "You just had to do that, son."

Oh, Bud begin to shout. He said, "You can stand right here, and shoot him three miles away, can't you, Brother Branham?"

I said, "According to the vision, I was right on him."

He said, "Brother Branham, I--I tell you. How you going to get over there?"

I said, "I don't know, but I'm going to get over there."

So he said, "How you going?"

I said, "Going around this panoramic."

He said, "That's shale." And I... Said, "If you slide you'll have about... thousand of tons of snow on you in about a second."

And I said, "The Lord will take care of that. That's the way I went in the vision, right on around."

He said, "Well, I'm going to follow you." And here he come.

And these boys said, "We'll stay here now, until we see you get the caribou." And they said, "Then, we'll--we'll go on down, take the horses and go on in. We'll meet you down at the end of the draw, about--oh, about four or five miles down."

He said, "All right."

So we started around, Bud and I, and in about a half-hour we worked right around. And that caribou laying right there, looking right at us, and never seen us. He must've been asleep. And went up over a little cut, and come back, and come up within thirty yards of him. There he laid, this mammoth big animal. Rose up from there, and I got him.

E-62 And while we was setting there taking the cape, and so forth, from it, like that, Bud said, "Did you say these horns was forty-two inches?"

I said, "That's exactly right."

He said, "Brother Branham, they must be a hundred and forty-two," great big head.

And I said, "No, it's just exactly forty-two."

Said, "I got a tape measure down there."

I said, "Do you doubt it?"

He said, "No, sir."

He said, "But wait a minute. Didn't you tell me that you were going to get a big grizzly bear before you got back down? There'd be a silver-tip before you got back to where that boy was had the green shirt on?"

I said, "That's the truth."

He looked back down the hill. Well, there isn't a thing that high, nothing at all, just moss all you see, miles and miles, just rolling hills of moss. He said, "Where's he at, Brother Branham?"

I said, "He can provide one. He said so." I said, "Do you doubt that, Bud?"

He said, "No, sir."

Well, coming down the hill, come like this, he'd pack the rifle awhile, and I'd pack the head, and then vice versa. Just have to walk sideways coming down. Them big horns just raking into the moss. And we got within about a mile of it. We stopped and looked around. He said, "That old bear better be showing up, hadn't he?"

I said, "What you--what you bothered about?"

Said, "Nothing."

E-63 We went on till we hit a little glacier coming across. We set down there and got cooled off a little. He said, "Brother Branham, just think of it." Said, "We haven't got over about, oh, less than a half-a-mile till we hit them boys. And somewhere between here and there you're going to kill a silver-tip?"

I said, "That's right. That's right."

He said... I said, "You're doubting that, Bud."

He raised up, and took me by the hand, and he said, "Brother Branham, my brother has never had a fit from that day to this." He said, "The God that could tell you of my brother wouldn't lie to you."

I said, "Bud, he'll be there."

He said, "Where will he come from?"

I said, "I don't know." But I said, "Bud, I'm fifty-two," then, and I said, "I've saw visions since a child. And when I saw this caribou here killed... And you see if his horns isn't forty-two inches. And then the same vision, I was on my road back down to where that company was that I was with, I killed this silver-tip grizzly."

He said, "Brother Branham, I can see for twenty miles."

He said, "God's going to have to pull him up out of the ground, or bring him down out of the skies, or something."

I said, "Don't you worry. He'll be there."

We went about another hundred yards. He was just about wore out too. This weighed about 150 pounds, this trophy. So, coming down the hill, and you set it down, he said, "Whew, I'm about give out."

I said, "Yep." We come into a little pygmy spruce then, about that high, and there was a few grouse flying around, and there was ptarmigan hens. And so I threw some rocks at them, like that.

So he said, "Did you ever eat of them ptarmigan?"

And I said, "No, I don't believe so."

He said, "They're fine. They're as good as grouse." He said, "Brother Branham," took off his big old black hat, fanned hisself, said, "about time for that old bear to show up, ain't it, boy?"

And I said, "Bud, you're doubting that."

He said, "No, I'm not. But Brother Branham, I just can't understand."

I said, "Neither can I. It's not for me to understand. It's for me to believe." Amen. God in heaven knows these things are true. Would I stand here and say this if it wasn't true?

Then I started to turn around to give him the rifle, and me pick up the head, and as I turned I said, "Bud, you got them glasses around your neck. What is that standing up there on the side of the hill?"

And he threw the glasses up. He said, "Oh, help me." Said, "If it ain't somebody's milk cow..." And there ain't no such thing in the country. Said, "That's the biggest grizzly I ever seen in my life. And so help me, look at that yellow sun shining on him. He's a silver-tip." Said, "How far do you say he is?"

I said, "He's about two mile up there." We was about wore out. He said... I said, "What are we waiting on? Let's go."

And he said, "You're sure of getting him?"
I said, "Sure I'm going to get him."
He said, "What's that gun you're using there?"
And I said, "No, never mind about that." It was a little bitty gun some brother give me in a meeting one time, several years ago. And I said, "A little cheap .270." And I said, "All right. I got... I... It's going to be..."
E-67 We kept going a little closer, and the closer we got the bigger that bear looked hisself. See? Oh, he looked like a mammoth haystack a-setting up there on that moss, you know, standing. Great, big, mammoth thing, head about that wide, you know, jaws sticking out, great big paws. And he was plucking up these little blueberry branches, like that, you know, eating them. And so set... great big fellow...
We got about, oh, about eight hundred yards of him.
He said, "Hey, Brother Branham, did--did you ever shoot a grizzly before?"
I said, "I've shot many bear, Bud, but I never did shoot a silver-tip grizzly before."
He said, "You know, the silver-tip is the biggest fighter of all of them."
I said, "Yeah, I understood that."
He said, "He don't know how to die."
And I said, "Well..."
He said, "Don't... How--how--how far you have... How close you have to get to him with that?"
Now you just ask him. Write him a letter. I'll give you the address. He said, "Let anybody write me about it that wants to, on any of those things, let me tell them."
And so... and I said, "Well," I said...
He said, "Now?"
I said, "No, no. I was closer than this, Bud. I was right up close to him."
He said, "We're getting pretty close now. He can charge at any time."
I said, "I know it." But I said, "Bud," I said, "it'll be all right."
He said, "Now, when you shoot a bear," said, "now, Brother Branham, you shoot him in the back. You have to break him down, 'cause he'll keep on fighting, and can't get up then."
I said, "No, according to the vision I shot him in the heart."
He said, "I hope you didn't make no mistake on that."
And I said... I said, "I didn't." I said, "I remember that." 'Cause in a--in a vision you're in--you're in one conscious, and both... As we explained it the other night, you're in two--you can't forget it. See? So there you are.
E-69 So we climb--got in again about--about two hundred and fifty yards, and just the last little coulee we went over. And I said, "That's just about it now."
Look at him. Isn't he a beauty?" He said.
"Yeah, I guess he is." And I said, "All right, Bud. Now when I raise up from here, he's coming." And I said, "You just watch."
And he said, "I'll be watching."
So I put a shell up in the barrel of the gun, you know. And we was down under this little coulee. Just as I raised up, here he come. My, my. I stopped, shot. And this... It sounded like a pea-shooter hitting him. Boy, it never a bit more checked him up than nothing. And my, before... You talk about speed, I never seen anything like that. He--they'd outrun a horse, or deer, or anything, you know a bear can, like that. Him coming down that hill right towards us, like that, and I... 'Fore I could get another shell in the gun he dropped dead about, oh, about thirty, forty yards from me just turned end over end: took heart, lungs, and all from him. It was a nozzler bullet, you hand-loaders know. So it--it blowed him up, and he fell over.
Bud, standing there, looked over, was real white around the mouth. He said, "Brother Branham, I didn't want him on my lap."
I said, "Neither did I."
Said, "Whew."
Said, "I want to tell after it's over, boy. If that hadn't have been one of them visions, and I'd seen it happen before, I'd have never come up here that close to that bear with you."
And neither one of us could budge him. He weighed around a thousand pounds, I guess. So, mammoth big fellow. We couldn't clean him; we--skin him. We started on down, and he said, "Brother Branham..." I picked up the horns. He said, "If them horns are exactly forty-two inches," said, "I'm just going to have a running fit."
I said, "You better have it right now then, 'cause that's what it is."
He said, "I have never seen a... It seems to me like I'm dreaming this."

And when we got down there, and I said to Eddie; I said, "Now you watch. Blaine will put his hands..." Now, you remember, there was a little hand around that horn. Remember Brother Fred, how I told you it would be? And I said, "You watch it," to Eddie.

And so Bud said, "Wait." He got his horse over there. And we had bear on us, you know, those horses just tearing up everything. You know how they do, when they smell a grizzly, or any kind of a bear. So I--I went over there trying to hold the horse, the saddle horse, trying to get away.

E-71 And he went over, and got his tape measure, and come walking across there, looking at me like that. Said, "Come here, Blaine." I punched Eddie. Put it down on it. And so help me, forty-two inches on the nose. Now, them horns shrink about two inches when they dry up. That grizzly bear is laying in my den room, and the horns are hanging on the wall. The taxidermist had fixed them, and fixed them up. There's a tape measure hanging on them, forty-two inches exactly.

10. Chicago Ministerial Fellowship set a trap for Brother Branham.

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REVELATION. CHAPTER 5. PART 1. BRUISED SERPENT. JEFF. IN 61-0611

81 A few days ago in Chicago, before a ministerial association of Chicago, greater Chicago... I knew... The Holy Spirit got me up in the night and told me, "Stand by the window." Said, "There is a group of ministers, and they're fixing a breakfast for you." Said, "Be careful, they're going to attack you upon this."

I said, "Thank You, Lord." He showed me where it would be set.

And I went and told some ministers, Brother Carlson and Brother Tommy Hicks, how it would be. I said, "The place that you've ordered, it won't be like that. We're going to be in another place." Told how Doctor Meade would be setting; how a colored man would come in, set this way, and all about it.

Then that morning they said... My son said to me; he said, "Daddy, you going over there in that fuss?"

I said, "I ain't going over to fuss. I'm going over, anointed with the Holy Spirit, with a Word of God that'll guard that mercy seat as long as He's there."

So when we got down there, before they even had a chance to ask one thing, the Holy Spirit spoke to me, said, "Now, is the time to say it."

I said, "I know why you're here." And I said, "Now, Brother Hicks, and you and Brother Carlson, the head of the Christian Business Men," I said, "isn't everything just exactly the way the Holy Spirit told me day before yesterday, that you did not get that room, we'd be over here?" And they just got it that morning. And I said, "Now, look, everybody is placed just the way It said it would be." I said, "The thing you want to approach me on is on the Name of Jesus Christ for baptism."

88 And when we... The Holy Spirit begin to take the Word of God and reveal It and interpret It down like that, when all those bunch of trinitarian ministers setting there, reaching under the table and shaking hands with one another and tears running down their cheeks. And I understand that seventy-two of them is coming down here to this Tabernacle for me to baptize them in the Name of Jesus Christ.

The mercy seat is guarded (See?), the Holy Spirit guarding the mercy seat. We must keep it just exactly... Let that Word of God... Them great messengers setting there, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, that backs up every act of that New Testament...

And now, now, that's exactly what I said in the first part of this morning's message, let's keep it right there guarded by the Gospel, these things. See? Keep it right there where the Gospels will guard It.

11. Prophet leaving the ministry because he's being called Jesus Christ. [Vision of the bruised serpent.]

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21 And that brings me or leads me to say something that I would rather run than say. It leads me to say something that I... It grinds my heart to the bottom to say it, but what I say I am forced to say, realizing that this is being taped and the world will hear it, but I have left the ministry for a--a cause that I am sorry that I have to leave for. And perhaps many of you have heard it; I'm closing my office, and so forth, and leaving the field.

I don't know where our Lord will lead me to, and that I have no control of, or whatever He will have for me to do. But I'm thinking at the end of the road where I must come. And down along life's journeys I have made so many mistakes that I am very sorry from my heart of, because of, I guess, being human and in weakness and so forth, causes a person to do things or say things that, and even act that they would not want to act otherwise. But being the weakness of a human being, why, we--we have those times. But there...

If there's anything that has been in my heart to do, was to hear those Words of our Lord Jesus at the end of this journey, to say, "It was well done, My good and faithful servant." And many times I have said I'd like to have been standing there when He said, "Come unto Me"; but I did desire to hear it say, "Well done." That I did not hear the voice in the original say, "Come unto Me," back in the times of the writing of the Bible; but I do desire to hear it say, "Well done."

And if anything I always wanted to be, and desires of my heart to be, was a true servant to Jesus Christ, my Lord and Saviour. I want my testimony to be clean, clear cut, that I stood, in all my mistakes I yet loved Him with all my heart. And I do that this morning with all my heart.

And because of that, it forces me to say I am leaving the ministry, is because that there's something arose up amongst the people that's caused me to do it; that is, that I have been taken from my bracket of a minister or a brother and being called Jesus Christ, and so call... And that would brand me as an antichrist. And I'll meet God as a quitter before I would meet Him as an antichrist to take away from Him.

I--I heard of it a--a few years ago and I thought it was a joke. And I met a couple brethren (which I don't see neither one of them in the meeting this morning), two or three of them one time in a fishing trip, and they approached me by the subject of saying, "Brother Branham, aren't you the anointed Messiah, the Christ?"

And I put my arms around the neck of both brethren, or all of them, and I said, "Brethren, as much as I have tried to be a true servant of Christ, I would not that you would say such a thing as that. And if it would ever be said of me, then I will leave the field with a clear conscience, and you who do that will be responsible for every soul that I would've saved during that time (See?), for taking me from the field." And I thought that ended it.

And I heard it a few more times. But it wasn't so. And the other day in Canada a brother showed me a little ticket of a thing he packed in his pocket, said, "William Branham is our Lord," baptizing in the name of William Branham. And a little... a precious... If it'd been an enemy, if it'd been my enemy I would've knowed it was a joke. But a precious, darling brother come up to confess his sins and his wrongs and say his faith in me as being Jesus Christ.

And I have got letters at home, and calls from Chicago and different places, asking me if I believe that dogma.

And I got all kinds of letters that's come in the last few days, and calls from different places, and so--or--or saying that I was Christ. Brethren, that is a horrible, disgraceful, ungodly lie of the devil. See, see? I am your brother. Now, that would run any person from the field. That would make anyone that loves Christ run from the very thing.

I went to the Lord here not long ago, when I first heard it, about a year ago, and then I went to the Lord and He referred to me to the Scripture that when John came forth a-preaching, that they hadn't had a prophet on the earth for so many years, until it would... They was all amazed in their heart, thinking maybe John was the Messiah. So then I... John, they went and asked him, and he said that he was not. You read that in Luke the 3rd chapter, 15th verse. And so then... But that kind of quietened down, so I let it go like that.

But then when it come to this, then I knowed that something must be done. And I say this, that the visions and the Angel of the Lord that appeared at the river, if this is to be my last message or last thing to the church, to the world, "Those things are truth, as far as the Angel of the Lord."

And I stood still if people called me a prophet many times, 'cause a prophet in the English testament is just "a preacher, a prophesier, a foreteller of the Word," and so forth. I'd stand for that, 'cause you could just kind of push that down; but when it comes to be calling anointed Christ, or something, that was too much for me. So I just couldn't stand that.

34 And so then about... I come... After leaving the meeting at Canada, I found out that way up in the Eskimos or the Indians up there, it had got among them.

And so it just tore me all up. And the hunting trip that I had planned so long, I could not take it. I was afraid of a hunting accident, if you understand what I mean. I got so shaky, worse than I am standing here now. And I just couldn't stand it any longer, to think that thirty-one years of ministry went down the devil's gutter pipe, into the... When I'm gone, what will they say? "There he is; that's exactly what it was." And all the influence that I had upon the people, then you see where it'd be, I'd be an antichrist. And I just couldn't stand it.

I thought, "I'd rather die here in the woods, like I fell on my gun or something, than..." And I seen I was... Then I thought about my little Joseph, and so forth, that had to be raised. And I was no condition to hunt, so I just left the woods and come home.

And I've been tore up about eight or ten days, in such a fix I just... I thought I was losing my mind. And I just asked everybody to stay away from me and let me alone, 'cause I'm in such a fix and nervous and upset and all tore to pieces.

And I wondered; if it would've been some enemy of mine, it would be all right, but I would just have laughed at it and went on; but when it come to being precious brothers, precious sisters, then that's what hurt me. And I said, "Lord, the great--thing's too great for me; I'll just have to walk out and leave it in Your hands. I--I don't know nothing else to do."

A few nights ago, to make it sure, I had a--a visitation from the Lord. And I seen a precious ones, a babying a--a serpent which was yellow and black, and telling me right along, and--and the thing struck me on the leg. But the blood was so rich it didn't take effect on me. And I looked down, and there's where I had been bit before. And I turned quickly with a gun and shot the--the thing, and it hit it right in the middle of the thing.

And a brother said... I turned with my gun to shoot its head off, and he said, "Don't do that; just pick up the stick laying there by you." And when I turned my back to pick up the stick, it wiggled into some water, just a small puddle of water.

I said, "Well, it can't hurt very much longer now because I believe the brother realizes (the brethren) that what would happen." I said, "It'll... It's mortally wounded, so it'll die."

And I asked many of my members of my church here, in this Tabernacle with Brother Neville and I, that's come approaching me with that same question. Brothers, sisters, haven't I tried to be a true servant of Christ before you? Have not I tried to be your brother?

Now, wherever it is; it's a spirit on precious people. Many people has asked me that. But it's--it's a spirit, but I hope that today that it receives a deadly wound and will die out quickly so I can return back to the ministry. Until then, I'll ask you each one: pray for me. I don't know what I'll do. My place up for sale. And I just can't stand it; I--I--I stay around, I'll go completely stark mad. And I'm... I ask you to pray for me.

And, remember, if you've ever believed me, if you've ever believed me to be a servant of Christ, remember, "That is an error. It's falsely. **THUS SAITH THE LORD.** It is wrong. Have nothing to do with it. I am your brother. Let us bow our heads:

45 Heavenly Father, my flesh is trembling; my hands are squeezing together; my toes are drewed up in my shoes. O God, be merciful. What have I ever done, Lord, to deserve this? I pray that You'll be so merciful to me, Lord, and to all. And up there in them precious darling people, may they see their error and what they have did, Lord, to break the heart of their brother and to--not only their brother, but our Saviour; our heavenly Father. I pray that You'll forgive us of our errors, Lord. Let the holy Blood of Christ now draw our beings together, Lord, and blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love and fellowship.

God, may the enemy that's approached our brothers and our sisters with--may it receive a deadly wound that cannot exist any longer; may it just die away, Lord. When You do that, Father, I'll return back to the field again. But until then, Lord, I am Your heartbroken servant, waiting, waiting. It's beyond anything I could do. With tears and with crying and with persuading I tried, Lord, hard (You know my heart.), to stop it before it got that far; but it went beyond anything I could do. So, Father, I commit it into Your Hand from this pulpit to where I've preached for all these years. I commit it into Your Hand.

Now, You see to it, Father, in Your own Divine way. And when it's all finished and everything is over, then Thy servant shall return. Until then I'll be waiting to hear from You, Lord.

Bless us now and give us a great service today; as we're here not altogether for this, but just to make it clear, publicly, before the world. That they might know, Father, that I love You and believe You, and have stood for You, and--and want to... If I have to go, let me go, Lord, with a clean heart and a real record that I have believed You and trusted You. Grant it. And I'll praise Thee and we'll give Thee glory through all ages that is to come through Jesus Christ. Amen.

12. Jesus had four titles. [Property]

GABRIEL'S INSTRUCT TO DANIEL. JEFF. IN 61-0730M

58 Jesus in the Gospel had four titles; we brought that: Son of David, heir to the throne; Son of Abraham, the royal grant; Son of man, heir of the earth; Son of God, heir to all things, the royal grant.

In the Old Testament, property could not be--could not be held any longer than fifty years. It could not be annihilated from its original owner but fifty years. And on the fortieth day He paid the price. On the fiftieth day, the redemption and the power that belonged to the Church that was lost in the garden of Eden was redeemed back and sent to us by the baptism of the Holy Ghost on the fiftieth day.

13. The 9th Mystery of iniquity. [2 Thessalonians 2: 3-12.]

2 THESSALONIANS 2:7

For the mystery of iniquity doth already work only he now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

SIXFOLD PURPOSE GABRIEL VISIT DAN. JEFF. IN 61-0730E

109 Sister Simpson told me this afternoon, she said, "Brother Branham, I've read the entire Book of Daniel. I just--I just didn't know no more when I got through than I did when I started." Here it is, Sister Simpson, if you're here tonight. I believe I see her setting over there. I never said nothing in the trailer. I held my peace, 'cause I thought maybe I'd get to it. But the vision that Daniel had saw down there by the river was sealed up until the end time. It's... Let me just go ahead and read it here. See?

But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the end time: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall... increase.

And I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood... two,... one on one side... of the river, and one on the other... side of the bank of the river.

And one said to the man clothed in--in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders? (Now, listen.)

And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by him that lived for ever and ever that it shall be for a time, time, and a half time;... (Now, we're getting right--right exactly.)... time, time, and a half time;... (Now, you watch when we get in Daniel's Seventy Weeks, how that comes out. That's when the mystery's going to be revealed. All right.)... time, time, and a half time; and

when he shall... ("he," personal pronoun now, the antichrist.)... shall... accomplish--accomplish to scatter the power of the holy people,... (That's when he breaks his covenant in the middle of the week.)... all these things shall be fulfilled. (Amen.)

And I heard but I understood not: then said I, O... Lord, what shall be the end of these things?

And he said, Go your way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed until the time of the... [Congregation says, "End."--Ed.] (Oh, don't you forget that.)... until the time of the end.

Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

The end time Message shall reveal it, the last church age. Glory. Whew. There you are. Oh, my. It shakes me to think of it. The mystery, the things that the church world bats their eyes and says, "It's nonsense," the mystery of Who Jesus Christ was--not a third person, not the second person, not the third person, but "the" Person of God, all these other mysteries of God will be revealed, because it's wrote here in this Book, and be revealed to the end time generation. They can no more see it in seminaries, and schools, and denominations than the Jews could see Jesus being the Messiah. No wonder they try to think you're crazy. No wonder they think you're foolish. No wonder they can't understand why you don't cluck up with them. Because there's a power and a vision behind it, a Word of God that's been revealed to get the Church in order for the rapture and the going home. Yes, many shall run to and fro and knowledge shall increase. Certainly.

111 Now, what is another thing that would be known? Look at today at the churches. Here it is. I hope it don't hurt, but I got to tell it. Making...

In that day there will be an antichrist rise. Now, remember, when we get in the Seals, that antichrist rides right out over in those Seals. Daniel spoke of it here, the Prince that would come. He would be cut off, Jesus would, to make reconciliations for the people. But that prince that would stand up, that would cause the abomination to make desolation, that was Rome through Titus; and this time it's a prince coming out of Rome that'll do it. And he will be revealed in the last days (Now, listen.), making himself God, as the Holy Ghost warns us in II Thessalonians the 2nd... Let's just go to it-- II Thessalonians, and then you'll have not my word, but God's Word: II Thessalonians the 2nd chapter and the 12th verse. Let's see: II Thessalonians the 2nd chapter and the 12th verse. Let's see. Let's begin above that, the 7th verse.

For the mystery of iniquity does already work:... (This is Paul speaking by the Holy Ghost.)... *only--only he whom now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.* (Who's "he" here, does anybody know? The Holy Ghost, He that letteth.)

And when--then when--shall that Wicked one be revealed,... (When? Just at the time the Holy Ghost is being taken out, which is fixing to leave right now. What's He leaving for? Taking the Church with Him.)... *revealed...* (Paul speaking under the inspiration.)... *whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:* (The wicked one, of course.)

Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,... ("We are the greatest church." "We have this; we have this. All of you consolidate together." See? "We are the greatest.")... *lying wonders,*

And with all... of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they receive not of the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

And for this cause God has sent them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie--should believe a lie:

And that they... might be damned who believe not the truth, but has pleasure in unrighteousness.

Do you get it? Oh, my. Now, Paul speaking... The time when the Seal of God is being made known, His Spirit, His Name, His grace, all these other great mysteries that's going forth now, plans for His Church to go in the rapture, the outpouring of the Holy Ghost has done this. That's what He done in the last days.

LAODICEAN CHURCH AGE. CHURCH AGE BOOK. CHAPTER 9.

362-2 The mystery of the tares and wheat of Matthew 13:24-30, is now also fulfilled. *"Another parable put He forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? From whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them; but gather the wheat into My barn."*

The wheat and the tares, which from the first age until now have grown side by side, are harvested. What Nicaea set out to accomplish has finally come to pass. With all the might of organization the false church turns from any vestige of truth and with political might reinforces herself with state backing and sets out to eradicate forever the true believer. But just when she is about to accomplish her cowardly plot the wheat is gathered into the garner. No longer will the wheat and tares grow side by side. No longer will the tares receive of the blessing of God because of the presence of the wheat, for

the wheat will be gone and the wrath of God will be poured out in the sixth seal which will end in the utter destruction of the wicked.

363-1 Now I said a moment ago that the false vine came into full fruition in this age. Her fruit would mature and ripen. That is correct. This evil-spirited church, full of iniquity, will be revealed as the mustard seed that grew into a tree wherein lodged the fowls of the air. At her head will be the antichrist, the mystery of iniquity. All this is true. And if this is true, then it must also be true that the Bride Church will mature, and her ripeness shall be an identification with her Lord by means of the Word, and her Head Who will come to her is the Mystery of Godliness, Which indeed is Christ. And as the false church with all cunning and diabolical power made up of political force, physical force and demons of darkness come against this true vine, the true vine with the fullness of the Spirit and the Word will do the very acts of power that Jesus did. Then as she nears her Headstone, becoming like Him through the Word, Jesus will come that the bride and Groom may be forever united as one.

Already the visible manifestations of what I have been telling you are seen all around us. The ecumenical move of the tares is factual. But also it is a fact that the prophet for the last age must be bringing forth a message from God that will forerun the second coming of the Lord, for by his message will the hearts of the children be turned back to the Pentecostal fathers, and with the restoration of the Word will come the restoration of the power.

363-3 What crucial times are these in which we live. How careful we must be that we remain true to this Word and not take from it or add to it, for he who would speak where God has not spoken makes Him a liar. What I have particularly in mind is this: About the turn of the century the hunger for God that was generated in the Philadelphian Age brought a cry for the Spirit of God. And when the cry was answered by God sending forth manifestation in tongues, interpretation and prophecy, a group immediately, and most contrary to the Word, drew up a doctrine that tongues was the evidence of being baptized with the Holy Ghost. Tongues were far from evidence. They were manifestation, but not evidence. The falsity of the doctrine can not only be seen by a lack of Scripture to substantiate it, but those who subscribed to the doctrine immediately organized on the basis of the doctrine, proving that they were not in the truth as they would have people believe. Oh, it looked good. It looked like the return of Pentecost. But it proved it wasn't. It could not be, for it organized. That is death, not life. It looked so close to the real that multitudes were deceived. Now if it wasn't the genuine, what was it? It was the husk, the chaff. In the green, soft sheath-form it looked like it was the real thing. But as one can go into the field and see what looks exactly like wheat and yet is only the husk, (for the wheat seed has not yet formed) so this was but the soft shell that looked like the real grain yet to come. The original wheat seed of Pentecost was to come back in the last age. It had been buried at Nicaea. It sent up a shoot at Sardis. It grew a tassel at Philadelphia, and it was to mature at Laodicea. But it could not be back to the original until the Word was restored. The prophet had not yet come upon the scene. But now according to the time wherein we stand in the Laodicean Age, the 'Prophet-messenger' of Revelation 10:7 must already be in the land. Once more "Thus saith the Lord" must be here, ready to be manifested with infallible vindication. Thus is the True Seed already maturing, and then the harvest. Harvest time. Yes, harvest time. The two vines that grew together and intertwined their branches are now to be separated. The fruits of those vines which were at such variance will be gathered into separate garner. The two spirits will go to their separate destinations. Now it is time to heed the final call that comes only to the Wheat Bride, 'Come out of her My people that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye (wheat) receive not her (tares) plagues (the great tribulation of the sixth seal and Matthew 24).

14. Israel's covenant with Rome and the confederation of churches.

15. Israel establishes the temple worship. [Last 3½ years]

SIXFOLD PURPOSE GABRIEL VISIT DAN. JEFF. IN 61-0730E

139 There'll be two prophets (the 11th chapter, we'll pick that up)--two anointed prophets like Elijah and Moses, who I think it is. And they'll bring great curses, after they have seen that they have consolidated, and Rome has broke its covenant (that prince) in the middle of this seventieth week, it'll break its covenant with Rome, or Rome will break it with Israel, and that'll cause the abomination to begin to scatter. And there will be the great flood, when the Gentile remnant, the sleeping virgins... The dragon (Rome) spurted water out of his mouth to make war with the remnant of the woman's seed that keep the commandments of God. Rome will do that.

A confederation of church will consolidate them together and bring the Jews into this confederation, and bring them back to their own temple worship again in the THUS SAITH THE LORD out of the Bible, and they will have their own church.

They are what now? I just caught it just now, fresh. They are now a nation recognized. Is that right? But they have not their temple worship yet. And when they establish the temple worship, the Church will be gone. God will be dealing with the Jews as a nation. And then when they are brought into this confederation, Rome will break it in the middle of the seventieth year--three and one half years he'll break that covenant with them, and cause the abomination that maketh desolation to spread to the consummation. Then he'll take both Protestant and Jew and persecute them, and that time these two prophets will stand up and curse the earth that she'll not rain in the days of their prophecy; they'll call fire out of heavens and everything else. You just wait. We got a lot laying here in store for us to learn.

SEVENTY WEEKS OF DANIEL. JEFF. IN 61-0806

167 Now, you Protestants say, "Well, now that's it." But just a minute. We find out that the Protestants has an organization, and makes a confederation of churches--a image to the beast, and go right with them. And we find out here that the Jews are called in on this confederation. Yes, sir. And they agree. And the Bible said they did.

And he makes a covenant with them, and in the midst of the seventieth week, he breaks--the antichrist breaks his covenant with the Jews, "thy people." Why? Now, when you read in Revelations 11 that, "I'll send..." (That's 11; you're coming over towards 19 now)--that He will send His two prophets, and they'll prophesy in that time. And then they'll get angry with these prophets and actually kill them. Is that right? And their dead bodies shall lay in the spiritual street called Sodom and Gomorrah where our Lord was crucified: Jerusalem. Is that right? And they'll lay there for three days and nights. And after three days and nights, the spirit of life will come into them, and they'll be raised up and go into glory. A tenth part of the city fell at that time. Is that right? See? What is that? In the middle of this last seventy years.

When the church goes up, then the confederation, the sleeping virgins: Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, lukewarm Pentecost, all of them together were the confederation, which they've already got their big regime now... And when they do, they'll make a covenant that will... Now, his new pope that we got now wants to bring them all in. Can't you see the thing heaping right up? Going to give a talk on it and bring them all in--first time for hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of years, a thousand years or two it's ever been done. But now, he's to bring them all in together and make a confederation, and in there the Jews will accept it. Oh, glory, hallelujah. Praise be to our God Who lives forever and ever. There you are. Now, brother, it's just as simple as simple as... A little kid could see it. The confederation will bring in Jewish, and Protestant, and Catholic together. And remember...

170 What's these two prophets going to do when they come? This beast, this prince that shall scatter the power of the holy people, what will he do? He'll break his covenant with them after three and a one half years. He'll oust them. Now, people thinks that's Communism. That's just 'cause you have--the Spirit of God hasn't dealt with you yet. It's not Communism; it's religion. The Bible said it'd be so close it'd deceive the very elected if possible. Jesus said so. See, we're in the last one.

SEVENTY WEEKS OF DANIEL. JEFF. IN 61-0806

175 The Message has gone forth to the latter church; church has rejected its Christ. The Jews are in their homeland for the span and space of time, forty years. The new city's been built. They're watching for what? A coming Messiah. When will it be? I don't know. When that Stone smites the image here, She's gone. It's all over then.

Now, notice here. In the middle of the week, three and a half days--three and a half years, rather, he breaks the covenant and causes the sacrifice and oblation that they will have set up already... 'Cause they'll go right back and say, "Now, look, you all are churches; you can be received in this image unto the beast. We'll have a fellowship. We'll get rid of Communism. We'll just wipe Communism all the way out." See? And they can do it, See? And they'll do it.

But now watch. And set up, and set up to this--the daily worship--the sacrifice will come back into the city when the temple is rebuilt. And this prince that's to come in the middle of this week will break his covenant and do away with this sacrifice as I said, he'll scatter--scatter it, and what he'd do lasts on till the consummation.

And notice the over-spreading of abomination to make desolation, the over-spreading of abomination... What is abominations? "Filthiness." See? To make desolate, what is that? "To do away with." The over-spreading of this to do away with that. See? The over-spreading of that Roman power to conquer all the sleeping virgins, Jews and all... We'll all be Roman or we won't be nothing. He'll break his covenant in the middle of the week.

Over-spreading of the abomination... If it was the abomination in Jesus time when the Rome come over there with their propaganda, it'll be Rome again--it'll be abomination again to the church... To make desolate, and shall continue unto the consummation... What will he do? He'll continue it on unto the consummation. That's the end.

180 Now, Jewish, and Romanism, Protestantism (that is, the sleeping virgin) shall consolidate themselves together in the form of the Federation of churches. And it will be like Jesus said in Matthew 24 and from Revelations 13:14. Let's get Revelations 13:14 and see how... I had it marked down here to see what--13:14. All right, sir.

And deceives them that dwell upon the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do... (Consolidating his churches,)... in the sight... saying--in... sight of the beast; saying unto them that dwell upon the earth, that they should make a image unto the beast that had the deadly wound by the sword, and did live.

Now, we know beyond any shadow of doubt who that beast was, that power that had the deadly wound that did live. It was when pagan Rome was killed and papal Rome took its place: when pagan power was killed and papal power took its place.

THE FOURTH SEAL. JEFF. IN 63-0321

304-4 Now, we find out here that this Satan, after being kicked out of heaven, incarnates himself in the beast, and now he is a beast. Antichrist, false prophet, and now beast and given the name of death, and hell follows him: fully Satan on

his throne... Oh, my. On the earth--he's Satan representative on the earth; that he now is head of the kingdoms of the world, the very same kingdoms that he offered to the Lord Jesus in Matthew 4, Satan now becomes a full king.

Now, this happens later on. He's false prophet now. He will become beast after while when he breaks his covenant there with the Jews.

16. John baptizing Jesus. [Matthew 3:13-17] [By vision.]

INFLUENCE. CHICAGO, IL 63-0803E

96 Now, here's a question was asked me the other day. It might come up in your mind. When Jesus walked into the water, and John said, "*I have need to be baptized of Thee, and why comest Thou to me?*"

Now, an old Baptist brother of mine, that... Doctor Roy Davis, used to tell me. He laid his hands on me when he ordained me in the Missionary Baptist church. He said, "Billy, what happened..." I asked him about that. He said, "Here's what happened. You see, John had never been baptized himself, so Jesus baptized John. And then John turned around and returns, baptized Jesus, because Jesus couldn't baptize John before He was baptized." Well, I thought that sounded all right.

But one day, about two years ago out in the woods where I was setting, the Holy Spirit came down, the Light, and then I saw what it was, when He revealed it.

Now, here is what it is. See, there was the two most important people on the earth: there was John the prophet; there was Jesus the Messiah. And they two of the men that had the message of the day, met face to face in water, when their eyes caught one another. And John in humility, did say, "*I have need to be baptized of Thee, and why comest Thou unto me?*"

Jesus said, "*Suffer that to be so. That is right. 'But thus it behooveth us, or it is becoming to us...' ('Behooveth' means 'becoming.')* *It is becoming to us that we fulfill all righteousness.*" Why? Jesus being God, John being the prophet. Quickly Jesus knowed when He said that, John being a prophet to who the Word come to, knowed he would understand it. Because the sacrifice, according to the law, had to be washed before it was presented. And Jesus had to be baptized before presented. He said, "*Suffer it to be so now. That's right. For thus it is behooving us, becoming to us to fulfill all righteousness.*"

17. Euphrates significance in the Bible.

THY HOUSE. TIFTON, GA 61-0808

E-75 Okay, have you got another one, have you? [A brother reads the next question: "*What significance does the Euphrates river have through Bible spiritually speaking?*"--Ed.]

Yeah. The Euphrates river, it's always been a great river, because the Euphrates river has a great place in the Bible. The first place we find, that it run right through Eden: Euphrates river did. The Bible says it come right through Eden. The next thing we find out, the Euphrates river also was a river that come right straight down through Babylon--same river. See? Euphrates river come right through Babylon.

Now, we find out that the Angel poured out his vial upon the Euphrates river and dried it up, that the king of the north might come down. And I think what that will actually be, will be at the end time when they come into Armageddon. See, they have to come right down through Egypt there, to get into it. Right down through them countries, they'll have to cross the Euphrates to get in there.

18. Zerubbabel has laid the foundation...; he shall bring forth the headstone... [Zechariah 4:1-10]

ZECHARIAH 4:7-9

Who art thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain: and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace unto it.

Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you.

MESSAGE OF GRACE. JEFF.IN 61-0827

48 We are all acquainted with this Scripture, that reads the Bible. We know that this was during the time of the preparation of the restoration of the temple. And Zerubbabel was a great prince amongst the people, who had laid the foundation of the building. Now, you, I want you to put on your spiritual thinking, anointing jacket this morning as we think. And this great prince had determined to rebuild the house of the Lord. And then, when he did, he had laid the foundation stone.

And as we read on farther, we find out that God said, "Zerubbabel has laid the foundation with his hands; he also shall bring forth the headstone." I want you to notice: He never said he shall bring forth the Cornerstone. He shall bring forth the Headstone.

And we know that the Scripture says that Jesus is the Chief Cornerstone, and He's also the Headstone. Now, if we will think for a few minutes, that the seventh church messenger was to restore the faith of the children back to the fathers, in

other words, rebuild the church again under the power of the Spirit. "Not by power, not by might, but by My Spirit," saith the Lord. Not by organization, not by denomination, but by the Holy Spirit God will bring forth the church in the last days.

51 Zerubbabel, the prince with Joshua, was the one that was to bring forth this headstone. He had laid the foundation; he'd took the people back to the foundation in type.

Which, we all know that these candlesticks and so forth represented both Jewish and church. They were olive branches, the Bible said here. And the olive branch, we are the wild branch that was grafted into the root of the tame olive tree: Gentiles. And out of these two branches come censor pipes, going into the seven golden candlesticks to give Light to the Seven Church Ages.

SARDISEAN CHURCH AGE. CHURCH AGE BOOK. CHAPTER 7.

248-5 To begin with, we know for a certainty that these verses are not teaching a new and contrary doctrine to John 4:24a "God is A (one) Spirit." But this is like I Corinthians 12:8-11 wherein we find ONE Spirit manifesting Himself in NINE ways. Thus we know that the seven Spirits of God mean it is the one and same Spirit coming forth in a sevenfold way. Now in Revelation 4:5 these same seven Spirits are called 'lamps of fire burning' before the Lord. Since John always used nothing but Old Testament symbols in the Revelation we go to the Old Testament and find from Proverbs 20:27 that "the spirit of man is the lamp of the Lord." These seven Spirits are found to be associated with man. John the Baptist in John 5:35 was called a 'burning light' which should actually be translated as 'burning lamp.' Again in Revelation 5:6 the seven Spirits are identified as seven eyes.

In Zechariah 4:10,

"For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven, they are the eyes of the Lord."

It is very evident that the word, 'they' refers to men. Thus we see that the eyes of the Lord in this instance are men--of course they will be anointed men, full of the Holy Ghost, for God's ministries are not in the power of men but of the Holy Ghost. Putting our Scriptural discoveries together it is evident that the seven Spirits of God refer to the continuous ministry of the same Holy Spirit in the lives of seven men with whom God identifies Himself very closely. They are His eyes, and they are His lamps. Who these seven men are can easily be seen because the next phrase calls them the seven stars which are already known to us as the seven messengers to the seven ages. How beautiful that is. See, the star was meant to reflect light at night, for the sun has gone. Just so the messenger (typified as a star) to each age was to reflect the light of the Son. They all did this by the Holy Spirit.

19. Three rainbows. [Third Pull took place on August 25 1961.]

MESSAGE OF GRACE. JEFF. IN 61-0827

21 Last year, as all of you know, which is on print and also in testimony and in the tapes, I was setting at a place here in Indiana where the Lord God came down and spoke to me, that my second ministry, that was ready to take place in the near future. And there was spoken into existence three squirrels. All of you know the story; I'm sure. Somehow, going up the road I... While I let the rest of the boys off, going hunting, I--I had a strange feeling to go to this place again. It was before daylight, raining, and I didn't even know whether I'd get to hunt or not, but that I would get over in the field there. Hunting means to get alone to yourself to pray. And I stopped the car, and got off, and walked across the road, and went over into the bush, and just before it would've been daylight, kinda gray dawn...

I'd stopped and had offered a little word of prayer, as usual, and telling Father that just what I had need of, to provide it. I don't believe in wasting anything or destroying; never shot a bird in my life for a target practice or anything else. What I hunt, I eat, or give to someone that does eat it. I don't believe in wasting anything. I don't believe in doing those things, because it's not right.

Then as I turned and started along a familiar little pathway by the side of a pasture that crossed over to an L-shape in the woods, and something strange took place. All my experiences, I've never had anything like that. I looked at the top of the hill to my left from where I was standing, and there, coming up out of like the top of the hill, came three rainbows. And they were running some thirty-foot high. First, I looked and seen the Light and I just turned back, because I thought it might be the sun raising. On the second thought, it wasn't towards the sun; it was towards the south. And another thing, it was smooth, cloudy, rain, raining all over. That was August the twenty-fifth, last Friday morning, and you know how it was raining. And it's smooth clouds everywhere.

And I looked again, and there it was, growing taller and taller, three rainbows. I took off my hat. I set down my gun. I started walking towards it with my hands up. Something just seemed to tell me, "This is close enough." I was going to set down and take off my boots that I had on, to see if I could walk a little closer. But I got within a few yards of it, and I seen the color of it, misting like a fog moving around. I stood still for a few moments. It was coming right out of the top of the little mountain. And I watched, as the three (one to the right, one to the left, and one in the center) running down into one

bowl like... Ever what it was, was alive. It was moving and making Its motions. And I stood there just as it was graying dawn.

I turned and looked again, and I screamed out, "O God, what would You have Your servant know?"

Just then the Spirit of the Lord came in and said, "Jesus of the New Testament is Jehovah of the Old, He only changed His mask from Spirit to man." That was confirming, of course, my message of Him, letting me know, assured that these thirty-one years hasn't been in vain.

As I started to approach, It begin to go away, and went down into this bowl-like affair, and then disappeared. I walked up close. I was afraid to go any closer, because He'd stopped me 'fore I got there.

I turned and noticed that that Light, the way It was shining for me, was just exactly in line with the tree where I set last year, where the squirrels appeared. Some thirty-five or forty minutes later, I went down through the woods and over the creek bottoms and so forth, till I got to this tree that separates in four directions (east, north, west, and south), four prongs of the tree, running out. And I climbed into this prong and set down where I was when He told me of that Scripture, "If you say to this mountain, 'Be moved.'" And as I stood there a little bit, not thinking yet of the rainbow, it had left my mind. I stood there. And this has been a very bad year for squirrel hunting, everything is late, no squirrels.

I thought, "Right here is where God gave me them squirrels last year to speak into existence." I took off my hat again, and I said, "Lord God, You are still the same Jesus. You are still God."

And Something said to me, "How many do you need this time?"

I said, "Just as I did the other time: the limit." And then I said, "I shall have this limit before ten o'clock today." And strange as it seems, just then I was in a very bad mosquito area, where it was invested with mosquitoes, and kind of a swamp land, and a great big mosquito came to bite me right by the eye, and I said, "Not one of them will bother me this day," no repellent or anything with me. And before I knew it, I said, "The sun will shine within thirty minutes."

And no more than I'd said that till just behind me a squirrel exactly like that one last year, young, red, jumped out on the limb about seventy yards away and begin barking. I turned around. At those long distance, I could barely, through the powerful scope see his eye. Just shot, that's all; I didn't even have an aim at, just no more than over the squirrel. And the bullet was just exactly smack at the eye where it was the other time.

On down through the woods I went. And at exactly three minutes of ten o'clock I shot my third squirrel, just like it was last year, just exactly the same: At three minutes before ten. God, being my solemn Judge, not one mosquito even buzzed all day long, right where there's just tons of them, I suppose, if they could be weighed out. And I never even seen or heard one. I was listening for them to see if I could. And I heard a humming, I thought, "There's one somewhere," and I listened and it was a truck way back on the highway. And exactly thirty minutes from that time the sun shone out good and bright.

34 Then I came back to the place. And I'd been thinking when I said, "limit," that that meant five squirrels, which is the limit in Indiana. But I remember last year, when He asked me how many did it take for me a mess, I said, "three," and I just got the three. So yesterday I went back, was going to the same place again, and Something said, "Do not go. Cross the road."

And at exactly ten o'clock on the exact dot, ten o'clock with my watch, I shot the Indiana limit, the fifth squirrel. I want you to notice there was three rainbows, and there was three things said, three squirrels gotten. There was three things: three squirrels by ten o'clock, no mosquitoes, the sun would shine in thirty minutes. And there were three to give witness of it: Brother Banks Wood, my son Billy Paul, and his son David, to give witness to it.

When I seen them rainbows about as wide across as that halo is, that Angel of the Lord, but there were three of them running into one, oh, how it helped my heart to know that God, that Jesus is not just a man as people think He is, just a prophet, as this modern idea today thinks that Jesus was just a prophet. He's Jehovah of the Old Testament made flesh and dwelt among us. And there that sure did comfort me. Then thinking on that subject, that God had sought so many people...

20. Mother dies 10-5-61 shortly after hunting trip. [Continues from same tape.]

SPIRIT OF TRUTH. PHOENIX, AZ 63-0118

E-72 Now, what would God tell a man something like that for, about a hunting trip? When I got back, Mother was sick. I went to see her. She said, "Billy..." See, He was encouraging me, getting me ready for something.

And I said, "Mama, the Lord's always healed you."

She said, "Billy, I'm going home to see dad."

"Oh," I said, "Mom, don't talk like that."

Said, "Yes, I am."

And I prayed for her, and Brother Fred and all of these witnesses setting here know.

Then, next thing you know, they had her in the hospital. The doctor didn't even know what was wrong. Well, I went out to pray for her. She said, "Son, I'm going." And now, my mother was kind of a powerful woman anyhow.

And one day, a couple of days after that, I walked in. She was standing there looking right up towards the heavens. She said, "Billy, I see you."

I said, "Why, sure, mama." Said, "I see you right here."

She said, "Oh, you're so old, Bill." Said, "Your white hair and beard just hanging together. You got your arm around the cross reaching for me."

I had a good idea then, that was it. Now, you brethren here know that to be the truth. The next day was Sunday. I was preaching. They sent me word, "Your..." I said, "I do not believe that mother's going. God always shows me my people going. But mother, He's never showed me nothing about it." Here come a message in, and I was right in the middle of my message, like this.

Someone come in and said, "Go--go to your mother right now. Call her on the phone. She's dying at this minute."

I said, "Death, hold her still. The Word of God's more important than that."

This man setting right here, Brother Borders... After the service was over, I went out to see my mother. I met Brother Borders. He said, "Brother Branham, you're not quite six foot, but I seen a ten-foot man standing in the pulpit this morning." I said, "Brother Borders, God will take care of all of that for mama." And a few days after that, they called me out to the room, and she really was going. Gathered in the children, stood around the bed. I said, "Mama, are you really going?"

She said, "Yeah." Then she couldn't speak no more.

I kept telling her, "What does Jesus mean to you, mother?" I remember baptizing her in His Name long ago out in the water. I said, "Tell me what He means to you now."

She said, "More than life to me."

E-75 I said, "Mama, if you're going, I'm your boy, a preacher. I want to know from my own mother who's going to meet God. I want to hold your hand here, mom."

Said, "I want you to." I kept holding it.

She couldn't talk. Looked like she was paralyzing, her face. I said, "Can't you talk no more, mama?" She couldn't make... I said, "Listen. Is Jesus still just the same to you?"

She could nod her head. Then she got to a place she couldn't nod her head no more. I said, "Mother, is Jesus everything to you now? He's coming for you in a minute everything to you?"

She couldn't move. I said, "Mama, you only got one thing. Just see you're batting your eyes. If Jesus still means just the same to you as He always did, the day I baptized you in the water, bat your eyes real fast." She'd bat her eyes, the tears running down like that. And a little wind come sweeping into the room. Mother went home.

I come home, went out to the funeral home, picked out the clothes, oh, you know how it is. You've had to do the same thing. The kids all crying, one down in one place, and one in another. I said, "Mama was the hitch-post. We'll never be the same no more." Doc and his family in this corner, Jesse and his family in that corner. We'd just buried Howard recently. I said, "Well, we're gone, boys." I said, "We'll... We won't come to see one another. Mama was our stay." I said, "We won't see one another much more now."

I went up home nighttime after we got her clothes picked out. I went up home. Mrs. Domico... Anybody know her from Chicago? Been a very dear friend of the campaign. She'd give me a Bible, and it was one of those red letter Bibles with a zipper on it. And somebody... When I preached that sermon "The Lamb and Dove," they'd sent me two doves as a holder. Another brother of mine, Brother Norman, had sent me a little dove and a lamb. Brother Borders give me the lamb. I picked up the Bible. Meda was over in one corner crying.

(...)

E-79 Then standing here that day I picked up this Bible, said, "Father, I don't know. Maybe just Your love, You didn't show me her going. But I'm so broke up, God. Will You just give me some word of comfort out of Your Word?" I said, "Let me just read something that's comforting to me," and I just let the Bible open up like that, and there it was, big red letters. "She is not dead, but sleepeth."

And I went in the room. We went to sleep. About eight o'clock the next morning got up. They was going to have her fixed up along about noon, so we could go down and see her. Meda went out to get the children's breakfast, and little Joe crying, Becky in one corner still crying, "Will I ever see Grandma again?"

And I said, "Yes. Yes, you'll see her. She's just crossed--went upstairs." I said, "She... We'll see her again." And she loved them little kiddies, you know.

And so, and they was all crying, "Can we see Grandma this afternoon?"

I said, "You can see the body she lived in, but Grandma's gone up to be with your other Grandmother, and them up in heaven." And Joe couldn't understand it, my little boy, you know. He just couldn't understand it.

He said, "Then will Grandma come back down tonight?"

And I said, "No, no. I don't know when she'll come back. When Jesus comes she'll come back."

And I was standing there, and I turned around and walked in the room, and when I did (Don't ask me to explain it, there's no way to explain it.), I seen myself standing out there, just the same as I look across this audience. And I was leading songs. I never did that. I can't even sing at all. So, and there was a great mammoth crowd of people.

On this side the--the auditorium looked like it was a--outside, like, oh, I don't know what you would call it, kind of down a hill, and kind of like a amphitheater. And it was so far back, the lines was, till they had to be raised up like this, so the ones so far in the back had to look this way. But all right in the middle just three rows like this. And right in the middle was just like wind rows ripped in, of little spastic, crippled children laying in them rows.

E-82 And I had on a dark suit, and I was singing "Bring them in, bring them in, bring the little ones to Jesus." We sing that at the church quite a bit, especially in dedicating of children. And there was a--like a box, here, where the celebrity set and the pulpit was close to that. But I was down leading songs. And all at once, me standing there, and looking at myself, then... Oh. Don't try to think it out, 'cause you can't. Then when I was here, then it become here. I don't know. Two of them went together, and it's...

(...)

E-83 So standing there looking, and I went into that vision. And while in there, I noticed a renowned person come back at the back of the place. And they were, I said... Well, they're coming to the celebrity box, so they come walking up this way. And I thought, "Well, I'll sing once more while that lady is coming." She was dressed old fashion.

Now, some of you ladies will remember this, when they wore kind of skirts like, around here, and it went way down over laced-up shoes, and they had kind of a full... What is it you call them things, like this lady's got on here now? That blouse. One of those things like that, and had real full sleeves in it. You remember them? Went up around the neck here, with a little kind of a little button of a thing went in here. And then a great big hat on, turned up on the side. And the ladies in them days, they wore long hair, so they pulled it down like this, and set a hat on it and put a pin in it, you know, to keep it on--for they had to ride sidesaddle and things.

So this lady was coming up, and everybody was respecting this lady. And I thought, "Well, she'll go to the celebrity box." So then, I was saying, "Once more, all on this side. 'Bring them in.' Now, over here, 'Bring them in.' Then all in the middle, all together now, 'Bring the little ones to Jesus.'"

Just as I said that, this lady had already entered the box, and I could see... When she entered the box everybody stood up, and they were kinda doing like this, recognizing her. And she was recognizing them.

I thought, "Well, it's time for me to preach, and I'll go praying for them sick people." And I got up here on--on the pulpit like this, and the box was right, oh, it was close as this brother setting here and I turned around like this.

I thought, "Well now, that lady will bow to me, so I'll just recognize her." And so, when I turned around she already had her head down like this, and I was putting my head down like that. And when I raised my head up the same time to meet her, it was mama: young, pretty.

I looked at her. I said, "Mama."

She said, "Billy."

And just then, lightning begin to flash around in the building, thunders roared, and a shaking come. And a voice said, "Do not fear about your mother." Said, "She's the same way she was in 1906."

And the--I said, "What? 1906?"

And Meda said, "What's the matter with you," my wife.

I said, "Honey, 1906, what was 1906?"

She said, "Why?"

I said, "A vision. I seen mama standing right here."

Said, "You seen what?"

I said, "I seen mama."

Said, "Sure enough, Bill?"

E-86 I said, "Yes. She was standing right here, and she was pretty, and He said..." I said, "She was just a young woman." So I went and got the old family record. And you know what she was in 1906? My father's bride. That's the year she was married. Now, she's part of another Bride, the Bride of the Lord Jesus.

21. Kissing; men and women.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. JEFF. IN 61-1015M

669-Q-156 *Is it right for Christian men and women to kiss one another (Oh!) on greeting?*

No, sir. No indeedy. No, sir. You kiss one woman, brother, that's your wife (See?), or your--your child, or what... See?

"*Is it right for...*" Let me see if I got that right. "*Is it right for Christian men and women to kiss one another on greetings?*"

No, sir. No indeedy. That... Don't you never get that started. Yes, sir. No, sir. You keep away from women. Shun away from them. Exactly right.

Now, they're our sisters, but don't... Now, they got that. That in... That thing even got over in Pentecost, and it's called "free love." And when you do--get anything like that, you stay away from it. That's right.

I don't care how clean you are... You're my brother, and I--I believe that you're--you might be a good sanctified, holy man. I don't care how holy you are; you're still a man. And I don't care how holy she is; she's still a woman. Stay away from it till you're married. You just do that.

Remember, the body... I'm going to speak double now, so that you older people will understand. It's a mixed group, but I'm your brother, and this was the question. See?

Each human being male and female have a different type of gland. A female has a female gland, sex gland. A male has a male gland, sex gland. And those glands lay in the human lips. That's right.

And here's another thing might be brought up, men kissing one another in the mouth. That's dirty. That's filth. And what does it do? It starts homosexuals. Stay away from that. You say...

670-127 A guy asked me not long ago, said, "Brother Branham, why, they greeted one another with a holy kiss." They kissed on the back of the neck, fell upon their neck, and kissed them on the back of the neck. That was before handshake come in. It's a greeting. That's the way it is. They didn't shake one another's hands; they put their arms around one another; they kissed one another on the back of the neck, not on the lips, in the face. That starts a perversion. Stay away from it. Don't never do that.

Now-a-days, we shake hands with one another. If you want to... You got your arm around your brother, and kiss him on the neck, or he kisses you on the neck, that's all right. But don't you kiss that woman, and don't you let that woman kiss you. See? That's right. You take her by the hand, say, "Wait a minute, Sister, just a minute here (See?); let's get this straight!" And so, now you do that.

THE ODDBALL. JEFF.IN 64-0614E

50 I went to a certain place the other night to get something to eat, and the little boys and girls up there hugging and kissing like I don't know what. And do you know, my little sister, that that's potentially an adultery? When a man kisses you, he's potentially committed adultery with you. You should never let him kiss you until you're married, for the glands, both male and female glands, is in the lips. Do you understand? And when male and female glands come together, let it be where it may be, you have potentially committed adultery. And you shouldn't let a boy kiss you until that veil is raised on your face and you're his wife. Don't do that. It's committing adultery. It's mixing male and female glands.

Why don't a man kiss a man, woman kiss a woman in the lips? Because it don't cross the glands. Children is born by crossing glands. So it's almost a public adultery again, everywhere. Look on the screens and everything you see, a--a slobbering and a--a carrying on. No wonder immorality is on the--is on the incline. How can they do it and spurn themselves all up by kissing those women in the mouth, knowing that that's adultery. God won't forgive it unless you repent.

PRESENCE OF GOD UNRECOGNIZED. TOPEKA, KS 64-0618

112 I want to ask you a little question while we stop, before we continue on with this service, just a few minutes. I wonder if I could ask you this.

Anyone knows that the world, positionally, everything's setting in order for His coming: "Earthquakes in divers places; the moon is spurting out red blood, or red volcanic all over it, covering it," as Jesus said watch for that sign in the last days; "sea a roaring, men's hearts failing for fear, and perplexed of time, distress between the nations."

Look at the perversion on the move today. Look at it today, forty percent increase in California, of homosexuals: natural affections already lost.

115 Look at on... Look at today, how the people will stay home, that's call themselves Christians, and listen to such characters as Pat Boone, Elvis Presley, Ernie Ford, and those who sing hymns on Sunday; and look at them things, they look at them kissing them women, and things out there.

When no man should ever kiss a woman till he's married to her. That's male and female glands crossing. Let it be wherever it may be; it's wrong. It's potentially a sex act. When male and female glands touch, it's a sex act. There's made... A man kiss a man in the mouth, it'd make him vomit, or a woman a woman. Why is it different? It's a--it's a sex act, potentially. That's right. A type of Christ kissing His Bride. See? You should never do that.

But look at it today, all these movies and things, and one big conglomeration of kissing and hugging. And it's absolutely almost public adultery everywhere, and the people so blind they don't see it. That's right. Everything's in a Sodom condition, Sodomite everywhere, as the Bible said.

INVISIBLE UNION OF THE BRIDE. SHREVEPORT, LA 65-1125

14-2 Notice. Now, she has a sacred trust of virtue that's been given to her, trusted to her by the Lord. God gave her that virtue. Just as it was in the garden of Eden, she can say, "yes" or "no." She has a sacred trust of womanhood committed to her that she must not break. The womanhood, I'm speaking of here, is her conduct, her character around men, not letting every man... Looks on these screens and see these movie stars kissing and hugging and slopping around over these women. A woman does that is of a bad character. She might be virtuous otherwise, but, see, in her heart--when those glands... Sex glands are in the lips. A man kisses a woman, he's actually, potentially, committed adultery.

Sex glands are in the woman's lips and in the man's lips. He could kiss her on the hand, it wouldn't mix the--the sex glands, but the sex glands is in the lips. And see all this nonsense and the--the Hollywood today of all this slopping, and loving around with women, and so forth; and little girls looking at all that. No wonder our morals are rotten, and decayed, and filthy. See? Because it's put before the children. That's right. It has to be that way for the last days.

Now, keep the church in mind. She's kissing, and slopping, and mixing around in everything else but the Word. Let the devil, and education, and scientific searches, and so forth... When scientific education and everything is absolutely contrary to God.

The whole system of civilization that we have now, is absolutely antichrist; educational system is antichrist; civilization is antichrist. It's against God. You say against civilization? God will have a civilization one of these days that won't have any death associated into it.

This modern civilization come by Satan. I'll prove that to you, if the Lord willing tonight, out of the Bible. All these things are of Satan. Our new civilization will have none of this in it.

15-1 She has this sacred womanhood. No wonder that men act around women the way they do. Is because women act around men the way they do. She characters herself out here with a pair of shorts on, and skin tight, and men's clothing and things out on the street, twisting around. No matter what she says... She might be as virtuous to her husband as she can be, but in the sight of God she is an adulterous. "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her already in his heart." And she presented herself to be that. And that's exactly what the church has done with the world.

22. Day of Pentecost. [Acts 2]

THE WAY BACK. SHREVEPORT, LA 62-1123

E-61 Boy, He had some candidates right away. When I first heard it I was one too. I didn't care what they said to me, I wanted that. And I always said, "If this isn't that, I want to keep this till that comes." Yes. That's what I wanted, that inoculation.

They went up there and waited for ten days. Oh, my. Oh, when all at once when the inoculation came down from heaven, like a mighty rushing wind, and It filled every one of them, inoculated a hundred and twenty... Oh, what a time that was. That was the way back. Oh, my. They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, begin to speak with other tongues, tongues of fire setting upon them, God, the great Pillar of Fire that followed the children of Israel, God.

Not three Gods, one God, one God, not three Gods, but one God in three offices, called Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Father God in a Pillar of Fire, God the Son in His own Son, God the Holy Ghost in you, the same God all the way condescending, coming down, making His way to get into human hearts. Yes, sir.

There they seen the evidence of it, the promise of Jesus. There they seen this Pillar of Fire fall among them and separate itself. And tongues of fire, forked tongues of fire set upon each one of them, the same Pillar of Fire that come with the Israel through the wilderness.

There God was dividing Himself among His church. Like a man and his wife being one, so is God and His church One. There's one. "That day you'll know that I'm in the Father, the Father in Me, I in you and you in Me." That's the inoculation. That's the inoculation He had. That's the inoculation He received. "It's not Me that doeth the works. It's My Father that dwelleth in Me, He doeth the works. Not Me that sees these visions, it's My Father. I can do nothing... The Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing, that doeth the Son likewise."

That's the inoculation from unbelief. It anchors you in a settled faith of Christ. It anchors you.

There you know that you've passed from death unto Life. No man can talk you out of it. Nobody can explain it away from you. You was on those sacred sands with God alone, and you know you were borned again. Your whole life is changed and you're a new creature in Christ. There ain't enough devils in hell can take it away from you. You're a new creature, a new creation. You're inoculated with the power of God, the Toxin of God's. Holy Spirit has wooed you. Amen.

23. Vision of mamba snake.

PARADOX. JEFF. IN 61-1210

56 And now, in the visions... I might say this. I mentioned it once. I was going to cut it off the tape, but I believe I'll just leave it on. I..

It was about three o'clock in the morning, I suppose. I'd gotten up, and I looked where in front of me, and I was coming down to the Jordan: looked like I was standing on the map of Palestine. And I was coming down to the Jordan. And seemed like I could hear the song, "I'm going down to the Jordan," someone was singing it. And as I drew near the river, I looked back and seen which a way I had come, and I was two thirds of the way there to the Jordan. And I looked across Jordan, and I said, "Oh, praise God, just on the other side is where all the promises lay. Every promise lays in the promised land."

And then I came to myself, and I thought, "Could I possibly have... Could it been that I was a-dreaming, 'cause it's nighttime?" See, a vision is something that you see with your eyes open, just like a dream. You're looking right at it, and

you're--you're conscious that you're standing like here on the platform, and you're--you're standing here, but yet you look like you're in a dream. It's... You can't explain it; there's no way to do it. See? It's God's works. And God's ways are unexplainable; they have to be accepted by faith.

And then as I set there a little bit beside of this chair, then all of a sudden, here it come back again. Then I knew then that it was vision. And then when I come into the vision again, it seemed that I was lifted up and setting on a--a highway, a narrow highway with some brother. I never knew who the brother was. I looked around, and I said, "Now, I am sure and know this is vision; the Lord God is here." And seemed like everybody was afraid. I said, "What's everybody so afraid of?"

And a voice came and said, "There's such danger in these days. There's a great hideous thing that's death when it strikes you."

And I heard the weeds a-mashing down, and I looked, and here come a huge monster snake crawling through the weeds. I thought, "Now, knowing this is vision, then I shall see what this--this animal or this beast is." And he crawled up on the highway. And as soon as I got sight of him, I knew it was a mamba. Now, a mamba is an African snake, which is the most deadly bite of all things there is. There's nothing as poison as a mamba. And the snake, of course, represents sin, death. See? And there is the... We have in this country, the rattlesnake, and the copperhead, and the cottonmouth moccasin, many of those snakes, that if you're in bad health and one'd bite you, it would perhaps kill you, but if you didn't get aid of some sort right away...

And then--then we go into Africa and India, and we find the Cobra. There's a Black Cobra; he's a bad snake; he's a death-bite too. And there's a Yellow Cobra, which is far beyond him. And the Yellow Cobra, the patient dies with such a horrible death; it dies from suffocation. It--it paralyzes the breathing system. And they--they can't breathe; they just open their mouth and gasp, and trying to, and die like that. And that was the type of snake was just one lick from getting Billy Paul, when we got the snake in Africa.

And then--then comes the mamba, he's death. Just when he... He's so fast you can't see him. He goes over the top of the weeds and propels himself with the back of his tail. Just, and he's gone. Hits you in the face usually. Stands up high and strikes hard. And when he hits you, you just got a few breaths till you're finished. Turn real... It don't only paralyze and get in the blood stream; it gets nerves, everything, you just die just in a few seconds. Them native boys and track boys, you can say "mamba," and they'll butt their heads together, scream, 'cause it's--it's death just in a few seconds (See?) when one hits you.

And here he was on the highway. I thought, "Well, this is it." So I looked at him. And he looked angry at me, and he licked his tongue, and here he come. But when he got right close to me... He...d would run up fast, and then he would get slower and slower, and just quiver and stop, and then something would hold him off. He couldn't bite me. And he'd turn around on the other side, and try to approach from this side. And he'd get back and get a start, and swish right towards me, get slower and slower and slower, and then to a stop, and then just shake like that and move back. He couldn't strike me.

Then he turned and looked at my friend, and away he went after my friend. And I seen my friend just jumping way in the air, and over him and over him and over him, trying, and the thing was striking at him. I thought, "Oh, if it ever hits him, it'll be instant death. No wonder everybody's so scared, 'cause when this thing hits you it's an instant death." And--and it was just striking at him like that, and I threw my hands up; I said, "O God, have mercy on my brother." I said, "If that serpent ever strikes him, it'll kill him."

And just then the serpent turned to me when I said that, and looked at me again. And a Voice came from above me and said, "You have been given power to bind him, the worst, or any."

And I said, "Well, God, what must I do?"

He said, "There's one thing you must do: you must be more sincere. (See?) You must be more sincere."

I said, "Well, God, forgive me for my unsincerity, and let me have sincerity." And when I raised up my hands to Him again, there was a great Something came over me, just lifted me up, seemed like that my whole body was charged with Something.

69 And I looked at the serpent. And then he started towards me, and he couldn't do it yet. And I said, "Satan, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I bind you." And the serpent, a blue smoke flew out of him, and he curled up and made that sign like a S, capital S made backwards, a "AND" [&] sign. And means "bind this one or anything below him," 'cause he was the worst. Blue smoke fell out of him, and his tail choked his ownself to death around his head, when he made this backwards S, that "AND" [&] sign (like a conjunction... You see?), choked it to death. And the brother was free.

And I went over and mashed on it. I said, "Now, I've got to find out about this, because it's vision." And I hit on the--on the thing, and it turned like that, looked like a handle, on a glass handle on a pitcher, and just made it solid crystal. And I said, "Think of that, how quick. That blue smoke was life and everything that left it, all the elements, and is turned to glass."

And just then a Voice came again, and said, "You can unbind him also."

So I said, "Then, Satan, that I might know, I unbind you." And when it did, he started coming to life again, wiggling. And I said, "I bind you back in the Name of Jesus Christ." And when it did, the smoke flew out of him again, and he choked himself right back again and turned to crystal.

And then when he did that, that Voice said, "Now, you must be more sincere than what you are to do this." Then it left me, and I was standing in the room.

A few moments I heard a clock go off, and my wife had got... getting up. The children, you know how it is, I guess, at your house, one, "What am I going to wear today, mama? Where, where are my books? And what did I do?" You know. You, just like any home, you can't hear yourself think, hardly, for all of them trying to get ready at once.

And--and so I slipped off into the den room, and I got down on my knees, and I said, "Lord Jesus, I don't know these things. And what must I do? And the children will be calling me to take them to school in a few moments. What must I do?" And I looked around, and my Bible was laying there, and I said, "Lord, if You will forgive me..." I do not believe in just opening up the Scripture, and taking something out of the Bible and saying that, but there is times that when God can comfort you by such a thing. And I said, "Lord, in this case of emergency right now, before Your Spirit leaves me. And I--I don't know what to do. The kids will be a hour yet, before they'd be gone. Would You just show me? If that was something You're trying to get to me, heavenly Father, then let me know."

And I took this Bible and just pulled it open like that, and my thumb was laying at I Corinthians the 5th chapter, the 8th verse, when something reads something like this. "When you come..." I was planning on taking a fast to the Lord. I told Him I'd go out and fast. Said, "When you come to this feast..." Which, a fast in the body is a feast with the Lord. We know that. "So when you come to this feast, don't come with the old leaven or the leaven of malice, and so forth; but come with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth," just exactly what He had told me in the vision. "Come..." God is my solemn Judge. "Come with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, that is the Word." Then I seen what He meant. As He...

77 Years ago, when I seen the Bible come down (I got it wrote right here.), come down; and a hand came from heaven and pointed down to Joshua, and read the first nine verses, and stopped there. That's Joshua, come to the wilderness, but never did... He was ready to... When he got near Jordan, God called him out, said, "This day I'll begin to magnify you before the people." And then he took the children of Israel across Jordan to the land where--give them, divided to them, the promised land.

I went to the woods, and prayed, and prayed, and fasted. And now, I went back to that tree where I'd met, where those squirrels was, that you've heard in other messages (See?) where those squirrels was. And standing there, along about three or four o'clock in the morning, after I'd staggered through the brush with what light I could see to get to the tree, coming early because I was led there... Then I met Him. God, help me to ever live true.

AN ABSOLUTE. PHOENIX, AZ 63-0127

E-94 About two or three months ago I was standing in the room, and I heard a voice speaking in the corner. I tried to wake my wife to look at it there. There was... The morning before that was a hideous thing standing there at the bed accusing me, after He'd told me... I'd seen a big mamba running; that's a African snake. And it was trying to kill people. And I... It was after my brother. And I screamed out, "Oh, God, what can I do?"

He said, "You been given power to bind him." Said "Be of a good courage."

I spoke to him, and his tail went up in the air, and whirled around, and just like this pitcher handle here, and choked himself to death. Blue smoke flew out of him.

The next morning when I woke up, and I was laying there, and I said, "I'd better get up and take the children to school," and looked over. There was this hideous looking thing. Looked like it was Alley Oop in the funny paper, great big horns sticking out of it. He was going... Sounded like a hen cackling, or--or singing, like they're going from the barn. I looked at it, and I said, "Meda, Meda, honey," and she didn't wake up. I thought, "That'd scare her to death," and I waited there just a minute, and standing, watch.

People talk about devils, and don't even know what they are sometimes. That's right. But you run headlong into them every day, maybe. But you will.

Notice. After while he was accusing me, said, "You have no power with God. You're just a bluff. You have no power."

I said, "Satan, you're an offense to me. Get out of my way in the Name of Jesus Christ," and he left. I laid there a little bit in the bed, started to raise up. I felt a real sweet feeling come over me. I thought, "I wonder if the Holy Spirit now is close." And over in the corner... So help me... Here's my Bible over my heart. The sweetest voice I ever heard in my life said, "Don't fear to go anywheres; don't fear to do anything. For the never-failing Presence of Jesus Christ is with you wherever you go." That settled it with me. Let them rage. I got a Absolute. My anchor holds yonder, because it's the Word of the living God. Amen.

24. Christ is the Head of the Body.

CHRISTIANITY VERSUS IDOLATRY. JEFF. IN 61-1217

192 Now, listen. Then the least of His believers, no matter how--how long, or who--who, little, or whatever you are, the least of His believers in Him has all evil under them. See? Look. Christ is the Head of the Body. Is that right? Well, wherever the Head is, the body's with It. Glory. Where my head goes, it takes my body with it. And where Jesus is, the Church is with Him. Amen. He don't get out of His Word; He stays in His Word, watches over It to make It manifest. His Church is with Him.

SPOKEN WORD ORIGINAL SEED. JEFF. IN 62-0318E

108-3 Now, Christ was manifested to destroy the works of the devil. You believe that? Now, I can't explain all this; I'm just going to go through it just quickly now, hit the high place so you won't stay too long. Christ was manifested to destroy the works of the devil. Is that right? You all believe that? That's why He... What was He? God's Word, which destroys the works of the hybrid, the devil. Is that right? He was done to do that; He was born to be that, to destroy the works of the devil.

Now, His body is to do the same, because the body is--the Head and body is together. Is that right? If Christ is the Head, was the Word, His body has to be the same thing as His Head was (Is that right?), a church of the Word, borned of the Word, virgin born from the Word, not denominational now; virgin born from the Word.

The way the body operates is by the head. Is that right? My body can't move until my head tells it to move. Well, what if my head is flesh and my body is concrete? Can't move. Head can say, "Move, move, move, move, move," but there's nothing to send a message to. Is that right? Well, if my Head is Christ and my body's a denomination, how's it going to work? How can purity and a whore work together?

Oh, I love it, brethren; I'll tell you. I'd like preach on some of this awhile. The way the body operates is by the Head, and the Head is the Word. Is that right? The Head is the Word.

Compare the modern church, now. Why don't we have miracles in it? Why don't we have the Word in it? It can't get the Word to it; the denomination stops it. Sure.

Say... Here comes a good sainted man of God, preaching the Word of God just as straight off the Bible as he can, the denomination: "Ahem. No-o-o, no, sir. Get him out of here." See? Body can't move (See?); chugged off--has to.

109-3 Now, the body carries (the works carries) on the works and does the works that the Head commands it to do. Tell me where He ever said, "organize." Tell me where the Head (all--all) says it's all right for woman to cut their hair. Huh. Mention it; it's not there. Tell me where the Head ever said, "These works I do, but you shall not do them." Tell me that. But the Head said this (if you want to put the Scripture down, I'll give it to you: John 14:12), "The works that I do, shall you also." That's His body. See?

See now, why I have been so zealous of the kind of seed that I have planted for the body? The rain's going to fall pretty soon; I mean the real rain. And it's got to have Seed to fall on. I hope I live to see it. Do you understand now? It will be the living Word as it was at the beginning, the spoken Word of God, have His power; for it is in Him in His own body, working His own way. Look to the promises that God gave this body.

JEHOVAH JIREH. 1. LOUISVILLE, MS 64-0402

E-84 Now, remember that Christ is risen from the dead and is among us. Now, get that in your mind, "Christ raised from the dead and is among us." Now, we have seen all kinds of great moves, and shouting, and praising God; it's all fine. We spoke in tongues, and prophesied, and all... We've seen all that. That's fine; that comes right along with it. But remember, the last thing is His Divine Presence, the Word itself. He is the Word, the Head, the Word. It's coming to the body. See?

And then that Word... And Hebrews the 4th chapter, said, "The Word of God is sharper, more powerful than a two-edged sword; and a Discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Now, take that Scripture and run it right back from the beginning of the prophets, run it right on down through Jesus Christ, and see if that isn't the same thing, the same thing, that He's known as the Messiah. Now, it's not some man here is the Messiah; it's the Holy Spirit is the Messiah. Christ and the Holy Spirit is the same thing. So here It is here now, just working in the flesh, getting the body ready for the rapture and raise it. Believe it, friends.

25. White button starts in heart. [Self-will.]

UNCERTAIN SOUND. JEFF. IN 60-1218

42 And yet, the man, somewhere down in him, somewhere in him, if he could only let that little... As I illustrated it, like a button. When a man's saved, that much of him is God. That's the little Light that comes in to make you quit doing what's wrong. Now, if you can take all the malice, and envy, and strife, and unbelief out, that little button-like of the Light and power of God will keep growing, growing, growing, growing, crowding out unbelief. And you don't do it by exhortations of--of bodily exercise. You do it by a sanctified, consecrated Life, that the Holy Spirit moves through you. I caught some of It in a place, where not long ago...

THE MESSIAH. SHREVEPORT, LA 61-0117

E-18 Now, for instances when a man gets saved, he's just about like... The Light that comes into him is about like this little white button on my shirt. That's when God comes into the inner part of a man. In the inner part of a man or... A man is made up in the system of a tabernacle: in the outer courts, then holy place, and the holiest of holies; the Shekinah glory on the inside, the veil.

Now, on the outside gates of a man is his five senses that enters to his body. On the inside, which is his soul, or the... The--the soul is the nature of the spirit that's on the inside of his heart; produces his soul, which makes the atmosphere around him. He has also five entrances.

Then on the inside he has only one gate, one entrance to go into the Shekinah glory, where God can enter into him and take over in the control tower. And that way is through self-will. Whether you will to or not, that's up to you. But that's the only avenue that's open to the man that God can come into his heart, is by self-will. Puts him right back like Adam and Eve on free moral agency again. You can choose right or wrong, either one you want to.

Now, self-will... Then God comes into the man, into the heart, which is the spirit. Then the spirit makes the soul, and then the soul dwells in the body. Now, when a man is converted, say, just like that little white button starts in his heart. Now, that part is God. God... When he's born again with the Spirit of God, God's Spirit dwells in him.

Now, as... He can let that Spirit grow and take out all the roots of bitterness, and press God's way through him again; he can become back in the same condition that he was when he was in the garden of Eden. Jesus said in Mark 11:24: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, if you say to this mountain, 'Be moved,' and don't doubt in your heart, but believe that what you have said will come to pass, you can have what you said." That puts him right back supreme again. It puts him right back in the condition.

26. Vision; a call to mission field.

SIRS WE WOULD SEE JESUS. JEFF. IN 61-1224

12-5 A few mornings ago I had a vision about 9 or 10 o'clock in the morning. I had been praying to the Lord, feeling a call moving me constantly for the foreign fields this year--start right away, all the world. I want to go to Norway, and I want to go to Germany, Africa, and many of the nations this year, if the Lord willing: just a call in my heart to go.

And I was praying to the Lord, and a vision came over my eyes. And I was standing, then walked like across the floor, and entered into a--a room where there was two women, especially: one was at a counter, and the other was at a counter. They were selling different things. Well, I stood for a moment and wondered what it was about. Then I seen a man came in, and he bought from the woman at this counter, a little bottle of perfume that goes to another: his wife perhaps.

Then I walked up, and I said, "How much is that perfume? I would like some for my wife, but I want the lilac. I like lilacs."

And he said--or the woman said, rather, "The--this small bottle that that man bought for his wife is 40 cents, but it isn't lilac. This other bottle of lilac is one dollar and ninety-eight cents."

And I said, "I will take that." And I went to my purse to get the money; I thought I gave her two one dollar bills.

Handing back, she said, "Sir, I don't know this money."

And she handed it back to me, and it was a Canadian five dollar bill. And I said, "Pardon me. I thought it was a dollar." I said then, "I am--I'm a missionary, and I--in my missions I get money from different parts of the world. And in this I have made a mistake."

So she gave me the five dollar bill back, and I gave her the American one dollar bill. And she gave me the change, and she said, "A missionary?"

And I said, "Yes, ma'am."

And while I was talking, or looking at her, she looked over to the next woman, and she kinda nodded her head. And she said, "Dear, do you believe that Brother Branham is right, that we women today will have to live like he told us, with the cutting of our hair, and the wearing of our apparel, and things like that?" Said, "Don't you think that he is wrong in that?"

She said, "Yes," and--and she said, "Go ahead, honey, you, Ruth (or whatever her name was)," said, "you have the inspiration, say it."

Well, quickly, I knew I was in the vision, so I knew that that was them two women, always... See? The both oneness and trinity church, there they was standing there. And said, "Yes," said, "I don't think we should, because we have never seen His eyes. We have never seen His makeup. We wouldn't know what He looked like, so why would we do it."

14-1 And I had on an old patrol suit; and I said to the woman; I said, "Just a moment, my sisters. See, you do have to live just according to the Bible, no matter how it was."

She said, "But we never lived back there, and we never seen Him."

I said, "I have seen Him." And I said, "The thing of it is..." I thought, "Lord, now I'm before two great, smart churches; now You've got to give me wisdom." And so, then I heard myself go to talking. I want you to examine it. Never thought of it in my life. I said, "A man today has to be like he was then, because he's the same man. He's made up of five senses, and if he stood and looked at Him right in the face, he would still have to have that sixth sense of faith to believe Him no matter what He looked like. He'd have to believe Him anyhow."

And they hid their faces with shame and said, "We never saw it, sir, like that." And started going off, then I turned and started to the mission fields, which I know was a--a call back to the field.

IF GOD BE WITH US. JEFF. IN 61-1231E

21 And one thing that I desire, the one great vision from the Lord that I've always desired to have from the Lord, He give it to me the other morning about ten o'clock in the morning. And that satisfied my desire. For years and years, since I've been a minister, I've longed to see that, and it finally come to pass. Now, I'm very grateful to God. I haven't said nothing about it, just got it wrote down. And I know it's just exactly what I've been asking for all the time.

27. Visions hard to understand, symbolic sometimes.

YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN. JEFF. IN 61-1231M

9 And looking now for something to take place during this year... And many visions has been coming to me recently. The other morning a great one again and all pertaining and looking like a great something fixing to happen. So I just keep trusting Him. Some of them I don't even understand. And we don't understand visions; they're more like symbolically and we don't get them just exactly sometimes, but we know that they are true, anyhow. So they will come to pass. I write them down.

28. Prayer for stolen station wagon. [Holy Spirit conviction.]

EXPLAINING THE MINISTRY. PHOENIX, AZ 62-0129

E-15 Now, before I set down, I'd like to say this. Many times people comes like this: There's a man in here somewhere tonight (supposedly). He come up home, not long ago--just to give you a little illustration. Brother Welch Evans, I suppose he's here. Are you here, Brother Evans? Raise up your hand if you are. Yeah, over here against the wall. He comes--drives about seven hundred miles one way, every Sunday, when I'm to speak at the Tabernacle. Right about fifteen hundred miles a trip on Sunday--start on Saturday, go gets back Monday or Tuesday.

He had a new station wagon. He brought it to Louisville. And they got a--had a great thieving ring in Louisville. And they'd--they'd steal cars, take them to Bowling Green, about a a hundred and eighteen miles below, run them into a paint shop, paint them, run them out. And you don't have to have a title to sell a car in Kentucky. They take the number off the block and make you a title. And, oh, it was a horrible ring. Mr. Evans, not knowing this, come in to the--to Miller's cafeteria, left his car open, went into the cafeteria; he come back out. His tape recorder, their clothes, their car and all, was gone. He and Brother Fred Sothmann...

And then, they consulted one another. They didn't know what to do, and they said, "Let's go up to Brother Branham." They come up there at the house.

I said, "Well, I don't know. We'll just pray."

Now, you might think this would be wrong. But getting down and praying, I cannot make it happen. God has to do it. I don't control it; it controls me. See?

Then I saw the car on the road, going towards Bowling Green. A young fellow was driving it. He was dressed with an overall jacket on, had a brown tie. I started praying just as the vision was. The man turned himself around in the road. The man had been a Christian, and the Holy Spirit stopped him, turned him around, and I saw him where he parked the car. Told Mr. Evans, "Go to such and such a place, and you'll find your car there. And you just filled your tank up."

"Yes."

"It'll be about half empty, because he's drove about a hundred miles in it."

Mr. Evans turned around, went out of the place. I held him there for a while until the vision could be brought to pass. Mr. Evans, on his road out to Mr. Sothmann's. Right on the side of the street, coming from Louisville, all the way over to Jeffersonville, across the river, parked the car right in that place, and it was setting there with the keys in it, ready. Is that right, Mr. Evans?

See, prayer. I want to tell you, you don't have to see a vision. But just pray. See? The Holy Spirit convicted the man and turned him around.

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1. Five planets predict a change. ["An infant church coming forth."]

COMMUNION. JEFF. IN 62-0204

74 We see that the astronomers are predicting, sometime in this early part or the first part of the month, beginning on the second or the fifth, or somewhere along this month, the Indian astronomers predict the world to blow to pieces. And the American newspapers make fun of it. I do not believe the world's going to blow to pieces, but I do say it's wrong to make fun of it. Because something's fixing to happen one of these days, something similar to that, when the five planets, Mars,

Jupiter, and Venus, and--and so forth comes into their--their... They never have did it. Oh, they claim maybe twenty-five thousand years ago, but who was back there to know it?

I predict that this has a spiritual application. I believe it's the coming in of the issue of God, that the great revelation of the Word will be opened during this time. Remember, they claim it was three stars came into the orbit when Jesus was born. And this is five, and five is grace, the number of grace. Three is the number of perfection. Five is the number of grace: J-e-s-u-s, g-r-a-c-e, f-a-i-t-h, so forth, number of grace. God ever sends His power to the church, it'll be His grace; it won't be the obedience of the people. And Isaiah said in the 40th chapter, how to cry to Jerusalem, that her warfare was over, yet she was guilty of idolatry, but it was God's grace that was sending it. God sends anything to us, it'll be His grace and not our merits.

So it may mean something. I predict that there will be a change. I don't know what it'll be, but I believe it's fixing to happen. We're on the--right on the eve of it now.

END TIME SIGN SEED. TIFTON, GA 62-0319

E-77 Three is the number of perfection. We all know that. Three is God's number in His numerology. God is known by His numbers. Three is perfection, and seven is worship; twenty-four is worship; forty is temptation; fifty is Pentecost, jubilee (See?), so forth. All of His numbers, His numerals of God is perfected, is in perfection. Now, three is the number of perfection. Just before when the--(listen now close) when the little baby Christ was born, three stars went together and made the one morning star, that reflected the coming of a infant Christ, a perfect One.

Now, what's happened? We see a roar in the paper, across the television out across the nations, where five stars just fell in line with the world. What's five? A number of grace. Every time those stars come in, something happens on earth. What taken place? Five stars fell in. What was it, a--a introducing of what?

Since then just look what's taken place. Germany almost washed off the map. Some of the magi said that the world would burst like a watermelon. Every distressful things prophesied by them for the last days. Look what's taken place. England, the other day, had a storm that blowed away seventy thousand houses one day. Disasters everywhere... California, Los Angeles liked to washed into the ocean. What is it? The beginning of sorrows. Earthquakes has picked up everywhere. Why is it? Five stars come in line: Grace, God's grace.

What's happened? An infant church (Hallelujah.), a Bride, infancy, that the power of God has begin to fall on her. She's taking form: a Bride for this Bridegroom. That three stars meant His perfection of the heavenly Father, of the trinity becoming One on earth among us, God's offices becoming one office. What happened now? It's the church of the living God coming together under the Word of God, and the astronomic heaven is announcing her approach. Amen. Might not believe that, but it's the Word just the same. Yes, sir.

E-79 What's happening? (I'm closing.) I might say this: friends, the church is coming forth. God's going to have a church without spot or wrinkle. And she's predestinated. God said so, He would have it. That makes it right. Who's a member? I don't know. I'm trusting to be myself; I'm trusting you are a member. But He's going to have a body without spot or wrinkle.

And I believe that these latter day signs and things that's happening, every one of them is peeling together to show that Christ is ready to come for this Bride. It's God in His Word made manifest in a man, a perfect man; so is God and His Word coming again, and making Himself manifested in a Bride. Not will do like Eve did, hybreed it to something else, but the unadulterated Word of God will be borned into that church, and she'll stand like Jesus Christ did, with His Spirit anointing in His Word. Amen. I believe it's the announcement now.

2. Angel, messenger on hair. [1 Corinthians 11:3-16]

I CORINTHIANS 11:10

For this cause ought the woman to have power on her head because of the angels.

ONENESS. JEFF. IN 62-0211

129 A woman wrote me a question the other day; she said, "Brother Branham..." Or, no, it was a man, a minister. He may be standing here this morning. He's just from Ohio. And he said, "We want to say the same thing you do, but we found something on your tapes that's not right." So Billy brought the letter to me. Said, "Something on your tapes," says, "is very contradictory, Brother Branham, to the Word of God. And we want to--we want to say the same thing." Said, "One question I want to say to you; that's I Corinthians the 11th chapter, and it says that about the head covering for the women, and the men not to have covering." Said, "We believe that. The women should wear hats in the church, and the men should take their hats off in the church." Said, "We believe them head coverings, and so forth." And said, "Then another question is that the people come to us and say the Angel of the Lord speaks everything to you. Every word that you speak is from the Angel of the Lord. And, Brother Branham, it's so hard to fight against something like that," said, "in my church." Said, "We want to say the same thing. Now, Brother Branham, don't you believe that you was a little in error there?"

I wrote back, "My precious brother, I'm not in error. The I Corinthians the 11th chapter, said a woman should have her head covered, and why? Then the 15th verse said her long hair is given to her for a covering, not a hat." That Catholic spirit's dominated the church long enough. Her long hair is her covering. Don't nature itself...

And look, and then the question come back, somebody asked me sometime ago... I'll explain it while I'm at it. He said, "Well, the Bible said that she should have long hair because of the angels. What's the angels got to do with a woman?"

I said, "What is an angel? It's a messenger." What's Paul saying? If a true messenger, an angel from God comes by, you'd better have long hair. He'll condemn the thing. That's right. How many's got--knows that an angel is a messenger? Exactly right. A messenger sent from God will condemn it. Said, "You'd better have long hair, because of the angels." Them messengers sent from God comes by will condemn that thing. Yes, indeedy, because, a real messenger from God, an angel is connected with God, and His Word can't fail. That's exactly. right. Saint Paul said there, that if a--even an angel from Heaven come taught anything else, let him be accursed. That's right. Now, we find out that that's true; she should have long hair; that's her covering.

133 But I imagine these pretty Moabite women were very beautiful; they might have been fixed up some like some of the modern Jezebels of today. But however, not all women. I think a woman that's genuine is a jewel. Praise God for a real woman. They're God's handmaids. But a real woman is like a real man; they'll follow the Word of God regardless of what the devil says or any false thing.

And saying, "Our pastor said it's all right to do this." I don't care what your pastor said. If it's contrary to God's Word, let his word be a lie, and keep God's Word. Care what denomination it is or what he is, if he's got anything to say about it, tell him to look into the Word of God. Exactly right.

3. Vision of fighters.

SIGN OF HIS COMING. CLEVELAND, TN 62-0407

E-12 About six weeks ago, one morning, I guess about... I was on my road to Arizona with Brother Sothmann and Brother Wood, two of the trustees of the church at the Tabernacle at Jeffersonville, and I saw a vision of a strange thing. There were two men, and they were both kind of well-trimmed-up men, and they were both kind of fighters. They had on regular clothes, but they were kind of real fighters. They wanted to fight. And they had a grudge against each other, and one of them...

They'd got into a--it looked like it was in New York. I could see myself coming down there towards the--the arenas, and so forth, where I preach so much. And looked like there was a little hole, round place like this, of a place they'd got into. And they started fighting, and one killed the other one. And I seen, looked like something damp, or water. And then they had, looked like a cellophane something, that was put over one's feet. Everything got real quiet, and it was sad. They'd killed... One had killed the other one in a feud. And I thought, "Well, I don't know exactly what that means, Lord." I just kinda jotted it down, and I...

You all know what taken place the other day: two welterweight fighters in New York, fighting it out, and one killed the other one. You see?

4. Storing up food in Tabernacle on taped messages. [By dream]

WISDOM VERSUS FAITH. JEFF. IN 62-0401

1-5 So I remembered in a dream that I had here not long ago, and I--in this dream I was supposed to be storing up food in the Tabernacle (See?), here in this dream. How many remembers it, a few weeks ago, having the dream? I couldn't give you the interpretation of it, and if it won't take me very long, I'll just tell you, if you'd like to hear it now.

WISDOM VERSUS FAITH. JEFF. IN 62-0401

3-4 Off of my subject, but going back to the beginning. And I used to box. And there was a fellow named (here in the city, a poor fellow, drinks very bad now; one of his boys is on the police force) Smith, George Smith; they called him "Six-second" Smith. He went to training me for boxing when we had, 'fore the Golden Gloves started. We was out here at the government. And in that, why, he was the roughest person I ever seen. He'd just hit me, and I'd just go winding through the air. And I come back, and I said, "You don't have to be so rough about it." See? I said, "You just knock the breath out of me."

He said, "I tell you, Billy," said, "no matter how well-trained you are, and how much athletic experience you have, and how strong you are for your size, or anything like that," said, "a lick stops the blood when it hits like that." [Brother Branham demonstrates a punch--Ed.] And said, "You might hate me now, but when you get up there in the ring yourself," said, "you'll appreciate it." Said, "Your body builds up that to come back quick. If you get hit, then you'll just fall over; and you'll lay there and take a count. But if your body's built and can stand the licks," said, "then, when you hit it--a hard lick hits you," said, "then when you--you come back quick," said, "back to your feet again. Get knocked out of the ring, jump back in." (He'd just got through, knocked me plumb out of the ring.) So he said, "You have to just do that. You see?" And he liked to kill me. He was about thirty or forty pounds heavier than I was, and he could--he was a fighter; and I was

just a student, so he was almost killing me. He said, "But you'll appreciate that when you get in the ring." I found out that was the truth.

And I've heard of sergeants in the army train them boys, and rugged. They'd hate that sergeant; but when it come to combat, they loved him, because, rugged training. That's the way I've tried to train Christians. Don't bob off your hair; don't wear makeup; don't do this; get it rugged. You'll appreciate me when I come to--to the end of the road. See? Training (see?), getting that training right. You might... Let's--let's keep right with the Word. It might be rugged, cut denominational differences to pieces, but you'll appreciate it when you come down at the end of the road. See? You stood by the Book.

4-3 So wife took a--had her arm in mine, and we walked up; and George Smith (Now, he's, I guess he's a gray-headed man; I guess he's seven, or eight, ten years older than I.), and he was back in the ring and he was battling away. And these young fellows that come up, great wide-shouldered boys, they couldn't match him at all. They'd just... He would just whip them in a minute.

And a young fellow said, "I can whip that old man; I know I can." So he, great big athletic fellow, jumped into the ring there; he didn't last a half a minute. He come back out, said, "I don't know where it comes from, but he sure is a man."

And just then, I looked at my wife in the dream, and I said, "Wife, you know, he gave me my first training." And then (You know, dreams are funny.), I come down to a big sea, and the waters was real choppy. And the boatman... (Now, Meda wasn't with me then, my wife.) And then in this, the--the boatman come over there, and he handed me a little canoe about two foot and a half, three foot long; and he said... It was real white, just plastic and white. He said, "Here's your boat."

"Oh," I said, "I couldn't cross for that--in that."

And he said, "Well," said, "that'll run fifty miles an hour up-and-down this way."

I said, "It might up and down the shore, but it won't out there." See? I said...

He said, "Well, go with them." And I looked, and here set Brother Wood and Brother Fred Sothmann, the two brethren that was with me the night I dreamed the dream. And they were setting in a green canoe with a lot of rigging in it, camping rigging, tents, and so forth. And they were setting there. He said, "Go with them."

I said, "They're not even boatmen." I said, "I know that..." I said, "I am a boatman, and I--I know about the canoe to handle it"; but I said, "they--they'll never--they couldn't make it. And I wouldn't go like that anyhow."

"Well," he said, "they love you." And said, "Why don't you go back up here and store up?"

5-5 So I went back, and the little place where we'd been out at (a little place called Klondike, about forty miles from any civilization, one little store for the ranchers and things) looked like it was at Klondike; and it turned out to be this tabernacle. And I was standing right here, and I was calling in great barrels of the prettiest food I ever seen: radishes, looked like three foot long; and turnips, and greens, and potatoes, and everything.

He said, "Store in plenty of it." See?

And I--I was standing there just storing it in, and I woke up. I couldn't understand it; I thought it was just a dream, and went on. Bothered Brother Wood and many of them, so here was the interpretation. I had to wait just like I've told you many times. Things has to happen before you can--certain things to bring it in line.

Here was the interpretation: see, they... We have been anticipating overseas. Brother Minor Arganbright, a bosom friend of mine, was going to pay my wife and I's expenses to tour Palestine. And we were going to go into Switzerland and on down into Africa and a--on a campaign in June. And my wife, and Rebekah, and them was certainly thrilled to know they'd get to go through Germany, and England, France, and Palestine. They was to wait there till I made the African campaign and pick them up on the road back. And they were all under great anticipation.

You've heard me say, "If the Lord is willing (always) if the Lord is willing, I aim to take that campaign overseas. I don't know exactly yet." So I was waiting on it.

But here's what it was: this Mr. Smith, George Smith (that was my first trainer in there and was more than a match for any of the young people that was in the land today in his fighting), was my first training in the prayer line. See? Many times I bring the people up, there's visions--wait, have this one, vision; that one, vision. It never did work just good.

6-3 Now, when--when I first started out, I never let a person--less I found something in the line that wasn't just exactly right, and He stopped me Hissself (See?) and told me about it. I'd go ahead and pray for the people, and my, the--the results was a hundred times, 'cause we got to... I'd pray for four or five hundred in one night; this way, maybe twenty-five or thirty, maybe not that many. Maybe ten or fifteen visions and I'm--you have to pack me out nearly. Going back to that same thing again (See?), back to my first training. After all, there's nothing on the field ever stood with it or can (See?), 'cause It's the Word. It ain't some denomination; It's the Word. See?

And then... There, then you notice the next part: after that Meda went away from the dream. When I come to the sea, that was going overseas.

Now, Brother Arganbright called me the other night, all thrilled, and said, "Brother Branham, it'll be one big vacation. Brother Shakarian has had a heart attack, so the overseas meetings are canceled out." And they--the Switzerland meeting,

he wanted me to go over there just for one night; and was to have that one night's meeting, and then the rest of it was all going to be vacation, just rambling around over the country, what--now, which was very nice. Brother Arganbright's, oh, just tops of a Christian, and a bosom friend to me and my family.

7-1 And--but you see, the little, white, plastic canoe, that he wanted me to go in, was the Word of God; and there's not enough preaching in it to call me across the sea. I said, "Huh-uh, not that. Just for that? Huh-uh."

He said, "Then go--like go with them, like they'd go."

I said, "They're not boatman: preachers. I am a minister. If they went, it would be vacation altogether, with their camping rigging in it." But I wouldn't do it; I turned it down. So there was the interpretation of--of the dream. See?

And then, Mr. Arganbright called me a few nights ago and told me that--that the--the... Of course we heard that the overseas meetings had been canceled on the account of Brother Shakarian. And then, there is no... There... The one in Switzerland I only had one night, and I had... Meda had to tell me first that she didn't want to go, so I called her from Florida the other night, or Georgia. And I told her; I said, "Brother Arganbright has called and said we have to leave on the twentieth of May."

She said, "That's out. That's out. (See?) The children's just taking their examination then. Can't go." See? She had to turn it down herself, 'cause she was the one included; it was her vacation. And there it was. Even dreams, everything is for a meaning. Everything's got something somewhere. So dreams have interpretations.

5. Vision of shooting a mammoth brown bear.

WISDOM VERSUS FAITH. JEFF.IN V-3 N-17 62-0401

7-6 Now, coming back that I might say, so that you'll understand and the reason this is taped. On the road coming home... And just before I went out there... How many remembers me repeating it here, that a Voice came to me in the room one morning, after a vision, and said about--told about the serpent and it being bound, and not to fear anything? He said, "Do not fear." Said, "Haven't I proven to be with you wherever you go?" Haven't I proved to be with you on your hunting trips?" You remember when I told about what I was going to get 'fore I left and all that? Haven't I proved to be with you?" And then a real sweet Voice came, said, "The never failing Presence of Jesus Christ is with you wherever you go." And I know by that, we're moving up to something; I don't know what it is; I can't say.

8-1 Coming home the other night, or the other day, or just 'fore I come home, I was--fell into a vision; and I seen some little fellows, thin, looked like young boys or something, had on caps. And we were standing hunting. And I'd shot a mammoth, big, brown-looking bear. And then, they turned around and said to me, said, "But there's some confusion about the meeting."

And I said, "No matter what the confusion is, if I was supposed to go, wherever it was, I'll go anyhow. (See?) It doesn't matter." And the vision stopped. I don't know where that's at, but this is on tape. It's going to happen. See? Just remember; it's going to happen; it's a vision.

6. Message seeds and denominational seeds are sown. [Malachi 4:] [Spoken Word Is Original Seed. 62-0318E]

ISRAEL AT KADESH BARNEA. JEFF. IN 53-0328

6 You know, there's none of us but, or any minister, but what has got God on his heart, but when he looks at the Scriptures he--he just has a little fear, "Am I going at it in my ownself, or is the Holy Spirit here to lead me?"

Remember, that the seed that's sown, it'll no doubt take hold somewhere, and we want it to be the real true unadulterated Seed of God that's sown into the people's heart, for someday I must stand in the judgment to give an account for what I've said and done in this life, along with you. If I be a misleading, then I would be counted a--a misleader. And I certainly wouldn't want to do that, not willfully.

SPOKEN WORD ORIGINAL SEED. JEFF. IN 62-0318E

123-2 God has promised (Be careful.)--God has promised Malachi 4 for this last day, and Malachi 4 has not yet has been fulfilled, but it must be fulfilled for it is a germitized Word of God, spoken through Malachi the prophet. Jesus referred to it. It is to be just before the coming of Christ the second time.

(Listen close, now.) All Scripture that has not been fulfilled, must be before that time. The Bible is to be finished--to be finished; the Gentile dispensation is to be finished with the church age when this anointed messenger arrives. Of course, he will plant the Seed of the entire Bible, come from the serpent to the messenger in the former rain. Then he will be rejected by the denominational people as his forefather John and Elijah, as was spoken by our Lord--people as Elijah was the first time to Ahab's time. It will happen here in this country, as this country is a type of Israel.

Read or hear "Jezebel Religion." As this country, our fore-fathers for--worshipped the way they wanted to, come to this country and pushed out the natives and took over; so did Israel take over when they come up out of Egypt. We had godly men like Washington, Lincoln. They had great godly men as David and so forth. Then they got a Ahab on the throne with a Jezebel behind him to direct him: so have we. So it's at this time in this country, that that person will appear. For it's in the Scripture, and it's THUS SAITH THE LORD.

Then in the latter rain there will come forth a Mount Carmel, a showdown: Bible fulfilled to the letter. John the Baptist, His messenger before His face in Malachi 3, planted a former rain and was rejected by the churches, the denominations, the Pharisees and Sadducees in his day. Jesus came and had the Mount Transfiguration showdown. This forerunner of the last days will sow for the former rain. Jesus will be the showdown between denominations and creeds (which is His Word). When He comes, the showdown, the rapture of His Bride... The first was Mount Carmel; the second was Mount Transfiguration; the third will be Mount Zion. Glory.

Elijah's behavior, Moses' behavior, John's behavior, leaving their field of service, many of the people didn't understand them. It was because they were rejected and their message. The Seed had been sown; judgment was next. And they were a sign to the people from God that judgment was at hand. Planting was over.

124-2 I believe someday the real Bride of Christ will be forced to stop preaching the Word of God. The Bible prophesies of it in Revelations 13:16 (if you want to put it down). Denominations will force it to stop or take its mark. Then when the Lamb will take His Bride and judge the whore for this.

SPOKEN WORD ORIGINAL SEED. JEFF. IN 62-0318E

127-3 When I built this tabernacle, the day I laid the cornerstone out there, I remember that vision that morning: got it wrote right there in the cornerstone; said, "This is not your tabernacle." Said, "Do the work of an evangelist; make full proof of your ministry." I love it; I love God's children everywhere. I don't know where He's going to lead me. I don't know; I'm waiting. I been waiting for a year. I may wait for two years; I may wait for three; I don't know. I don't know the next move. I'm waiting for it. But I think according to the Scripture, the Word's been sowed. The next thing is the coming forth of the Spirit.

END TIME SIGN SEED. TIFTON, GA 62-0319

E-64 There's a revival going on. What is it? A sowing. You don't hear very much of Billy Graham no more, do you? What about Oral? What about the rest of them? You know the great revival fire's not burning. What is it? It's the end time seed sign. The words has been sown. What is it? Denomination will reap denomination. That makes them confederate themselves together.

But the Word of God has been sowed also. And when the Spirit of God begins to fall, the Word of God will live in the people. And that false bride that's committed adultery out there, and brought herself into creeds, and sold out her birthrights will reap what? A confederation of church, that's to be bound and burned like the thorns and thistles. But where the Word of God's been sowed into the people's heart, it will reap a Bride for Christ as certain as I'm standing here: End time signs.

END TIME SIGN SEED. TIFTON, GA 62-0319

E-70 And if the church is sowed with something else besides the Word, it can't go to meet Him. He hasn't got a freak body with fungus on it. He's got a perfect body, and He's the perfect Word. And the church will be sowed and believed in the perfect Word. And the perfect Word and perfect Word will unite together as one flesh and one body, as a husband and wife is. Amen. (I'm not "amening" myself, but "Amen" means "So be it.") I believe it, anyhow. Yes, sir.

The former rain's went forth. The rain's fixing to fall. What's it going to bring forth? You just watch.

7. "Purgatory" means "to purge".

WAY OF A TRUE PROPHET. JEFF. IN 62-0513M

22-4 As I was saying the other day, there's someone talking about--about purgatory and give references to many like St. Francis and St. Cecilia, and she praying for certain people and--out of purgatory, and give such an authorities as that. That's unscriptural authority; it's people who does not have an authority. The apostles had the Scriptural authority, and if it's contrary to them, it's a lie, as far as I'm concerned.

I do believe in a purgatory, but I believe it's right now. You purge your own soul. "Purgatory" means "to purge." When you see you've doing something wrong, get out there and clean it out of you by confession, and crying, and fasting, and praying. Someone even laughed at me when the Lord came here not long ago, give me a vision that I always wanted to see about binding that serpent. I always wondered how to--how if I should step out like that, when I--that's what I've wanted all my life. Then I begin to fast and pray. Said, "What'd you do that for?" I said, "In there He said that I was not sincere enough." Actually to come down want to purge myself, not wait till you die and let some priest try to purge you. Purge your souls.

8. Teaching on education. [Modern civilization]

THREE WITNESSES. ERIE, PA 51-0728

E-15 I was back behind the curtains, and there was a man back there, I believe, that had more education than he just knew what to do with. He sure was punching me hard. He said, "Brother Branham, the very idea, you use the poorest grammar."

I said, "I know it."

And he said; he said, "Why, you're grammar's terrible. To stand with the crowds like you do." And said, "Your grammar's so terrible."

"Yes, sir," I said, "I know that." I said, "I was borned in a poor family, and had to work all my life." I said, "I didn't get a chance..."

He said, "Oh, that's no excuse now; you're a man."

I said, "Well, that's right, brother." And I said, "But when I got to be a man," I said, "the Lord called me in this work, and I just... I've to spend all my time praying for the sick people," I said.

He said, "Oh, there's no excuse for that." He said, "My, I hear you," said, "it's a shame a word that you use." Said, "Correct yourself now." Said, "I heard you say out there tonight, 'All you people passing by this polpit,'" And said, "Why, that's terrible, Brother Branham."

I said, "Yes, sir, I guess that's right."

He said, "Now, that people would appreciate you more if you'd say pulpit instead of polpit." He kinda punched me a little hard, you know.

And I said, "Brother, look, I love you," I said, "I think you're wonderful man, but those people out there don't care whether I say pulpit or polpit, they want me to live the right kind of life and produce what I'm talking about." I said, "That's--that's what I'm..." And I said, "Then they..." [Audience applauds.--Ed.] Thank you, thank you. That... I believe that's right. Now, I'm not trying to support my ignorance, but it's...

Friends, you don't have to have a great education to know God. See? Frankly, education's been one of the worst hindrances that the Gospel of Christ has ever had. I say that with respects and reverence. That's right, the worst hindrance. E-16 In the garden of Eden there were two trees, one of them was the knowledge. And the other one the Tree of Life. And when man left the Tree of Life and took the first bite off the tree of knowledge, he separated himself from God. And now he bit off gunpowder, destroys himself. He bit off an electricity, pulling the coal from the earth, where un--beneath it, is eight thousand miles of burning volcano, and these...

Now, he's bit hisself off automobile, kills more people than all the wars. He's got hisself a hydrogen bomb now; I wonder what he's going to do with that. He's still biting from that tree of knowledge. And every time he bites, he just separates himself away, destroys himself.

And God is not known by knowledge, God's known by faith; by faith, you believe. Not try to figure it out, you just believe. And that's the way God is known. God bless you.

HOW FAITH ACTS. BATTLE CREEK, MI 52-0816

E-1 (...) A real man who knows what missionaries need will be speaking just before me, tomorrow afternoon. Think that's about two-thirty, three o'clock. Brother Baxter will probably announce it. My bosom friend, Brother Jackson from South Africa... And we're very thankful that Brother Jackson's here with us, from all the way from South Africa. There's been many meetings there he was in. I'm sure you'll be delighted to hear him speak. I'd like for all...?... tens of thousands and thousands that never heard the Name of Jesus Christ. It's not fair for ordained ministers to be over here in America, and things like that, and preaching and arguing about little doctrines and things, and millions that never even heard His Name called. My heart goes to them...?... since then.

Although sometimes they go down there and teach reading, writing, arithmetic, but that's not what they need. A civilized native, educated man, is a thousands times worse off than what he was before he left the...?... before he left his...?... All he really needs is Jesus Christ. That's just what the world needs today, is Jesus Christ.

BASIS OF FELLOWSHIP. LONG BEACH, CA 61-0214

E-32 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 worse 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.

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. Educated--education has been an indebtment 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.

BEHOLD A GREATER THAN SOLOMON. SALEM, OR 62-0721

E-17 And we turn our heads, and walk away, and say, "Well, guess it was all right." They'll raise and condemn us. That's right. That's right. You're my people. I'm Anglo-Saxon. You're--you're my people. You're the one that I... You're--you're like me; you're a white man. And--and I'm--I'm--I'm here to tell you... But your education has ruined you. That's exactly

right. It's got you away from God. It always does. Education's the greatest enemy the Gospel ever had. I say that with all my heart. It's the greatest enemy that the Gospel ever had. It's a lot harder to deal with a educated heathen than one that's uneducated.

CHRIST REVEALED IN HIS OWN WORD. JEFF. IN 65-0822M

83 I told you the other day; I say it again; that even civilization itself today is absolutely contrary to God. Civilization is contrary to God. Education is a million miles from Him. Science is a million miles. Science and education is trying to disprove God (See?) through theological seminaries, and schools, and rooms of science, and so forth.

9. Gun blows up in prophet's face.

POSSESSING ALL THINGS. JEFF. IN 62-0506

1 I'm just so grateful to be here. I appreciate your prayers when you heard the little accident I had. It just goes to show that Satan cannot take you until God's ready. And I guess many of you wonder how it--what happened. I'd always been favored... As you know I... My hobby, or what I relax by, is either to go fishing, or go down at the range and shoot, or go hunting, or something like that. I'm glad of that. If I'd have played golf, it'd been out there where women half naked. And if I'd been--and if I'd been a ball player, you know what it would been that. But I'm--I'm glad it was outdoors, such as fishing, hunting, and things.

And I always cherished one of these Weatherby Magnum rifles. And I guess someone would've bought it for me if I'd have said something about it, but I kept it to myself, because it's too much money they want for them to put in there, and me knowing missionaries without shoes on their feet. And then let someone pay for that, take that much money and pay for a rifle? Brother Art Wilson give Billy back there a model 70 Winchester not long ago, a .257 Roberts. Mr. Weatherby put out a paper that he could take that gun for just a little change in there and make a Weatherby Magnum out of it, just perfectly safe. So Brother Rodney comes here to church, Brother Rodney Armstrong sent it away and had it converted into a Weatherby Magnum. It just happened not to be converted right. So when I fired it--it... The--the Winchester Company says that their gun will stand sixty-nine hundred pounds of pressure. You know what that would be.

And I just had the gun up, Brother Wood went down there with me, and it was just about an inch from my eye, like that. And the pressure that blowed sixty-nine hundred pounds for fifty yards, the gun barrel went out towards the fifty-yard line, the bolt went back this way, and the--the gun just disintegrated in my hand. Just a blaze of fire about as high as the ceiling there, and that was about all I knew for a second or two. And I come to, blood was spurting way out like this, and I thought I'd been killed, so I kind of caught my hand up like that for a moment. And Brother Wood... I tried to look, and I couldn't see out of this eye, and couldn't hear at all. I felt like I was walking up in the air. And I seen Brother Wood going out towards the target to see where the bullet hit, and I tried to attract his attention. Then he got there and we come on up. And the ring of shrapnel had went right around the eye. And my face looked like he just throwed hamburger in it, where it just blowed up my face. And a big heavy pieces stuck just above the eye, and made a circle right around the sinus bone and the skull bone here. Doctor Adair picked them out.

4 A few days later, 'course the next day, Doc was in the hospital himself. They sent me over to a specialist about the eye. He found a ring, just below the sight, of about thirty pieces of shrapnel went plumb in deep into the eyeball. It cannot be picked out. Went, just missed the sight and made a ring around like this. He said, "The only thing that I know," he wrote Doctor Adair a letter, said, "the good Lord must've been setting on the bench with him to protect His servant, or he wouldn't even have a head left on." All Brother Wood would've found would just been from here down. See? That pressure that blowed back... I don't know how it did it. But that big heavy bolt out of a model 70 rifle had blowed all the way back, if you know where the Conservation Club is, all the way back to the deer pen. And part of the gun we never did find.

So a... it just goes to show something. I have a sermon one day on that, the Lord willing, on... A conversion's all right, but you'd better keep it low. If it isn't predestinated to the load that it takes, it'll blow up every time. That's right. So don't try to... It better be the original, not mocking from some... [A sister speaks from the congregation--Ed.] Now, look. See? It's... Oh, course, you could imagine that things would be said like that.

But as far as I know, there--there isn't one thing... 'Course, my ears, you can imagine, it still has a ringing when this microphone rebounding. That's the reason I wasn't here this morning. You talk, you hear it blast back and forth. But they taken me over to a specialist; he said, "The ear drum isn't even swollen. And then the eye," said, "you'll be just the same sight you ever had." Said--said, "It went in below the sight. It just made a ring around the eyeball, embedded itself." Said, "You'll always have shrapnel."

I said, "I've had it since I was two years old, that's from another one."

Brother Roberson back there, I called him up and was telling him about it. Don't mind that," I got two or three pound in me," he said. He's a veteran from the war. "So it won't hurt; I've had plenty of it."

9 And I remember the vision of the Lord not long ago. Do you remember me telling it here? The sweetness of the Lord that morning said, "Do not fear whatever, wherever to go, or what, for the never failing Presence of Jesus Christ is with

you wherever you go." So he can't, Satan can't kill me until God says it's finished. See? He might try it, but he'll never succeed in doing it.

10. End time Message get Bride ready for Rapture.

END TIME EVANGELISM. JEFF. IN 62-0603

222 Getting the Bride ready, that's what it is. Now we're going to end right here by saying this. The end-time message is to get the Bride ready and prepared for the rapture. What can it do? According to Malachi 4, is bring them back to the faith that was once delivered to the saints: bring them back to the faith of the fathers, the Pentecostal part, in the restoration time. "I will restore, saith the Lord." That's real event--end-time evangelism.

11. Revival has ceased, now ripening time. [Revival from 1946 to 1962.]

12. Message revival, going on for fifteen years, finished.

LETTING OFF THE PRESSURE. GREEN LAKE, WI 62-0518

E-10 I have kinda listened and watched my Pentecostal brethren as they have predicted a sweeping revival coming. And we all know that the revival that we've just went through has ceased. But there must be coming something else that's glorious and great. And so I've been studying hard to find these places in the Scripture. I think that if our--our revelation must be Scriptural, and then we know it's right. If it's a Scripture, it's from the Lord. And I'm beginning to believe that that's right, that there's coming a ripening time for the evening fruits.

END TIME EVANGELISM. JEFF. IN 62-0603

180 And in Malachi 4, for the church age, He said, "*I'll send to you Elijah before that day.*" Now, that couldn't have been John, 'cause the world wasn't burned up back there and the righteous walked out upon the ashes of the wicked. No. It's this age, a message that'll go forth, that'll what? Restore the faith of the people, the church today that's out of all these different corruptions, and a putrefied, sored body of denomination, back to a living faith in a living God. The message has been going on for years. That's right. It's time now that we should receive and believe the end-time evangelism is to restore. Joel said the same thing, "I will restore all the years the cankerworm eaten."

HEAR YE HIM. SPOKANE, WA 62-0711

E-6 Now, I may not have faith enough to make all of it act, but I certainly won't stand in somebody's way who has that faith. I've often said I wish I had faith like Enoch had: took a little walk one afternoon and went on home with God. Didn't even have to die. I'd like to have that kind of faith. But if I haven't, I certainly praying for it, that I will have that. I believe the church is coming into that place. The--I elected church of God is coming into that spot, to that great predominating faith.

Now, we've just finished a revival across the nation, the last fifteen years. There's been quite a revival strike the world, dying down now in America, just about gone. And we returning from mission fields and feel real bad after we tell the people over there such a revival's been going on here and then see it die.

Of course, according to history, revivals only last about three years. And then revivalists last about that long, then they live on the reputation of what they was in those three years. Now, we find that the revival, the interest of the people has fallen altogether away.

Now, a twenty-minute sermon is a long time. Fifteen years ago you could stay all night long, and all day and all night, and just keep on. I stayed eight days and nights without leaving the platform. And there was five times as many there as there was when it started. But now, just a little while tired. See? The people can't help it. That's the revival over.

E-8 And now, we're back just... I leave again for overseas this coming January, I suppose for another world tour. And then over in Africa, and India, and Japan, and China, and down in the islands we find that there's still fire burning among the people there, that the revival's still moving along in there. But in our homeland it's died out.

13. "The Message is coming to the end."

IT IS I BE NOT AFRAID. PORT ALBERNI, BC 62-0726

E-87 Now, see these pastors here? They're your brethren. Make your way to their church and be baptized. And let--ask them about how to receive the Holy Ghost. They'll instruct you, how to do it. Now, when we pray for you, I want to be sure that the Spirit of God is upon us. All right.

I want to ask you: Do you believe? See that picture over there, that Pillar of Fire that's on the picture? You seen it. Now, I've seen That since I was a little boy. It's all down through the records. The first time that was ever taken, the Canadian newspaper packed it thirty-one years ago, across the whole province of Canada, all the provinces, the Dominion of Canada. Said, "A mystic Light appears over a minister while baptizing in the river." That was in 1930, at the foot of Spring Street at Jeffersonville, Indiana, when around ten thousand people was standing there. And I was baptizing my seventeenth person.

I said, "Heavenly Father..." And I was a young Baptist preacher, and I said, "Heavenly Father, I can only baptize him with water unto the fellowship of this church. But I pray that You'll baptize him with the Holy Spirit." And I said that, Something said, "Look up." I heard it a third time said, "Look up."

And I turned and looked, and a great roar shook around over the crowd, and here come that Light milling itself down, and stood right over me where I was standing. And a voice came from it, said, "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ, your message will forerun the second coming." Look at it today. A revival broke after that, and around the world it's went, a Pentecostal, Holy Ghost revival. Now, Lutherans, Baptists, Presbyterian, Catholics and all's receiving the Holy Ghost, everywhere, and the church making ready to go in. The message is coming to the end. See? There you are.

14. All men has forsaken me because I've stood by the Word. [2 Timothy 4:1-10]

2 TIMOTHY 4:5

But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

2 TIMOTHY 4:10

For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.

WAY OF A TRUE PROPHET. JEFF. IN 62-0513M

37-4 Here the other day, when I was making up some campaigns (Roy Borders was), on the west coast, they brought him--together, a bunch of ministers (about, oh, I guess forty or fifty of them where I had a great meeting); they said, "Mr. Borders, I want to ask you something." Said, "Is it true that Brother Branham uses the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ to baptize in?"

Mr. Borders, a very dignified gentleman (as you know, Brother Borders from here), he said, "Sirs," he said, "Brother Branham, when he's out in the campaigns--out this," said, "he don't preach; he just goes ahead and prays for your sick. That's about what he does."

Said, "That's not what I asked you," said the presbyter. "Does he..." (Now, they had the tapes; they know.) Said, "Does he baptize in the Name of Jesus Christ?"

He said, "Yes, in his own church. That's the only place he baptizes, in his own church."

He said, "That's it; that's all I wanted to know. We don't want him. We don't want that heresy amongst our people."

And the other day when my good friend Ed Daulton got a letter from the Baptist church; he said, "We excommunicate you from the Baptist fellowship, because you have joined in the heresy of being baptized in Jesus' Name."

I like to stand with Paul, "In what the world calls heresy, that's the way I worship God, 'cause it's His Word." Yes, sir. Yes.

PRESUMING. SOUTHERN PINES, NC 62-0610M

E-6 In here this morning is a little Swedish brother of mine. One time, I... Not knowing him, I stood for him with all that was in me. And I'd just come back from Sweden. Brother Joseph was having a hard pull in Chicago, and they had a lot against him, or, they called it against him just because he wanted to be a brother, and fellowship with anybody that reached out his hand and said, "Shake my hand." Joseph was ready to take a hold of it. To me, that's a Christian. That's right.

But there was a group of ministers said, "He's associated with a certain people. He's had them in his church," latter-day rains, and so forth. And we had a meeting booked in Chicago. I said, "But aren't we supposed to be interdenominational?"

Said, "Yeah, but they'd..." The fellow said, "They'd put me out of my church if I let him come in."

I said, "Then we just won't go, if he can't come in." So he--I bypassed Chicago for that cause. And we have been bosom friends all of our lives. Now, if we'd set down and try to discuss Scriptures, we might miss one another half a mile or more, when it comes to Scriptural. But when it comes to brotherly love, we're one. I know he loves God. He believes the same thing about me, and we've had fellowship around.

Now, I'm going into the mission fields of Africa to provide--prepare meetings in where is the big schools are. The little fellow had--just unsponsored, not underwritten by no one, but a vision in his heart to go to Africa. And there he's got thousands. He was at our church in Jeffersonville, showed his film up at school. I want to come over and help him.

And this morning I was eating breakfast down here at Howard Johnson's, and seen some of my friends come by. And who came in but Joseph, set down, and had breakfast with us. Went home, and we're living right next door to each other.

I've been all tore up for a few days on account of a vision. I hadn't told it right out to the people, and it's kinda disturbed. And I wondered, "What could that be? How can it be?" I took my wife, and we went aside, and I rehearsed back. "Where down the road, did I... Have I missed the place? What has happened?"

And something said while we was just standing in my room, just a moment before I was going to have prayer and come over... And I was going to speak this morning--teach on the "Bride Tree," but my voice had got bad. And I said, "I better bypass that, 'cause it's long."

And I said... Well, I--I walked... Something just said, "Take Joseph out in the yard." And I just put my arm around him, walked out into the yard.

We walked down through these big, stately, pine trees. And seemed like that wind blowing through there sings, "There's a land beyond the river..." And I, standing there with my little friend, talking, and a certain thing I was talking to him about... which just he and I to know...

And he said, "But, Brother Branham, where the Lord gave you this Scripture thirty years ago, but did you ever read this below it?" It done something to me. I felt the Holy Spirit just come down all around us.

I said, "Thank you, Joseph." I put my arm around him, walked back to the door, went in, picked up my Bible. It was there just exactly where... Why, I never read but just them first few verses, I don't know. Just for this hour, that's all.

You know Jesus picked up the Scriptures one time, and just read so much of it? Just as much as to be fulfilled then and left the rest of it; 'cause that part pertained to Him in that time, and the next part pertains to Him the second time. I may speak on it tonight, Lord willing.

E-10 I want to go this afternoon, take my Bible and get out into the woods alone, 'cause it's just got me all moved inside. I never thought of it, never tried to read it. About, well, about thirty, thirty-one years ago, and everything that He told me has been fulfilled. And just in the last six months the last part of the vision that morning fulfilled, and here it was. The trouble, I guess (is what I call it then. See?), just didn't know which way to turn. And Joseph said, "But did you ever read the rest of it?" And there it was. Didn't know it. God bless you, Joseph.

I--I--I--is--I love God's people, don't you? Just something real about it. Maybe tonight, the Lord willing... I want to go this afternoon to see what He will tell me. What to do? I feel a lot better about it now, I know that. Just caught two or three verses, and I thought, "Oh, my. That's... Why didn't I read that? Why didn't I think about it?" See? But I just never did notice it. Now... 'cause it wasn't time.

Now, Joseph is going to leave us and going to Africa to make arrangements for meetings. Brother Parker Thomas has been so sweet to ask me to come back again next year, in time of the convention. And I trust that that'll be the will of the Lord I can do that, meet with everybody back here again next year. And the fellowship is very sweet.

15. Brother Joseph Boze leaving Chicago to minister in Africa.

END TIME EVANGELISM. JEFF. IN 62-0603

5 Now, we have a--a big program today. We have our Sunday school services here this morning, and then tonight we have a--a very special program tonight. My good friend, Brother Joseph Boze, which he's no stranger here with us, but I believe it's about the first time he ever visited us in the church. It's... I always had two churches of the entire world that I travel, that I always call "model churches," and one of those where Brother Joseph Boze, the Philadelphian Church in Chicago, Illinois, and the other one was Brother Jack Moore, at Shreveport, Louisiana. I was at those churches so much till when I come home from the missionary trips someone say, "Don't call Jeffersonville to get Brother Branham; just call up Chicago. If he's not there, well, then call down at Shreveport." I was there so much.

Joseph has left Chicago. It broke our hearts at first when we thought he was have to leave Chicago, but after prayer we found it was God giving him a call. And this little friend of mine has now blazed out into a great work in Tanganyika, and Kenya, and Uganda, and he is doing a great work. And we feel to help support him in every way that we can in these meetings. And I'm planning, if it be God's will, in this coming January, to be with him in his schools throughout the--Africa there, as we go on into South Africa from his schools. And I... He will tell you more about it tonight in his address to the church. He'll be speaking this--this afternoon about, I guess about eight o'clock, as soon as the preliminaries are over. And then he has a film that you'll be happy to see, I'm sure. And that film is of his schools in Africa, and what the Lord has done for him just in a short few years. It's very encouraging to me to show what--to see the film, because it shows what God can do with one person that'll find His will and place. After waiting for years to find it, then walking in the way that God directed him... Bring the children along, the first part of it is a very little part.

And, as you know, Joseph, many of you, has quite a sense of humor. And I guess he thought I'd be looking at his picture, so he goes out one night and wanted to take a picture of a lion. In Africa there, there's plenty of lions. So Joseph goes out and takes a lion. And I thought it was the cutest thing. After the mother had made the kill, and they'd eaten the--the animal, she was pulling the skin off. And her little baby cub following along behind, trying to act like he was trying to re-kill it again. You see? And I'm sure the young folks will enjoy about, I suppose, five or ten minutes of that at the first of the film. Now, come early.

And I've not been asked to say this. I don't want to say it. Joseph knows nothing about it. But I think tonight we're going to show our appreciation to Brother Joseph by giving him a offering to his missions for overseas. We believe that the Lord Jesus is coming. And--and if you've been saving a little mission offering, or something for the missionaries, or something you'd like to, a contribution to that, make your check out to Joseph B-o-z-e, for tonight. B-o-z-e, that's right, isn't it? Joseph Boze. And it's... I know Brother Joseph as my bosom, personal friend, and knows it'll go for the Kingdom of God, the best of his knowledge to it.

9 And, so, before we go farther, I would like to introduce and let him just have a word here. I tried to get him to take the morning service, and he wouldn't do it, so he will speak to us tonight at eight o'clock, for what time he cares. And the camera will be set up and the screen here for the picture. But right now I would just like to say to the church, and introduce to the church my good friend and brother Joseph Boze. Brother Boze. [Brother Boze speaks for eight minutes--Ed.] Thank you, Brother Joseph, that's very nice. This is a Sweden and Ireland together, God bless you, Joseph. Thank you for your compliments, Brother Joseph. It's... I can say the same about him. So thankful to the Lord for his great work going on in Africa, and he'll tell you more about it tonight.

16. Seven dimensions.

PRESENT STAGE OF MY MINISTRY. JEFF. IN 62-0908

19 You remember in the vision, or, the little translation as I would call it, recently, where I was taken and saw those people and looked back to myself and all those millions there. And I said, "I want to see Jesus."

And He said, "He's higher."

Well, see, when people die, they--they don't immediately go up with God. Now, you... I'm sure you'll understand that. Maybe I ought to explain it the best that I can. Are you in a hurry then? Let's take our time then and--and--and try to make it just as clear as I can.

Now, when we come along, we remember that we live here in three dimensions. And I don't know whether I can name them or not. One of them is light, and the other is matter. Tommy, you remember what the third is? Huh? Atom--time. Right. Now, light, matter, and time. And our five senses contact them dimensions. Our sight contacts light, our feeling contacts matters, and so forth.

Now, but we have contact through science, the fourth dimension, as it was. Because coming right through this building now comes pictures, voices of radio, pictures on television, that our senses does not contact that, but yet they have a--a tube or crystal that picks up those ether waves and manifests them. So, you see, right in this building now is live actions of people in the air, live voices. They're here. We know it. They're absolutely the truth. And the only thing you do, they--they catch it on... I don't understand the mechanics of--of those things that science has invented, but we know that it proves to us there is a fourth dimension.

Now, the fifth dimension is where the sinner, the unbeliever dies and goes to. The fifth dimension is the--kind of the--well, the horrible dimension. Now, this man...

And when a Christian dies, he goes into the sixth dimension.

And God is in the seventh dimension.

Now then, you see, the Christian when he dies, he goes under the altar of God, right into the Presence of God, under the altar. And he's at rest.

25 To break it down. When a man has a nightmare, he's not altogether asleep, neither is he awake. He's between sleep and awake, and that's what makes him have a horrible shaking and screaming, because he's not asleep, he's not awake. And to take that, shows where a man goes when he dies unconverted. He's lived his time up; he's dead on earth; and he cannot go in the Presence of God, because he's not fit to go there without the Blood. And he's caught. He cannot come back to earth, because his time's finished here on earth, and he's caught between, and he's in a nightmare. See? He can't go in the Presence of God to rest. He can't back, come to earth, because his time's up. He's in a nightmare, and there he stays until the day of the judgment: a horrible thing to be in. See?

And now in this vision, I believe I was caught to that sixth dimension, looking back down here and could see back. See, the sight isn't exactly with the eyes; that's earthly. But it--sight is a greater thing than... The sight that they have there, their contact is far beyond any contact that our natural senses would contact.

17. Vision of Marilyn Monroe's death.

INFLUENCE OF ANOTHER. JEFF. IN 62-1013

52 I was in the mountains a few weeks ago. And way back when I was coming home, we went back (the family and I) to rest a little, where we're going again, the Lord willing, next week. And then, back there one night, I saw a vision. And it was a--a lovely, pretty woman, looked young woman running; she had her hand here, and she was perishing with a heart attack, a beautiful woman. And she dropped and was gone. And the Angel of the Lord said, "Now, when you hear of this, remember, they're going to say that she committed suicide, but she died in a heart attack. And it's almost 4:00, so you just say 4 o'clock," and then He left me.

And I didn't wake the family up in the little cow camp (or where the cowboys stay, where we'd go back there to round up the cattle), I--I just let them sleep until morning. And then, the next day I mentioned it, and I said, "Some young woman, very attractive, is going to die in a heart attack." And on the road out two days later, there it come in on the radio that this Miss (I can't think of her name.) Monroe, Mrs. Monroe. I think that was her stage name, or whatever it was; her name was something else. And she had died, and they said she committed suicide.

Now, it don't make any difference how much I'd say it; they're still going to say she committed suicide. But the child did not; she died in a heart attack. And if you'd watch, she had her hand, trying to get to the phone--the phone in her hand. She'd had a heart attack. They said sleeping pills was there; she'd been taking them for a month (See?) or more, out of that bottle. She died in a heart attack, and she died about four or five seconds before 4 o'clock, exactly.

And I read of her life's story in the magazine of how that her... She was a illegitimate child; and how that she'd washed so many dishes; and her mother in a insane institution; and she had longed (But she was the most perfect bodied woman, I guess, in the world.)--but she'd longed for something that money wouldn't buy. I thought, "Oh, I wished I could've got to her. I know what she needed." There you are.

56 Maybe members of the churches of fame, finest--famous Hollywood, where all the decoration and tinsel is on... But they seen those people... She could see they lived no different life than what she did. It takes influence. It takes the power of the resurrection of Christ amongst the people, that they see that Christ is not a statue hanging in a building, but He's a living Being in the form of the Holy Spirit, living in men and women, bringing peace, and contentment, and happiness. Oh, if we could've only got to the young lady before she left the world.

18. Adam and Eve different than children.

KEY TO THE DOOR. JEFF. IN 62-1007

123 Someone asked the other day, he said, "Brother Branham, if--would there be any difference between Adam and Eve and their children today, if they were all naked, walking in the... Would--would they're bodies be the same?"

I said, "No, sir." We was coming home from squirrel hunting, Brother Fred and I, and a bunch of them. I said, "No, they wouldn't be the same."

Said, "You mean Eve wouldn't be a woman like her daughters, and Adam wouldn't be a man like his sons?"

I said, "In many respects, but not in all physical respects."

He said, "What would be the difference?"

I said, "They wouldn't have any navel. They were created. Right. They wasn't attached to nothing."

As long as that bears out on everything that's born in this world, shows it's a renegade to begin with. That's right. I said, "Sure, there's a difference. They would have no navel. They wasn't connected to any female to come here." See, God created them.

19. Dream of rock box on mountain. [Statue of perfect man.]

BLASPHEMOUS NAMES. JEFF. IN 62-1104M

14-4 Now, now, our sister in dreaming, she dreamed that she... Well first, she was disturbed: "What's the use of going on and trying to struggle through life if God requires us to receive the Holy Ghost and we don't have it?"

(...)

15-4 Now, Peter said first, faith. Now, watch it real close now. We're going to teach this for a few minutes. Faith, now, is your first. And add to your faith, virtue; to your virtue, knowledge; to your knowledge, temperance; to your temperance, patience; to your patience, godliness; to your godliness, brotherly love, brotherly kindness, and then love. And anyone knows that love is God. God is love. See?

Now, that's--then from this, and then bringing this into the seven church ages, God is building in seven church ages a Bride for Christ. Through the Philadelphian, Thyatirean, and Pergamos, and Smyrnaean, Ephesus, a church age that Jesus said, "If the--if the Bridegroom come in the first watch or the seventh watch, all these virgins awakened." They were--they awoke, the virgins of Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea. And did you notice that? It was the seventh age that when He came and woke up those sleeping virgins. That brings them all the way back down to here (See?), for in this, through the years, ages, He has built a Bride, borned a Bride, begotten a Bride on earth for Christ. And the same way that He begets this Bride, He has begot individuals.

Now, I'm back grounding this, so that you will see when the sister's dream is being told.

Now, these things here absolutely must be in the Christian before the Holy Ghost ever seals them, before this comes down on top and makes a complete unit.

Now, our sister's dream now. She was worried whether she had the Holy Ghost or not. When she laid down across the Duofold, where her husband was reading a paper (And she's got little ones, as I have, and they're always making a noise and things.), and so in this, she fell asleep for approximately ten minutes or fifteen; and she dreamed. And she never could understand it or get it altogether from a year ago almost, until this message was taught. Then while I was teaching it, it all come back to her.

And she dreamed that she was praying. She was walking the floor first, before she dreamed, and wringing her hands, and thinking, "Lord, have I got the Holy Ghost? Can You prove to me. Some says because that--that I shouted, or some said because I spoke with tongues. (And we believe in all that.) But have I really got It?"

16-5 I believe in all those things, those virtues: speaking in tongues, and shouting, and all kinds of demonstrations. I believe in every bit of it. But if it's there without this, they's something wrong. See? Now. See? You... See, you--you got a shell.

Notice, and she was worried about it, so she just laid down across the Duofold, where her husband was reading, and she went to sleep. And she dreamed she was up on a mountain. And in this mountain... The best... I haven't got the paper before me, but I think it's like this: She dreamed that she saw a--a rock box like, like a framework setting right in top of this mountain. And her husband was just behind her. And she saw a large man standing there with work clothes on, sleeves rolled up, bailing the most pure water that she ever seen and pouring into this box, this rock box setting in top of the mountain. And the rock box would not hold the water; and it rolled right out of there and just boiled up all the trash and sticks and everything in there, and boiled it out, and rolled down the mountain. And it rolled over her feet, and she was standing right in that stuff; only it didn't stick to her. And--and then she asked why the box didn't hold it, and the man said, "That is not water. That's the Holy Ghost," and said, "nothing will hold it."

And said, "Then he went back and got another big bucket--and it was full of honey--and poured the honey into there and said, 'Now, it'll hold this.'" And she thought that the box was--a rock box was going to burst out and spill the honey, but it didn't. It finally stuck together and held it.

She turned and went down the mountain. Going down the mountain, she stopped at the bottom of the mountain and looked back. She saw five streams of this pure, crystal water, not contaminated by the things that it'd went through, still pure and clear, coming swiftly. Then it slowed up; then almost fading out. And she was wondering would it ever reach the bottom of the mountain--five streams--and she woke up. I think that's just about close to being right, isn't it, Sister Shepherd?

Now, no more than I picked up the letter and opened it, before I read it, I saw her dream. Now, that's the way dreams are interpreted. Now, many of you has come to me with dreams and--and say things to me about dreams. I say, "Wait a minute. You never told it all" (See?); and go back and pick it up. Then if you can't tell what you dreamed, how do you know the interpretation's right or not? See? You've got to have--you've got to see the dream. A vision has to show the dream. And when you see the dream that the person dreamed, and could tell them before they tell you, then you know the interpretation...

Well, I believe that's in the Scripture also. Daniel one time (Wasn't that right?) said... Yeah, I believe... I just happened to think of that then. See? But you always see the dream, now, if the interpretation's right. A person start telling you a dream, you can just stop them, say, "Wait a minute. And it was so-and-so, twas so-and-so, plus so-and-so."

And then you say, "That's exactly right." See?

A man the other day was trying to tell me a dream that he dreamed. He said, "Well," he said...

I said, "Now, brother, why did you leave out that other part?"

He said, "What other part?"

I said, "You dreamed that you threw a rock up in the air, and I shot at it and got some in my eye."

He said, "That's exactly the truth, Brother Branham."

And they just picked the last part of it out yesterday. Uh-huh. So there you are. See? You see? Why you don't let... Tell the truth of it. But, you see, it always reveals back what--tells you your dream, what you dreamed. Then you know it's right.

18-3 Now, here's interpretation of her dream. She was bothered about the Holy Spirit. Now, insomuch as she seen the box on top of the mountain was the rock, rock box is "rock confession." Now, like Jesus said in the Scripture, He said... Peter said... Jesus said, "Who does man say I, the Son of man, am?"

One said, "Thou art Elias, and Moses, and so forth."

And He said, "But Who do you say I am?"

He said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Now, some people say... Now, the Catholic church says, the Roman Catholic church says that His--what the rock was that Jesus said, "Upon this rock I'll build My Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against It," ... They said it was upon Peter, and Peter was that rock, because Peter means "little stone." "And upon this little stone I'll build My church." And upon Peter they, apostolic succession, they built the church.

Then the Protestant church says, "That's wrong, that it was upon Himself He built the church."

Now, not to be disagreeable, but I--to my way of seeing it, it's both wrong, because He never built It upon Peter, neither did He build It upon Himself; but it's upon Peter's revelation of Who He was. See? "Who does man say I, the Son of man..."

"Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God,"

"Blessed art thou, Simon, son of Jonas: flesh and blood has not revealed this to you (some seminary. See?); but My Father which is in heaven has revealed to you. Thou art Peter, upon this rock (of confession, upon this revelation) I'll build My Church." And that's been...

Each church age has had that rock confession on up to this rock confession of the Laodicea. And now, you cannot make a holy church. There's no such a thing as a holy church or holy organization. The Holy Spirit can be preached in it, but in there you find good and bad, renegades, indifferent, and everything else. So a organization will not hold... You can't say, "We got It; none of the rest of them has It." No, sir. The Holy Spirit is poured out on individuals. It's the individual.

So therefore, the rock... This latter day Pentecostal church, which has received the Holy Spirit they did at the first... All down through the ages they received the Holy Spirit, but not in the measure that they have It now; 'cause it's a restoration of the first. As we take the candlesticks, Alpha and Omega, how they lit the first candle: it went higher and higher, and got dimmer and dimmer, and then come back again (See?), first and last and so forth.

Now, but in this church age the Message is being poured into the church. But the church body itself, in altogether... Like the--this tabernacle, we'll say; that's where she comes to church. This tabernacle is not a Holy Ghost tabernacle. There's no such a thing. Individuals that come into this church is Holy Ghost tabernacles. They are tabernacles that contain the Holy Ghost, but not the church in the body of group. Therefore, It runs out.

But what, this man who was pouring the water, the messenger to the church, pouring the Message into the church... But what was the water doing? It was boiling out all the trash that was in it. That's what the Holy Spirit does: boils it up.

Now, now, the honey represented brotherly love, brotherly kindness, which is this age. I just got through telling you (See?) of brotherly kindness, the age that we live in now.

19-6 Now, you might say, "Look, I--I--I sure don't like Brother Neville," or, "I sure don't like Brother Jones; I don't like Brother So-and-so," and something like that. But just let something happen to him; brother, your heart's broke. It just nearly kills you. See? We can obtain brotherly kindness and feeling for one another. See? But to maintain in a group of people...

Why do you care for that brother? Because you broke bread with him here at the altar, as you will tonight; you fellowship with him; you shook his hands; you worship with him. He's your brother. And he might do something in the flesh that you would disagree with, cause you just kind of stay (which you oughtn't to do but)--shun him a little. But in the bottom of your heart, if something happened to that brother, it would just nearly kill you, or that sister.

I'm--I'm an old man. I was once young and now I'm old. I've seen it down through the age do that. Hear people say, "Well, I just won't have no more to do with him." And something happen to that man, it nearly kills him; he thinks, "Oh, God, I let my precious brother go without making friends with him (You see?) again." See? See, it's brotherly love. It looks like it won't stick, but it does stick. The honey, it sticks.

Now, insomuch that she come from there, down the hill to the bottom of the hill... Now, this glorious water was gushing over the hills in five streams. Now, five is the number of grace: J-e-s-u-s, f-a-i-t-h, g-r-a-c-e. See? Five is the number of grace. Five streams was pouring from up here at the trough down through here. And each one of these ages had that rock confession. The saints are sleeping, waiting, waiting, waiting (See?) on till this age, but soon the Holy Ghost, being poured out from Christ, will come and will seal up the Church, then the Church will be raptured. It'll be a complete unit of God, a Bride for Christ, who will be the head of all things. You follow me now?

Now, she was wondering... Now, in her dream she was wondering, would this little stream, would this little stream ever get to the bottom. See? It was drying up. Now, being that she herself... Now, here's what I want you to get to now. She herself was wondering about her own self: Did she have the Holy Ghost?

Now, I shunned saying this a few days ago, thinking that the church would be spiritual enough to catch it (and maybe I better turn this tape off right now, but--'cause I don't want it to get out amongst brethren.); but you could speak with tongues, you could shout, you could dance, you could cast out devils, do anything you want to, and still not have the Holy Ghost.

Didn't them disciples come back rejoicing and shouting because the devils was subject unto them? And Jesus... Right among them was Judas? Did not Jesus say in that day, when He come, that "Many will come to Me and say, 'Lord have not I cast out devils and in Your Name done mighty works,' and I'll say, 'Depart from Me, you workers of iniquity, I didn't know you.'" Those things are not indications of the Holy Spirit. By their fruit you shall know them.

21-2 Now, you say, "Brother Branham, did we--should we speak with tongues?" Absolutely, that's gifts of God. But those gifts of God without these virtues in them, makes a stumble block to the unbeliever. It--it's not accepted by God. This has to be first. And when you have faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, and brotherly love, then the Holy Ghost comes down and seals you as a unit, as same as He seals the church ages as a unit. The way He makes His Bride is the way He makes His individual: made out of the same material, like Eve was made out of Adam, a rib from the side. Here is the things that you have to have first. You can't impersonate them; you can't imitate them; they've got to be God sent and God borned. Imitation only causes confusion.

20. Ainioan eternal life. [Greek Lexicon & The Emphatic Diaglott]

BLASPHEMOUS NAMES. JEFF. IN 62-1104M

27-2 Now, I've got the Greek Lexicon here, "The Emphatic Diaglott." I studied the other day on a word.

Now, in John 14--or John 3:16, we find one place says, "have Everlasting Life"; another place it says, "have Eternal Life." But in the--in the Greek version, in the Hebrew it says, "Life without end." In the Greek word, has A-i-n-i-o-a-n... Almost like "aeon." Aeon is a space that's can't be... It's a number that can't be numbered. It's beyond millions, trillions, billions. But this is an aionian of time: Eternal Life. And the English word for it is eternal. We know it as eternal, Aionian or Life without end. See?

21. Visions, highest time this year.

CHRIST IS THE MYSTERY. JEFF. IN 63-0728

5-1 (...) A very strange thing happened... I might as well... I know that this is taped, and I might as well place it on here. And right while visions and leadings of the Holy Spirit is moving, I like to strike just exactly while It's moving. That's... Now, in the last year it's been one of--right along with one of the most highest time for visions that I've ever had in all my ministry--has been this last year--of things that has taken place, that you people know that is foretold before it happens, and it happens just the way it--it said.

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