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I was just a little late tonight, we got tangled up in the cars and couldn't get in. I'm usually late though. Not long ago I was speaking at a United Brethren church, and they . . . minister got up, and said, "I want to introduce you to the late Mr. Branham." Well, I was borned a little late, I was late for my wedding, about two hours, if I can just be late for my funeral now, it'll be all right. It's one I really want to be late at.

<sup>2</sup> We are happy to be here in this lovely city. As we was driving around tonight, coming down here, I was thinking of back several years ago, when we had the meeting here, and I was thinking what a wonderful time the people here showed us, how they was so nice, and the Lord blessed us.

<sup>3</sup> And Brother Bosworth was with us, he's gone across the sea now on the other Side. I went to see him just before leaving. He was, oh, way up toward a hundred years old, he had just come back from Africa, where we had been missionarying together. I said to him, when he was . . . Rushed into his home, and there laid the little patriarch, laying there dying, and he raised . . . [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] " . . . horsemen thereof." [Blank spot on tape.] . . . there ever was anyone that had the dignity . . . [Blank spot on tape.] . . . was F. F. Bosworth.

<sup>4</sup> He was a great man of God, one of the early ones. He come here in Texas, and stayed in one city for ten years and established . . . [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] . . . seven churches, and, with one revival, never stopped, night, or, all days, and, or, for ten straight years, every night, somewhere, holding a meeting for . . . here in Texas.

<sup>5</sup> Did you hear how he went? About a hour before he left to cross—to cross the way, he had been asleep for a while, and he raised up, looked in the room, and said, "Mother!" And for one solid hour, or maybe two hours, he shook hands with friends that he had led to Christ, and been gone for fifty years, crossed over the bar on the other Side. Went back and laid down his hands, crossed them like *that*, went to meet God.

<sup>6</sup> I'll never forget his last words to me, he said, "Hurry, Brother Branham, get overseas right quick, there is where the fields are open." And he said . . .

I said, "Brother Bosworth, you're not sick?"

He said, "Not one bit sick," said, "it's just coming my time now, I've lived my life."

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I said, "Of all your long life for Christ, what was your greatest time, Brother Bosworth?"

He said, "Right now."

And I said, "Do you realize, then, that you're going?"

7 He said, "Yes but, Brother Branham, all I've lived for for the past sixty years has been for Christ, and most any minute He'll come in that door to take me Home." That's right.

Lives of great men all remind us  
And we can make our lives sublime,  
With partings, leave behind us,  
Footprints on the sands of time.

8 I think of his testimony, and I think of Paul Rader, when he went. How many ever knew Paul Rader? Many of you people. He was a great man of God, went in California. I used to set at his feet when I was a little boy. And he and Luke kind of stuck together, like my son and I, Billy. And when he was dying, the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago had sent a quartet down to sing, and they were singing kind of a slow song, *Nearer, My God, To Thee*.

9 And Paul, if you knew him, he always had a sense of humor. He wrote this song, my theme song, *Only Believe*. And he—he had a sense of humor, he was always cracking something, like Brother Bosworth, so when they was singing, *Nearer, My God, To Thee*, he raised up in the bed, said, "Say, who is dying here, me or you?" And said he—he said, "Draw . . ." said, "Raise up those shades, and sing me some real good, snappy Gospel songs."

And they went to singing, "Down at the cross where my Saviour died."

He said, "That sounds better." He said, "Where's Luke?"

And Luke didn't want to see his brother die, so he was in the other room. And he said, "He's in the other room."

Said, "Tell him to come here."

10 Luke, great big fellow, if you all knew him. He, and Paul, and Billy Sunday, and F. F. Bosworth, and all them were, in their days, carried the Gospel in their day. So then, when they . . . Luke said to Paul, or Paul said, rather, to Luke, he took hold of his hand, and said, "Think of it, Paul, or, Luke, we've come a long way together, haven't we?"

Said, "Yes, we have Luke, or, Paul."

Paul said to Luke, "We've come a long ways."

He said, "Yes, we have, Brother."

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11 But said, "Think of it, in five minutes from now I'll be standing in the Presence of Jesus Christ, clothed in His righteousness," squeezed his brother's hand, and died.

I think it was Balaam said, of old, "Let me die like them."

12 Oh, we're all happy to be Christians, aren't we? I wonder what we could look to tonight if it wasn't for Christ? What hope would we have? Where could we settle? Where could we base anything for a foundation today, outside of Christ?

13 Oh, sinner friend, you in this little auditorium tonight, let me—let me warn you: Flee from the wrath that is to come. There's only one Hiding Place, I'm glad that God made a City of Refuge, Christ Jesus, we can run in, and are safe.

14 Recently I was in India, Bombay, where we, the Lord let us preach to the greatest crowd. . . [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] . . . thousand blanket natives breaking their idols on the ground, receiving Christ as Saviour. I guess in India it was three times that, but we couldn't count them. And I. . .

15 India is rather a bilingual country. You know it was owned by England, and just recently taken its freedom from bankruptcy, of course, and then, they were bankrupt, and they was given their freedom, rather. And then, I picked up a newspaper and was reading in the English column, and it said, "I suppose the earthquake is over now, the birds are all coming back." And I'd like to take just a moment, tell you the story.

16 In India they're very poor, I believe the most poverty-stricken place I was ever, in my life, was in India. You people just don't realize till you happen to go there once, see little mothers laying on the street, their little babies with no flesh on their face, little bellies swelled up, they're dying from hunger, begging for something to eat. Ask you to take the baby, let her die, but try to save her baby. You take *this* one, what about *that* one, *this* one, *that* one, *that* one? Just everywhere. It's certainly a pathetic thing, and—and my heart broke to see India. I hope to go back again this fall.

17 In the newspaper, it said that all the birds had flew away from their coves. In India, they don't have nice fences like you have here in the States, woven wire, and so forth, and fine picket fences, they pick up the stones mostly, and lay the stones together. There's four hundred and seventy million people in India, and honest, I know I'm exaggerating, but I'd guess four hundred million beggars, they just, they know nothing but beg. They got plenty of natural resource, but not the mentality to develop it, all they know is beg and religion.

18 And I was entertained that afternoon in the temple of the Jains, of seventeen different religions, and every one of them denied Jesus Christ, or, Him a God. So you can imagine what they are. They believe, most of them, in reincarnation, they wipe the streets where they go, so they won't step on as much as a little flea, or an ant, that it might be their mother returned back in that form, or something. Now, to preach a Blood sacrifice to a people like that!

19 But that night when the Holy Ghost came on the scene! A total blind man stood there, I seen a vision he was going to receive his sight, I said, "I challenge every one of you Mohammedans, all the rest, the Jains, the Sikhs, and Buddhists, and what-more, to come here and give this man his sight." I said, "What's the audience so silent about?" I said, "You can't do it, neither can I, but the God of Heaven, Who raised up Jesus Christ from the dead, has promised these things that we see. And I have just saw a vision," I wouldn't have said that if I hadn't saw the vision, "the man is going to receive his sight."

20 I said, "Now, if the Mohammedan prophets are so great, let them come forth and give him sight, and I'll be a Mohammedan." I said, "You thought it was a telepathy, I was reading his mind when I told him that he had to have holy men . . ." Oh, you just have to go there, nearly, to understand it.

21 I said that he, "This man is blind, he went blind watching the sun, he's a worshipper of the sun. He worshipped the creation instead of the Creator, we know that." And I said, "What would you do if the Sikhs wanted to convert him to their say? Or if the Jains want him to his, what-more, what would they do? Just change his way of thinking. We have the same thing in the United States, only one God."

22 I said, "All the Methodists want to make all the Baptists, Methodists; the Baptists wants to make all the Presbyterian, Baptists; the Pentecostal wants to take the whole thing. So there you are. What is it? Change your way of thinking. But there's got to be something that's right, and something wrong."

23 I held the Koran in one hand, the Bible in the other one, I said, "One of them is right, and one is wrong. They both can't be right, 'cause they're too different, one from the other." I said, "But if Jesus Christ, Who has showed me a vision that he's going to receive his sight, if he receives his sight, how many of you people now, seeing that your priest, or no one else here can give him his sight, and a man says he'll serve the God that gives him his sight, now, if Jesus Christ will restore his sight, how many of you will receive Jesus Christ for your Saviour?"

24 Just as far as you could see, them black hands in the air, it was estimated five hundred thousand people. So, and when that man

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received his sight, he grabbed me around the waist. Now, the mayor of Bombay, I did have his name, packed it a long time in my pocket, he was setting right there. And, why, they had a militia, they tore my shoes off, my pockets out of my coat, they would have twenty or thirty people, and them guards trying to hold them back, and them little women would run over the top of them guards, just to merely get close to where you was at, touch you, let the baby get near you, or something.

25 Think, and them hungering and thirsting for God like that, and you almost have to hire people in the United States to come hear the Gospel, or go to church on Wednesday night. That's, it's pitiful.

26 To finish my story, the little birds goes in these . . . make their nests in these rocks, and also, the cattle and sheep come in out of the fields, and stand in the afternoon around the shade of these walls, to keep out of the hot, direct rays of that tropical sun. And all of a sudden them birds flew away from their home and went out in the fields, in the trees and bushes, the cattle moved out from around the fences, the sheep went out in the field and stood leaning against one another, something was fixing to happen.

27 All of a sudden, there came an earthquake shook all the walls down. If the little birds had stayed in their nests, they would have been killed, if the cattle and sheep would have stayed around those walls, they would have been killed. They stayed out there for two days, 'cause there was, constantly, earthquakes coming, small and large. Then after while, the cattle and sheep returned back again, the birds flew back to what homes they had left in the nest in the rocks, and so forth. And the paper said, "That's a sign that the earthquakes are over."

28 Now look, God that led the birds, and the sheep, and the cattle into the ark is the same God that can lead them today, He did it. And if a bird, a animal, by instinct, knows how to get away from the big towers of Babel that's fixing to fall, how much more ought borned-again men and women to know how to flee out, lean against one another?

29 If there ever was a time we ought to lean on one another, is right now. Come together, all of us together, and stay together, for the great towers of this great, world-made system is going to pass away, that a issuing in of a Kingdom that has no end, the Millennium will begin one of these days. Upon this, let's approach the Word now, and before that, let us bow our heads for prayer.

30 I wonder, just before we pray, if there would be present any man or woman outside of Christ, would like to be remembered in this prayer, would you raise your hand? Just say, "Remember me, Brother Branham." God bless you, your sincerity. Wonderful! May God hear.

God bless you. Dozen or more hands. God bless you, lady, that's good. Way back in the back, God sees your hands, certainly, He does. God bless you, sir.

31 Our Heavenly Father, we come approaching Thy throne of justice, and if we would get justice, we would be just simply wiped from the face of the earth, but we're coming under the Blood of Jesus, for He said in His Own Words, "If you ask the Father anything in My Name I'll do it." And we're coming in the Name of the Lord Jesus, not asking for justice, Lord, but we're asking for mercy.

32 Just a story, Father, in that newspaper clipping that we have there, that those little birds flew away, got away. Oh, the same God that could bring them into the ark, and before the antediluvian destruction is the same God today, can pull His birds and His animals away from danger, surely, Lord, You can warn us to flee from the wrath that is to come.

33 For the nations have sinned, and turned against God, they have rebelled in their hearts. And soon we realize that there will be an atomic explosion universally, that will shake this world into a tomorrow, our Eternity. Then some beautiful morning, the Lord Jesus and His Church will return to the earth.

34 Oh, for that day, God! That's what our hearts are longing for, when the old will be young there forever, there will be no more old people, and no more infant of days, they will just be in that great splendor of youth forever. We thank Thee for this great truth, Lord, though it seems far away for us now, but yet, it may not be until tomorrow, till we see it.

35 I pray, Father, for these who raised up their hands reverently and gallantly tonight, that they wanted to receive You as their Saviour, want to be remembered in prayer. God, there's not a person in the world that is sufficient to lead such people, I realize that it's Your Spirit doing that. You said, "No man can come to Me, except the Father has drawn him, and all that the Father has given Me will come." Father, I pray that You'll save them tonight.

36 May something be said or done in such a way that they'll receive You as their Saviour, and be filled with Your Holy Spirit, for we realize that those that are sealed, the plagues has been commissioned not to come near any of those who has the Seal of God in their forehead. Grant it, Lord. Save the savable tonight, fill with the Holy Spirit those who are waiting for it, and heal all the sick and the afflicted.

37 Bless the saints, Lord, give them a new courage, may they buckle up the armor a little stronger. Bless every church, every denomination. God, we pray that Your arms of mercy will reach out unto them, and a revival will break in every church through this community here, and there will be a coming together like the, a rushing wind. Grant it,

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Father. Send a revival to these wonderful people here who love You. I pray that You forgive us of our shortcomings and sins. Now, Father, hide the speaker, tonight, in the Blood of the Lord Jesus, for we ask it, in His Name. Amen.

38 In the Gospel writings tonight, in the Book of Saint Matthew's the 12th chapter, and the 42nd verse, we wish to take a text there for a little context, the Lord willing.

39 Just this morning I had to kind of, what I call, speak for Brother Moore. Brother Moore had to go back home, for he's bringing his wife, and them, down in the morning, and we are waiting for him to come. Brother Moore is a great soul for God, a great man of God. I've knowed him since I was just a—a, well, started in the ministry, fourteen years ago in evangelistic service. He's been many places over the world. I found him, he isn't here tonight so I can say this, a real, true-blue Christian, a real man of God, Brother Moore, got a wonderful church up there at Shreveport. The Lord is blessing him.

40 Now, in Saint Matthew 12:42:

*And the queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.*

41 Jesus had been upbraiding the people, and, because that they had misunderstood His Message, and they was trying to make It out something that It wasn't. He had been in their cities, and had been performing miracles, and showing His Messianic sign to the people, as we talked of last night. And we find that those who were ordained to Life saw it, those who were not ordained to Life did not see it.

42 The Gospel blinds those who are—are not willing to accept it, and it'll give sight to those who are willing to accept it. And that's the way it was in His days, when the Scripture plainly stated exactly the things that He did, and said He would do it, and how they missed it, it showed that they had to be blinded.

43 And to think of it, them poor Jews were blinded that our eyes might have a chance to be opened. And now, the same Gospel that blinded the Jews is blinding the church, same thing promised exactly, and it goes a million miles over their heads. I'm glad you're recording that.

44 I know that's THUS SAITH THE LORD that the—the Gospel, the same Gospel that blinded the Jews is now blinding the Gentiles, because it is the same Gospel, for there is no other Gospel but the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. We have many creeds, but there's one Gospel. What is the Gospel? The Gospel came not in Word only, but

through power and demonstration, manifestations of the Holy Spirit, God making His Word come to pass.

45 It had to be that, for in Mark 16 He said, “Go into all the world and preach the Gospel. These signs shall follow.” Or otherwise, “Go into all the world, and demonstrate the power of the resurrection.” He’s not dead, but He’s alive. And He’s depending on you and I to let Him work through us to will His will.

46 And if anything we ever approach that’s not Scripture, you’re duty bound to come tell us about it. It must come from the Bible, through the Bible, it must cope with the rest of the Scriptures, and be right. If it isn’t, then we—we’re ready to say that it’s wrong. And if a Angel, or, from Heaven, or anything else, would come preach anything else that’s not in this Bible, don’t you listen to it. *This* is God’s Word, and God’s Word only, and we know that It is true.

47 Now, we find that Jesus had thoroughly, and, convinced every believer that believed on Him, as He said, “My sheep hear My Voice, stranger they will not follow.” And we found last night, in giving what God said He would be when He come, what the prophet spoke of, that He would be a God-Prophet. “The Lord your God shall rise up a Prophet liken unto me.” And they knowed the Messiah would be . . . the sign of the Messiah would be the prophet.

48 Here some time ago, speaking to a rabbi, where a man, John Rhyn, had been blind for twenty years, received his sight, begging on the streets in Fort Wayne.

And this rabbi called me in, and said, “By what authority did you open John’s eyes?”

I said, “I never opened his eyes.”

Said, “Well, how did you do it?”

I said, “In the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God.”

And he said, “Far be it from God having a Son! How could a Spirit have a Son?”

I said, “Rabbi,” I said, “I would like to ask you something: Would you believe the prophets? It wouldn’t be hard for you to believe the prophets?”

He said, “Sure, I believe the prophets.”

I said, “Who did Isaiah speak of in 9:6 when he said, ‘Unto us a Child is born, Son is given?’”

“Well,” he said, “that was the Messiah.”

I said, “What relationship is Messiah to God?”

He said, “He is God, the Anointed One.”

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I said, "Tell me one place that Jesus ever failed to, but what He showed that He was the Anointed Messiah, the Lord your God?"

And he said, "Well, he was a thief."

I said, "How was He a thief?"

Said, "He stole corn right out of the cornfield."

<sup>49</sup> I said, "Rabbi, your own law said that a man can pass through a cornfield and eat what he wants to, but he can't take out any in a bag." He didn't even know that, being a rabbi. He can't take any out, but allowed, He . . . I said, "He didn't steal." You know, that rabbi stood there for a few minutes. And I said, "Rabbi, don't you believe that He was *That*?"

He said, "Look, sir," said, "if I preached that, I would be down there in the street, begging."

<sup>50</sup> I said, "I would rather be down there begging, and drinking branch water, than eating chicken three times a day, and my name in gold on this temple here, and know I was in error. I would rather be truthful."

And he started to cry, and he turned around, he said, "I'll see you later."

I said, "You're not honest with me, Rabbi."

He said, "I believe if them temple priests would have listened to Him, we would been better off today."

And I said, "Then you believe. What about it?"

He said, "I believe He was a good Man."

I said, "Rabbi, do you believe He was a good Man?"

Said, "I'll go farther than that with you, I believe He was a prophet."

<sup>51</sup> I said, "That's all I want you to say. Then He said He was the Son of God, and then, if He was a prophet, He can't lie, so therefore, you believe He was the Prophet, the Son of God, He showed the sign of Messiah."

And he wouldn't talk to me no more, and went in the place.

<sup>52</sup> Oh, brother, what that love of money will do! What a love of some ecclesiastical form will do! But what the love of God will do then, to a heart that's willing to surrender to the will and ways of God!

<sup>53</sup> Jesus had proved to them, said, "If I do not the works of My Father, then don't believe Me, but if I do the works," said, "you listen to the works then, if you can't believe Me."

They said, "Him, being a man, makes hisself God."

Said, "If I do the works of God, then what you got to say about them?" in otherwise.

54 Now, we find that He did those things, those signs and wonders before them. And many of them. . . The Gentiles did not see them because they knowed nothing about a coming Messiah, but the Jews and the Samaritans seen that Messianic sign, and as soon as they saw it, they said, "Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God; Thou art the King of Israel."

55 The woman at the well said, "We know that Messiah cometh and will do these things, but You must be his prophet."

Jesus said, "I am He."

56 Oh, there never was a man could say that but Him, never can be no more, because He was the only One. That's right.

57 Now, and they failed to see it, and when they did see it, they made fun of it and said that He was doing that through an evil spirit, that it was Beelzebub. Other words, Beelzebub is a devil, in other words, the power of the devil, He was a fortuneteller. And they claimed to be a fortuneteller because He could perceive the thoughts in their minds, and tell them, "Why reason ye in your heart? I saw you when you were under the tree. Your name is Simon, your father's name is Jonas."

"Why," they—they said, "he's a fortuneteller."

58 And Jesus said, "I'll forgive you for saying that, but someday the Holy Ghost is coming, and to speak against That will not be forgiven in this world, neither in the world that is to come." So the seriousness that we face in this day at the end time!

59 Speaking of the end-time, the sign that was given to Lot in his days would appear again in the last day, and Jesus standing there at that time performing it, and they said. . . Speaking about the days gone by, and He upbraided the cities, and told them of their unbelief, and the hardness of their hearts, and then, finally, He begin to speak to them about God.

60 And God in all ages and all times has always had signs and wonders among His people. Not any time or any age, I want any historian to go with me back even to the *Nicene Council*, or even the *Pre-Nicene Council* in the history, and find out if any in the, any time down through Luther, Martin, John Smith, Moody, Sankey, Calvin, Knox, Spurgeon, any time that they ever had a real pouring out of revival, they had the power of God manifested among them by signs, wonders, speaking in tongues, demonstrations, Divine healing, and so forth, not one time.

61 And every time they started a revival, someone raised up and started an organization behind it, and it died, and never did come back

again. Search the Scriptures, search the history, and find out if every time they ever organized the Christian religion, it died right there, and never rose again, can't.

<sup>62</sup> God is either going to lead the Church, or the Holy Ghost is going to lead It, or man is going to lead It. If you choose man, go ahead, God pulls His Church right out, Pillar of Fire moves on, and the Church moves with It.

<sup>63</sup> He has individuals in every church, all different kinds of churches. If a man is a Catholic, and he's depending on the Catholic church for salvation, that man is lost, but if he's a Catholic, and depending on Jesus Christ for salvation, "By faith are you saved, and that by the grace of God." Whether he's Baptist, Pentecostal, whatever he is, it's our faith, our personal faith in the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

<sup>64</sup> Never draw no boundary lines for organizations, we believe all people are, have the right to be a Christian, "Whosoever will, let him come." No matter what color, creed, what he is, if he's a believer on the Lord Jesus Christ, and accepted Him as personal Saviour, he's saved by faith, that's the grace of God that called him.

<sup>65</sup> Now, we find out that all through the ages God has always had signs and wonders with His people, through all ages, every age. And we go back, Jesus was referring back to them when He seen that they wouldn't believe Him as the Messiah, and He begin to refer back to ages beyond, He said, "Verily, I say unto you that Jonah, in the days of Jonah. . ."

They had asked Him for a sign, they said, "Show us a sign."

<sup>66</sup> You see, no matter how many things taken place, they didn't see it. That's the same thing today, why, people set right one by the side of the other one like that, and one can see the power and glory of God, and the other sees nothing. Why, like Paul, the Pillar of Fire, It was, He could see It all right, but them standing by him couldn't see It. The wise men saw the Star, nobody else saw it, come right over the observatories, and everything else, because they wasn't looking for it; you've got to be looking for something. You've got to come with expectations, led of the Holy Spirit, then God will reveal Himself to you.

Now, we find out that they said, "We would seek a sign from you."

And He said, "A wicked and adulterous generation seeks after signs, and there will be no sign given it, but the sign of Jonah."

<sup>67</sup> Say, I might stop here just a moment, before I get down. . . We'll try not to keep you too long, I overdone it last night. Was a remarkable thing, I preached a sermon this morning in twenty minutes. Ministers,

that's just really good. Usually takes me about three hours to get through one. But some people can preach and say more in, maybe, in fifteen minutes than I could in three hours.

<sup>68</sup> I'm a—I'm a southerner, I'm slow, and I just can't think of it too fast, I have to wait on Him to tell me, and then I say it. So, I never went to any schools or seminaries, so I just have to wait on Him, just say it when He says it, just come after Him. But I'm pretty sure I'm right if I wait on Him. You just suffer a little while with me.

<sup>69</sup> So then, we find out that the days of Jonah . . . Now, a lot of people make fun of Jonah, saying, "He was a Jonah." Why, Jonah was no bad fellow, Jonah was a prophet, and he couldn't have got out of the will of God like that, it was all by the will of God. He never took the wrong ship, he took the right ship.

<sup>70</sup> Did you ever read the history of Jonah? It's wonderful! You know, I always felt sorry for him down in the belly of that whale, he had his hands tied, and his feet tied, and in a stormy sea, and throwed out, and the whale swallowed him. And when the whale . . . A fish feeds, then when it gets through feeding, it goes down the bottom and rests itself on the bottom. Feed your little goldfish and watch them, they'll go down, put their little swimmers on the bottom, after they get the belly full, and—and—and rest awhile.

<sup>71</sup> Well, this whale had filled up on this prophet, and went down to the bottom of the sea. And he was laying there with his hands tied, his feet tied, and in the vomit of the whale, in its belly, probably twenty fathoms deep, and the bottom of the sea, and a stormy sea on top, and laying there, everywhere he looked it was a whale's belly, he looked forward, it was whale's belly, backward was whale's belly, everywhere around. Talk about symptoms? He had them, a bad case.

<sup>72</sup> But you know what I like about Jonah? He refused to see any of it, he said, "Once again will I look towards Thy holy temple. These things are lying vanities. I look towards Thy holy temple, because when Solomon dedicated the temple he prayed, and said, 'If Thy people be in trouble any time, and look towards this holy place, then hear from Heaven.'" And, you know, down in that whale's belly Jonah still remembered that that prayer was sufficient, and he said, "Once more will I look towards Thy holy temple." And God made that whale take him just exactly where God wanted him to go.

<sup>73</sup> And if Jonah under those circumstances, there's nobody here that bad off, surely not, under those circumstances could look towards a temple that was built by the hands of men, and the prayer of a man that was a mortal, later backslid, and could believe that God heard his prayer, and God answered it in such a way to deliver him under

such circumstance, how much more ought we, tonight, to look away from our symptoms to the throne of God, where Jesus sits with His Own bloody clothes, and the Son of the great Majesty on High to make intercession?

74 Refuse to look at your sickness. Refuse to see anything contrary to . . . Be like Abraham of old. When he was seventy-five years old, Sarah was sixty-five, and God told him he was going to have a baby by Sarah, he believed it. Twenty-five years never changed him a bit, "He staggered not at the promise of God by unbelief."

75 I can hear him say after the first thirty days . . . He had lived with her since she was a child, or, young woman, she was his half-sister, and she was sterile, so was he. And he said . . . And she was past the age of bearing, past the age of menopause, she was sixty-five years old, he was seventy-five. And I imagine after about *so-many* days he said, "How you feeling, Honey?"

"No different."

76 "Praise God, we're going to have it, anyhow. Go on downtown, buy you a bunch of little, pink booties, and some birdeye, and some pins. Get ready, we're going to have it, anyhow." Why they thought he was crazy!

77 And they will think you're crazy, as long as you take God at His Word, and deny anything contrary to It.

78 He knowed God was able to keep that which He had performed, and we are supposed to be children of Abraham. We are children of Abraham if we have the faith of Abraham. Everything else but God's Word is a lie.

79 Look what God said, we look at the unseen, you look what your mortal eyes don't see. You don't *see* with your eyes, anyhow. You only *look* with your eyes, you *see* with your heart. You look right at it, say, "I don't see it," you mean you don't understand it. Your *seeing* is your understanding, so you understand with your heart.

80 Now, Jonah, in all that condition, God honored his prayer. There's one thing about it, a true child of God, you can't hide him from prayer. They tried to scald It out of John, and they put him on the Isle of Patmos after they boiled him in grease for twenty-four hours, you couldn't boil It out of him; tried to scare It out with some lions, out of Daniel, he just couldn't do it; tried to burn It out with fire with the Hebrew children, just couldn't do it. Well, you can't burn the Holy Ghost out, It's Fire itself, Fire fights fire. And when a man is really filled with God's Spirit, the Holy Ghost, you can't burn It out, scare It out, run It out, It's there to stay.

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<sup>81</sup> Now notice, now, we always thought Jonah got out of the will of God, he did not. Nineveh was a big city, full of sin, backslidden, just about like, almost the size of St. Louis, a great city, many thousands of people there that went off in sin, been to worship idols. And now, their main idol, their main god of the sea, their occupation was fishing, and the main god of the sea was the whale, and when this whale come run in amongst the fishermen, licked out his tongue for a gangplank, and the prophet walked right out of the whale's mouth, sure, they're going to believe it, God delivered His prophet right out to them. God knows how to do things. Might sound silly, but that's what He did.

<sup>82</sup> Now notice, a long ways around getting to the point, but notice, Jesus said, catch this now, here it comes, let your heart open, Jesus said, "A wicked and an adulterous generation seeketh after a sign." Now, He couldn't been talking to them because He wasn't dead yet, but said there will be given them a sign. The sign: "As Jonas was in the belly of the whale for three days and nights, so must the Son of man be in the heart of the earth three days and nights." Otherwise, what kind of a sign would a wicked and adulterous generation find, have give to them?

<sup>83</sup> Now, you can talk about all the signs you want to, here's a sign that He said, that a wicked and an adulterous generation . . . And this is it! Sodomites is spreading the earth, doubt, unbelief, isms, all kinds of things spreading the earth, it's a wicked and an adulterous generation. But He said they will receive the sign of the resurrection. Hallelujah! What? Jesus Christ alive among us, walking in our midst, He's not dead, "The works that I do shall you also. A little while and the world seeth Me no more, yet ye shall see Me, for I will be with you," *I* is a personal pronoun, "I'll be with you," not somebody else, "but *I* will, I will be with . . ."

Who?

The believers. "The world won't see Me, but ye shall see Me, for I'll be with you."

How?

"In you."

How far? Till the apostles' generation?

"Until the end of the world. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever." The end of the consummation.

<sup>84</sup> The great prophet Elijah to appear on the scene, a woman hater, wilderness man with a Message to turn the hearts of the children back to the fathers. Remember, He had a compound coming. Remember in Malachi 4 (Malachi 3 spoke of John the Baptist coming, as

Jesus referred to, “Why did the prophet say, ‘My messenger?’”) but remember, the Malachi, that’s coming Malachi 4, watch the last verse of it, we know that wasn’t John, because He said He would burn the earth with a heat, and the righteous would walk out upon the ashes of the wicked. So it never happened when John came, but that Elijah is prophesied again today.

<sup>85</sup> Notice, the first Elijah was to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, the old Orthodox to the new Message was going on that he was giving, and that *and* is a conjunction to tie the verse together, “the hearts of the children back to the fathers.” And then the Message of John in the last days, or, the Message of Elijah, the spirit will be in the Church, will be, take the hearts of the people that’s fallen away from the Pentecostal fathers, and turn their hearts back to the original Message of Pentecost again, as It started, the messenger of the covenant, the seventh star of the day, we’re living in that day.

<sup>86</sup> Notice this generation, wicked and adulterous generation, will seek after a sign, and they will get it. What kind of a sign? The sign of the resurrection, He is not dead, but He’s alive. Our religion is not a history, it’s a living fact, it’s a living God, it’s a living experience. “As it was in the days of Jonas.”

<sup>87</sup> Now, He has went along, He give another expression, He said, “And as it was in the days of Solomon.” Back in the days of Solomon . . . When God sends a gift to the earth, if the people receive it, it becomes a golden age to them, if they reject it, it becomes a chaos to them. Look what happened when Jesus was God’s Message to the people, and they rejected it, look what happened to the people that rejected It.

<sup>88</sup> In the days of Solomon, Solomon was the . . . Solomon’s reign, any minister knows that was a golden age for Israel, the greatest age. They built the temple, they had no wars to amount to anything, and they had a power of God among them. Oh, that gift was so great, till all the nations around about fear them.

<sup>89</sup> Listen, brother, what we need today, we don’t need atomic shelters, what we need is the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Nations will fear, if this whole United States that claims to be a Christian will fall under the power of God, there will be so many things happen here till every nation will be afraid to turn an atomic bomb loose. Right. He is our Refuge, He is our Strength, our Shield, our Buckler, our All in all.

<sup>90</sup> Now, we notice then that He said, “As it was in the days of Solomon, the Queen of the South come from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon.” Now, in the days of Solomon all the people were with one accord, they all come in and rallied around a gift. Solomon had a gift. Did you know that? Solomon had a gift

of discernment, and he had a . . . he could discern things, showed it come from God.

<sup>91</sup> Well, all the nations come around, and go in at the temple, and hear this great man, Solomon, watch his wisdom, and know he was just a man, they knowed that had to come from God. And, oh, how everybody talked about it! Every Israelite could stick his chest out, say, "We don't serve a dead God, we serve One that's alive. We can prove it to you, come down to the meeting tonight, find out whether it's right or not." Amen. I like that. You know where you're standing then.

<sup>92</sup> "Come down, and see if it's right or not. Come on into our country over here, see if the living God can come into a man and make him a superman, almost." Amen. That's what He does with every borned again Christian, a superman, a superwoman, superchild, turns his back on sin and the things of the world, and walks in peace with God. Super sign, He said He would give a super sign.

<sup>93</sup> Now notice, all the people rallied around it. Wouldn't it be wonderful tonight if all America, all of we Americans would forget our denominational differences, and we would all rally around the Gift that God give us, the Holy Ghost? Every church and every person would rally around that, why, the na- . . . it would be the talk of the world, everywhere. But oh, no, "If it's our denomination, it's all right, but if our denomination, it ain't with us, nope, nothing to it." See? Oh, how carnal! No wonder God can't do nothing for us. When those conditions, you ain't got nothing to build on.

<sup>94</sup> Notice, He'll never build upon our organizations, just get that out of your mind. He'll build upon Christ Jesus with each individual that will come and receive Him out of any organization, a true, honest heart.

<sup>95</sup> And one is just as good as the other when it comes to that, 'cause it's all organization, which is all right, that's perfectly all right. But whenever you place . . .

<sup>96</sup> Somebody told me not long ago, said, "Brother Branham, you know what happened? This great organization you was talking about, said that's always sponsored you," said, "you know what they did? They ousted you, they won't have nothing to do with you no more." Said, "They drove down their stake, and said, 'Nobody receive Brother Branham, anymore.'"

<sup>97</sup> I said, "Well, I drove mine down, too, and went way out apast them, and took them in." That's us all, not me, that's right. I take them in, because a lot of God's children is in there, and that's right. The Message is to God's children, not to any certain organization, but to



God's children. They put me out, I'll take them in by spreading mine a little wider, and just take it in. That's all.

98 So we must love one another, keep the roots of bitterness out of us, then God can go to working through us, but till we get that, then we—we're—we're just fighting the wind. True. We got to love one another. Jesus said, "By this all men will know you're My disciples." Right or wrong, love anyhow.

99 Now, we find out then, that—that in the days of Solomon everybody was with one accord. And everyone coming through, they didn't have televisions then, thank the Lord, but they had—but they had, they, only way they could take a word was from lip to ear. And everybody passing through would go in and see these great meetings, and go down, tell their country.

100 And you know, Jesus said, "The Queen of the South," which was of Sheba, "come from the utmost parts of the earth." That was the utmost parts of the known earth at that time. Now, if you'll notice, it's a long distance down there across the Sahara.

101 Now, people coming and going, the caravans of the camel caravans, and the way they had of transportation, people would come in, and after while, the caravans going through her country, this little Queen down there, she was probably a pagan, heathen, and everybody come through from up around Palestine, they was always saying, "Oh, you should see what's going on in Palestine. My! Their God is a living God. Why, He has anointed one up there, and they have even made him king. And wisdom of discernment? You never seen such. It couldn't be a human being doing that. We looked at the man, we shook hands with him, he's a man, he wore clothes, he's just a man, but God has chose him, and he—he does things that's superhuman, so we know it has to come from God. And he gives all the glory to Jehovah, their God. You should come, see it!"

102 Oh, you know, faith cometh by hearing, hearing about God. Well, the little Queen's heart begin to throb, "You know, I'd like to see that. I—I—I. . ." You know, you hear a testimony.

103 Now, what if she had turned her little, painted face up, said, "*Hmm!* If there's anything going on like that, it would go down here at my church, wouldn't be up there"? All right. The story would never been written, Jesus would have never referred to her, she would have been a modern Jezebel.

104 And so, then we find out that the little lady began to hunger and thirst. Faith had caught a hold, and she begin to thirst after God. And Jesus said, "Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst." Just to even

thirst, you're blessed just to thirst, whether you get anything or not, just to thirst.

You say, "Well, I haven't ever got nothing."

<sup>105</sup> Blessed are ye, anyhow, you're thirsting for it, anyhow. "Blessed are they that do hunger and thirst for righteousness," but He never left you standing like that, He said, "for they shall be filled." That just does me so good. "They shall be filled."

<sup>106</sup> When the deep goes to calling to the deep, there's got to be a deep to respond to that call. Before there can be a creation, there has to be a Creator to create that creation, that's all there is to it. Hunger and thirsting for God!

<sup>107</sup> Then we find the little Queen all disturbed. Now, what usually happens? Now, she had gods, she had a church, and a pastor, and probably was a pagan priest, somewhere, but now the real thing to do was go, she took a notion that she wanted to go see if it was true. I like that. I admire that in the Queen, bless her little heart, I'll see her in the resurrection. And she—she wanted to find out whether it was true or not.

<sup>108</sup> Now, she had more docility than many people around here, and other parts of the country does, they hear about something like that, "Aw, nonsense!" See? But she wanted to find out, so she said, "I believe I'll go up." Now, in order to go up, she said, "The next thing I got to do, I've got to get permission from my church," like, usually, a good church member does.

<sup>109</sup> So they went down to her pagan priest, and she said, "Sir, holy father," or ever what he called him, and, "I tell you that I hear news that there's a revival going on up in Palestine."

"Oh, I've heard that nonsense ever since I was a kid." See?

<sup>110</sup> You know, the devil takes his man, but never the spirit, it—it still lives on. God takes His, but never the Spirit, too, thank God for that. The spirits battle right on through tabernacles of flesh to the end time.

<sup>111</sup> "Oh, I've heard that—that stuff, you don't believe that. Now let me tell you something, my daughter, you must remember, you have great prestige, you're the—you're the charter member of our church here. Your mammy belonged to this church, your grandmammy belonged to it, we all come here, why, your great-great-grandmammy come here, and you wouldn't be caught with a bunch of holy- . . .," or, you know, "people like that. You wouldn't go up there in such as that, it would be a disgrace for you to be caught in a crowd like that."

<sup>112</sup> But, you know, when God goes to dealing with a human heart, no matter how big they are, He lets them see how little they can get, you

see. She said, "But, sir, you know I . . . There's *something* in me that I—I want to go see it."

113 "Well, I shall not give you permission! I'm going to make it strong, I know you're the Queen, but I'm the priest. And you'll bring disgrace upon your papa, and mama, and upon this holy temple, if you would be caught with such a group as that. Well, look what they are, why, they're renegades, there is nothing to them. You shouldn't go up and fool around such a group as that. If there was such a thing as a living God, look at the gods we got here!"

114 That's what's the trouble today, got too many gods.

115 So they said . . . She said, "But look, let me tell you something, I . . . My grandmama went here, you said, my grandpapa went here, and my mama went here, and I've went here, and I've heard all your creeds all my life, they heard it all their life, and we haven't seen one mutter, or anything, out of them, they're dead. But they tell me that there's One living up there, that's the One I want to find out.

116 "If your creed is right," she might have said, "why don't we see something about your god that you're talking about? You said he was, or did he die? What happened to him? We never have seen him, Grandmama never saw it, and her mama never saw it, and her mama never saw it. When was he God?" I like that. Make it real. "When was he?"

117 Why, she might, or, he might have said this: "Now, my daughter, you're going to go off in the . . . on the wrong end, here, the deep end, you're going to go in fanaticism."

118 But she said, "Sir, I want you to know this: I don't care what the price is, and what you say, I'm going, anyhow." I like that. No wonder Jesus said she'll condemn this generation at the resurrection. "I'm going, anyhow."

"We will excommunicate you! Don't you come back here no . . ."

"If it's right, don't worry, I won't be back, anyhow. I won't go back, oh, no, no! I'm going to find out whether it's right first."

119 I can see her now, she's thought over. Now, she had a lot of things to hinder her. Any person that comes to Christ, don't you worry, the devil is going to give you plenty to hinder you, he don't want you to get there, you're going to go through some obstacles to get there.

120 The first thing you know, why, I can imagine she went back up through the palace, she set down, she studied it. I can hear her say, "Now, I've read all the Scrolls that I could find on that ancient God of theirs back there, that, Israel's God, Jehovah they talk about, I've got their Scrolls here in our library, and the priest used Them to criticize

Him. But if that Jehovah is doing that to a man, that means that Jehovah is a living Spirit that's in a living person, He's interested in a living being, He ain't some idol, or some marble statue, He is a living Person. So therefore we're going . . . I'm going to go up to see him."

<sup>121</sup> Now, she says this: "Now, the first thing I'm going to do, I'm going up, first, to draw my own opinion about it. I'm not going to take somebody else's word, for they're criticizing, one saying *this*, and one saying *that*. Now, let me go and find out for myself." I like that. I like that.

<sup>122</sup> "Let me go and see for myself whether it's right or not, let me look it over. I'll—I'll compare it with these Scrolls that I read. If the Spirit that's on that man compares with the Scrolls on here, I'm going to say Jehovah is with him then, and He's a real God. But if it just, Jehovah says one thing and it don't come to pass, and these things are not right, then they're no more than our idols here. So I'll go up and find out for myself."

<sup>123</sup> "Now," she said, "wait a minute, I've been a great tithe payer down here, so," now, I'm not plugging for ministers, and so forth, but she said, "if it's so—if it's so, I'm going to support it. I'm going to take some gold, and frankincense, and silver. If it's right, it's worth supporting, if it isn't right, then I'll bring my money back."

<sup>124</sup> She ought to come and preach to the Americans sometimes, support things that laugh at you and call you a holy-roller, and yet you support it. That's right. But there you are.

<sup>125</sup> She said, "I'll find out for myself, and if it's right, it's worth everything that I can do to support it."

<sup>126</sup> And that's the truth, it's worth . . . not more . . . not ten percent of your money, it's worth your whole life, it's worth all the things of the world to you, if it's right, it's that Pearl of great price.

<sup>127</sup> If the God still lives, if Jesus Christ is the Son of God living today, and living tonight, He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, then it's worth every bit of our time, our talent, our everything, we should sell out to everything, say good-bye to everything, and serve it. If it ain't, well, let's just go join something, and go ahead, get with a good crowd, and live a pretty decent life and go on, but if it's right, let's—let's get with it. So that's what she thought.

<sup>128</sup> So she loaded up the camels with gold and frankincense, then the thought come, you know, Ishmael's children was in the desert in them days, and they were robbers, and they were really fleet men, too, real fleet riders, murderers, out there in the desert. And she had—she had a long ways to go. Now, she started off with her little maidens and her eunuchs, little handful of them to cross the Sahara desert.

129 Now, brother, I have respects for that woman. She didn't. . . You know, there's something about it, if you, God is really speaking to your heart, you don't notice fear. If—if God spoke to your heart and told you He's going to heal you tonight, you don't care what the doctor says is wrong with you, it just takes—it just takes all the fear out of it, somehow. She didn't care, she was going up to see if it was right or not.

130 So she started across the Sahara Desert. Now, look what that little woman. . . She probably had to travel by night. Them direct rays of the Sahara Desert! And remember, she, it take her. . . You know how long it takes to get across there on camels? Ninety days, three months. She crossed that desert, not in a air-conditioned Cadillac, some air-conditioned coach, like some people lives here around this United States, they wouldn't go across the street to see it, but she crossed the desert, ninety days on a camel, with the danger of everything there was, not looking for nothing, but her little heart was beating to find out whether That really was a living God or not, anyhow. She took for it.

131 No wonder she'll rise in the generation, in this generation and condemn it. She came from the utmost parts of the earth, world, under the utmost conditions against her, to come and find out whether it was the truth or not.

132 Nowadays, instead of coming to find out, they'll come in church, maybe set down, "I'll set just a minute." Some of the good neighbor asked them to come. "I'll sit, if he don't say the things that I like, I'll get right up and go out."

133 Oh, you miserable hypocrite! Oh, yes. I don't mean to hurt you, but I—I—I. . . it's better to scorch you a little than have you burned. So that's—that's—that's true. I don't mean to hurt you, I don't mean to do that, I love you too much, but I'm just trying to make a point to you. See? Oh, my! It's so miserable to live like that, I'd hate to live like that.

134 And then, there she come, and now, across the desert, she had all that difficult. And she had ninety days to travel, maybe travel at night, because so hot she couldn't travel in daytime, and all those robbers, with all that money, and everything. And the only thing she did was one objective, that was to find out whether there was a living God or not, whether That truly was a living God or not.

135 Why ain't the people that honest today? Why don't they find out? This Jesus that we all talk about, and have creeds about, and all kinds of creeds, and things, let's: "Is He living? Where is He? What happened to Him? The Bible said, 'He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. The works that I do, shall you also.' Where is it at?"

136 When He comes to the city, why—why, people laugh at it, make fun of it, newspapers send out a foul report about it. Oh, brother, no

wonder there's a bomb hanging in the shelters yonder for us! That's right. But not for the Church, remember, It'll be gone, in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye She will be changed and caught up.

<sup>137</sup> Across the desert she came, finally, she arrived at the temple gate. Now, she never come just to sit down a few minutes, and say, "I'll see now, I'm going in, if he don't talk just like my pastor, I'll just pick up mine and go right back." See? No, she come to stay till she was convinced, she had built a camp and just stayed right there in the courts. I like that.

<sup>138</sup> "I'll just stay to the end of the revival. I'll search out all the Scriptures, and see if it's right or not. I'll just not take my first conception of it, I'll just go in, find out. I know what Jehovah is supposed to be, I know what His promises is, I know He's the Discerner of the thoughts of the mind, I know all these things, the Word of God is quicker, sharper, more powerful than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the asunder of the marrow of the bone, and a Discerner."

<sup>139</sup> The Word, the Word is God. "In the beginning was the Word. The Word was made flesh, and dwelled among us." He was God, and the Word, the Word, Christ, in you, a Discerner of the thoughts and the intents of the heart. Oh, sleeping church, rise, ministers, shake yourselves, the hour is here, flee from these towers of Babel to the cross, they will fall one of these days. "Every plant that My Heavenly Father hasn't planted will be rooted up. But upon this rock I'll build My Church, and the gates of hell can't shake It down." That's right. I'm so glad.

<sup>140</sup> A spiritual revelation, the whole Church is built on revelation, "Upon this rock." The Protestant says He built It upon Christ, the Catholic said built upon Peter, both wrong, He built It upon Peter's revelation of Who He was. The great, main revelation always is Who Jesus Christ is. The Book of Revelation, which is the revelation of Jesus Christ, opens with that very thing, to show the supreme Deity of Jesus Christ. "I am He that was, and which is, and shall come, the Almighty," the first of all revelations.

<sup>141</sup> Yes, the revelation, "Upon this rock I'll build My Church, I don't care how many persecutions, how many lines they draw and cut you out, I'll build My Church, and the gates of hell will never prevail against It." That's right. Shows all the gates of hell would be against It, but could not prevail. "I'll build My Church," the Holy Spirit moving, working, the resurrected Christ moving. Who can stop It? Try it. You never be able to do it, it's going right on, and on, and on. Rise all the critics you want to, it'll only strengthen the Church every time you do it, going to move on.

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142 So she got off, took her camels, put her money back in the little kit, I imagine, camped out there. So, the first time to attend the meeting, she goe'd in the next morning, I imagine they had all the trumpets sounded, the bells rang, and the hymns were sang, and after while Pastor Solomon walked out on the platform.

143 Oh, they had a lot of people there, maybe a lot of prayer cards give out that day, for all I know, they had some way. Anyhow, she got her seat, perhaps, and set down in the back of the church, nobody knew her, a big court that morning. Solomon come out, very fine man, spoke very nicely to the people. After they had prayer and everything, Solomon set down. And when they did . . . [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] Oh, my, they found out that Solomon had some kind of a power within him that couldn't be a man's power, it was God's power. Watched it, the next case, same thing, the next case, same thing, next case, same thing, every one of them infallible.

144 I. . . Bless her little heart, begin to beat, she said, "Now, if that keeps on, I'm going to get me a prayer card, too."

145 The next day she attended, she wasn't rushing, no hurry, she wanted to look it over. She went home, maybe all night read the Scrolls, "That's just exactly what Jehovah is, that's what He is." All right. Go back, "Never seen that in my church in all my life. This is all strange to me."

146 She goes back, sets down again, next morning, see it come in, first case, perfectly discerned, second case, perfectly discerned, third case, perfectly discerned. My, her heart got to beating faster. Finally, she got a way to get in the prayer line.

147 After while she got up before Solomon. And the Bible said that there was nothing hid from Solomon. Hallelujah! He answered all of her questions, nothing was hid. If it was hid from anybody else, it wasn't hid from him then, he told her just exactly the thoughts of her heart. Nothing was hid from, but he answered all to her, his spirit of discernment discerned exactly what all of her troubles was, and everything about it.

148 And what did she say? She turned around, and she said, "All that I heard is the truth, and more, it's even greater than I heard about." And she said more than that, "Blessed is the men that's here with you to watch that work daily. Blessed are they who come and go with you, and set in this church, that belongs in here with you, to see these things happen daily."

149 And more than that, she become a Christian, made a public confession of God. And Jesus Christ hundreds of years later said, "She will rise in the Judgment with this generation and condemn it, for

she came from the utmost parts of the world to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, a greater than Solomon is here.”

<sup>150</sup> And I say tonight that a greater than Solomon is here! The Lord Jesus Christ is here, a greater than Solomon. You hear me? Greater, the One that He promised, and said, “These works that I do, shall you do also.”

It shall be Light in the evening time.  
The path to Glory you will surely find.

<sup>151</sup> The evening Lights are shining. Remember, brother, the sun rises in the east, sets in the west; the same sun that rises in the east sets in the west, we know that. Geographically it crosses the earth, like *that*. Now, notice what takes place. The prophet said, “There will be a day that couldn’t be called day or night.” It would be a dismal, rainy, foggy day, just enough Light till you could see how to join the church, and put your name on a book, and ask Christ’s forgiveness, but in the evening time it shall be Light.

<sup>152</sup> Now, remember, civilization has traveled with the sun. The oldest civilization is the eastern civilization, China is the oldest civilization we know of. All right. Civilization has traveled with it. Now, it’s gone so far, till the East and West Coast has met. We’re at the West Coast, you go any further, we be back east again, we leave California, go on into Japan and China, you come back again.

<sup>153</sup> What is it? “It shall be Light in the evening time.” We’ve had a day, two thousand years where we’ve organized, joined churches, built great things, great spires, that’s good, but Christ never ordained that. He never did say build a church, or have a—a school of theology, He never did ordain these things, He said, “Preach the Gospel.” We’ve done exactly what He said not to do. But, anyhow, it’s supposed to be that way. But in the evening time it shall be Light.

<sup>154</sup> Now, what kind of a Light would it give? If that was the first Son-Light that shined on the eastern people, which is S-o-n of God, and He did the things He did there on that day on Alpha, He does the same thing at Omega. As Reuben and Jasper; Benjamin, and, or—or, Jas- . . . , or, Sardis stone, both Benjamin and Reuben, first and last. Now, He’s the Rainbow in all the church ages.

<sup>155</sup> Now, we’re in the evening time, the evening Lights have come. And, surely . . . I say this, all sincerity, Christians, I say this, sinner, with all sincerity, I’m—I’m not a preacher, suppose, I—I lack education, but God gave me another way I could win people to God, see, another way to, you excuse my ignorance, to give me a way to pray for the sick people, a spirit of discernment. Now, that’s what was in question over



at Houston when He had His picture taken by it that night, when Dr. Best and them was out there.

156 That, what did that Queen see? What made her act like that? She seen something real. She seen something she could put her hands on that was real, not a statue that set there, that some man had cut out of—of—of marble, or out of wood, or made out of clay, she saw something that she could put her hands on, that, something that was real. She saw something that lived, that brought Life, she knowed it had to be God. She seen something. . . She had seen so much put-on, and so much sham, till she wanted to see something real, and God let her see it.

157 Now, children, today the world is full of sham, “Come join our denomination. Recite our creed. Come to our church, the biggest one in the city.” It’s a sham. I don’t say they’re not Christians in there. That’s not. . . But as far as the church having anything to do with it, the organization having anything to do with it, that’s wrong. It’s just a makeup-sham. What the world wants to see today is something real, real, something that’s real, Bible real, godly real.

158 All of you know I hunt, I’ve hunted all my life. My mother is a half Cherokee Indian, and my conversion never took it out of me. If anything I love is them woods. Oh, I just can’t hardly stand. . . I get in those woods, and get started. I find God in the woods. God, I hear him call in the coyote and the wolf, hear Him bugle in the deer, why, sure. I hear him scream in the eagle, see Him in the sunset, everywhere around is God. Get out in nature, get away from this stinking cities, and things, where you have so much sin and *demolish* going on all the time.

159 I read in the paper the other day, I forget, it’s thirty thousand abortion cases per week, done, recorded in the city of Chicago. How many is not recorded? Thirty thousand abortion cases. My, my! What’s going to happen, brother? Think of the world over, what’s going on at this time? Sin. Oh, it’s horrible!

160 Up in the north woods, where I used to hunt, I hunted with a fellow up there called Bert Call, very fine boy, one of the best hunters I ever hunted with. You never had to worry about him. You didn’t have. . . You couldn’t lose him, he knowed where he was at. And we loved to hunt with each other, ’cause we hunted the white-tail deer.

161 But that was the meanest man I ever seen in my life, he was the cruel-heartedest person I ever seen. He was another kind of a half-breed, so he—he. . . but a real hunter. And I used to like to hunt with him, but he was so mean, so cruel, he used to shoot little fawns just to make me feel bad.

162 Well now, if the law says you can shoot a fawn, that’s all right. Abraham killed a calf and fed it to God, so nothing wrong in killing

a fawn if the law said all right. But just to shoot them for the fun of it, that's wrong, that's murder. I don't believe in doing it. I'm a conservationist, a conservation officer for years, I still believe in it, and I belong to many conservation orders. But now, here I believe in it, I believe—I believe in conserving it.

<sup>163</sup> Now, and Bert would just do that because I was a preacher, he would just make me feel bad. He would say, "Aw, you chicken-hearted preachers," like that. He thought he was a big, rough guy.

<sup>164</sup> So, one year I went up there, and he had made him a little bitty whistle. And he could go like a little fawn, that's a baby deer, crying for its mammy, and he would—he would blow this little whistle. If you ever heard a fawn cry, it's a funny, little noise.

And I said, "Bert, you're not going to use that!"

He said, "Aw, go on, Billy, get next to yourself."

<sup>165</sup> And well, we went hunting that day, and there was about six inches of snow, good tracking snow, little late in the season. Well now, it's hard to find them white-tail deer, as soon as the first shot fires, brother, you talk about Houdini, the escape artist, he was a amateur to them, they can get away. And they won't come out, you have to get them out of them brush, shake them out of there some way, 'cause they'll hide, lay down, crawl under brush piles, everything, get away; a lot of hunters.

<sup>166</sup> That's the reason you had to be on the moment, shoot quick, fast, everything, to get your deer. And Bert and I used to do real well. But he would want to murder them, he would get two, or three, four, five, anything he could, just to make fun, just to laugh at it, then laugh at me.

<sup>167</sup> One day up there we had went back in the woods, and it got about dinner time. We always carried a jug of—of hot chocolate, kind of warms you up where if you get turned around somewhere, and have to stay out overnight. We would always carry a little lunch. And we would hunt up through the Presidential range, Mount Washington, Adams, over Cherry Mountain, so forth, a beautiful country.

<sup>168</sup> And we had went way up into the cols, gaps, and up in that way, and we had been up way high, and we had hunted up to about eleven o'clock. We come to a little clearing about the size of this auditorium, and Bert kind of hunkered down like *this*, started back in his bosom. I thought, "Well, we're going to set down, eat our dinner."

<sup>169</sup> We usually separated, and one go one way, and one the other one, going back; coming up the mountain, hunt back down, one take one slope, and the other one the other one, going back.

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170 And so he set down, and I started to set down, too, and I seen he was reaching in his pocket, and he got that little ol' whistle. I thought . . . I said, "Bert, you wouldn't do that."

171 He just laughed. And he—he had eyes looked just like a lizard to me, kind of them lizard-looking eyes, set sideways. He looked up at me, kind of halfway grin with that, looked like a sheep-killing dog, and he took this little ol' whistle in his mouth, and he blowed just like a little, baby fawn crying. And when he did, to my surprise, right across that opening a big doe raised up.

172 Now, a doe is the mother deer, if you wouldn't know. Oh, she was a beautiful specie, great big, pretty ears, those big, brown eyes shining. I looked at her. And he looked up at me with them lizard eyes. I said, "Bert, you wouldn't do that."

173 Now, that—that's strange, they won't raise up that time of day like that. They'll stay . . . But what was it? She was a mother, a baby was crying. And I watched her again. I'd see her with that big head up looking around, big ears sticking up. And he blowed it again, cried like a baby. She stepped right out into the opening. Oh, that was very unusual, they don't do that. I see her step out there in that opening.

174 I thought, "Uh-oh!" And I seen him pull back that lever, throw in that shell on that .30-06. Oh, he was a dead shot. And he laid that scope down, that cross hair right across her heart. I thought, "Oh, mercy! How can he do it? How can he do it? That precious mother standing out there looking for her baby, in one second from now, he touched that trigger with that hundred and eighty grain mushroom bullet, he would blow her precious heart plumb through the other side of her. I thought, "Bert, how can you do that? How can you be so cruel?" And I seen him with them lizard eyes, getting down, I thought, "All right." I couldn't look at it, I just couldn't do it.

175 And she was standing there walking on. What was the matter? She wasn't a hypocrite, she wasn't trying to act something, she was a mother, it was borned in her to be a mother. She was looking for her baby. Oh, my! She was watching that baby.

176 After while, when the barrel raised up above the bush, the deer looked. Now, usually they will jump, run quickly. Well, *that* fast they're gone. [Brother Branham snapped his fingers—Ed.] But not her, she seen the hunter, she spooked at it, as we call it, looked, she seen the hunter, but she worked her mouth two or three times, raised up her head, course she could smell us standing there, she looked, but what was the matter? Her baby, somewhere, was in trouble, mother instinct.

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177 She knew it was death, she knew she was going to die, but she didn't care, there was something in her, motherly love, driving her to that baby. "Where's it at? Where's my baby? It's in trouble."

178 I—I couldn't look no more, I just couldn't. I thought, "That loyal heart of that precious mother! Bert, how can you do it? You're cruel, you're—you're evil to do a thing like that." And I seen him raise up like *that*, and I turned my back.

179 I prayed in my heart, I said, "Heavenly Father, don't let him do that. How can he stand, see that precious mother there trying to find her baby, and then deceive her like that, and blow her precious, loyal, motherly heart plumb through her?" I said, "How could he do that, Lord?"

180 I waited, the gun never fired. I waited a little bit longer, it didn't fire. I thought, "What's the matter?" I looked back, and the gun barrel was going like *this*.

181 I looked around. He looked up, and great big tears was running out of his eyes, he threw the gun down on the bank, he said, "Billy, I've had enough of it. Lead me to that Jesus you know."

182 Right there on that snowbank I led that cruel-hearted hunter (What was it?) to the Lord Jesus Christ. Why? He saw something real, he seen something that wasn't put on, he seen something that was a genuine, borned experience, a mother.

183 Wouldn't you like to be that kind of a Christian? Wouldn't you like for God to make you a Christian, as much Christian as that mother, that deer was a mother?

Let's bow our heads a moment, and ask Him to do it.

184 Our Heavenly Father, a simple little story there of—of the Queen of the South seeing something real by a gift of God. And them churches up in New England there, they—they didn't have nothing but just church, and so forth, that hunter had been, You know him, Lord, now a precious brother, a deacon in the church, but he had never seen anything real.

185 Lord, You said, "If they hold their peace, the stones will cry out." Something has got to cry out, "There's a living God." The first time that man saw something that was real, he knowed there was a living God then. You used a deer to perform the miracle, and bring a cruel-hearted sinner to You, because a mother deer displayed the reality of motherhood.

186 God, make every man and woman in here, tonight, a Christian like unto that, that can display such a love in their hearts, that they'll be a, such a Christian, live such a unspotted life from the world, until

their neighbors will know that they are real Christians, and want to be like them.

<sup>187</sup> You said in Your Gospels, “Ye are the salt of the earth, but if the salt has lost its savour.” Lord, that’s what happens to our denominations, they lose their savour, they draw boundary lines, and let none out or none in. Father, I pray, tonight, we know that salt is a savour if it contacts, I pray, God, that this little church and these people will be so salty of the love of God, till they will contact every sinner that they can, with such a life, if they can’t preach a sermon let them live one, display a love for God, as that mother deer did for her baby.

<sup>188</sup> They’re waiting, Father, receive them into Thy Kingdom. May they this night, those who raised their hands, may they become Your servants this night. May You show them in the next few minutes that You are alive, not dead, You’re alive for evermore.

<sup>189</sup> You said, “I am He that was dead, and is alive again, and alive for evermore. And because I live, you live also. He that heareth My Words, and believeth on Him that sent Me, has everlasting Life, and shall not come into the Judgment, but is passed from death unto Life.” Father, I pray that You’ll make believers, tonight, out of all of them. If they are in here, unbelieving, may they go believing.

<sup>190</sup> And now the service is in Your hands, Lord, this is far as I can go, or any other man. But when we leave here tonight, I pray that the people, as they leave this auditorium, will say like those coming from Emmaus, “Did not our hearts burn within us?” You walked with them all through the day, yet they didn’t know You, but when You got them inside the room, and then You done something just like You did before Your crucifixion, then they knowed that You had raised from the dead.

<sup>191</sup> Now, Lord, come again tonight, we’re shut in here in this inn tonight, in this little Legion building, now come and do something tonight. Show Your Messianic sign that You are the Messianic sign, and this is a wicked and adulterous generation, and You are the same yesterday, today, and forever, that this is as it was in the days of Lot, when You set with Your back turned to the tent, and said, “Why did Sarah laugh in the tent?” and told Abraham his wife’s name was Sarah.

<sup>192</sup> You promised You would do it, Lord, grant it. Then when we leave here tonight, we’ll go to our different homes saying, “Did not our hearts burn within us, as He talked to us along the way?” For we ask it, in His Name, and for His glory, the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

<sup>193</sup> I am going to pray for the sick now. (Excuse me, Paul.) I’m going to pray for the sick. I have no education, I—I have no powers, I’m your brother, I hope you understand that. I am sent to you by your Saviour, and my Saviour, your God, and my God.

<sup>194</sup> Now, one time David the shepherd, he was herding his father's sheep. And I'm going to try to take the place of David, listen close, I'm going to try to take the place of David, tonight, I'm herding my Father's sheep. And one day a bear come in and got a sheep, and David wasn't no spearman, nor swordsman, the only thing he had was a little slingshot, but he had God's grace in his heart, a lion come in and got one, he went out after him, got him, slew him, brought the sheep back.

<sup>195</sup> I don't have no medicine, I'm not a doctor, I couldn't be a surgeon, I don't know how to handle a knife, I don't know nothing about it, but there's one thing I do have, that's a little slingshot of prayer, it's simple, but one day a cancer come in, and got one of my Father's sheep, I went after him, I brought the sheep back, prayer of faith saved it. I'm coming after you, tonight, with a slingshot of prayer, I want to bring Father's sheep back. You pray for me now, as we call the prayer line.

<sup>196</sup> All you Davids in here help me, Father's sheep is caught out with an enemy, let's bring it back to health again, tonight. Father told us we could do it, if we would ask anything in His Name, He would do it, "Say to this mountain, 'Be moved,' and don't doubt, you can have what you said."

<sup>197</sup> Where did we call from them prayer cards? Was what we . . . ? Huh? One? We called from number one last night, didn't we? What? Oh, give out some more? What was it? B's? Prayer card B's. How many did we have up last night? Eighteen, eighteen? It don't take many.

<sup>198</sup> Then them out there without prayer cards, that's perfectly all right, you believe with all your heart. You seen last night, there was more out in the audience, there was up here on the platform.

<sup>199</sup> Let's call a few out of them cards though, right now. Let's start from, let's say . . . How many we have last night? Fifteen or eighteen? Let's start from eighty-five tonight, prayer card B, eighty-five. Who has eighty-five? See? Prayer card B, eighty-five. Where? Oh, I'm sorry. Eighty-five, come over on this side, sir, ever who you are. Eighty-six. Would you raise your hand quickly? Eighty-seven. Over here. Eighty-seven? Who has eighty-seven? This lady here, you have eighty-seven? Over here, lady. Eighty-eight, eighty-nine. I didn't see eighty-nine. Would you raise your hand? Look at the people in wheelchairs, see where they're at. Eighty-nine. May . . . Look . . . Did you look at that card? Eighty-nine. Who has got prayer card eighty-nine? Eighty-five, eighty-six, eighty-seven, eighty-eight, eighty-nine.

<sup>200</sup> Now, don't get the cards unless you're aiming to come on the platform, see, when I call from somewhere, then nobody answers, then let somebody else get the card that's going to come. Eighty-nine, ninety.

Who has prayer card ninety? All right. Ninety-one. All right. Ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-four, ninety-four. I didn't see it.

<sup>201</sup> Look at, somebody over here, these—these two women setting here in a wheelchair, they couldn't get up, if their card is called, we'll pack them over here, see.

<sup>202</sup> Ninety-one, -two, -three, -four, -five. Eighty-five to ninety-five; ninety-five to a hundred in prayer card B. Would you come? Ninety. Eighty—eighty-five to a hundred, those holding those cards. The rest of you just hold your cards, we'll—we'll get to them, by and by. Eighty-five, eighty-six, eighty-seven, eighty-eight, eighty-nine, ninety, ninety-one, -two, -three, -four, -five, -six, -seven, -eight, -nine, a hundred.

<sup>203</sup> Now, while they're gathering them few that we'll start with here, may not get to one or two of them, I don't know, depends on what the Holy Spirit says, how many in the audience here that does not have a prayer card, and yet you want, you're sick, and want God to heal you? Raise your hand. All right. Now, I do not know you. But if you will just look this way and believe! How many was never in one of my meetings before? Let's see your hands. The Lord bless you, we're glad to have you tonight.

<sup>204</sup> Now, remember, I do not profess to be a healer, I believe there's only one Healer, that's God. And I believe that He has already did for you everything He can do, it's your time next to accept what He has done for you. But if He was standing here tonight, dressed in this suit, He could do no more for you than what He is doing, what He would do right here now. Is that right?

<sup>205</sup> Now, in the Bible . . . How many believes that Jesus is a High Priest? How many knows that the Bible said that He is, right now, the High Priest, standing at the right hand of the Majesty on High, making intercessions for us? Is that right? How many knows that Hebrews 13:8 said, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever"? Well, if He's the same High Priest that He was yesterday, and this High Priest that's sitting on High, He's a High Priest now, sitting on High, that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities. How many knows the Bible says that, that He can be touched?

<sup>206</sup> Now, how are you going to touch Him if He's setting on High? The same way the woman did that touched Him back there. It wasn't her finger on His garment, He didn't feel that, but it was her faith. Many was touching Him *this* way. But He said, "Thy faith has saved thee." Now, she touched Him, and He turned around and didn't know who did it. Is that right? He looked all around, He said, "Who touched Me?"

<sup>207</sup> And Peter got really provoked at Him, and said, "Well, Lord," rebuked Him, said in otherwise, tell the, "what are You talking about,

anyhow? Why would You say a thing like that? Everybody is patting You on the back.”

He said, “Yeah,” said, “this is a different kind of touch, I—I felt Myself get weak.” Virtue, that’s strength, left Him.

208 He looked all around over the audience, and He found the little woman out there, and told her she had had a blood issue, and her faith had saved her. Is that right? Now, He never said He did, He said her faith *in* Him did.

209 Well, now, if He’s the same High Priest tonight, the same as He was when He was here on earth, and He, the Bible says that He’s a High Priest that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities, if you touch Him, won’t He act the same as He did then? He couldn’t act different, be the same High Priest. How many knows that to be true?

210 All right, then you, by faith, you look up, and say, “Lord Jesus, You are my High Priest, let me touch You, Lord, with my infirmity, have mercy on me. Let Brother Branham call now, I know He’s just a man, but You’re still the High Priest, and now, I want to touch You, and You speak through him, and call me just like You did—did that woman.” That’ll take all doubt out of your heart, wouldn’t it?

211 Oh, isn’t this wonderful? Not some ancient, historical God, but a God right now.

212 How many knows that Jesus Christ said Himself that He didn’t do nothing till God showed Him a vision first what to do? Saint John 5:19, “Verily, verily, I say unto you,” the word “verily” means *absolutely*, “I say unto you, The Son,” that’s His body, the flesh, “can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing, that doeth the Son likewise.” Is that right? Then He never performed one miracle until He saw a vision of it being done. Is that right? If He didn’t, He told something wrong, and He couldn’t tell nothing wrong, ’cause He was God. See? So it had to be.

213 Now, I want you to just get as quiet as possible, and be real reverent, watch, pray. Now, sometimes when this anointing strikes . . . I don’t say that it will, if it doesn’t, then only thing I can do is make a commitment to God, leave the platform, that’s all I can do. But if He does come, and does do the same thing here, and prove that He’s still the Messiah to the Gentile in the closing of our age as He was to the Jew and Samaritan, would you people come and receive Him as Saviour and Healer? Would you do it, believe it?

214 Now, as far as I know, in this entire audience I don’t see one person that I know. On the platform, in so far . . . I got acquainted with this little minister since I’ve been here, our little brother here, my son and my tape-recording boys here is the only one I—I know.



215 I believe I know this brother, I can't think of him, I believe you're from down in Louisiana, somewhere. Didn't I go duck hunting sometime with you, or went down there to your place, or something? Had a meeting down at . . . What was the name of the place? DeQuincy. Bennett. My! Excuse me, I just got to shake your hand. God bless you. I haven't seen you for a long time. Well, you haven't changed, I got old. See, I had to work, maybe. [Brother Bennett says, "We want you to come back."—Ed.] Thank you, Brother Bennett. So nice!

In the prayer line, am I a stranger to you all? I don't know you? If so, raise up your hands if I—if I'm a stranger to you. All right.

All out there that I'm a stranger to, and you know I don't know you, raise up your hand. See?

216 Now here we are. Is He still Jesus, or is He not? If He does, if He will keep His Word, He's still God. If that's no good then, if this Bible here . . . If God won't keep His promise, then He isn't God; if He does keep His promise, He is God.

217 And now, when He was here on earth, you remember what He did, He showed them His Messianic sign. And all you Bible readers know this, that the Messianic sign was the sign of a prophet. All that knows that, raise up your hand, Bible readers. Sure. "Lord your God will raise a Prophet like me."

218 But the Jews couldn't answer, so they said, "He does it, he's a—a fortuneteller, a Beelzebub, a mental telepathy, or something." And they do the same thing today, but that don't stop God, He goes right on just the same, just goes just the same, somebody will believe.

219 Now, if I could heal any of you people here, I'd do it, but I can't do it. Jesus could not do it, if He was standing right here, and you come to Him, He was standing here with this suit on He gave me, you would say, "Lord, I'm sick, I want You to heal me."

220 I imagine He would say something like this: "Child of Mine, don't you believe that I did that? Was not I wounded for your transgressions, bruised for your iniquity? With My stripes you *were* healed. Don't you believe that? I've already done it."

221 Well, now, what did He say back there? "I can, if you believe." Well, it's already done now, so you just have to believe, that's all. So the only thing that He could do would be something to show you that He was the Messiah.

222 So, His body tonight is sitting on the throne of God. We believe that, don't we? Someday He will return to the earth in the Millennium, and set on the throne of David. That's right. But He's setting on the throne of God tonight in Glory, ever living to make intercessions. But

His Spirit is back here in the Church, and His Spirit does the same thing, as I said this morning, if the first branch of the Vine brought forth a Pentecostal church, every real branch out of that Vine will bring forth another Pentecostal church. But we got a lot of grafted branches, and they bring forth after their kind. We got Methodist branch grafted into it, Baptist branch, Pentecostal branch, every other kind of branch, it bears its own fruit.

223 You can take a—a orange tree and put a grapefruit in it, it'll live off the life of that tree, but it'll bear a grapefruit; put a lemon in there, it'll bear a lemon, not an orange, yet it's living off of orange life, see, any citrus fruit.

224 Any church professing to be Christian thrives off of the glory and praises of Christ, but it can't bear the fruit. It won't bear the Life of Christ until Christ puts forth that branch Himself, then it'll . . . they'll write another Book of Acts behind it, that's right, because it is the acts of the Holy Spirit in the Church. See? That's the way it is tonight, Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever.

225 Let us pray now, everybody get real quiet, don't move, set still in your church, or your seats, pew, wherever it is, just sit real still for a while, be reverent.

226 Father, this is a great statement, but here tonight over just a hundred and a few people here, setting here, I've asked You to come forward, whether there be tens of thousands, yes, hundreds of thousands, You have never failed us yet.

227 My days are growing dim now, Lord, I'm, someday I'm going to have to close this Bible for Its last time. If I should go tonight, You have proved the testimony to be true. Since a little lad I told them that I had saw a Light, It was amber, like a pillar. You have let science all around the world take that picture and examine It, many times have You come, and now it's in *Kodachrome* color, You let it be taken a few weeks ago. Germany, Switzerland, around in the world, cameras of the nation. If I die, the mechanical camera speaks that I've told them the truth, Your very Presence shows that it was the truth, Your Bible claims that it's the truth. Father, may people believe It as truth, and receive Thee tonight as their Healer, as their Saviour, as their King, as their Lord, Lordship to govern, to rule in their lives. Grant it, Lord.

228 Now with myself, and this church, I commit all into Your hands, that You might do something tonight, to show these people that You're still the God-Prophet. You're still God. You just . . . They . . . You died to take away sin, but You rose up the third day. You said, "I have power to lay *My* life down, and *I* have power to take it up." No one took it

from You, and no one raised it up. You laid Your Own Self down, raised Your Own Self up.

229 The Bible said God raised Him up, and it's true. Father, You're alive for evermore, living in the hearts of Your people, with the promise, "The works that I do, shall they do also." I'm quoting this, Lord, because You are true to Your Word, and You said as it was in the days of Sodom, it'll be that way just at the coming of the Son of man.

230 And we remember, when those signs were performed in Sodom, it was just a short time until the Fire fell and burned Sodom. We are looking for it any time, Lord. We see the sign appearing. We see the world in the Sodom condition, the promises of God made manifest. Will You do it once more tonight, Lord, to the honor and glory of Him Who taught the Word? I ask, in Jesus Christ's Name, for God's glory. Amen.

231 Now, no matter what goes on, be reverent. I don't mean that you can't praise God, but you approach God quietly, sanely, wonderfully, and then, when you see God do something, sure, He wants you to worship Him, but come reverently.

232 Now, when you people come in the line, coming here, or out there, be on the alert. I'm watching, I have no control of It, I do not control It, It controls me. I can only speak what It tells me, I can only speak, and where It's at, I watch It, wherever It is, there I watch It, and see what It does.

233 Now, last night the first person we had on the platform, I believe was a woman. Is that right? Is this the man? All right. The first one tonight is a man.

234 Now, we found last night, when a woman came to the Lord Jesus, she went to the well to get some water, Jesus talked to her a little while, and—directly He found her trouble, and He said, "Go, get your husband."

She said, "I don't have no husband."

Said, "That's right. You've had five, and the one you're living with now is not yours."

She said, "Sir, I perceive You're a prophet."

235 Now, the great rabbis, and teachers, and church men said, "He's a devil." Did you know the devil was the one that confessed Him to be the Son of God, and the preachers confessed that He was a devil? That was one time the—the devils was right.

236 Look at Paul and Silas coming down, that little fortuneteller setting up there, and that little fortuneteller said, "These are men of God that tell us the way of Life."

The preachers said, "They're roustabouts, they turn the world upside down, they're impostors." See?

<sup>237</sup> See, that devil knowed more about God than they did. That's right. Now, but it's not so with my brethren in these days, these are men, not saying about preachers here, they wouldn't be setting here if they believed that, they would be gone. They're setting here because they believe it, they preached of it, they believed it; they've stood on the street corners, they cried, they begged. Thank God we're living to see the days that He's fulfilling His promise. Your pastors, you ought to be proud of them, I am, and I know He is, too, men of God.

<sup>238</sup> Now, this man standing before me, I do not know the man. He's a lot younger than I. I've never seen him in my life, as I know of. But he's standing here for some purpose. Now, it might be that he may be a married man, having domestic troubles in his home, he may be sick, he may be standing for someone else, may be financial need, I don't know what he's here for, I have no idea, I've never seen him in my life, but he's standing there.

<sup>239</sup> Now, what if he is sick? Well, if he's sick, I couldn't heal him. But the only . . . If Jesus standing here, He couldn't heal him. How many knows that? He's already done it. See? But the only thing Jesus could do would be to let him know that He was still Jesus that made the promise (Is that right?), that done the work.

<sup>240</sup> So then, if the man believed it, he would be healed. If it was finance trouble, he would know that God was interested in his case because it appeared before Him, not a man, but God. See? Now, if the Holy Spirit . . . This man raised his hand that I didn't know him, he, I don't know him, and he don't know me. If the Holy Spirit will do something for him now!

Now, if I walked over, and say, "Mister, are you sick?"

He would say, "Yes, sir, I am."

"God sent me with a gift of healing. You believe that?"

"Yes, sir, I do."

Put my hands on him, "Go, get well in Jesus' Name."

<sup>241</sup> I believe he would get well. Sure, I believe God has gifts all, working all over the church everywhere, I do that. I believe that the gifts of healing is in the church. Don't have to be a preacher, even, just be a lay member, anybody, feels led to go pray for somebody, go do it, that's a gift of healing working in you.

<sup>242</sup> But now, he would—he would have somewhat to doubt that. But what if the Holy Spirit comes and tells him something that he has been, something that he ought not have done, or something that he did do, or

something that he ought to have done, and did not, tell him something that is wrong with him, or tell him what has been? If He knows what has been, He surely will know what will be then. Isn't that right?

<sup>243</sup> Now, if He will do such a thing, everyone here will have to know it comes from a power. Would you believe it to be the promise that I've read you tonight, and preached to you out of the Bible, that It is Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

<sup>244</sup> All right. Now, just as reverent as you can be, 'cause, you see, and everyone be just as reverent, don't move, 'cause I catch your spirit, you see. And I—I want to know . . . Just be in sincere prayer.

<sup>245</sup> Now, this infallible, as God is infallible . . . I have no way of knowing this man, he come down here, and they give out prayer cards, they come here and mixed up a big bunch of prayer cards, and begin to give them out. That shows the boy giving them out couldn't say, "If you give me five dollars, I'll put you in the line." They don't know, because they mix up the cards right before your face, just give you whatever you want.

<sup>246</sup> One might get number one, the other one get number fifteen, the other get ninety-five. And then—then when they come, nobody knows where we're even going to call from, till I get here. Then ever where the Lord leads me, I just call from there. Sometimes call a few from *here*, and some from back *here*, and some from over *here*. How many has seen that done? Around, and around, around, everywhere. So here we're standing here, and you out there without your cards.

<sup>247</sup> Now, sir, I just want to speak to you a moment. Course standing there, heart crying out, "Jesus," raise up your hand, course would give me to know that you are a Christian, or you could just be impersonating that, you see, just acting like you was. If it, if he is, watch what happens. Now, they have slipped in the line lot of times, they have packed them out, and everything else.

<sup>248</sup> So, if the Lord God will tell me something about you, this waiting audience, something that you're here for, what's your reason standing here on the platform, you could be the judge whether it was right or not. Would you? You would know whether it was right. And if it is right, you'll be willing to say it's right; if it's wrong, say it's wrong, that's all.

<sup>249</sup> You come for me to pray for you, for a condition of your body, and that condition is a growth on your side. Um-hum. You believe it? Now, now, he seems to have a good contact of God just now, that lets a critic, or something, that might perhaps be standing by, might know that he just didn't guess it.

<sup>250</sup> Now, right now, I do not know what I told him. The only way I know is this recorder setting here, then the tape comes back, next day

they will play it to me; it's like a dream. Now, that wasn't me. I don't know nothing about the man, see, no more than this microphone knows how to speak, has to be something alive speaking in it. I don't know the man, so it has to be God speaking in.

Now, just take my time, if I just keep one here awhile, just so that you'll know, see, that ought to be sufficient for all.

<sup>251</sup> Now, just a moment, sir, I just want to get in contact with your spirit. That's the same thing our Lord did when He talked to the woman at the well, said, "Bring Me a drink," see. He was only trying to co- . . . The Father sent Him up there.

<sup>252</sup> He had need go by Samaria, but when He got there, the woman come out, so He had to talk to her, contact her spirit, that's same thing I'm doing right now. Yes, I see it, it's a growth in your right side, you got one on your arm, too. That's right. That's right. Only three people in the world knew about it, that was him and his sister, but there's One above knowed about it.

<sup>253</sup> Now, let's talk to him a minute. You been praying for someone else, too, a child, tonsil trouble, setting right out there. It's going to be well, so don't worry about it no more.

You believe?

You believe God knows who you are? Mr. Morrison, Jack, go home, be well.

"If thou canst believe, all things are possible to them that believe."

<sup>254</sup> Now, if I didn't say one word to you, and just prayed for you, you believe there is anointing here at the platform? You do? Would you believe that? What if I told you, you were healed before you come up there, would you believe it? Well, what do you think about your grandson? You think he would get well, too? All right. Go ahead and believe. Put that handkerchief on him.

You believe? Have faith.

<sup>255</sup> You're just a child to me, young woman. I don't know you, but here's the same picture like in Saint John the 4th chapter, a woman and a man. Lovely young woman stands here, looks as healthy as she can be. I don't know nothing about her, never seen her in my life. We're strangers to one another, aren't we, lady? Yes, sir, we are.

<sup>256</sup> If God is the Word of God, which is Christ made flesh, and if He can be made real in our flesh, which He sanctified with His Own Blood, sending in His Holy Spirit to tabernacle. . . . God was in Christ. God come down and built Him, made a tent, like man. He—He changed His cast and become man, God did, that He might sanctify a Church that He could live in, and for two thousand years worked His miracles,

and proved that He was the same God living in His people, God tabernacled in man.

257 If God will reveal to me, by His Spirit, what's your trouble, will you believe me to be His prophet, or, His servant? You believe that? Would you accept it to be from God? Then you'll embrace that baby that you want, that you're praying for. Go, believe it, I give you that child in the Name of Jesus Christ. Go, receive it. Don't doubt. You wanted that for some time. All right. Go, believing.

"If thou canst believe." You believe?

258 All right, lady, I do not know you. Just a moment, you're . . . It's starting in the building now, there It moved out, and left the platform, went into the building. Somebody touched Him, as certain as I'm standing here.

259 There's a younger woman standing here, I can't locate her. I see her, got neck trouble, arthritis of the spine. If you'll believe with all your heart, Jesus Christ make you well. Accept it, believe it, the little lady setting here with glasses on, dark hair, stand up. I give you your healing, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

260 What did she touch? Ask the lady. I don't know you, do I, lady? I do not know you, do I? No. If I don't know you, raise up your hand, shake your hand. If that was your trouble, what He told you, shake your hand. Now you're healed.

261 What did she touch? She's thirty feet from me. She touched the High Priest, and He acted just like He did at the beginning. Now, that's the same Jesus, the same yesterday, today, and forever. Have faith, don't doubt.

262 Some of the rest of you, I challenge your faith to believe, not me, believe the Word of God, believe I told you the truth. I challenge your faith to—to believe that.

263 Right behind her, you did, didn't you, lady? Setting right behind her there, setting there with high blood pressure, stand up on your feet. If that's true, raise up your hand. If I don't know you, raise up your other hand. I give you your healing, in the Name of Jesus Christ. You touched Him, He sure knows about you. Go home, and be well.

Have faith in God, don't doubt. You believe with all your heart?

264 Something strange about her, I don't know you, God does know you. Uh-huh. You believe God will heal you, and make you well? You're not from here, you're from a place called Huntington. Your name is Mrs. Day. You're praying for a brother, a brother is in Galveston in a hospital, he's a—a addict. Go, believe, don't doubt, Jesus Christ makes you free, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Have faith in God. You believe?

<sup>265</sup> What if I didn't say nothing to you, just laid hands on you, would you believe, lady? Come here. Receive your healing, in the Name of Jesus Christ. Go, believe.

What if I told you that diabetes would be gone, would you believe it? Go, believe, don't doubt.

<sup>266</sup> When you were setting right down here a while ago, see, I seen you suffering with heart trouble. You also have something wrong with your back. Now go believing, and you'll get well if you believe with all your heart.

<sup>267</sup> Come, young lady. You believe me to be His prophet? You're a young lady, but you have a female trouble, a dripping, it's a abscessed ovary. Don't doubt, believe. Go, and it'll never happen no more, you can be made well. Believe with all your heart.

<sup>268</sup> You believe with all your heart? See, if you'll just believe now, it's just perfectly the Holy Spirit working.

What if I just laid hands on you, would you think you would get well? Come, lady.

In the Name of Jesus Christ, may she be healed. Amen.

<sup>269</sup> Come, believing. If I didn't say one word to you, would you believe if I laid hands on you, you would get well? Well, come, and that diabe- . . . Well, go ahead, diabetes will be all right, you'll get well. Go, believe with all your heart.

<sup>270</sup> You believe with all your heart, everybody? Believe now. Now just look, now, what did He say? You know there is some sort of anointing here somewhere that knows you. You believe that?

<sup>271</sup> A little lady setting there praying, shaking her head with heart trouble, quit, stop, stop fearing, believe with all your heart, going to get well, anyhow. God is going to make you well.

<sup>272</sup> That lady setting out there praying for her unsaved son, believe with all your heart, God will take care of it for you. I don't know you, do I, lady? Don't know you at all, but that's what you was praying about. How did I know what you was praying about? The God that hears prayer can answer prayer. Amen.

You believe with all your heart? Have faith. Now be reverent.

Come, let lay hands on you now, while the anointing of the Holy Spirit is here.

In the Name of the Lord Jesus, may she be healed. Amen.

Go, believing.

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273 You know, really, it's your nervousness that did it, made your stomach like that. Now, you just raise tonight, and say, "I'm finished with it, I believe God," and then go eat your supper, you'll be all right, go believe with all your heart. In the Name of the Lord Jesus.

274 Someone might say, "You're, if you're old, your heart is weak, anyhow." But it isn't, you got a nervous heart, you've had it a long time. Go, believe with all your heart, it'll get well, and you'll go home, be well. Believe with all your heart.

275 You love the Lord? Something has happened, but I can't find, it's just, everything is becoming a blur to me now. See? How many knows that visions do you that way? Daniel saw one, was troubled at his head for many days. How many knows that? See? Sure. One woman touched the hem of the garment of the Master, and He said, "Virtue has gone from me."

All right, Sister, come believing now, you'll never be crippled with it.

In the Name of Jesus Christ, may she be healed. Glory!

Believe with all your heart.

276 Do you believe with all your heart, everybody? What could happen right now? Anything could take place. Surely, you're aware that *Something* is here. The God that you serve is right with you now.

277 I see a lady setting here with her head up, she's praying, that Light is hanging right over her. I'm just afraid she won't catch it. She's got bowel trouble and back trouble. O God, hope she . . . Mrs. Dickman, raise up and accept your healing. All right. God bless you, the lady here with the red sweater on is the one.

278 Right over here on the end of the row, there is a man and a woman setting there, woman has had a lot of trouble. She has had about a dozen operations, got a liver trouble, her husband has artery trouble. Mr. and Mrs. Main, believe with all your heart, and go home and be healed. Jesus Christ make you well.

I challenge you to look this way and believe it. I ask you to believe it. Hallelujah! How many believes with all your heart?

279 Oh, sinner friend, would you like to receive this Jesus? You that raised your hands you was sinners, come here just a minute, let me lay hands on you, will you? Come right down here now, sinner friend. Come here, I invite you to Christ. Come, let lay hands on you. If God knows your heart, He wants you to be forgiven of your sins.

280 Come right now, around the altar here, will you? Every sinner in the building that wants to receive Jesus as their Saviour, come right

down now, every one, right, while the Holy Spirit is anointing. Move right down, that's right.

281 Come every soul of sin oppressed, there's mercy with the Lord. Won't you come? Come right around. That's just fine. Come on, every sinner that doesn't know God, you want to be remembered now in prayer, and want God to save your soul, while He's here present.

282 The Holy Spirit stopped me just then, said, "Call! I've got children waiting out there." The same God that can be infallibly talking, can't He say the same thing? Now is the hour, now is the time. Move out, every one that wants to find Christ as Saviour, come around the altar here just a moment. Will you do it?

Come, every soul by sin oppressed,  
There's mercy with the Lord,  
And He will surely give you rest,  
By trusting in His Word.

Only trust Him . . .

283 He knows you. Come now, will you? Come trust Him. You want to be like that ol' mother deer? You want a real experience with God? Come to one, come to the Lord Jesus, Who can give you that experience. Church member, have you been flusterated? Come now. Come, church member.

. . . you,  
He will save you now.

284 Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Catholic, Pentecostal, that is not sure of your experience, will you come? We're not asking you to join any church. We're just asking you to come here and stand for a word of prayer. You wanted to see something real. What's any more real than Jesus Christ raised from the dead in a wicked and adulterous generation, showing Himself that He's raised from the dead, like Jonah, come out of the belly of the whale? He's alive for evermore. Won't you come now, while we sing it again?

Only trust Him . . . ( . . . ? . . . )  
. . . He will save you,  
Oh, He will save . . . (Come my Presbyterian  
brother . . . ? . . . )

Only trust Him . . .

285 Every man or woman that hasn't got the Holy Ghost, let them stand to their feet now, all want the Holy Ghost.

Oh, He will save you, He will save you,  
He will save you now.

<sup>286</sup> I want to ask the minister brothers here on the platform if they can, and can get down around these penitent sinners here, I want you go down, we want to lay hands on them, pray with them, take them out, invite them to your churches, wherever they are, may they be members.

<sup>287</sup> Look, friends, you that's standing here, there's only one thing. . . Let me show you what's happened. Jesus said, "No man can come to Me, except My Father draws him." Then God brought you here, He never brought you here in vain. You rose up from your seat and come, that's all you can do to make a confession. "He that will confess Me before men, him will I confess before My Father and the holy Angels." That's what He promised. "He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me, shall never die."

<sup>288</sup> I ask you now, as we bow our heads for prayer, how many in here now that is sick and afflicted yet? Raise your hands. Now, you lay your hands over on one another. Put your . . .



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