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L-208 Now, everybody real reverent. Now, now listen. I know you got to go to work in the morning. Your job is important. I know that. Your children is waiting for you. Baby-sitters; said she'd leave at nine-thirty. But let's just wait. What's more important, to know whether this is the Truth or not? What's more important than your soul? Now, if this Bible has promised this, God does it, that's the most important thing that I can think of. See?

Have a chair over there, with the sound system, and that's what was making that noise.

L-209 Now look. Now, remember, let everybody rest surely now. I hope I haven't impressed you to make you think that I'm some kind of a cult or something, that I would be that Person, the Lord Jesus. You don't believe that, do you? Surely you don't. I am His servant. I am a sinner that's been saved by grace. But, in this, the hour has come to where He has given a gift.

L-210 I just had an examination just recently, when a bunch of medical doctors take me under advisement, to put me on a

L-103 I minister the Word of God to you. In the Name of Jesus Christ, may every one of you receive what you've asked for. "If you say to this mountain, 'be moved,' and don't doubt in your heart, but believe that what you've said will come to pass, you can have what you have said." When you pray, believe that you receive what you asked for, and it shall be given unto you. I minister in the Name of Jesus Christ. I believe that our verdict has been made up and been passed and our actions proves now that we believe, and we know He healed. If I never see you again this side the river, I'll meet you on the other side. Then the great Holy Spirit Who has been our Guest this week, here with us and has ministered to us, He will witness to you then that I've told you the Truth. Until that time: [Matthew 21:21-22]

Till we meet! till we meet!

God be with you till we meet again!

Let's bow our heads now.

[Mark 11:22-26]

L-104 Real quietly and sweetly. [Brother Branham begins humming Till We Meet--Ed.]

L-105 May death's waves be slipped before you. May the God of Heaven, Whose Presence we're in, ever keep you safe until we meet.

God bless you, brother. I appreciate you.

Courtesy of Living Word Broadcast P. O. Box 4951 Naperville, IL 60567 USA Email: thevoice1017@lwbcast.org http://www.lwbcast.org/ The Word said, "They shall recover." And we've brought witnesses to the platform, to prove that that's what You said. You do things Your Own way. [Mark 16:8]

L-101 Now, I pray, Father, that You will grant these blessings this afternoon to the people. As Your servant, and with all Your other servants, hundreds of them here, we offer our prayer for these people. Anoint these fine pastors, Lord. The skeptic ever comes by, or unbeliever, or Mr. Impatient, or any of those critics, scoffers that's been through every age, if they come by these people, may this court this afternoon ring out against it, their testimony. That, no matter what they say, so as it was in the day of Sodom, goes into destruction. How they scoffed and made fun! But it didn't make any different, the believers held right to the Word. And we're ready to hold to the Word this afternoon, Father. I join myself with Your other pastors here, to lay hands upon these people, may the power of Almighty God, Which we know is present now vindicating the Word, make each one of them well. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

L-102 Brother Roy, if you'll come to the platform. Every head bowed now, everybody praying and singing. If you don't pray, sing Only Believe. As you pass through, just believe, pass through. Just no matter what you say or do, that's up to you. If you want to shout, shout. And if you want to walk off... No matter what it is, just believe God. Walk off and say, "It's settled in my heart." Just like if you went to the pool to be baptized. That settles it, if you believe it. You're a Christian as long as you believe. Is that right? And you'll be healed as long as you believe. Let's all pray now. All right, Brother Borders. [Brother Branham prays for the sick. Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] Only believe!

Till we meet! till we meet! Till we meet at Jesus' feet; Till we meet! till we meet! God be with you till we meet again! test, for a wave test. And you know what they come out and told me?

L-211 Said, "I never seen such in my life." He said, "You know, you're..." Said, "A person, that when your five senses that you... the body is controlled in." Said, "Now, now, your..." Said, "That's your first, conscious. You live in it. But when your five senses become in--inactive, then you have a subconscious. That's way off from you. You have to be dead to this feelings or anything here, as you go back off here to this subconscious and you dream." Said, "There is some part of you that goes somewhere. And you, when you wake up, back into this conscious again, you're shook back to here, you remember what you dreamed."

L-212 How many ever had a dream? Sure, years ago, all of you. Well, there is some part of you somewhere, 'cause you still remember it in your mind. Is that right? So that was your subconscious.

L-213 He said, "That's the ordinary. But," said, "Rev. Branham," said, "the tens of thousands times thousands of people we ever examine, we never found a character like you."

I said, "Am I crazy?"

L-214 He said, "I don't think people come all over the world, to talk to a crazy man."

And I said, "Well, am I? I know I'm nervous."

L-215 He said, "No more than any other minister or doctor, anybody that deals with the public."

I said, "What's so strange?"

L-216 He said, "You know what? Your two consciouses lay right straight together." Said, "You could dream a dream with your eyes open." See?

He didn't know what he was, what about it. I said, "Is that right?"

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L-217 He said, "Yeah. You wouldn't have to go to sleep to dream a dream."

L-218 I said, "Doctor, did you ever read in the... about a vision? You know what a vision is?"

He said, "Is that a Bible term, Mr. Branham?" I said, "Yes."

L-219 He said, "Well, I don't know nothing about the Bible." He said, "I wouldn't know what you was talking about."

I said, "Did you ever read the Bible?"

He said, "Yeah."

"Read back in the Bible about the old prophets of the Old." "Oh," he said, "that! What? They foresaw things?" "Yeah." I said, "That happens to me, sir."

L-220 He said, "That, I'm glad you... That settles it. Well, that's it, see." He said, "You know what? You ought--you ought to go in and let us examine this." Said, "This would be a great scientific research."

I said, "Wait a minute, doctor. Did you ever have a dream?" He said, "Yes."

L-221 I said, "Then dream me a dream. Tell me what's going to happen tomorrow. You couldn't do it if you had to. See? Ever who let you have that dream has to do it."

L-222 Neither can I see a vision. It's got to be Him that let's visions. I can't see them till He tells me. I don't know what to say till He tells me to say. But it's a gift, you see, that I was born with that. The first thing I ever remember in my life was seeing a vision. And not one time has it ever been wrong." See? It's your--your... That's the reason you see people...

L-223 We do have a lot of impersonation. That's exactly right. But we'll always have that. Sure.

L-224 I read the story of Martin Luther, to your Lutherans. The history of Martin Luther said, "It wasn't so strange that Martin Luther could protest the Catholic church and get by going up with we pastors while we're praying for these people? What if that was your mother standing over there? What if that was your wife? What if that was your brother or sister? Remember, it's somebody's mother, it's somebody's brother, it's somebody's sister, it's some mother's boy or girl, it's somebody's. And we will do to others as we'd have others do to us. Now, I want you, everyone to be reverent and in prayer.

L-98 And while they have got their lines formed about now, to where they can come through, I want the ministers now to come here and form a double line right around the side of the platform here, right up and down this way, form a double line so that the people passing by. I'll set this microphone back, Mr. Borders will be standing here leading in song. That's right, double line up and down this a-way, so the people...

L-99 Now, to each one of you that's standing in line, to make it double sure to Satan, the prosecutor, that your decision is made up. The very fact that you believe that what you need is God's Word, and It's the Truth, and you're coming through this line to have hands laid upon you. And from this time on, your action is going to prove what your verdict was. Raise up your hand, and say, "I promise God that." All that's in that line.

L-100 Now let us pray. Our Heavenly Father, the... this people, this afternoon, has been treated like a court. I feel, Lord, You've had a--a real trial. Pilate didn't give You the right kind. He got false witnesses. But You overrode the false witness. The--the Defense Witness, the Holy Spirit come to confirm the Word before the people. You've had a fair trial. And the people has made up their mind, they passed their verdict, they say, and they're coming through to prove to the world that they believe Your Word is so. It's been misinterpreted. Some of them saying, "Let me see you do this, let me see you do that." It ain't according to Your Word.

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in this section here, that has prayer cards... Now, on this--this section here, now turn back the other way now, go back this a-way. Turn the other way, 'cause I want a straight line. All that's in this section, come out this way, face back that way. And all that's in this section up here, that's got prayer cards, come out this way and face back that way, and the prayer line will be running. All that's in the balcony, with prayer cards, wants to be prayed for, come right down and fall right in behind this next section as they come. While they're coming, I...

L-95 [Brother Branham speaks with the ministers on the platform--Ed.] You want me to call other ministers? Is it all right to give witness? All, is it all right with you all? What's your verdict in the trial? [The brother answers, "I know that them things is the Truth."] All right.

L-96 The pastors wants to know, wants the fellowship with other ministers. They want any minister in here that believes in God, and believes that laying hands on the sick, if their verdict this afternoon, that it's the "Truth," they invite you as their colleagues to come here and stand on the platform with us while we pray. All pastors that's filled with God's Spirit, and your verdict now is that you believe that He is the same vesterday, today, and forever, you believe that Mark 16 is the Truth, these pastors here wants to invite you up here now as their colleagues to the Gospel. Come up here and stand on the platform with us as we form these prayer lines, to pray. Right here, bring them up this way. All pastors in the building, no matter what denomination. They just told me to ask you. Come on up here if you wish to come at this time, and form this prayer line to be prayed, pray for the sick, to lay hands on the sick. [Hebrews 13:8], [Mark 16:16-18]

L-97 How many in here that isn't... is well, now, and you don't have to be prayed for, but you are believers, raise up your hand. Will you promise me also that your prayers will be with it; but he could hold his head above all the fanaticism that followed his revival, and still stay clear with the Scripture." That's it. Yeah.

L-225 That don't have nothing to do with them. You're responsible before God... For, see, it's just a gift. See? You drop yourself over here, and then the Lord speaks.

L-226 Now, here. Here, is this the woman? Now, here, this ought to prove it, now to everybody. Be real reverent, just a few minutes. May be a newcomer is here. Now here is a--a young woman, I--I have never seen her in my life. She's a stranger to me. I don't know her.

L-227 But here we meet, just like Saint John 11... I been there, tonight, see, when... Saint John 4, I mean, where Jesus met the woman at the well. I was speaking about her. She was probably much younger than Him. And He told her where her trouble was. And by that, she said, "Now, Sir, You, I perceive that You are a prophet." [John 4:19]

L-228 Now, see, a prophet is one who the Word of God has come to. The prophecy for that day, the Word that's to be fulfilled in that day, come to that man, and He is that living Word for that day.

L-229 She said, "I perceive that You are a prophet. Now we're waiting for that prophet." If you'll run that reference back, it refers you right back to--to that prophet. Said, "We know when Messiah cometh, that's what He'll do. He'll tell us those things."

He said, "I am He, that speaks to you." [John 4:19, 25, 26]

L-230 And she went and said "Come, see a Man that told me the things I done. Isn't this the Messiah?" And all the people believed it. [John 4:29]

L-231 Now, He promised that, "The works that He did, the believers would also." And now, in this last day, vindicated His near Coming by it, when He reveals Himself in the same way as He did at Sodom."

L-232 Have you been listening to the Messages this week? You believe that to be the Truth? [The sister says, "Yes."--Ed.] Now, we being strangers to one another, that's right, is it? ["Yes."] Just so that the people see, raise your hand, so that the people see.

L-233 I've never seen the woman, in my life. I don't know no more about her than nothing. See? She's just a young woman, much younger than I. Born years apart, miles apart, and here we meet, the first time. Here we both stand here, people all around, lights, everything else. We're standing here in the Presence of God. And I'm talking to you, to find out, first, if that anointing will come upon me. And if it does, then I'll be able to do it. Without That, I cannot do it. Now, only thing I do is just pray and lay hands on you, like your pastor would, or whoever it would be, and go on. See? It's a gift. I got myself, as far as I know, relaxed to It. But, then, I can't make It come. He has to come. It has to come, Itself.

L-234 Now just be reverent. It is here. Now, in the Name of Jesus Christ, I take every spirit in here under my control, for the glory of God. Now sit quiet. If anything happens, I'll be able to control it, if you just don't jump up and start carrying on. Sit still. Epilepsy and things sometime get in the meeting and just swing out a dozen of them, like that. How many seen such as that happen in my meeting? Sure. See? Sure. But you just sit still. I'm responsible for that. But if you're arrogant, I'm not responsible, 'cause it's a punishment.

L-235 Now, I have no more idea what the woman is here for. Now, she knows of it now, at this time, that something is going on. See? 'Cause, right between she and I, she just begins fading out. It's that Light coming in.

L-236 Now, the woman is really, her main thing that she's here for, she's standing for somebody else. She's got somebody she's--she's praying for. And that's a--a--a person

for this, what I call this afternoon, "the court." May each one of them give testimony the same, as they take their prayer card and hold in their hands, as they cross the platform. May, when they have... being ministered to according to the 16th chapter of St. Mark, "They shall lay their hands upon the sick, and they shall recover." As Your elected servant stands here and we lay our hands upon them, Lord, may it settle it forever. May they go out of here just as happy, and forget about they ever had any troubles, because they're sure, like Abraham was, that God is able to perform the promises that He made. We ask in Jesus' Name. Amen. [Mark 16:15-18]

I love Him, I love Him Because He first loved me And purchased my salvation On Calvary's tree.

L-93 How many's got your verdict? Raise your hand, "I've got my verdict." All right, court, you will be ministered to according to God's Holy Word, "These signs shall follow them that believe." I'm not going to leave you sitting here, thinking that just because this gift, that that makes anybody any more than anybody else. You've got godly pastors here. They're here, were going to ask them to stand with me on the platform. They'll lay their hands on the same as I do. They had us to come here, and they're here as your... as witnesses of God. They're bearing witnesses to the Truth. Now, can't say, "Brother Branham laid hands," 'cause my hands is no more than theirs or anybody else's. It's your faith, your verdict that you passed on the Word of God. God keeps! And if God can keep that part of the Word and prove it to you, then you're already healed, because by His stripes you were healed. [Mark 16:16-18]

L-94 Now, I want all that's in this section over here, that's got prayer cards, stand up on that side around the wall. Now, all that's in this section here, that has prayer cards, stand up in the middle of the aisles and face back that way. And all that's L-90 There's a doctor sitting present now, as I understand. I want to thank him. I was at a patient, to see his patient, a while ago, early this morning in a hospital, who's bound to die, so they think. She's so eaten with cancer. And this little woman said to me, said, "My surgeon has been attending your meeting, and he agrees with you. And not only that, but, Brother Branham, I want you to know he's standing with you in prayer for me." If I needed any medical attention, I'd want him to give it to me, a man that can trust God like that! Yes. They're in all walks of life, in all professions.

Let's remember, the verdict is yours now.

L-91 Lord Jesus, I've just tried to explain the Word. You've testified that It's the Truth. Your witnesses, we could have called hundreds, and yet we haven't the time. Here also lays handkerchiefs, laying here, that's going to the sick and the afflicted, right here where the Holy Spirit gives witness that Jesus is still alive. We know Him by His Life, the life that He lived, the things that He did. And we pray, God, now as laying hands upon these handkerchiefs, that whosoever they touch may they be healed. I offer my prayer, with faith, along with this other bunch of believers, for these who are not able to be here. May they enjoy the greatness of God. They may be sick and can't come. Some poor old father sitting back there in a room, pecking on a little white cane, this afternoon, waiting for this handkerchief to return. That baby laying there in the hospital, burning up with a fever, and someone waiting to bring it the handkerchief. Let the power of Almighty God go with them, anoint them with the same anointing that's been upon the meeting this afternoon. And may they recover, Lord. We offer this prayer in their behalf, because they wasn't present. But You're omnipresent. May You be there to confirm Your Word, through Jesus Christ's Name. [Acts 19:12]

L-92 Now let the Holy Spirit truly, not emotion, not some kind of just a halfway hope, but a genuine verdict may be passed

that's real bad off, in a nervous breakdown. It's a sister. That's right. That's right, raise up your hands. With a nervous breakdown. Now look.

L-237 So the people say, "I think he just guessed that." No, no. See? Never guessed it.

L-238 Now watch. She's a very fine person, a good spirit. Now just a moment. Now look on me. And that's what Peter and John said, at the gate, "Now look on me." See? There seemed to be something else in your heart. Yes. You suffer, yourself, with some sort of a dizzy spells, like you get. You have that. That's right.

L-239 You got something else on your heart, that you want to know about, and that's for that brother. He's in the hospital here. [The sister says, "Yes."--Ed.] You want me to tell you how he come to being there? He was in an automobile accident. That's right. Huh! Do you believe you receive what you asked for? Then go on your road. It's all over, then. See? "If thou canst believe, all things are possible."

L-240 How do you do, lady? Now, do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, the same yesterday, today, and forever? [The sister says, "I do."--Ed.] If He would reveal to me what your trouble is, you believe that He could do that? ["I sure do."] All right. Now may He grant it.

L-241 One thing that you suffer, yes, uh-huh, first, you've had some surgery. And you've had a breast removed, amputated. Then, you've hurt your breast, your other breast, and that's what your trouble is. You're not from here. [The sister says, "No."--Ed.] You're from around a river of some... You're from Louisville, Kentucky. ["And close to you."] And your name is Mrs. Lumpkins. God bless you. That, that's right. You have been in the tabernacle. I didn't recognize you. But that's exactly right. Go on your road, believing now. God bless you. That's fine. All right.

L-242 Come now. Do you believe with all your heart, sir? You

believe me to be His servant? [The brother says, "I believe."--Ed.] Do you believe that--that you, when you come, you're coming just like Simon Peter did that time? See? You're not coming to me. You're coming to Him. And I'm just His representative. See? He... I... We are the--the--the branches; He's the Vine. Now, if the Lord Jesus... Us being total strangers to one another, I suppose we are. And if--and if we be total strangers, and the Lord Jesus can reveal to me something that like He did to Simon Peter, some of the rest of them, when they come, will it make you believe, with all your heart? You'd believe it? ["Yes."] Now, all right, sir. Now you look on me just a moment.

L-243 Now, your trouble, I see you. It's something about the stomach. It's in... It's a tumor in the stomach. [The brother says, "That's right."--Ed.] That's right, a tumor in your stomach. Say, by the way, you are a minister, too. ["Yes."] Yes, sir. You believe God can tell me who you are? You believe God knows you? ["I do, with all my heart."] All, with all your heart. All right. Rev. Brown, go on, be well, Jesus Christ...

L-244 Believe. You believe God can heal your arthritis and make you well? Go, believing it then. Say, "Thank You, Lord Jesus."

L-245 Come, lady. You suffer with a nervous trouble. You believe that God can make you well of that? [The sister says, "Amen."--Ed.] All right. Just go, saying, "Praise the Lord!" See, a little wheel turning way down here. It used to turn up here. You used to be a happy little person when you were young, full of joy and jolly. And all at once, something happened. Now just go up there, and believe that again. Just start, happy, rejoicing, Jesus Christ will bring you to it. God bless you. Go, believe it now, with all your heart. All right.

L-246 You believe? You're crippling up, too. You believe that God can heal it and make you well? [The sister says, "Yes."--

Do you believe? That was your wife that started weeping right next to you there, she's got a burden on her heart. That's for her sister. Her sister has heart trouble, complication. You are Mr. and Mrs. Sickles. If that right, wave your hand up and down like this. If I'm a total stranger to you, stand up on your feet. Stand up, if I'm a stranger to you and don't know you.

L-87 What is it? The fulfilling of the Word of God in the last days! Prosecutor, I want you to know that the Word of God is true. God told me that thirty-three years ago. I've waited all this time, but it's fulfilled right here this afternoon. God keeps His Word! He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. God bless you; go and get your desire now.

L-88 Your mind is the jury. The jury has to make up its mind. And the way you act from now on will pronounce or show to the people what your verdict is. Is He guilty or is He not guilty? Do you believe that He's not guilty, that He does keep His Word? It's us that has the... We're listening to old man Impatient, Mr. Unbeliever, and Mr. Skeptic. But now you'll believe that God keeps His Word? Your mind is the jury. And the way you act from hereafter will prove to the people what your verdict is. You believe that? Let us bow our heads then.

L-89 I've told you the honest Truth. If we had time to stay here, there ain't a Scripture in the Bible but what'll testify to the same thing. I've been honest. You know, sometimes, to be honest it's not an easy task. But as long as God stands there! It wasn't easy for Luther, Wesley, or none of the rest. It isn't easy for you or anybody else that takes a stand. But this afternoon you've got to make your stand. He never said... He said, "They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." If you believe it, then I don't care if it happens right here, if it happens next week, it happens twenty years from today; if you absolutely believe it, it's got to happen. I... [Mark 16:18] and forever, that He keeps His promise. And He promised that Jesus Christ would be revealed in the last days, as the Son of man. [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] [Hebrews 13:8]

L-83 A man sitting here suffering with hemorrhoids. I never seen you in my life. If that's right, raise up your hand. You believe me to give witness of the Word of God? That's your wife sitting next to you. She's suffering also, cyst on her head. That's right, raise up your hand. Do you believe God can tell me who you are? If He's still the Word, the Word knows the secret of the heart. You are Mr. and Mrs. Hunt. If that's right, raise up your hand. Why don't you believe It?

[A sister begins speaking in another tongue. Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]

L-84 Here, here sits a man sitting right here, his head down, crying, praying for himself and also for his wife. She isn't here. She's not with you this afternoon. She's suffering. You think God could tell me what her trouble is, and her not here? You believe it? You do? I'm a stranger to you, is that right? Your wife has a female trouble. If that's right, raise up your hand, high, so they'll see it. And your name is Mr. Smith. Do you believe that God will make her well? If that's right, wave your hand up-and-down, like this.

I challenge you to believe that Jesus Christ is revealed in the form of Son of man, in human flesh, through the Bride's Body. Accept His call.

L-85 Here is a woman sitting here looking at me. She suffers with high blood pressure. Do you believe that God could tell me who you are? They call you Daisy. If you... Is that right? Raise up your hand. Believe now with all your heart, Jesus Christ will make you... give you your desire. You see, He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do you believe it? *[Hebrews 13:8]*

L-86 Here's a man sitting right back here looking at me, he's got a burden on his heart. It's for his son, son has diabetes.

Ed.] All right. Just go, say, "Thank You, Lord Jesus," and with all your heart.

L-247 Do you believe God can heal that asthma and make you well, son? Go on your road, rejoicing, being healthy and happy. Also, weakness, prostrate, and arthritis. You believe that God can make that well, heal you? [The brother says, "Yes."--Ed.] If you believe it with all your heart, go on your road, rejoicing, saying, "Thank You, Lord."

L-248 Just a moment now. Just one moment. Something happened. Different person from this. Just believe now, all your heart.

L-249 It's this lady sitting right here, suffering with a back trouble. You believe that Jesus Christ make you well, with all your heart? All right. You can have what you ask for, then. See? The Lord Jesus heal you and make you well.

L-250 "If you can believe it, all things are possible to them that believes." Do you believe that with all your heart? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] What do you think about it, sitting there, suffering with that hernia? Do you believe that God will heal you of that hernia and make you well? Yes. You believe He will? All right. You can have what you ask for. The Lord bless you. [Mark 9:23]

L-251 See, He's out there just the same as He's here. That ought to just tear us to pieces, oughtn't it? You think God will heal that diabetic and make you get well, and you go home, the blood condition will be... Go to Calvary, for a blood transfusion, it'll all be over. Go, believe it with all your heart. Don't doubt. Just believe, with all your heart, that God will make you well.

L-252 Come here. You got the most dangerous disease there is in the world. That's heart trouble. But Jesus lives in the heart. Do you believe He will heal you in that heart? All right. Go on your road, saying, "Thank You, Lord Jesus," and make you well. L-253 Go, eat your supper. Jesus Christ healed you from that stomach trouble, makes you well. All right.

L-254 You believe? You believe, if I don't say a word, just lay hands on you, you'll get well, anyhow? Lord bless you. Just believe with all your heart.

L-255 You believe, if I lay hands on you, you'll get well, too? Come. In the Name of Jesus Christ, may she be healed.

L-256 Come. Now, you know I know what's wrong with you. But, there, if I don't even tell you, you believe you won't have to have that tumor taken out, and it'll just be all right from now? [The sister says, "I'm not going to have it taken out."--Ed.] All right. All right. Go right ahead then, believe God, you'll get well and be all right. ["You think that something is wrong with me?"] If--if you just believe that, He'll take it out. You won't even have to have it, if you just believe with all your heart. ["I'll never have it taken out."] Praise the Lord.

L-257 Now do you believe God heals cancer, and makes people, with cancer, well? [The brother says, "Yes, sir."--Ed.] All right, sir. Go on your road, and say, "Thank You, Lord, I'm going to be well." And you'll be all right.

Now Jesus has come and calls for you. You believe that?

L-258 You believe it, sitting there, lady, kind of heavy-set, with that sinus trouble? Do you believe God will make you well? All right. See? Just looking here, you just look right on, and believing. And that...

L-259 The lady sitting there, shook her head, right next to you. She didn't know what to think about it. If you'll believe, your arthritis will leave, too. All right. You believe with all your heart?

L-260 This elderly man sitting over here, from Okeechobee, over in that way, you believe that Jesus Christ will heal your eyes that's going blind? You can have what you ask for, if you'll ask it. L-267 Make your vow to God, "Lord God, forgive me for what I've done. I promise You. I said I was a Christian. But, Lord, there is Something in me, tells me I--I--I'm condemned right now in the Presence of this One that's identifying Himself as the Lord Jesus Christ. I'm condemned, right in my own heart. And knowing that, in here, making this so plain, I'm condemned. I'm going in, to make this right, right now. I'll pledge God, right here, that, from this night on, I'll absolutely live for Him." Won't you do that? All right.

L-268 While, if that's all, now let's stand up, you out there, just a minute. I wish I could sing. I'd like to sing that song.

Forgive me, Lord, and try me one more time. I'll be Yours, dear Lord, if You'll be mine. If I fall, or if I fail, let me rise and try again. Forgive me, Lord. Try me one more time.

64-0419 - Mckay Auditorium, Tampa, FL (Paragraphs: 81 - 105)

L-82 I am a stranger, and I'm only bearing record of what the Bible says to be Truth. If you notice, the Angel of the Lord that come in the form of a man, had His back turned to the tent, and He told Abraham what Sarah was thinking. Jesus said it would repeat. Now, if I have told the Truth, let God confirm that to be the Truth. Let Him reveal it. Then, it's no secret, we know then. The... I'll leave this court this afternoon with this verdict, to make in your own mind. Let the God that made the promise... Not back in them days; they were vindicated. Let the God that made the promise vindicate it today, say the same. Some of you think in your heart, pray to God for your sickness or your affliction, and see if God will reveal the secret of the heart. I challenge you to do it, from one side to the other. Now, would I dare to do a thing like that if I wasn't standing exactly on what the Scripture says? I want this court to see that He's the same yesterday, today,

L-261 The last time. Standing here, ready to meet you. The rooms, are plenty of room in there. People are knelt, everywhere.

Ye who are weary, come home. God have mercy, have mercy. Can't you feel that grieving now? Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling; Calling, O sinner, come home. Come home, come home. God bless you, young man. Great stand. ... come home; Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling; Calling, O sin-...

L-262 What is a sinner? Not them who smoke. Smoking is not a sin. Drinking is not a sin. Cursing is not a sin. Committing adultery is not a sin. No, no. That's attributes of unbelief. You do that because you're not a believer.

L-263 There's only two: one, you are a believer, or you're not a believer. If you're not a believer, no matter how religious you are, you're still a sinner. You're still a sinner, if you don't accept every Word of that Bible, every Word of It. "For both heavens and earth will pass away, but not one jot or one tittle will pass from That." And we'll give an account for it.

L-264 You say, "Well, I belong to church. My people don't..." That don't matter. "I do this." I don't care what you've done.

L-265 You're either a believer or a sinner. That's pretty strong. But I'm just saying this, because, the same One that knows the hearts of you is telling me to say it.

L-266 Are you finished? I see two more coming. I'm just waiting, 'cause I don't know if there might be somebody else, just one woman. Why don't you come, get in while the water is troubled now? Be a great thing, just in a few minutes, back here. Come, won't you? Raise up from there.

L-261 The Master has come and is calling on you. Do you believe Him? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Then just raise up on your feet and accept Him, and say, "I believe You, Lord Jesus, right now. I raise up my hands, and I believe that You now heal me."

Lord Jesus, this audience is Yours. We're late, Lord. But pass me not, O gentle Saviour, Hear my humble cry; While on others Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

Thou the Stream of all my comfort, More than life to me; Whom have I on earth beside Thee? Or whom in Heaven but Thee? Blind Fanny Crosby made that statement.

64-0418b - Morrison's Cafeteria, Tampa, FL (Paragraphs: 231 - 311)

L-232 I remember, here not long ago, I was down, a little place called Acton, Kentucky, way back in the mountains, never been there before. A fellow named Mr. Woods, and I... He was a Jehovah Witness. And he was at one of the meetings, and the Holy Spirit spoke. He had a boy with a crippled leg drawed up under him like that. I was standing on the platform, just preaching. And I looked. I said, "I see a man setting way in the back of the building." Three times as long as this is here, a big tent. And I said... And we was up around, oh, it's up on the Great Lakes. "And--and this man," I said, "He's got a boy. The man comes from Kentucky, way down in Kentucky. He's a contractor. His name is Banks Woods. He's got a boy that's got polio. His leg is drawed up under him." I said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, he's healed." So, the woman stood there. L-233 Now, there's just many people standing right here this morning, my people, that knows David Woods. How many knows David Woods, know? That's right.

L-234 Right then he raised up, and his leg perfectly normal. That settled the Jehovah Witness problem. And besides that, by them same visions, has led his whole people.

L-235 His brother come in to make fun of him and just tear him apart, said, "What are you doing, following some kind of a fanatic like that, some of these modern day cults?" A reader in the Jehovah Witness.

L-236 He said, "Well, the man is out there cutting grass." I had on a big old straw hat, and out in the field, mowing. I come in, set down. He said, Brother Banks said, "This is my brother, Lyle."

I said, "How do you do, Mr. Wood?"

Said, "How do you do?" Oh, real arrogant.

L-237 I set there a little bit, and the Lord gave a vision. I said, "Mr. Wood," I said, "I suppose you don't believe this?"

L-238 He said, "I certainly don't." And he said, "There's no such a thing as things like that." Said, "It's just a bunch of makeup that you got my brother all mixed up in."

L-239 I said, "You know, the Bible said, 'One word against the Holy Ghost will never be forgiven.'" I said, "What? And Jesus was doing the same thing."

L-240 See, he had never seen it yet. See? So he--he said, "I don't believe in no such."

L-241 I said, "All right. If you would believe in such, you'd go back to your wife that you've left." He looked around at me. He looked over. Now, he didn't know that I was catching his thoughts.

L-242 How strange, people come around, see that on the platform, and think that you don't know just exactly. Why, He reveals things right around you. See? But you can't say it.

L-254 You see your kid out here in the street, would you say, just say, "Junior, you oughtn't to do that?" You'll go out, and make him stay in, if you love him.

L-255 Love is corrective, not patting you. I have to scold you. Remember, it's even your offerings and things, that pays for this meeting, and makes it possible for to be here. Do I love you? With all of my heart.

L-256 Sister, you might think now I've got something against you, for doing the things you do. It isn't that I have anything against you, sister. It's my godly love for you.

L-257 Someone said, "If you was a little bit younger, you wouldn't think that." I thought this when I was fourteen years old. The Bible says so. It's the same thing.

L-258 Don't make that mistake. Don't you trust in speaking in tongues for the Holy Ghost. Holy Ghost speaks in tongues, but don't you trust that and doing the things that you're doing, dancing in the Spirit, some kind of a sensation. Christ is a Person. Certainly. When... And He's the Word. And if He is in there, He always makes His Word work just exactly the way It's supposed to. When you turn It down, how can it be Christ?

Come home, come.

L-259 The door is still open. Remember, at the Judgment, I am not guilty.

Ye who are weary...

L-260 Jesus Christ identified among you, proving that, that same Spirit. He said, "In the days when the Son of man will be revealed." He's the same yesterday, today, the very same Jesus that set with dirty feet. Would He back up a hypocrite? Would He back up somebody that didn't know His Word? That's the identification that It does know the Word. I'm telling you Truth. Don't pass it. Come home. When the roll is called up yonder, let's all be there.

64-0418e - Mckay Auditorium, Tampa, FL (Paragraphs: 247 - 268)

L-248 And you know that I wouldn't be standing here, saying that, if I wasn't under discernment. Somebody is getting their final call. Now, it's embarrassing to pull people out, that's not received. We realize that. But it's--it's a shame, to see it this way, but I guess it has to be that way. Inside of me, just something tearing me up. Now let...

L-249 Just let me show you some. Look here, just to show you He is still here. The people that's sick and needy.

L-250 I'm looking right at a person here that's lost their sense of smell, setting right here, a woman. She is praying about it right then. If that's right, lady, raise up your hand if that's right.

L-251 Here sets an old woman, setting right here at the end. She just come into this country today. She come from Georgia. She's got a great big tumor on the inside of her. Is very bad off. She'll believe, she can be healed. She just come. And her name is Miss Turner. You'll believe with all your heart now, Jesus Christ will make you well. You believe it?

L-252 You believe in God? Are you a stranger? You don't have a prayer card, do you? You just come in today. Somebody come and got you. You come down here from the state of up at Georgia. You believe now that--that God... Your son come and got you. All right. Now, you know it's totally impossible for me to know that, 'cause you just come in just a while ago, and set down here. If that's right, raise up your hand. See?

L-253 Now, the same Holy Spirit that's saying that, it's just pumping against the people right here. See? He's identified, folks. Don't, don't do that. Don't. You're--you're making a rashal mistake. I love you. Remember, you come to hear me. I appreciate that. Love is corrective. Jesus knowed Judas was with Him all the time, but yet, see, let it alone, 'cause there's a purpose of it. See? And just...

L-243 So, he set there. And he said... Looked around to Banks, as if Banks told him. That's his brother. I said, "You got two children, two little, blond-headed boys." He looked back to Banks again. I said, "What are you thinking, that Banks told me that?" I said, "How about this? Night before last, you were running with a woman that's got auburn hair, and you was in a room. And in this room, there is somebody knocked on the door, and you sent her to the door because you was afraid. It's a good thing. You got your head blowed off; another one of her lovers was standing there with a pistol in his hand."

He said, "God, be merciful to me."

L-244 God knows how. Now he's a sweet, staunch Christian. His father came the same way, his sisters and all of them.

L-245 We were down in Kentucky, squirrel hunting, between one of my meetings. I had two weeks. Got real dry. How many ever hunted squirrels? Oh, my brethren, there's nothing like it. So, give me a.22 rifle, the middle of August, and I'm at home. How the Lord speaks out there, and know things! How He... oh, so forth. Notice. Then we...

L-246 Got real dry, up on the ridges where we were at. He said, "I know an old man is an infidel." Said, "He's got five hundred acres of just hills like this, and down in the valleys, hollows," we call them there, "that you can walk, 'cause it's wet." Said, "We might get to some squirrels." Said, "But he's a rough old fellow."

I said, "Well, let's go down and see him."

L-247 So about a couple months before that, how we know the place was there, I had a meeting on the Methodist Camp Grounds at Acton, Kentucky. And that night, while the Holy Spirit was making discernment, there was a woman setting way back in the back of the grounds. And It called her name, and said, "You got a sister that's dying with cancer of the stomach. She's just been to Louisville, and they opened her up. The cancer was wrapped so around her, that you... They couldn't operate. And it's Mrs. So-and-so." She raised up and started crying.

L-248 I said, "When you left home tonight, on a marble top dresser you taken a little handkerchief and you put it in your purse. It's got a little, blue figure in the corner." See?

L-249 You say, "How? That sounds very..." Well, how about Jesus telling where that fish had the coin in his mouth? How about the prophet telling the man that the mules had returned back? Just, see, you just... The Devil has an impersonation, yes. But you never hear of one of them preaching the Gospel and getting souls saved, see, by it. See? See? You ought to know better.

L-250 So then we find out, told her that, said, "Take that handkerchief and lay it upon your sister, for, THUS SAITH THE LORD, she'll live."

L-251 Well, I don't know, any of you know Brother Ben? I forget what his last name. [Someone says, "Bryant."--Ed.] Bryant, that's right, Ben Bryant. Oh, my! You'll never... You'll always know him, if you ever see him once. If he had been here, he'd been screaming, throwing hands and feet in the air like that, screaming. So one time...

L-252 Then he went with this woman, to put it on her handkerchief, and--and put the handkerchief upon her up there.

L-253 And about two years later is when we went squirrel hunting. He said, "Let's go down into that." Yeah. I didn't know it was that same country. Was about twenty miles from where we were. So we went down there, and drawed way back over the hills and down the hollows, and up though a broom-sage patch, and over this way, till we come to a big old house. And there set two old men, setting under an apple couldn't stand up no longer. He brought her up there. Said, 'Sir, I'm going to stand in line. Got to take my wife home.' See? Said, 'Can I take her home? The doctor said to have this medicine this afternoon, and she can't stand any longer.' Said, 'Can I--can I get this prescription filled? See, I got the order here. I got to just get a note to say that I can do it.' And said, 'I'll bring it right back to you.'

L-307 "And the young boy, course, in time of depression, you know, he said, 'I--I'm sorry.' Said, 'I--I can't do that.' Said, 'We--we got orders not to do that.' Said, 'I can't do that.'"

L-308 And said he just happened to turn around and listen to what it was. He looked up there. And that poor little woman, her mouth white, and holding against the side of the wall, like that. And her husband standing there, just as nice as he could be. He said, "Wait a minute, son."

L-309 Said, "I went and got the prescription, filled it, brought it back." Said, "Brother Branham, when I went to hand it out," he said, "I looked. I put it in the hands of the Lord Jesus." He said, "I rubbed my eyes. I looked again." Said, "He was the One reached out and got that prescription." Said, "Do you think I'm beside myself, Brother Branham?"

L-310 I said, "No, no. 'Insomuch as you have done unto the least of these My little ones, you have done it unto Me.' A paradox, sure, it was. It fulfilled the Word." [Matthew 25:40]

L-311 There's many, big paradox we could talk about. But, dear friends, as we close, let's think of this. There's one great one coming, the Rapture. Let's all be ready for that one there. Let's condition our souls now before God, that when that time comes, that we'll go.

When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound, and time shall be no more,

The morning breaks Eternal, bright and fair;

And when our chosen ones are gathered to their Home beyond the sky, see it."

Said, "Them Indiana license on there?" I said, "Yes, ma'am." I said, "Your husband..."

L-300 Said, "My husband has been dead almost a year." She set, peeling apples on the back porch, off that same tree. I said, "Well, he told me before he died."

Said, "I don't believe it."

L-301 I said, "I was setting right out there one day." And I said, "I come up and I was talking to him. They said he was an infidel."

L-302 She dropped that apple and looked around at me. Said, "Are you Brother Branham?"

Said, "Yes, ma'am."

L-303 She said, "Forgive me." She said, "Forgive me." She said, "He died, shouting, both hands up in the air, praising God; knowing, as that leaf come back, he'd come back again." See, a paradox, unexplainable.

L-304 Setting, eating some ice cream, just... (I'm closing.) Setting, eating some ice cream, not long ago. An old druggist told me, he said, "You know, Brother Branham, I got... You believe in paradox?"

And I said, "Yes."

L-305 Said, "I heard your message one time on a tape, 'A Paradox.'" He said, "Many years ago, during the depression," said, "people on county, on relief, had to come get an order," and said, "to get their medicine." And said, "They have to stand in long lines." And said, "One day, a strange thing." He said, "I was setting back here reading a paper, and my young boy," said, "he was up there."

L-306 And said, "A little woman been standing in the line out there. She was to be mother, you know, any time. She had to get some medicine. The doctor prescribed it. Had to get the prescription filled." So, said, "The boy... The mother just tree. Their old slouch hats pulled down. He said, "That's him. And, boy, he's a rough one." Said, "He's a trouble, an infidel."

L-254 So, we stopped. I said, "You better go talk to him, then. He know I'm a preacher, he wouldn't let us hunt at all." So he--he said... Walked up there and stopped.

L-255 He was standing there, big chew, tobacco in his mouth, and it running all down through his beard, standing there. So he got around. He said, "Why," he said, "hello! Come in."

L-256 So, he got up there. And he said--he said, "My name is Woods." He said, "I'm Banks Wood." Said, "I... we been... Me and my friend has been hunting over here," said, "for a few days, up here around Acton," he said. And said, "I--I..." Or, "It's so--so dry," said, "we can't get into the woods. The squirrels are so scarce." Said, "I know your place is posted, but I thought maybe I'd come ask you, you'd let me hunt." Said, "What Woods are you?"

L-257 He said, "I'm Jim Wood's boy." That was the Jehovah Reader, Witness Reader. See?

L-258 He said, "Old Jim Woods is one of the most honest men there." They lived in Indiana then. Said, "Most honest man that there ever was in this country." Said, "I can certainly trust you to not kill one of my cows or start a fire." He said, "Just help yourself." Said, "Go ahead and hunt in it." Said, "I got five hundred acres here. Make yourself at home."

L-259 "All right." Said, "Thank you." He said, "I guess it's all right for my pastor to come too."

He said, "Your what?"

Said, "My pastor."

Am I taking too long? [Someone says, "No, sir."--Ed.] All right.

He said, "My pastor."

L-260 And he said, "Woods, you don't mean to tell me you got so lowdown till you have to carry a preacher with you

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wherever you go," he said.

L-261 I thought it was about time for me to get out then, so I got out of the car and walked around. I said, "How do you do?"

L-262 Looked at me, and washed his tobacco around, you know, and spit down like that. He said, "And you're a preacher, huh?" I said... Looked, squirrel blood all over me, and whiskers. I hadn't had a bath for two weeks, you know. And--and laying in the woods, sleeping, you know.

And--and so I said, "Might not look like one, but," I said, "I am."

L-263 And he said, "Well," he said, "at least I can respect you looking like a human being." He said, "You look none like preachers I..."

So I said, "Well, thank you, sir."

He said, "I'm kind of against you fellows."

I said, "I--I understood, from Mr. Woods, you was."

He said, "You know, I'm an infidel. I'm supposed to be."

L-264 And I said, "Yes, but I don't think that's anything to brag about, do you?"

L-265 And he said, "Well," he said, "I don't know." He said, "I think you fellows are barking up the wrong bush." And you know what that means? "A lying dog." See, the 'coon ain't up there. See? So he said, "I think you are barking up the wrong bush. There's nothing up there, and you all are just lying about it."

I said, "'Course, that's to opinion."

L-266 And he said, "Yes, I guess that's the way you think it." He said, "Looky here, mister." Said, "See that old chimney up there? That's where the old house. I was born up there. My pappy built this house down here," he said, "about seventyfive years ago." Said, "I was raised right here. I've walked over these hills. I've looked everywhere, up in the skies, all around. I ain't seen no God, no Angels, or nothing else." L-293 I said, "There you are. Now you got it. See, it's life." I said, "See, that's God."

He said, "You know, I never thought of that."

I said, "Tell me what does that?"

L-294 He said, "I don't know. I don't know what does it. I said, 'It's nature.'"

I said, "Well, Who controls nature? Is nature an intelligence? No."

He said, "Well, I never had thought of it just like that."

L-295 I said, "I'll tell you, I'm going out here, squirrel hunting, if it's all right."

Said, "Help yourself."

L-296 I said, "When I come back, when I come back... You study real hard now. And when I come back, you tell me what Intelligence that tells that life in that tree to go down in the root and come back next spring, and I'll tell you What, the same Thing that told me that woman was going to live up there, that had the cancer."

Said, "Told you?"

I said, "Yes, sir."

He said, "Are you that preacher?"

I said, "Yes, sir. I'm Brother Branham."

L-297 And there under that tree, that afternoon, by a simple little thing like that, I led him to Christ, tears running down his cheeks.

L-298 A year later, I went down. I pulled my truck up in the yard. They had moved away. He was gone. He'd died. And when I come back, the lady was standing there, to give me a bawling out, for hunting on posted ground. He had told me, hunt any time I wanted to. She wasn't... didn't hear him say that.

L-299 So I come up, I said, "I--I'm sorry." Said, "I come here early this morning, and parked the car here where you could

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L-288 He said, "Well, it's because if it don't, if it don't go down in the root," he said, "the winter will kill the tree. The germ of life is in the--in the--the sap that's in the tree, and it goes down at the root." And what a beautiful testimony there, see, of death, burial, and resurrection, again. See?

I said, "Then, what happens then? Does it stay down there?" Said, "No. No."

L-289 I said, "Comes back the next spring and brings you another bunch of apples."

"Yeah."

"And you set here and eat them." "Yeah."

"And then you say you never seen God."

He said, "Well, that's just nature."

I said, "That right?"

"Yes, sir."

L-290 I said, "I want to ask you something. If it's just nature, tell me what intelligence that warns that tree, that sap in the tree? It has no intelligence of its own. But what intelligence runs that sap down at the root, say, 'Get down here and hide in the depths of the earth now, till all the troubles past, then I'll bring you back up again'? See? Tell me. The life that was in the leaf, just the body died. The leaf dropped off. The life itself went down, coming back with a new leaf. See?" I said, "The life hid, went down in the ground."

L-291 Job, as I said last night, "Oh, hide me in the grave, see, till Thy wrath be past." He seen the tribulation coming, of course. See? Notice, he said, "Hide me."

He said, "Well, that's just nature." [Job 14:13]

L-292 And I said, "Mister," I said, "if I put a bucket of water out here on the post, and then every August that water run down at the bottom the post, and then in spring of the year it'll come back up in a bucket again?"

He said, "Oh, oh, no. It don't have any life."

I said, "Well, that's to opinion."

L-267 And he said, "I never seen one of you but what I thought was lying." He said, "I don't want to hurt your feelings, mister. I..."

L-268 Well, is... Well, am I going to go hunting, or am I going to really trim him down? So I thought I'll just give him... Mama always said, "You give a cow enough rope, it'll hang itself." See? So, I thought, just go.

I said, "Yes, sir. That's right."

L-269 He said, "I--I met... I heard of one preacher one time, that, if I ever meet the guy, I'm going to talk to him." Said, "He might have had something." And he...

We talked a little while, you know. And I said, "Who was that?"

L-270 Said, "There was a fellow..." Said, "What was his name? He was up here at Acton. I believe they called him... I forget what his name was. Branham."

I looked over to Woods. And Brother Woods said, "Huh-uh."

L-271 He said, "You know," said, "old lady Casmo lives up here on top the hill." And said, "We--we taken her to the doctor in Louisville, and said she had cancer. And they just sewed her back up." Said, "The doctor give them medicine to give her, and keep her quiet till she died. And she was then just about time for her to be gone." Said, "She couldn't even raise in the bed." Said, "We had to pull a bed sheet out from under her. She... We couldn't put her on the bed pan, see, right from under her." Said, "Wife and I'd go up and clean up her bed, every morning."

L-272 And said, "There was a preacher from way out yonder, somewhere in Indiana-er." Said, "He--he come down here, and he had a meeting up there." Said, "That man stood there that night and told her sister, So-and-so, of a handkerchief she had in her pocket." Said, "Coming on..." L-273 And said, "They brought a bunch of them holy-rollers over there." And said, "I thought they had the Salvation Army up on top the hill that night." That was old Ben crying out like that, you know.

L-274 So he said--he said, "I said, 'Well, you know, she died.' Said, 'That's her family.'"

L-275 Oh, you know how it is back in the country. They just have one another, and they love and live for one another. It's too bad we don't do that around the big cities.

L-276 "So they--they said we... And they was going, to die." And said, "I thought, 'Well, that's her.' Said, 'Well, it's late. We can't get her body out, till morning.' Said, 'I'll get my wagon. I'll go up there and get her, and haul her out, so we can take her to the... over to Campbellsville, Kentucky, about forty miles from there, to the undertaker.' Said the undertaker had to come to the main road, which is about eight miles, ten miles, out. Said, 'He can pick her body up from there.' Said, 'No need of going over there tonight. They'll just be crying.' Said, 'We'll just wait till daylight.'"

L-277 Said, "You know, the next morning when I went up there, that woman had cooked some fried apple pies, and her and her husband set at the table eating them. And she was living on barley water."

L-278 (I thought, "Uh-oh.") I said, "Oh, now, now, wait a minute." I said, "You don't believe that."

Said, "And you don't believe it?"

L-279 And I said,... "Well, you was the one that said it." I thought, "Old boy, you're going to preach to me now, see." He said, "You don't believe it?"

L-280 I said, "Man, do you mean to tell me that such a thing as that could happen in all these scientific age where we have the best doctor?"

L-281 He said, "If you don't believe it, I'll take you up there

and prove it to you." Now the infidel is preaching to me about God. See?

I said, "Well, you, you mean that?"

He said, "Yes."

I said, "Well, what was it?"

L-282 He said, "I want to... If I ever meet that man, I'm going to ask him what in the world it was that told him about that, and how he knowed that woman would be well. See?" Said, "I'm going to ask him about that."

L-283 I said, "Uh-huh." I said, "Well, that'd be a good thing." And I said, "Say, do you mind if I have one of them apples?"

L-284 And it was laying on the ground. Fall of the year, you know, it was second week in August, and the leaves was dropping off the tree. And the apples were there, and they was nice apples. I picked it up and rubbed it on these old dirty pants, and went to eating it, you know, like that.

L-285 He said, "Yeah, help yourself. The yellow jackets are eating them." How many knows what a yellow jacket is? So he said, "The yellow jackets eating them up. You can help yourself."

L-286 So I said, "All right." So, I went to eating. I said, "Boy, it's a fine apple."

L-287 He said, "Oh, yes. I planted that tree there myself, fifty years ago, by that stream." I said, "Hey, you know, we're going to have an early fall." I said, "You looky there." I said, "Wonder why that them leaves are dropping off that tree before we even have a cool night? August, the hottest."

"Oh," he said, "the life left it."

"Oh, is that what does that?"

He said, "Yeah, they're turning yellow and dropping off."

I said, "Where'd the life go?"

He said, "It went down into the root."

I said, "Well, what'd it do that for?" See?