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# AND THEIR EYES WERE OPENED

## AND THEY KNEW HIM

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In Saint Luke's Gospel, and beginning with the 24th chapter and the thirty- . . . the 31st verse, or I'll say the 30th verse of the 24th chapter.

*And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, and he took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave to them.*

*And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.*

*And they said one to another, Did not our hearts burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?*

2 And may the Lord add His blessing. My text would be, if I would call it tonight: *And Their Eyes Were Opened And They Knew Him*. Now it's hot, but I wish you would bear just as patiently as you can, for just a few moments, and I'll try to hurry. But now we want to look solemnly at the Word, God's wonderful Word. And we are praying that God, in some way, will open our eyes tonight.

3 If Easter is just a celebration of an historical event, and that alone, then we have a little reason to doubt, we have a little reason to question, because it would be left upon the solemn thought of just taking the word. And if Christ hadn't have made the promises that He did, then we would also, just wouldn't have the evidence that we got.

4 But our blessed Lord said, while He was here on earth, "A little while, and the world will see Me no more." Now that word *world* there, comes from "the world order, the peoples of the earth." "The world will see Me no more. Yet ye shall see Me, for I will be with you, even in you, to the end of the world." Now, those Words are just as true as any of the other Words that we have spoken through this week, out of the Bible, just as true as any other Words in the Bible. "A little while, and the world will see Me no more. They will never have their eyes opened." There is people that's born in the world, not by the will of God, but by their own selfish choice would not believe Him if He was standing right here talking to you tonight. It's sad to say, but the Bible said that, "They were borned in this world, to this condemnation," Jude, and about the 3rd verse.

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5 Now, but to you, tonight, who comes out and stands around in the room, and packs together in a little hot building like this, you never come just to be seen. You come for some purpose. And, to my opinion, you've come with the sincerity of your heart, for a closer walk with God, to leave away from here, tonight, a better person than you was when you come in. That's what I prayed as I entered the door, tonight, "Lord, make me a better person when I come out, tonight, than I am as I go in." Now when He . . .

6 Before His going away, He made these kind of statements. He said, "He that believeth on Me . . ." Saint John, 14th chapter, 7th verse. "He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; more than this shall he do, for I go to My Father. I go, and come again."

7 Now we'll find the works that He did. The works that He did? He did not claim to be a great person, He was just a humble Man. He didn't speak with any high vocabulary, He just spoke as an ordinary Man. He lived among the poor, "the foxes had dens, and the birds had nests, but He didn't have a place to lay His head." He had one garment, that was given to Him, "it was wove throughout, without a seam in it."

8 That's why they gambled for it. Why was that? Because the prophecy of the Old Testament had to be fulfilled, "They parted My garments, cast lots for My vesture." So they could not split it by the seam, they had to gamble for it, and that was to fulfill the prophecy of the Old Testament.

9 But we'll notice, in just a few moments, what did He do? And I believe, tonight, it's the hunger of every one of our hearts, from the least unto the oldest, tonight, to see Jesus Christ. It's my heart's desire. And why is it? If we claim by the Scriptures . . .

10 The radios blast it today, the televisions put on programs, dramas was set that "He is not here, but He has risen!"

11 Well, then, if He has risen, the Bible said, in Hebrews 13:8, "He is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Now, here is where it is, folks. That's either the Truth, or it isn't the Truth. That, if that isn't the Truth, then the Bible is false, and then the Words are false; and then we are lost, and there is no resurrection of the dead, and we are just making-believe. But if it is Truth, then It's got to vindicate Itself.

12 If you say this water is wet, I never seen water before, you pour it on me, and it's not wet, then your—your words are untrue, but if you pour it on me, and it is wet, then your words is true.

13 If Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever, then the Bible is true. If He isn't the same yesterday, today, and forever, then It isn't true. If the Words of God isn't true, then Christ isn't true. Then, if the Words of God isn't true, God isn't true. But, then, if the Word of God

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is true, then the Bible is true, God is true, Christ is true, and we should be true to the Cause. Correct!

14 Now, when He was on earth, He did not claim to be any great healer. How many knows the Son of God never claimed to be a healer? Exactly right. He said, "I can do nothing in Myself, but what I see the Father doing. It's not Me that doeth the works," He said, "it's the Father that dwelleth in Me. He doeth the works." What kind of works did He do?

15 We find in the Bible, where a fellow by the name of Philip got saved. And he went over and found a friend, Nathanael, way back, thirty miles around the mountain. He brought him back to Jesus. And when he found him, he was under a tree, praying. And he said, "Come, see Who we found: Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

He said, "Could there be any good thing come out of Nazareth?"

He said, "Come and see."

16 That's the best evidence I know. Don't take somebody else's word for It. Come, see for yourself! Said, "Come and see."

17 And when he come, Jesus was standing in the line, perhaps praying for the people. And when Philip come up, with Nathanael, Jesus said, "Behold an Israelite, in whom there is no guile!"

18 He said, "When did you know me, Rabbi?" It astonished him. "Whence knowest Thou me?"

19 He said, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the tree, I saw you." Thirty miles away, through a mountain, yet, "I saw you."

20 That showed Who He was. He was the omnipresent God; not just a prophet, but God Himself manifested in the flesh. That's the reason He could lay it, His life, down, take it up again.

21 A little woman come out to draw some water one day. And He spoke to her, and said, "Woman, bring Me a drink!"

22 She said, "It's not customary to you Jews to ask us, Samaritans, such. We have no dealings with each other."

23 He said, "But if you knew Who you were talking to, you would ask Me for a drink. I would bring you Water you don't come here to draw."

24 And she said, "The well is deep, Sir. You have nothing to draw with, and where could You get this Water?"

25 What was He doing? Contacting her spirit. And when He found what her trouble was, her trouble was that she was living in adultery. She had five husbands, and was living with her sixth one.

And Jesus said to her, "Go, get your husband, and come here."

And she said, "I don't have any husband."

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26 He said, "No, you've had five, and the one that you're now living with is not yours. So, you said well."

27 Look now, the Jew. When Jesus performed that miracle to him, that real staunch Jew, real, true Jew, said, "Thou art the Son of God, the King of Israel." He knew that them signs was suppose to accompany the Messiah.

28 And now here is a Samaritan. When that miracle was done on her, she said, "Sir, I perceive that You are a Prophet. We know that when the Messiah cometh, He'll tell us these things. But Who are You?"

He said, "I am He that speaks to you."

29 She left her waterpot, and run into the city, and said, "Come, see a Man Who told me the things that I done. Isn't this the very Messiah?" Certainly.

30 On through the Scriptures we could take it, how that He did the things that the Father showed Him. The Bible said, over in Saint John, when they questioned Him about why didn't He heal all those crippled people, and He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you." Saint John 5:19, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself; but what He sees the Father doing, that doeth the Son likewise."

31 Now, if Christ has risen from the dead, and is among us today, and promised that the same things that He did, that we would do also, that's either the Truth, or it isn't the Truth. The Bible said, "He's the same yesterday, today, and forever."

32 And, friends, I'm just happy to know, today, that I truly, with all that is within me, believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He was conceived and born, immaculate birth. He suffered under Pontius Pilate; crucified, died, buried, rose again the third day; and ascended into Heaven, and is sitting at the right hand of His Majesty. And the Holy Spirit is here carrying on the same work that He did when He was here on earth. What a beautiful thought!

33 What a beautiful morning, the first resurrection morning, the first Easter that had ever dawned on the earth! Do you realize that this Easter that we are celebrating, of His resurrection, is only pointing to a great Easter that's coming, the hour that He comes from the Heavens? And all that are dead in Christ shall rise and go with Him. We are only looking forward to that, great Easter, coming. And, today, how beautiful it is, what a consolation, what a proof we have, when the Bible declares it, when His omnipresence declares it, when His healing Power declares it, when His great Spirit declares it, when everything in nature declares it, His Church declares it, my heart declares it, every borned-again man's heart declares it, that, "Jesus Christ is the Son of

God, and will come again! And He is the same now, ‘Yesterday, today, and forever!’” Now notice.

<sup>34</sup> It was on this beautiful Easter morning. There had been a lot of rumor, talk. Some women had come back from the grave, and said they saw a vision of Angels. And they supposed it to be a gardener; Mary, the mother, for she heard a voice speak behind her, and said, “Who do you seek?” And when He turned. . .

<sup>35</sup> She turned, and said, “They have taken away my Lord. I don’t know where they have laid Him. If You know, tell me where He is at, and I’ll go get Him.”

He turned, and said, “Mary.”

<sup>36</sup> And she looked at Him, and she said, “Rabboni,” which means, “Master!”

<sup>37</sup> He said, “Don’t touch Me, for I’ve not yet ascended. But I will ascend to your Father, and to My Father, to My God, and to your God. But go, tell My disciples I’ll meet them in Galilee.”

<sup>38</sup> How that seemed to be an idle tale, of this Man that they seen embalmed; and died, buried, and this was the fourth day, or the third day since He was dead. Peter had got discouraged, and wanted to go a-fishing. Two of them said, one by the name of Cleopas, said, “We’ll just go back home, to Jerusalem.” And on their road, walking along, that morning, when Peter got his fishing line and took off fishing, these two were on their road, sad. And as they went along the road, saying, “Well, I guess life is not worth living. Oh, how we believed that He was the Messiah! How could that Man, Who raised the dead, ever stand and let that high priest make fun of Him? How could that Man, Who could see vision after vision, ever let a Roman soldier put a rag around His face, and hit Him on the head, and said, ‘If Thou be a prophet, tell us who hit You’? How could He scream for mercy, on the cross, seeing that He could even raise up the dead?” Oh, it was discouraging moment!

<sup>39</sup> And those discouraging times comes to every believer, to test you, and to try you, and to see if you really do believe. “Every son that cometh to God, must first be tested, child-trained.”

<sup>40</sup> There will be some of you here tonight, no doubt, will go through that same testing. If we should call a prayer line, I have no idea who has got prayer cards, no one else knows; they were just all shuffled up together, and handed to you. I’ll call from somewhere, wherever is on my mind at the time. We can’t stand but a few at a time. Couple dozen, maybe, will pass over the prayer line. All want to come. You may think that He has passed you by, but He hasn’t. He is just testing you, just seeing if you really will believe Him. The vision doesn’t heal; the vision only vindicates His Presence.

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41 I was just sitting here, looking just now across the audience. And I see a—a friend of mine, a Mrs. Cox, from down in Kentucky. Had a big cancer on her face, a few weeks ago, done eat plumb out around her eye. She was dying. Mrs. Wood, my good friend, called me on the phone, and was crying, said, “I believe it’s going to eat mother’s eye out, in a few days.” The doctor got to tampering with it, with some kind of stuff, and scattered it. It was in a terrible fix. Went in and offered a simple, little prayer, with an anchored faith, that it would happen. And here she sits here tonight, perfectly normal and well; not even a spot of it left, it’s all healed up, on her face. Sitting right here in front of us. Others around, with the same thing. Why? It’s because Jesus Christ raised from the dead, and He lives.

42 The same One that could touch a leper, and said, “I will, be thou clean,” can touch a cancer and say, “I will, be thou clean,” if He is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

43 And as Cleopas and them walked along, discouraged, they were kind of in one of those sad mornings, seeming like every thing going wrong. And all of a sudden, Someone stepped out, or, become behind them, walked up and caught up with them. And little did they know that that was the Lord Jesus! He was alive, and many people that loved Him didn’t know it.

44 And that’s the same as it is today. There is many people today that love the Lord, and don’t realize. You could tell them about it, and yet they can’t recognize that He’s alive for evermore, tonight, that He is here in this church tonight, that He is in the midst of us, and will be till He comes in the physical, corporal body. “I’ll never leave thee nor forsake thee.”

45 And as they went along and begin to talk along the road, Jesus, I want you to notice the first thing Jesus did, went right straight to the Scripture, He said, “Oh, foolish of heart, is it hard for you to believe what the prophets said?” For, He had just asked them, “Why are you so sad?”

46 And they said, “Are You but a stranger? Don’t You know that Jesus of Nazareth, Who we thought to be the Messiah, the Deliverer of Israel, don’t You know that this is even the third day since He was crucified? And He was a mighty Man in the Word. He was a mighty Prophet, because that many miracles and things, God did by Him. And this is the third day; and now they have killed Him, and buried Him, and He was in the grave. And some women come to us and told us that He had risen from the dead. And we knowed it was just a foolish tale, so we’re on our road back.”

47 Then is when He begin to open up the Word. Oh, I love God's Eternal Word! He begin to go through the Scriptures, beginning with Moses. He never left anything uncovered, He went straight to the Word!

48 Any God-sent man, I don't care who he is, he'll stay with God's Word. If he doesn't, he's not a true servant of God.

49 He went right to the Word. And He showed, by the Word, that Christ was to die, raise again, and enter into His Glory. Now, oh, how they must have talked!

50 I'd like to have had that little few hours talk with Him (wouldn't you?) along the road. You say, "Well, Brother Branham, I sure would. Wish I could." Well, we can have it right now. That's Him talking to you, in your heart. You just don't recognize it.

51 Now notice as He drew near the city, evening was coming, He made out like He was going to go on by.

52 He might do that to you, too. He might make you think that He is going to go on by, but He won't. He won't go by. He just wants you to invite Him.

53 And they said to Him, "Oh, the day is far spent. Now don't go on, but please come in and abide with us." You just give Him that kind of an invitation, find out what will take place. Said, "The day is far spent now, You come and abide with us. It's towards the evening." Then He turned and went in, at the little restaurant, the little inn.

In Europe they still have it. You eat and sleep, and everything is all paid for in one bill, your hotel.

54 And when He got inside with them! Here is a beautiful part. All that day, while they talked with Him, He never said one thing. Yet, they had walked with Him and talked with Him, before, but they did not recognize it.

55 Who kept you from having that accident the other day? Who let that baby get well? Who paid that grocery bill for you? It was Him, but you just don't recognize it. Who is it give you health to come out to the church tonight? It's Him, but you don't recognize it. Oh, if we could only do as them, just bid Him to come in!

56 And when He come in, got inside, shut the doors, then He done something that no other man could do it that way. He was the only One that could do it, for they had been with Him before His crucifixion. And He took that bread, and, just the way He did it, that was His Own way of doing it. And their eyes come open, and they knew that could only be Him. He didn't tarry with them very long. He vanished

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out of their sight, just in a moment. [Brother Branham snapped his fingers—Ed.]

57 And on their road, they went back just as hard as they could go, light-footed, just shouting the victory, to tell them that, “The Lord has raised indeed!” They didn’t go back to argue their religion. They didn’t go back to fuss about it. But they just knew He had raised from the dead!

58 Now, friends, if Jesus Christ, the living Son of God, after nineteen hundred years ago, if the Bible is true, He said, “I am alive for evermore,” He is just as alive here, in this building tonight, as He was the day of His resurrection, He is just in a body.

59 Some of them were gathered together. And He come right through the walls, appeared right in, through the midst of them, said, “Here, feel Me. Look at My scars in My hands. Does a spirit have flesh and bones like I got?” He said, “Give Me something to eat.” And they give Him fish and bread. And He stood there and eat it, before them, said, “A spirit doesn’t eat like you see Me eating.”

60 What is He? He is that great, living Jehovah God that’s in our midst tonight. He is in the midst of wherever two or three are gathered: “I’ll be in their midst.”

61 And now here is what I think. If Christ will come to this audience of people, while you are sweating, waiting, and will prove, on this Easter, that He is alive, and standing in this building tonight, then you’ve got a right to ask Him for anything that He died for, and believe that you will receive it. Do you believe that to be the Truth? Certainly, it is.

62 Now, I could speak to you long, but one Word from Christ will mean more than all the words I could speak; tired and strained in voice, and weary as it is in voice.

63 And then another thing, in speaking, it’s hard, for this is my home, to have a successful meeting with the anointing of the Spirit like that. Why? Because this is my home. Jesus said that, “A prophet, in his own home, his own country, even in his own county.” It’s just something that happens that way.

64 They said that when He went to His Own home, they said, “Isn’t this the carpenter’s son? Isn’t His mother, Mary, here with us? Isn’t all of His brothers here, and His sisters? Don’t we know them? What school did He come up out of? What seminary was He a graduate of? What credentials does He carry?” And He didn’t come through any school or any seminary, or any credentials, but He come from God. But they couldn’t see it. They said, “Where does He get this wisdom?”

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65 And when they seen Him discern those thoughts of the people, when Peter come up to Him, He said, "Your name is Simon, your daddy's name is Jonas," it floored him. How did He know him?

66 The Pharisees stood by, and said, "He is a Beelzebub. He's the chief of the fortunetellers. He's a devil!"

67 And Jesus said, "You say that against Me, the Son of man, it will be forgiven you. But when the Holy Ghost is come and does the same thing, and you speak one word against It, it will never be forgiven you, in this world or the world to come." So, it's a dangerous thing. So how did He know? Why did He say that? He knowed that them signs would cease until this last day.

68 And this last days, He wouldn't be just, to pour out His wrath upon a just people. They have . . . We have weighed in the balance, and found wanting. All we think about is big times, radio programs, uncensored, Elvis Presley, Arthur Godfrey, old dirty jokes, the radio and television notables. We stay home on Wednesday night, from the prayer meeting, to see such tommyrot as that, and calling ourselves Christians?

69 Then when God pours down His Spirit, and shows signs of His resurrection, we condemn It and turn away. And that's unforgivable sin, to do that. Jesus said, "Speak one word against It, it will never be forgiven, in this world or the world to come." So that Spirit has to come in this last days, to prove that Word of God to be true.

70 And I say, under the authority of God's Word, and the feeling of my own soul: that same Holy Ghost (Spirit) is right here now in the midst of this people. Now, I claimed that He has raised from the dead. I claimed He is alive, alive for evermore. I claimed He is the same yesterday, today, and forever; the same in principle, the same in Power; the same in everything, all but His corporal body which sits at the right hand of God and the Majesty, in Glory. But the Holy Spirit is here, working, moving, performing, doing just exactly like Jesus Christ did, for it's the proof of His resurrection. What a beautiful hour! Now I guess you see where I stand.

71 Now, not only with this little, about a hundred people, or two hundred people here in—in this little building, jammed in here tonight, but I've made that statement before thousands times thousands, and hundreds of thousands, held the Bible in one hand, and the Koran in the other, say, "one is right, and the other one is wrong," and challenge every Mohammedan priest to come and prove, or any other, Buddha, or whatever he might be, against the Koran, and against their religion, but everybody keeps quiet.

72 But, brethren, the reason I do that, because I know my Redeemer liveth! And He is the Truth. Jesus Christ is alive. He is here!

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73 Now it's nothing within myself that I could do, it is a gift of God. "How do you do it?" It's just yielding yourself.

74 Right in this building now is many, many Angels. You say, "Is that the Scripture?" That is the Bible. Let me show you. How many Christians are here? Raise your hand. All right, you may put them down. The Bible said that, "The Angels of God are encamped about those who fear Him." Then, there is Angels here!

75 Then Christ said, "Wherever two or three are gathered in My Name, I'll be in their midst." Then, He is here! The only thing it is, you can't see Him, but by faith we believe it.

76 I can prove to you that radio is coming through here, too, voices. I can prove to you that pictures are coming through here. It won't hit on *this* tube here; it won't hit on *this*, this crystal, on this mike; neither will it come onto *this* piece of material, 'cause it wasn't made that way. But there is a piece of material who will reproduce that picture.

77 And God set some in the Church, first apostles, then prophets, teachers, evangelists, and pastors, all for the perfecting of the Church. How could we turn one down, and say the other one isn't so? God does it, Himself. It's nothing in the world but just yielding yourself to the Holy Spirit. And the Holy Spirit takes over from there, and you don't know what you're doing. It's the Holy Spirit's sovereign work.

78 Now, friends, my home town. And I want to say this now, before closing this revival. One of these days there won't be even an ash left in Jeffersonville, there won't be one left in Charlestown, won't be one left in Louisville. This world is ripe for judgment. They have got a hydrogen bomb now that Russia can shoot from Moscow, land it on Fourth Street, and take every one of these powder plants around here, and sink it seventy-five feet under the ground, with one bomb. One bomb; fifteen miles square, it'll go to a hundred and fifty feet in the ground. The hand is on the trigger. The clock is ticking away. It's later than you think. Why wait till that time?

79 Remember, "If this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have one already waiting." Don't be scared of hydrogen bombs or no other thing. As long as you got Christ in your heart, that's the best bomb shelter I know of. It's made out of feathers; under His wings we'll abide. So don't worry about those things, if you're a Christian.

80 But if you're not a Christian, you are certainly standing in an awful place. You don't know what minute your heart is going to stop beating. The Bible said men would die in the last days, with heart trouble, "Men's heart failing, fear, perplex of times, distress between the nations." Look what more, ten times as many man die, as women;

the Bible never said women's heart would be failing, It said, "Men's heart would be failing." It's absolutely, perfectly.

<sup>81</sup> The other day in Oakland, wife and I was over there in San Francisco, that great earthquake shook. And the earth begin to belch and hiccup there, until the buildings rocked, and the chimneys fell off. Great balls of air went up like *that*, with smoke in it, or soot, whatever it was, out of those places. And the people run in to the streets, screaming. I thought, "What will it be when the Lord really appears?" The liquor joints, right on, putting up their liquor, back on the shelves, and selling it. The people come in to buy it. The man couldn't sell it if nobody bought it. That's right.

<sup>82</sup> It's, we are the guilty ones. Let me tell you, brother. I am an American, and I love my country. But this old nation is weighed in the balance, and found wanting. She is sinking, as certain as I'm a minister behind this platform tonight. Now I'm saying that to find favor with God. I'm saying it because God puts it on my heart to say it. And the best thing for you to do is make ready for the Coming of the Lord.

<sup>83</sup> Now believe Him, have faith in Him. Now, all the words I could say, I say again, wouldn't mean one thing to what Jesus would say. But do you realize where I'm standing, with this group of people tonight? I have either misinterpreted something, or told the Truth. Now if Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and, promised, the same things He did we would do also, and I have claimed, from a little baby boy . . .

<sup>84</sup> I wasn't eighteen months old, I guess, but not over two years, anyhow, when I saw my first vision. It's, been, all my life. The people here in the tabernacle, know that. As long as I've been here, not one time has it ever failed. And it never will fail, 'cause it's God. Around the world it's went, a great revival has lit. And now, by the grace of God, I'm in my second million souls, right in my own meeting, winning to the Lord Jesus. Second million, that's right. And just think of the other millions that's went out, Oral Roberts, all of them sparks that's lit off from the thing, and went on, thousands times thousands, till around the world there is one great big revival of God's Power, moving. And the devil is turning loose all kinds of false things, to counteract It. But the real, true Word of God will go straight to the end. It'll never fail! "I the Lord hath planted it. I will water it day and night, lest some should pluck it from My hand."

<sup>85</sup> Now, tonight, I claimed that Christ raised from the dead. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Now, the Lord bless you. If He will do that, then you're . . . If you believe it, God bless you. Ask Him, then, when He comes on the scene. If Christ will appear here at this platform! Here is a challenge. If Jesus Christ, God's Son, will appear right here

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at the platform, and do the same things that He did when He was here on earth, will you believe Him?

<sup>86</sup> Look at Him, on the road to Emmaus, how them boys, broke. . . When He broke that bread, He did something there that no other man could do. It was something that Christ alone could do. And they recognized it.

<sup>87</sup> Now if He will do the same thing here, that only Christ alone can do; not some false thing, but the very same thing that He did; then you believe Him, receive Him, have faith in Him, love Him, serve Him.

<sup>88</sup> Let me tell you, just don't join church now. That won't work. You've got to be borned again. Not an emotional work-up; not some little something you said, "Well, I shouted. I spoke with tongues. I done *this*," that ain't it. When really down in your heart, Something comes to change you, and you become a new creature in Christ Jesus; you received the Person, Christ Jesus; when old things die out, and new things are borned again; you make things right, that you did wrong; you love your enemies, you pray for those who spitefully use you; that's when you're a Christian. The tree is known by the fruit it bears.

<sup>89</sup> May the Lord bless you now, as we bow our heads. I'm going to ask the sister to go to the piano, slowly play, "The great Physician now is near, the sympathizing Jesus." And you on the outside, now, that's got prayer cards, move up close to the door, we'll start just in a moment. Let us pray.

<sup>90</sup> Our Blessed Heavenly Father. Oh, my poor voice, four months of speaking, I'm just so tired in my voice. But I pray that You will help me just now. Here will be another milestone at the Branham Tabernacle. Here will be another witness to rise in the last days, at the Day of the Judgment. Many standing inside and out, tonight, many of them are wondering, many are thinking, "Is it true, or isn't it true?"

<sup>91</sup> O Eternal and Blessed Father, we pray that You will now manifest Your love to us, by appearing here and making Your Word true. I have spoke of Your Word, like You did, Yourself, to Cleopas and his friend, to Emmaus. And on our road, Lord, as we are journeying, You speak to us through Your Word. And now come among us! O Great Christ, come among us, prove Your Words to be true, and make manifest Your Being here tonight. As, we poor unworthy creatures confess that we are sinners and not worthy of these things, but we believe it, Lord. And by grace we accept it, through faith, that we are saved, and Your children. Bless us now, Lord.

<sup>92</sup> I know Your Word is true, when You said about "the prophet in his own city, among his own people." But, Lord, I pray, just for this night, that You will just look down to the people, and manifest Yourself

once more here in this city, through the moving of the Holy Spirit. O Eternal God, bless us now as we wait on You. And do the things that You did before Your crucifixion, and Jeffersonville will be without a single thing to complain. But, we know that they will be without an excuse on that Day, that You have manifested Yourself. In Jesus' Name, I pray. Amen.

<sup>93</sup> [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] . . . not what she wants me to pray for. No, it is not the cancer, for she is healed of that. But she wants me to pray for a back trouble she's got. That's right. It's a trouble in her back. Is that right? Now do you believe He raised from the dead? Now watch. If I talk to her just a little longer, maybe something else will be said. I don't know. Now, I had no idea what's your trouble. I don't know now what it was. See? But the recorder has got it, you can find out what He said.

<sup>94</sup> Let's talk just a minute longer, and see if He'll tell me something else. I see a woman that looks something on the order . . . It's another woman, and she is praying for her. And she's in some kind of an institution or a hospital, it's kind of a . . . it's a mental place. It's Madison, Indiana. It's—it's a—it's a—a sister that you're wanting prayer for, that's in an institution. And if you will believe with all your heart, and all that is within you, God will deliver her, and will heal your back and make you well. You believe it now? All right, come here.

<sup>95</sup> Dear Heavenly Father, we pray that in Jesus Christ's Name, that You will heal the woman, and make her well. And grant this blessing unto her. And I pray that the mercies of God will rest upon her, and will heal her, and get glory unto Thyself. I pray in Jesus Christ's Name. Amen.

<sup>96</sup> I might say this. There is a vibration coming from there, from right back *here*. Just a moment, stand there just a minute. I noticed that Light left you. There's too many, too crowded around me here. Everybody is a-pulling. But I see It moving to you. It's somebody that . . . You've got—got a female operation coming up. That's right. I seen two or three people appear, and the Light swayed right back there and hit that person standing right back there. It's them praying for that. See? That's right. And you've got, it's a condition of a lady that's got a female operation. That's right. Now go and receive your healing, and the Lord God made you well. Amen.

<sup>97</sup> Would you come? The lady, do you believe on the Lord Jesus? [The sister says, "Yes, sir."—Ed.] Do you believe that He raised from the dead? Now, to know you, I don't. I might have seen you if you're from around here. I don't know. People come and go, I'm not around the tabernacle here enough to know. But, you, you are from the city?

["Yes."] You are from the city. All right, then, but I don't know you. But Christ does know you. But if He will reveal to me, standing here, what you're here for, will you believe it and accept it? And you know I don't know what you're here for, have no idea. Only thing, you might have seen me around town, or something, or—or something. I don't know. That's up to God to—to know that.

<sup>98</sup> Right back there, you want to get over that bowel trouble you been having? Do you believe the Lord Jesus will make you well? If you believe it, you can have it.

<sup>99</sup> Another has got a bad blood count, sitting back there, I seen them take. Do you believe the Lord will make you well? All right. Do you believe with all your heart? Then you can have your healing, God healed you just then. You touched Him. You never touched me, you're thirty feet away from me. Amen.

<sup>100</sup> Now do you believe He has raised from the dead? Just look, and live, now while the line is a-moving. Oh, it is so hard here in Jeffersonville! You . . . And a crowd like this all around you, everybody! Jesus took a man by the hand, and led him out of town, one time.

<sup>101</sup> Now look this a way, sister, just a moment. Believe that the Lord Jesus is present to help you. You are suffering with a trouble that's in the rectal, and a doctor has examined you. And he told you it was hemorrhoids. I see you also trying to move across the house, and you're going real slow. You have arthritis. That's THUS SAITH THE LORD. The doctor said that you must be operated on. That's exactly right. And I seen him sign that little card there at his office: Rebekah Baker, 509 Graham Street. That's exactly right. That's in his office, on the record. That's right. Do you believe? [The sister says, "Yes, sir."—Ed.] Then you can have your healing. In the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, may this woman receive her healing. Amen. God bless you, lady. Go, believing now. Have faith in God.

If you could only realize the Presence of the Lord!

<sup>102</sup> Now the lady standing here, that you might . . . I don't know you, as far as I know. You don't know me, and I don't know you. Is that right? All right. Then you are somebody that doesn't know me, and I don't know them. And I didn't know the other lady. But this lady is a total stranger, as far I know. If that's right, raise up your hand, lady. Our first time, ever meeting in life.

<sup>103</sup> Here is a woman and a man. Just a beautiful picture of Saint John 4, where a woman and a Man met; and the woman was a Samaritan, Jesus was a Jew. And they begin to talk to each other, and Jesus revealed the secrets of her heart and let her know where her trouble was. Now, if He is the same Jesus today, He can do the same work today.

104 If this woman will raise her hand to God, not to swear (because, we don't believe in doing it), just raise her hand up in sincerity, with mine, that we never seen one another before, and know nothing about each other. Will you raise up your hand, lady? There you are. She has never seen me, or I've never seen her, and she's a total stranger. Now if there is . . .

105 The Presence of the Lord Jesus is here. If the woman is sick, I couldn't heal her. She has already been healed; Christ healed her when He died for her. Do you believe that? But if He was standing here now, with . . . in where I'm standing, and He would, could reveal to her, or do something to bring her faith up to meet! Now, she might be standing here for financial trouble. She might be standing here in domestic trouble. She might be standing here, dying with a cancer. She might be standing here with TB. I don't know. I can't tell you.

106 And now if you want to put yourself in my place, come here and take my place, you're welcome. [Brother Branham pauses—Ed.] Certainly. Neither do I know, neither would I do it. But the God of Heaven knows. Can you understand now?

107 And if Christ will perform the same thing here, the infallible Truth, like He's raised from the dead, and proved that He is the same Jesus that talked to the woman at the well, how many in here say, "I will receive Him right now as my Healer, or whatever I have need of"? Raise your hand, say, "I will receive Him if He'll do that."

108 The woman with her hands up, we never met. The Lord grant it, is my prayer. Now the lady seems to be moving from me; if the audience can pick up my voice. I see someone standing. It's not for herself, so much. She is praying for somebody else, and that's an elderly lady. It's her mother, she is praying for. That's true. She has little heart attacks, little heart flutters, like. She can't sleep at night. Isn't that right? Raise your hand if that's true. And that lady is not from this country. That lady is from away from here. That lady is from Georgia. That's exactly right. And you're from Georgia. And you want prayer for your eyes, too. You are going blind in your eyes. And that's true. Do you believe God will make you well? If that's true, raise up your hand. All right.

109 Now do you believe? Now have faith in God. While I'm praying for her, pray for yourself out there, and believe God. He's here, omnipresent.

Come here, sister.

110 Blessed Saviour, I pray that, in Christ's Name, that You will grant to this woman her desire. May the Power of Almighty God rest upon her, and may she be healed and get ever what she asked for. I pray this blessing in Jesus' Name. Amen.

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111 Now go, rejoicing, and happy. And believe, sister, and be made well. All right.

112 I'm not sure, but I believe I know this woman. I believe you are from Georgetown, because I'm . . . Aren't you Brother Arganbright's relation? Course, now this anointing, it's different. You realize that there's a difference right now. When I talk to you somewhere else; it's different right now. You feeled a real pleasant feeling, like. It's the Holy Spirit. You are not here for yourself. You're here for somebody else, and that's a little girl about four or five years old. She's got kidney trouble, and she lives in northern Indiana. That's true. That what you've got in your hand, send it to her, and she'll be made well. Believe with all your heart now, and receive what you asked for, in Christ's Name.

“If thou canst believe, all things are possible!”

113 Here's a lady that's a stranger to me. I don't know you, never seen you in my life. We are strangers to each other, many years apart; maybe many, been born many miles apart. I don't know you, never seen you. But Jesus Christ knows you.

114 Something happened in the audience; a man appeared by me. Here he sets, right here, ruptured navel. Do you believe, sir? [The brother says, “Yes.”—Ed.] Then Christ heal you and makes you well! Amen.

115 That's the way to do it, believe! What did he touch? I never seen the man; but he was healed right there. He touched the Lord Jesus Who is present here. Take away that unbelief from you! Forget about me being William Branham. Look at Jesus Christ, He's the One that's here. I challenge your faith, in Christ's Name, to forget about me; and believe that this is the Lord Jesus here, and see what will happen. I don't care where you are in the building.

116 Now here is a little woman. I never seen her. She is older than I. She, I don't know who she is, where she is from, nothing about her. I am a perfect stranger to her. But Christ knows her.

117 If He will reveal to me what you're here for, will you receive it and believe it? [The sister says, “Sure.”—Ed.] You had a funny feeling a few minutes ago, when I spoke something, didn't you? It was your sister that's in the insane institution in Madison, Indiana. That's correct. For, another woman was standing here, and you was standing there looking right over this way. And the vision, you were believing when you come up. That's exactly right. That's what done it. And the reason you are here tonight, is 'cause you've got a heart trouble. You just had a heart attack. That's exactly right. And I see now, as I look in a vision, that rolling land. You are from somewhere here in southern Indiana. You're from near Corydon, that's where you're from. Go back home,

you're well. Jesus Christ makes you well. That's THUS SAITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

118 Have faith, and believe. Don't doubt. Just only believe. Can you recognize the omnipresence of the Lord Jesus? How wonderful! What's the matter?

119 Over here in the corner, I see a vision. The doctor don't know whether it's cancer or TB. That's right. But if you will believe it, you're healed, anyhow. Your faith has saved you, woman.

120 There you are. The omnipresence of the living God! I challenge your faith. "If thou canst believe!" Now, He has risen from the dead. He is here with us. That's Him! That's the very things He did when He was here on earth. Two thousand years has passed, He is still alive, and He is alive for evermore. Just believe, have faith.

121 I don't know you, lady. I never seen you in my life, know nothing about you. That's true, isn't it? Jesus Christ knows you. If God will reveal to me what you're here for, will you believe Him, and believe me to be His prophet? If He'll do that, you know Something has got me anointed. You would have to know it's That. Now if I said, "I'm going to lay my hands on you, be healed," you would have a right to doubt that. But if God tells me something that you know to be the truth, then you know whether that's truth or not. Is that right? [The sister says, "That's right."—Ed.] It's a female disorder. Operated, I see you coming off the operating table, with something white over your face, but it wasn't successful. That's right. But, that devil hid from the doctor, but it can't hide from God. Go home, and be well, lady, Jesus Christ has healed you and made you well.

If you can believe!

122 I'm a stranger to you, lady. Do you believe Jesus Christ, God's Son, is here? Do you believe He'll make you well? Diabetes is nothing, for God to heal. Do you believe He'll make you well? Then go home and receive your healing, in the Name of Jesus Christ, God's Son. Amen.

Come, little lady. Do you believe?

123 Now stop thinking that back there! It is not a telepathy. You can't get away with it now! Let me show you:

124 I don't know this woman. Lay your hands on mine, lady. If God will reveal to me what's your trouble, me looking *this* way, you know I'm not reading your mind, if God will reveal to me what's your trouble, will you believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and I be His servant? If you will, raise up your hand. You got a female trouble, a lady's trouble. That's right. You did have; you haven't now. You're healed. Go on your road, and rejoice and be glad.

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125 Come, sir. That old kidney trouble, and something bothering you. Do you believe God will make you well? [The brother says, “Yes.”—Ed.] Heal you of it? Then, in the Name of Jesus Christ, receive your healing, and go on your road, rejoicing. Amen. God bless you, brother.

Believe!

126 How do you do, lady? Wouldn't you love to go, eat a good meal again like you used to? You've been all nervous, haven't you? Caused a peptic ulcer to be in your stomach. Go, get you a hamburger and eat it, Jesus Christ has made you well. You go on your road, rejoicing.

127 “If thou canst believe!” Have faith in God. Do you believe? The living, omnipotent Christ is present here now, to heal every person in here.

128 Just a moment. Way back down the line, sitting right down here, sits a young man. Your faith is greater than you thought you had, son. You had a heart trouble, didn't you? If that's right, stand up on your feet. Jesus Christ healed you, son. You're well. Go on your road, and be well.

129 Do you believe Him? Have faith in God.

130 Here is a man I don't know. We are strangers to each other. I believe this man was baptized this morning. But I don't know you, don't have no idea about you. Is that right? If Jesus Christ will reveal to me what you're here for, will you accept it?

131 How many in the audience will receive it right now? “If thou canst believe!” Just have faith. Don't doubt.

132 The man has a skin trouble. That's right. And I see you're getting. . . It's a prostate trouble, also. That's right. If it is, wave your hand. And I see something dark standing between you and a woman; it's your wife. You are praying for her. She's a sinner, and you want her to become a Christian. That's THUS SAITH THE LORD. That's right. Go, lay your hands on her, and pray for her, that God in Heaven will reveal the importance of these things that are real.

133 Do you believe? Do you believe that God will do it? “If thou canst believe!” I challenge your faith. Way back in the back, wherever you are, look and live! Have faith in God, wherever you are. “If thou canst believe, all things are possible.” If you can believe! Watch, look this way, pray.

You say, “What are you watching, Brother Branham?”

134 Rebekah, come back this way a little, honey. Stop right where you are. There is my little girl, who someday will be a prophetess, also. That lady standing right there by you, honey, with the white hat on, she is suffering with a sinus trouble. Raise your hand, or stand to your feet,

lady. You are praying that God would call, let me call you. Is that right? Let my little girl lay her hands on you there.

O Eternal God, in the Name of Jesus Christ, I rebuke that demon that's bothering that woman. And let it be removed, in Christ's Name. Amen.

<sup>135</sup> Oh, blessed be the Name of the Lord! May the Lord Jesus reveal Himself, too. Do you believe He is here? Then let me tell you, every one of you, right now, if you can believe it, Jesus Christ makes every one of you well, right now. If my words is true *here*, it's true *there*. If you will do what I tell you to do, you can be healed right now. Do you believe it? Then put your hands on one another. Just lay your hands over on one another, inside or out. Don't you doubt! I heard a deaf spirit leave. Here He is, the resurrected Christ!

<sup>136</sup> O Eternal and Blessed God, in the Name of the Lord Jesus, I challenge every unclean spirit, in the Name of Christ the Lord, that it will leave this place, go out of these people. And may the great Holy Ghost now baptize everyone in here, with great faith to believe.

<sup>137</sup> Oh, Satan, you demon, you've bluffed us long enough. Christ is raised, He is standing here with the keys of death and hell hanging on Him. The power of healing has been paid for. And we adjure thee, by the Name of Jesus Christ, the living Son of God, that you depart from these people. Come out of them, Satan, that they go and be made well.

<sup>138</sup> If you believe with all your heart, that Jesus Christ healed you, stand up to your feet, and accept the Divine healing Power of Almighty God. That's it! Praise the Lord! Bless the Lord! You are, every one, healed. Stand on your feet, and give God praise! Amen! Blessed be the Name of the Lord! Let's give Him praise, as we raise our hands and praise Him. Bless the Son of the living God! Amen!



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