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Introduction

“And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures.” [\[Luke 24:38,45\]](#)

“As we depend upon the Holy Spirit, may He just reveal these things to us. And then as He speaks them, make them so plain that the one who asked the question will be able to receive it. And if it answers contrary to what I've always believed, then let my heart rejoice also, Lord, to know that I have found something new and some good way of the Lord. For You said, "Search the Scriptures, for in Them ye think you have Eternal Life, and They are They that testify of Me."” [\[57-0925 Questions And Answers On Hebrews 1, Jeffersonville IN\]](#)

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We pray that the Lord will open your eyes that you may know him; and your understanding, that you might understand the scriptures for this “faithless and perverse generation.” [\[Matthew 17:17\]](#)

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Bible Verses

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This Questions and Answers Book Volume #3 clarifies and gives the answers to many of these questions.

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This is a resource that will be a blessing to all who read it.

- Harold Hildebrandt

Bible Verses

To whom did God say, "Let us make man in our image" in Genesis 1:26?

"Then He begin to create. And He made the fishes of the sea, the vegetable life. Put the cattles on the hill. It all looked good to Him. Then He said, " Let us make man in Our own image, after Our likeness." Is that right? All right. So He made a man. God was Spirit; he had to be a spirit man made in His image. He put him here on the earth to lead the animal life and so forth, like the Holy Spirit should be leading the Church today. That was man." *[Who Is God? Cleveland, OH 50-0815]*

"So He couldn't just leave it in that state; He had to leave something with it. So He said, " Let us (plural) make man (plural) in our own image. Let us make man in our own image." So then when God made His first man, He was a spirit man. He was something on the order of God, or the Son of God, the Logos. That was the first man. Then He gave the man jurisdiction over the--to lead all the animal life, just like the Holy Spirit leads the believer today: "Go here. Do this." Now, if we were perfect in submission to the Holy Spirit, God would lead us by the Holy Spirit, just like Adam led the animals of that day." *[The Cruelty Of Sin, Jeffersonville, IN 53-0403]*

"And when He made everything that looked nice and good to Him, now He said, " Let us (plural) make man (plural) in our own image." What was He? There is a supernatural Being. There's the One that could not be seen. God the Father never was seen, never will be seen. He's all nature. And there He is. And now, here's the Son, which is the Logos that went out of Him, made in His image, a supernatural Being that went out in the beginning. ' Let us make man in our own image.' After He made a man in His own image, He made a supernatural being. Yes, indeed. Genesis 1:28, read and see if that isn't right. And then when He made man in His own image, he had rule over the beasts. He led the beasts around then like the Holy Spirit's supposed to lead the Church today. *[Show Us The Father, Connersville IN, 53-0610]*

"Now, in this Genesis 1:26, God made man in His Own image. And if you'd notice, we'll get it so you can read it, and 26... If you'd like to read along with us, we'd be glad for you--for you to do it, check me up. And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea,... over the fowls of the air,... over the cattle of the earth,... and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." *[Questions And Answers On Genesis, Jeffersonville, IN 53-0729]*

"Well now, if you'll notice close now, in Genesis 1:26, let's get the first part first. God said, " Let us..." Now, " let us," us is a... " Let us make man in our own image." Our, 'course, we realize He's talking to someone; He was speaking to another being. " Let us make man in our own image after our likeness, and let them have dominion over the cattles of the field. If you notice in creation, the first thing that was created, of course, was light. You come on

down through the creation; the last thing was created was what? A man. And woman was made after man. All right, the first... Last thing that was created of God's creation is mankind. But when God made His first man, if you noticed, He made him in the likeness of Himself; He was made in the image of God. And what is God? Now, if we can find out what God is we can find what kind of a man He made." *[Questions And Answers On Genesis, Jeffersonville, IN 53-0729]*

"He got all those things together, and made...?... made all the other things, all the animal life, the birds, the bees, the monkeys, and whatever it was, put them all here on earth. And then He asked this question now. " Let us (Who? Father and Son) make man in Our own image." Now, if a man was made something like that little sacred Light yonder, or something like that, It could not be seen (which is a spiritual Being). He manifested or unfolded Himself a little more to make a trinity of Himself by Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And here was God, unfolded Himself now, down into " let us make man (which was His son, an offspring from Him) man in Our own image (He was a supernatural being.), and let him have dominion over the cattles of the field, and so forth." *[53-0729 Questions And Answers On Genesis, Jeffersonville, IN]*

"And then God taken from his side a piece of him, a rib, and made a woman. Now, where did He get the spirit, woman? See? When He... Genesis 1:26, He said, " Let us make man in our own image, after our own--own likeness, created He them man, male and female." He made the burly spirit for the man; He made the tender, little, delicate, feminish spirit for the woman." *[Questions And Answers On Genesis, Jeffersonville, IN 53-0729]*

"Setting way back in eternity, that was God. And then going out of God, or God unfolding Himself, come the Logos, which was the Son of God or the Word of God. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelled among us," the Logos. Now watch, we're seeing God unfold Himself. Then He said in Genesis: " Let us make man in our own image." What kind of man was he? He had to be a spirit man. And then He put him in five senses to contact his earthly home. He might've given him a foot like a bear and a hand like a monkey. I don't know what He did." *[Preparation, Owensboro, KY 53-1111]*

"Was God a man? Certainly. " Let us make man in our own image." What was God? A theophany, a body. And there man was made like that and put over the garden. But there was no man to till the soil, in the senses. Then He created man out of the dust of earth, in the animal life, and that man tilled the soil. And the man fell, by transgression. Correctly. And God, the theophany, come down and was made flesh and dwelt among us, to redeem the man." *[Hebrews, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0901e]*

"Well, my dear sainted brother, my dear sainted sister, before the foundation of the world, when God created you in His image, or created the--the man in His image, and created the woman in the image of the man for the glory of the

man, He made you a theophany just like Hissself, when He said, " let us" to the creatures that He had made, " let us make man in our own image, in our likeness..." a theophany. God had never become flesh yet; He was in a theophany.

“And Moses saw Him. Moses cried, "Lord, let me see You." “He said, "Go yonder and hide in the rock, in the cleft. And Moses got back in that cleft; and when God passed by, the lightning and thunders... And as God passed by, He had His back turned like this. And Moses said "It was the back of a Man." Hallelujah. Who was It? The Melchisedec that come down, the King of Salem, with no father and mother, no beginning of days or ending of life. That's Him. And He come down; that's the One that talked to Abraham; that gathered Him up a little body of flesh like that, and breathed into it, stepped into it, and come down and eat a calf, drank milk from a cow, and eat some butter and corn bread.” [*Questions And Answers On Hebrews, Jeffersonville, IN 57-1006*]

“Some of you want to know about my Genesis story; God said, " Let us make man." The first thing He created was angels to worship Him, then He become God. Then when He said, " Let us make man after our own image," what kind of a man did He make? Spirit man; then when He made that man, He give him control. Then He made man out of the dust of the earth; then he fell. Then He become a Saviour: a God, then a Saviour. Sin brought on sickness; then He become a Healer. Hallelujah. There ain't nothing going wrong. He knowed all about it before the world was ever formed. He knew we'd have this meeting tonight. He knowed every gnat would ever be on the earth, and how much tallow he'd make, and how many times he'd bat his eyes. He's the infinite God, knows all things. Amen. Aren't you glad tonight that your name is on the Book?” [*Five Definite Identifications, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0911e*]

Bible References:

John 1:1-3; Genesis 1:26; Colossians 1:16-17

Clothing

Clothing

Are women slacks an abomination?

“The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.” [Deuteronomy 22:5]

“Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, ‘Thou shalt not commit adultery’: “but I say unto you, ‘That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.” [Matthew 5:27-28]

“I don't want to hurt your feelings. But what happened to the morals of this Pentecostal church? It used to be wrong for you women to cut your hair. I remember that. But... And now you say, "Preacher, there you go. You're... you're hitting that." All right. You see where your private life is? The Bible is against it. If the Bible said in grandmother's days it was wrong, it's the same Bible tonight. The Bible says if a woman cuts her hair her husband can divorce her; she dishonors her head. Now, that's right. That's what the Scripture says. Now, there's something wrong somewhere, either in the pew or the pulpit, one. That's right. Now, that's truth. Now, notice. It used to be wrong for your ladies even to wear their skirts low and through the front and up like that, but now they... the Pentecostal women went shorts. Now, that's right. What do you do it for? Well, you say, "I won't wear them. I wear slacks." That's worse. You know the Bible said that a woman that'll put on a garment that pertains to a man it's an abomination in the sight of God?" [The Message To The Laodicean Church, Dallas, TX 58-0609]

“Why, you say, "Brother Branham, I don't wear shorts. I wear slacks." That's worse. That's right. The Bible said that any woman that'll put on any garment that pertains to a man it's an abomination. And you boys run around here with them little haircuts like this Arthur Godfrey, or (What is his name?) Elvis Presley. Why, you look like a woman. And women chop all of theirs off to look like a man. God made man one way and the woman another way.” [Behold I Stand At The Door And Knock, Greenville, SC 58-0617]

“Yesterday, when the wife and I had run over to the supermarket to get some groceries. And I was hurrying, because I was late with appointments and things, and rushing real quick. And there was a little boy standing there, half asleep. And a little old girl come along there with some little trousers on, that belonged to some man. They had to, 'cause they were made for men. And the Bible says, "It's an abomination in the sight of God for a woman to wear it." And with a lot of this here lipstick on, and her eyes about half asleep, she said, "Where is the so-and-so?" to that little boy. He said, "How do you expect me to know?" She said, "You remember, I never got in until six o'clock this morning." And she wasn't over twelve years old.” [Hear His Voice, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1005m]

"Someone said to me not long ago, said, "Brother Branham," said, "you see, I don't wear those shorts. I wear those (you know, what is it you call them?) slacks." That's worse than ever. The Bible said that a woman that'll but on a garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination in the sight of God. What's happened? It used to be wrong for you Pentecostal people to do that. Somebody let down the bars somewhere. If it was wrong then, it's wrong now." [*Hear Ye Him, San Jose, CA 59-0424e*]

"If the Bible says it's wrong for a woman to put on a garment that pertain to a man, and you wear these little old overalls and slacks out here on the road... You grown women... I guess a little baby would be all--think if they're play with little boys and things. But look, when you--when you grown women fifteen, sixteen, eighteen years old, and up to grandma, out here on the road... And the Bible says it's an abomination in the sight of God for a woman to wear those things, and you wear them anyhow, and say you got the Holy Ghost? I wonder sometimes. The Holy Ghost will follow God's Word to the letter. And a preacher behind the pulpit that ain't got grace enough to preach it, I doubt he's got it. Well, that's what the Holy Ghost is for." [*What Was The Holy Ghost Given For, Jeffersonville, IN 59-1217*]

"She said, "Listen, Brother Branham, I don't wear shorts." Well, I said, "That's very good." She said, "I do wear slacks." I said, "That's worse." That's right. The Bible said it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man. God don't change. He made a man to look like a man, and a woman to look like a woman." [*Hear Ye Him, Klamath Falls, OR 60-0712*]

"I seen a religious society, a while ago, going in to have a some kind of a little blowout they have about every night, and these women all going in with these knicker-bo-... Or--or what--or what is them things you call them? Not shorts, but the other stuff. Yeah, they're pedal pushers. Or them things there. All on... They need a pedal pushed, all right; brother, that's a board about that wide. That's right. Head comes from... Pedestrian, that's "on your foot," and that's exactly what they need. That's right. But, oh, you say, "Well, now, I think it's more decent for a woman to wear that than it is for a skirt." God said, "It's an abomination in His sight for a woman to put on a garment..." And when a woman cuts her hair like a man. God wants a woman to look like a woman, dress like a woman, act like a woman." [*The Sardisean Church Age, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1209*]

"Who is our Tutor? The bishop, the district presbyter? Who is it? The Holy Ghost. He don't pull no punches; He tells the Father exactly what's going on. He comes up and said, "How's My children getting along down there?" "Oh, Father... all Your daughters have cut their hair. They're wearing make-up. They're acting like the world. They put on immoral clothes, clothes that look like men; they call them pedal pushers and slacks. And Your women, Your daughters, are just climbing right into that... And, Father, the bad thing, Your sons, Your preachers, permit it. Oh yes, sure, they permit it (all the things that You taught) because they're afraid." How the Father must feel!" [*Abraham's Grace Covenant, Middletown, OH 61-0317*]

"Elisabeth had hid herself now, for several months. She was to be mother. But she was worried. And now, you know, I see these ladies... Please, sisters, excuse me by saying this. But these women that's to be mothers wearing these slacks out on the street, I think it's the most disgraceful thing to the race of humanity. It is a pity to think that they would do that. Oh, of course, I'm sure they don't do that around Dawson here, but--but they do it down in the States. It's terrible. They hate me for saying it." [From *That Time, Dawson Creek, BC 61-0520*]

"How can women cut their hair? God says that, when they do that, it's wrong? How can you wear these little old trousers of a thing that they wear? When, God said, "A women that puts on a garment pertains to a man, it's an abomination in His sight." God don't change. How can we do it? And it's just presuming that it's all right. It's not all right. It's not all right. Our Pentecostal women does a thing like that, you better stop and check up, shake yourself, look back. Don't presume those things, 'cause you're wrong, absolutely wrong." [Presuming, *Phoenix, AZ 62-0117*]

"I spoke on that one day in Oregon. There was a woman wrote me a great big letter. She said, "Brother Branham, you got a wonderful ministry, but you're sure ruining it." She said, "Now, what about..." Said, "I wear overalls all time." Said, "What about going out in the garden to pick some--some garden, and with a dress on. Don't you think it'd look much better with overalls on than it would be, or dungarees, ever what it is, than to have a dress on?" And said, "Look, I ride up into the mountains with the boys when they go up to herd the cattle, and," said, "I get into the mosquito-infested area." Said, "Now, with a--with a dress on, they'd eat me up. With overalls they don't bother me." I said, "That's thinner than the broth made out of a shadow of a chicken that starved to death. Mercy! It ain't got one Word of God about it. That's your own opinion." God said, "Let every word be a lie, and His be true." My wife wears dress. She picks in the garden. She has no trouble about it. And, anyhow, a woman ain't got no business with a bunch of men out there, herding up cattle, anyhow. She ought to be in the kitchen where she belongs. That's right." [And *Thy Seed Shall Possess The Gate Of His Enemy 62-0121m*]

"And it paralyzes what little faith you have got. Lot could see the glamour, but he didn't have enough faith to see the fire that would destroy such glamour. I wonder if we have today? I wonder if us, well, as the women that wants to be popular, that wants to act like the--the rest of the women in the church, if they see that they want to--to act like the rest. They--they can see the possibilities of being a--a--a prettier woman, by being painted. They can see a prettier woman by having a younger appearance, by cutting their hair and acting like some of the others, or the movie star. But I wonder if that hasn't paralyzed their faith, to know that the Bible says that, "a woman does that is an un--- an unhonorable woman," and, "a woman that puts on a garment pertains to a man, is an abomination before God," slacks, and so forth, and shorts that they're wearing. And--and it just becomes so calloused till it becomes a regular routine of the people doing it. I wonder if they don't paralyze the very little

faith that you had, even to go to church, you see. That's the thing it does." [Why Cry? Speak! Jeffersonville, IN 63-0714m]

"Look at our nation, once one of the great moral countries of the world. Look at her today, it's the laughingstock of the world, filthier than anything I know of. When I got off the plane, and come in at Rome, and went up to Saint Angelo, to go into the catacomb, I was embarrassed when I seen a sign setting at the--the Saint Angelo catacomb, said, "A word to all American women! Please put on clothes before entering the catacomb, to honor the dead." Coming in there with shorts on, and trousers on, in a place like Rome; and then had to say, to the American women, "to honor the dead; and put on clothes." Why, it's become a stench in the nostrils! And all of our overseas money, and leased loans, and everything like that, will never buy friendship." [Influences, Tulare, CA 64-0215]

"No more than see the young man out here, fine, big, fine-built fellow with his hair, what he curl it up like the women do, and leotards on, and a big long sweater hanging down, and purple shoes on. Masculine? Oh, my, what a horrible thing to call a man! What a thing to call a man! That's right. See some woman, supposed to be daintish and lovely, come out with a pair of man's trousers on, a cigarette in her mouth, and bobbed hair. What a thing to call a woman! Jesus called Mary, "woman." Shouldn't even be called that; just a female." [Shalom, Phoenix, AZ 64-0119]

"Some lady said, "I don't wear shorts. I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse." Right. "The Bible said it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man." [Lamb And Dove, Yakima, WA 60-0805]

"Therefore when a woman acts masculine, there is some... there is a perversion there somewhere. And when a man wants to be a big sissy, there is something wrong somewhere. God made a man and dressed him like a man, and a woman like a woman. He ever remains them to be that way. Amen. When you see them doing something else, there is something wrong. It's perverted. And the whole thing has become a bunch of perverts. That's exactly right. The whole race, the whole generation, it's, "the whole thing is a putrefied sore," as the Bible said. There is hardly soundness anywhere. You know that's the truth. You can't find hardly any--any among them out... But go out on the street, it's hard to find a real man; sissies as I ever seen. And women, they wear trousers, cut their hair, wear lipstick, smoke cigarettes, try to be a man. What do you want to be a man for? You're supposed to be a lady." [Jehovah Jireh, Louisville, MS 64-0402]

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“Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, ‘Thou shalt not commit adultery’: “but I say unto you, ‘That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.” *[Matthew 5:27-28]*

“It used to be, a long time ago, and you holiness people, it was wrong for you women to cut your hair. What became right about it, when the Bible said that a, “If any woman cuts her hair off, her husband has a right to give her a divorce.” Plain teaching, but that's the Bible. And you women, get out here and cut your yards with overalls on and with man's garments. And the Bible said... Almighty God said, “A woman that'll put on a garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination and filthy in the sight of God.” And you do it. And you smoke cigarettes, you go to dances and shows, and still belong to church. You... Shows you've took some sort of a something; you're not marked in Heaven, the Holy Spirit.” *[The Seal Of God, Jeffersonville, IN 54-0514]*

“God made a man different from a woman: sex and in looks, and in everything else. She oughtn't to wear a garment... The Bible said that if a woman will put on a pair of slacks or any garment that pertains to a man, it's an abominable and dirty and filthy sight in the front of God. And God will make her pay for it. Who you going to listen to? But this is the Bible. And you run around and say, “Why, I think it's nice for--see women wearing slacks.” But God made them different; He wants them dressed different. And the Bible said, “If a woman will even put on a garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination.” You know what abomination is? It's “something that's filthy in the sight of God.” And the great Jehovah Who looks down upon you as being a filthy thing!” *[Questions And Answers On Hebrews, Jeffersonville, IN 57-1006]*

“Your pastors are here to preach this Gospel. But if they don't do it, I want you to hear it this time, of this part. It's a wrong thing for a woman to cut her hair. The Bible said so. And she disgraces her husband when she does it. And the Church used to not do that, but today, because the pulpit is weak, they do it. And women wear these little bitty clothes that looks like a man's clothes, slacks, or something, they call them. Did you know the Bible said that's a filthy and a abomination in God's sight. What's the Holy Spirit think when He brings that before God the Father, the way the daughters of the Church is doing? And women, in the summertime, get out with little bitty short clothes on, that they oughtn't to even appear before their husband in, and mow the yard and walk up-and-down the streets with those little clothes on. And mean to tell me the Holy Spirit is in there? “By their fruit you shall know them.” *[Hear Ye Him, Waterloo, IA 58-0126]*

"I don't want to hurt your feelings. But what happened to the morals of this Pentecostal church? It used to be wrong for you women to cut your hair. I remember that. But... And now you say, "Preacher, there you go. You're... you're hitting that." All right. You see where your private life is? The Bible is against it. If the Bible said in grandmother's days it was wrong, it's the same Bible tonight. The Bible says if a woman cuts her hair her husband can divorce her; she dishonors her head. Now, that's right. That's what the Scripture says. Now, there's something wrong somewhere, either in the pew or the pulpit, one. That's right. Now, that's truth. Now, notice. It used to be wrong for your ladies even to wear their skirts low and through the front and up like that, but now they... the Pentecostal women went shorts. Now, that's right. What do you do it for? Well, you say, "I won't wear them. I wear slacks." That's worse. You know the Bible said that a woman that'll put on a garment that pertains to a man it's an abomination in the sight of God?" *[The Message To The Laodicean Church, Dallas, TX 58-0609]*

"Why, you say, "Brother Branham, I don't wear shorts. I wear slacks." That's worse. That's right. The Bible said that any woman that'll put on any garment that pertains to a man it's an abomination. And you boys run around here with them little haircuts like this Arthur Godfrey, or (What is his name?) Elvis Presley. Why, you look like a woman. And women chop all of theirs off to look like a man. God made man one way and the woman another way." *[58-0617 Behold I Stand At The Door And Knock, Greenville, SC]*

"There was a feminish spirit. When you take a man that's so sissified, he may be all right, balanced up all right, but there's something wrong. And when you take a woman, wants to chop her hair and wear a pair of overalls, and get out there, "bless God," I tell you, there's something wrong. A woman has the feminish spirit, and a man is masculine. We know that, and you know that. Does a woman look right that's trying to be, act like a man?" *[Why Are We Not A Denomination, Jeffersonville, IN 58-0927]*

"When you see a woman with a cigarette in the side of her mouth, with a pair of overalls on, and saying, "I tell you, 'feller', what it is." Brother, you watch that old gal. There's something wrong with her. A woman's supposed to be a woman, and she's supposed to dress like a woman. When God made a man, He made him one thing; and He made a woman something else. And when God dresses a man, He dresses him one way, and a woman something else. And the Bible said it's a abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man. And you women, putting on these little old pants and things, and wearing them out here, little old (What is it you call them?) knicker bockers. Or, what is it? What is that, sisters? No, no, it's not shorts, it's that got the long legs in them: pedal pushers, and overalls, dungarees. Go and they said, "This is for the ladies." I said, "No, you're mistaken. Ladies don't wear them things; women might, but ladies don't." That's right. The Bible said it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment... And for a man to put on a garment that pertains to a woman... And man is becoming more sissified every day, and women is becoming more masculine. What's the matter? (We're going

to find out in a few minutes by the Bible.) women ain't women no more. I don't mean you Christian women. I'm talking about the general run. They want to act like men, want to cut their hair like men; put their hand upon a bar like that and sing "God Bless America" with a cigarette out of the corner of their mouth." [*The Serpent's Seed, Jeffersonville, IN 58-0928e*]

"This Man stood and looked at Abraham. Women them days wasn't like they are now. Every time somebody comes up in the yard, the woman's got to put on her--her little shorts, and go out in the yard, and see what her husband's talking about, butt into his business. Shame on you. Shame on you men. If you got more man about you to let your wife do that, it's all right, I guess. That was raw. But I... I--I don't take it back. That's the truth. Now, that's just the truth. I got little respects for a man will let his wife do a thing like that: smoke cigarettes, and drink whiskey, and wear those kind of clothes." [*Be Certain Of God, Cleveland, TN 59-0708e*]

"I was speaking on something of that not long ago. And a lady said to me, she said, "I don't wear shorts." And I said, "Well, good for you." She said, "I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse." It's the truth. The Bible said... And God is infinite and cannot change, "It's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man." [*Door To The Heart, San Jose, CA 59-1128*]

"I was talking on power of prayer, power of speech, power for a holy life. Amen. That's what the Holy Ghost is to do. Some of you people walking along, saying, "Well, I just can't quit drinking. I just can't quit this." The Holy Ghost comes to live in you to make all these "can'ts" get away from you (That's right.): make women stop cutting their hair, make them quit wearing shorts and slacks (no excuses), make them quit tattling. Oh, yes. that's what It's for, to make you a holy life. It'll follow the instructions of the Bible every time. Woman say, "It's just too hot. I just have to wear these. Gives me a headache if I let my hair grow." But there's no excuses with the Holy Ghost. It's there to make it so. It'll follow the Word just exactly. That's what the Holy Ghost is to do. It's to make you man turn your head from them half-naked women and quit lusting after them." [*What Was The Holy Ghost Given For, Jeffersonville, IN 59-1217*]

"How many women in here this morning... I say this in the Name of the Lord Jesus. How many of you are ashamed of that short hair you're wearing, want God by His grace to let it grow out for you? God bless you. How many men are ashamed that you let your wife smoke cigarettes and wear trousers that actually belong to you? And the Bible said, "It's an abomination in the sight of God." Do you know God can't change? He can't change. He has one nature; that's holiness. He can't change. If you don't become like Him, you'll not see Him, "Without holiness no man shall see the Lord." And if wearing slacks is, makes God sick at His stomach and vomit, He's sick, and abomination's filthiness, how are you ever got a spirit like that in you and will ever get to heaven? How will you get to heaven with short hair, when God said it's a shame for a woman to cut her hair? She denies the very principles of being a--a wife. God doesn't change. That's His Word, friend, you better listen. And you men that

will let your wives do that, aren't you ashamed of yourself? Aren't you ashamed?" [Perfect Strength By Perfect Weakness, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1119]

"No disregards to my sisters, but if, in the early days, a woman would have come through town like I seen some yesterday, with a pair of trousers on! How the lady ever got into them, just looked like the skin was on the outside. I wondered how the woman got her foot in them. Walking down the street! When, the Bible said, "She that'll put on a garment that pertains to a man is an abomination in the sight of God." And with that blue, all the back of her eyes, if she'd have went through a frontier town, the old doctor would have put her in the hospital, and quarantined the town, of a disease, that, "A woman cankered before she died." That's right. Such a disease!" [A Door In A Door, Tucson, AZ 63-0223]

"Women, if you haven't got enough grace in your heart, tonight, to know that the Bible teaches that you should stop bobbing your hair, wearing shorts and make-up! If you haven't got that much grace in your heart, tonight! And you know the Bible teaches you should. He can't change. You say, "I don't wear shorts. I wear slacks." That's worse. God said, "A woman that'll wear a garment pertains to a man, it's an abomination to God." [A Greater Than Solomon Is Here, Hot Springs, AR 63-0628e]

"Oh, I thought, what a thing for Christianity! Women, stop that wearing them clothes like that! Men, stop that telling them smutty jokes and all that stuff! We are sons and daughters of the King. Dress like a queen, dress like a--a lady. Act like a gentleman, don't let your hair grow down like this. The Bible said, "It's wrong (nature teaches you) for a man to have long hair. And it's a disgrace and a common thing for even a woman to pray with her hair cut." And how about these? "It's a--it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man." The great unchanging God doesn't change. But yet today it's just as loose as the rest of our nation is. Shame! Let's act like sons and daughters of God. Let's live like it. We are, we are sons of a King. We are. We are. Right now this bunch of mess and dirt and filth, around here, people call themselves "Christians" and still acting like that!" [Doors In Door, Flagstaff, AZ 65-0206]

"Skin-tight, till the skin is on the outside. And then they--they come around, say, "Why, Mister Branham, that's the only kind of clothes they sell." They still got goods and sewing machines. There is no excuse. The Amish and Dunkard women still wear them. Sure. And what happens? They get out there and carry on. A woman said, "Well, Mister Branham, I don't wear shorts. I wear s-..." What is them, pedal pu-... [A brother says, "pedal pushers."--Ed.] Yeah. Said, "I wear them." I said, "That's worse." I said, "The Bible says, 'It's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment pertains to a man.'" And what kind of a filthy-looking sight is this United States now! See? That's right." [The Voice Of The Sign, Denham Springs, LA 64-0321e]

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Are Women Slacks Immoral?

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“Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, ‘Thou shalt not commit adultery’: “but I say unto you, ‘That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.” *[Matthew 5:27-28]*

“Slacks, is that what you call it? Do you know the Bible said it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man? What's happened? It used to be wrong. Something's happened. Now, I don't want to hurt you. But why was it a few years ago, when I first knew you Pentecostal people, that it was wrong for you women to cut your hair? Did something happen? The Bible didn't change. Something happened. An old brother preacher used to sing a song, “We let down the bars; we let down the bars; we compromised with sin. We let down the bars; the sheep got out, but how did the goats get in?” You let down the bars; that's what started it.” *[Hear Ye Him, South Bend, IN 58-0209a]*

“If there ever was a time that mama eagle is setting on the Pentecostal nest, it's today. There's too many loose feathers in the Pentecostal church. Oh, yes. You women, bobbing off your hair. That's not right. The Bible said that it's wrong. And get out on a afternoon and put them little bitty old short clothes on to mow the yard. It's wrong. It's a sin in the sight of God to do that. And you say, “No, I don't wear shorts; I wear slacks.” The Bible said, “A woman that'll put on a garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination in the sight of God.” God doesn't change. Too many loose feathers in the Pentecostal church. She's not ready to fly away yet. Used to be it was wrong for holiness women, and women of the church, to wear manicure, or that stuff you put on your mouth and face. But you can't tell one from the other; what's the matter? Too many loose feathers. You know that's the truth. That might make you sick.” *[As The Eagle Stirs Her Nest And Fluttereth Over Her Young, Harrisonburg, VA 58-0316a]*

“Now to you holiness people, Pentecostal, Free Methodist, Nazarenes, Pilgrim Holiness. I remember the time when it was wrong for you women to cut your hair. What happened? Do you know the Bible gives a man a right to get a divorce from his wife when she cuts her hair? The Bible said that a woman that cuts her hair dishonors her husband. That's the truth. And you get out here with these little old, dirty, nasty, filthy clothes on, called shorts, to mow the grass in the back yard, and call yourself a Christian? How must the Holy Spirit feel before the Father when He has to bring that up? Oh, you say, “I don't wear shorts, Brother Branham. I wear slacks.” That's worse. You know it's the truth. All right. The Bible said that a woman that'll put-on any garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination in the sight of Him. That's right. That's the Scripture. That's what God said.” *[Hear Ye Him, Middletown, OH 58-0328]*

“You women, at ten o'clock at morning when you ought to have prayer meeting, you listen to some old ungodly thing like Arthur Godfrey with his old dirty jokes and things with that bunch of women and then call your selves Christians. Go on. That's the truth. You say, "Brother Branham, I don't wear shorts. I wear slacks." That's worse. The Bible said that a woman that'll put on a garment pertaining to a man it's an abomination in the sight of God; and God doesn't change. And you wear these little old skirts that's so tight, going down the street so tight till the skin's on the outside. And you call yourself, "Holiness women." Is that the way a daughter of God would act? Listen. You say, "Preacher, that's the only kind of clothes they sell." But they still make sewing machines and sell them. You ain't got no excuse. And besides that, they still sell goods that you can make your clothes. I know that hurts, but it's good for you. It's the truth. It's what the Bible says.” [*Life, Bangor ME 58-0519*]

“It's a terrible day that we're living in. Discerning the Lord's Body... In our churches and among our church people today, it's such a shame of the way our women are acting too, many of them wearing immoral clothes, those little shorts. It's so sinful. A lady told me, and many's told me, said, "Billy, you better quit talking about that." No, sir. I may have to preach to posts, but I'll be telling the truth. That's right. That's right. It's the truth. Thank you. It's wrong, and it's sinful. As one lady said to me, she said, "I don't wear shorts; I wear slacks." I said, "That is worse. The Bible said it's an abomination to God for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man." It's the truth. And then the alibi is they don't make any more clothes besides that. But they still make sewing machines and sell goods.” [*Discerning The Body Of The Lord, Chautauqua, OH 59-0812*]

“Sometimes the women, in our churches, that's used to wearing immoral clothes, like shorts, and--and these dungarees. And the Bible said, "It's an abomination to God, for a woman to put on such." She's, no matter what she thinks, she's got to forsake that. Sometimes we find women, when they come into the Way and get saved, they been used to cutting off their hair. And they want to be popular like the rest of the world. But they find out, it's a hard thing, 'cause they'll call you old fashion, whenever you go to dressing like a Christian, acting like a Christian, living like a Christian. They'll call you old fashion, but you've got to forsake all, to follow Him.” [*Forsaking All, Tempe, AZ 62-0123*]

“You know what he would do? He would blast and condemn this generation. He would condemn every bobbed-haired woman in the country. He would condemn every denominational preacher. He certainly would. He would condemn every cigarette smoker, every woman that wore shorts or slacks. He would tear them apart. Why? It's against the Word. Exactly right. You think we would receive him? By no means. They wouldn't receive him. He would condemn the immoral of the church. He would shake that little old wrinkled finger in them preachers' face and say, "You mean to tell me that you call yourself anointed servant of God, and will stand in the pulpit and let your women dress sexy, and sexy among your men, and things like that? Let

your young women rise up like that? You'll permit your men to marry two or three times, and be deacons in the churches? You mean to tell me that you'll hold on to that credential that you got in your hand, and turn aside the Word of God?" Oh, my! He would blast the thing. Yes, sir. The immorality of the church, and the immorality of the members, he would blast it. My! Every member, he would tear down. Every man-made seminary doctrine, he'd tear the thing to pieces." *[The Way Of A True Prophet, Phoenix, AZ 63-0119]*

"I was in New York, the other week. And went down through there, for miles, was nothing but these teen-age hoodlums with earrings in their ear, and ratted hair, leotards on, and girls with little bikinis, they called it, on like that, out on the street. And the public has to give them the right of way. Oh, what is the matter with this country? It's because it's a--a sign of a moral-decayed, God-rejected nation. That's all. How can you build upon the chars of some ruins like that? How you going to do it, when hoodlums walking the street and shoot the very President right out of his car?" *[The World Is Again Falling Apart, Shreveport, LA 63-1127]*

"Could you imagine a man letting his wife cut her hair, wear shorts, or wear slacks, and say he's coming through a thinking man's Filter? Could you imagine a man doing a thing like that? Can you imagine a preacher standing in the pulpit, because he's paid good by a congregation that pats him on the back, calls him, "Doctor, Brother, Reverend," and takes him out to all kinds of parties where they mix bathing, and everything else, on the beaches; could you imagine a man claiming that he's coming through a thinking man's Filter? And some of those women on the platform, with their dresses above their knees, and cut so tight and shows every form, every move they make, and their underneath clothes showing through their dresses; just as bad as wearing shorts, bikinis, or anything else. You Pentecostal, blind, Laodicean preachers, how long will God suffer you, I don't know. Be... God be merciful to your--to your blind eyes. He's got eye salve tonight, to open your eyes, that you might see." *[A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822e]*

"I like to see a man when he's a man. I hate to see one with his wife's underclothes on out here, and slipped up along the side; and--and a roller hanging down here in front, and two cones of hair hanging down like bangs, cut in front. That, I--I couldn't call that a man. He don't know what side of the race he belongs on. See? That's right. You see the woman, look, the woman is trying to cut her, make her hair like the man; the man is trying to make his hair, bangs, like the woman. The man is wearing his wife's underneath clothes; she is wearing his overalls. See, just a perversion, right around. And that's the same thing it is with nation, with people, with churches, with everything. O God! Where is the end of the thing? The Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, that's the end of it." *[Thirst, Tucson, AZ 65-0919]*

"How could you ever draw a denomination through God's Filter? How could you do it? How could you draw a bobbed-hair woman through that Filter? Tell me. How could you ever draw a woman that wears slacks through There, when "It's an abomination for her to put on a garment pertains to a man"? See, God's

Filter would catch her out there, It wouldn't let her come in. (But the church has got their own filters.) So I say that there is a thinking man's Filter, that's God's Word, and It suits a holy man's taste. That's right, a holy man; not a church man, but a holy man's taste. Because It's pure, holiness, unadulterated Word of God! There is a thinking man's Filter. And church member, I advise you to use That one." [Leadership, Covina, CA 65-1207]

"Korah was not a Scriptural prophet but the people in great numbers with their leaders went for him. How like the evangelists today with their golden calf schemes like Korah's. They look good to the people as Korah looked good then. They have blood on their foreheads, oil on their hands and balls of fire on the platform. They allow women preachers, let women cut their hair, wear slacks and shorts, and bypass the Word of God for their own creeds and dogmas. That shows what kind of seed is in them. But not all the people turned on Moses and left the Word of God. No. The elect stayed with him." [Pergamean Church Age, 7 Church Ages Book 65-1206x]

"How could a bobbed-haired woman ever come through this Filter? How could a woman with shorts on ever come through It, or slacks, when the Bible says, "It's an abomination to God, for a woman to put on a garment that even pertains to a man"? And how can a man that thinks anything of himself, get out here and dress like the women, let his hair grow out like a woman, down in his eyes, with bangs, and twirled up like that? He is wearing his wife's underneath clothes. She is wearing his outer clothes. A thinking man's filter? A thinking man won't do that, or a thinking woman won't do it. God's Word won't let it pass through." [God's Power To Transform, Phoenix, AZ 65-0911]

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Are women slacks ungodly?

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"Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, 'Thou shalt not commit adultery': "but I say unto you, 'That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.'" [Matthew 5:27-28]

"Yesterday in Saint Edward's hospital I heard a doctor tearing a girl to pieces back there. He got up the steps where I could shake his hand. Everybody in the hospital was listening and looking. It was the girl back there, some of you little unGodly clothes on, little britches like. "You know what the Bible says about that?" He says, "It's an abomination in the sight of God for a woman to wear trousers like a man. Right." And there she was. Well, the doctor said, a little crippled fellow. I know him, but I can't think of his name. He said, "Do

you mean to tell me that the sister let you get in this hospital like that?" Said, "Well, you're a disgrace to the hospital. Get out of here." I said, boy, I want to shake your hand. Certainly. Said, "How did you ever get by the front? Ain't you ashamed of yourself to come in here dressed like that?" I thought, oh, brother, that's right. I admire a man with enough courage to call right 'right' and wrong 'wrong,' regardless of who he is." [*The Lamb's Book Of Life, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0603*]

"The Bible claims that if a woman cuts her hair or a lock, her husband has a right to divorce her and send her away. The Bible said so. She dishonors her husband. And a dishonorable woman shouldn't be lived with. Oh, you say, "I'm just as pure as a lily." That might be true, sister; it's because the preacher never told you about it, or either your stubborn will that won't let God come in. Maybe it didn't come into the preacher's heart. I know that's rough. I don't mean to hurt you, but that... We can't handle the Gospel with white gloves on no more. You've got to pull your gloves off and tell the truth. That's what people like. In all this modern day when you women let your girls, and even you, grandma, get out on the street with them little old ungodly clothes on and call yourselves Christians? Oh, you say, "I don't wear shorts; I wear slacks." That's worse." [*Jesus At The Door, New Haven, CT 58-0529*]

"It's a disgrace that our American woman ever put on a pair of overalls and went into a war plant to work. I don't care how much that hurts, but it's a disgrace. It's a breaking the backbone of this nation. That little baby of yours needs you. God gave you that baby to raise yourself, not some babysitter. That's right." [*The Great Coming Revival And The Outpouring Of The Holy Spirit, Chicago, IL 54-0718a*]

"Happened to meet a lady today, and she was very much upset on what I said the other night about women wearing little short clothes; it was not nice for Christians to do that, and it was absolutely unscriptural. She said, "Young man, you'll--you'll ruin your ministry." I said, "Oh, no, no. If I don't, it'll be ruined. See?" She said... I said, "Are you guilty?" She said, "No, sir, I don't wear shorts." I said, "Well, then, what's you fussing about?" She said, "I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse." She said, "Oh, no," she said, "it's--it's decent like if..." And said, "You--you put a--like, what are you going to do with a woman out in the field?" I believe is the way she put it. Said, "Yeah, riding a horse." Said, "Out with my husband to help round up some cattle. You think I ought to wear a skirt?" Said, "You ar..." I said, "You oughtn't to be out there in the first place. That's what's the matter; women's trying to take man's work now; we got so many men out of work." That's right, that's right. She said, "What about in the garden when you're--when you're pulling up stuff, a garden with a--with a dress on. Don't you think it'd be better with--with slacks?" I said, "No, ma'am. My wife has no trouble about it, neither did my mother. I don't think you will either, if you'll just take care of yourself." I said, "I don't..." She said, "And slacks is wrong?" I said, "The Bible said that a woman that'll put on any garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination in the sight of God." That's right." [*Abraham's Covenant Confirmed, Long Beach, CA 61-0210*]

"One day I was speaking against women wearing shorts, and a woman said to me, "I don't wear them." I said, "What's that you got on?" She said... What is them things? Pedal pushers, or ever what it was, like that. I said... No, dungarees. I said, "It's... That's worse than ever. The Bible said it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man." That's right. Up in Klamath Falls, recently, a lady wrote me a big long letter. She said, "What about a woman then out riding horses in a mosquito infested area, out there riding, rounding up the cattle? What do you think about her wearing a dress out there? Or when she's in the garden, when she has to stoop over and pull up things from the garden?" I said, "My mother and my wife both wear dresses, and they had no trouble. They wear them long enough when they stoop down, that's all of it." Then I said, "Another thing, on...out there on a horse, riding a horse, a woman ain't got no business out there. That's what the ruin of our nation today, is women trying to take men's jobs. She's trying to be a man; and a man's wanting to be a woman. God made them different." Right. Got no business being like that. She's out of her category. And a man's out of his category." *[Jehovah Jireh, Richmond, VA 61-0312]*

"Talk about the lid off of the kettle: demons going around, powers of the devil under the name of Christianity, teaching for doctrine the commandments of men, theological seminary doctrines, leaving the Bible alone. Hallelujah. Who's able to... Who's strong enough, who's wise enough? Who's powerful enough to tame this legion stripping the clothes off of our women in the name of preachers, Methodist, Baptist, and even Pentecostal? Painting their faces like Jezebel, and bobbing their hair, and wearing pants just like men. Our preachers, not enough getup about them to tell them about it. Devil-possessed! It was the Legion that tore his clothes off of him. Who is this roaring devil?" *[Perfect Strength By Perfect Weakness, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1119]*

"Women and men that won't follow God's Word and His Teaching after they claim to be born again, there's something wrong. I'm going to speak with the women just a minute. If a woman that knows that God's Word condemns bobbed hair, and wearing shorts, wearing slacks, and dressing immorally, and haven't got the decency enough to let your hair grow out and put on clothes that look like a Christian, you're deceived." *[You Must Be Born Again, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1231m]*

"But this Angel that stayed with the Church elected, Abraham and his group, set with His back turned to the tent. And, Sarah, she was a little different from some of our modern sisters today. You know. Don't it make you feel kind of bad when, you know, men start talking, and women come out and butt right in, oh, it's kind of rude? You know, when God made a woman, He gave her the feminish spirit to be dainty and sweet, like the real Christian sisters are. But these women with overalls on, and a cigarette in their mouth, and stomp right out and cuss, and sing, "God bless America." See? And that, it just don't seem--seems rude. It just don't... There's something that's wrong...?... That's right. And... But little Sarah was a little Pentecostal sister that stayed back to take

care of her business. She was back in there cooking some dinner.” *[It Is I Be Not Afraid, Columbia, SC 62-0611]*

“It’s an abomination. A woman said to me, “I don’t wear shorts.” Said, “I wear these...What do you call them, when they pull like? slacks.” I said, “That’s worse than ever. The Bible says it’s an abomination for a woman to wear a garment that pertains to a man.” It’s a shame, oh, our women, our men! And you men with a wishbone instead of a backbone, to let your women smoke cigarettes, and act like that. Shame on you. I don’t call that a ruler of his own house. I call that led around by the ears somewhere. Shame on you! Oh, “Our whole body,” Isaiah said, “has become putrefied sores.” We need a housecleaning and a Holy Ghost revival, for the Coming of Lord Jesus Christ.” *[A Greater Than Solomon Is Here, Santa Maria, CA 62-0628]*

“I said something about it one time, and a lady met me outside. She said, “Mr. Branham, I give you to understand I’m Pentecostal.” I said, “Well, praise the Lord. Then act like it.” She said-she said, “Well,” she said, “do you think it’s wrong, then, for a woman? You said about a woman putting on a man’s garment?” I said, “The Bible said.” She said, “I don’t wear shorts.” She said, “I wear slacks.” I said, “That’s worse. The Bible said it’s abomination for a woman to put on a garment pertains to a man.” Right. God is infinite. God can never change. His decision is perfect. Show me one time God changes. He doesn’t.” *[Hear Ye Him, Spokane, WA 62-0711]*

“If they say, “Well, now, dear, it don’t hurt for you to do this.” Don’t you believe it, when God... Said, “It don’t hurt for the women to cut their hair,” when God’s Word says it’s an abomination to Him, to do it. When you say, “Why, I wear slacks. I don’t wear shorts.” God said a woman that will put on a garment pertains to a man, it’s an abomination to Him. The Bible said it’s wrong for a woman to cut her hair, it’s even uncommon for her to pray and so forth like that. Even with her head uncovered, she dishonors her own head. God forbids it! And that system that tells you it’s all right to do it, don’t you believe it. It’s a false anointed. It’s a false Christ. It’s against God’s Word. The righteous hold onto the Word of God because It’s the program of God’s Eternal system.” *[The Falling Apart Of The World, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1216]*

“Seminary ministers, what did they do? Worldly-dressed women, wearing shorts, bobbed hair, and man with not enough Spirit about him to condemn it. Any man let his wife do that, needs a good Gospel whipping. That’s right. She proves herself dishonorable, and you admit it. Any man would take his wife out on the street, with those little old trousers of a thing on, they walk out here with, so tight the skin on the outside, and walk down the street like that, absolutely a disgrace to humanity. To me, it shows there is a lack of something inside. It shows an emptiness.” *[Just One More Time Lord, Phoenix, AZ 63-0120e]*

“Take a good look around you. Examine the people as they walk by. In the multitudes you see, can you pick out those that have the appearance of Christians? Watch how they dress, watch how they act, hear what they say, see where they go. Surely there ought to be some real evidence of the new birth

amongst all those we see go by. But few there be. Yet today the fundamental churches are telling us they have millions saved and even Spirit-filled. Spirit-filled? Can you call women Spirit-filled who go around with frizzy bobbed hair, shorts and slacks, halters and briefs, all painted up like Jezebel? If these are adorned in modest apparel as becometh Christian women, I would hate to think what it would be like if I had to witness a display of immodesty.” [*Laodicean Church Age, 7 Church Ages Book 65-1206x*]

“Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy had this here water-head haircut, and look all the women. She wore them little old sack-colored aprons, or things like that, it's a scandalous for the woman to be on the street, with them stretched on like that. Look at all the women doing the same thing. It's an impersonation, but that's in the world. The church people picked it up, and it's a shame that they do it. It's wrong for them to do it, and it's a disgrace. And when we see it creeping into Pentecost, it's more disgraceful. That is right. But, you see, the church puts up with it and lets it go.” [*Does God Change His Mind, Los Angeles, CA 65-0427*]

“Say, "What's wrong with them slacks?" Or, whatever they call it, pedal pushers, or ever what it is. The Bible said, that, "Any woman that'll wear a garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination in the sight of God." That's THUS SAITH THE BIBLE.” [*The God Of This Evil Age, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801m*]

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Deuteronomy 22:5; Matthew 5:27-28

Do women slacks stink to God?

“The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.” [*Deuteronomy 22:5*]

“Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, ‘Thou shalt not commit adultery’: “but I say unto you, ‘That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.” [*Matthew 5:27-28*]

“And you get these little old, sissified men today with a shock of hair cut down low on his neck like that, and a pair of sideburns like Elvis Presley, and stand up and make all this boogie-woogie stuff, and you Christians try to impersonate an impostor like that. Right. Right. Go along with a little old pair of clothes on, looks like some sissy, and a woman out there with a pair of man's trousers on. Do you know the Bible said that's abomination in the sight of God? Certainly is. You know that's the truth. That's exactly the truth.” [*The Lamb And The Dove, Oakland, CA 57-0325*]

“Do you know, ladies, that it's wrong to wear slacks? Do you know that? Do you know it's wrong to cut the locks of your hair off? Do you know it's wrong, mister, for you to continue to smoke and act the way you do? Do you know It's

wrong for you not to be the husband of your house, your wife get a little temper spell and kick you out the door, and you say, "Yes, bless your heart, honey, I'll come right back"? Do you know you... How can you be a tender at the house of God when you can't even control your own house? That's exactly right. Do you know, sister, that your husband is not only your husband, but he is your ruler? God said so. Because that the husband was not deceived, the woman was deceived. And you preachers will continue to make women pastors and preachers in your churches, knowing that the Word of God condemns it." [*Adoption 3, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0522m*]

"Our mama used to give it to the kids, I think. Some kind of catnip when they got the tummy ache. The church has got more than a tummy ache; it's anemia. What we need is a blood transfusion, the power of the Holy Spirit to clean up the church world from the life of sin. women, men, professing Christianity, out to dances, out to big worldly parties, gambling, smoking, dancing; women cutting off their hair, wearing shorts, slacks, all kinds of stuff like that, and then call themselves Christians. There's a weakness somewhere; it isn't in the power of God. It's either in your pulpit, or in you, one. Now, that's all there is to it. It's the truth. We need a cleaning up. The carnal, always enmity! Oh, sure, it's a hard fight. But I believe if you been ordained to Eternal Life, "All the Father has given to Me, will come to Me." [*Hearing, Receiving And Acting, Chautauqua, OH 60-0607*]

"Take a girl out of rock-and-roll, let her come into this fellowship, she'll clean herself up right quick. She let that hair grow out and put on a nice decent dress, take them old shorts and slacks off, and she's different. Said, "What happened to that woman?" [*Fellowship, Middletown, OH 60-0611b*]

"The Holy Spirit says it's wrong for our women to cut their hair, and it's wrong for our women to wear little shorts and slacks and to make up their lips and face with paint; the Holy Spirit says it's wrong. But we want men to tell us that it's all right." [*The Rejected King, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0515m*]

"I think any women ought to be clean; she ought to look her best; any man ought to too, look pretty and clean, but be decent. You know if you dress yourself just in that old clothes that people wear, them old shorts and... woman said to me some time ago, said, "Brother Branham, I don't wear them shorts," said, "I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse, worse." You know what God said? "It's an abomination in the sight of God for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man." And God is God and never changes; He's the infinite God. If it once made a sickening stink and smell before Him, it still makes a sickening, stinking smell to see a woman put on a garment pertains to a man." [*The Rejected King, Chautauqua, OH 60-0610*]

"It's a disgrace! Certainly is. And with little old clothes on, like, you know, the slacks, they call them. When, the Bible said, "A woman that puts on a garment pertains to a man, it's an abomination in the sight of God." Oh, the whole thing must be a stink before God. And how can your heart look upon that, and not be concerned? When, you see your own nation, your own people, human beings shaking in the torment, going into hell, and you can't do nothing

about it. Let me scream as long as I got a voice to scream. I don't care what anybody says. There's right and wrong. I want on the right side when I stand before God. I want to stand." [*Convinced Then Concerned, Tempe, AZ 62-0118*]

"You women that claim you've got the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and not the audacity to let your hair grow out; when the Bible condemns it and said a woman's... a man has got a right to put away his wife in divorce if she bobs her hair. Honored before God, to do so. The Bible said, if she cuts her hair, she dishonors her head. And it's a common; just, you know, what any old common thing is, for a woman to even pray with bobbed hair. See? Wearing shorts, and these slacks, and things! The Bible said, "Any woman that will," (oh, you say...) "that put on a garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination to God," filthy, dirty, like an old stinking bathroom somewhere. See? Oh, my! The filth in God's nostrils! And then you try to pray or offer up prayers in such a thing as that? God refuses it, turns it away. That's right." [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

"And the women were wearing slacks, and little children around them, were just with overalls on, and so forth, coveralls. And I wondered what it was, and finally we found out. They had had a--a Santa Claus parade. There had been many thousands had been watching it on the streets, and so forth. And we just had an awful time getting through Memphis, because it's coming Christmas time." [*The World Is Again Falling Apart, Shreveport, LA 63-1127*]

"A few weeks ago I went down in like... I don't know what the name of the place is down there, in New York now, they just got city blocks of beatniks. How, them girls down there with--with leotards on and--and nothing up over them, they wore a bikini (as they call it) over the top of that. And, oh, just the conglom... they do anything that's in their mind. No matter what it is, that's what... why they're beatnik. They can just do anything. If they want to lay down and don't get up, they just lay down and don't get up. If they want to go do a certain thing, they do it; if they don't, they don't. Just mind just traveling! And what does the unconverted mind come to? You have no right to do that, 'cause you're not your own; you're bought by Deity, Jesus Christ, the Son of God that was made flesh. But, see, the conglomeration of sin!" [*God's Gifts Always Find Their Places, Jeffersonville, IN 63-1222*]

"No more than see the young man out here, fine, big, fine-built fellow with his hair, what he curl it up like the women do, and leotards on, and a big long sweater hanging down, and purple shoes on. Masculine? Oh, my, what a horrible thing to call a man! What a thing to call a man! That's right. See some woman, supposed to be daintish and lovely, come out with a pair of man's trousers on, a cigarette in her mouth, and bobbed hair. What a thing to call a woman! Jesus called Mary, "woman." Shouldn't even be called that; just a female." [*Shalom, Phoenix, AZ 64-0119*]

"Reminds me of a woman, said, "Well, Brother Branham," another one said, "I-I-I don't wear those shorts." Said, "I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse." Uh! "God said, 'It's an abomination,' in His sight, 'for a woman to put on a garment

pertains to a man." That's exactly right. One said, "Well, they don't make any other clothes." "They still make sewing machines and have goods." There is no excuse. It's just what's in the heart. That's what shows out. It--it identifies itself." [*Spiritual Amnesia, Birmingham, AL 64-0411*]

"She was called a dog. That's the lowest can be gotten, or was to them in that day, an unclean animal. Course, today it's an idol; but there a woman will take a little old dog and give it a mother's care, and practice birth control, 'cause she wants to get out to dances and parties, and carry on like that, and she ain't got time for her child. She know you can root the dog off in a little cage somewhere, take it with her. That's exactly right, see. Practice birth control, and then go to church and sing in the choir; wear shorts, slacks, everything else, and call herself a Christian; bob off her hair and still say she is in fellowship with God, when the Bible said she is not. That's exactly right." [*Perseverant, Topeka, KS 64-0619*]

"I think that England would be sunk someday beneath the ocean. It deserves it; filth, dirt, puny! That's the immoral cesspool of the world, the most dis-scriptural, denying people I ever seen in my life. She is become that because she's rejected the Truth. Billy Graham said he had to take his wife out of the parks; sexual things going on between men and women, boys and girls, right out in the park, openly. She become a cesspool; so has France, so has all the rest of the world. And so has the United States, becoming the leader of all of them! Look at today. Make them cut their hair, wear shorts, slacks, smoke, and calling themselves believers. Don't you realize, sister, or woman... Mean, pardon, not my sister; do a thing like that. Don't you realize it's the devil?" [*Recognizing Your Day And Its Message, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0726m*]

"Brother Branham, is it all right for a--a young child to wear slacks and shorts?" How young? Just let you be the judge of that; if you're a Christian. A little girl or any little bitty kid, I imagine, I don't know, I... Only thing I know, the Bible says it's an abomination for a woman to wear a garment that's--that pertains to a man. See? "A woman," didn't say, "a child." But now, I just... You just suit yourself about that, I... For my part, I see nothing wrong with a little bitty kid, little bitty girl four or five years old with a... When they're little fellows, you know how I mean, they'll run around out there in the yard. If she's wearing, what you call slacks or whatever, is a little bitty kid, I--I don't see nothing wrong with it. Maybe...See, I'm just telling you what the Word says. It's an abomination for a woman to wear a garment that pertains to a man." [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823e*]

"I went into a place yesterday, when, oh, some of the perverted gang come in. They, the men had hair in their eyes, come down and hung down on their back, and like leotards, like little kids wear to school, with great big old shoes on, mouth half open. You can tell they were delinquents. And walked in there like that, say, "We're French." Who in the world would hire a man like that in his business? How do they make a living? And I seen a couple of real boys sitting over there... They come from that university down there, this beatniks did, or I believe they call themself bugs or beatles, or something like that, some of that

stuff coming from England. And then in there like that, who would hire a man like that to work for him? Would you put a man like that in your business, you businessmen? If you would, you're, there is something, you ain't got close enough to the Cross yet." [*Doors In Door, Flagstaff, AZ 65-0206*]

"You who once walked along with a great big cigar in your mouth, and everything, or a bunch of cigarettes; and you women who once had short hair, painted, and carried on, and wore shorts, and things like that; all at once, Something screamed, and you looked down here and It was the Word. See, It quickened your... You said, "No more shorts for me, no more liquor for me, no more lying, no more stealing, no more this, that." See? The Spirit that raised Him from the dead, dwelling in you, will also bring your mortal bodies, the dust of the earth, into subjection. You see? What is it? Subjection to what? Christ. Who is Christ? The Word. Not the theology, but the Word! Then you say, that, "These things, oh, I think it's all right for women to wear slacks." When, the Word said, "No." See, It quickens you to That. See? You are drawn to It. See, it's you, then. It becomes... You become part of the Word." [*It Is The Rising Of The Sun, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0418m*]

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Deuteronomy 22:5

Do women wearing slacks cause adultery?

"The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God." [*Deuteronomy 22:5*]

"Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, 'Thou shalt not commit adultery': "but I say unto you, 'That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.'" [*Matthew 5:27-28*]

"Some of you ladies now, to your young girls around in teenage, eighteen, twenty years old, letting them run out here dressed like she is... And you too, mama... See? When you go out and wear those slacks and things and live, and get on the street, and--and have those old clothes that's so naked nowadays, and make you look like something that you're not... See? And you go out there on the street all sexually looking, you might be just as innocent and pure before your husband and everything, but if you go out on the street and a man looks upon you because you presented yourself like that, you're guilty, and going to answer at the day of judgment for committing adultery with every man that looked at you like that. That's what the Bible said. The Bible said, "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her, has committed adultery with her in his heart already," and you're guilty and will..." [*Questions And Answers On Hebrews, Jeffersonville, IN 57-1006*]

"Pentecostal Christian women out on the street with slacks on, do you know, lady, that the Bible said, "That a woman that'll put on any garment that pertains

to a man, it's an abomination"? And little old clothes on and shorts... And you get out in the yard just when the men are coming home from work. Do you realize that's devil possession? Listen, lady, you wear these little old dirty clothes that they sell in these stores, sexy looking. You might be as pure as a lily to your husband. But if you dress like that, and get on the street, and a sinner looks at you, you are guilty of committing adultery with that sinner. And at the judgment bar you'll answer for it. Jesus Christ the blessed Son of the living God said, "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her, hath committed adultery with her in his heart. "When that sinner answers for committing adultery, you are the one he committed it with. Why, you say, "That's his fault." It's your fault for presenting yourself like that. Oh, you say, "But, Brother Branham, they don't sell no other kind of clothes but them." Well, they still sell sewing machines and goods. I know that's old fashion, but it's what the world needs today. God hates sin, but He loves the sinner. People just can't take it. That's all." [*Thy Loving Kindness, Chattanooga, TN 58-0228*]

"You Pentecostal women wouldn't let your girls put on them little old vulgar-looking clothes and get out on the street. Then talk about juvenile delinquency. Not only do they do it, but mammy, you do too. "Oh," you say, "I don't wear them shorts," I believe that call it, "and halter-necks. I--I--I don't wear them. I wear slacks." The Bible said that a woman that'll put on a garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination in the sight of God. That's what the Bible says. And today, you take women come down the street with these little old skirts on, that's so tight, and so sexy dressed, and call themselves Christians. Don't act up like the--the King of Heaven's daughter, not conducting yourself. And look, let me tell you something, sister; and I'm only saying this for your good. When the judgment comes, you're going to answer for committing adultery." [*Life, Everett, MA 58-0512*]

"I said to a lady the other day. She said, "I tell you I don't wear them little shorts." Said, "I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse." Right. Yes, it is. The Bible said it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man. That's filthiness. Yes. Some woman said they don't make any more clothes... They still make sewing machines and you can buy goods. There's no excuse. What you need is the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The style they start is mockery. Amen. You think I'm beside myself, but I'm not. I know right where I am. That's right. Dress like that and get on the street. You may be as virtuous to your husband as you can be, You might be as virtuous a daughter to your sweetheart as you could be, but at the day of the judgment you'll answer for adultery. You'll be guilty of committing adultery. Jesus said, "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her in his heart already." You presented yourself that was and the sinner looked at you. When he answers for adultery, who's guilty? You, for presenting yourself like that. Amen." [*Conferences, Bloomington, IL 61-0410*]

"You Canadian women don't do this, but I'm going to say this for what is in America. The American women get so every year they take off a few more clothes. Just to get down to... The first short dresses, now to little bitty things

that looks like men's clothes, and things to wear. It's a disgrace. It's a shame. It's a... It's--it's... A woman said to me, she said, "Brother Branham, I don't wear shorts." She said, "I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse. The Bible said it's an abomination for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man." That's right. And I said, "You should never do that." Said, "Well, they don't... When you go to the store you can't buy nothing else than them sexy-like clothes." I said, "Someday you'll answer at the judgment bar for committing adultery. You might be as pure as a lily to your husband. You might be as pure as a lily to your boyfriend. But the Bible said, Jesus said, 'Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her in his heart.' And I said, 'If you put yourself out there and dress like that, and the sinner looks at you and lusts after you, who's guilty, you or the sinner? And he's going to answer for that, and who did he commit the adultery with? You. Who's guilty? You, for presenting yourself like that.' And I said, 'You'll be guilty of committing adultery when that sinner has to answer for committing adultery. 'Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her.' Who's guilty? You. That's right. This lady said, wrote me a letter, she said, 'Mr. Branham, they don't make clothes like you're talking about. This is the only kind.' I said, 'But they still have goods, and they sell sewing machines; so there's no excuse about it.' See? That's right." [A Greater Than Solomon Is Here, Grande Prairie, AB 61-0515]

"A woman said to me some time ago, she said... I was telling them about wearing them immoral clothes. I said, "God will make you answer for committing adultery." She said, "I'm... do not commit adultery." I said, "But Jesus said, 'Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her, has committed adultery with her in his heart.' Then when that sinner answers for adultery, who did he commit it with? Because you presented yourself that way." That's right. You'll answer at the day of the judgment. It's exactly. And she said, "Well, I'll just tell you right now." She said, "I don't wear shorts. I--I--I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse. The Bible said it's an abomination in the sight of God for a woman to put on a garment that pertains to a man." God doesn't change. That's exactly right." [From That Time, Dawson Creek, BC 61-0520]

"The Bible said, "It's a dishonorable thing for a woman to cut her hair." She does it, she dishonors her head. She dishonors the angel, the angel of Light. The Seven Church angels, the one bringing the Light will stay with the Word. Dishonorable! She ought to have hair on her head. My, such! And it used to be wrong for them to do it. In--in first Pentecost, it was wrong. What happened? You did run well, what happened? And some of our Pentecostal women dress in them dresses that look like a skin over a wiener, out here somewhere trying... That's right! I'm not saying that for no joke. This is no place for joking. This is the pulpit. Some woman said to me one night. I told them how they was dressing. Said, she said, "I don't wear shorts. I--I--I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse than ever. God said, 'A woman that will put on a garment pertains to a man, is an abomination in the sight of God.'" Right! And let me tell you something, lady, you, young woman, that dresses yourself out there, you're

going to answer at the day of judgment for committing adultery.” [*Jehovah-Jireh 1, Grass Valley, CA 62-0705*]

“Let me tell you something, sister. You might be as pure as a lily, to your husband or your boyfriend, but in the Day of the Judgment you’re going to answer for committing adultery. Jesus said, “Whosoever looketh upon a woman, to lust after her, hath committed adultery with her already.” If that sinner looked upon you, and she has to answer at the Day of Judgment. You presented yourself to him. Suit yourself. Uh-huh. Why would a Godly woman want to dress like that for? Then you claim to have the Holy Ghost because you spoke in tongues and run up-and-down the floor? That, though, I seen heathens do that, Hottentots. The Holy Ghost is purity, holy, undefiled. Certainly.” [*The Voice Of The Sign, Denham Springs, LA 64-0321e*]

“Can't you feel the Holy Spirit screaming out from you? “Oh, United States and the world, how oft I would have gathered you, but you would not. Now your hour has come. Your God of pleasure, your God of filth, your Sodom and Gomorrah God, has come among you.” Even our little kids, Beatle haircuts and bangs across their faces, and little perverts starting out. Our women is gone. It's beyond redemption. Our men has become big sissies, walking around with little, short pants on, and acting like a girl, and hair hanging down their necks. And we are Sodomites, and the fire and the wrath of God waits for us. You know how He'll kill, how He'll destroy it? The way He always did. When a prostitute did anything wrong, she was stoned to death; they picked up stones to kill the woman that was a prostitute. That's how He'll kill the church. The Bible said He'll rain hailstones out of the heavens, that'll weigh a hundred pounds apiece, and He'll stone them. Who is going to stop Him? What science is going to say it can't be done? He'll do it. The same as He made a ark and floated Noah to safety, He'll do it again for His Church. And by His Own laws and His Own way, He'll stone that prostitute who has committed adultery with the kings and captains of hundreds and thousands. He'll stone her to death, by His Own laws that He set in order. Who is going to tell Him He can't make a hailstone?” [*Trying To Do God A Service Without Being The Will of God, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0718m*]

“But if she's got bobbed hair, wearing makeup, shorts, pants, looks like man's, all these slacks and ever what they call them; saying those kind of things, and doing those things, and living for the world, she'll stop; she can't get through There. No, sir. It'll stop her at the beginning. A man looking at her pretty red lips and painted face, and shorts and--and bikinis, and ever what she's got; a real thinking man won't look at her. Now, a man that's a church member will look at her, admire her. But I don't care how she looks to the eye, a thinking man will turn his head. Why? He's been through God's Filter, and he knows to look upon her is adultery in his heart. He don't think she's pretty. Say, “Isn't she a pretty thing!” Not to him it isn't. She's a filthy-looking, miserable Jezebel wretch, to a thinking man. A son of God looks upon her with shame that he even belongs to the family she belongs to. That's right. “How could that be my sister and act like that?” See, she pulled through one filter, and he come

through another. He won't think she's pretty, not at all. That's not beauty to a real man of God." [A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822e]

"Live for Him, keeping ourselves from the world. Now look. You look on television, some of you sisters, and you go down here and you want, you young women. You're young. I know that. But you're Christians. See? You're different. You don't want to be like the world. You love the world. It's not only you young ones; some of you older ones. See? Well, what does that? See? You watch television, you go down to the store, you see these little old clothes that women wear, that's unGodly. Do you know what's going to happen at the Day of Judgment? You might be just as virtuous to your husband as you can be, but in the Day of Judgment you're going to have to answer for committing adultery. Jesus said, "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her already in his heart." Who is to blame? You. See? You presented yourself, them shorts and slacks. Some women said to me, not long ago, said, "I don't wear shorts, Brother Branham. I thank the Lord for that. I wear slacks." I said, "That's worse." That's worse. That's right." [Things That Are To Be, Rialto, CA 65-1205]

Bible References:

Deuteronomy 22:5; Matthew 5:27-28

What jewelry are women allowed to wear as Believers?

"Brother Branham: Questions: Should a Christian woman wear simple jewelry, as necklaces or pearls? Well, sister, I know this means a lot to you, and it means a lot for me for you to place your confidence I'd tell you the truth. Now remember, the Bible said, "When you adorn, do not adorn with--with costly jewels, and pearls, and all kinds of wearing of jewelry, but let that be the adorning of a peace, and quiet, and meek spirit (which I just quoted), which is a great price before the Lord." Now, I don't mean by that, sister, that if you had a pin... Now, this is me, not the Lord. If you had a pin that you wanted to wear, or a little necklace your husband give you, or maybe your- something like that that you wore, now, to me, I don't think that's bad. Now, that's just me. Now remember, I make myself clear; that's my opinion. But I think it's the approach to it; it's the way you do it. See? It's the motive behind it. And when you see it's getting a hold of you, then leave the thing alone. But I think if you wore your wedding ring..." [Questions and Answers 2, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823E]

"Now, I know you Nazarene people, it used to be that you wouldn't even baptize a woman with a wedding ring on. See? I--I don't believe that as necessary. In the Bible they wore wedding rings, only it was a tablet they called it, around their head, nine pieces of coin in it, but I--to show they were married. Now, I think that's all right. If women want to dress and--and make themselves look decent, and clean, ladylike, why, I think there's not a thing to that, to me. But when you get to going to put that thing into making it a little pride, then you're wrong. It's your attitude. Do you women remember here not long ago

they had what they called "scandal skirts"? I think they're coming out again, or they got worse. Be... Yeah, they're, "scandalous" now, instead of, "scandal." But they used to have a play back not long ago... They had the girls, young women... And 'course, the old ones would do it too, 'cause they're all want to be young. I don't mean you sisters, I mean the women of the world. And they'd cut their--their skirt up high, about a foot high every time, then wear some kind of a underneath garment look pretty. And when they would make a step, it would show this underneath garment with the lace, and frills, or whatever it was on it. Which, you know..." [*Questions and Answers 2, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823E*]

"Now, look, a man, there's not much to him when it comes to a body. And he, if he went half naked, it would--there wouldn't be no scandal to it. Not holding for men, but they... You know that--what kind of a woman would be tempted by a man with his shirt off and shorts on or whatever he had? The big old burly-looking thing, it looks sloppy and sickly, I--horrible. See these men out here... Well, I think it'd make a woman vomit to look at such a thing. If she had... But now, you take a woman and put her like that, that's a different temple. You understand? All right. But I think as far as a necklace, or... Now, if you go to loading yourself up like you went through the ten cent store down here with a magnet on you, I--I think that... Excuse that, I didn't mean to say that like that, but that--that's wrong." [*Questions and Answers 2, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823E*]

Bible References:

1 Timothy 2:9; Isaiah 16:23

Christian Living

A godly man is interested in pleasing his Savior. Therefore, he will seek answers to the things which he does not fully understand in hopes of pleasing His Master.

This Question and Answers book is an attempt to assist the believer in his knowledge and personal walk with the Lord Jesus Christ. God uses many different ways to deliver His Word along with His perfect will to the believer.

Your question may be found within the pages of this book, but maybe the spirit within you may not find complete satisfaction with the answer supplied. In that case it is my belief that the believer should get access to the tapes and books of God's prophet, Brother Branham, and prayerfully study them.

Pray that God will lead you to the right Message that holds your personal answer. He has never let the believer down at any time, and He will not let you down either. Also, consult your pastor; he is ordained of God to see you through. God bless you richly.

-- Michael Braund

Christian Living

How did Abraham and Sarah live in simplicity by faith?

“And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day.” *[Genesis 18:1-19]*

“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.” *[Romans 8:28]*

“We see in the first part of this chapter, Abraham was setting in the door of his tent on a real hot day. It must have been a very hot day. Perhaps, lot of complaints had been coming in lately by the herdsman, that the grass was all gone, the land was drying up, and that the cattle was becoming very thin, and also, that the water supply was just about all gone. They'd found the water holes in the land, and as the water got low, they would dig out and dig out till they got down to where the water was seeping through the rocks, and still the cattle did not have enough water to supply them. You know, sometimes when things are going wrong, dark... We know by nature that it's darkest just before day. And many times when we see disastrous things happening like that, especially to believers, we must bear this in our mind, that it's Satan trying to block the blessing that's on its road. That was very much so in this case. Satan was trying to tempt them to feel that they had done wrong, and was trying to block the on coming visitation that God was going to give to Abraham and Sarah. And we're taught in the Scriptures, that all things work together for good to them that love God. And no matter how bad it seems, remember, it has to be working for your good. I'm so glad of that. Satan's been after me all day. So I just believe that there's a blessing in store here in this city, somewhere. And I know, when he tempts and tries to block out, what's he trying to do? Get you to disbelieve. And if you--the worst thing that you can do is disbelieve God. And as soon as you get a little scared, "Well, maybe I haven't done this and I haven't done that," right then, Satan's got that blessing conquered for you. You can't get to it as long as Satan makes you think that.” *[Is There Anything Too Hard For The Lord? Tulsa, OK 60-0328, par. 4-5]*

“Satan was trying to block Abraham and Sarah, because he knew that there was an Angelic visitation coming. And then when everything rises, all out of order, then we know something's wrong. Now, I believe, maybe, if we would listen to Satan, we might miss seeing it like Sarah did. Let's think that Sarah, being that she'd done what she did, let's think that she was kind of a little fussy that morning, that she might have said, "Abraham, you know the supplies are getting low here, and the herdsman says the--the pasture is all dried up and the water holes. I think you made the wrong decision when you chose to come up here and let Lot and Mrs. Lot, and their family live down there with plenty. Why the other day, or sometime ago, rather, when I went to the city, why, Miss Lot had on one of the prettiest dresses I ever seen. It was styled by the Egyptians. Why, a camel caravan come through, and she got the new styles. There is no such things as them caravans and styles coming through out here. But if she just knowed, there was more than a caravan coming through. There

was a host of the Lord coming that way. And I might have heard her say something like this. "You ought to have seen the new hairdo that she had." You know, a woman, sixty years old, trying to look twenty...But that just things that attracts your attention--something--from the things of God, that's what I'm trying to get at. "And you should have seen her."

And poor old Abraham, faithful old brother, I--that didn't shake him one bit. He just walks over and gets his chair and sets down in the door of the tent. I like that. Did you notice, when the Angels come to Lot, Lot was setting in the gate, but Abraham was setting in the door. The gate comes into the yard, but the door goes into the house. I like to set in the door, on the altar, close as I can get to Him. That's where my expectations is, on the altar, waiting for His appearing." *[Is There Anything Too Hard For The Lord? Tulsa, OK 60-0328, par. 15-16]*

"Abraham gets his chair and sets down and see the faithful old servant of God bows his head. And maybe Sarah, a little fussy and going on, but he just let it go and begin to think back, "How many great blessings God has given me..." You know, sons of God are led by the Spirit of God. You believe that? Then while he was setting there, thinking of the time that God appeared to him in the Name of the Almighty, the El Shaddai, the Bosom, the breast of the woman, the strength Giver. Now, if you notice the word is a compound word, which means Shaddai, not a breast, but breasted (two). He was wounded for our transgressions, with His stripes we were healed. Oh, I'm so glad of that. Either--either promise of God's breast, He's the strong One, the strength Giver. If you're Abraham, old man, ninety-nine years old, said, "Abraham, I am the breasted God. Just lay a hold of My promise and nurse your strength from Me." That's what it is to every believer, that'll take God's Word, and don't doubt It, but just hold onto It, and nurse your strength. It's like the baby, laying on the mother's bosom. All the time it's nursing, it's satisfied. When a real Christian can get a hold of a promise of God, and believe it's for them, he's satisfied while he's a nursing the strength, coming... He won't complain a bit; he's just satisfied. Oh, I love that satisfaction of knowing that God said so. While the aged old saint was setting there with his head down, praying no doubt, it was then when he lifted up his head and he saw three Men coming towards the tent. Oh, he jumped quickly. It must have been the Spirit, said, "Go to them." You know, there's something about Spirit-filled people that recognizes the Presence of God. I don't know why it is, but it must be that they--they got something in them that magnetize them to that Spirit of God. And he recognized that there was something. Even Lot, in his backslidden condition, when those two evangelical Angels, messengers, evangelists, or whatever you wish to call them, come down there, Lot, setting in the gate, a little spark was still left in his heart. He recognized that it was Angels. It was messengers from God. While Abraham went to meet Them, he turned Them aside and said, "Come in and set down. Set under the oak a little while and let me fetch a little water and wash Your feet, and I'll give You a morsel of bread. And just rest a little bit, then You may go on Your way." Oh, when he set Him down there, though they

didn't look any different from any other men, because They were dressed, dust on their clothes and come from some other country, probably their feet dusty and their clothes ragged, but Abraham knew inside there, there was something real. The Spirit declared it. Why? He kept himself in a spiritual atmosphere all the time, that he could recognize right from wrong, all the time. That's the way the Christian ought to do today, is keep yourself prayed up, under a spiritual atmosphere. Always--never seeing the--the bad side, looking to the good side. You are children of God, expecting His blessings." *[Is There Anything Too Hard For The Lord? Tulsa, OK 60-0328, par. 17-19]*

Bible References:

Genesis 18:1-19; Romans 8:28

How does God regard the poor and uneducated?

"It came into the room and walked to me that time, a Man, somewhat six foot tall, but of an olive-looking complexion, dark hair to His shoulders, weighing about two hundred pounds in human weight, and told me that I was brought to this world to pray for sick people. If I'd get them to believe and be sincere when I prayed, that nothing would stand before the prayer. I questioned the Man, being poor, for one thing, and I uneducated. And I said, "People would not believe me." I said, "I couldn't make people believe me." And He told me I'd pray for kings and monarchs, and so forth. I could hardly believe that. A boy with a grammar school education, and to pray for, and for kings and monarchs, I couldn't hardly believe it. Yet I knew that It'd never told me nothing wrong. But He was standing near. I'd heard the voice, and seen signs." *[My Commission, Los Angeles, CA 51-0505]*

"Because some human being, poor and uneducated, and so forth, is declaring it, don't look at the man. Look at the God. If a man would run in here tonight with a telegram or a money order for you for a hundred million dollars, you wouldn't care whether he was dressed ragged, whether he was colored, yellow, who he was. It's the message that he brings." *[The Angel Of God, Toledo OH, 51-0720]*

"You can't bless what God has cursed, neither can the devil curse what God has blessed. It's an individual affair, no matter how poor, or how stupid, how unlearned, how uneducated; what God's blessed is blessed. What God has cursed is cursed. Know to differentiate what is right and what is wrong." *[Enticing Spirits, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0724]*

"We find out that now when God sends down a great healing campaign, or great miracles and signs, and the signs that were in the Bible returned back to the Church, what does the great intellectual group say? "The days of miracles are past. There is no such a thing as Divine healing. There is no baptism of the Holy Spirit. I will give my congregation to know this, that just the poor, just the outcast, just the--the illiterate type of people attend those meetings. Go around to them and find out." And true the man is. The man is true when he says that. It's usually the poor, the--not the intellectual type. It's the uneducated type. "It's

the common people who heard Him gladly," said the Bible." [What Does It Take To Make A Christian Life, Chicago IL, 57-0113]

"Did you know Dwight Moody was--was so uneducated till, honest, his writings were poor as I don't know what. They had to fix up his messages, all the time. He--he was such a poor writer, very uneducated.

Did you know that Peter and John, of the Bible, were so unlearned till they couldn't even write their own name, and wouldn't know it laying before them? The Apostle Peter, who had the keys to the Kingdom, wouldn't know his name signed before him. Think of it. The Bible said, that, "He was ignorant and unlearned." So, that gives me a chance. Amen. Yes, sir. That goes right on down, to find that God could do that to a man." [Hebrews, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0828]

"We found out last night, that Abraham was just an ordinary man. He was a man that God looked at and seen his heart. Now, that's the way God looks upon man; He looks upon the heart of man. Man looks at the outward appearance; God looks on the heart. So no matter how poor you are, how unqualified you seem to be, how uneducated you are, how literate you are, that has nothing to do with it. God looks at your heart. Always remember that. It's in the heart God deals with." [El Shaddai, Los Angeles CA 59-0416]

"As a man, with all the pomp of the world offered Him, everything laying right in His hands, to become the greatest of all men, the richest of all men; Who could tell people where fish had coins in their mouth, could pump the best water out of the wells and turn it into wine, that could change anything that He wished to change, that could take five biscuits and feed five thousand, with a power in His hands to become a great man, but still chose to be poor: didn't even have a grave when He died He had to borrow one. "Immanuel, this will be a sign." How does God come? In the poor. How does God deal? It'll be an everlasting sign with the poor, the uneducated." [A Super Sign, Jeffersonville, IN 59-1227m]

"He revealed Himself to poor fishermen. He was revealed, that Package, what was on the inside of it was revealed to the poor fishermen, to the unlearned, uneducated. He revealed Himself to men who couldn't write their own name. They couldn't be a deacon, or--or something another in the church. They couldn't be that. They were so unlearned, oh, my, they were terrible, so He revealed Himself to them. To the unwanted, those who were cast-outs, He revealed Himself to them. To the unloved, He was lovable to those who were unloved. To the sick, they needed healing, they was willing to look into the Package to see what about It, He revealed Himself to them. And to the hungry, He fed with loaves and fishes. Oh, we could stay... I've got a lot of stuff wrote down on that, but we have to skip that. See? Revealed Himself to all those people, the unlovable, when no one wanted them, called them fanatics, He revealed Himself to them. "I'm so glad that I can say I'm one of them."

Unlovable, unwanted, sick and needy, hungry; He revealed Himself. Yes.” *[God's Wrapped Gift, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1225]*

Bible References:

Mark 12:37; Acts 4:13

Is a right motive needed to find God's will?

“After this manner therefore pray ye: Our father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.” *[Matthew 6-9-10]*

“Always remember, church, God's Words are true. I believe the right mental attitude towards any Divine promise of God will bring it to pass, if you can look at it in the right way. But, remember, here's been my--my standard in life. I have tried to do this. The first thing I want to find out, whether it's the will of God, or not. That, then, I know it's God's will. The next thing is my objective to it, and my motive in doing it. Then if it's the will of God, and my objective is right, and my motive is right, I have faith that it'll be done. Because, first, it's the will of God, and I have...and my objective is to glorify Him, and my motive is to give Him all the glory. See? So there's no selfish motives about it. If you have a selfish motive, it won't work. If your objective is to make money for yourself or something, why, you'll never succeed. And then try to do something outside of the Will of the Lord, then it won't work, to begin with. So there is genuine faith, but you must come into the real channel of God to have that genuine faith. There's human faith, then there's faith of God. And you must have a Godly faith, to believe. Now, then, to have Godly faith, you must have the mind of Christ in you. Then that's how God projects to you visions, revelations. And all these things comes by the mind of Christ being in you. You get it? "Let the mind that was in Christ be in you.” *[The Queen Of Sheba, Long Beach, CA 61-0219]*

“But, "expectancy," that's a great thing, to expect something. You usually get what you expect. Some people come to the meeting and say, "Well, I didn't, didn't expect to get anything out of it." Well, they won't. But those who expect to get something, GOD WILL give them their expectations if their doing it reverently and in the fear of God. Now, always to find out something, first, is to find whether it's the WILL OF GOD, or not. And then if it's the will of God, then your object, objective to it, and then your motive in doing it. If it's the will of God, and your objective is right, and your motive is right, it's got to happen. There's just no way to keep it from happening. So, first, find the Will, if it's and then, what--what's your objective in doing it? What's...If it's selfish, you'll--you'll never, you'll--you'll never get it done. That's all. It's got to be real clean and clear before God, or it just won't happen. That's all. It's, you got to always keep that on your mind, that it's got to be clean and clear. Your cups must be clean and clear before God, or God cannot work with you.” *[Expectations, Richmond, VA 61-0308]*

"Now, "persistent," trying to achieve something. All men through all ages has been that way. Now, we take, for instance, Noah. Noah was very persistent after he had found the will of God. You've got to first find the will of God. Now, you've got to find the will of God this morning, as you're coming to be prayed for, you've got to find the will of God, whether it's God's will to heal you or not. And the next thing you have to do, if you're coming to get salvation, you've got to find out whether it's God's will to save you or not. The first thing you have to find out, what God's will is. And then, if you really have received the seed in your heart, then you can be persistent. There's nothing going to move you. No matter what wisdom man tries to say, "It's not so, and it's not this and that and the other," it doesn't move you one iota, because you know what the will of God is. He spoke it into your heart. Your faith sets there, and it'll hold right on, no matter if there's no more than like a grain of mustard seed. It'll bring you right out to the--to the place, the will of God. Yes." [*Perseverance, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0218*]

"We thank Thee, because I know that You'll hear prayer. And we come to Thee most humbly and most sincerely, knowing that it would be wrong to ask You things that we're just imagining in our mind. We want to be earnest and dead sure, that what we're asking. We must believe it, and--and--and know that it is God's will to give it to us, 'cause we have solved it out in our hearts, with all we know, Lord." [*Victory Day, Sierra Vista, AZ 63-0421*]

"God permitted Israel to take a law, in Exodus the 19th chapter. When grace had already give them a prophet, Pillar of Fire, a sacrifice lamb, a delivering power, but they cried out for a Law. It wasn't God's will, but it was injected because man wanted it. And he was cursed by the very law that he wanted. It's best to have God's will. That's what He taught us. "Thy will be done. Thy Kingdom come. Thine will be done." We must submit ourselves to His Will and His Word. Don't question It. Believe It. Don't try to find a way around It. Just take It the way It is. So many wants to go around, get some other way. And when you do, you find yourself going on, you find God blessing you, but you're working in His permissive will and not in His perfect, Divine will. He permits it, as I said, but He will not--He will not let it be his perfect will; but He'll make it work to honor and bless his perfect will. And childbearing, by sex, is one of that." [*Does God Ever Change His Mind About His Word? Jeffersonville, IN 65-0418e*]

"As I was speaking on the private interviews today and met a couple, a man and his son. I said, "You can never, never go forward, until you're perfectly satisfied, and know without a shadow of doubt you're walking in God's will." Then when you know that you're in God's will, and walking in His way, nothing can stop you, because you know where you're standing. You know the way you're going. You know what's--what's you got in your mind. You know what the will of God is, and then you can do it." [*Balm In Gilead, Chicago, IL 59-0614*]

"It used to be that Pentecostal women didn't do that, but I don't know what happened. It used to be wrong for Pentecostal women to bob their hair. That's

right. The Bible says any woman that bobs her hair, her husband has a right to put her away, of divorce, because she is a dishonorable woman. The Bible said that. Oh, He sure did, certainly did. Oh, now what? There you are. What we need is Gospel from the pulpit, "straighten up," all the way from the pulpit to the janitor. That's right. We need the old fashion Saint Paul's revival and the Bible Holy Ghost. God doesn't change at all. He's... That was His decision; He wanted men to look different from women, women from men, dress different. And that's the way He made them. When we do anything contrary to that, we're going against God's will, and God's laws, and God things, and there is nothing to do but pay for it. And we're going to do it too." *[But It Wasn't So From The Beginning, Bloomington, IL 61-041]*

Bible References:

Matthew 6-9-10; Romans 9:16; 12:2; Philippians 2:5

Communion

Communion, also called "the Lord's supper" is among the three physical divine ordinances handed down to the church by the Lord Jesus Christ. He admonished the church to do it often in remembrance of him. However, down the ages there have been divergent views and misinterpretations of this divine ordinance.

Questions about the significance of communion, who is qualified to partake the communion bread, and whether it is necessary to take communion bread and wine have been raised in the sect of the message of the hour and in many Christian denominations. There is often a disagreement between ministers and churches as to the composition of the communion bread and the recipe for its preparation.

Brother William Branham said that "if it is a Bible question, then it should have a Bible answer". And Jesus, during His ministry also said that "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness (Truth): for they shall be filled." [Matthew 5:6]

This book, inspired by God to be compiled by the Living Word Broadcast will help clarify the doubts and guide those individuals, ministers or churches seeking the truth.

- Bernard Baatuuwie

Communion

How should Communion bread be prepared?

“And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.” [Matthew 26:26-29]

“For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the *same* night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also *he took* the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it*, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink *this* cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of *that* bread, and drink of *that* cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. [I Corinthians 11:23-33]

“When Melchisedec, the King of Salem, the Priest of the Most High, the King of peace, which was none other than the forepart of the Lord Jesus Christ, and when He met Abraham, He fed Abraham the Communion and blessed him. And here He... Abraham meets Him on His journey to Sodom and feeds Him meat and bread. Oh, don't you see the connection between the man... He promised... Our bread and water is sure and God will do it just as certain as we're setting here. And every Divine promise He has made, He's obligated to do it.” [Melchisedec The Great Prince And King, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0109M]

“After the battle was over, after the victory was won, after the clearance had been made, Melchisedec met Abraham on the plains, and brought bread and wine and served it to him. And Who... No other was that than the One that met Abraham about a year later, set under the tree and talked to him. And this same Melchisedec said, "I will take no more of the fruit of the vine until I drink it new with you in My Father's Kingdom." After the battle is over, when the victory is won, then we'll take it anew in His Kingdom. When the last battle is fought, when the last sword has killed the last evil of the world, and the great Church of the living God triumphs, Christ will meet them in the air with the bread and the wine again, the Communion, and for eternity in the Presence of the Father.” [The Communion, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0418]

"Look at the Lord's Supper. Why, they even has a place they take old loaf bread. And the bread is supposed to be made with unleavened bread. And they pass it out to sinners, cigarette smokers, prostitutes, harlots, as long as they got their name on the book. And you Baptists even call it "closed" Communion. Now, you Baptists crow a little, God will take your horn off. That's exactly right, you won't be able to toot it. "Closed" Communion, you separate yourself, seem to be holier than thou art. Remember, this is a Baptist tabernacle. That's what you get, you organize yours. "Oh," you say, "we're not an organization." Yes, you are. Certainly, you are. You say, "We're a fellowship." Yeah, to anybody that comes in the door and teach just the way you believe it, it's all right. But, one, you--you won't throw him out, but you'll excommunicate him from your brotherhood. That's exactly right. Oh, you got a way of doing it. So has God got a way of doing it. But God's Church will move on. The Pillar of Fire won't stand for that." [*Hebrews Chapter Four, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0901E*]

"That's the difference between Catholic and Protestant doctrine. See? The Catholic church says, "The body is... The bread is the literal body. The church has the power to transform this." Did you ever see a Catholic passing a church, bow his head, make crosses? Is because that little light's burning in the church there under that little tabernacle; it's got a light in there; and that kosher bread lays in there. "And that's the body of Christ. And when you take that, you're absolutely taking the literal body of Christ on your first Communion and your confessions and so forth: you're taking, literally, the body of Christ." [*Questions And Answers On Hebrews, Jeffersonville, IN 57-1006*]

"Flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father which is in heaven has revealed this to you." A spiritual revelation of the Lord Jesus, "Upon this rock I'll build My church." Not because some man told you. "Flesh and blood has not revealed it to you." Not because you learned it in a Communion, not because you learnt it eating kosher bread, not because you learned it in a bunch of creeds, but because the Holy Ghost has revealed it to you. "Upon this rock I'll build My church, and all the gates of hell can't prevail against it." Showed they would be against it, but they'll never prevail." [*United Under One Head, Middletown, OH 58-0326*]

"I do not believe that kosher bread should be substituted for a cracker. I believe that it should be a holy unleavened bread, the type of the unleavened bread that was made in Egypt. And I believe that the Blood should not be grape juice, but it should be wine. Grape juice sours and spoils as it gets old. But wine gets better and stronger as it gets old; it never loses its strength. And the Blood of Christ doesn't sour and spoil; as it gets older, it gets stronger and better as the days goes by to the believer. And it is a literal wine and bread. communion bread should be made by people who's dedicated themselves and consecrated themselves to God. I went to a church once where they taken this old loaf bread, where sinners cursing and carrying on, and filth, and cut up that old bread and stuck it out there with some kind of a juice to drink. To me that was--that was ridiculous. I believe it should be just exactly the way the Scripture said

it should be and not vary one speck from the Scriptures, stay right with It.” *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 59-0628E]*

“Why, they go to the Lord's Supper, and the first thing in the material line, take an old piece of light bread, or a soda cracker, and break it up and make the Communion, when that's supposed to be made with holy ghost hands and unleavened bread. Christ is not dirty and filthy, and that represents Him. Another thing, they give it to people that drink, lie, steal, smoke, chew, just anything, as long as they belong to the church. Far be it. If a man ever takes it when we're eating this here, he's breathing and drinking damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's Body. If he don't live the life, keep away from it. And if you don't take it, it shows that your own conscience is guilty. "He that eateth not, has no part with Me," Jesus said.” *[What Is The Holy Ghost? Jeffersonville, IN 59-1216]*

“After Abraham (the true, righteous one of God), when he'd had the revival, after the battle was over, Melchisedec met him; and Abraham gave Him a tenth of the spoils. And what did Melchisedec serve him? Wine and bread, the Communion, after the battle was over. Jesus said, "I'll not eat it any more with you, until I eat this anew with you in My Father's Kingdom." When the battle's over, servant of God, someday Melchisedec, the great King of peace, the great King of heaven, without father, without mother, without beginning of Life or ending of Life--without beginning of days or ending of Life, He will meet us after the battle's over, and serve us Communion.” *[Jehovah-Jireh, Long Beach, CA 61-0209]*

Bible References:

Matthew 26:26-29; I Corinthians 11:23-33; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:15-20

Is Communion Bread allowed to be eaten by everyone?

“And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.” *[Matthew 26:26-29]*

“In other words, in vision, they don't even believe in such a thing. And in judgment they say, "Oh, as long as you join the church, it's all right." And what have we got? A bunch of drunks. Watch what the prophet said; there's God's witness. “For all tables are full of filthiness, of vomit and filthiness, so that there is no clean place.” No place is clean; the tables. Why, they go in, drunkards and harlots, and--and take a piece of light bread and cut it up, and make communion, where the clean and the unclean eat together: vomits, the tables are full of vomit.” *[The Testimony Of A True Witness, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1105]*

"If Baal is a round God... Now, catch this word by word, and you'll get the rest, the ending of this message. God was a round God, a sun God. They had great big brass plates that would reflect the sun and look like fire. And then the bread that Jeremiah said here that they... The women would bake these cakes unto Baal, that it was made round like the sun. Well, then it was laid upon the altar, the pagan altar for the communion, and made round like the sun or like the moon, because it was the sun God or the moon God." *[Christianity Versus Idolatry, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1217]*

"I was here last Sunday night and spoke on the subject of Communion to the... before the communion service. Communion is not taking bread, "commune" means "talk to, commune back, talk with someone." *[Oneness, Branham Tabernacle, Jefferson, IN 62-0211]*

"First communion, confirmed to the church." Nonsense! But that's what they did; that's what the cankerworm did. It took away the Spirit and give them a piece of bread, some bread that some priest made, or some nun, or something. That's what they did; that's exactly right. Go ask now; go looking back in history and see if it isn't right. And you let that thing be shoved down your throat? Not only them Catholics, but you Protestants, a many of you, same thing. All right, there's what's they did. All right." *[The Restoration Of The Bride Tree, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0422]*

"Hear all the young men shouting and praising the Lord. Here comes Abraham, and Who come out to meet him? Melchisedec, King of Salem. And look what they did. After the battle was over, they could set down and take the bread and wine. The King brought out bread and wine. Why did He do it? After the battle was over, after the victory was won, then they could set down and take the communion together, talk with each other and eat the communion together. Oh, that's what God wants His children to do tonight." *[Possessing All Things, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0506]*

"I'm convinced that Chicago has been shook, not the cannon fodder out here, these buildings, and up and down the street these women dressed immorally, and these men carrying on, drunks and carry... I going to church, and taking old light bread, loaf bread, making kosher out of it; I don't believe in that stuff. Belching whiskey and stuff on their breath, and then go out and take communion and their name on some church book, and call themselves a Christian; I don't believe that." *[Convinced And Then Concerned, Chicago, IL 62-0521]*

"Luther's age, it was a great age. He saw the faulty of the Catholic church, saw the communion. That, that young priest, he saw that that was wrong, "it wasn't the literal body of Christ," it was a piece of bread that--that they had blessed. And he saw that, "the wine wasn't the literal Blood," but it represented the Blood. So he protested the thing because the hour of that time was there. And no matter how many priests they had, and whatever more they had, God got a hold of a man that could make the light shine. Amen. He accepted, "Justification by faith," and he made the light of the Lutheran age shine. After

that come along, that lived its time out.” [Turn On The Light, Phoenix, AZ 64-0125]

“Martin Luther, he was a nut to the Catholic church. See? Could you imagine a priest that had--had throwed his, all of his teachings, away, of the church, and refused to give this communion because the church said, "It is the body of Christ"? And he knowed he... the--the nuns and them had made that kosher up in there. He--he knew that wasn't Christ. That was a piece of bread, see, a little sugar wafer. And he knew that, that that wine was no literal Blood of Christ. It only represented It. So, he--he--he threw it down, in--in his--his honest conviction, and he wanted nothing more to do with it. See? He--he--he was through with it.” [The Oddball, Prescott, AZ 64-0531]

“Martin Luther, that little German priest, that packing the communion one day, threw it down on the steps, and said, "This is not the body of Jesus Christ. This is only bread that's been made back there." And he declared, that, "The just shall live by faith." He was a nut, to the Catholic church. They could have assassinated him for that, but, he was a nut, and they just let him alone. But, he become a nut, to that generation.” [The Oddball, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0614E]

“Now, 23rd verse of the 11th chapter of I Corinthians, listen at Paul now. Now remember, and keep this in mind, Galatians 1:8, "If we or an angel from heaven preaches any other gospel unto you," than this Gospel that he had preached, "let him be accursed." See? “For I have received of the Lord that which I also delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had gave thanks, he brake it,... said, Take and eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.” Now, let me stop right here, to say: but taking the body of the Lord Jesus Christ in this communion, does not mean that that communion is the literal body of Christ. That's Catholic. I do not believe that that's right. I believe it's only an ordinance that God made with us, see, it isn't the actual body. It's... Now, it's really a little piece of kosher bread. It's just an ordinance.” [Communion, Tucson, AZ 65-1212]

Bible References:

Matthew 26:26-29; I Corinthians 11:23-33

Was Communion Wine first served by God Himself?

“And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.” [Matthew 26:26-29]

“When the day of Pentecost had fully come, there was a bunch of little, weeping people, crying and going on. "And when the day of Pentecost fully come..." Suddenly there came a priest up the road, with a kosher box, communion box, there to, "Lick out you tongue now, and I'll drink the wine"? What nonsense! "Up the road come a Protestant preacher, and said, "We'll take the right hand of fellowship, and take six months of probation"? Huh! Nonsense! "I'll sprinkle you. I'll baptize you. I'll take you this way, take you into the church, give the right hand of fellowship." Nonsense!" *[The Seal Of God, Jeffersonville, IN 54-0514]*

“Jerusalem was first in Gentile possession, and the King of Jerusalem, or Salem (which was meaning, "the King of Peace, the King of righteousness"), met Abraham as he returned and give him the communion, bread and wine, thousands of years, or hundreds of years before bread and wine was ever an ordinances in the church. And he was the King of Jerusalem.” *[Melchisedec The Great Prince And King, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0109M]*

“When Abraham met Him, he give Him the tithes of all that he possessed. You know what they did? The first thing they did was set down (I feel really emotional.), set down and broke bread and drink wine and taken the communion after the battle was over.” *[Perfection, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0610]*

“Melchisedec, the King of Salem, also represented Himself among the other kings. And notice, the battle was over, the Spirit of God in Abraham, of Christ, that had brought back his fallen brother, then restored him back to his rightful condition, to all that he had lost. He had brought it back. And when he did, He brought out bread and wine, the communion. Can't you see who that Melchisedec was? It was God. Brought out the communion, after the battle. When the battle is finally ended, we will meet Melchisedec again, bless God, who blessed Abraham there, and gave him the blessing, and give him bread and wine, the communion. And when the battle is over, we'll meet Him. We who are the heirs of the promise of Abraham, joint heirs with Christ in the Kingdom, shall meet Him at the end of the road, and take bread and wine, again, when the battle is over. Who is this Melchisedec? "The One that had no father, had no mother, had no beginning of days or the ending of life." He will be There to give the communion again. Now, this Melchisedec, the King of Salem, Prince, Priest of the Most High, met Abraham and blessed him. And gave Him his tithings, Abraham did. And He was the King of Salem. And He brought out bread and wine, the communion, and gave it to Abraham after the battle, after the men had been won over.” *[Hebrews Chapter Seven, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0915E]*

“No place in the Bible did they ever stick out their tongue and take the holy eucharist, and the priest drink the wine and call it the Holy Ghost. Never in the Bible did they ever shake hands and give the right hand of fellowship and call it the Holy Ghost. Never did anybody raise up and say, "now I'm a believer," and receive the Holy Ghost. If it did, here's the way that Acts 2 would have to read, "And when the day of Pentecost had fully come, down the road come a Roman

priest, and he had his collar turned around. He walks up, and said, 'All of you stick out your tongue now and take the holy eucharist, first communion.'" Wouldn't that be some way to read Acts 2?" [*Why Are We Not A Denomination, Jeffersonville, IN 58-0927*]

"We read that all Abraham's life, he was a pilgrim and a stranger to the world, for his one ambition was to find that city, whose Builder and Maker was God. He struck something. He caught God, and a faith in that God, that he foresaw the New Jerusalem. And he put his pack on his back, and became a wanderer, not just floating about without any purpose, he had faith that there was a city, whose Builder and Maker was God, an eternal city. He had a purpose in life to find that place. And may I say here, that one day when the battle was over, he met the King of that city. And He give him the communion, bread and wine, Melchisedec." [*Faith Is Our Victory, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1004*]

"Notice Abraham. There he was. And he met Melchisedec, which is the King of Salem, King of Jerusalem, King of peace, without father, without mother. And notice, He blessed Abraham after the battle was over. When the battle was over, He blessed Abraham. And notice what he did. He brought out wine and bread and give it to him. Wine and bread is the communion. They took communion after the battle was over. Sure, one of these days we're going to take communion again when the battle is over. When we brought back the lost children, the lost sheep of the fold, have brought them back into reconciliation, and life is finished, then we'll have communion again with the Melchisedec of heaven, Christ. He will bring out the bread and wine, and we'll enjoy it together." [*The Faith Of Abraham, Los Angeles, CA 59-0415E*]

"As soon as the battle was over, what did he bring out? Bread and wine, the communion. And they took communion after the battle was over. Let's fight now, bring back the lost brother. Jesus said, 'I'll drink it anew with you in the Father's Kingdom.' After the battle's over. Amen. Melchisedec came out, met Abraham, and gave him communion." [*Abraham's Seed, San Jose, CA 59-0423*]

"For as oft as you eat this bread, and drink this cup, you do shew forth the Lord's death till he comes." See? It's a communion. I do realize and do agree that the--the body of the Lord, the living Word is Christ Himself. But these are symbols just like baptism, and footwash, and other ordinances of the church. But communion is absolutely essential for the bread, now, bread and wine." [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 59-0628E*]

"Brother George Wright, for years has made the Communion wine (And I'm closing.), has made the Communion wine for the church. Brother Roy Roberson (back there) called me, and said, "Brother Branham, let's go down and get the Communion wine from Brother Wright, which is setting here, him and his family." [*My New Ministry, Jeffersonville, IN 59-1115*]

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Matthew 26:26-29; Mark 14:22-25, Luke 22:15-20; I Corinthians 11:23-33

What does Communion wine signify?

“And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.” [Matthew 26:26-29]

“For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the *same* night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also *he took* the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it*, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord’s death till he come. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink *this* cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of *that* bread, and drink of *that* cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord’s body. For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. [I Corinthians 11:23-33]

“I believe the elders will take their place, and they’ll--of the church, and they’ll bring the people up as they come, row by row, for the Communion. Always think of that song, “Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious Blood shall never lose Its power, till all the ransomed Church of God be saved to sin no more.” (Let us bow our heads.) Gracious and Holy Father, Jehovah, the great Almighty, send Thy blessings upon Thy people as we wait. Forgive our sins. And now, we offer to You this sacrament, this wine, the grapes that’s been grown, and hands of ministers crushed this together. And it was made into wine for the cause that we’re now bringing it to You for, that it might represent to us the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. I pray Thee, Father, to sanctify the wine for that purpose. Forgive every sin of ours. And may every person that receives this wine to their body, may they have health, strength, and salvation from You. Grant it, Lord. We ask it in Jesus’ Name. Amen.” [The Key To The Door, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1007]

“Let us pray now as we bow our heads. Silently you pray for us; we pray for you. [Brother Branham and congregation take a few moments in silent prayer--Ed.] Father, as we take this Communion (as we call it Communion), it is in remembrance of You. And when this little beaten wafer touches our tongues and goes into our mouth, may we recognize that He was bruised, and mashed, torn for our sins. And that veil that hid Him from us... Now, He’s in us, the Holy Spirit. And when we receive the wine, may we realize that it was by His

stripes that we're healed, by His Blood we are saved, the Life that was in the Blood. Now, Father, gather us together for this solemn occasion, forgiving our sins. In Jesus' Name, we ask it. Amen." *[Ordination, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1104E]*

"Then as we come to the table of the Lord... The table of the Lord, as I have explained it here before, is not... We believe what we call the Communion is--is the taking of the bread. We place the wrong--the--the wrong... We place the right thing in the wrong place. It isn't the bread that matters; it isn't the wine that matters; that's the kosher bread and the wine. But the thing that is, is "Communion" means "to talk to," and in talking to Him, remembering Him. I think it's the most blessed time of the services. See? Every hour of our life ought to be a Communion." *[Remembering The Lord, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1209]*

"Today, the Roman Catholic church adopted, "Father, Son, Holy Ghost," to take That's place. Instead of That, a Communion. "Lick out a tongue and take up a wafer, and the priest drink the wine, and you're one together." The "Communion," in the stead of being the Holy Ghost, called, "holy Eucharist." And a "Father, Son, Holy Ghost," a trinitarian baptism, when it's not even spoke of in the Bible. The Name of Father, Son, Holy Ghost is the Lord Jesus Christ." *[The Indictment, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0707M]*

"The Bible said, "In like manner He took the cup. And when He had supped, He took--said, "Take and drink; this is the cup of the New Testament. As oft as you do this, you show forth the Lord's death till He come." As I hold in my hand tonight this wine, made from the--from the life of grapes that's been brought together here to represent the Blood of Jesus Christ. There's never a time yet, that I've ever picked up the Communion tray, but I didn't look in there and see my sin's gone. I see if it hadn't been for that what--what--well, where would we be? I think of in there where a sick man lay dying, yonder in the hospital: me. It's through His stripes I was healed. May the God of heaven bless this wine for its intended use. Lord Jesus, we present to You this grape juice, wine taken from the blood of the grapes to represent the Blood of Jesus Christ. May, as we receive it, Father, may sickness depart from us. May sin, desire, be taken from us. May we live such holy, consecrated life after this, that men will see the reflection of Jesus Christ in us, and that our--our walk in life would be worthy of the Gospel that we believe. Grant it, Father. And sanctify the--this wine now for it's intended use. In Jesus Christ's Name. Amen." *[Communion, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0707E]*

"After the battle is over, after the--the real believer has fought the enemy, broke down the lines and tried to capture his brother, the real Seed of Abraham bringing back that wayward brother, Melchizedek come out and served wine and bread, Communion, giving Communion after the battle was over, served the Communion to him after the battle. A very beautiful type of when the battle is over, here on earth, the victories have been won. Jesus said, "They would eat it anew in the Father's Kingdom, after the wayward has been brought back. Then the first thing we do when we go in, after the battle is over, is sit down at

the table in the Kingdom of God. And there those that has fought, and sat down and overcome, shall be clothed in the righteousness of Christ, and then again they take the bread and the wine, in the Father's Kingdom on the other side. What a real picture this is, of Abraham going out and getting Lot and bringing him back.” [*Jehovah Jireh, Louisville, MS 64-0402*]

“Jacob wrestled all night, and wouldn't turn Him loose until He blessed him. That's right. Battled for Life! And after the battle is over, then God gives you of Himself. That is His true Communion. The little bread and wafer just represents It. You shouldn't take it 'less you've wrestled it out and become part of God. Remember, at this time, the Communion had never been instituted, not until before the death of Jesus Christ, hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of years later. But Melchisedec, after His child Abraham had won the victory, Melchisedec met him and gave him wine and bread; showing that after this earthly battle is over, we will meet Him in the heavens and take the Communion again. It'll be the Wedding Supper. "I will not drink no more of the vine, or eat the fruit, until I eat it and drink it with you, anew, in My Father's Kingdom." [*Who Is This Melchisedec? Jeffersonville, IN 65-0221E*]

“Listening in, in Jeffersonville now, there's a family named Wright. Brother Woods and I went down to see them. They make the Communion wine for the church.” [*I Have Heard But Now I See, Shreveport, LA 65-1127E*]

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What is the purpose of Communion?

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“For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the *same* night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also *he took* the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it*, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink *this* cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of *that* bread, and drink of *that* cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself,

not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. [*1 Corinthians 11:23-33*]

"There wasn't a priest come up the road with his collar turned around and said, "Now, we're going to take the first communion. You lick out your tongue and I'll give you the wafer, and I'll drink the wine." Wouldn't that be...? Neither was there a preacher come up the road and said, "Give us the right hand of fellowship. We'll put your name on the book and try you six months on probation." Nope. That's man's conferences. That's the way they do at the councils and conference." [*Conferences, Bloomington, IL 61-0410*]

"Lick out your tongue, take a little wafer that some man-made, and the priest drinks the wine, say, "I took the holy communion," the holy eucharist, which means the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost didn't come with a wafer; It come like a sound from heaven, like a rushing mighty wind, that filled all the house where they were sitting. That's right. See? That's uncertain. I can't read that in the Bible. But when I hear It come from heaven like a rushing mighty wind, that's it." [*The Uncertain Sound, Bloomington, IL 61-0415E*]

"What church would represent justification? In the first reformation was Martin Luther, who came forth preaching justification by faith. All of us know that. That young German priest, that throwed the communion on the altar and said that, "It was not the blood of Jesus Christ, or the kosher bread, that he knowed it was just the bread and--and wine." So he--he throwed it on the altar and said, "It represented the body of Christ." And that's the difference that separates Catholic from Protestant. One said, Catholic says, "It is the body of Christ." And the other says, "It represents the body of Christ." [*Abraham And His Seed After Him, Chicago, IL 61-0423*]

"This means of communion, I'd like to explain for a little while. Now, we take, what we call communion, is the bread and the wine. Now, that has been so misrepresented, till it's not even good to speak of it. Oh, how that has been misrepresented down through the years. That is really not communion; that is just keeping a commandment. See? Now, the reason we call it communion, is because it come from the Catholic association of being the "Holy Eucharist, which is literally the body of the Lord Jesus." But it isn't the Lord Jesus' body. It's only in commemoration of His body. And I don't care how many priests or preachers, or whoever blesses that, it's still bread and wine. There is no priest as we'll--they tell us, that God is obliged to listen to the priest when he turns the communion (what they call communion, the Eucharist) into the literal body of the Lord Jesus, then the believer takes that, and that is communion. That is wrong. "Commune" is "to talk to, commune with, something that you can speak to and it'll speak back to you." That's communing. A wafer cannot speak back. So, really, the real communion is the Holy Spirit speaking back. When you ask Him, then He speaks back; that is correct communion. This is a memorial to take the... of His crucifixion and His resurrection, and not a

communion. We call it that, but it isn't. It come from the Catholic church of taking this wafer as we went through the other day in the order, and talking about it on "Paganism Versing Christianity," how that this little round wafer is the literal body of Christ. Now, the Catholic church believes that. Did you ever notice, in passing a church, they cross themselves, tip their hats, and so forth. It isn't the church; it's that wafer in there, that body that the priest has turned from a wafer to the literal body of Christ, where the rats and mice could pack it away. Why, you don't--can't think of civil thinking and think that a piece of bread would be a body of the Lord Jesus. It cannot be. "Communion" is "to talk, and it talks back, something that you talk to." The very word "commune" means "to talk to, or be associated with something that's talking back to you." And God talks back to you: communion. And it's still bread and wine that we call communion." [*Communion, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0204*]

"Is your sins under the Blood by faith tonight in Christ Jesus? We shall now take the communion. Not the communion; you commune as you eat with one another. Just commune with God. The communion is not the bread, not the wine; the communion is talking back and forth with God. This is a symbol that we take, that we believe in His death, broken body, His burial and resurrection; we believe in the Presence of the Holy Spirit. And we believe that He has give us Eternal Life; and we cannot die; we have passed from death unto Life. And someday when we separate from one another here, we'll rise again in the resurrection with each other, joined together with Christ Jesus as a Body. Amen. Upon these basis, and the confession of my sin, and my faith in the Son of God, I take myself and the church before these articles that God left for us to do, to show forth His death until He comes." [*Possessing All Things, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0506*]

"The Bible said, "Also He took the cup, and when He'd supped, saying, 'This is the cup of the New Testament, as oft as you drink this you show forth the Lord's death till He come.'" Heavenly Father, we hold to you the fruit of the vine tonight, this wine. And we pray, heavenly Father, that you'll sanctify this wine; it represents the Blood that was shed for us at Calvary. Through this Blood we have remission of our sins, by faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ. Forgive us of our--all of our unbelief, Lord, and give us faith and understanding, and make us your servants, Lord, that we can serve you all our days. Be with us, Father, as we join together around this table, and bless us in this fine fellowship and communion with you. And may you speak to our hearts and point to us our work that we should do. Grant it, Lord. Sanctify this wine for its intended purpose. In Jesus Christ's Name we ask it. Amen." [*Possessing All Things, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0506*]

"He met Abraham after the battle was over, showing it to Abraham's Seed; after we go after our fallen brother, and the battle is over... What did Melchisedec serve? Wine and bread, the communion. Amen. When the battle is over, brother... Come back, bringing his lost brother back home again, restoring him back. And when the battle was over, Melchisedec met him and give him the communion. Jesus said, "I'll not eat or drink the fruit of the vine no more

until I eat it anew with you in My Father's Kingdom." [*Jehovah-Jireh, Grass Valley, CA 62-0705*]

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Eternal Life

Questions have always been asked by sincere people since time began. Not only is there an answer to every question, but more importantly there is a correct and right answer to every question.

The Bible is God's infallible Word, the Book of all books. Every person that ever lived on earth has had unanswered questions in their heart even after reading the Bible, because of so much religious confusion among churches who still greatly disagree after studying the original Greek and Hebrew. But God is not confused, for he wrote the Bible according to Amos 3:7 and II Peter 1:21, so He is the only One who can reveal the true understanding to His children.

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May the Lord Jesus make this book a unique blessing and spiritual help to you during your walk with Christ. God bless you.

-- Ken Andes

Eternal Life

How does one get Eternal Life?

“God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life.” [*John 3:16*]

“These things have I written unto you that believe on the Name of the Son of God; and ye may know that ye have Eternal Life, and that ye may believe on the Name of the Son of God.” [*1 John 5:13*]

“I wonder if there's such a person here this morning who is really in the sleeping virgin. You've never woke up to the realization that you've got to save souls, you've got to do something, and you want God to remember you as a soul saviour, you want to be one who will go out and try to get souls saved. Would you raise your hand, say, "God, remember me"? God bless you.” [*The Lamb's Book Of Life, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0603*]

“If I get a soul saved for Christ, brother, as long as there's an eternity, the glory of God will rest on that soul. So what is value anyhow? What good does it do when the struggles is in your throat, and the doctor sees the pulse coming up your sleeve. What good's all the money and all the popularity? People to pat you on the back, or you become a great person, what good does that do you? Not a bit. It vanishes and stays here on the earth. But one soul saved, you'll see your name wrapped into it as long as the morning star shall glitter in...?... So let's save souls, brethren. Each one. You housewives, you don't have to be a preacher. You do something for the glory of God. Remember, eternal things is what lasts forever, and that's getting souls saved. Let that be the first thing of all your work, and all your ideas, and all your motives.” [*The Lamb's Book Of Life, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0603*]

“Nothing but lost souls, is the only thing that's got any value in it. Money passes away. Homes decay and go away. Everything in the earth moves away. The only value, lasting value, I'd rather have one soul in glory, that I won to Christ, to know and see that that Light of God circles around that soul, through all eternity, my name to be associated with that, than to have every penny of money in the whole earth, 'cause I'd have to lose--lose it all. But what you send up there, is Eternal. And that's the reason we're trying.” [*Love, Shreveport, LA 56-0726*]

“Our heavenly Father, today it's with grateful hearts, as we quietly and reverently approach this sacred moment, that when... How do we know but what this very hour, may determine the eternal destination of a soul setting present? And the value of that soul is compared with many thousands of worlds.” [*The Impersonation Of Christianity, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0120M*]

“Our heavenly Father, we so humbly come to Thee this morning. God, I'm glad that I woke up about twenty-five years ago to the fact that--that happiness does not consist of the things of this world. It consists of the eternal things, what makes us happy in our soul. And how thankful I am this morning, and grateful to You, for Your salvation and Your grace that's permitted me, Lord, to see

around a million souls kneel at the altar.” *[The Lamb's Book Of Life, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0603]*

“There's men, woman, boys, and girls in here, perhaps, Lord, that's never yet accepted Thee as their Saviour. They don't know what it means to have peace in their soul. And all these old things of the earth pass away. And the soul, the immortal part that goes beyond every sphere of atom, goes on beyond cosmic light, petroleum, goes on into the spiritual realm. That's the eternal part. That's the part that cannot perish, when it's believed on the Lord Jesus. How simple You made it. Just come, receive. "Ask, ye shall receive." *[Elijah, Phoenix, AZ 55-0301]*

“This may be the moment when some precious soul finds its eternal destination right there. And the last knock may be knocked at the door of the heart of the persons here. "My Spirit will not always strive with men." So it behooves us to pray, Christians. And now you're saying... I'm going to ask this to these sinners, the one that knows that he couldn't--not have someone to stand for him. Do you want Him to stand for you? If you do, would you just raise your hands to Him at this time, and say, "God, this is my hand as a sign. I want Jesus to stand for me in the hour of my death." *[Blind Bartimaeus, Lima, OH 57-0127E]*

“You let God tell you what to do. See? And when God tells you that Mrs. Jones over there is a widow woman, and needs some--some clothes, and He speaks to you to go, help that widow woman, you go help her. You--you do that. Because, listen, friends, all the money that we have will pass away someday. That's right. It won't be no more. It's just the eternal things. That's the things that we have in our soul.” *[Faith Without Works Is Dead, Cleveland, OH 50-0822]*

“You'll never be satisfied until you know Him, as the forgiveness of your sins, where the sin question is settled, and you have that lovely, peaceful, quiet, eternal, everlasting fellowship with Him, when the peace of God that passes all understanding has sanctified your soul, and has made you a new creature in Christ Jesus.” *[Life, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0602]*

“Few nights after that, about eight or ten sinners came to the altar. I said, "I have more pleasure in that in one minute than you could have in the world in ten years." Lost coming to God! That's where we have pleasure, Christians, seeing newborn babes in Christ coming in the Kingdom, soul that is eternal, something that's real.” *[Prodigal, Cleveland, OH 50-0827A]*

“Brother, it's your soul. You can say, "Well, I belong to..." That ain't--that ain't It. If you haven't got the Holy Ghost, brother, I don't care how many churches you belong to, you're lost. If you are not born again of the Spirit of God, by the baptism of the Holy Spirit, you're lost; 'cause you haven't got Eternal Life, and Eternal Life is the only thing that God will raise up, because It's the only life that's left.” *[The Pergamean Church Age, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1207]*

“Dear God, we bring to Thee tonight, in the visible and invisible audience, all those who are seeking Eternal Life, all those who wants to be filled with Thy

Balm. There is a Balm in Gilead for the sin-sick soul. There's a Physician there also to heal." [*Balm In Gilead, Cleveland, TN 59-0707*]

"Father God, we believe that we don't know one thing, a lot of times criticized; washing feet, baptizing in Jesus Christ's Name, forbidding women preachers, believing in eternal security of the soul as Paul taught. Told the Ephesians they were predestinated before the foundation of the world to sons and daughters of God." [*The Unfailing Realities Of The Living God, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0626*]

"Here comes another, coming down. That's right. Just... I just love it. It just thrills my heart. This does me better than seeing God heal the sick when He heals the soul, because I know that's eternal; that'll last forever. It's God's truth." [*Blind Bartimaeus, San Jose, CA 59-1127*]

"How do we get it? We are potentially there right now, see, because God said so. It has to be. When He raised Lazarus there, said, "Don't think this is strange, for the hour is coming when all that's in the grave will hear the Voice of the Son of man, and shall come forth; some to shame, and some to Life." What is it? Transforming, transforming by the Word of God, making us sons and daughters of God, and will also give us Life in the world to come." [*Power Of Transformation, Prescott, AZ 65-1031M*]

"If we'd just be as much concerned about our soul tonight; that man was about his life and his ear condition. There's only One that can save us, only one Way, and Jesus is that Way. No other way that we know but through Jesus Christ. He is the Way to God. He's the Way to Eternal Life. Now, He is the only Way." [*To Whom Would We Go, Chautauqua, OH 60-0606*]

"I'm an heir of salvation. What is salvation? Something that's given to you. It's a gift. I'm heir of salvation. What kind? For Eternal Life. Salvation for my soul, salvation for my body, salvation for my weariness, salvation for everything. God made me heir of everything through Christ, and He died, rose, and returned back and brought the evidence, and poured It out upon us." [*Possessing All Things, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0506*]

"Kind Heavenly Father, these are now coming as Your children. They have already come. The moment that the Holy Spirit spoke to their soul, they stood and accepted You, and You gave them Everlasting Life. God, bless them. Walk with them through life, Father. Some of them have been Your servants, times gone by, but have fallen away; and tonight, the Holy Spirit, by the preaching of the Word, come down and anointed them. And they now stand, accepting You, and giving You thanks for their Eternal Life that they now possess in Jesus Christ." [*God Has A Provided Way, Louisville, KY 54-0404E*]

"The soul that sinneth, it shall die. But when we're born again of the Spirit of God, we have Eternal Life and not associated anywhere with death. See? Death cannot associate with Life. Life cannot associate with death." [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1015M*]

"Tonight we're safely, completely resting in the atonement that our Lord made for us, knowing this, that when the judgment comes, that we'll float above the

judgment. We'll be taken out of the world and will not have to stand the judgment, for our Lord promised us in St. John 5:24, "He that heareth My words, and believeth on Him that sent Me, has Eternal Life, and shall not come into the judgment; but has passed from death unto Life." Not a wandering soul when we die; we're in the Presence of God. Not a wandering through a endless eternity, lost, to know we have to return back and be judged according to the deeds done in the body, but, Father, tonight we have settled that at the altar, and our sins has gone on before us, and been justified by the Blood of Jesus Christ, with the proof of it, God poured back the Holy Spirit upon us, and we're sealed now unto our eternal destination." *[Have Not I Sent Thee, Phoenix, AZ 62-0124]*

"We know that when a--a body is healed, that makes us all happy, because we know that it definitely shows that our God heals the sick. But that sick person, if they live long enough, will perhaps be sick again, maybe with the same disease that they were healed of. And that doesn't take away healing. The doctor will give medicine for pneumonia, and maybe two days later they'll die with pneumonia after he's pronounced them well. It reoccurs again. But when that soul is healed, you have then in you Eternal Life. And I believe that we are so close to the coming of the Lord Jesus, that it behooves us to do all that we possibly can to bring every soul to the Kingdom and to bring the Kingdom to the people, that we might be healed of our Spirit." *[What Is The Holy Ghost, Jeffersonville, IN 59-1216]*

Bible References:

John 3:16; 1 John 5:13

Is God Eternal Life?

"This is Life Eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent." *[John 17:3]*

"We know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know Him that is true; and we are in Him that is true, even in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and Eternal Life." *[1 John 5:20]*

"Divine healing and salvation for the soul is not on the same basis. Jesus died that He might save us. When we're saved, we're saved eternally. But when we're healed, physically, we'll get sick again. But the soul is the immortal part, and Jesus said, "He that heareth My words, believeth on Him that sent Me, hath (that's present tense), Everlasting Life and it shall never come to the judgment, but is passed from death unto life." That settles it. Then when we are born again, we're a new creature. And that soul is a part of God. The Eternal Life there comes from the Greek word, "Zoe," which means "God's own Life." That makes us sons and daughters of God. We can no more perish than God can perish, 'cause you're a part of Him." *[The Great Commission, Edmonton, AB 57-0804A]*

"Everything that's perverted has an end to it, because it finally must come back to that purity and holiness of God. And God is eternal; and if we have Eternal Life, God is in us, and we can no more die than God can die." [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0925*]

"Heavenly Father, as men and women who are setting here, boys and girls, an eternity bound people, the--the petroleums and cosmic light of this world, with the sixteen different elements that we're made of... In the body is a soul that's precious, the beginning, the start. And I pray Thee, Lord, to deal just now with that heart, that soul, that tender spot that lives forever, that gives us our moving about. And I pray that You'll save every lost sinner tonight. May they realize, as these great mileposts that we're passing, these signs a flashing on both sides of the road, is only the pointing of the soon appearing of the righteous One, the Lord Jesus, Who to be a friend of, means Life, to know is Eternal Life." [*God Keeps His Word, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0120E*]

"How many in the audience this afternoon could think of any greater gift that God could give to man than Eternal Life? There is not one gift that could be given greater than Life. Life is the--that is the sublime gift. It's the greatest of all gifts, for where there is life, there is--there is joy. And God alone has Eternal Life." [*The Greatest Gift In The Bible, Edmonton, AB 57-0811A*]

"I have Life through knowing Him: Eternal Everlasting Life that cannot perish. It's forever. God gives His gift of Eternal Life and It's forever good. It never perishes and never will get old and dwindle away. Your body will get old someday, if you live. But your soul, your spirit will never get old." [*God Hath A Provided Way, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0108*]

"If you are a son of God, and if I am a son of God, or a daughter of God, we were in God at the beginning. And when Jesus became the fullness of the Word, then we were in Him, germ form. When He was crucified, we were crucified in His body. When He arose from the dead, we rose with Him. And now, since we have recognized it, "now we set together with Him, in Heavenly places in Christ Jesus." See? For He... We, if we are sons and daughters of God, we are God's children, then we are attributes of God. Then we were... got Eternal Life. And God is the only Eternal Life there is. Then, we were in Him from the beginning. And when Jesus became all that Word, then we were a part of Him then. Amen! There you are. When that's in there, there is no devil, no powers, no nothing can ever move it. That's the tie post of the soul." [*Christ Is Revealed In His Own Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822M*]

"Jehovah Witness, in their book, it says that the breath that you breathe is the soul. Now, that cannot be right. The breath that you breathe is not soul. If it is, you're--you're one time you're one kind of soul, next time you're somebody else, has breathed that soul. Look where you'd be. Now, the breath is wind, and wind is what you breathe into your nostrils. Now, they take the Scripture from back, "And God breathed Breath into his nostrils, and he became a living soul." Now, I want to ask you something. If he was a man, what kind of a breath was he breathing before God breathed His Breath of Life into him? See? What kind

of breath? He was a breathing, living man. Well, then, if that be so, then every animal is a living soul, 'cause they breathe a human soul, and our soul, and all together. Then Jesus wouldn't have had to die. The animal sacrifice would have been sufficient. See? So, brother, the argument don't stand. But what God did, He breathed the Breath of Eternal Life, amen, then he become a living soul, a soul that can't die. Now watch now. We're going to get into honey, plumb to your elbows. Notice. "Breathed the Breath of Eternal Life into his nostrils, and he became an Eternal soul." Cause, God breathed, not what nature done, but what God did, breathed the Breath of Life into his nostrils, and he become a living soul. Then you say to me, "Adam died, Brother Branham." But remember, before Adam died, he had a lamb that redeemed him. Hallelujah! "Those who He foreknew, He has called." He got a lamb to redeem them. He was a type. Adam fell. Then the lamb was provided for Adam, because already in his nostrils had become the Breath of the Eternal God, and he become a living soul. He was a son of God. Not his breath, as the African word. I don't know what the Greek word is for it, right now. But the African word, they call amoyah, which means, "the wind; an unseen force." Animals breathe amoyah. Sinners breathe amoyah. Then why would we struggle for Eternal Life, if that's the Eternal soul breathed into us by breath? Why would we struggle for Eternal Life? It backfires, brother. See? It--it--it just can't do it. But, God, specially upon Adam, breathed the Breath of Eternal Life, and he become an Eternal person with God. He had power like God. He was an amateur God. He was God of the earth; not God of Heaven, now. God of the earth! And some day the sons of God will again become gods. Jesus said so. "Is not it written in your law, 'Ye are gods? Then if you can call those who He called God, who God visited, how can you condemn Me, say, when I say I'm the Son of God?'" See? Now we're getting into something deep." [*Blasphemous Names, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1104M*]

"Most holy Father, Creator of heavens and earth, Author of Everlasting Life, and Giver of every good gift, we humbly bow in Your Presence, and turn our face to the dust from which You've taken us. And someday, if Thy beloved Son tarries, we shall return to the dust from where we come. But the soul, that is within us, comes from the great Spirit of God Who is eternal." [*And Then Jesus Came, Newark, NJ 57-1213*]

"Our Heavenly Father, it is written, I'm quoting Your Word, quoting It the best that I know in Saint John 5:24. These are the Words that You said according to the Scriptures. "He that heareth My words (which they just have knocking at the door), and believeth on Him that sent Me, has Everlasting Life, and shall never come into the condemnation, but passed from death unto Life." You said it, Lord. I believe it. That's where my soul has stayed, right there. You promised it. Every promise is true. Said, "No man can come to Me, except My Father draws him." Then the magnetic power of the living God is drawing this afternoon, and "He that will come to Me, I will in no wise cast out." Why? Because the Father has given it. They heard, God drew, and here they are. It would be impossible for them to be cast out. You said, "I'll give him Eternal

Life and raise him up at the last day." That's Your promise, Father." *[Abraham, Yakima, WA 60-0803]*

"Save every soul that's here that's unsaved. And at the end of this service, Lord, may they sweetly come up here around this altar, and kneel down, and give their life to Thee, and thank Thee for giving them the courage to stand out and accept Eternal Life." *[God In His Word, Oakland, CA 57-0323]*

"That's the way sickness is. When you kill sin, you kill sickness with it. You can't preach salvation without taking everything that ever happened to the human race. He was our Redeemer to redeem us. Yes, sir. Even this old body, when it dies like our soul dies, and our spirit is born again, we're new creatures, got Eternal Life forever, forever. We never die with Eternal Life. You can't. It's Eternal, "Zoe," God's own Life; can't die." *[Jesus Christ The Same, Harrisonburg,, VA 58-0312]*

"That's what God said. That's what He has promised. That's what the Bride goes to. "Even the desert," He said, "shall blossom, be a rose." Satan, sin, and sinners, has gone, forever. It's all done; blended it into Eternity. And all that was perverted, that great archangel that set there one day, Satan, that did all this evil, will be destroyed. You remember, the Bible said, "If that soul won't do as He did, said do, He will even destroy that soul." But, you see, He can't destroy Himself and remain God. So, if that soul is of the world, it has to be destroyed. But if it's Eternal, with God, it never did begin, because it's part of God and can never be destroyed. Amen!" *[The Future Home, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0802]*

"The Blood test shows whether you're God's or not. See? You're God's children and you have Eternal Life. But the soul that sinneth, that soul shall be separated. Is that right? Then it will be no more. Now look. Anything that had a beginning has an end, because anything that had a beginning is a creation. But God was not created, He was always God. There's no place He was created. And the only way that we can ever have Eternal Life is to be part of that creation. Glory! Oh, if we could see It! See what the Holy Ghost does for you? It's the Holy Ghost, the Creator Himself, God the Father in the form of a Spirit, called "Holy Ghost" because It was upon the body called Jesus, His Son; that He created Jesus, the body, that's the reason It had to die. God dwelled in this human flesh, and the blood cell was broke, and the Life from the blood cell come back." *[The Smyrnaean Church Age, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1206]*

"We read that, all Abraham's life, he was a pilgrim and a stranger to the world, for his one ambition was to find that city, whose Builder and Maker was God. He struck something. He caught God, and a faith in that God, that he foresaw the New Jerusalem. And he put his pack on his back, and became a wanderer, not just floating about without any purpose, he had faith that there was a city, whose Builder and Maker was God, an eternal city. He had a purpose in life to find that place." *[Faith Is Our Victory, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1004]*

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John 3:16; 1 John 5:20

Is God's Word Eternal?

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." *[John 1:1]*

"The Word of the Lord endureth forever. And this is the Word which by the Gospel is preached unto you." *[1 Peter 1:25]*

"A soul, good or bad, death doesn't change it. I had a lot of Scripture wrote down here on this one that I wanted to comment on, what a soul is. What is a soul? It's you. You are a soul, the part inside of you. And when you die, ever what shape that soul's in, that's the way it goes. It goes to its destination. You couldn't pull it up no matter how much you'd do for it; that soul's got to be changed here, born again. You say, "What about the Holy Ghost, Brother Branham?" The Holy Ghost baptizes you into the Body, for service, but you believe unto Eternal Life. "He that heareth My Words and believeth on Him that sent Me, has Eternal Life." See? Then you're baptized by the Holy Spirit into the Body for manifestations of the gifts, and so forth, but you believe to Eternal Life. He that believeth has Eternal Life. And when you believe is when you're dead and are born, regenerated, a new creature." *[You Must Be Born Again, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1231M]*

"All down through the ages, every person that reads the Word of God, gets a blessing out of reading It, and It does something to you. It brings you in closer fellowship with God. Jesus said, "It is written that man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." The soul of a man lives on God's Word. It strengthens him, the inner man. And it makes us feel good, to know that our SOULS can feed upon the good things that God has written to us. It's His letter of... to His church. And It's so inspiring as we read; does something to us that nothing else does." *[Hear Ye Him, Chattanooga, TN 58-0301E]*

"Bless my little church, Lord. Oh, I can see the little sawdust trail down through here, see the precious people; people driving by in their cars, laughing at them, because they got their hands up, praising God. But someday Jesus will come, and all things will be made right. We won't be ashamed, Lord. We'll join with Paul of old and say, "I'm not ashamed of the GOSPEL of Jesus Christ, for It's the power of God to salvation, to Eternal Life, to everyone that believes." Help us to live that way, Father. We're worshipping You now in the Spirit in heavenly places. We thank You for this visitation this morning. In Jesus' Name. Amen." *[A Super Sign, Jeffersonville, IN 59-1227M]*

"Eternal, "He that heareth My Words and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath Eternal Life and shall never come to the judgment but's passed from death unto Life." There you are. You get Eternal Life by being a believer. An unbeliever has life forever. An eternal, a believer has Eternal Life, and cannot perish because It's eternal." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0925]*

"God never destroys nothing. Man, by knowledge, destroys himself. Remember that. God doesn't destroy nothing. God's eternal; He doesn't destroy

nothing. But man, by his knowledge, destroys himself. When we get to a place, you say, "Well, now, there's no such thing as the Holy Ghost; Divine healing's wrong." Just remember, you're destroyed by your own ignorance. You think it's knowledge, but it's ignorance. So you--you destroyed yourself; you sent your soul plumb away from God by doing that. See? Why don't you just throw down your own thoughts and say, "Oh, Dove of God, come lead me"? See? Watch where He brings you: right straight back to His Word. "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word proceedeth out of the mouth of God." [*Lamb And Dove, Yakima, WA 60-0805*]

"If a man is ever born with that Spirit of the Dove in him, I don't say he won't leave, something might happen he'd fly loose somewhere, but if he really had that Dove Spirit, he will find no rest for the soul that's in him. Backslider, you're the most miserable person in the world. You can't find pleasure anywhere. You'll sound like your testimony like Peter said, "To whom should we go? Where can we go? You're the only One that has the Words of Eternal Life." And a real born again Christian sometimes might get angry at something done in the church; it'll poison his system. But if he's a real dove, he will come back, just as sure as God is in Heaven, he will do it, because there's something in him that won't let him light on them old dead carcasses, out to a rock-and-roll party, or a beer joint, they simply stink to him. To any born again Christian, they just can't stand it, because he has no gall in him to digest such a thing." [*Lamb And Dove, Yakima, WA 60-0805*]

"If that soul ever comes in contact with the Holy Spirit and is born again, you have Eternal Life. No matter what happens here, you never perish. Jesus said, "He that heareth My Words, believeth on Him that sent Me, hath (that's present tense) Everlasting Life, shall not come into condemnation; but hath (past tense) passed from death unto Life." [*Redemption By Power, Louisville, KY 54-0329*]

"Jesus Christ is present. Can you tonight, Christian friend, can you just draw up your conceptions just for a moment? Let's think of this. You believe this Bible to be God's eternal Word? Sure you do. Well, it is. God's just as real as... He's just as real as--as you're... He's more real than you are, because, after all, you're just a shadow. You long for Everlasting Life, don't you? Sure, you do." [*Hear Ye Him, Edmonton, AB 57-0807*]

"May the Lord add His blessing to the reading of His Word. Now, for a text tonight if it should be called that... And no matter in any kind of service, the Word should have preeminence. It should be first. And the healing of the soul is always first. Why, when a man is born again of the Spirit of God, he has immortal, Eternal Life, and shall never perish. But when a man is healed of his body, it is just for a limited time. But salvation of the soul is forever. He becomes a new creature in Christ when he's healed of his soul. But Divine healing was included in the atonement, because the new atonement was much better than the old. And the old atonement had healing. And the Bible said that, "He was wounded for our transgressions; with his stripes we were healed." Past tense, we were healed. Oh, it's wonderful." [*Hear Ye Him, Lima, OH 57-0125*]

"Neither can a man that's part of the Word of God, or a woman, deny one part of the Word of God. Then, women, when you think you can have bobbed hair and come in the Presence of God, you're wrong. You see it? You are wrong; you can't come through God's Filter where you're washed by the water of the Word. Then you enter into the fellowship. You think you are, but you can't be until you come through the Word, and every little spot, every little Word of God. "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word." It's got to come through that filtration, coming through. And that gives a righteous man's taste, 'cause that's what he's looking for, looking for something to cleanse him. Notice, that Word cannot deny Itself. Then it is satisfied, or it's the desire. It's a desire of what? What made you desire It, in the first place? Because down in your soul there was a predestinated seed which was Eternal Life, always laying in there, always was in there. "All that the Father has given Me will come to Me. There isn't any of them going to be lost." A thinking man's taste, when a thinking man hears the Word of God, "My sheep hear My Voice, a stranger they will not follow," for down in there is Life, and Life connects with Life." *[A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822E]*

"Nothing like to see a lost soul come, weeping their way down to the altar, saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." The mute will die again; the paralytic will die; all the sick will get sick again and die. But that soul that's saved, is saved for eternity, forever, never to perish. "He that heareth My Words, believeth on Him that sent Me, hath Everlasting, Eternal Life, and shall never come into judgment." But's done already passed from death unto Life, because they believed on the Lord Jesus Christ." *[Revelation Book Of Symbols, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0617]*

"Our Lord God, great Creator of Heavens and earth, Who brought again Jesus from the dead, and alive with us for these two thousand years, ever living to confirm His Word and make It true to each generation. We are so thankful for His Divine Presence just now, knowing this, that we have this great assurance, that after this life is over, we have Life Eternal in the world that is to come. Thank You, for this, Lord. And that hope, a anchor to the soul, that's steadfast and sure in time of storm. And when the storms come, the great waves a-rolling, we feel that by faith in Him we can caress every wave." *[Events Made Clear By Prophecy, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801E]*

"So is it with every believer in God. If we have need of salvation or healing, we rest our eternal soul, our body upon God's eternal PROMISE, and just take a hold of God's Word, and perfectly satisfied, and call those things which are not as though they were, and nurse away on GOD'S PROMISE. "God, You promised it, I believe it and hold to it." Oh, God." *[Faith, Prince Albert, SK 56-0815]*

"That's the same way we are tonight. We can take His Word and be healed, or we can leave it, and walk away from it, and not be healed. We can have Eternal Life by believing on Him or we can walk away and not have Eternal Life. It's up to you: SELFWill." *[Expectations, Richmond, VA 61-0308]*

“The Word of the Lord, It stands no matter what goes on. Churches rise, fall; people rise, fall; everything else, rise and fall, but God's Word will never fall, for It's God. It's God in printed form. That's right. That's the reason you have Eternal Life. Everything had a beginning has an end. If you have a beginning, you have an end. That's the reason this body has to die; it had a beginning. But the soul that's in you... If it's God, the Holy Spirit, in you, what is it? It's God's premeditated thought. What is a word? Is a thought expressed. See? And God, before there was a world, had you in mind. Amen. He had a Church in mind.”
[The Signs Of His Coming, Cleveland, TN 62-0407]

“This represents our unbroken chain of the love of God. We're holding one another's hands because we believe in God. We touch each other because we're brothers and sisters, the same vibrating Spirit, the Eternal Word of God dwelling in our hearts being made manifest.” *[Trying To Do God A Service Without It Being God's Will, Shreveport, LA 65-1127B]*

“We're not of this world. Our Kingdom's not this world. We live here as an Americans, but our soul come from Above. When... He said, "He that believeth on me, has Eternal Life." That Eternal Life comes from the word Zoe, and Zoe is God's own life. We are a part of His Life.” *[Abraham's Covenant Confirmed, Long Beach, CA 61-0210]*

“When God spoke and made man, and man's soul was lost, it absolutely... Anything outside of that: joining church and anything is hybreeding. You've got to come back to... God's got to speak the Word back again. That makes it Life Eternal. When God speaks Life into you, then that's eternal again. But until that it's a hybrid condition. You see? So the devil mingled with it and mixed--tried to mix faith and something, unbelief together, so it makes a hybrid (See?), and... But when God speaks and places the Holy Spirit in there and seals it, it's eternal.” *[Have Not I Sent Thee, Phoenix, AZ 62-0124]*

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Is Man's Soul Eternal?

“I give unto them Eternal Life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand.” *[John 10:28]*

“This is the record, that God hath given to us Eternal Life, and this Life is in His Son.” *[1 John 5:11]*

“I just want to ask you, wasn't it something about, you was worried about backsliding or something like that? Something on that order? Well, look, let me tell about your experience. Now look, sister, this may hurt a little bit in the audience. Now, if you don't believe this that... I'm talking to the woman. See? God don't run His business like that. Now, you know you were once saved. You know that. Well, if God saved you here, knowing He was going to lose you down there, He defeats His own purpose. He can't... You can't... He can't

lose you. He might have to take you off the earth because of your sin, like the man in the Bible, who was living with his own mother, and they turned him over to the devil for the destruction of the flesh that the save--that the soul might be saved. But He can't lose you. You're His. Before the world begin, He ordained you to Eternal Life. And it's the devil trying to cheat you out of it. Call him a liar. Jesus Christ, Jehovah-jireh, has provided a place for you. Go get it. Live happy. God bless you." [*Jehovah-Jireh Discernment, Edmonton, AB 57-0810*]

"A man is made like a sheep. And a sheep cannot find its way back, I'm told; when it's lost, it's totally lost. And that's the way with man. When he is lost, he is absolutely helpless. He must have a shepherd to guide him. And man when he chooses, as the days go on, we find man continually getting worse, choosing rather to walk by sight, than stead of by faith, by the Unseen. And when he does that, he robs the inner man, which is the soul. And that's the eternal part of man. [*Looking At The Unseen, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1003*]

"A soul that's saved has Eternal Life. It cannot perish or nothing can ever take it from you. It's gone into the books of God to be raised up in the last days. The great thing is the first thing. First the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, other things shall be added." [*Watchman What Of The Night, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1130*]

"As long as you got a Pentecostal Experience in your heart, pentecost in your soul, giving you Eternal Life, then God has promised you that, "You'll never be touched with the second death;" that, you got Eternal Life and can't be touched with the second death. See? You got... you're..."Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God." Now, don't grieve It (do things that's wrong). If you do, you'll pay for it; 'cause the Bible said, "Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby you are sealed until the day of your redemption." Is that right? "Grieve not the Holy Spirit." [*The Smyrnaean Church Age, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1206*]

"Divine healing is not on the same basis as salvation. Divine healing was included in the Atonement, truly. The old atonement had Divine healing, and the new one is a much better than the old one. So if it's better, it's got to be better in every way, but Divine healing... Salvation of the soul and you become a new creature, Eternal Life. You don't have eternal health by healing, but it's an attribute. It's--it's the earnest of your resurrection. If there's no Divine healing, then there is no resurrection. See? But now, what is it? It's your own personal faith in a finished work of Christ at Calvary." [*Abraham, Brooklyn, NY 56-1208*]

"Don't settle for nothing less than an old fashion experience of the New Birth, to be born again of the Spirit of the eternal God, when your soul and God locks together and you become one." [*Life, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0602*]

"From there, unto the great home of the living God where the soul never dies, where there's no sickness, sorrow, or old age... No death there cannot enter that blissful, holy place. Lord, let their soul take it's eternal rest from this hour on upon that great promise. "All that the Father has given Me will come to Me.

And he that comes to Me, I will in no wise cast out. I'll raise him up at the last day, give him Eternal Life." And again, it is written, "He that heareth My Words and believeth on Him that sent Me hath (present tense) Eternal Life, shall not come to the judgment, but is passed from death unto Life." Grant it, Lord. I commit them into Thy hands now." [*Door To The Heart, Phoenix, AZ 60-0312*]

"I pray Thee, most merciful God, with all my heart and my soul, that Thou will this night receive those that You seen them put their hands up. They're in such a condition. They realize that they've got to face a endless eternity. And I pray, God, that You'll never let them perish. May this be the time that the eternal God will place His Spirit in their heart, and they will receive Eternal Life, and be born anew right now, right in their seats where they're sitting. God, You know their hearts and may it happen just this moment. May it from this hour on, they be a changed person." [*Faith Once Delivered To The Saints, Indianapolis, IN 57-0610*]

"I'm going to be responsible at the day of the judgment for my ministry. God gave me this ministry to win SOULS. Divine healing is just not for the healing of the body; it's to catch SOULS. See? The body may be healed; it'll get sick again. That's right. And it's got to die. But that soul, once born and connected in the Kingdom of God, has Eternal, Everlasting Life. When aeons will roll on, aeons of time, it'll still be the same." [*The Infallible Word Of God, Chicago, IL 56-0406*]

"Man shall not live by bread alone," said the Lord, "but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." And a man's physical being, to be taken care of, is not all the reason God put him on the earth. Because what He does with this physical being amounts to very little. It's his soul what counts. It's the inward man that did not come from the earth; it come from heaven, and that's the eternal part of the human being." [*Looking At The Unseen, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1003*]

"Riches is when the Kingdom of God has come into the human HEART, changed his emotions, and made him a new creature in Christ Jesus, and give him Eternal Life. That's the richest thing on earth." [*The Unity Of One God In The One Church, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1221E*]

"That's how we can never die, because we was always. We're a part of God, the offspring of God, and He's the only Eternal thing there is. [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit three times--Ed.] Amen. You can no more die than God can die, because you're Eternal, with Him. Amen!" [*Is This The Sign Of The End, Sir, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1230E*]

"The first death is separating from our loved ones. We're go in the Presence of God, never out of His Presence. See? Now, if there's a second death, then it'd have to be the death of the soul. And then he that overcomes the world, or overcomes the things of the world, has Eternal Life and shall not be touched by the second death. There you are, Eternal Life." [*The Smyrnaean Church Age, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1206*]

"The first man, you can't see him. God... second man was a halo. And now He takes a third man and makes him like a little white cloud, coming over, we can see him; Holy Spirit coming down. And he's all man. That's the soul of man, eternal then." [*Who Is God? Cleveland, OH 50-0815*]

"The Spirit can come out here and anoint you to do certain thing, and you do it, but that don't mean you're saved. Think of it. Caiaphas prophesied. Judas cast out devils. See, the Spirit anointed him. This rain falls on the just and the unjust, the weeds can rejoice with the wheat. But it's what it is at the core. There's where you can, intellectuals, can accept and say, "Oh, sure, that looks good. I believe that." That still don't do it. No, sir. And the spirit can actually make witness of it, and still it isn't so. Because if that soul hasn't come from God, it can make all the impersonations out here, but it cannot be real. You can act healing, you can act like you have. You can act like you receive it. Christians can act like they're Christians, and act and be ever so good at it, but that don't mean they're saved. That's exactly right, see. The Spirit can be there, the real, genuine Spirit. The Holy Spirit can anoint you, that still don't mean you're saved. It's that inside soul that never dies, it's got Eternal Life. It always was Eternal Life. See? It come from God, it goes to God, it's the soul." [*Works Is Faith Expressed, Shreveport, LA 65-1126*]

"There is one life. And I believe a man that has Eternal Life can never die, and I believe there is a complete annihilation of that soul that sins, for the Bible said, "The soul that sinneth, it shall surely die," not the man, the soul that sinneth. So Satan must surely die to be completely destroyed. How I disagree with the universalist that say that Satan will be saved. He sinned, and he's the originator of sin. And his soul sinned and he was a spirit. That spirit shall be totally annihilated to be nothing left of it." [*That Day On Calvary, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0925*]

"We believe in the immortality of the soul, absolutely. We believe there's only one form of Eternal Life and that's the Life that you get from Christ Jesus. That's exactly right. Therefore, we do not believe in eternal punishment. We believe in a hell fire, brimstone burning, but we don't believe it burns forever. If it does, you got Eternal Life. There's only one Eternal Life; that comes from God. That's right. You'll be burnt maybe for a million years, ten million years, I don't know; but you can't have Eternal Life. You can't burn forever... You can burn forever, but not eternal. There's a difference between "eternal" and "forever." "Forever" is forever and forever (conjunction) means "a space of time." But eternal... You do not have eternal punishment. You have Eternal Life, 'cause there's only one form of Eternal Life, and he that has Eternal Life lives and is blessed of God forever. But the soul that sinneth, that soul shall what? Die. Then it hasn't Eternal Life. Certainly. It has--it has its punishment, but not Eternal Life." [*The Serpent's Seed, Jeffersonville, IN 58-0928E*]

"We want a soul-healing service, to heal the inside, because that is what's going to last, you get Eternal Life. Eternal Life does not vanish or grow old. It stays, remains the same." [*The Patmos Vision, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1204E*]

“When you die and that soul leaves you, it never changes. No, sir. Death doesn't change the soul. It changes its dwelling place, but it's still the same soul. So if it isn't born again, and a part of the Eternal Spirit of God, it had a beginning. Anything with a beginning has an end. That's the reason God is the only thing is Eternal. Unless you're born again and have Eternal Life (the Greek word Zoe there means "God's Own Life" in you), you'll perish. But where God's Life is in you, you can no more perish than God can perish, that's right, because you are a son, an offspring of God, and have Eternal Life. Oh, that's the thing the church needs. Then when God is in you, then He lives His Own Life through you. See? And that's how we--we know that we're Christians. Then you're concerned about your brother, if the Spirit is in Christ.” [62-0118 *Convinced Then Concerned, Tempe, AZ*]

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Foolish Virgins

I am personally grateful for every effort towards this publication.

The questions and the correct and relevant answers are important to help us further understand the Word of God revealed to us in this day aimed at preparing us for the rapture.

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Study the answers and ask the Lord to reveal this glorious Truth to you. I believe He will let you know “WHO JESUS CHRIST IS.”

-Alexander Ukeni

Foolish Virgins

Are Foolish Virgins filled with the Holy Spirit?

“Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. (2) And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. (3) They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: (4) But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. (5) While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. (6) And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. (7) Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. (8) And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. (9) But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. (10) And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. (11) Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. (12) But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. (13) Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.” *[Matthew 25:1-13]*

“When you use the expression that if we do not believe the Word, we will be eternally separated from Christ, do you mean the foolish virgin will live eternally, but they will be separated from the new Jerusalem where Christ will dwell with the Bride? Here are those who do not have the Holy Spirit, born again as the Scripture speaks of being born again. If the natural birth requires water, blood, and spirit, does not the spiritual birth require all three stages of grace before the person is truly born again? Absolutely, I just explained that this morning--the same, on the same thing. You've got to have all stages. You're begotten of the Spirit, just like a baby's begotten into the womb of a mother, but not born until they receive the Holy Ghost. That's right. You're born then; you're not converted. You're in the procession of being converted until that time. That's the reason that all these great mysteries could not be given to Luther, could not be given to Wesley, could not be given to the age that has just passed by us, the Pentecostal age. Why? It wasn't time. They were begotten. Now, the Person of Christ, Himself, the Son of man (You understand?) revealing Himself in human flesh, it could not have come till now.” *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0830E]*

“Where are the foolish virgins during the Millennium?” In the Millennium they're in the grave. “The rest of the dead lived not for a thousand years.” *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0830E]*

“That the oil always symbolizes the Holy Spirit, like the foolish virgins with no oil, wise virgins with oil, which is the Holy Spirit, and then on back in--in the--the prophets and so forth.” *[The Fourth Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0321]*

“What troubles me at this hour, is knowing that we see all these denominations pulling into this what we know to be the... what you call the latter rain, or, the pouring out of the Spirit. Do you realize that Jesus said, that, “When that come to pass, it would be the end”? When, the foolish virgin and the wise virgin was

not heirs together. For when... The foolish virgin, she was a virgin, just lacking Oil. But when she come to buy Oil, it was at that time that the Bridegroom came. And she was left out, while she was trying to buy Oil. Do you understand? I want that to soak in, real good. Now, surely I won't have to move that subject any further. Now, neither can the Spiritual and the natural be heirs together." *[The Seed Shall Not Be Heir With The Shuck, Los Angeles, CA 65-0429B]*

"Today, as it was then, they put their own interpretation to the Word. Now, if they want to do that, that's up to them, but they try to make us believe it. The Bible said that, "This Word of God is of no private interpretation." God does His Own interpreting. God confirms His Word, and that's the interpretation of It. As I many times said, He said in the beginning, "Let there be light," and there was light. That don't need to be interpreted; it happened. He said, "A virgin would conceive," she did. He said He'd "pour out His Spirit," He did. And He said, "in the last days," the things that He would do, and He's doing it! It don't need any interpretation; God is doing His Own interpreting. No matter what foolish man say, that doesn't stop God a bit." *[Spiritual Food In Due Season, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0718E]*

"But some day those feet of brass will stand upon the earth. And the Judge of all the earth He shall be, and with equity and perfection will He judge mankind. And there will be no evading that judgment. No turning of that justice. There will be no tempering of it. He that is unjust will be unjust still; he that is filthy will be filthy still. The Unchanging One will not change then, for He never has and never will. Those feet of brass will crush the enemy. They will destroy the antichrist, the beast and the image and all that is vile in His sight. He will destroy the church systems that have taken His Name only to corrupt its brilliance and crush them along with the antichrist. All the wicked, the atheists, the agnostics, the modernists, the liberals, will all be there. Death, hell, and the grave will be there. Yes they will. For when He comes, the books will be opened. That is when even the lukewarm church and the five foolish virgins will appear. He will separate the sheep from the goats. When He comes He will take over the kingdom, for it is His, and with Him will be the thousands times ten thousands, His Bride, who come to minister to Him. Glory! Oh, it is now or never. Repent before it is too late. Wake up from amongst the dead and seek God to be filled with His Spirit or you will miss eternal life. Do it now while there is time." *[Patmos Vision, Church Ages Book]*

"What will be the punishment of the harlot and her children? Well, it is going to be twofold. First He said, "I will cast her into a bed." According to the last part of verse 22 it will be a bed of tribulation, or the great tribulation. That is exactly what Jesus said in Matthew 25:1-13. There were ten virgins. Five were wise and five were foolish. The five wise had oil (the Holy Spirit) but the other five did not. When the cry went up, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh," the five foolish had to run seeking oil while the five wise virgins went in to the marriage. The five that remained outside were left to the great tribulation. That is what will happen to all who do not go up in the rapture. That is what will

come upon the harlot and her daughters. Secondly, it says that he will kill them with death or as a literal translation says, "Let them be put to death with death." This is a strange saying. We might say, "let a man be put to death by hanging, or by electrocution or some other way." But this says, "Let them be put to death by death." Death itself is the cause of their death. [*Thyatirean, Church Ages Book*]

"Now I want you to see this clearly so I will take our illustration again of the daughter of Jezebel marrying into the house of Judah and thereby bringing it right into idolatry and causing God to deliver Judah to death. That is what Balaam did, too. So here was Jezebel with her paganism. Over there is Judah properly worshipping God and living under the Word. So Jezebel marries her daughter to Jehoram. The minute that happens, Jehoram causes the people to become idolaters. The minute that marriage took place Judah was dead. Spiritual death came in. The minute the first church of Rome organized, it died. The minute that the Lutherans organized, death came in and they died. The Pentecostals came along last and they organized. The Spirit left, though they don't believe it. But He did. That marriage brought death. Then the light of Oneness of the Godhead came. They organized and they died too. Then after the fire of God fell on the Ohio River in 1933 a healing revival swept the world, but it never came through any organization. God went outside the Pentecostal groups, outside of organization, and what He is going to do in the future is going to be outside organization, too. God can't work through the dead. He can only work through the living members. Those living members are outside of Babylon." [*Thyatirean, Church Ages Book*]

"It is the second resurrection wherein the five foolish virgins come up. Notice that they were virgins. They did not have the Holy Spirit so they missed being in the bride, while the five wise who had oil became a part of that bride. But these people, being a separated, God-loving people, and trying to abide in the Word, according to what they knew of it, and being a help in the work of the Lord will come up at the end of time. They will miss the millennium, which you can begin to see by these truths is much more important and wonderful than we have ever thought or believed." [*Sardisean, Church Ages Book*]

"First of all, we know most assuredly that the purpose of God stands in election. It was purposed in Himself. It was God's purpose to bring forth a people like unto Himself that would be a Word Bride. She was chosen before the foundation of the world IN HIM. She was fore-known and beloved before she was ever brought forth during the ages upon the earth. She was redeemed by His blood and can NEVER come into condemnation. She can never be in the judgment because sin cannot be imputed unto her. Romans 4:8, "Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin." [*Sardisean, Church Ages Book*]

"But indeed she shall be with Him in His throne of judgment, judging the world and even angels. Her name (each of her members) was written in a section of the Lamb's Book of Life before the foundation of the world. Secondly, there is another class. Their names are also in the Book of Life and they will come up

in the second resurrection. Such are the foolish virgins and the righteous as are spoken of in Matthew 25. In this class also are those who do not worship the beast or become involved in the antichrist system but die for their faith even though they are not in the bride, not having been born again. But they will come up in the second resurrection and go into eternal life. Thirdly, there are the borderline Christians such as we saw in Israel coming out of Egypt. These had their names in the Book of Life and their works written in the books. These having failed to obey God and being void of the Spirit, though even the signs and wonders were amongst them, will have their names removed from the Book of Life. Amongst this group will be the ones like Judas who though entirely void of the Spirit, but are religious, will have manifestation in their lives, and though on the books were not the elected IN HIM. Such also as Balaam will be in that group. Fourth and finally are the ones whose names have never been or will ever be written on the books." [*Sardisean, Church Ages Book*]

"Such are found in Revelation 13:8 and Revelation 17:8, "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. The beast that thou sawest was, and is not: and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is." Jesus said that a certain group would accept one who came in his own name. That one is the antichrist. And that is exactly what it says of them in Revelation 13:8, and 17:8. These were ordained of God but not unto election. And with this group is such that are as Pharaoh. It says of him, "Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up. Vessels of wrath fitted for destruction." Romans 9:17 and 22. None of these would be placed on the records of life. I am not saying that there is no record of them. No doubt there is some kind of a record of them, but NOT IN THE RECORDS OF LIFE. Their purpose of existence has been dealt with slightly in the rest of this book but we can add two more Scriptures. Proverbs 16:4, "The Lord hath made the wicked for the day of evil." Job 21:30, "The wicked is reserved to the day of destruction, they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath." [*Sardisean, Church Ages Book*]

Bible References:

Matthew 25:1-13

Do Foolish Virgins Enter Tribulation?

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meet him. (7) Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. (8) And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. (9) But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. (10) And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. (11) Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. (12) But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. (13) Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." [Matthew 25:1-13]

"Watch the ten virgins that went out. Five... All of them virgins. Five of them were foolish; five had oil in their lamps. What is the Oil? The Holy Spirit. See? That's right. They were all virgins, lived good, clean lives. You say, "Well, brother, I don't go to dances; I don't go to shows." That's just the moral things. Unless there has been a supernatural... Not because you shouted, not because you spoke with tongues, not because you jumped up-and-down, not because you did this; but something supernatural has happened in here that's changed you and put you a sealed love in God. You're anchored. That's right." [Israel And The Church, Jeffersonville, IN 53-0327]

"Here they go, moving down there. One of the writers said that God was in that Pillar of Fire, "And He looked down through with angry eyes." And said, "When He did, the Red Sea got scared and begin to move back, and Israel passed through on dry land." Never even got their feet muddy. Well, these guys come along, said, "We're just as human as they are, and we worship the same as they do, so we'll do it." And when they got out there, they found out they couldn't make it. And that's what's going to happen one of these days, brother, when the separating time comes. And to you, you lukewarm church member, that you're trying to impersonate Christianity, one of these days you're going to try to follow that Holy Ghost band, and you'll find out your wheels will come off out yonder in the muddy somewhere. That's right. There--there was ten virgins went to meet the Lord, five of them were wise, and five foolish. Put Oil in your lamp, trim her bright, one of these days they're going up. And there was weeping and wailing, and gnashing of teeth." [Israel And The Church, Jeffersonville, IN 53-0327]

"Moses, when he turned aside, looked at the bush, God was going to send him, but before Moses knew, he said, "Show me Your glory." You know, sometimes when God does things, He does it in such a funny way, an odd way, peculiar way to the people of this world, it seems foolish to the carnal mind. How that God does things so--so simple, it just confuses the carnal mind. For instance, the virgin birth, and many things that's yet got the carnal mind all broke up. They don't know what to think about it. But God does it. Just like when John the Baptist came. Why, the Scripture said, when the inauguration of Jesus down there, at the river that day, that the... "All the high places would be made low and the low places brought high. And the--the leaves all clapped their hands, and the mountains skipped like little lambs." Just think of it. And what was it? An old woodsman type of a preacher, with the beard out over his face, like a

fuzzy worm, and a big piece of sheepskin wrapped around him, standing on the muddy banks of Jordan, preaching repentance. Amen. (No fine, dressed lace, silks, and satins and whatever it was.)" *[Witnesses, Phoenix, AZ 54-0303]*

"Noah was a type that was carried over like the sleeping virgin. But Enoch was translated just before the tribulation struck. And Enoch was took up, and was found not, because God took him: the type of the going forth of the church. And Noah watched him. When he seen Enoch go, he knew it was time to enter the ark, for to be carried through the tribulation. The Bible said there was ten virgins went out to meet the bridegroom, and five were wise; five were foolish. And they were all virgins, every one of them. But five was wise. And they had oil in their lamp. And they went out to meet the bridegroom. And the bridegroom came. And the ones that had oil, went in. See, the translation, going with the Bridegroom. But those who were left behind, they come and wanted in too just like those who come and knocked on the door of the ark. "Noah, let us in." But God closed the door. No, friend of mine, one of these days God's going to give you your final call, then the door's going to be closed between mercy, and judgment. Don't be left out. Get in now while you can. Don't pay no attention to what the world says. Get into Christ, for those that are in Christ will God bring with Him. See?" *[The Lamb's Book Of Life, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0603]*

"You know there were virgins that went out to meet Him. And five were still virgins, but were foolish virgins that didn't keep oil in their lamps. And though they were virgins, just the same as the others, they were not permitted to the wedding supper. So far be it, from any people here tonight, to be included, so they'd be excluded, from the presence of the Lord, included in that group of the virgins with no oil in their lamps." *[Handwriting On The Wall, Greenville, SC 58-0618]*

"How many of you, all perhaps, have read of the virgins? Some were wise and some were foolish. "Virgin" means "purity." They were all good people, every one of them virgin, sanctified vessels of God. But those who had oil in their lamps went in. And the others was left out. They were all virgins, every one, people that you couldn't put your finger on for anything wrong. They everyone believed in the coming of the Lord. They were ready to go meet Him, but some of them let their oil go out. Don't let that be your case. Keep oil in your lamp. Oil is the Spirit, the Holy Spirit. Never let it drain from you. When you feel your love dying away, your sincerity to Christ, and to the--the cause, quickly go to Him Who has the Fountain of Oil and buy for yourself a filling of the Holy Spirit. Our nation gone, morally corrupted and ruined, our politics corrupted and gone, our leaders... O God, what could we do about it? You can put a good man in, and he comes out a crook. There's only One we can bring now, that's the Lord Jesus. Let's make ready for His coming." *[The Sudden Secret Going Away Of The Church, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1012]*

"Now there's another question here that was given me last evening: "Brother Branham, are the five foolish virgins of Matthew 25 counted as the Gentile remnant? I understand that the five foolish virgins were saved but have to go

through the great tribulation period. Is this correct? If so, what will be their final destination? Could they be the sheep which are divided from the goats in Matthew 25:33 and 34?" Pretty good theologian according to what I... [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.]... think it too, that they are the remnant, the sleeping virgin is the remnant spoke of in Revelation; of the woman's seed that keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. A woman will take a--a piece of goods and lay it down; well, now, that is what she's cutting her... or takes her pattern and lays anywhere she desires, which way she's going to cut that. And then what she has left over is called the remnant, but she chooses to cut it from a certain place by her own free thinking. But what's left over is called the remnant. Now, if you'll notice, there were five foolish and five wise virgins; all of them was virgins, made out of the same material. But, by election, God chose His Bride by election before the foundation of the world, put their names on the Lamb's Book of Life slain before the foundation of the world; before the world ever began, God in His mind, being infinite. And we use the word sometime, is "predestination," but it's a sure hanger in this church age that we live in. It was certainly a great thing used in the days of the martyrs, 'cause they certainly believed it. But it's got away from It now, to the legalist ideas, the legalist teaching in the church which come... Which was a good thing, because all of it had gone Calvinistic in England till they didn't even have revivals anymore, and John Wesley come along preaching the Arminian doctrine which balanced it up. God will always balance it up. So then the foolish virgin was the one who did not have oil in their lamps, that I believe that was cast out into outer darkness where there'll be weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth. And if you'll compare that, or your footnotes, it'll run it right back again to the great tribulation. And I think they're the ones who stays back and goes through the great tribulation. And quite a lesson there, if we had time to go into it. If you..". [*The Patmos Vision, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1204E*]

"Now I want just to ask you something. I'm speaking to you lukewarm church. Ten virgins went out to meet the Lord, five of them was wise, five foolish; as we took this morning, that grafted tree. Now, remember, as they went out to meet God... Now watch, the Bible said, "The books were opened." Daniel 7:9, "The books were opened." That's the book of the sinner. "And another book was opened." Who came with Him? The Church from the Rapture. Oh! "Tens of thousands times thousands times thousands of thousands came with Him and ministered to Him," His wife, the Bride. Oh, glory! His wife came with Him, the Church. Judgment was set, and the books were opened. And another book was opened, which was the sleeping virgin, and every man was judged thus from the book. You'll be asked to give a reason why you didn't, and then what then? You know better now, you know better. You might not have knowed It before, but you do now. See? Where if this righteous will scarcely be saved, where will that sinner and unGodly person appear? The one who rejects, knows better and then rejects It. Where will they appear? His feet like brass, Divine judgment." [*The Patmos Vision, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1204E*]

"It's going to be a wonderful day, some morn, some of these times. To show you that the resurrection's going to be universal, "There'll be two in a field, and I'll take one; and two in the bed, and I'll take one." See, it'll be a night one place, and daylight on the other side of the earth; be a universal resurrection, that Rapture. The trumpet of God shall sound, and every one of these, of this little church here, here, here, and even that little bunch that went through there, and come out here, here, here. When that virgin, that virgin when she seen in the seventh watch that... Now, you'll remember, there were seven virgins. Is that right? Or, I mean, five virgins went out... Ten virgins went out to meet the Lord, five was wise and five was foolish. Is that right? And now, in the watches though, there was seven watches. And at the end of the seventh watch (some slept from this watch, this one, this one, this one, and that,...), the seventh watch, there was a voice went out, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet Him." And they rose and trimmed their lamps. And all these others rose down through here. Oh, won't that be a wonderful time!" [*The Smyrnaean Church Age, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1206*]

"Now watch, they... both of them were "virgins." Now let me get this. Here, let's takes these two right here. This is a virgin and this is a virgin, this was a foolish virgin and this was a wise virgin, but both of them are virgins. Now if you'll take that name virgin and run it down, it means--it means "holy, clean, sanctified." The word sanctified comes from the word "sainted," which mean, "clean." Like the Hebrew word... Now, that's a Greek word, sanctify means "clean." Now, the Hebrew word is make "holy." See? And ours is "clean." Now, they take the three words, like each word has the same meaning but it's spoke different, like the--the word "clean, holy, sanctified," all three the same word." [*The Ten Virgins, and The 144,000 Jews, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1211M*]

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Matthew 21:1-13

Will Foolish Virgins Be Lost?

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say unto you, I know you not. (13) Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." [Matthew 25:1-13]

"Now, there was the virgins went out to meet Him. And the "foolish" virgins, now, did not have Oil in their lamp, but they had everything else: they were clean, they believed in Christ; they preached the Word that they believed, their denomination would let them preach, they preached that, the Second Coming, the Sacrifice, the Atonement. They believe. You ever tie up with a good Baptist scholar one time, (huh) you better know what you're talking about, uh-huh, sure had." [The Ten Virgins, and The 144,000 Jews, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1211M]

"Now do you understand what the remnant of the Jews is, the hundred and forty-four thousand? Where they're setting, waiting? Right at the hour. Can you see now that the foolish virgin that won't take the... wouldn't take the Oil, and will have to rise and be separated, the rights and wrongs at the day of the judgment? Do you understand that when the--the foolish virgin begin to receive, just like now, that she needed This, she went after It; it was that very minute that the Bridegroom came? Then how close are we? Right now! We have now in just a short time, I don't know how much longer it might be. I couldn't say when, I--I don't know. Might be another year, it might be another ten years, forty years, might be forty minutes. I--I don't know, I can't say. But I know it's near, it's real near." [The Ten Virgins, and The 144,000 Jews, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1211M]

"Were the five of the virgins lost?" I presume that they are asking the question, "the five virgins," the five wise and the five foolish. Now, if you were with us in the last teachings in Revelation, you find out there that those virgins, the--the five foolish virgins were not lost; but they were not permitted to go into the wedding supper, but they suffered persecution, and was martyred, and raised again at the general resurrection in the last day. Those are the people where He separated the sheep from the goats, see, they stood before judgment. You say, "Well, Brother Branham, don't we stand, the Church?" No, sir. We do not stand before the judgment. We are now standing before the Judgment. God put our sins upon Christ, and we... "He that heareth My Word (St. John 5:24) and believeth on Him that sent Me has Eternal Life, and shall not come into the judgment but has passed from death unto Life." No more judgment for the Church, it's took up in the rapture, and comes back to pass judgment upon the people who did not receive the Holy Spirit. Does not Paul say that he dares any of us to take a--a matter to the court, to the unjust magistrate, when, "know ye not that the saints shall judge the earth?" We will set with Christ and judge, kings, and priests, and judge these people that we preached to and told them about the baptism of the Holy Ghost and they refused to receive It. Think of it. No, they were not lost, but they will never be in the Bride. They were come in the second resurrection, but never be in the Bride, to be judged according to the way they treated the Light that they received. Now, that part will be up to Christ. They were not lost though." [God Being Misunderstood, Jeffersonville, IN 61-0723E]

"This thing of this Council of Churches is nothing else in the world but a--a stir of the foolish virgin, to be left here on the earth for a picking for the antichrist. But the real Church of God will float like old Noah did, and go on into Glory just as sure as I'm standing here. That's why He's gathering them together. That's what the Voice is speaking forward today. That's what God's a-doing, is gathering one from Los Angeles, and one from Philadelphia, and one from Georgia, and so forth. Gathering them together, His people that's willing to believe the Word of the living God. "As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the coming of the Son of man, wherein a few was saved, just a very few." All right, our Holy Ghost ark will float right above the judgments of God, 'cause we're already judged, as we confess Jesus, and He took our judgment." [*Oneness, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0211*]

"Look what's happened now. What is it? The World Council of Churches, they talk about that. And they say all these... Like our brother Presbyterian, and so forth, coming, in. That's wonderful. I believe in that too. But did you ever wake up to think that Jesus said that that foolish virgin, when she begin to call for oil, it was right then the Bridegroom come? When they woke up and begin to realize that they'd had no oil, they went to buy oil. And it's at that minute, when they went to buy oil that the Bridegroom come and the Bride went in. Can't you see that?" [*Letting Off The Pressure, Green Lake, WI 62-0518*]

"We have two classes today that's professing. Now listen close, in closing. We have two classes that's professing to be the Bride of Christ. That's right. And the Bible speaks there will be two classes. That's right. The wise virgin and the foolish one. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] There's two classes. The church says, "We are the Church." They go out and have these great evangelistic campaigns, bring the people into the church. The women continue on with their way of doing. The men continue on with their way of doing. They never change their doctrine. They got it all wrote out, and documented, and set down, and those Apostles' Creed, and certain prayers, and all these catechisms, and everything that the Methodists, and Baptists, and Presbyterians, and Catholic, and all, read. And they accept that catechism because some great man back behind said that was right. He might have been a great man, he might have been right, but he hasn't got the authority to say that. Cause, the Bible is God's authority. It's the written Word of God. "And any man that adds one thing to It, or takes anything from It, the same will be taken (his part) out of the Book of Life." That can't be done so, now. But we have two professing it. One said, "Well, we're the Church." The other one said, "We're the Church." All right. The wise and foolish, both are invited. But did you notice? They both had vessels. That's right. They both was virgins, believers. They both had vessels. But, Satan is more than a match for us. We know that. We know that Satan is way more than a--a match for any human being. Don't you never try to do it with your wisdom, outsmart him. You just can't do it. Jesus knew this, so He sent to the Church, That, so Satan would not outsmart them, a place to be fortified. He sent them the Holy Ghost." [*The Conflict Between God And Satan, Clarksville, IN 62-0531*]

“And the Church does not claim to be smart. They just claim to believe. Their preachers can't go out and show you their Ph., double L., Q.U., S.T.D., and all these other things. They don't have no great, big inauguration times when they're ordained into some ministerial association.” [*The Conflict Between God And Satan, Clarksville, IN 62-0531*]

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“Fire is the confirmation of the Light coming from the Word. They will fill... The smart virgin, the wise virgin, had Oil in Her lamp, and She trimmed Her lamp and lit it. Now, what is it? Now, the... God is the Word. The Oil is the Spirit. And the Fire is the Gospel Light on that Oil. God said so. See? That's the vessel. All right. The Oil is in the vessel. And the Fire, burning It, shows that It's reflecting the Light of what the Word said. See? That's the reflection. Now, that wise virgin could do that. But that other, foolish virgin, was on the outside, had no Oil, and they couldn't reflect nothing but just their church and their denomination. See? Now, you say, "The Word, you said 'the Word was--was

Spirit?" Yes, sir. God said, "My Word is Spirit." That's right. The true Bride must be unified by the Word. Now, remember, if She is a part of Christ, She has to be the Word of Christ. In order to be the Word of Christ, you have to be baptized into Christ. And when you're in Christ, you believe Christ, and Christ is the Word." [*The Conflict Between God And Satan, Clarksville, IN 62-0531*]

"Here's the good part now. Notice, "See that thou hurt not this wine and oil." Just a little bit of it left, brother. "Don't you touch that." Now, oil is--symbolizes the Spirit, the Holy Spirit. I'll give you a few verses if you want to, a few Scriptures in Leviticus 8:12, where Aaron, before he went in had to be anointed with oil, you know; and--and Zechariah 4:12, of oil coming, pouring through the pipes and said, "This is My Spirit," oil. Another thing, if you want to see Matthew 14:25, there was a foolish virgin (25:3) the foolish virgin had no oil, no Spirit. And Matthew 25:4, the wise virgin had oil in her lamps, Spirit-filled. Spirit... Oil typifies the Spirit. Oh, glory. You get it? All right." [*The Third Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0320*]

"Something happened the other day. You read, or heard the tape, "the seven thunders," What Time Is It, Sir? See? It happened the other day. You know these things. The time is at hand, church. The time is at hand. Don't, don't, don't wait any longer. See? How do you know the Rapture is not going on all the time? First thing you know, it'll be past, one disappearing here and there. It'll be gone, the first thing you know. And you'll... Judgment will strike the world. You say, "Well, I--I thought this." "It's too late now." Remember, they didn't know it until the day they entered into the ark, and then it was too late. The foolish virgin didn't know until she come back and found the wise virgin gone, then she was left for the Tribulation period." [*God Hiding Himself In Simplicity, Albuquerque, NM 63-0412e*]

"After the Bride is raptured will any of the foolish virgin be saved or will they all be lost?" No. See, everything will be finished for the Gentile church when the Bride is taken from the earth. The Spirit of God leaves the earth: "He that's filthy is filthy still; he that's righteous is righteous still; he that's holy is holy still." In other words the sanctuary becomes smoky, where the--the Attorney stands to plead the case. Christ leaves the sanctuary; His day of mediatorial is over. The rapture comes; He leaves from the sanctuary, goes forth and takes the Book of Redemption, and claims everything He redeemed. There's no more mediatorial work. How many understands that? I got it on one of the Seals--or one of the... Yeah, the Seals, I believe it was, that Christ comes forth to claim His mediatorial work. Now, just a minute. "Will the foolish virgin be saved." No. Whatever happens she--happens now. After that time she's in the state... Now, she will have to go through the tribulation period. And the reason of it is, is because she has rejected the Atonement in Its fullness. She is a believer, a professed believer, but she will have to go through the tribulation period. The Bible said, "And the rest of them, the dragon spurted water out of his mouth to go and make war..." And what an hour that is. The... There's never been a time in history where that the nominal churches has become so hungry to find the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I--I speak for the Christian Business Men.

Constantly, it's Presbyterian, Lutheran, Catholic, and all, Baptists by the hundreds, Church of Christ, Nazarenes, Pilgrim Holiness, Seventh Day Adventists, every one of them flocking in trying to find... See? [Next Paragraph] Now, this is a striking thing. Please don't take it as a doctrine, but do you understand what the Scriptures said would take place when that did? Time was over. For look, there was seven virgins--or ten virgins went out to meet the Bridegroom, and half of them had oil in their lamp, half of them didn't. That's the part of the body that's dead and the part that's alive. The five's wise, when they--the cry come, "Behold the Bridegroom..." they all trimmed--woke and trimmed their lamps to go into the wedding supper. But when the foolish virgin said, "Give us some of your oil, our lamps is gone out. (See?) Give us of your oil," they said, "Not so, we just got enough for ourself. Go buy it." And while they went to buy it, the Bridegroom came." [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823E*]

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God's Bride

What a great privilege we have been given to thirst after God. In that search to satisfy that holy thirst we will have many mountains to climb, many rivers to cross and many questions that we need answers to. We know for sure there are many questions that will never be answered until we get Home, but God by His grace has sent us a Prophet with a Message to help answer many of our questions.

Solomon said: "Folly is joy to him that is destitute of wisdom: but a man of understanding walketh uprightly." [*Proverbs 15:21*]

He also said: "Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it: but the instruction of fools is folly." [*Proverbs 16:22*]

So we can see that the more fruitful our understanding of our Father's desires for our lives, the more fully we can please Him.

Paul says: "The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints," [*Ephesians 1:18*]

"Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is." [*Ephesians 5:17*]

John also said: "And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life." [*1 John 5:20*]

We trust this volume 3 of Questions and Answers will enlighten you and make your life a more acceptable sacrifice to our Lord Jesus Christ.

-- Donny Reagan

God's Bride

How Is God's Bride Identified?

“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.” *[2 Corinthians 5:17]*

“That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.” *[Ephesians 5:27]*

“Now I said a moment ago that the false vine came into full fruition in this age. Her fruit would mature and ripen. That is correct. This evil-spirited church, full of iniquity, will be revealed as the mustard seed that grew into a tree wherein lodged the fowls of the air. At her head will be the antichrist, the mystery of iniquity. All this is true. And if this is true, then it must also be true that the Bride Church will mature, and her ripeness shall be an identification with her Lord by means of the Word, and her Head Who will come to her is the Mystery of Godliness, Which indeed is Christ. And as the false church with all cunning and diabolical power made up of political force, physical force and demons of darkness come against this true vine, the true vine with the fullness of the Spirit and the Word will do the very acts of power that Jesus did. Then as she nears her Headstone, becoming like Him through the Word, Jesus will come that the Bride and Groom may be forever united as one.” *[Church Ages Book 363]*

“The thing of it is, after we find out these things, that Christ is Coming for His Bride, now how do we get into that Bride? That's the question. Many say, "Join our congregation." One of them wants a certain type of baptism. One wants to do this or that. One said, "You must speak with tongues, or you haven't got It." The other one said, "You don't have to speak with tongues." This one says, "You must dance in the spirit." This says, "You must shout." This, "Got a sensation." It's all all right, and then, still, it's all wrong. How could a man that's... or a woman, or a child of God, that's born of the Spirit of God, deny the Word of God? When, God Himself interpret It and say, "This is It. I promised It. Here It is," showing It just as plain as It can. Why, they're bound to see It. See? How could Christ deny His Own Word? And if Christ is in you, It can't deny His Own Word.” *[The Rapture, Yuma, AZ 65-1204]*

“In Saint John 15, never pruned the Vine out, now. He took the branches off, cut them out, because they wasn't bearing any fruit. And--and we... Jesus wants fruit of, for Hissself. His Wife must bring forth the kind of a children that He is. Then, if it don't bring forth children, Bride children, Word children, then it's the denominational child. Then, her first love, for the world and denomination, she's gone back to that. And it can't bring forth a real, genuine, born-again Christian, 'cause there's nothing there to bring It forth.” *[The Rapture, Yuma, AZ 65-1204]*

“Dear God, You know what's behind that hand, down there under the heart. I pray, dear God. There's only one thing I'm responsible for, that's, to tell the Truth. And, dear God, they want to be saved. They want to, really. They--they

don't want this something that's just some emotion, some work up, some denominational system, some creed, some dogma that's been added. They understand, Father, that it takes the pure, unadulterated Word of God. Everything else will pass away, even heavens and earth, but It won't. And if we be that Word, the earth will pass from beneath us, but we can never pass away, because we are that Word, the Bride of the Groom.” *[The Rapture, Yuma AZ 65-1204]*

“Remember what, What Time Is It, Sir? How many ever heard it? Say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Was it exactly right? ["Amen."] Then we've got the revelation in this last days, for the Message of the Lord God to gather His Bride together. No other age has it been promised. It's promised in this age: Malachi 4, Luke 17:30, Saint John 14:12, Joel 2:38. Those promises is just exactly like John the Baptist identified himself in the Scripture.” *[The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125]*

“He can't choose It by a denomination, when He didn't choose Christ by a denomination. Did Christ come to a denomination? Did He come by a denomination? No. They rejected Him. Well, that's what the denomination done then. Then when He chooses a Bride, can He come any other way? How did He bring Christ here? By the Word of the prophets. Is that right? How will He bring His Bride here? By the Word of the prophets. How did He identify Him when He come? By a man with the spirit of Elijah upon him, come out of the wilderness. How will He identify His Bride? He promised in Malachi 4 the same thing, before He destroyed the earth, like it was in the days of Sodom.” *[Trying To Do God A Service Without Being The Will of God, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0718m]*

“We're living in the age that His Coming will be in. She must be identified in Him. Any woman must be identified with her husband, for the two are one. And Christ's Bride has to be identified with Him, for the two are One; and He is the Word, not the denomination. The Word! We are to be the children of the Light, and the Light is the Word which is made Light for this age. How do we know Light except It comes from the Word? All right. The Word made flesh is the Light of the age; when you see It, and the Bible said so.” *[The Feast Of The Trumpets, Jeffersonville IN 64-0719m]*

“Israel, in that exodus, as they come out that time, they had to have the token, to prove that they was identified with their sacrifice. And, tonight, God requires the baptism of the Holy Ghost, for a proof that we've been identified in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. There is nothing short of it. The Bible teaches it, plain, and we must believe it. It's God's Word. God is requiring it. We're having an exodus, again. We all know that. Israel was marching to the promised land, so will the Bride go to her Home, pretty soon.” *[The Token, Bakersfield CA 64-0208]*

“Paul was a Nazarite unto the Lord. He was separated from his orthodox church, to the Word of the living God. Aaron was a Nazarite unto the Lord. He was separated from among the brethren, to bear the birthstones and to be the high priest. It is a total separation. We're not to go back into the world no more,

or have anything to do with the world, but cleave only unto God. Jesus is coming after a Bride, a Woman, a Church that's separated from the things of the world, or the cares of the world. She is separated from the fashions of this modern age that we live in. She is separated from the--the cares and the traditions of churches. She is separated only to God, and God is the Word. And as husband and wife is one, so does the Bride and the Word become One, for the Word is living through the Bride. That's how. That's her credentials. That's her identification." *[God's Word Calls For A Total Separation From Unbelief Phoenix, AZ 64-0121]*

"God guided those gifts because they were the gifts to identify Him. Wise men, today, who can look away from church-anity and all the things of the world, to the Living Word of God! And God will identify His Son by His Word, because That's what He is. "I and My Father are one." And, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." And the same Word today, He's the same yesterday, today and forever. And a wise man follows That, because That's what God takes care of to identify Himself by It. Amen! A gift! A real, identified gift of God, God brings that to the earth, a thing like that, to identify Himself by." *[God's Gifts Always Find Their Places, Jeffersonville, IN 63-1222]*

"Notice then the preparation for His promised-land people. Notice what He did. First, He had a people that He had made a land for them. He had prepared a land for them. And now He sent down there a preparation for it, for the promised-land people. It was only for those who were predestinated to that promised land, Bride day. And how He done it, He sent a prophet with a message, identified it by a Pillar of Fire, and gave a token that they could rest assure that it was right. That's right. It was her consolation. Israel, coming out of Egypt then, was a--a type. This is the antitype, of the Church coming out of the denominations. Now, not all denominate. I mean the Bride. See? Some people, there is some of the independents just as bad as the denominational, sometimes worse than. I'm talking about the applied Token. The Token agrees with every Word. See? It's got to, because It is the Word. It's the Life that was in the Word. "My Words are Spiritual; They are Life," said Jesus." *[Token, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0901m]*

"But the Church (the Bride) is united by one God, under one Spirit (the Spirit of God), in one holy Union of God, to be one holy Bride to God. That's right, all together; unity of the Body. The Body waiting as a Bride; as--as it is the Bride, as we call ourselves the Bride. For the uniting time of the Bride, the Church is so coming together. It should create such a love among us that we could hardly be away from one another. That's right. We just... you don't have to beg people to pray, you don't have to beg them to worship God, you don't have to beg them to do what's right. They're just so in love with Him, till there's nothing else." *[The Uniting Time And Sign, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0818]*

"He is the first fruits of the resurrection." Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen." --Ed.] Watch. Then, what is He? "He is the Head of the Body, which is

His Church, Bride." Uh-huh. Then, the Bride-Body must follow the Head, for it is part of His resurrection and part of the mystery. It's impossible for it not to go. Oh, my! It's part of God's mystery, how God revealed Himself here and raised it up by the Word, so He reveals His Church and raising it up by the same Word. It's a part of His threefold mystery. As the Head was took from the grave, so must the Body follow Him back to Eden. Where, the Head of the family, the Man, the Bridegroom; the Bride being the Body of the Bridegroom, must follow, the Bride, because that's the Head. And the Head is revealed, and come back with Eternal Life; and the Body must follow that, because it is Husband and Wife again. Amen! And as long as you're pregnated with the same Word, which is His Body; you've took His Body, become in Him, when you took the Word. Not the creed; the Word! Oh, my! Wouldn't that make a text for this afternoon, to go on? Huh? My, wouldn't that be wonderful? See? Just think of it now, what it is. Therefore, the Body cannot recognize... Don't you fail this. The Body, therefore, cannot recognize any other headship but the Word. Cause, the--the Head is connected with the Body, and the Head is the Word, and it's the same Word, one Headship! Therefore, denominations, and holy fathers, and everything else, is dead dung. There is one Headship, that's Christ. The Body only recognizes one thing, the Word!" [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

"Now, keep those things in mind. The Church must believe every Word, every promise, every iota, and claim It for themselves, and exercise themselves in It. If I was engaged to a girl, and I was a single man, and I'd send her something, an engagement ring, and she wouldn't wear it, then that shows she doesn't believe me. She--she--she doesn't want to be my bride. And if Christ sends His church the gifts that He promised, and they refuse them and say "they're not so," they don't want to be the Bride of Christ. They are espoused to some other lover, and not to Christ, the Bridegroom. So the real Church keeps the promise, and keeps all, and accepts the gifts that God sends them. All right." [*Oneness, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0211*]

"But did you ever notice what the real Church is supposed to do? In the Old Testament, when they had the--the sacrifice, they killed one bird, and put the blood of one upon the other, the dead mate; and it flew across the earth, spreading the blood of the dead mate. When the Church becomes the real Bride of Jesus Christ, she'll carry the Blood of Jesus Christ with her, sprinkling it upon the ground, calling, "Holy, holy, holy, unto the Lord." Her atmosphere, her every bit of her will be of God. Her whole makeup will be of God. You can't expect nothing else." [*The Marriage Of The Lamb, Phoenix, AZ 62-0121e*]

"And until the church of the living God, that's called the bride of Christ, gets herself connected with God like that, she'll still wallow in the world, in the miry clay of sin, until she's connected with God in such a way, till her heart is so filled with glory and power of God, until she can't see nothing else but Christ. That's right." [*The Marriage Of The Lamb, Phoenix, AZ 62-0121e*]

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2 Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 5:27

What Is God's Bride's Honeymoon?

“And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.” *[Revelation 21:2]*

“Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb’s wife.” *[Revelation 21:9]*

“We then see that when these last of Israel have been joined in love to the Lord, and the enemy has been destroyed, God will prepare His holy mountain, His new Garden of Eden for the bride and His and her attendants for the thousand year Honeymoon upon the earth. As Adam and Eve were in the garden and did not finish out the thousand years, now Jesus our last Adam, and His Eve (True Church) will fulfill all the plan of God.” *[Church Ages Book 41]*

“But Christ's little Virgin, Word, Flock, Bride, don't care for his knowledge. She keeps, him, free of him. What is... Now let's talk about Her, a minute. She waits for Her Lord and His Millennium Honeymoon, right, with the Word Groom, as She is the Word Bride.” *[The God Of This Evil Age, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801m]*

“When Christ sets on the Throne in the Millennium, His Bride will be not one person, but it'll be tens of thousands, the Bride, all in One. And David had many wives, as individuals, but only all of them together was his wife. Like the whole Body of believers is the Bride of Christ, 'cause It's She, the woman. He was the Man. Now, we were made for Christ. Christ wasn't made for us.” *[The Choosing Of A Bride, Los Angeles, CA 65-0429e]*

“And at the end there will be one Lord Jesus, and His Bride many, singular. You get it? There was one David on one throne, one king (after God's Own heart) with five hundred wives. Jesus sitting on His Throne, hallelujah, in the Millennium, with a Wife; like it was at the beginning, created out of the earth, by the hand of Almighty God, in the resurrection, of many members.” *[Marriage And Divorce, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0221M]*

“The Millennium is not the new heavens and new earth. There will still be sin after the Millennium. The Millennium is a type of Noah going in the ark, and carried over, and brought Ham and them on the other side. And sin even come out of the ark. See? But Enoch, the translated one, was a type of the Bride that went up, not the one that was carried over. So sin will still be on the other side of the Millennium, but not during the Millennium. See? During the Millennium is peace. See? But sin will be dealt with the other side of the Millennium, and then time fades out.” *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0830m]*

“Now, the next thing left is the translation of the church, the return of Moses and Elijah, the Millennium reign upon the earth with the Bride and Groom for a thousand years, and then the judgment bar, and then a total annihilation of sin. It'll never be no more at that time. Now, not the... Cease... The Seals never

ended time. Time or seasons until after the Millennium. No. It'll still be time until after the Millennium." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0830m]*

"The Bride, when she's taken from the church, then the church age will cease. Laodicea goes into chaos; the Bride goes to glory; and the tribulation period sets in upon the sleeping virgin for three and a half years while Israel is getting its prophecy; then tribulation sets in upon Israel; and then comes the battle of Armageddon which destroys all things. And then, the Bride returns back with the Groom for a thousand years, the Millennium reign; after that comes the white throne judgment; after that comes the new heavens and new earth and the new city coming down from God out of heaven. Eternity and time blends together." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0830e]*

"Now, there you are, to the question awhile ago. See? At the judgment seat... Jesus, the church, the Bride, was raptured, went up into glory, and was up there and was married, returned back to the earth, and lived a thousand years." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823m]*

"We will have our glorified body right here on earth, eating, drinking, building houses, and--and--and living just like we do now for a thousand years. It's a--it's the Honeymoon of the Bride and Groom." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823e]*

"The time of the rapture will be the awakening of the dead and the get-togethering of the living, for--with the living, for the rapture to take place. Now, but the Bride... Now, see, one of them is a rapture way back here before the Millennium. And when the earth burns up is back here after the Millennium and after the white throne judgment. See? The Saints will be camped upon the breadth of the earth when Satan comes up around the beloved City and God rains fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823e]*

"The church, the lukewarm, the anything outside of the elected Bride will go through the tribulation period. They will not raise in the first resurrection: "The rest of the dead lived not for a thousand years," just the foreordained, predestinated, elected Bride, God's own elections. "Who is it, Brother Branham?" I don't know? I can't tell you who it is, but I know it's going to be there, 'cause the Lord said they would. See? They are the ones that'll go up from the tribulation, but the rest of them will go through the tribulation, go down, and everything will be killed before the Millennium. Then the--the righteous shall come out in the Millennium and live a thousand years. And after the thousand years, then the great white throne judgment comes, and then the dead, both right and wrong is raised. And the books are opened, and the Book of Life was open; and the saints, the Wife and the Husband, set and judge the world. And there it comes to pass the saying: "And He'll judge all nations with a rod of iron." All nations shall stand before Him there, and He'll judge them with the rod of iron. He'll separate the sheep from the goats and say to the goats, "Depart," and the sheeps, "Come, ye blessed of My Father." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823e]*

"The one who goes in with Jesus now. How do you get into Him? By one Spirit; and He is the Word. You become part of Him. What part of Him are you? The Word that's living of this hour, recognizing. You'll walk out with Him in the Millennium. That's when you walk out. Notice, not a new generation. A transplanting! "Help us, Lord. If there is one here... that's called to this Wedding Supper of the Lamb, this thousand years of Millennium reign, and to then enter into the City after the Honeymoon is over. The Millennium is merely the Honeymoon. Then She, the Bride, takes His... Bridegroom takes His Bride Home. It's Hers. Her Bridegroom; His Bride. Oh, He's gone to prepare a House, since He's become engaged. May we be true to Him Who is the Word, for He is the Word. Regardless of how others try to sass us, keep us away from It; Lord, draw me nearer. "For sometimes I grow homesick for Heaven, and its glory I There shall behold; what a joy that will be when my Saviour I see, in that beautiful City of gold!" The future Home of the Groom and Bride! He is coming back... [Blank.spot]... to the Wedding Supper; it's going to be three and a half days. Then return again, in the Millennium, on our Honeymoon. And then He--He's going to bring the City into view. Like the bridegroom taking the bride to her surprise, how the little bride stands there in awe as she looks at her future home! And by faith, today, Lord, we see it yonder. It'll be right here on this earth. You promised it." *[The Future Home Of The Heavenly Bridegroom And The Earthly Bride, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0802]*

"Then the Bride will come to be with the Bridegroom, and the Bridegroom with the Bride; and then the great Millennium, after the whole world is destroyed by atomic power. And there will be "a new heavens and new earth," shall live forever." *[The Feast Of The Trumpets, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0719m]*

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"Remember, all that Life will be gathered right into the Grain, for the resurrection, but the stalk must be burned. The rest of it; the husk and all, must be destroyed, and it will be. Don't trust in your, them denominations. You stay in the Word, the Life, God and His Masterpiece. Then what is it in the Millennium? Christ and His Bride, back in the garden of the Millennium. Amen!" *[The Masterpiece, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0705]*

"Everything travels in a three, with God. God is perfected in a three. First coming of Christ, to redeem His Bride; second coming of Christ, to receive His Bride; third coming of Christ, with His Bride, to rule in the Millennium. Everything runs in a three." *[The Voice Of The Sign, Denham Springs, LA 64-0321e]*

"All these things are attributes of God, just so that in the--the end, the Bible said, Jesus said, "You will know that I am in the Father, the Father in Me; I in you, and you in Me." It's God becoming tangible. Your own wife, you and your husband, is just a shadow, a negative of God and His Wife, the Church. See, it's just God's attribute being displayed in shadows and types, like the Old

Testament was to the New. See? Then in the end, it all winds up, God tangible. God in Christ, tangible, made flesh, dwelt among us. And in that great Millennium to come, God in the form of Christ, sits upon the throne of David; and the Church, His Bride, Husband and Wife together.” *[Sirs, We Would See Jesus, Dallas, TX 64-0304]*

“Heavenly Father, we thank Thee, this morning, for the Blood that makes us brothers. We thank Thee for the Son of God Who gave His life, that we might be one with Him in this great Kingdom upon the earth, the Kingdom of Heaven that's to be established. "We're looking for that glad Millennium day, when our blessed Lord shall come and catch His waiting Bride away," the little Bride Tree. He is that Tree that was in the garden of Eden; the Bread of Life. So is His little Wife a tree, the Bride Tree of the last days. Where, everything has tried to bring, but the great powers of God prunes the branches off, that the fruit might ripen. Grant, Lord, that we can be included in that. Give us Eternal Life.” *[Paradox, Bakersfield, CA 64-0206b]*

“Then, we can see that the Marriage Supper is at hand. Now, if I never see you again, remember, the Marriage Supper is at hand. And then the Kingdom according to the promise is ready to be issued in, the great Millennium, the taking up of the Church, and the destroying of the wicked. And the world, under the Sixth Seal, to be purified by volcanic, to take all the corruption and sin of the world and to mold her out again, and bring forth a bright new Millennium for the age that is to come. When, we see all these, great threefold revelation: God in Christ; Christ in the Church; the Kingdom coming. Adam and Eve redeemed back to the Garden of Eden, in the representation of Christ and His Bride, and then the Kingdom is going to be restored according to His promise. Praise be to God! Now, by the revelation of the threefold mystery, the secret, and by the personal vindicated Word by His original Headship!” *[Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728]*

“In the time of the Millennium, it's Israel that's a nation. The twelve tribes is a nation, but the Bride is in the palace. She's a Queen now. She's married. And all of the earth shall come into this city, Jerusalem, and shall bring the glory of it in there. And the gates will not be shut by--by--by night 'cause there won't be any night. See? The gates will always be open; and the kings of the earth (Revelations 22) bring their honor and glory into this city, but the Bride is in there with the Lamb.” *[The Sixth Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0323]*

“God makes Hissself perfect in three. He makes Hissself perfect in "Father, Son, Holy Ghost," three offices of one God. He makes Hissself perfect in "justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost," come perfect, works of grace. He makes Himself perfected in three comings: first time, to redeem His Bride; second time, to receive His Bride; third time, in the Millennium with His Bride. And everything is perfected in three's. And seven is the worship number of God. God is worshipped in seven, completed, now perfected and completed.” *[Blasphemous Names, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1104m]*

“Where is that one that's going to sow that seed for that end-time church? Where is that ripening seed, that promised Elijah? And immediately after his

days shall the great tribulation set in and burn the earth. And then at the return of the church and the Bride, the Bride and Christ shall walk out upon their ashes in the Millennium, when the earth is purified by fire. And there they shall reign. And the heathens that's never heard the Gospel shall be raised in that time, and the sons of God will be manifested. If he's to reign, he's got to have something to reign over; he's got a domain. "And they ruled and reigned with Christ," and Christ ruled with a rod of iron the nations. Then the Gospel... Then the manifested sons of God with the authority just like He had when He was here, see, there will come the Millennium in that reign, see, upon the ashes." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0527]*

"When the Tabernacle is erected, the resurrection has come, the Jews has returned, Christ and His Bride has come, the Jew, the 144,000 are sealed, the Millennium has taken place, there will be an anointing when the most Holy Place will be anointed, the Holy, holiest of holies, and the most Holy, when... The most Holy Place is a sanctuary where God lived between the Cherubims, and this time Christ will set in the most Holy Place with the anointing upon Him. And they'll need no sun there, for the Lamb in the midst of the City shall be the Light. The sun will never go down in that City, as old Uncle Jim used to say. And it never will, because Christ will be that Light, the anointed One. And the King will come and take His throne for one thousand years to reign." *[The Sixfold Purpose Of Gabriel's Visit To Daniel, Jeffersonville, IN 61-0730e]*

"Now, after this the Bride appears. After the seventy weeks, the Bride appears in Revelations the 19th chapter, the 1st and the 16th verse. She arrives with her Bridegroom, the mighty King. Oh, my. I don't know whether we're going to get it all or not. Just got it so... Let's just read part of this anyhow. Here's where the Bride will come, after this. See? After the Millennium sets in, then Christ comes back with the Bride. Right. One to sixteen in the 19th chapter... "And after these things..." After this tribulation, after the Woes, after the Seals, after the Plagues, after the casting out of Satan, after the setting up of the Millennium." *[The Sixfold Purpose Of Gabriel's Visit To Daniel, Jeffersonville, IN 61-0730e]*

"But He will not be on earth now, the Messiah will not be on earth until the Millennium sets in. See, see? 'Cause the church, we're caught up together to meet the Lord in the air. He never comes to the earth. He catches His Bride away." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 61-0112]*

"And we find out that the coming of Christ is in a trinity. He came first to redeem His bride, comes next to receive His Bride, comes next with His Bride, as King and Queen, to reign through the Millennium. You know that. Everything is in a trinity. And we're in a trinity, we have a mortal body, a glorified body, or, I mean, a celestial body, and then a glorified body. Three stages brings us back to our perfection again like in Eden." *[Abraham, Yakima, WA 60-0803]*

"Now, fill them with the Holy Ghost while they're in the room. Give them power and stand them at the gate where we're watching for the coming of that glad Millennium day when our blessed Lord shall come and catch His waiting

Bride away. We're watching for it, Lord. May they be numbered with that group. In the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.” *[Who Is This, San Jose, CA 59-1122]*

“He's on His road now, I believe, left the ivory palaces, coming down through to receive His Bride. Then we are caught up in the air to meet the Lord. Is that right? Then we go in for the wedding like Isaac did to Rebekah. And then, when they came out from the wedding ceremony he was possessor. And then when Jesus comes again with His Bride, to reign on the throne of David, His Father, in the Millennium, He will come with Her then as King and Queen.” *[Redemption By Judgment, Jeffersonville, IN 54-1114]*

“There'll be three advents of the Lord Jesus: The first, to redeem His bride, when He died for her; Second, to receive His bride, when He comes for her; Third, with His bride, for the Millennium. And there'll be three advents. And one of them is passed, and the signposts are showing that we're near the second advent of the Lord Jesus. We've tried everything. We've had all kinds of "Big Four" meetings and--and so forth. And the world... Well, communism still sweeps, and the people's minds unsettled and we're just at the--we're at the climax, that's all. We're just a bound to come to the end.” *[The Great Coming Revival, Chicago, IL 54-0718a]*

“There's three comings of the Lord, you know that. There's three of everything in the Scripture. Three is God's perfect number: Threes, sevens, twelves, twenty-fours, forties, fifties. But three times He came: once to redeem His Bride. He comes the next time, we meet Him in the air, to receive His Bride. He comes the next time in the Millennium with His Bride. That's after the Wedding Supper is over. We return back for the Millennium.” *[The Angel Of The Covenant, Phoenix, AZ 54-0301]*

“Jesus returned with ten thousand times ten thousand, ministered to Him. You remember him saying, "Is it not a small thing for you to take... or an uncommon thing to take your business and your troubles to the law, when know not that the saints shall judge the earth?" The saints judge the earth. Hallelujah. I think of that, my. To see Him coming yonder with the Blood-washed after the Millennium, the redemption and the redeemed of all ages standing in His Presence, the Blood-washed Bride.” *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 54-0103m]*

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When Is God's Bride Married?

“For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.” *[Ephesians 5:23]*

"Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready." [Revelation 19:7]

"Those in the bride do only His will. No one can make them do otherwise. They have 'thus saith the Lord' or they keep still. They know that it has to be God in them doing the works, fulfilling His own Word. He did not complete all His work while in His earthly ministry so now He works in and through the bride. She knows that, for it was not yet time for Him to do certain things that He must now do. But He will now fulfill through the bride that work which He left for this specific time." [Church Ages Book p. 172]

"Notice the harmony of the Father and the Son. Jesus never did anything until it was first showed Him by the Father. John 5:19. This harmony is now to exist between the Groom and His bride. He shows her His Word of life. She receives it. She never doubts it. Therefore, nothing can harm her, not even death. For if the seed be planted, the water will raise it up again. Here is the secret of this. The Word is in the bride (as it was in Mary). The bride has the mind of Christ for she knows what He wants done with the Word. She performs the command of the Word in His name for she has "thus saith the Lord." Then the Word is quickened by the Spirit and it comes to pass. Like a seed that is planted and watered, it comes to full harvest, serving its purpose." [Church Ages Book p. 172]

"Have you noticed in Revelation 22:17, "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come,--And let him that heareth say, Come." See, the bride speaks the same Word as does the Spirit. She is a Word bride proving she has the Spirit. In every church age we hear these words, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches." The Spirit gives the Word. If you have the Spirit you will hear the Word for your age, as those true Christians took the Word for their age." [Church Ages Book p. 165]

"Dear God, we are grateful to You tonight for the privilege of knowing Jesus Christ (our Saviour) Your Son and the free pardoning of our sins, and to know that His Blood is sufficient that's covered all of our sins and our iniquities. They're so blotted out and put in the sea of God's forgetfulness and His Bride will stand at the Wedding Supper, pure, unadulterated, to marry the Son of God. How we thank Thee for this all-sufficiency and the faith to know that we do not trust in our own merits but in His merit alone, for what He did for us. We're so grateful." [Leadership, Covina, CA 65-1207]

"And so will the Church come through Justification, Sanctification, Baptism of the Holy Ghost (restoration of gifts), right on into the formed image of Christ. Christ is the Bridegroom, the Church is the Bride, and the Bride is a part of the Bridegroom. It'll have to be a Word Church, not a denominational church. It'll be the Word Church, the Word that's made known, and by the vindicated Word of God." [Modern Events Are Made Clear By Prophecy, San Bernardino, CA 65-1206]

"He said, "I'll meet them in one place, the Place I put My Name." That's in Jesus Christ. That's where God put His Name. That's the only place He'll meet

you; and it's Christ, is the Word, the same yesterday... It's grewed from the feet, thighs. And now it's in the head, fixing to go; manifesting in full measure the Bride, the same as the Groom." *[Modern Events Are Made Clear By Prophecy, San Bernardino, CA 65-1206]*

"It's a perfect place calling you to that perfection, and you have to be perfect to get there. The Bible said so. Jesus said, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in Heaven is perfect." It's a perfect Kingdom, so it must be a perfect people come. Because, you have to stand and be married to a perfect Son of God, and you must be a perfect Bride. So how can you do it through anything else but the perfect Word of God, which is, "The Waters of separation, that washes us from our sins"? Amen. That's right. The Blood of Jesus Christ, think of It, the dripping, Bloody Word. Amen. The Blood, the--the Word of God bleeding Blood, to wash the Bride in. Amen. Yes, sir. She stands perfect, virgin, unadulterated. She never sinned, in the first place. Amen. She was trapped into it. See?" *[Things That Are To Be, Rialto, CA 65-1205]*

"If we are those attributes of God, we cannot live by creeds. We cannot live by denominationalism. We must live by the Word, because the Bride is a part of the Bridegroom, like any wife is a part of her husband. Therefore, we must be that Word Bride. And what is that Word Bride? The manifestation of this hour, the Bride, not a creed or a denomination; but a living oracle of God, a living attribute of God, displaying to the world the attributes of God, in the formation of the Bride that's to be expressed in this hour that we're now living." *[Things That Are To Be, Rialto, CA 65-1205]*

"In the sight of God, the Bride is justified. She never done it, in the first place. Amen. Standing there, married to the virtuous Son of God; never sinned, in the first place. Why? She was foreordained. She was trapped into this. And now when She heard the Truth and come forth, the Blood cleansed Her. And She stands there, virtuous. See? She, no sin on Her, at all." *[The Rapture, Yuma, AZ 65-1204]*

"But, to the Elected, God is calling to the Elected. They know it: calling the virtuous Bride, the Word, the last-day Church, the elected Lady of our Lord Jesus Christ, Word. If... Jesus is the Word. How many believe that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] All right. Then, the Bride is always part of the Bridegroom, so the Bride will not be a denomination. It'll have to be the Word, manifested, to be the Bride of Christ. He promised to do it. He said how He did. Never uses... loses His pattern. He always did it by the pattern. He done it, every time, by the pattern. He does it again, calling out His virtuous Bride in the last day, the lovely Rebekah waiting for Her Isaac. What a beautiful time!" *[The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125]*

"I wonder, today, if all of our drawing in and great crusades and revivals, we haven't been filling up the Methodist ark, the Baptist ark, the Presbyterian ark! But what about the Ark of Christ, the Word? And if the Bride is to be the Word, then She's got to be of Christ, part of the Bridegroom. She's got to be the Word; the Word not for His day; the Word of this day, that He promised would be this day, that He sent His Word forth to mold His Bride and make Her. Hope

we see it! Don't get some idea of your own now, and don't take somebody else's idea. Take the vindicated Word here, the Bible. It says. God has promised in His Word how He would choose His Bride in this last day. Did you know that? He promised it, how He would do it, and that by His original plan of choosing Christ, of choosing the times, choosing the seasons, how he... He can't miss it, on His Bride, because She is part of that Word." *[Trying To Do God A Service Without Being The Will of God, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0718m]*

"The other is pregated by the Word of God and will bring forth the Body, the finished Body of Jesus Christ, which is the Bride. The Body of Christ isn't finished yet. How many knows that? A man and woman is one. And Christ is one Body, the Word. The Bride will have to be the rest of that Body. And the two, together, makes the one Body again. Like Adam was at the beginning: man, his wife, are one. Now, She, the true Bride, so sold out to Him, that She use no mind of Her own. His mind, of course, is His will, and His will is His Word." *[The Choosing Of A Bride, Los Angeles, CA 65-0429e]*

"Then, Christ, according to His Word here, tells us what our future Home will be. What kind of a wife will He choose then, a denominational prostitute? Never! He'll choose a woman that's characterized by His Word, and that will be the Bride." *[The Choosing Of A Bride, Los Angeles, CA 65-0429e]*

"Well, you got the same choice today. She's fixing to bring forth the perfect Word back there, and the Word is coming for the Word Bride. As a--a woman is the part of a man, taken from him, so the Church will have to be a Word-abiding Church, every Word of the Bible; not systems, dogmas, or nothing added to It. It'll have to be in an unadulterated, pure, virgin Word. Right." *[Birth Pains, Phoenix, AZ 65-0124]*

"So, you see, He has cut, wants to cut the Church out, just like He did the Son out, like He did the Bride and the Groom. To be His Bride, you must be part of Him. Not part of the creed, not part of the church, not part of the denomination, but the part of Him. Hewed out of any other kind of a form, won't work. You got to be hewed from the Word. The world cut off of you, and just leave the Word only live in you. The great Sculptor is counting on you, willing to stand and have yourself shaped into the likeness of His requirement that His Word requires. "In the last days I'll pour out My Spirit upon all flesh. Your sons and daughters shall prophesy." Christ is the identified Masterpiece of the Word made flesh. You are asked to identify yourself in Him, by the same Word, to be the masterpiece for the Bride." *[The Identified Masterpiece Of God, Yuma, AZ 64-1205]*

"Notice, the Bride. If the Bride, in the beginning, was the Word, or the Bridegroom; and then if the Bride is taken from the Bridegroom, It must be the Word also. Notice, the Bride must be. Why, why must the Bridegroom be the Word manifested, made plain? Is because the Bride and the Bridegroom are One. She is just a smitten piece off of Him. There is the Masterpiece. It was smitten. Say... Michelangelo could not reproduce that again. He could not put it back. But God is going to do it. He is going to bring this little Bride, that's

smitten, right back to the side of the original Word. And there He is, there is the Masterpiece, the family back again in garden of Eden. How is this Bride going to do this? How is this Wheat going to do this? Malachi 4 said, in the last days, it would be restored back, (what?) restored back like the beginning; take it back! "I will restore," saith the Lord, "all the years the palmerworm, and cankerworm, and all these other things has eaten. I will restore again." Malachi 4 said, "He will restore the hearts of the people, and the Faith of the people, back to the original fathers again." See? We see this right before us, Church. Where are we at?" *[The Masterpiece, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0705]*

"But, remember, the Bride will be a called-out, separated and different, filled, Holy Ghost born, washed in the Blood of the Lamb. She'll abstain from everything that's filthy, around her Husband. She is a chaste virgin, pure, by the Word. The Word and her are the same. As a man and his wife becomes one, in union, so does the real genuine Church of God. When he becomes in Christ, the Bible is punctuated with an "amen," every promise. Don't make any difference what the denomination says. The soul that's in the believer, punctuate it, because it is the Word in him speaking out." *[Scriptural Signs Of The Time, Birmingham, AL 64-0410]*

"The Church is ready. She is sealed in, ready to come. There will be a big outpouring of the Spirit, yes, sir, to grab that Church and take Her into the skies. Exactly. Because, see, the Church, the Word, the Bride... And, Christ, His ministry is in His Bride, which is His Body, the celestial Body, or I mean to say, the--the supernatural Body of His here on the spiritual body on earth, His Spirit is in there living His Life right out, until Him and the Church becomes one in the wedding. See, they become one. He takes them, just a little minority in the last days." *[The World Is Again Falling Apart, Shreveport, LA 63-1127]*

"God is uniting His Bride. She is coming together, from the East and the West, and the North and South. There is a uniting time, and that's on right now. What is She uniting for? The Rapture. Amen! God's getting Her ready. Yes sir, uniting! What is She uniting with? With the Word! "For all heavens and earth will pass away, but My Word shall never pass away." She's uniting Herself with THUS SAITH THE LORD regardless of what any denomination or anybody else says. She's uniting Herself. She's getting ready. Why? She is the Bride. That's right. And She's united Herself with Her Bridegroom, see, and the Bridegroom is the Word. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." And the Church and the Bride and the Word is becoming so one, until the very Word Itself is working out the work of the Bridegroom. Amen! You see it? A uniting! Not no more, "Join the church"; not more of this, but flee from everything and tied to Jesus Christ. See? It's the uniting time. God, uniting His Bride together, bringing It back; just exactly. Uniting the Words of His promise." *[The Uniting Time And Sign, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0818]*

"When He come on earth, He was the Tree of Life. Do you believe that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] And Rome, what did they do? He had to be

chopped down. And He was put on a tree of disgrace, "cursed is he that hang on a tree," become a curse for the human race. And now through that, He brings forth a Bride Tree, which will be the Tree of Life restored back to Him, as Husband and Wife in the garden of Eden, (oh, glory to God) by the same Word and the same God made manifest in Husband and Wife, the same Bride Tree back again. Notice, making it known! How, my, there's just so much here, we could just keep on going. Notice, the Tree of Christ's Body in the garden, making... now making His mystery known to this Bride Tree. Watch, redeemed by Christ, the second Adam! You believe He was? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Going back Home, to Eden, with His fallen wife redeemed back Home again. That's Christ in the Church today, taking His Wife back. See the threefold mystery now? ["Amen."] God manifested in Christ; Christ manifested in the Church; all together, to bring back the original Adam and Eve again, man and woman, which are one, made out of the same Blood and same Spirit, and everything else." [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

"It's time for the Sixth Seal, pretty soon, to be opening up, and when she does, oh, my. The end... The Bride has done gone forth. She's done... The Queen's done went to take her place. She's being married now to the King, while this was going on. And Israel's remnant is sealed and ready to go, and then nature lets go. Oh, what a time." [*The Sixth Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0323*]

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Ephesians 5:23, Revelation 19:7

Where Is God's Bride Marriage Supper?

"Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb." [*Revelation 19:9*]

"And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." [*Revelation 22:17*]

"Now where will the Gentile Church be while Jesus is making Himself known to His brethren? Remember that the bride of Joseph with the two children were in the palace, for Joseph had commanded, "Let everyone leave me; put them all out from before me." So the Gentile bride was hidden in the palace of Joseph. Where will the Gentile Church go in the rapture? Into the palace. The bride will be taken off the earth. She will be caught up before the great tribulation to meet her Lord in the air. For three and one-half years while the retributive wrath of God is poured out, she will be in the great Marriage Supper of the Lamb. Then will He return, leaving His bride in "His Father's house," while He makes Himself known to His brethren. At this very time, the antichrist covenant that the Jews have made with Rome will be broken. Rome and her allies then send

their troops to destroy all the God-fearing, Word-abiding Jews.” [*Church Ages Book p. 40*]

“Thus all the people have to belong to the world church system or be at the mercy of the elements for they cannot buy or sell without the mark of the beast in the hand or head. This mark in the head means that they will have to take the doctrine of the world church system which is trinitarianism, etc., and the mark in the hand which means to do the will of the world church. With this great power the church systems will persecute the true bride. This image will try to keep the bride from preaching and teaching, etc. Her ministers will be forbidden to give comfort and truth to the people who need it. But before the antichrist (in person) takes over this complete world system of churches the true church will be taken away from this world to be with the Lord. God will catch away His bride for the great Marriage Supper of the Lamb.” [*Church Age Book 376*]

“We are minded of the Church that also has agreed to live holy and accept, from the world, separated, and waiting for the Coming of the Bridegroom. May our hearts beat in love for Him. May our minds be upon Him, and waiting and longing for that great Wedding Supper that's going to be in the air, one day when He does come. Though He tarry, yet He'll be here. And as we leave today, then may this be reunited in our minds and our hearts, and may we pledge ourself to Thee anew, to live undefiled from the world, that we might someday be a partaker of that great Ceremony that's soon to come. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.” [*Wedding Ceremony, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0220x*]

“Now, remember, that was not Jesus talking to Abraham there, that could discern the thoughts in Sarah's mind behind him. That was not Jesus, He had not yet been born. But it was a man in human flesh, that Abraham called "Elohim, the great Almighty." Showing... And Jesus said, "As it was in the days of Sodom," now watch close, "in the days of Sodom, so will it be at the coming of the Son of man, when the Son of man is being revealed." Not no more as a church, see, not no more; the Bride is called, see. "In that day the Son of man will be revealed." What? To join the Church to the Head, unite, the marriage of the Bride. The Bridegroom call will come right through this, when the Son of man will come down and come in human flesh to unite the two together. The Church has to be the Word, He is the Word, and the two unites together, and, to do that, it'll take the manifestation of the revealing of the Son of man. Not a clergyman. I--I don't know, I... Do you see what I mean? See, it's Son of man, Jesus Christ, will come down in human flesh among us, and will make His Word so real that it'll unite the Church and Him as one, the Bride, and then she'll go Home to the Wedding Supper. Amen. She's already united, see, we go to the Wedding Supper, not to the marriage. "... fill your flesh... self, of all the flesh of mighty men, 'cause the marriage of the Lamb has come." But, the rapture, is going to the Wedding Supper. When, the Word here unites with the person, and they two become one. And then what does it do then? It manifests the Son of man again, not the church theologians. The Son of man! The Word and the Church becomes one. Whatever the Son of man done, He

was the Word, the Church does the same thing.” [*Proving His Word, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0816*]

“The church will go through the tribulation, yes, sir, but the Bride is free from it. She'll go in the Rapture, in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye. She'll be caught up to meet her Lord in the air, for the Wedding Supper. She has nothing to go through any tribulation about; her Lord has paid her price. We're so thankful for that.” [*What Shall We Do With This Jesus Called Christ, Phoenix, AZ 64-0126*]

“This is a uniting time. There is a United Nation, united church, and united effort. What's it a sign of? Christ and His Bride uniting. That's what it is. It's all shadows and types. Everything wants to be unionized, so it's a sign. Christ is fixing to unite with His Bride, a Wedding Supper taking place in the sky, so it ought to throw the church into action when we see the signs of His here at hand. Oh, my! All these things are signs to us, everywhere. Oh, we should be in action!” [*Influence, New York, NY 63-1114*]

“And now we become anointed with that same Spirit, anointed messiahs; messiahs of the last day, to shine forth the resurrection of Jesus Christ; to show that He is not dead, but in the form of the Holy Ghost, He's in His people; moving among His Bride, with a love affair to Her, pouring out into Her, Himself. They are becoming one for the Wedding Supper; and the same signs, promised by the same God, in the same Word, is making His same manifestations.” [*Perfect Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0825e*]

“What a great thing it is today, Lord, to know that now we are united with one Spirit. One Spirit, the Holy Spirit, has got the Word in His grip, comes in us. And what a great thing it is, what a privilege to cut loose from all the world, to unite ourself to Jesus Christ. And to think that someday, in a physical form, with a body like His own glorious body, we will set down at the table at the Wedding Supper and there be united and wed in marriage to Him; to live as Bride and Bridegroom through all times that is to come, through a ceaseless Eternity.” [*The Uniting Time And Sign, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0818*]

“We see our Lord, what He did. And we realize that, those Old Testament saints, this morning, we find out that they did go. When Jesus raised, they went with Him. And, Lord, we believe that we'll go when He sounds the Trumpet. We believe it, that the Bride will go forth at that Day and will join with the--the Hebrew group of It, and, together, there'll be a Wedding Supper in Glory. Those are waiting.” [*The Uniting Time And Sign, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0818*]

“How a Bride holds that promise! He told me He would return after me. I'll believe it.” Uh-huh. See? Yes, sir. To meet Her Headship, Her Redeemer, Her Husband, Her King, Her Lord, Her Lover, Her Saviour, in the provided meeting place! He's got a place to meet Them. You know, He... Yeah, the Bridegroom, don't leave out nothing. He's got the ring, the identification. He's got the robe that She wears, Her clothing. See? And He's got the provided place to meet Her, that's in the air. Everything has been all provided. He's got the Wedding Supper already set; guests already invited, already chosen. All the

Angels are standing around, His servants, at attention. Oh! Oh! Oh! Oh! Oh!“
[*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

“And then when it was made known, he wanted to make himself known, he kept looking at little Benjamin. And--and remember, he dismissed his wife. She was in the palace when he made hisself known to his brethren. And the Gentile Bride, the wife, after Jesus being rejected by His own people, He has taken a Gentile Bride and will take Her from here to the palace to His Father's house in glory for the *Wedding Supper* and will slip back down to make Hisself known to His brethren, the hundred and forty-four thousand...” [*The First Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0318*]

“But you see, that sleeping virgin ain't receiving nothing anyhow. That's right. And remember, while they went to try to buy oil... You remember the Scriptures doesn't say they got it. But while they were out trying to buy it, there come a sound. What happened? All those virgins that slept rose, and trimmed their lamps, and went in to the supper (Is that right?), and the rest was left for the tribulation period (Right.), weeping, wailing and gnashing of teeth. That's the church, not the Bride, the church. The Bride went in. There's a whole difference between the church and the Bride. Yes, sir. Went in to the Wedding Supper.” [*The Breach, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0317e*]

“We know that there is going to be a Bride, and there's going to be a Wedding Supper served in the skies. That's just as sure to be, as God is, because it's His Word. And we know that those that are going to make up that Bride is going to be His Church, and they're going to appear before Him without spot or wrinkle. And they have the material on earth now to make themselves ready. If you notice, It said, "She has made herself ready." [*The Marriage Of The Lamb, Phoenix, AZ 62-0121e*]

“He likened it in many parables, like in a husband and wife. He calls the church the Bride. And the bride is no longer, and the bridegroom is no longer two people; they are one. She's flesh of his flesh and bone of his bone. And then when a man or a woman is called to the mystical Body of Christ by the Holy Spirit, they become a full member of His Body when they're filled with the Holy Ghost, 'cause God took the Spirit out of Christ, raised up His body and placed it on His throne, and sent back the Holy Spirit to make up the mystical Body of Christ, which will be united at the Marriage Supper at the coming of the Lord. You cannot organize it. It is a mystery.” [*Five Definite Identifications Of The True Church Of The Living God, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0911e*]

"I will not drink of the fruit of the vine nor eat no more until I eat it anew with you in My Father's Kingdom," the Wedding Supper. For the three-and-a-half years the antichrist finishes up his reign, the whole world is destroyed. The Jews are called out, Joseph makes hisself known to the Gentiles--or to the Jews. Remember, when Joseph made hisself known to the brethren, there wasn't one Gentile present. When he sent... He said, "God did it for a purpose, to save life." That's exactly the reason God did it: to save us Gentiles. But the Gentiles was in the palace. Hallelujah. Being rejected of His brethren, Joseph,

He took on a Bride; and the Bride was a Gentile, not a Jew.” *[Adoption, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0518]*

“Brother, when you see the fig tree putting forth its buds, He said, "This generation shall not pass until all be fulfilled." Look at the revival with the formals. Look at the revival with the church. Look at the revival coming in with the Jews; they're watching for the coming of Messiah. The church, the Spirit-filled church, the Bride with the... The virgins with the oil in their lamps will go into the Wedding Supper.” *[Questions And Answers On Hebrews, Jeffersonville, IN 57-1002]*

“I think of that beautiful Rebekah that afternoon, watering the camels, watering the very thing was going to take her to her... bride. That's what it is. Water, and the camel represents power. And the Church of the living God today is rejoicing and watering the power of the Holy Ghost, that'll pick her up someday and take her yonder to meet the Isaac in the air, for the Wedding Supper.” *[Show Us The Father, Los Angeles, CA 54-0811]*

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Revelation 19:9, Revelation 22:17

Who is God's Word Bride?

“According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will.” *[Ephesians 1:4-5]*

“And he is before all things, and by him all things consist: and he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.” *[Colossians 1:17-18]*

“Now then, there will not be one person who will sit in the throne of the Lord Jesus Christ unless he has been living that Word. Your prayers, your fastings, your repentances--no matter what you present to God--none of that will gain you the privilege of sitting in that throne. It will be granted only to the WORD Bride. As the throne of the king is shared with the queen because she is united to him, so only they who are of that Word even as He is of that Word will share that throne.” *[Church Ages Book p. 360]*

“But now He is standing in the midst of the Church. As He stands there revealing Who He is in this last age, He calls Himself the "Author of the creation of God". This is another creation. This has to do with the church. This is a special designation of Himself. He is the creator of that church. The heavenly Bridegroom created his own bride. As the Spirit of God, He came down and created in the virgin Mary the cells from which His body was born. I want to repeat that. He created the very cells in the womb of Mary for that body. It was not enough for the Holy Spirit to simply give life to a human ovum supplied by Mary. That would have been sinful mankind producing a

body. That would not have produced the "Last Adam". Of Him it was said "Lo a body hast Thou (Father) prepared for Me." God (not Mary) provided that body. Mary was the human incubator and she carried that Holy Child and brought Him to birth. It was a God-man. He was the Son of God. He was of the NEW creation. Man and God met and joined; He was the first of this new race. He is the head of this new race. Colossians 1:18, "And He is the head of the body, the church: Who is the beginning, the first-born from the dead; that in all things He might have the preeminence." II Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creation, old things have passed away, behold all things are become new." There you can see that though man was of the old order or creation, now in union with Christ, he has become the new creation of God. Ephesians 2:10, "For we are His workmanship created in union with Christ Jesus unto good works." Ephesians 4:24, "And that ye put on the new man which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." [*Church Ages Book p. 336*]

"In very plain language the True Bride of Christ was in the mind of God eternally, though not expressed until each came forth in the designated, decreed season. As each member came forth it became expressed and took its place in the body. Thus this bride is the literal spoken word seed bride. And though she is feminine in designation she is also called the "body of Christ". It is very apparent that she ought to be called that for she was predestinated in Him, came from the same source, was eternal with Him, and is now manifesting God in a many membered body whereas once God was manifested in ONE MEMBER, even our Lord Jesus Christ." [*Church Ages Book p. 152*]

"May I add to this Woman, Grace. May I place Her in the Bible, also, is called the elect Lady, this Miss Grace I'm going to talk about. Know, the Bible declares, said, "To the elect Lady." That, if you notice, "elect" come from the word "elected Lady." One Lady, amongst all the other ladies, was elected. Like, the virgin was to bring forth the body of God, on the earth. She was an elected woman. God chose Mary. And, also, God has chose an elected Lady, which is His Bride. She's elected. I hope we're members of that, tonight, across the world, across the nation, rather. The illustration here, showing the relationship of Bride to Christ, the elect Lady: and how She was to be brought to Him; where She would come from; and how that She would be brought to Him. The Church here, in illustration that we got in view, is illustrated by a woman. Which, a woman is always a type of the Church, because the Church is considered a Bride. A Bride, She is the Bride of the Lord Jesus, the Son of God." [*The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125*]

"You're standing, completely. You never sinned at the first place. God don't even know. It's in the Sea of Forgetfulness. You never did it. You were accused of it, by the accuser. But really, from the beginning, you were predestinated to be a son and daughter of God. You're standing there, washed. And your old book of divorcement is put away, and it's dead, absolutely out of existence, even in the mind of God. You're the virtuous Bride of Christ, washed in the Blood of Christ. Precious, virtuous, sinless Son of God standing with a pure,

unadulterated Bride-Word that He washed by the Water of His Own Blood; that become flesh and manifested, that He might take you which were predestinated in the bosom of the Father, before the beginning, the same as He was. He was that great attribute of God, called "love." [*The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125*]

"Now, then, you are a son of God in the house of God, you are a part of God's economy. Romans 8:1, "Then there is no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus." For they are dead to the world, alive in Him, and living in this present day, making the Word that God has used them for, foreordained them, placing their names in this Bride Book. And when the Waters comes upon that seed that's in the heart, raises it up to the Bride of Christ. Oh, my! Just perfect as it can be. In every age it's been that way." [*God's Only Provided Place Of Worship, Shreveport, LA 65-1128m*]

"Dear God, the Word has gone forth. It cannot return void, It'll find Its place somewhere. If the seed has already been planted, It'll water it till it grows. And none can pluck it from Your hand, "All the Father has given Me will come to Me, no man can pluck them out of My hand. My Father has given them to Me before the foundation of the world"; when the plans were all drawn up, as so, Jesus was given His Church, His Bride. The bogus marriage of the world, to these denominations. You came and died into the world, You redeemed Her, You justified Her, She never did it at the first place. She was trapped into it, blind." [*Trying To Do God A Service Without It Being God's Will, Shreveport, LA 65-1127b*]

"Now we notice that God begin to make Him a--a Bride for Christ. So... And the Bride must be identified with Him and in Him, because it is part of Him. Now, the Bride is part of Him. She is part of Him. The Word for that day, the Bride becomes part of that Word, for it's Christ. Now, you believe that? We have to be in Christ. In Christ, we have to be of Christ, in Christ, part of Christ. What is a woman, when she takes a man, or a man takes a woman? That woman has to be part of him. They're no longer two. They're one. And when God and Christ became one, they were One. Cause, God was the Word, and the Word was made flesh. The flesh and the Word became One. And when the church becomes Christ's Bride, She and the Gospels are the same." [*The Identified Masterpiece Of God, Yuma, AZ 64-1205*]

"Predestinated!" There's the mystery. He, before Christ or anything else was ever on earth, you see His great mystery, that He chose the Bride. Knowing Eve would fall, from disbelieving the Word, knowing that she would fall; but He would choose a Bride that would not fall, that would hold to that Word regardless of what all the rest of the world had to say about It. They would hold to that Word! They are predestinated to stand there, "the adoption of children by Jesus Christ," predestinated the Church to that great, glorious stand!" "How did He? What happened in the prefigure now? He opened Adam's side and took part of his flesh, which was Adam, to make Eve. The Bride has to be the Word, for He is the Word. She cannot stand on creeds. She cannot stand on denomination. She cannot stand on good behavior. She has to stand alone on

the Word, because She is part of It. She was taken from Christ." [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

"Paul according to Ephesians 1, by... or Ephesians 1:5, He said, "God predestinated us before the foundation of the world to the adoption of sons in Jesus Christ." How you going to stop it? All devils in hell, you might as well quit fussing about it. It's going to be there without a spot or a wrinkle. It's going to be a what? A bride church. Hallelujah. God said, "I will restore." Restore what? One without an organization touch to it, one with the pure unadulterated Word. It has to come. Why did we get a bunch of denominations this time out of this revival? We sowed denomination seed. What we need today... Brother, you can say what you want to about it, we need the Gospel, pure, holy, unadulterated Word of God, sown. And when this Light comes out it'll bring forth that church, God's predestinated. Amen. Don't presume about nothing. Take God's Word and move right on. He promised He'd be here. He's here. Amen. I'd better stop." [*Presuming, Aberdeen, NC 62-0610m*]

"But what? He was God's perfect Prophet Tree, the example Tree, the Bridegroom Tree. Amen. Glory! Going to say something, directly. If... He is the Bridegroom Tree. Do you believe it? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] From the garden of Eden? ["Amen."] Then, the Bridegroom Tree, without the Female, don't bear fruit, so He's got to have a Bride Tree. She has got to be born of the same material, the Word made flesh in the Tree. Hope you get it. It's the same Life in this female Tree, the Bridegroom, as It is in the Bride. "The works that I do shall you also." Is that right? ["Amen."] He was the Bridegroom, remember." [*The Restoration Of The Bride Tree, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0422*]

"The true Bride, hallelujah, there's going to be One. Why? She's predestinated. She won't be denominated, because She's predestinated. See? She don't have to worry about some denomination. She's already predestinated to take the place. Look. Like Mary... I want you to get this now, and don't fail. Are you ready? Say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] When Christ comes to His Bride, She will be a virgin like Mary was. For God will not bring Christ through a womb of a whore, and neither will He bring the Bride. He can't bring His Word through a whore of His Word. (138) Them is horrible words, but that's what the Bible says. I'm saying what It says. Cause, It's... This has got to be understood. The prove, true Bride, like Mary, will have a virgin womb for the Bride of the Word, which is Christ. When Christ, the Word, comes to the Bride, She'll be the same as He is, a virgin by the Word. O God! (Par.) I hope-- I hope it's going over, Brother Neville. I... See? See? I hope you understand. What was He? Word, the Word of God. "Upon His vesture He had a Name written, 'The Word of God.'" "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word, made flesh and dwelt among us." He is God, and God is the Word. And when His Bride comes, She'll be the same product that He is. Virgin! Did Christ belong to a denomination? Did Jehovah? Neither does His Bride. She is part of Him. She needs no dogma. She won't have any. She'll be absolutely virgin. How? By the Word. Amen.

She'll punctuate every Word God says, with an, "Amen! Amen!" Oh! "Be it unto me according to Thy Word. Amen!" Oh, my! There you are. Punctuate God's Word. Have a virgin womb. What will She come out of? A virgin womb, the Word. What did Jesus come out of? A virgin womb. See? *[The Spoken Word Is The Original Seed 2, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0318]*

"All the Old Testament was types that point to Christ and His Church. You believe Adam and Eve pointed to Christ and His Church? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed] You believe Jehovah and His wife pointed to Christ and His Church? ["Amen."] Well, if they are--are--are types, and this is the antitype, it has to be like the type. Cause, the type takes from the--from the... The antitype takes from the type. Christ is the Head, the true Stone of God. Do you believe that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] The true Word! The Bride is the Body. You want some Scriptures on these, so you can look them up? I--I was going to read the Scriptures, but I won't. First Peter 2:1 to 6, Ephesians 5:22... See? First Peter 2:1 to 6, Ephesians 5:23. Read that chapter, both of them, in there. See? The Old Testament: Christ." *[The Spoken Word Is The Original Seed 2, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0318]*

"But, you see, first, decisions made. Next, engagement. Then, promise. And, then, the ceremony. And that's when the bride--bride takes the bridegroom's name. She is no more then of her own name. She takes the bridegroom's name. And then when the Church has the ceremony, makes their promises, then she takes the Bridegroom's Name. Then she is no longer a church of the world. She is the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. Not... I don't mean, that, by Name. I mean, that, by Birth, by nature, by...?... power of God. By the revealed Truth of God, in the heart, she becomes a Christian Church, the great universal apostolic Christian Church. She becomes a part of Christ. When she does that, she... Christ injects into her His Own Spirit, His Own Life. And the Bible said, to Adam and Eve, there, "You are no longer twain, but one." And when the woman, Church, is married to Christ, they are no longer two. They are One. Christ in you! Amen. That's it. His Life has been brought into you, then you become the Bride." *[The Marriage Of The Lamb, Phoenix, AZ 62-0121e]*

Bible References:

Ephesians 1:4-5, Colossians 1:17-18; 1 Peter 2:1-6; Ephesians 5:23

Why Is God's Bride Not Churches?

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." *[Ephesians 2:10]*

"And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness." *[Ephesians 4:23-24]*

"Thus the grain of wheat that became a plant for the harvest is the record of the church. And even as not all the wheat plant is wheat seed, and as not all the plant is used in the harvest, so with the church:--all the church is not the bride,

and neither is it all given eternal life, but a part of it is gathered into the garner, and a part of it is kept that it might enter into eternal life in the second resurrection, and part of it which is accounted chaff is burned in the lake of fire. And this is exactly what John the Baptist and Jesus said, for John said that the wheat would be garnered and the chaff burned. Jesus said, "Bind the tares, and then gather the wheat." The ecumenical move will bind the tare churches together, for the tares must be bound first, and though their end is burning, they are not burned at their binding but are reserved to a later date, which is at the end of the thousand years, or the second resurrection. But once the tares are bound the rapture can take place and does so at some time between the binding and the revelation of antichrist. Then will come the day when ALL stand together as seen in Daniel. The King will be there with His bride and in front of them will be the multitudes who are to be judged. Yes. ALL are there. All the books are opened. A final disposition of ALL is made. The harvest is indeed over. The books once opened are closed." [*Church Ages Book p. 285*]

"Seven days, eat unleavened bread." No leaven shall be found amongst the Bride, no--no word added, no nothing. Remember, one word caused every death that's in the earth; every illegitimate child was borned because Eve, the first church, the bride of the first Adam, doubted God's Word and accepted a denominational, or a intellectual, or a school exceptions of It; because It was reasoned out, and "Surely, God is a good God." God is a good God, but He's also a just God. We must keep His Word! School, she accepted it." [*God's Only Provided Place Of Worship, Shreveport, LA 65-1128m*]

"So is the church, when she tries to mix creed and denomination with the Word of God. She can't be married to a denomination, and be the Bride of Christ, at the same time. She's got to be dead to one or the other. The law says so, here. There's plenty of laws in God's Word. And that's His law, Paul speaking the same thing here. She cannot be married to a church of worldly creed, and be the Bride of Christ, because (she) one is contrary to the other." [*The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125*]

"As long as you hold to man's tradition of denominations, you are called, in God's Word, "a adulteress." As long as you're a denominational creed-seeker, belonging to a denominational church that denies the Word, you are "an adulteress," what the Bible said. Jesus said, "You cannot serve two Gods at the same time. You either serve God or mammon." Mammon is "the world." "He that loves the world, or the things of the world, the love of God is not even in him." The Seed of God can't be in him the same time (the love of God) the love of the world is in there. When the Seed of God is operating through you, that's the Word of God. The love of the world can't be in there at the same time. Now where is the short hair, and the shorts, and the painted faces? Now where is it at?" [*The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125*]

"First John 2:15, He said, "If you love the world, or the things of the world, the love of God is not even in you." See? So how can you be pregnated with the Word of God which condemns the world, condemns Hollywood, condemns all of its fashion, condemns all these parties and carrying on, and so-called that

they have in the name of religion? It condemns it. How can the Word pregnate a person: how can a bobbed-haired woman, painted face, wearing shorts? How can a preacher, goes out here to a seminary, and looks at Acts 2:38 and sees that there's not a person in the Bible ever baptized in those titles, and then still say he's pregnated with the Word of God? Telling you a lie! He sold his birthright. He's committed adultery against the very Thing that he said. He is put away, in divorce. God is going to have a virtuous Church, just exactly, a Bride. Bible said, "The Word is not in you." So what kind of a children are you bearing? Pregnated denominationalists. There has been no death to separate you from your first lover." *[The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125]*

"See now who is the leader of this modern, religious, evil age? It's the devil, taking that tree of good and evil, and placing it out there, notice, bringing his beautiful church bride to the ecumenical council for a wedding. That's a good one. His beautiful scientific church, with all the--the--the degrees that can be gotten; the Ph.D's out of the church of Christ, the Ph.D's out of the Baptist, Presbyterian, Pentecostals, and all. Bringing them all, with their decorated fineries and big churches, all to the ecumenical council, "We are one." It'll never be forgiven them. A denomination, to wear the brand of a denomination, is the mark of the beast. We've done been through it on here; to do it. Flee it, children, flee it! See? Great, beautiful church to the ecumenical wedding, wearing his mark! Shorts, sure, worldly dress, sexy, paint, really good disciples of the devil, to catch the sons of God; marry a good full-born boy off into some old reprobate like that. That's right." *[The God Of This Evil Age, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801m]*

"When you see a church that's in the world, acts like the world, anticipating in the world, partaking of the world, counting God's Commandments as if He never had wrote Them, then you--you can just imagine Christ ain't going to take a Bride like that. Could you imagine taking the modern church today for a Bride? Not my Lord. I don't... I could hardly see that. No. Remember, now, a man and his wife are one. Would you join yourself to a person like that? If you would, it would certainly kind of disappoint my faith in you. And, then, how about God joining Himself to something like that, a regular denominational prostitute? You think He would do it, "Having a form of Godliness but denying the power thereof"? He would never do it. She must have His character in her. The real, true born-again Church must have the--the character that was in Christ, because the husband and wife are one. And if Jesus did only that which pleased God, kept His Word and manifested His Word, His Bride will have to be of the same kind of character. She could not, by no means, be a denomination. Because, then, no matter how much you want to say, "no," she is controlled by a board somewhere, that tells her what to do and what she can't do, and, many times, a million miles off of the true Word." *[The Choosing Of A Bride, Los Angeles, CA 65-0429e]*

"Now look at the so-called bride chosen by man, and compare the spiritual to the natural of today, a modern Jezebel bewitched by her Ahab, Max Factor

beauties, everything. Look at the church, the same way, but a prostitute to the Word of the living God; big denominations, big buildings, big money, big salary, all sold out. Men standing in the pulpit endorsing that that's all right, and let them get by with it. Just deceit, that's all. Truly a blind Laodicea Church Age, just exactly what the Bible said would be. "Said, 'I am rich. I set as a queen. I have need of nothing.' And knowest thou not that you're poor, miserable, blind, wretched, naked: and don't know it." If that isn't THUS SAITH THE LORD, Revelations 3, I've never read It. That's what she is, and don't know it! Think of it." [*The Choosing Of A Bride, Los Angeles, CA 65-0429e*]

"And we find today, that, the modern church, a modern world church. The modern world church and also that the spiritual Church are both pregated, to give birth to sons. One of them, a denominational birth, is going to be give, one day to these days, at the World Council of Churches, which will produce to the world the antichrist, through a denomination. That's exactly the Truth. I may not live to see it. I believe I will. But, you young people, remember that you heard a minister say that. That'll finally wind up. And that is the mark of the beast, when she forms that World Council of Churches. And she'll give birth to her son, the antichrist." [*The Choosing Of A Bride, Los Angeles, CA 65-0429e*]

"And them two, today, is in the womb of the church. There's a great big system trying to be formed, called the World Council of Churches. And from the womb of the church is coming forth two children. You just mark my word. The world's... The Word must deliver the Word Bride Church. The Church has got to be delivered out of her, a Bride for Christ. Them that fell asleep in all ages will make up that Bride that come out on the Word that they come out on, like from your feet coming to your head. She gets--gets greater, and more you have to have, and so forth. As the body grows up, so does the Body of Christ grow up. And then finally the Head will come to It, the Head of It will, now, if we notice, 'cause It's--It's all linked to the Head. The Head does the turning, pulling." [*Birth Pains, Phoenix, AZ 65-0124*]

"But if, there, if that seed hasn't been germinatized, it'll never raise again; it can't raise, there is nothing in it to raise it. And if we just become a nominal Christian... There is two churches in the world, church natural, church spiritual, they're all called "Christians." But the church natural cannot raise. It's doing its raising now in the World Council, council of churches. But the Christian rises to meet Christ because It's a Bride, to go to meet Him. There is a difference in them. Nature holds these secrets, to us, and we can see them as we watch them. And we see that Christianity speaks the Truth, of death, burial, and resurrection." [*The Harvest Time, Phoenix, AZ 64-1212*]

"He is making a Bride. Yes, sir. He's hewing the chips now, chopping off the world. Oh, church-joining, and creeds, and denominations, and dogmas, all has to be cut away from the Church; their formal ideas, their indifference, their doctrines and things. Come back and let the Master pick up the bow. Let the Master pick you up in His hands, strike the Word, say, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Say, "Amen, Lord. Make me, mold me,

make me, Lord, what I should be." Then there'll be a different thing. Then, "If I be lifted up from the earth, I'll draw all men unto Me." Yes, sir. He is cutting you out now, cutting you down to His Word only, cutting all the creeds and dogmas and everything, away from you, trying to get back to a Bride for the Son, another masterpiece, part of the Word. The Word!" [*The Identified Masterpiece Of God, Yuma, AZ 64-1205*]

"Now I'm going to say something. National force put Israel in her homeland; national force will put the church in the World Council of Churches; but the power of God will put the people in the Bride. The world forces this way, and the world forces that way, but God forces upward. The Spirit of God, which is the Word of God, "My Word is Spirit and Life," will put the Bride in Her place. Cause, She'll recognize Her position in the Word, then She's in Christ, will put Her in Her place. No national force will do it. But the national force did drive Israel to the homeland; the national forces of the Council of Churches will drive every organization into it; but the Power of God will raise the Bride into Glory, out of it." [*Recognizing Your Day And Its Message, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0726m*]

"What's the denomination trying to do? Exalt itself, like Lucifer. They so-call themselves "the Church, the Bride." Which, they are in Revelation 17, as is spoke of, the false bride. Above Christ's little flock, the Bride; Lucifer thinks and exalts himself above the humble Word of God's Truth by the knowledge of the revelation, and has placed himself by a seminary education and theology until they have got themselves up. And if you don't belong in their group, then you are a out-wash." [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

"Lucifer comes in, cunning, like he did then, and by temptations and false promises, of power outside, apart from the Word of God. He did the same at Nicaea, Rome. He's doing the same today at the World Council of Ecumenical churches. "Let's all unite together," the pope says. "I want all my ecumenical brethren out there to unite with me. We are one." That's right, in organizations you are one. But that has nothing to do with the Bride of Christ; not a thing, brother. You'll never wash Her in anything like that." [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

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Holiness

Back when the Church was in the early stages, when the only Scriptures were what we now call the Old Testament, the ministers had to answer many questions. They had to study and pray to God for answers.

The Apostle Paul was the pioneer whom God sent to faraway places, preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom, showing from the Scriptures that Jesus was the Christ and that He died and resurrected and that was the only hope for humanity. He said very simply: "This I confess, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets." [[Acts 24:14](#)]

And now here we are in the closing hours of the history of the Church of Jesus Christ, and people still have many questions.

We are so thankful that God has fulfilled His Word and sent the prophet announced 400 years before the Church began – in Malachi 4:5, 6 – and referred to by Christ Himself in Matthew 17:11. This mighty servant of God has provided answers to all questions, and some of them are here in this book, and in your language.

-- George Smith

Holiness

How is Holiness Recognized by Others?

“Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.” [1 John 2:15-16]

“Watch, outside the gates of the walls, spread across the New Earth, nations will dwell in Eternal peace. Now what? Honored kings will bring their glory into it. No sin can be there. No more bobbed-haired women will enter that City. I'll guarantee you that. No more short-wearing, cigarette-smoking. Whoremongers, whores, or liars, idolaters, whatever they was, won't enter that City. No, it'll all be over. Sin will be gone. "Nothing to defile its holiness shall enter there." That's what He said. "All has passed away, forever." [The Future Home, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0802]

“The Bible said not let one dirty conversation come among you when you profess holiness. Treat that little lady like she's your little sweetheart. If she's sixty years old, you be just the same. You be that gallant boyfriend; remember, you are. You don't try none of these new things; and I know what I'm talking. And you just be a husband, a genuine brother, a genuine Christian. I know that sounds... But the... You're my kids. I got a right to say what I want to, to you, you see. You're my kids; you live right. And you women, live the right way to your husband. And you husbands, live the right to you--to--to--to your wives. Be real, real nice, and respect one another just with... And your--your family relations and so forth like that, let it be just as reverently, and Godly, and agreed with among you and everything as it can be. Don't never push, and shove, and--and be dirty and vulgar.” [Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0830m]

“Let me prophesy something to you, just before it comes to pass. The whole world is grouping in insanity, and will get worse and worse and worse, until they'll be a bunch of maniacs. And it's almost that way now. Could you imagine a man driving with his lights off, on the wrong side of the road; a ricky, young kid, supposed to be right out of high school, kill a bunch of people. Does that stop them? The next one come right behind him, doing the same thing. Can you imagine a young man that thinks any self... anything of himself, getting out here and acting the way they do? Could you imagine a young woman, and a bloom of womanhood, beautiful, well-built, shaped, profile, face, beautiful; and the very thing of her being pretty shows that we're at the end time. See? She has went all together to worldly feature, worldly things and not the beauty of holiness, sweetness in her soul. I've seen women, on the outside of them wasn't nothing to look at, but you speak to them one time, talk to them a few minutes, they're a real genuine something that you can't get away from. See, beauty of the outside is of the devil, it's of the world.” [And Knoweth It Not, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0815]

"And a genuine son or daughter of God takes God's Word first. I don't care what anybody else says about it, they take God's Word first. "There's poison in the cup," and they believe it. Having faith in all His Word, His Seeds, brought a Eden of holiness, love, and Eternal Life. That's what God's Eden produced, holiness. And it brought an Eden of holiness, of love, understanding, perfection, and Eternal Life. That's what God is planting, His Word, His Seed. That's what His Church will be at the end; It will be the same thing." [*Satan's Eden, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0829*]

"Now we find out, that every seed bringing forth of its kind, there was no death in the new... in that Eden. There will be no death in the new Eden. See, there was no, nothing else but holiness, purity, and Eternal Life. Now, by unbelief in all of God's Word, has brought the seed of unholiness in Satan's Eden. We are now entering in where Satan is taking the throne, as the antichrist, in a--a Eden of this earth, a Eden of sin, perverted religion. He started not upon, "I am Satan. I am the great angel." No, not upon that, but upon perverting God's Word. And that's how he's brought his kingdom, in every age. And now in this great deceitful age, ready to take his throne, by his people! He has built hisself an intellectual, educated, scientific Eden; right, scientific preachers, scientific church, scientific theology, everything is scientific. Everything is on basis of knowledge. The whole church is built upon knowledge. It ain't built upon faith." [*Satan's Eden, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0829*]

"It was Eve that Satan used to make Adam sin, by her power of lust. Now the same, doing the same thing today. Notice, bobbed hair, painted facey, sexually dressed, see, she does that, and don't know that every one of those things is contrary to the Word of God. To cut her hair, makes her a dishonorable woman, a prostitute. To wear shorts, puts her disgracefully. Put sexy dresses on her, makes her a prostitute. "And she don't know it," not because of the holiness of God; because the lust of Satan. She caused her... She causes her Adam to lust for her." [*Satan's Eden, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0829*]

"And I saw a New Heaven and a New Earth. First heaven, this first earth, was passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy City, the New Jerusalem, descending from God out of Heaven." There God will be with His true attributes, sons and daughters, where He can fellowship with them in holiness, with their eyes blinded to any sin. There'll never be no more sin from there on. Let us strive hard; don't be deceived in this day, but, "strive to enter in at the gate." "For all that will be left out, will be whoremongers, lusters." "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already." All with... outside will be ill-fame women, ill-fame man, and so forth. And only those that are redeemed, and in the Lamb's Book of Life, will enter in at the gate. So strive, friends; don't be deceived in this last day." [*Satan's Eden, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0829*]

"How could you ever draw a denomination through God's Filter? How could you do it? How could you draw a bobbed-hair woman through that Filter? Tell me. How could you ever draw a woman that wears slacks through There, when "It's an abomination for her to put on a garment pertains to a man"? See, God's

Filter would catch her out there, It wouldn't let her come in. (But the church has got their own filters.) So I say that there is a thinking man's Filter, that's God's Word, and It suits a holy man's taste. That's right, a holy man; not a church man, but a holy man's taste. Because It's pure, holiness, unadulterated Word of God! There is a thinking man's Filter. And church member, I advise you to use That one." [Leadership, Covina, CA 65-1207]

"These Ephesians believed that God's people ought to be holy. According to this verse they took steps to keep the body unleavened from sin. Most evidently the apostasy had already started. Sin had entered into the church. But they were obedient to the words of Paul when he said to put away the wicked from amongst them. They were a separated people. They had come out of the world, and now they weren't going to let the world enter amongst them. They would not put up with sin in the church. holiness wasn't a phrase with them or a figure of speech; it was a way of life." [Ephesian Age, Seven Church Ages Book]

"Yes, there He stands, the Lord of Glory. Once as the Father, He was surrounded by the angels, the archangels, the cherubims, and seraphims and the whole host of heaven, crying, "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God of Hosts". Such was His HOLINESS that no man could approach unto Him. But now we see Him in the church, sharing His own holiness with us, until in Him we have become the very righteousness of God. Yes, and there He stands, "Jesus, Perfect Everything,"--Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star, the Fairest of Ten Thousand, Alpha and Omega, Root and Offspring of David, Father, Son and Holy Ghost--the All and in All." [Philadelphian Age, Seven Church Ages Book]

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When is Holiness Given to Believers?

"That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." [Ephesians 5:26-27]

"I went to one of the great Pentecostal churches not long ago, frankly, about three months ago and was invited down. And they knowed how I preach HOLINESS. And every one of their women, pretty near, in the building wearing manicure and their men with flat top haircuts and down. And soon as the Sunday school was over, each one walking out of that building and get away from there. They knowed they'd had a skinning coming, so they just didn't stay. That's all. They wouldn't stay and take it. That didn't help none, because they're going to have to meet it at the Day of Judgment. You might as well face it right now and get it over with when there's mercy." [Be Not Afraid, Klamath Falls, OR 60-0717]

"We have been cleansed by the Blood of Jesus, and I do believe in pure, absolutely Holy Ghost religion and HOLINESS. I believe that a man cleaned up from a life of sin, quits all of his drinking, lying, stealing, and everything else. I believe he lives for God, because the Spirit in him is God's Spirit. And that Spirit leads him and guides him into righteousness and HOLINESS, that God could live in him, and will His--do His will in him. Now, there'd only one difference then would keep Jesus from being the same that walked on Galilee, as to be here with us tonight in each one of us... Now remember, the Jesus I'm talking about is the third Person, which is the Holy Spirit, which is in us, God in us." [*What It Takes To Overcome All Unbelief: Our Faith, Yakima, WA 60-0729*]

"Brother, when this old heart gets right with God there, and that eagle spirit begins to move up, you climb above those things of the world. The trouble of it is, we're not attending prayer meeting, attending church, and doing what's right. We're staying home to see some movie play or something like that on our televisions, uncensored programs, some of them dirty jokes and things, they're cracking. And that's the wrong thing to put before a--a young--our young generation of people. The... Used to be it was wrong for the people, HOLINESS people, to go to movies. The devil pull one on them; he put them right in the house." [*As The Eagle Stirreth Up Her Nest, Yakima, WA 60-0804*]

"We never compel them women to do that. We never compel our men not to drink, not to swear. We just preach the Gospel, and lay down the pattern of the Bible. Many men that comes to the Pentecostal faith and the HOLINESS faith, come in and profess to be, when they're not in their heart; many women does the same thing. We don't tell them they have to do it; we just give them the pattern, tell them what the Bible says, and if they are born of a Heavenly Spirit, then their spirit is no more Americanized, it's no more Germanized, it's Heavenly-ized for the Kingdom of God. Because we are in another Kingdom, a Kingdom of God, where decency, HOLINESS, and power exist." [*Five Definite Identifications Of The True Church Of The Living God, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0911e*]

"Afraid of the new birth. It only makes you a different person. If you're not a different person, then you're not converted. You might be converted into a denomination. You might be converted into a different atmosphere or something, but when you're converted to God, then you live holy. I believe in holiness. I can prove to you by the Bible, and I don't care what you do; you cannot offer God a gift without holy hands, He won't receive it. The gifts in the Old Testament had to be sanctified at the altar. The priest before he could go in to offer it had to be anointed and sanctified, or the gift was refused. God will not accept the gift by unholy hands. That's right. It must come through holy hands or He won't accept it. Afraid of the new birth. What makes it? 'Cause it's kindly messy to them, but it brings forth new life. I'm so glad." [*Why? Shreveport, LA 60-1126*]

"God ordained it before the foundation of the world that we might be holy and without blame before Him, living in holiness in the realms of purity, professing

that we are pilgrims on this earth. We're strangers. We do not belong here. Our inheritance is of Above. We're looking for that City to come whose Builder and Maker is God. We hear from It daily and hourly, while the blessings of the Holy Spirit showers upon us while we're setting together teaching and praising Thee." *[It Wasn't So From The Beginning, Shreveport, LA 60-1127m]*

"The way of God is holiness. Let this be known to every member here of the Body of Christ: until you live a holy life, God refuses your sacrifice. The sacrifice must be offered with holy hands. That is right. The high priest before he could even come in to offer the sacrifice, he had to be holy, and dedicated, and anointed, and perfumed, and everything, before he could even walk in the presence of God to offer the sacrifice. Is that right? Then how can you go out here and cheat, and steal, and fuss, and fight with your neighbors, and everything else, and carry on the way you do, and then come in and say, "O Lord God! Praise Jesus! Hallelujah!"? People say, "I see them speak in tongues." That still don't mean they got the Holy Ghost. "I hear them shout." That still don't mean they got the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost is the life." *[The Ephesian Church Age, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1205]*

"I ask you, Christian friend, ask you, sinner friend, what if you was dying tonight, could America save you? Where will you be ten thousand years from tonight? Where will you be, maybe be in the morning? Your destination might be sealed tonight. You don't know. Let me warn you. Get right with God. Get a Spirit, get acquainted with the heavenly things of that Spirit comes down from Heaven where holiness stands, where Angels of God stand, where Jesus Christ stands at the right hand of God in majesty, and glory, holiness, and power of God." *[Jehovah Jireh, Long Beach, CA 61-0209]*

Then you walk as a stranger here, because you're an alien here. You're not of this world. "Ye are not of this world, little children. Neither am I of this world. I pray for you." See, Jesus prayed for His church, that they would not be of the world. They are not of the world. I don't care; you're not American; you're not Swedish; you're not European; you're a Christian. And if you're a Christian, your Spirit is from up there; so it makes you live holy, want to be holy, want to act like Christ, act like God. Your whole desire is on Heaven and not of the world." *[Jehovah Jireh, Long Beach, CA 61-0209]*

"Except a man be born again, he can in no wise enter into the Kingdom." That's right. You must come. No matter how religious you are, what all you do, that has not one thing to do. That makes you a pretty good citizen, but not a citizen of that Kingdom there, maybe of this kingdom here. But the Kingdom of God is within you; you're born in the Kingdom. Kingdom comes in... The Kingdom of God is the Holy Spirit; you belong to that Kingdom. That's the reason women don't bob their hair, don't wear shorts. That's the reason men don't smoke cigarettes and things like that. They're from Above, their Spirit teaches them righteousness, holiness. They don't--they don't swear. They--they don't use bad language and things. Why? They're born from Above. They are different. They're from... citizens from Above." *[The Mark Of The Beast And The Seal Of God, Long Beach, CA 61-0217]*

"How many women in here this morning? I say this in the Name of the Lord Jesus. How many of you are ashamed of that short hair you're wearing, want God by His grace to let it grow out for you? God bless you. How many men are ashamed that you let your wife smoke cigarettes and wear trousers that actually belong to you? And the Bible said, "It's an abomination in the sight of God." Do you know God can't change? He can't change. He has one nature; that's holiness. He can't change. If you don't become like Him, you'll not see Him. "Without holiness no man shall see the Lord." And if wearing slacks is--makes God sick at His stomach and vomit, He's sick, and abomination's filthiness, how are you ever got a spirit like that in you and will ever get to Heaven? How will you get to Heaven with short hair, when God said it's a shame for a woman to cut her hair? She denies the very principles of being a--a wife. God doesn't change. That's His Word, friend. You better listen. And you men that will let your wives do that, aren't you ashamed of yourself? Aren't you ashamed?" [*Perfect Strength By Perfect Weakness, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1119*]

"Say, "I don't believe in holiness." No wonder you can't. But the Bible said, without it no man shall see God. God is holy. If God lives in you, you're holy, too. And tell me you can go out on these parties and drink a little sociable drink. Why, the Pentecostals do that: go out on these parties, and take them women out there and live in these places, and go down and strip theirself off in bathing suits, and go in swimming before men, when your husbands, and brothers, and sisters and so forth, and Pentecostal people going out in bathing suits and calling yourself a member of the Bride? The Bride of Christ don't do them things." [*Sirs, We Would See Jesus, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1224*]

"When we begin to see the miracles and signs and wonders of God, we see the power of God come down, and then see people live different, clean up their lives. Buzz-saw tempers, high-tempered, fuss and stew, and fighting with one another, "members disorderly," that's right, all kinds of sin among us, unbelief. Somebody preach the Word of God, and say, "God said you must be born again. If you can't, you can't even get in." "I disagree with that." And say you got the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit won't deny His Own Word. Got to stay with that Word, 'cause He's the One Who spoke It. If I speak a word, and then deny what I said, then my word is no good. The Holy Spirit has got to keep what He said. And this Word written Here is the Word of the Holy Spirit. I believe it. That's right. Now we find out that God... Need, we need more holiness. We need to be cleaned up, our churches." [*Presuming, Phoenix, AZ 62-0117*]

"We're just presuming it. See? We just taking it, "Well, yes, sir, I believe. I spoke with tongues one day. I believe I received it, Brother Branham. I--I believe that's right." And acting the way you act? Doing the things that you do? Associating with the world? Watching television on Wednesday night instead of going to prayer meeting? All of these things, love them, "We Love Sucy," and all them other things, better than you love the Bible? Read magazines before? Pentecostal people read magazines before? Cause, the rest the women acts like that, you have to do it, too? Doing all these kind of things, and then

you're just presuming. "He that loves the world, or the things of the world, the love of God is not even in him." That's right. It's the truth. Getting to a place where it's all show. It's all just a show, instead of old-fashion holiness, instead of getting back to God. You see the pictures today of advertisement, and evangelists going out, and real pretty, curly hair. I'd like to have some. That's true. But you notice them. They'll take their picture, though, they hold--they hold their head down sideways, to show that real pretty, curly hair, advertising out yonder, and stuff like that." [*Presuming, Phoenix, AZ 62-0117*]

"May the church return, in whole. May this be a time of searching, in Phoenix. May the churches be stirred to holiness, Lord. And may there be such a moving, to see that, the great moves that You start up, and--and the power of God begins to flow among the people. And then worldly and indifference, and impersonations, and--and carnal comparisons, and--and worldliness creeps into the church, just exactly like it was our text tonight. They did run well. They come out of Egypt, under the circumcision, and in the blood of the lamb, and--and they were doing fine. But when they come up there to another part of Your Word, and then doubted it, right there they stood, and they lost the battle. And, Father, we pray that that'll never happen to Your Church in this last days. God, don't let the battle let us be defeated. Let us lay all the Achans out, and the--the wedges out of the camp, and--and come back to the Word, and come back to holiness, and come back to righteousness, and living for God in the power of the Holy Spirit. Grant it, Lord." [*Presuming, Phoenix, AZ 62-0117*]

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Ephesians 5:26-27

Where is Holiness displayed by us?

"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; because it is written, 'Be ye holy; for I am holy.'" [*1 Peter 1:15-16*]

"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." [*Hebrews 12:14*]

"Thank you, Brother Orman. We are happy tonight to be here to hear this wonderful message from--from the lips of our brother, that we believe to be anointed of the Holy Spirit to bring us these great tidings of, as is said, of exhortation: how we should live in this present day in holiness before God and before one another. We--we--we want just holiness among us that no filthy communications be heard among us at all as we profess this great calling of God. We must walk worthy of this thing that God has brought us to. And we're way down towards the end of the journey now, where we're expecting the exceeding abundantly above all that we could do or think. And remember, we want to constantly be in prayer. And above all things, watch your life: if your life don't tally up with God's holiness, then go back and start praying again; there's something wrong. See? We must live in that kind of a state that the

fruits of the Spirit will make Itself known through us. That's what we want to live. You know, sometime we hear great preachers who can preach mighty, but we'd rather see a sermon lived than we would heard one preached, see, 'cause that's the evidence that God is on the inside." *[Communion, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0707e]*

"May I bring that a point: when we are judged by the Word, which is Christ, we're chastened. If we're doing wrong, we're not living up to this Word, we're chastened of the Lord. And when the Lord chastens us, that means corrects us, that we should not be condemned with the world. We are not of the world. We are different from the world, live a different life, a separated life. We're never to live the life of the world and be a Christian. We're to live a--a outstanding life, a different life. Not I don't mean in such social ranks, but I mean we're to live a life of genuine holiness that the fruits of the Spirit might be seen in us: of meekness, and gentleness, and patience, long-suffering, faith: the fruit of the Spirit. But where--when we are--hear these things, then we know we're chastened of the Lord that we don't do them, then we're condemned. And if we have no condemnation within us that we're living above that thing, by the grace of God, then we're not condemned of the world, but we're living above the things of world." *[Communion, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0707e]*

"You can see now, the end-time Message, why It's rejected. Can you? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Now, no denomination, but the revelation of His mystery. See, no denomination. The revelation! God is not known by denomination. He is known by revelation. Look! God in His Body, Christ; and Christ in His Body, the Bride. Oh-oh-oh, my! God made manifest in Christ; Christ made manifest in the Bride! And as God took from the body of Adam, the woman, and she fell; then God has took from the Body of Christ, His flesh, His Body, which is His Word, and is bringing a Bride out that won't fall by denomination or creed. No, sir. But She is coming back with the pure, unadulterated Word of God being manifested. I hope every man that hears this tape, and every woman, will understand that. See? She is the second Eve, but She is not breaking and--and spoiling Her skirts of purity and holiness, to Her Husband. She'll stay with His Word regardless of what anybody says; you can have all the ecumenical moves you want to, and all the affiliations." *[Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728]*

"And the world has got into such a place. Now if a priest comes in and drink, the congregation has got a right to drink; there is your example, see. Oh, my, what a corruption we're living in! We need a housecleaning, all the way from the pulpit to the... Yeah. Yes, sir, we certainly do. How the corruption of the world! And these, no reverence, no respects! The people today, they don't respect God. They have no reverence. They take His Name in vain, and tell dirty jokes. And--and even ministers do that. You hear a--a joke, I guess would be all right. But ministers should be examples, I think, of what of--of righteousness and holiness. And that's the reason I think maybe we--we don't get no farther than we do; we're not, don't come this, the sincerity that we ought to have in it. When you're carrying on, and going on, you lose that little grain

of sincerity, you know. There is something about it.” [*Influence, New York, NY 63-1114*]

“We’ve come times that people thinks that this holiness before God is just some kind of a mockery, or some kind of a--a bunch of people who doesn’t know, some kind of a cult or a clan, or something. But let me assure you, brother! There may be a lot of mockery. I--I don’t say there isn’t; I--I--I can’t say that. I’m just a man. I ain’t to judge. I’m just to preach. But there is a genuine Holy Spirit, genuine apostolic Power of the Holy Spirit. And in foreign countries, and witch doctors and things rise up, them devils, to challenge. Oh, if we’d just... I’d break my subject here, to go telling you about those things. And what? The Holy Spirit, never one time have I ever seen Him fail to do it. He’ll do it every time.” [*Influence, New York, NY 63-1114*]

“And we want to be so big, and wear some kind of a big turned-around collar, some kind of clothes, you know, that makes us look so holy and reverent. There is no holiness with us. We can’t be holy; holiness is of God. See? Certainly. It ain’t a holy church, ain’t a holy mountain; it’s a holy God. That’s right. Not holy people; a holy God! It’s God in the people. Peter referred to the Mount Transfiguration, “the holy mount,” it meant the holy God was on the mountain. Look at it now, see. But it was a holy God there, the Presence of God, what made it holy. It’s the Presence of God in our midst now that brings HOLINESS, not my holiness, not yours, but His holiness. His Presence is what brings the holiness. We ought to humble ourselves, cover ourselves in reverence, humility, and say, “Lord Jesus, receive me imnto Your Kingdom.” His holiness, not ours. Holy Spirit!” [*Influence, New York, NY 63-1114*]

“Well, you say, “They’re just having a little clean fun.” A little clean fun? Nothing! That thing doesn’t... I don’t care how much Sunday school teacher you are. If that thing is in your heart, God can’t dwell in that unclean place. What we need is an old-fashion holiness revival to sweep the church, from one end to the other. Yes, sir. We don’t do that. That should not be permitted. But it’s Americans having a little “clean fun,” setting an example as a Christian nation. Oh, my! Educational system, that isn’t Life. That’s death.” [*The World Is Falling Apart, New York, NY 63-1115*]

“I read in the Bible, that God told John, on the Isle of Patmos, that, “the deeds of the Nicolaitanes,” He hated. Nikao, “conquer laity,” to conquer the laity and put all the holiness in some certain men. holiness is to all. The Holy Spirit fell upon the whole group. There is no holy man, anyhow, it’s a holy God. We don’t say “holy church, holy people.” It’s “holy God.” We’re not holy, but He is holy. Not a holy minister; it’s the Holy Spirit, He ministers through the minister. It’s not holy men; we’re none of us holy. But they seemingly, too many times, are turning down the same opportunity.” [*Investments, New York, NY 63-1116b*]

“The Dynamics of this Church will be a refilling of the Holy Spirit that we have worked in a small measure while the Headstone is coming down to unite with the Body. But when that Head and Body unites together, the full power of the Holy Ghost would raise Her up just exactly like that; even the dead, that’s dead in Christ, for hundreds of years ago, will rise in the beauty of His

holiness, and take a flight to the skies. The Dynamics is the Holy Spirit." *[What Shall I Do With Jesus Called Christ? Jeffersonville, IN 63-1124m]*

"Drunk on the Spirit! If the Holy Ghost can just pour into you till you're so drunk you forget what your name is, till you forget all your doubts; get you so drunk on the Spirit till you forget your doubts, amen, then you can get somewhere with God. Then the cry, "once more," goes up from the sincerity, and then another one. Hallelujah! Filled with the Holy Ghost, these drunk on the Spirit; God's righteousness and holiness, and power, get you so drunk till you forget who you are. You're nothing, to begin with. Remember, God wants to come into you. "Once more, Lord, once more! Once more, Lord, once more!" *[Just Once More Lord, Shreveport, LA 63-1201e]*

"Here not long ago, I was going with the wife, when we still lived in Indiana, a couple years ago, over to the little supermarket. I just come home. We had to go get some food. And on my road over there, we... It was the summertime, you might not believe it, but we found a lady had a dress on. And it was so strange, I... It shocked me. I-I said, "Look at there, that looks strange, that woman is wearing a dress." The rest of them was wearing clothing that didn't... not becoming to the woman. And--and she said... I said, "Well, that's just the American spirit, see, the spirit of America." Now, spirit of America, it's a... supposed to be a Christian nation, but the spirit of this nation is not Christian. It might be called a Christian nation, but it's a million miles from it, in characteristic. So, this woman, I said...She said, "Well, aren't we Americans?" Said, I said, "No. We live here. This is our country. We--we--we stay in it. We love it. It's the best nation in the world. But, yet, we're not Americans." I said, "We are born from Above. The Holy Spirit come down, and we belong to a Kingdom. It's not of this world." I said, "That's the reason that our sisters wear dresses, wear long hair, don't wear make-up." See, their characteristics identify them as holiness unto the Lord,' from Above." *[64-0320 God Identifying Himself By His Characteristics, Denham Springs, LA]*

"Just think, what caused every sickness, every heartache, every death, every trouble, every sorrow, this little spastic child, all these things, cripples, blind, every hospital to be built? Because one person just misbelieved one little part of the Word. That was Eve. Satan just coated it to her. Not quoted, but coated it to her, said, "Surely... The Lord is too good." You hear so much today about it being, God being a good God. He is a good God, but remember He is a God of holiness, a God that cannot overlook sin. The penalty has been paid for, and you've got to accept it on His grounds. And remember, He is a God of anger, a God of wrath. And you'll stand before an angry God, not just a God of goodness and mercy. Tonight He is your Saviour; that Day He is your Judge. So be sure that you don't leave one thing undone, friend. It--it won't... It don't pay. Don't--don't just haphazardly go at it. Be sure, double sure, 'cause you don't get another chance. This is your only chance, while you're here on earth." *[The Voice Of The Sign, Denham Springs, LA 64-0321e]*

"Beauty is of the devil, always. That's exactly right. And we might get to that, a little later on, so then find out. We see what Cain offered, and see what it was

in Heaven, and find out what this world, vain beauty is, and what. Hollywood has took over, today, even the church. Yes, sir. It's a false conception, of the devil. Amidst the beauty of the Lord, in holiness and Power; not in paint, and powder, and shorts, and everything else that they're trying to wear and do it. It's in beauty of the holiness and righteousness. We are not of this world. We're from a kingdom that's Above, where dwelleth righteousness within. Yes, they won't adorn themselves with That; too much television, and so forth!" *[The Identified Christ Of All Ages, Louisville, MS 64-0401]*

"So has God's people, in these last days, has forgotten what the testimony of being a Christian means. It's again, this amnesia has become upon the people. They can't identify themselves. They, they forgot all about It. They had forgot His holiness. They had forgot His law. The women were living like the rest of the women. God's Church and His people has always been, "A separated people, a--a called-out people, a peculiar people, a holy nation, a royal priesthood; offering spiritual sacrifices to God, the fruits of their lips, giving praise to His Name." God called His Church and separated It from the world, for that very purpose. And He give it a law, and, He, It must be holy. He said, "I am holy, and you must be holy, and without holiness no man shall see the Lord." God said that, Himself. And He had called this people to be this type of people, but they had forgotten about it. They had forgotten His laws, and they had forgotten their morals. The women out in the street, Israelite women out there, each one expecting to--to be conceived by the Holy Spirit, to bring forth the Messiah, and then acting like that. Their character was terrible." *[Spiritual Amnesia, Birmingham, AL 64-0411]*

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1 Peter 1:15-16; Hebrews 12:14

Who Is The Spirit Of Holiness?

"And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead." *[Romans 1:4]*

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." *[1 Corinthians 3:16-17]*

"Compare this now, how much alike that man and his wife, both in God's Eden, without one stitch of clothes on them, and knew it not. For why didn't they know it? For they were veiled to their senses of nakedness, by the Holy Veil, of the Holy Spirit. They could look right at each other, and they didn't know that they were naked. They were veiled with the Holy Spirit, of holiness. They were veiled." *[Satan's Eden, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0829]*

"And men of that age as even today were making the same mistake. As the Jews took refuge in the synagogue form of worship, so in the Philadelphian

Age they were taking refuge in the church. It is not joining a church that counts. The life is not in the church. The life is in Christ. "This is the record that God hath given us eternal life and this life is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life, and he that hath not the Son hath not life." Man is made holy by the Spirit. It is the Spirit of holiness that raised Jesus from the dead that indwells us and makes us holy with His holiness." [*Philadelphian Age, Seven Church Ages Book*]

"Brother, I've been around the world, pretty near three times, and I've never seen a holy-roller yet. No, sir. I've seen holiness, but not holy-rollers. That's the name the devil tacked on the Church. God said, "Without holiness, no man shall see God." You can suit yourself, about it. That's God's way." [*The Cruelty Of Sin, Jeffersonville, IN 53-0403*]

"I believe in the resurrection. I believe in a bodily physical resurrection. I believe in the physical bodily return of Jesus Christ. I believe that His Church is His representative on the earth now. I believe that the Church is washed with the Blood of Jesus Christ. And the Church is a Holy Ghost filled Church, preaches holiness to the very extremes." *The Resurrection Of Lazarus, Evansville, IN [53-1122]*

"The circumcision today is the baptism of the Holy Spirit. "All," said Stephen, "all you uncircumcised in the heart and ears, why do you always resist the Holy Ghost? As your fathers did, so do you." The Holy Spirit circumcised in the heart, cutting away the things of the world. It used to be the old-fashion holiness church lived it, acted like it, lived like it. But today it's just like the rest of the world. It's a disgrace. We let down the bars." [*Redemption By Power, Louisville, KY 54-0329*]

"God, grant today, and we look down in this Bible. We look at the church books, the Decalogues, and so forth, of the churches, their rituals, and see how they do this, that, or the other. But let us look into this true Word here, and see what It says. "Without holiness, no man shall see the Lord. Follow peace and holiness, which, without, no man shall see the Lord. He that loves the world, or the things of the world, the love of God is not in him." [*The Invasion Of The United States, Jeffersonville, IN 54-0509*]

"Along came a little fellow from England, by the name of John Wesley; he measured to the people a little closer. He cut the ruler in a little closer, could measure closer: sanctification, as they called it in them days, the second work of grace. Look what he done; he introduced holiness to the Church." [*Have Faith In God, New York, NY 54-0900*]

"We thank Thee for those who have been called out. You said that the ones that escape in that day, the Branch of the Lord, the people of God would be beautiful. And we thank Thee for the beauty of holiness, clean Holy Spirit-filled people, living for You; by Your grace they are this. And we thank Thee." [*Have Faith In God, New York, NY 54-0900*]

"It's got to be a change (Here it is.), a change of the heart, not of this physical thing, but the heart of your soul. In something anchors, till your thoughts that

way is dull; you don't see that no more. You just see the Lord Jesus. You see righteousness, and holiness, and purity, and love, and grace. That's when you've been changed. What is a convert? *Convert* means "to change something over." And your thoughts, your habits, your being, has been changed from a sinner to a Christian. First thing, you know it in your heart; then you express it with your lips; and then it materializes, and that's what you are." [The Word Became Flesh, Jeffersonville, IN 54-1003m]

"There's only one thing and only one place in the Bible that has ever acted that made a person take off their clothes and they were devil-possessed. That's right. It's the truth, and it's no compliment on that, compromising. It's the truth. It's the devil that gets into those people that makes them strip their clothes off. It's the devil. You don't mean to be wrong, but woman, it's the devil doing that. It used to be wrong for holiness women to wear paint on their face. And now, they just gob it on anyway and sing and shout and praise the Lord like there was nothing to it. Oh, brother, do you realize that that's the devil that's a doing that? Purpose in your heart that you'll live, if it's old fashion, live old fashion and serve the Lord God of the heavens and earth. Purpose in your heart." [The Handwriting On The Wall, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0902]

"Calvinism is all right as long as it stays true to the Bible; but when it gets off on the wrong limb, then it's no good. Arminianism, holiness is correct as long as it stays in Bible holiness, not your holiness but His holiness. See? Then it's not my holiness. It's... I'm not depending on my holiness. I have none, but I'm wholly trusting in His holiness. See? It's He's the One Who did it. Not my works, but His finished works that I rest assured that I was received into the Beloved and when the Beloved was received by God, God received me in Christ; that settles it. See? No negatives, no ifs and ands. It's a finished work." [Abraham, Brooklyn, NY 56-1208]

"The Holy Spirit will tutor the children by the direction Book of the Father; that's the Word. God will raise His church by the Word. And the Holy Spirit will teach the church the Word, not the catechism, not the rules of the church, but the power of the Word of the living God. The Holy Spirit will give that to the church. Did not our blessed Lord say, "Man shall not live by bread alone but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." That's the thing the Holy Spirit will teach, and when the Holy Spirit teaches unadulterated holiness before the Lord. How do you think the Holy Spirit feels to bring the word before the Father that we're selfish, that we're unconcerned. We'll stay home on prayer meeting nights to watch old religious programs, uncensored with dirty jokes and everything, and then calling ourselves the church of the living God. What do you think He thinks tonight?" [Hear Ye Him, Oakland, CA 57-0322]

"You don't hear that preached on too much by evangelists any more. It's been let run haphazard any way it can go. But I'm just one of the old-fashion type that believes in good old-fashion holiness. I believe. You say, "That's a big word for a Baptist." But I'm one of them Baptists that got the Holy Ghost, that

believes in real genuine born-again HOLINESS. Certainly. I believe the tree is known by its fruit." [*The Lamb And The Dove, Oakland, CA 57-0325*]

"I'm not at all surprised to see a pig out in a manure pile rooting, not a bit. He's a pig; that's his nature. I wouldn't holler at a sinner out drinking beer and smoking cigarettes. But when you see a... And a sinner woman out on the street with herself dressed to attract attention of a men... Now, don't tell me you're not trying to attract the attention of a men; you are. That's right. You might as well come out and be truthful. Who are you trying to attract then? Why are you dressing like that for then? Then you become a show to the world. That's right. That's right. Well, you say, "That's my privilege. And you preacher, you ain't got no..." Yes, but if you're a lamb, you'll forfeit it. The Bible said, "Let the women dress in modest apparel as may become holiness." [*The Lamb And The Dove, Oakland, CA 57-0325*]

"God, in the beginning required perfection. Jesus, when He come to earth, said, "Be ye perfect, like God in heaven is perfect." And the law, having a shadow of things to come, could never make the worshipper perfect. You get the picture? Now, let's go it again so you'll be sure not to miss it. God requires perfect holiness. No one can stand in His image with one little speck of sin. Jesus witnessed the same and said, "Be perfect, just like God in heaven is perfect." [*The Perfection, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0419*]

"Heavenly Father, several hands went up, in this little meeting, tonight, that they want to take a hold, tonight, of Your unchanging, Eternal hand. Knowing that what is committed to You... You said, "I... All the Father has given Me will come to Me, and none of them will be lost. And I'll raise them up at the last day. Can never perish, can never come to judgment, but has Eternal, Eternal Life." And there's only one Eternal Life. That comes from God, alone. It is God. And we become part of God, so much that we're sons and daughters of God. When we have God's Spirit in us, we think like God. We think of righteousness and holiness, and we try to live to please Him. Grant, Lord, that that type of Life will enter every person that raised their hand. And those who should have raised their hands, and did not, I pray that You'll be with them. Grant it, Father. And when journey is ended, life is finished, may we enter into peace at that day, with Him, where we'll never be old, never be sick, never be no trouble. Until then, keep us joyful and happy, praising Him, for we ask it in His Name. Amen." [*Hebrews Chapter One, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0821*]

"God was in the beginning. Before there was any light, before there was ever an atom, before there was ever a star, before there was any visible thing, God filled all space. And in That was nothing but purity: pure love, pure holiness, pure righteous. It was Spirit. He covered the whole space all from Eternity, where we can't fathom It. It goes beyond anything that we could imagine." [*Hebrews Chapter Two, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0828*]

"What are we today then? We are stars. Every born-again Christian is a testimony to the Lord Jesus Christ, a star to reflect the power and holiness of the Lord Jesus: to reflect Him in His life, to perfect Him in His speech, to

perfect Him in His healing power, to perfect Him in His resurrection, to reflect Him in every way that He was reflected to us by God the Father. We are stars. Watch. What kind of a star should you be? This Star was not guided by Its own power. It was guided by the celestial powers of Almighty God. And if we're ever going to reflect sinners to Christ, we've got to be guided by the Holy Spirit. Romans 8:1 said, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them that's in Christ, that walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit." If we're going to be a star to reflect the Light of Christ to bring sinners to Him, we've got to be guided by the Holy Spirit." [*The Great Shining Light, Jeffersonville, IN 57-1222*]

"This modern jokester, all getting out there, and cracking some jokes about the God of Heaven! Which, he thought he was safely, and he was all right to have a little fun out of these girls, and things. And, oh, the tapestries was hanging and the confetti flying and the painted-up girls was swinging around in the soldiers' arm, just a regular rock-and-roll, having a big time; not knowing that the eye of God was looking down, the Holy God of Heaven. God's holiness requires judgment when sin is committed; His Own attitude, His Own great holiness, proves that He must have justice." [*The Handwriting On The Wall, Waterloo, IA 58-0130*]

"If there ever was a time that mama eagle is setting on the Pentecostal nest, it's today. There's too many loose feathers in the Pentecostal church. Oh, yes. You women, bobbing off your hair. That's not right. The Bible said that it's wrong. And get out on a afternoon and put them little bitty old short clothes on to mow the yard. It's wrong. It's a sin in the sight of God to do that. And you say, "No, I don't wear shorts; I wear slacks." The Bible said, "A woman that'll put on a garment that pertains to a man, it's an abomination in the sight of God." God doesn't change. Too many loose feathers in the Pentecostal church. She's not ready to fly away yet. Used to be it was wrong for holiness women, and women of the church, to wear manicure, or that stuff you put on your mouth and face. But you can't tell one from the other; what's the matter? Too many loose feathers. You know that's the truth. That might make you sick." [*As The Eagle Stirs Her Nest, Harrisonburg, VA 58-0316a*]

"Go over to Africa, and see if that old boogley-woogley, or ever what they call it, rock-and-roll, that's originated with the Hottentots in Africa. And you're trying to satisfy that longing and blessed holy thirst by poking that trash down in the place where God wants to live and to give you freedom, and holiness, and happiness. What a disgrace. What a letdown to the American people. And to you, Pentecostal people, and Pilgrim Holiness, and Nazarenes, who profess a higher calling than that, shame on you. You're dying and rotting in your own corruption." [*Life, Everett, MA 58-0512*]

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Romans 1:4; I Corinthians 3:16-17

Why Is Holiness Needed In Us?

“Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.” [2 *Corinthians 7:1*]

“For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.” [1 *Thessalonians 4:7*]

“What does a woman do it for? What? To appear before men; that's the same thing Jezebel does. She likes to hear the boys go, "whee whew" [Brother Branham imitates a wolf whistle--Ed.] that hound dog call or wolf call. That's right. It's because the pastor has let down. And you wouldn't have an old-fashion, God-sent minister; you got some little Hollywood type of a guy that likes to beat on a drum, and jump up-and-down, and holler, "Hallelujah." The devil can do the same. Holiness becometh the Lord. “And if you love the world, or the things of the world, the love of God's not even in you.” That's what the Scripture said.” [*Life, Everett, MA 58-0512*]

“It used to be a long time ago that all of our fashions come from Paris. Now it don't come from Paris. Paris comes to Hollywood to get it. It used to be it was wrong for you to go to picture shows, you holiness people, and see those bad plays; but the devil beat you to it. He put it on the television and set it right in your own house. It's right. No wonder you got little children out that police officers are being shot at, and stabbed to death, and everything standing on the corner with two guns and everything. They see that stuff. They're raised into it. It's time the church took its position and come out of the things of the world. You know it. It used to be that it was wrong for Christian women in the holiness groups to wear short hair. What happened? I can remember when you couldn't be taken into the church with short hair. It was wrong in the first place; it's wrong yet. The Bible said that if a woman cuts her hair her husband has a right to divorce her and get away from her. That's exactly right. What do you do it for? To follow fashions. Now, you're not going to like me after this, but at the judgment bar, you're going to find out something. The Bible said if a woman cuts her hair, she dishonors her head, which is her husband. If she's a dishonorable person, she should be put away. It used to be wrong, but something happened.” [*Life, Bangor, ME 58-0519*]

“Holiness women wearing these little bitty old clothes and getting out here in the yard, mowing their yard, walking up and down the streets with shorts on, letting your children do it! Then you say, "God, send us a revival." How would God ever put a revival on a bunch of filth? Can't do it. Now you're going to find out why we haven't got a revival. Why did you do it? You see, the world begin to seep in. Many people that call themselves Christians will stay home on Wednesday night from prayer meeting to hear this old, "We Love Lucy" or all kind of nonsense like that, instead of going to a church. Shows what's on the inside of you, what you're thirsting. That's your character, your conduct. And you women, at ten o'clock at morning when you ought to have prayer meeting, you listen to some old unGodly thing like Arthur Godfrey with his old dirty

jokes and things with that bunch of women and then call your selves Christians. Go on. That's the truth. You say, "Brother Branham, I don't wear shorts. I wear slacks." That's worse. The Bible said that a woman that'll put on a garment pertaining to a man it's an abomination in the sight of God; and God doesn't change. And you wear these little old skirts that's so tight, going down the street so tight till the skin's on the outside, and you call yourself, "holiness women." Is that the way a daughter of God would act? Listen. You say, "Preacher, that's the only kind of clothes they sell." But they still make sewing machines and sell them. You ain't got no excuse. And besides that, they still sell goods that you can make your clothes. I know that hurts, but it's good for you. It's the truth. It's what the Bible says." [*Life, Bangor, ME 58-0519*]

"The Bible said Jesus had done so many things, they called Him Beelzebub and so forth, because they, the prophet said, "They got eyes but they can't see." And the Scripture here, Jesus speaking, said the Church would be in that condition in the last days...?... people that set here, got good churches, you got smart men. You got plenty of money and well dressed, but you're blind, naked. There's hardly no Blood, no sanctifying grace upon you. Living in the world. If you--if you were sanctified by the Spirit of God (I believe in holiness, His holiness.), you'd act different, live different than people does today. I'm not talking about maybe just the individuals setting here. You know who, where it's hitting, where it isn't. I'm just responsible for telling it." [*Jesus At The Door, New Haven, CT 58-0529*]

"When God gets a hold of a man, the first thing He does in the church is bring it from worldliness to holiness. And He brings it from death unto Life. It's born again. It's new. Its ideas are new. What we need is a revival like that today. Really is true. Oh, we've had a dip of the Spirit. We've had spiritual blessings and spiritual uprisings. But we don't need that no more; we need a revival of the Spirit of the living God in the hearts of the people. We don't need so much of the dips of the Spirit, or spiritual awakening; we need a revival. Let's revive what we've got, not a spiritual awakening. Sometimes that causes mixed multitudes. But we need a revival that'll sift down, shake down, and will cull out all the things, like standing by the seashore." [*What Does Thou Here, Jeffersonville, IN 59-0301e*]

"And all that the pastors had give in, so they let the--they'd had a social Gospel, no doubt. And so, but there was one who didn't give in. There was a little old prophet in the land in that day. He didn't bow down to any of their idols for he knowed that Jehovah was a holy God; and He required holiness, and cleanliness, and decency. For he knowed that Jehovah could not change. And if Jehovah, to bring the children out of Israel, had to cleanse them and sanctify them. And when they walked disorderly according to His commandments, He placed judgment upon them. He knowed that Jehovah was the same yesterday, today, and forever. Therefore, he would not give in. Oh, Jezebel hated him, and all of her company hated him. But God loved him and respected him, because he never let down on the Word of God. He stayed with It. God give us more Elijahs in this cruel evil day of corruption that we're living in, that's not a

scared to preach what's the truth, what the Bible says. "Without holiness, no man shall see the Lord." You must be cleansed from your sins by the Blood of the Lord Jesus." [*Be Certain Of God, Los Angeles, CA 59-0412a*]

"You've got so much of it out here on this West Coast, so much glamour. And I noticed it's crept into the churches, trying to glamour the church. The church is not glamour, it's a place to preach righteousness, holiness, and purity, and the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit in the human life. Oh, it's a disgrace." [*Thirsting For Life, Los Angeles, CA 59-0414*]

"The Holy Spirit speaking in the Scriptures tonight, said that we might serve Him all the days of our life in holiness before Him; that's cleanliness, holiness. But today, you can mention the word, "holy," and people laugh at it. See how Satan's got it all wrapped up? But you are a slave. And if you are a Christian, you're a slave. You're a bond slave of the Lord Jesus. If there's two people of you, both spirit and body... And if you cater to the flesh, you're a slave of the devil, and you'll crucify the soul that's in you. For the Bible said, "The soul that sinneth, that soul shall die." And you have to crucify the flesh in order to be a bond slave in your flesh to be a servant of Jesus Christ. So, you're a slave any way you take it. And you'll, you can't get away from it." [*All The Days Of Our Life, Chicago, IL 59-0612*]

"Well she said, "Then aren't we Americans?" I said, "As citizenship of our flesh, we are. But we are pilgrims and we are strangers here; and we are seeking a City to come." I said, "That's the reason that one American is different from the other. Our spirits has been born from above. And in that land where we come from, the nature and the habits of that land is holiness, cleanliness, Godliness. And if the Spirit of that Land moves into us, then this land is strange to us." 'Cause your soul and your spirit motivates you; it makes you what you are. And you'll never be able to join churches and get that out of you; you'll still be a church member and make fun of people who preach against such immoral." [*Balm In Gilead, Cleveland, TN 59-0707*]

"I said that to a woman one time. She said, "That's the way they make clothes. That's the only way they make." I said, "They still got goods and sewing machines. You don't have to do that." That's true. You don't have to. It's a spirit that gets on you through television programs, newspapers, advertisements. That's the reason people smoke. They say it makes them slim. They see these movie stars smoking cigarettes. Well, because she does it...If you're born of the Spirit of God, you don't have that kind of spirit. Your Spirit come from Above, where holiness and purity, and cleanliness! O God, why can't I make people see that? You have to be born from Above. And when your Above comes here on earth, you're a pilgrim. This is not your home. You don't belong here. You're just sojourning here. But our home is Above; we seek a city to come whose builder and maker is God. That's the reason we're peculiar to the world. That's the reason the Spirit of God gets into the meeting and makes peculiar things happen, because it's a peculiar people. They're not of this world." [*Balm In Gilead, San Jose, CA 59-1124*]

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"The nation had thought, as long as they were eating good and were well clothed, that everything would be all right. But there was one who still was old fashion, that believed that there was a God that was old fashion, believed that there was a God that kept His Word, believed that the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, was holy and required re-... complete surrender to His holiness. But Jezebel and her modernistic crew hated him. He was their pastor, but they didn't believe it. So he had to hide for his life." [Elijah And The Meal Offering, Phoenix, AZ 60-0310]

"They don't, nobody, don't want the Holy Spirit to judge them. Now, if you get the Holy Ghost and can still live that way... You come to me and tell me you got the Holy Ghost and living like that, I--I can't be your judge, but according to the Word you've missed the line somewhere, brother. That's right. That's exactly what the Spirit says. See? That's right. We need back holiness again, brother. We need... Come back to God. Yes, they reject It, certainly they do. They don't want to do it, know how that they don't want to come under the jurisdiction of the Holy Spirit. They don't want the Spirit to--to guide them." [The Rejected King, Chautauqua, OH 60-0610]

"My poor dejected friend! The devil might've took you, sister, out yonder to a place where you never do desire to let your hair grow. Might get you to a place where you think that some pastor is nonsense when he's preaching you pure holiness, the way you should dress. Some of you men out there that goes around and does these things you ought not to do... And you men that'll let your

wife do a thing like that, and smoke cigarettes, I got little respect for you even as a man. Now, that's exactly right. You know, a man's the head of the house, as long as he takes his place. But we--I--I don't--I like to see a man a man. A man's not judged by how many muscles he's got; that's beast. A man's not judged by the brawny muscles, but he's judged by the bags in the knees of his pants where he's been praying. That's what takes a man.” [The Rejected King, Chautauqua, OH 60-0610]

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Human Spirit

Do you have questions? I suppose all of us do at some time or another.

Proverbs chapter 20 verse 5 tells us that *Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.*

Questions are a necessary part of spiritual growth, so long as the questioner is sincere, and his motives are correct.

I pray that this book will be to you as Philip was to the Ethiopian in the eight chapter of the Book of Acts.

That, believing those who have answered these questions with Scripture and quotes from the Message of the Hour were under divine inspiration, so also the reader will be inspired to take action according to the Word of the Lord, as the Eunuch was inspired to say, *See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?*

God bless you as you read.

- Ben Pruitt

Human Spirit

What is your Spirit Conscience?

"I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost." [*Romans 9:1*]

"Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience." [*I Timothy 3:9*]

"The only way you can be a Christian, is being born again of the Spirit of God. That's the only remedy: under the Blood of the Lord Jesus. And when you confess your sins to God, and you do have pardon from God, then you are not a sinner. He that's born of God does not commit sin. If he does it, it's unwillfully. "The worshipper once purged has no more conscience of sin." For instance, in the Old Testament the blood of bulls and goats just covered sin; it didn't take it away. But the Blood of Jesus takes it away. It divorces it. There's no more to it." [*Show Us The Father, Tucson, AZ 63-0606*]

"Now, this case, the blood was the token. Literally, it had to be applied, because it was just chemistry is all they had, because it was a lamb's blood, a animal, a lamb's blood. So the life that was in the blood, the life that was gone out, so the blood was shed. See? The life went out, but it couldn't come back on the believer, because it's an animal. But it only spoke of a good conscience, that there was coming One, a perfect Sacrifice." [*Desperations, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0901E*]

"Another thing, we find out in Hebrews 9:11, that pardoning produces purity, the worshipper having no more conscience of sin, and has cleansed himself from dead traditions. When we really come under the Blood, we are cleansed from dead traditions. The Scripture says so, Hebrews 9, watch, "Cleanse your conscience from dead traditions." Then, if you do that, forget that you are a Baptist, forget you are a Methodist, forget you are a Pentecostal, whatever you are, and forget those dead traditions, and come to the Blood. Come to that." [*Pardon, Tucson, AZ 63-1028*]

"It's not easy for a person to go to hell. A man fights his way to hell. The first lie you ever told, you know it was wrong. The first cigarette you ever smoked, you knowed was wrong. The first evil you did, you knowed was wrong. But in your conscience, told you it was wrong, but you continually run through the red light, run over the barricades. You're reckless. You want to do it, anyhow, show you're some big guy. See? But, remember, you fight your way to hell. It's not easy to go to hell. You have to reject Truth." [*What Shall I Do With Jesus Called Christ? Jeffersonville, IN 63-1124M*]

"Peter said, "The promise is unto you," when they wanted to repent, "and to them that's far off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." How many? "As many as the Lord our God shall ever call." Now, the church might call you, your conscience might call you. But when God calls you, He knows how to dress His servant." [*Influence, Shreveport, LA 63-1130B*]

“Our conscience, God can use every part of us if it's converted to Him. Everything that we are, when it's given completely into the hands of God, and converted to His service, He can use us in dreams, He can use us in speech, He can use us in all senses. And everything that we are, is converted to God, then God can use it. Do you believe that? See, when we are, everything is converted to Him, He can use it. When our whole being is converted, then Christians can have, this day, spiritual dreams that can mean something, that can foretell them of things. We know that that's the truth.” *[We Have Seen His Star And Have Come To Worship Him, Tucson, AZ 63-1216]*

"Whether I'm right, or He is right. Is my conscience right, or is His Word right?" You're in the judgment place now. "What I have believed, is it right, or is His Word right? Do I think it's all right to have short hair, wear shorts? Do I think it's all right to belong to a denomination?" What did He say?" *[Recognizing Your Day And Its Message, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0726M]*

“If we disagree, it's all right; but, you see, water does not remit sins. It's an answering towards a good conscience.” *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823M]*

“There'll be thousands there that's been baptized in Jesus' Name; you just go down a dry sinner and come up a wet one. See? See? But as the genuine, true believer, that you must walk in all of the faith and good conscience towards God, when you see it, you are baptized. But I believe that it's only in an outward expression showing that a inward work of grace has been done.” *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823M]*

“I come with this Message. Sometime it seems like I just hate to say It, but yet I'm--I'm duty bound, brethren. If I don't do it, I'm a hypocrite. If I don't do it, I'm a traitor to my own conscience, and my own--own faith in God's Word. I must do it, not to be different, but to be true to my calling. And I want to help you all, I want to do everything I can.” *[Why It Had To Be Shepherd, Tucson, AZ 64-1221]*

“Balaam using this phony text for his conscience. See? He said, "Well, I'll--I'll find out. I'll try again." Now, there is where you come, secondarily. How many Balaams have we got tonight, that likes to use that phony text of Matthew 28:19 just for their conscience's sake? How many wants to use Malachi 4 for their conscience's sake? How many wants to use Luke 17:30 just for conscience's sake? How many wants to use these things, yet, "Well, I tell you, I--I believe they're all mixed up on That"? And then here was Balaam trying to say, "Perhaps maybe God got mixed up. I'll try again, see, see what He said." Now, He knows your heart. Notice, Balaam used this phony text for his own conscience's sake, because, actually, he wanted that money. He wanted that dignitary. He wanted that. He wanted that job. He wanted that position, to be looked up to, as Doctor So-and-so. So he--he--he said, "I'll try again." Oh, at the Balaams in the world tonight, promised positions, popularity! My, oh, my! They numb their conscience by them. Because of their denominations, they say, "If you do that, out you go. I know you're a good man, and we love you,"

and he is a good man, "we love you. But you can't preach that. Our--our doctrine says you can't do that. Doctor So-and-so said this is the way it is. Now you've got to believe it this way, if you stay with us. Now, if you want to, I know you had a hard time, well, I'll see if I can't get you promoted, maybe change churches." Oh, you Balaam! When you know the will of God, you do it! God ain't going to change His mind." *[Does God Ever Change His Mind About His Word Jeffersonville, IN 65-0418E]*

"You speak with tongues and then refuse to be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ? Something wrong somewhere. Yes, indeed; any of those things, any of those orders God give. There is something wrong. Just search your own conscience, and see what--see what the Bible said. Show me some place where somebody was baptized in the name of the "Father, Son, Holy Ghost." See? It's not there. But, you see, sometimes for your conscience's sake, you say, "Well..." You say, "God speaks to the women about how they must do, not wear shorts and things, but, you know, the pastor said..." So they take the easy way." *[Does God Ever Change His Mind About His Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0418E]*

"Even I know a Pentecostal preacher, all of them, started now giving a round kosher. Which means, Ashtoreth, the "moon-God," a kosher wafer. Say, "Shut your eyes and take it, if it hurts your conscience." Shut your eyes? A round wafer, what does it mean? We are taking a broken body, Jesus Christ, broken; not a round moon-God, Ashtoreth, who Mary took the place of. And the Roman kosher is still round, for the moon-God, Goddess, not God. We have a broken kosher, certainly. *[Does God Ever Change His Mind About His Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0418E]*

"I challenge this whole audience, in the Name of Jesus Christ! If you could, if... Your conscience, don't let it be seared with unbelief, don't let it be frustrated. Can't you see the Son of man, the Son of man in the form of prophetic Message, returning back again in His Church, in prophecy, revealing Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever? It's never been done through the age, till this time. See? There is the proof of it." *[God's Provided Place Of Worship, Los Angeles, CA 65-0425]*

"In the Hebrews, I believe the 10th chapter, said, "There was a continually remembrance of sin, each year, those beasts' body was offered. But in this case, the worshiper once purged has no more conscience of sin, no more desire to sin." The whole thing is gone from you, because you have been quickened into a new Life." *[Does God Change His Mind, Los Angeles, CA 65-0427]*

"Father, You are God, yet. The same Word said that this would happen in the last days. Many honest person, as we said last Sunday, putting their hand to that Ark upon a new cart, and not the shoulders of the Levites, has fell dead, "dead in sin and trespasses," argue against their own conscience. Many ministers setting in his study, read that Word, and change the page quick; to keep from having to blast out, to know he'll lose his social standing with the

public, with his church and with his denomination. God help us to never do that!" [*The Anointed Ones At The End Time, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0725M*]

"God's veil, yet today, can look and not lust. They turn their head. It's a Holy Veil, see, Holy Veil. God had their eyes... they were both, one was man and the other was woman, and they did not know they were naked, because the holiness of God kept their eyes veiled. Notice, God hid their conscience from sin, by the Holy Veil. Wish we had some time to lay on that, a few minutes. Looky here, "For he, the worshiper once purged," Hebrews, "the worshiper once purged, has no more conscience of sin." Sin has passed from him." [*Satan's Eden, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0829*]

"That little inside of the inside, that's where you start, which is your soul; then come from that, you're a spirit; and then you become a living being. Now, the living being has five senses, to contact; the second has five senses. That's the outside body: see, taste, feel, smell, and hear. The inside body has love and conscience, and so forth, five senses. But the inside of the inside, the control tower, it's either God or Satan." [*Power Of Transformation, Prescott, AZ 65-1031M*]

"Let the Holy Spirit search your conscience, and you'll agree with Daniel 5:12. When the queen come in before Belteshazzar, and said she found out that there was a prophet, Daniel, was among them, and he was a dissolver of doubts. You let the Holy Spirit. He is the Prophet of the day. Let Him come into your heart right now and examine with the Word of God, and the doubts about the Message will be all dissolved. He dissolves all the doubts. You find out, it's exactly on the Word for this day." [*The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125*]

"Look at yourself for a few minutes. You say, "That Message you're preaching, Brother Branham, is wrong." Look at yourself a little bit. Let the Holy Spirit search your MINDS with the Word, you'll agree with the Message. Let Christ, the anointed Word, search out your own conscience. Let Him get into you, see if That's right or not. And that's just one or two things I mention, when there hundreds of them." [*The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125*]

"You say, "I got the baptism, the Holy Ghost." That don't mean that you're saved, not by a long ways. Looky here. You are a triune being. You are. Inside this little fellow here is the soul, the next is the spirit, and next is the body. Now, you got five senses in this body, to contact your earthly home. They don't contact the rest of it. You got five senses of the spirit, here: love and conscience, and so forth, of that. But in *here* is where you live. That's what you are." [*The Rapture, Yuma, AZ 65-1204*]

"There's three people of you. The outside is the body. You got five senses, that you contact your earthly home with that. The inside is a spirit. There's five senses there, love and conscience, and so forth, you contact. But the inside of that is the soul. [*Things That Are To Be, Rialto, CA 65-1205*]

“There's many people just can't believe It, even Spirit-filled people. I'm going to give you one that'll choke you. The baptism of the Holy Ghost don't mean you're going in, not at all, not on that, don't have anything to do with your soul. That's the baptism, see. Here's the inside soul, in here, that has to come from God. But then on the outside you have five senses, and five out... inlets to your... contact your earthly home. The inside, you have a spirit, and in there you have five outlets: your conscience, and love, and so forth, five outlets to that spirit. Remember, in that spirit you can be baptized with the genuine Spirit of God and still be lost. It's the soul that lives; that was ordained of God.” *[Modern Events Are Made Clear By Prophecy, San Bernardino, CA 65-1206]*

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Romans 9:1; I Timothy 3:9

What Is Your Spirit Emotion?

“They that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.” *[Colossians 3:2]*

“Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.” *[Galatians 5:24]*

“Satan is always near to try to get something fumbled up in your mind. But tonight, set your affections on things above, where Christ sets at the right hand of God. And remember, the Bible said, “He's the same, yesterday, today, and forever.” And if His Spirit be here, He reveals things today as He did in the days gone by. Heavens and earth will pass, but His Words shall not pass. Have faith in God. Do not doubt.” *[Looking To The Unseen, Cleveland, OH 50-0816]*

“That's the way, every man or woman that's born of the Spirit of God. It's not you. It's not human emotion. It's because that the resurrection, or the power of God, is in that human life, and is pressing up into Everlasting Life, moving into Eternal Life. Something in here; you could not hold your peace if you had to. There's something within you.” *[Go Tell My Disciples, Jeffersonville, IN 53-0405S]*

“People don't know what compassion is. Compassion and love is the will of God. And you can only exercise that as God gives it, not human, emotional passion, not emotional love, but Divine Love, which can only be rendered and given by God.” *[Looking For Jesus, Phoenix, AZ 54-0228E]*

“No matter how saintly you are, how Godly you are, how much of a minister or lay member, or whatever you are, you'll never be able to get anywhere with God till you get in the Spirit. That's right. I don't mean get in emotion. I mean get in the Spirit. See? See? You get in emotion, do anything. But when you get

in the Spirit, you see things.” [The Seven Church Ages, Jeffersonville, IN 54-0512]

“A doctor said to me, not long ago I was talking to him; he said, "Brother Branham, what's the matter with those people," said, "they're just worked up. That's what makes them act like that, crying and running to the altar." Said, "It's emotion." I said, "Doctor, you ought to know enough; it takes something to excite the nerves before that a person could be emotional. "Certainly, it is. It's something present. And it is true, that when the Holy Ghost comes down, It stirs the crowd to emotion. They're setting there anointed with the Spirit of God, and the Holy Ghost sweeps across them, it stirs emotion. It's got to. Jesus said, "If they hold their peace, the rocks will immediately cry out." [A Personal Experience With God, Chicago, IL 54-0724]

"How do you get it, Brother Branham? How do you ever get into this fellowship?" Through the shedding of the Blood, not from some experience. No, sir. Not from some mental emotion. No, sir. Not from some bodily exercise. No, sir. Them things are all right, as good as they may be, but yet that's not the foundation truth. Leave that set over here to one side, till you get back here right, back here, till you get to the altar, and all old things pass away. A peace that passes all understanding comes in, till you can hate no more, you can envy no more, until something that makes you love the worst enemy you ever had, not imagination, something that'll keep you from talking about the neighbor that persecutes you, something that'll make those... love those who spitefully use you. It'll make you pray for those who are indifferent and ugly towards you. That's the foundation.” [Fellowship By Redemption, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0403]

“I believe and think, that any man that's got an experience with God (or a woman) is bound to get a little emotional. I just believe it. That's right. But you know what? They've adopted emotionalism for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. They just get a lot of noise and there's nothing in it. You live just as holy as you live noisy then you'll be all right. Emotions is certainly all right. Bodily exercise profiteth little, but enticing spirits has got over into the holiness group of people and it's got them to just resting upon because they can shout, or because they can dance, because they can make emotions. That old fellow down there, the chief of all them prophets (the preacher), he was so sure that he was right that he made himself a pair of horns, and danced all around, and made a big commotion: he was going to push the other Syrian army out of the country. But it was a lie. God's Word said different. Amen. See? You can be emotional right, if you got the right kind of emotion behind it, the right kind of emotion moving your emotion.” [Enticing Spirits, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0724]

“My dear brother, ministers, I want you to thoroughly understand, that in approaching this subject of Divine healing, I lay it all to Calvary and the finished works of our Lord Jesus at Calvary. It's not any mental emotion, any work-up, any psychic. It's truly your faith in the finished work at Calvary.” [Jesus Christ The Same, San Fernando, CA 55-1113]

"Take God at His Word, for by faith are you saved, and that's through grace, not by works: no mental emotions, no stirred up, no speaking with tongues, no shouting, no nothing. By faith walk into the Presence of God, and say, "Lord God, I come solely on the basis of Your Word and I believe You." *[Why Are People So Tossed About, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0101]*

"The anointing is not emotions. The anointing is supreme power in control, like knowing exactly what and how, see, and that's what's here." *[Why Are People So Tossed About, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0101]*

"When you was an alien from God, you ceased to be an alien; now you are a child. From death unto Life, from darkness unto day, from mortal to immortal, from corruption to incorruption, from weary unto joy, from death unto Life, and are resting fully upon THUS SAITH THE LORD. Not upon feelings, mental emotions, theory, upon some unknown something that somebody has said to you that has no basis, upon someone say, "Well, you come and join our church, and it'll be finished"; but upon the Word of God the human soul rests solid. God said so. That settles it, makes it real." *[Why Are People So Tossed About, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0101]*

"Check back through the Bible and see if the prophets or anything, ever done anything outside of first seeing it first to be done, 'cause you can't say it's THUS SAITH THE LORD unless the Lord has said it and you know it. It ain't a mythical workup or some mental emotion; it isn't a psychological--psychology; it is absolutely God foreshowing something that's going to happen. Correctly. And it'll happen every time. It'll never fail once." *[God Using His Gift, Shreveport, LA 56-0311E]*

Father God, this little, bitty flock here this morning, but there's real men and women sitting here that's Your children, that believes You and loves You. I pray, God, for them. Maybe some of them have never accepted You yet, never really had the experience of all the old carnal things of the world dying out, they just lived on a church confession, they told people, and told others. Maybe they've been baptized or something in--in Christian article, but never really have ever been saved. They don't really know what it is. Maybe they just been mentally emotional, intellectually professed Christians, thinking that they're right by a sentiment, where, "There's a way that seemeth right unto a man," seems like it's right, and you got it, "but the end thereof is the ways of death." *[Revelation Book Of Symbols, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0617]*

"We're contending that there's one true, living God, and that He's just as live tonight, as He ever was. And that we are not here just with a fictitious belief; we're not here all emotionally wrapped up in some emotion, or psychology, or enthusiasm. We're here in the Presence of the living, resurrected Jesus Christ, Who stands with us each night, and proves Himself to be alive, raised from the dead, and is here with us now." *[Divine Love And Sovereign Grace, Prince Albert, SK 56-0814]*

"I'm so sick and tired of seeing little petty Hollywood revivals, so called, where people come in and get emotionally stirred up for a couple hours and--or day or

two, or a week or two, and go out and that's all of it. Brother, you can be worked up by a revival. You can have emotion. You can have good intentions. All those things are fine. But we don't need that today. We need a baptism of the Holy Spirit to change the emotions, and the intellects, and the views, the habits, the life of the people, and put them back on the right road again. Outside of a Blood transfusion from Calvary, all of our reformations won't do any good at all." [A Blushing Prophet, Jeffersonville, IN 56-1125E]

The Bible is right. And if Jesus is willing to come here and make this so manifested to you, so perfectly, beyond any realm of psychology, beyond any realm of emotion, a perfect miracle! A miracle is something that cannot be explained. I can see where a man could be a--a little lame in his foot, and could jump up, and under an emotion. Right. But who could tell him what he has done, and where he has come from, and what's happened, and what will be? And I challenge you; it's never missed a time, in the tens of thousands times thousands, around the world." [A Greater Than Solomon Is Here, Hot Springs, AR 63-0628E]

"You thinking you have, and having It, is two different things. You might be able to try to say you have, and you might be able to show some evidence of some emotion; but unless your life is vindicating what you're professing to have, you still haven't got It. No matter how many emotions, how much you jump, run, sensations, speaking in tongues, or shouting, or whatever you might lay it upon; which is all right, I believe in all that, too; but unless your life copes with your testimony, then you haven't got It. Cause, the fruit of the Spirit vindicates what you are, just like the fruit of any tree tells what it is. Jesus said, "By their fruit you shall know them." [A Paradox, Chicago, IL 63-0801]

"On the inside of that man is a man called spirit, and he has five senses: think, thought... and thought, and love, and conscience, and so forth. All right. Now, you can't think with your body. You think with your mind." [Christ Is Revealed In His Own Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822M]

"No selfish thing will work. Your motives and objectives has to be exactly, perfectly right, then you have faith, to ask. "If our hearts condemn us not, then we have confidence." See? See, we've got to have confidence. "I want this to the honor and glory of God." Then faith has a--a channel to move into; if it doesn't, then you got mental, intellectual faith, and not genuine faith from God. That intellectual faith will get you nowhere. Might get you emotional, but it won't get you the healing that you're looking for." [I Have Heard But Now I See, Shreveport, LA 65-1127E]

"Harvest time. Have you noticed that in the harvest time, though there is a real acceleration in the ripening, there is consequently a slowing of growth until there is no growth? Is that not exactly what we are seeing now? The false vine is losing multitudes to the Communists and various other types of belief. Her numbers are not increasing as she would like us to think. Her hold on the people is not what it used to be, and in so many cases going to church is just a show. And the true vine? What about her? Is she growing? Where are those

vast numbers that keep coming to revivals and answer altar calls? Are not most of them merely emotional in their approach, or desirous of something physical rather than desiring that which is truly spiritual? Is this age not like the day in which Noah entered the ark, and the door was shut, but yet God tarried in judgment seven days? No one was literally turned to God in those silent days.” *[A Resume Of The Ages, Seven Church Ages Book 65-1204]*

“Our spirit is clean. It is fresh. It is real. It is sober and serious but nonetheless, full of the joy of the Lord. The Christian ought to be just as exuberant and full of his pleasure in the Lord as the world is when it savors and delights in its pleasures. Both Christians and the world are human; both have emotions. The difference is the Christians' hearts and emotions are purely on the Lord of Glory and His love, while the world satisfies the flesh.” *[Patmos Vision, Seven Church Ages Book 65-120]*

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Colossians 3:2; Galatians 5:24

What Is Your Spirit Imagination?

“Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.” *[Romans 1:21]*

“Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.” *[2 Corinthians 10:5]*

“It's just not just imagination, friends. My! His voice is just as audible as mine is to you. Just not when He stands there, it's not just what you just IMAGINE. I hear Him when He's walking, look at Him, talk to Him like you talk to me or I talk to you. It's a Being, not just a imagination. And I can hear Him when He sets His feet down, walks. When He talks, He just talks like I do. Oh, He's got a--a voice that's very humble in one way, and then very stern in another. His characters, no man could paint that. Just like if He'd speak, it'd turn the world upside down. Yet He's so meek when you look at Him, you'd almost cry.” *[Led By The Spirit, Minneapolis, MN 50-0715]*

“Friends, these things are just not something that you just imagine in your mind. I speak just as direct, and He speaks to me just as I'm talking to you now, not just imagination.” *[God Revealing Himself To His People, Cleveland, OH 50-0813E]*

“How many believes in Divine healing? How many believes that Christ healed you back there nineteen hundred years ago when He died for you? If you believe that, if your faith declares that, that you're healed right now, just as much as the sense of sight says that that's white; it's over. There it is. See? It's a reality. It's not just a myth; it's not something imagined; it's--it's actually, you

know it. There's no--no doubt nowhere; it's just all wiped out; it's gone; you know it." [*The Second Miracle, Erie, PA 51-0729E*]

"May the Lord Bless you. And I pray that He'll come visible in the meeting tonight, and will manifest Himself to all you needy. First, you who needs him as a Saviour, no matter how clean you're living, how--how sufficient your church going is, how much memb... Remember, it was a holy church, a Bible believing church that condemned Jesus Christ and put Him to death. And those... Jesus declared those Pharisees, said, "You are of your father the devil." Religious holy men... See? Faith is something. You're saved by faith, not by imaginary but by direct contact with God, Who brings the supernatural life into your mortal being." [*God Commissioning Moses, Connersville, IN 53-0603*]

"If those signs are not following you, then you're just imagining you are a believer. 'Cause Jesus said, "These signs maybe will follow? These signs shall follow," His last words addressed to the church. May God help you while we bow our heads just a moment." [*The Resurrection, West Palm Beach, FL 53-1205*]

"When you are thoroughly convinced that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and in your heart, now, not in your imagination, but in your heart something echoes down there, and said, "Now, I am saved." that's all you need, right there, brother. Confess it out, and let your words go out. And then watch, watch your life from then on. No more than a corn could bear cockleburrs, neither could that man bear evil fruits. He will have to bear good fruits." [*Jubilee Year, Jeffersonville, IN 54-1003E*]

"Abel rolled him up a rock and made him a church or worship place. But when Abel come, he, by faith... Faith isn't something that's imaginary thing. I want you to get it. Faith is a direct revelation. See, if you only accept Christ as your Saviour by a intellectual, you haven't got it yet. You cannot say that Jesus is the Christ, until the Holy Spirit has revealed it to you. See, intellectual faith, that... Oh, if I could only get that one point right now to go down home in every heart. I'm thankful for this place, position right now. See? Oh, if you can only see this, you'll see the greatest thing you've seen in years. Look, not because I'm standing here saying it, but if you can understand how it is that faith is not something mentally perceived, but it is a revelation, a revelation of God, by faith, not intellectual, but by his heart." [*The Faith That Was Once Delivered To The Saints, Chicago, IL 55-0501E*]

"When God walked with just man alone, by himself, he had favor with God. But when man begin to multiply, and begin to get others and others and others, then they begin to... Satan having a more of a range to work in. This man might believe a little bit, leaning in this way, and the other one, a little bit this way; then when Satan comes in, he just fires it on. Then it becomes this and that, and imaginations begin to come great, and then corruption sets in." [*The Ark, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0522*]

"Let's take a little imaginary trip before the world ever began. Do you know Jesus was the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world? Now, just take away the curtains, and let's listen to it just a moment. Then that'll give you courage for any thing you have need of. As long as you find it written here, just take a hold of it, God will--God will make it right." *[The Law Having A Shadow, Chicago, IL 56-0621]*

"Faith can't find a--a resting place on the--the imaginary MINDS of man's self-made theology. It's got to have its resting place in the eternal Rock of God's Word. There it's anchored, because God said so. He said, "Heavens and earth will pass away, but My Word shall never fail." So we can be assured that His Word never fails." *[Gifts, Brooklyn, NY 56-1207]*

"Every Word of God is a Seed. And if that Seed can be planted by the inexhaustible Fountain of Life, which is Christ, the believer has to drink beyond his imagination, drink and push out. Push out everything you have need of, 'cause it's in you when you receive Christ. And we are planted together in Christ. And He is the inexhaustible Fountain of Life." *[Hear Ye Him, Parkersburg, WV 56-1215]*

"God, the Creator, Who created all things by His power, through His spoken Word... And everything that is, is the Word of God made manifest; the entire world was made. And how we do error when we try to ignore God's Word or try to limit God's power by our own imagination. For the very earth that you're setting over tonight, is only the Word of God made manifest. God made the world by His spoken Word. Oh, my! The dirt, all of the minerals, the gold, all the waters, and everything that there is, is only God's spoken Word. If not, where did He get it? Where did it come from? God said, "Let there be," and it was. Then what faith should we have in Him and in His Word?" *[When Divine Love Is Projected, Sovereign Grace Takes Its Place, Lima, OH 57-0126E]*

"Lord, Thou Who was before the world, Thou has seen every move. And I don't know one thing more You can do, Lord. You've fulfilled Your Word to the letter, gone beyond the boundaries of our imaginations. You've went so far until You stricken blind millions of people who grope in darkness tonight, because they have rejected to walk in light." *[The Mighty Conqueror, Chicago, IL 58-0110]*

"In the days of Noah they had religion. They'd had it for two thousand years, like we've had Christianity. And there were critics just like there is now. And in the days of Noah what happened? We find out that Noah stood in that one door of the ark and built an ark which was contrary to any human imagination. It had never rained, never been a cloud in the sky. But God said it was going to rain. That was God's Word. God said, "Prepare an ark." And Noah prepared the ark, and stood in that one door, and preached salvation. And that's the only remedy for salvation." *[The Unfailing Realities Of The Living God, Jeffersonville, IN 60-0626]*

"When God made a man, he gave him...he let...The devil took his head. God chose his heart. The devil through his imagination makes him imagine

anything, gives him intellectual conceptions of the Scripture. But God gets in his heart and leads him by the Spirit; makes him believe things that his intellectual don't know nothing about. Amen! That makes me feel a little religious when I think of that, see. When God gets a hold of a man, he comes into his heart. That's God's control tower." [*Why, Phoenix, AZ 61-0128*]

"People say, "Aw, he blesses himself." You know, make a little cross or something like they do now, you see, same thing. See? And, you see, it's a heathen trait, see, it's the heathens. "He blesses himself in his own heart, in his own imagination, in his own mind." Therefore, if any man will serve an idol or keep an idol on him, or bless himself in his own imagination of his mind and serve idols, God said, "Man, woman, family, or tribe, his name will be completely blotted out from amongst the people." Now, is that right? How true. Idolatry did the same thing in the church years ago and does today." [*The Seventh Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0324E*]

"Before we can influence, we've got to recognize God, we've got to be clean, we've got to be humble. We got to get ourself down, and know, just keep imagining and knowing how little you are. You are nothing. I am nothing. And none of us is nothing, but He is all. He is worthy of all praise, O Lamb of God. What we need is to go back to the temple, we need to go back to the altar of God and to make an altar in our own hearts, where that we can surrender ourselves, and then see the Lord God of hosts come down in this last days and do what He did when He was here first. Then you'll understand it, and cry, "Woe is me!" [*Influence, Chicago, IL 63-0803E*]

"It is something that you possess, not imagination, if you really have it. It's just as real to you as any other thing that could be. It's just as real as--as you know that--that you're riding an automobile. It's just as real as you know that you're setting in the church. It's just as real as you hear my voice. It is a substance, not an imagination, not an emotion; but something that you have, and it comes to you by hearing the Word of God, and That only. "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing the Word of God." That puts it back to where your faith, then, is not in some individual. It's not in a man. It's not in a organization. It's not in a group of people. It's in God, because God is the Word. See? Your faith is in God. "Faith cometh by hearing the Word of God." Then when God, by His Word...Not by what somebody else did, somebody else said, but by what God's Word said. He said, "Let every man's word be a lie, and Mine be true." [*Perfect Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0825E*]

"We're so glad that we have a God, not just an imaginary God, an imaginary idol, an imaginary spirit; there's nothing imaginary about it: a true and living God Who lives with us and in us and works through us. Not making a statue to God, but we being living images of God... The Holy Spirit, not speaking through a statue, but speaking through a redeemed vessel: God manifested in flesh. How we thank Thee for this, the great Pillar of Fire following us, or we following It, rather, and for all the great manifestations of the same Spirit doing the same work that It's always done when It come to the

earth. What a consolation it gives us! [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0823E*]

"There stood Isaiah standing there, said, "A virgin shall conceive." A man like him in a day when... How is a virgin going to conceive? "Unto us a Son is born: a child is born, a Son is given. His Name shall be called: Counselor, Prince of Peace, Mighty God, the Everlasting Father. Upon the throne of His father, David, He'll reign. There'll be no end to His Kingdom." How is it going be? He didn't know. He just spoke what God said. It's beyond any imagination, intellectual. It's beyond any scientific research. It's the Word of God." [*The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ, Shreveport, LA 65-1125*]

"God has His way of doing things. These man thought they were doing God a service. Be careful! Not emotion, not enthusiasm, not imaginations, but it must be "THUS SAITH THE LORD," must be right.' [*Trying To Do God A Service Without It Being God's Will, Shreveport, LA 65-1127B*]

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What Is Your Spirit Memory?

"Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the Name of the LORD our God." [*Psalms 20:7*]

"Remember His marvellous works that He hath done; His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth." [*Psalms 105:5*]

"I have remembered Thy Name, O LORD, in the night, and have kept Thy law." [*Psalms 119:55*]

"Notice, while they spake about Him, talked about Him, He appeared. That's a good way to get Him around you: talk about Him all the time. Amen. Keep your conversation, not on who's... Or where the next play comes up on the television, or the next movies going to come, or who's going to be elected president: talk about Jesus. Christians talk about everything but Christ in these days. Go out, they always got a bunch of nonsense and everything they want to talk about or something, but never talking about Christ. Talk about Him. Sing about Him. Love Him; keep Him on your heart and mind all the day and night. David said about the, he'd bind the laws upon his fingers and the bedpost, and so He'd be before him all the time. That's the way; keep Him before you in memory, thoughts, praise, speech. All that you do is keep Christ before you. That's the way to keep Him near you." [*The Curtain Of Time, Phoenix, AZ 55-0302*]

"Every man that goes to the field to preach the Gospel should never leave until he has that back-of-the-desert experience. No one could explain that out of your mind. No matter how much they twist the Scriptures and say this, that, or the other, if you've ever met God face to face in the true baptism of the Holy

Spirit, there's not enough theologians in the world to ever erase it from your memory. Something happened; you were there. When a man gets that place, there is no one can explain it away from him." *[The Sin Of Unbelief, Bangor, ME 58-0517e]*

"That's why many, after while, will walk one by one to this pool to be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ. Why? Something has took place. That Spirit that came out of that body, when He screamed, "It's finished," has condemned sin in our bodies. And we must bury it, to be remembered no more. I'm so glad that it is. When anything's buried, it's hid; it's out of sight. "And buried, He carried my sins far away." God can see our sins no more, for they are buried. They are buried where? In the Sea of Forgetfulness. Think of a Sea of Forgetfulness. God cannot remember them no more, because they are both dead and buried. It cannot be even remembered no more. They're out of God's memory." *[Living, Dying, Buried, Rising, Coming, Jeffersonville, IN 59-0329s]*

"It must be accepted in the mind, then It's believed with the heart. Then the Word of God becomes a reality, then every senses of soul and body is just scoured out with the Holy Spirit. Then your sense of God, your conscience of God, everything that's Godly, flows through you. There's not a doubt anywhere. There's nothing can rise up. There's nothing can come up in the memory, and say, "Well, I remember Miss Jones tried to trust God, and Miss So-and-so. Miss Doe tried to trust God for healing, one time, and she failed." See? But if that channel has been cleared out and been purged, and been filled on the inside with the Holy Spirit, that don't even come in memory, no matter about Miss Jones and what she did. It's you and God, together, and nobody else but you two. There you are. There's your battle. Kill him at the beginning. Stop him dead in his track. It ain't how long you can make the war linger. It's, stop it right now!" *[The Greatest Battle Ever Fought, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0311]*

"If you've got your senses, see, taste, feel, smell, and hear, they're all right, but don't trust them unless they agree with the Word. They're all right, but, if they disagree with the Word, don't you listen to them. Now, imaginations, conscience, memories, reasons, and affections, they're all right if they agree with the Word. But if your affection doesn't agree with the Word, get rid of it. You'd blow a flue, right quick. See? If your reason disagrees with the Word, get away from it. That's right. The engine... If your memory, if your imaginations, if your conscience, anything, disagrees with That what's on the inside, get rid of it." *[The Greatest Battle Ever Fought, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0311]*

"It's your mind that opens up the door; or closes the door, and listens to your conscience, listens to your memory, listens to your affections. But when your mind closes itself to these things, and let God, the Spirit of His Word, come in, It blows the rest of the stuff out. Every doubt is gone. Every fear is gone. Every sensation of doubt is gone. Every feeling is gone. There's nothing standing there but the Word of God, and Satan cannot battle against That. No, sir. He cannot battle against It. Now, we know that's true." *[The Greatest Battle Ever Fought, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0311]*

"If we have confessed that He is, we been in His Presence, and we have confessed our sins, they are blotted out the book of His memory. There's nobody but God could do that. Now, you can do anything to me, I'll forgive you, but I'll remember it. If I'd do anything to you, you'd forgive me, but you'll remember it. But God can forgive and forget it. Think of that, "don't even remember it!" Amen. That makes me feel good. When it's not even remembered anymore, nothing can do it but God. Nothing but God can do that. He said He would blot it out of His book of memory. I can't do it, you can't do it, because we've only got these little finite senses. But He's infinite, God, He can absolutely forget that it ever was done." [*In His Presence, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0909e*]

"Then we could call another group of people, or at least I'd say three, and they were called Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. How that they had took their stand for God, remembering that He keeps His promise! And how that, in this great hour, because of their stand, even their own brethren, many of them, had turned off into the world. But they were going to stand, regardless, and they took a stand for God. And when the furnace was het seven times hotter than it ever was het before, and they was pushed into this furnace. And they can certainly remember that fourth Man that was in there with them, that kept all the--the heat and the death away from them. There is something about that fourth Man. Might talk about Him a while, yes, sir, how that He was the only One could make that possible. There was no other person could do it but that fourth Man. And He was the One that provided life, in the jaws of death. Amen. And He--He kept the fire blazes back, and preserved them. And, oh, as long as there can be a memory, and it'll never fade out, so they can remember that great day down in Babylon." [*Remembering The Lord, Phoenix, AZ 63-0122*]

"Oh, how Daniel, and purposing that in his heart, he can well remember the payoff. And someday we'll remember the payoff, too. So when he come to remember that, in the hour of distress, God sent an Angel in the lions' den, and closed the mouth of the lions, that they could not bother him. What a memory to think about! He, throwed into a lions' den, because he had purposed in his heart to serve God, and he could remember that. How did it go? Something like this, "God has sent His Angel. He seen the innocence of my heart." Oh, there you are, the innocence of your heart. God could see that in Daniel, and his purpose to do what was right, and He sent His Angel and had kept the lions from bothering him at all. What a memory! We could go on and on, with that." [*Remembering The Lord, Phoenix, AZ 63-0122*]

"Israel had another thing they could always remember, that when they took their step upon what they heard Moses say, that great vindicated prophet with the Word of God, and when they took their stand to march. Because, they seen God vindicate that the message that he was bringing was the truth, and it was according to the Scriptures, and God was with him. And he had met this One Who had no name, called the I AM. He had really met Him, because they had seen Him working with Moses. And then they had another great memorial, that

when they started on the march, there went a Pillar of Fire before them, to lead the way. What a memory they could think of, a memorial thing, that they didn't need no compass. Amen. What did I say? They didn't need no compass. They had the Light of God to lead them. What a memorial it was to the wise men, how they needed no compass, and a Star led them!" [*Remembering The Lord, Phoenix, AZ 63-0122*]

"Her sins was revealed. And when her sins and wrong was revealed, she can remember tonight, in Glory. She can remember that there was a Spring for her. There was a place where, all the creeds and--and the churches had turned her down, but yet she found a oasis. She found a place where there is Somebody Who cared. What a rejoicing! And how we can rejoice with her, we who was bound down with creeds that pulled us away from God, and we found a Fountain filled with Blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins. There we lost all of our starchy condition. And--and we drank from the Fountain and refreshed. And we remember the One who paid the price, that we could have His Spirit upon us, Jesus Christ, the Son of God. What a memory to remember by!" [*Remembering The Lord, Phoenix, AZ 63-0122*]

"Then listen at him. He wants to be an evangelist then. The call that Jesus had given him, to--to follow Him, had, and to be a soul winner, as a young man, returned to him again. He remembered it, that he had five brothers, and back on earth, and he didn't want them in that place. He said, "Send Lazarus, then, back to tell my brothers not to come this way. In other words, 'Accept the call of, "Follow Me."'" See? But he said, "They, they won't do it." He said, "Yes, if one would raise from the dead, like Lazarus, and go back and tell them." You see, it shows that, after we die, you're still conscious. He remembered. Abraham said, "Son, remember, in your days." See? You still remember. You don't lose your memory. You remember. And the memories that man could have, and still in the same place, remembered the opportunity he had of hearing Jesus say, "Follow Me." But he followed the wrong person, the wrong crowd. He got in the wrong crowd, and went to the wrong place, end up in the wrong Eternity; be annihilated at that Day, from God forever." [*Come, Follow Me, Tucson, AZ 63-0601*]

"Like the little woman coughing up the cancer, see. Wasn't no doubt in her mind. That was going to happen. The cancer was dead, and it turned loose, and away it went. See? That's it. You believe it. Like that father brought his little boy, a while ago, in there. And he's here in the building somewhere now. The little boy had had a fall, and lost his memory. He couldn't remember anything. Just in a few moments, after prayer, I asked him his name. And he told me how old he was, and there he was just as normal as any boy could be. See? They believe. And when God says anything, it must be that way." [*Three Kinds of Believers, Jeffersonville, IN 63-1124e*]

"Remember, we cannot live by yesterday's light. Yesterday's light is gone. It isn't no more. It, yesterday's light, is only a memory. Yesterday's sunlight is only a memory, or, it's history. We cannot live in yesterday's light, no more. And the same, though it's the same sun, the same sun, but each day it brings

forth its strength a little stronger, to ripen the grain for the harvest.” *[There Is A Man Here That Can Turn On The Light, Jeffersonville, IN 63-1229m]*

“It isn't what we say, "We'd all like to go back," us older people, "go back to sixteen, or eighteen, twenty years old, something like that." But remember that we grewed and lived to that age. And then why, taking the same food, we're dying now, when it all makes blood cells just the same? Science can't prove it. It's an appointment with God. When you got that age, God said, "That's what I want now." Death set in on it. But, see, in the resurrection, there'll be no memory at all of the old age. We go back to that for Eternity, for all the time. So why would you look back to that, to have to live this miserable thing over? Well, look right there, ahead of you lays the new creature in Christ, the new body, the immortal one that'll never pass away, never get old, never have a sickness or heartache. Then, look, keep looking ahead of you like that, for His Coming.” *[Christ Is Identified The Same In All Generations, Tampa, FL 64-0415]*

“That's the way this old body is, you, it's bore the image of the heavenly. Yet, it is not you. You are on the inside of that body. You, the Spirit of God, is on the inside of that body. That's what makes the outside come into subjections, because the inside is pulling it, see, bringing it in line with the Word of God; your inside, you yourself, your being. This body is just an old coat. And someday, what will you do with it, for you was--was only in the garment for a while? That is like the earthly garment; this body. Your--your real body, your real self, is on the inside of this old coat that you call William Branham, or Susie Jones, or whoever it is. See? Someday it will hang in the earth's hall of memory of you. You'll put it out yonder in the grave, and somebody will put a tombstone up, "Here lies Rev. So-and-so, or John So-and-so, or So-and-so." It'll lie there as a memorial of you. The people just seen you in this. And what you was, your real you, was on the inside of that. But the old coat, itself, just "borne the image of the Heavenly." Oh, people, have you made reservations to change coats? Have you made reservations for Heaven? Remember, you must have reservations. You can't get in without them.” *[Things That Are To Be, Rialto, CA 65-1205]*

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What Is Your Spirit Reason?

“They reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then did ye not believe him?” *[Mark 11:31]*

“Then there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be greatest.” *[Luke 9:46]*

"Then if a man is born of the Spirit of God, he doesn't listen to reasons at all. God cannot be reasoned. God is believed. We don't know God by theology. We don't know God by education. We don't know God by reasons. We know God by faith. It's beyond reason. You cannot reason it. That's what makes it so real to us believers. We look at the unseen. The things that we do not see, we look--we look at that." [*The Testimony Of Jesus Christ, Chicago, IL 53-0829*]

"You cannot reason God. You can't reason out God. God's not to be reasoned; He's to be obeyed. What God says do, don't reason with Him, just do it." [*It Is I Be Not Afraid, Chicago, IL 54-0720E*]

"You can go refer to your reasons, and you can confine yourself to reason. Don't try to reason it. You say, "Now, let me see. Maybe I'd do this, and..." Don't reason it. Believe it. God doesn't come by reason. It's all, all unreasonable; no man can figure God out. You never did and they never will. You don't know God by reason. You know God by simple childlike faith, to accept His Word. You say It's the Truth and believe It. That's how you know God is by faith, not by reason. Your reason power within yourself, but faith comes from God. Faith is something that's born in you, something that God gives you. "And it's the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not reasoned." [*The Unpardonable Sin, Jeffersonville, IN 54-1024*]

"Jehoshaphat his son, raising up to take his place, had a good background to look upon, to see that when a man will walk for God and walk with God, God will walk with the man. But when that same individual turns his back from God, then God just lets him shift for himself. And we find out it--it's very bad thing when we have to shift for ourself. I never try to trust my own wisdom, 'cause I have none. I'm so glad that I do not. If I had some, maybe I would try to trust in it. But the Lord just seen fit that I didn't have any, so I just have to trust in Him. And I believe it would be good if we all just tried that awhile, don't you think? Just don't take our own ideas about things, but rest solemnly upon **THUS SAITH THE LORD**. Don't try to reason it, 'cause you can't reason it. If you can reason it out and see just exactly how it's going to be, it would not be a act of faith any more. Faith is what you do not see; it's what you believe, that you don't--you do not see it, but there's something inside of you sees it. And that's God that's inside sees His own Word being made manifest. But you couldn't reason it. I just--there's no way of doing it. God never can be reasoned, because He's beyond reason; He's God. And we just take what He said about it and call it the truth." [*Father, The Hour Has Come, Chicago, IL 56-1002A*]

"You cannot accept it by an intellectual thought. That's intellectual. Your minds will reason, but faith does not reason. If you got intellectual faith, then that's just a reasoning faith. You'll say, "Well, if I only was healed, I could get up. If I only was healed, this lump would leave. If I only was healed, I'd feel different. If I only was healed, the doctor would tell me so. But when you've got faith, all the doctors in the world could never tell you anything different. You possess that. It is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." [*Faith By Experience, Middletown, OH 58-0325*]

"A reason, reasonings, "God is too good. God is too merciful. He loves you too much." You hear that same old Devil today. "God is too good to do this. God won't do this. God won't punish." He will do just exactly what His Word said He'd do. See? "Ye shall not surely die." See? What's he trying to do? Getting her to reason with him. In a minute that you reason on God's Word, then you're losing faith. See? Don't have no "yes, no's, maybe so." Stay right with It. See? Eve had the right approach, but she listened to his reasonings." *[Wisdom Versus Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0401]*

"What started it? Reasoning. See? Faith has no reason. You don't reason, at all. You believe. When you're prayed for, and accept God's Word for healing, don't reason with your feelings. Don't reason with nothing else. There's no reasoning to it. God said so, and that settles it." *[Wisdom Versus Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0401]*

"Don't presume; believe. Don't reason. Knowledge has reasonings. Faith has no reason. Faith just holds onto it. What if Abraham would've reasoned? Think. What if Abraham would've reasoned? Hundred years old, lived with his wife (it was his half sister) since she was about seventeen years old. They married. Why, nature showed all his young manhood and womanhood coming together, husband and wife, not a child. He was sterile, and she was barren--forty years a past menopause, totally impossible. Why, your reasonings would've--would've showed that he couldn't have done it. But faith in the Word held onto it. See? Faith don't take reasonings. Faith holds the Word. Somebody say, "I-I believe..." I've met many ministers, say, "Brother Branham, I believe that's the truth you're saying. But if I did that, you know what I'd do? I'd be begging. They'd kick me out of my church." They'd just have to kick me. "Nobody else would have me." He will have you. You can't live here forever; you got to go there. See? Faith knows no reasons; it just believes, separates you from every--every tie--there's nothing. You stay right with faith. Reasonings drop away." *[Presuming, Cleveland, TN 62-0408]*

"I was trying to speak last night about reasonings, not, when anything reasons against God's Word... I don't mean reason, just any reasoning, because Paul reasoned with the people. And trouble today, people just take anything that comes along, and don't reason it out with the Scripture. But when it's reasoning against God's Word, then stay away from it. That's the enemy. See? But when it's reasoning with God's Word, that's God. See? That's right, the two reasonings. So we believe in reasoning with the Word, believe that the Word is right. Now, you cannot scientifically prove the Word, because it's... and you never will, because it's so contrary to science. If it's scientifically proven, then it isn't any more faith. See? You've got to have faith, and faith is contrary to scientific proving. So you must believe it, not prove it; believe it. That's the idea." *[Perseverance, Aberdeen, NC 62-0608]*

"Abraham, one thing I want you to notice, he obeyed God's Word to the letter. Always remember that! That's my Message. You must obey the Word. And knowing anything contrary to It, leave it alone. It may look good, but don't reason against God's Word. That's the first thing Satan did,

was reason against God's Word, to Eve. And she never doubted It. She just reasoned. Satan reasoned It. And that's the way they do today. "Isn't it reasonable that we should do this? Isn't it reasonable?" If it's against God's Word, leave it alone! It's the voice of Satan." [*Jehovah Jireh, Grass Valley, CA 62-0707*]

"I come to find out that He will judge the world by His Word. That was what He gave man in the beginning, to fortify the man from sin, was to give the Word. And just to misbelieve one part of It is eternal separation from God. That's what happened when Eve, just never disbelieved it, just reasoned with something contrary to It. Then she don't have to disbelieve it, just reason with it. And anything that reasons against the Word, remember, it's the enemy. Don't you listen to it at all. It's got to be the Word." [*Hear Ye Him, Spokane, WA 62-0711*]

"Any kind of worldly knowledge reasons. See? But faith has no reasoning. God reveals to you a certain-certain thing is going to happen, every scientist in the world could tell you, "It's contrary. It could not happen." You believe it, anyhow. See? Yes, sir. It doesn't reason. The Bible said, "We cast down reasons." You don't reason with faith. Faith has no reasoning. Faith knows where it's at. Faith acts. Faith holds on. It can't move. Nothing can move it. I don't care whatever says this, that, other. It doesn't move, a bit. It stays right there, wait, wait, wait, wait. Don't make any difference. It stays right there." [*The Stature Of A Perfect Man, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1014M*]

"REASON will try its best to recognize, "Well, this system is bound to be better. This is That." It looks better because you're looking with the intellectual mind. You can prove reasonings. But you can't prove faith. Cause, if you can prove it, it's no longer faith. But faith knows only the Word and the promise, and it looks to that thing that you do not see. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." You can't reason. I can't prove how it'll be done. I don't know how it's going to be done. I don't know it, but I believe it. I know that it's so, because God said so. That's settled. That's the reason I know that This is right. I know the Word is right. I know the Message is right, for It's in the Word. And I see the living God moving among It, to prove." [*The Third Exodus, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0630M*]

"Why," you say, "Brother Branham, it's reason that God wouldn't heal the sick, we've got so many fine doctors." The Bible said, "We cast down reasonings." We don't reason. Faith don't reason. Faith believes and accepts. Notice. But he believed instead of unbelieving; and called the things, which were not, as though they were, which was absolutely against any reasoning. But he didn't reason. He just believed it. There was no reasons could prove that that baby could be born. That woman was about twenty years past menopause, and his body was as good as dead. And when he was a hundred years old, twenty-five years later, he still was giving God praise, against any kind of an understanding. But by faith, he knowed that God would keep His Word. He leaned not to his own understanding." [*Lean Not Unto Thy Own Understanding, Phoenix, AZ 65-0120*]

“That's what Cain did; he reasoned. That's what Korah did; he reasoned. It's not him that reasons. "We cast down reasonings." We believe God, no matter what anything else says. We believe God. We don't reason what God says. You can't reason with It. You have to accept It by faith. And anything that you know, you don't have to reason any more. I don't know how He does it; I just believe He does it. I don't know how He is going to keep that promise; but He said He would do it. I believe it. I accept it on the basis that I believe that it's the Word of God.” *[Does God Ever Change His Mind About His Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0418E]*

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Jesus Christ

People have always have questions. Especially questions in regards to their eternal destination. Many of these questions began to be answered during the reformation as the world came out of spiritual darkness.

God raised up men, angel messengers, to answer questions by making the Bible available to the common man.

Martin Luther was such a man and many others that followed as the Word became clearer and clearer. However, at the end of the ages there were still many things left off which had to be answered.

Thus, God sends a prophet, not an ordinary messenger, but a Word Prophet that would bring back the original Word that came by the Apostle Paul.

Brother Branham was such a man, given the sacred responsibility to bring a Message that introduces us to Christ the Word.

The Book has been opening according to Revelation 10:7, and because of that opening, I believe you can find the answer to many of your questions. The Message has come, to those that can receive it.

- Bill Ivy

Jesus Christ

Jesus, is He Jehovah?

“For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.” [Isaiah 9:6]

“Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.” [John 8:58]

“I and My Father are one.” [John 10:30]

“All those names were completely brought together in one body, Christ Jesus. Now, He appears in the Name of Jehovah-Jireh, "the Lord will provide Himself a sacrifice." He appears in the Name of Jehovah-RAPHA, "the Lord that healeth thee of thy diseases," and Jehovah the banner, and Jehovah the shield and so forth. Whatever He is to His people, He appears in these seven compound redemptive Names.” [Jehovah-Jireh, Brooklyn, NY 56-1209e]

“Every man knows that he's got to be born again by the Spirit of God. You've got to receive the Holy Ghost. To turn It down is just the same as to turn Jehovah of the Old Testament, down in that day, or Jesus in His day: Same penalty and worse if you turn down the Holy Ghost. And it's not very well-thought-of. It's talked about.” [The Angel Of The Lord, Phoenix, AZ 51-0414]

“Every man that's ever amounted to a hill of beans in this life, has been a man who trusted Him and knowed He was the Son of the living God, the incarnated Jehovah here on earth.” [What Think Ye Of Christ? Chicago, IL 54-0321]

“God, in the Old Testament, had seven compound redemptive Names. And when this picture was taken, that you see out there of the Pillar of Fire, as I regard it that way... And the night that it was taken is when Brother Bosworth asked a Baptist preacher in a debate, in Houston, Texas, this question: He said, "If you will answer me this one question, yes or no, I'll walk off the platform." He said, "Was the redemptive Names of Jehovah applied to Jesus? yes or no?" That settled it. If the redemptive Names of Jehovah was not applied to Jesus, He was not Jehovah-jireh or Jehovah-rapha. The Lord's... or Jehovah-jireh, "the Lord's provided sacrifice"... And if He was Jehovah-jireh, He's Jehovah-rapha, also, "the Lord that heals all our diseases"; they're inseparable. Just like you can't separate them. You can't separate God from His nature and His motives. And if He is Jehovah-jireh tonight, "the Lord will provide a sacrifice," if He wasn't that, then He wasn't the Lord's sacrifice and He wasn't the Saviour. And if He is Jehovah-jireh, He's also Jehovah-rapha, "the Lord that healeth all thy diseases." [Jehovah-Jireh, Phoenix, AZ 57-0309E]

“Grant it tonight, Lord, that many things may be done. Send Your Spirit. Give people faith to... Sometimes it startles them, Father. They can't realize the--the Presence, this great thing, the Jehovah of the Old Testament, Jesus of the New,

the Holy Spirit of this day, standing here tonight to make good any promise that He made. Bless us, Lord.” [*Who Is God? Cleveland, OH 50-0815*]

“He identified Himself as the Son of man here, now, to fulfill. Now, when He came on earth, remember, He identified Himself to the public, outside, He identified Himself as Son of man. He came in three sons' name; He came as Son of man, Son of God, Son of David. Now, Son of man is a "prophet." Even Jehovah Himself called Ezekiel, said, "Son of man." Jehovah, speaking to a man, prophet, called him, "Son of man." And Jesus identified Himself as Son of man, 'cause the Scriptures cannot be broken.” [*The Identified Christ Of All Ages, Topeka, KS 64-0617*]

“He was a Hebrew, and he would have never worshiped anything or called anything Lord, 'less he knowed it was Lord. And he knew, as a teacher under Gamaliel, that the Angel of the Lord, which was the Logos that went out of God, which was Christ that led them through the wilderness, was in the form of a Light, a Pillar of Fire. And when It struck him down, and he looked up and seen It there, he said, "Lord." Now, he would have never called nothing but That, Lord. But, being a Hebrew, he knowed that That was Jehovah. That's the reason he had the revelation, could say that Jesus of the New Testament was Jehovah of the Old. That was his revelation, 'cause he had seen Jehovah. And he said, "Lord, Who are You?" He said, "I am Jesus, and it's hard for you to kick against the pricks.” [*The Investments, Beaumont, TX 64-0314*]

“He's still Jehovah God. Jesus Christ remains just the same yesterday, today, and forever. Don't be afraid; just set still; trust God; believe with all your heart. Be sure of your step; then move on with God. Pray and love Him. Love is the most powerful force there is in the world. There's nothing as great as love; power only lays in love. We'll get into these things later in the week.” [*God's Provided Way Of Approach To Fellowship, Klamath Falls, OR 60-0709*]

“I'm going to talk to you about the High Priest. "He is a High Priest that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities." He is Jehovah-Jireh, "the Lord's provided sacrifice." He is Jehovah-Rapha, "the Lord that heals all thy diseases." Do you believe that? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] He is Jehovah-Manasseh. A buckler, a shield, our peace, He is still. Well, how many believes that all those redemptive names of Jehovah was applied to Jesus? ["Amen."--Ed.] Sure, He had to be. If He--if He... Why, they're inseparable, so He had to be all of them. And if He is still Jehovah-Jireh, He is Jehovah-Rapha. If He's Jehovah-Jireh... He's Jehovah-Jireh, is "the Lord's provided sacrifice for salvation," then He's Jehovah-Rapha that "heals all of our diseases." Amen. Healing can only come by God.” [*God Identifying Himself By His Characteristics, Denham Springs, LA 64-0320*]

“Immediately after that, the Lord Jesus appeared to us. And right then I heard a Voice that said, "The Jehovah of the Old Testament is Jesus of the New." And there He was, after a while, revealed after those Seven Golden Candlesticks. Then notice that. How many remembers that text? I wrote it on the back of a--of a box of--of cartridges I had in my pocket. "Jehovah of the Old Testament

is Jesus of the New." God in Heaven knows that that was true." [A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822E]

"In confirmation of Thy Word, O God, to fulfill what Jesus Christ, Your Son, said, do I lay hands upon this, my sister, who's confident that she's standing in the Presence, not of her brother, but in the Presence of Jehovah God. And I pray Thee, God, to bless her for her faith, and may she go and be well; in the Name of Thy Son Jesus, we ask it. Amen. God bless you, sister. Go and testify now." [Demonology, Owensboro, KY 53-1112]

"Jesus of Nazareth, as that great Voice spoke yonder that day a few weeks ago standing by the side as I was crossing over that log around the tree, and that Spirit that came down through them treetops and said, "Jesus of the New Testament is Jehovah of the Old." O God, on this Rock I stand, all other grounds is sinking sand, all other grounds is sinking sand. For some thirty years, Lord, I've cried out through this valley here. That Message, I haven't moved one inch from it, from where I started, just the same Message, the same thing, calling people back, not to sensation, but to a experience of meeting God and being born of His Spirit. Oh, what will be left but a judgment. Them who is rejecting that Message, Lord, there's nothing left." [A True Sign That's Overlooked, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1112]

"O Life-giver, the great Jehovah-jireh, God's provided Sacrifice for the sinner, Great Jehovah-rapha, God's provided Sacrifice for the sick, Jehovah-manasseh, our joy, our buckle our shield, come near in the Person of Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit bathe this audience. We're nearing something, the ending of the age. We're responsible people for preaching the Gospel. That's all we can do. God, there--this little group of people gathered out here in the tabernacle tonight for the hearing of the Word... "Faith cometh by hearing, hearing of the Word." [Expectations, Jonesboro, AR 53-0507]

"That's that great Person the Lord Jesus. He was Jehovah, God veiled in flesh. The Bible said, "Whatever you do in word and deed, do it all in His Name." The Bible said the whole family in heaven is named Jesus, and the whole family on earth is named Jesus. Let's pray in His Name, live in His Name, teach in His Name, die in His Name, buried in His Name, baptized in His Name, resurrect in His Name, go to heaven in His Name. That's His Name, and His Bride is named Mrs. Jesus. He'll take a people out of the Gentiles for His Name's sake." [Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 54-0515]

"The Bible said, Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Believeest thou this? He's Divine. Believeest thou this? He's the Son of God. Believeest thou this? He's here now. Believeest thou this? He's the One that's made Lazarus come from the grave. He's the same great Jehovah God. Let's stand and accept Him." [Believeest Thou This? Los Angeles, CA 51-0506A]

"There come a time that Paul had this experience that brought him to this decision. For, Paul was a great, mighty man amongst the Jews, and a--a great theologian, but he wasn't too sure of his standing. But one day, on the road down to Damascus, a Light, Pillar of Fire, came down from Heaven. And Paul,

being a Jew, was acquainted that this Light, Pillar of Fire, had been the Thing that had, the God that had led his people out of Egypt. They had followed this Pillar of Fire. So, being a Jew, he said to Him, quickly, "Lord, Who art Thou?" He knew Him as "Lord," but, "Who art Thou?" And the Voice came back from the Pillar of Fire, "I am Jesus, and it's hard for you to kick against the pricks." From that time on, Paul knew that the Jehovah of the Old Testament was Jesus of the New. And he had something that he could hold to, and that's how he could write that great book of Hebrews." [A Absolute, Houston, TX 63-0304]

"When I seen them rainbows about as wide across as that halo is, that Angel of the Lord, but there were three of them running into one, oh, how it helped my heart to know that God, that Jesus is not just a man as people think He is, just a prophet, as this modern idea today thinks that Jesus was just a prophet. He's Jehovah of the Old Testament made flesh and dwelt among us. And there that sure did comfort me. Then thinking on that subject, that God had sought so many people!" [The Message Of Grace, Jeffersonville, IN 61-0827]

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Isaiah 9:6; John 8:58; 10:30

Jesus, is He the Christ?

"But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His Name." [John 20:31]

"Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son." [1 John 2:22]

"Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth Him that begat loveth Him also that is begotten of Him." [1 John 5:1]

"If I speak the truth that God provided a Sacrifice, and that sacrifice, Jehovah-jireh, was Jesus Christ... And all of the seven compound, redemptive Names laid in Jesus Christ. Jehovah-jireh, "the Lord's provided Sacrifice." Jehovah-rapha, "the Lord that heals thy diseases." And Jehovah... "the banner." And--and all the other, seven compound Names, was all in Christ Jesus. And there's where all the types and the shadows of the Old Testament, all come and met in Jesus Christ. He paid the supreme price, ascended on high, and sent back the Holy Ghost tonight, which is God's provided Way of your escape." [God Has A Provided Way, Louisville, KY 54-0404E]

"Our heavenly Father, in the Presence of Jesus Christ, the great Mighty One, may the Holy Spirit come forth. Oh, Satan, you're defeated. Jesus Christ rebuke thee. Come out of these people thou, enemy of the human race. May the God of Heaven, make everyone healed in Jesus' Name. Praise Him. Keep your hands in the... If you believe you're healed stand on your feet. I don't care how crippled you are. Stand up. Believe Him. Take Him at His Word. Stand up,

everywhere. Believe that Jesus Christ has made you well. Everyone accept your healing, stand up. Now, raise your hands to Him. Say, "Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus. Praise the Lord God. The great Jehovah God for His goodness." [*Be Not Afraid, It Is I, Phoenix, AZ 60-0305*]

"Our Heavenly Father, we are assembled here now in the midst of this people, in the Presence of Almighty God, O great Eternal Jehovah, Who brought forth Jesus Christ, Your Son. I pray now, as these ministers, the hands of God. And as I lay my hands upon our sister here, I pray that You will meet them, Lord, every one. May the power of Jesus Christ come down upon this audience just now, as these pastors are touching these people. And may every one of them be healed, in the Name of Jesus Christ." [*Be Not Afraid, Tucson, AZ 63-0607*]

"Christ was the fullness of God. He was the anointed Jehovah. He was Jehovah-anointed body, Jesus of Nazareth. God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself. And He died that He might sanctify these fallen human race, and bring them back to sons of God again, to be anointed ones, anointed with the Holy Spirit to go forth to reflect His Kingdom until He returned all the way through the seven church ages." [*The Messiah, Shreveport, LA 61-0117*]

"He was God or the biggest deceiver the world's ever had. That's right. God was manifested in flesh to take away sin. The Bible said that God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself. He was deity Himself, wrapped up in His own tabernacle that He created, which was His Son, the flesh, Christ Jesus, Jehovah God revealed Himself through His Son, Christ Jesus. Oh, my. What a story and what a truth that is!" [*God Perfecting His Church, Binghamton, NY 54-1204*]

"How many believes that the Pillar of Fire, the Pillar of Fire that led the children of Israel was the Angel of the Covenant? Let's see your hand. That was our Lord Jesus. Is that right? It was Christ, the Anointed. Well, look. He appeared to Moses, but it wasn't because He was with Moses. He's with the whole church. Is that right? Could it be possible that this same Pillar of Fire that we see taken here now, could that be the Angel of the Covenant? Could it be our Lord Jesus Christ? Could the Angel of the Lord Who appeared to Paul out there, Who told Peter on the housetop, all these things, like He did in the days of Agabus, and so forth? Isn't that the very analysis, the very symptoms, the very same thing that He did in the days, in the New Testament? Then look, Christians, Holy Ghost filled people look this way. Then the sign of the Old Testament, Jehovah God, the Pillar of Fire, is with us. And the same God that was with the apostles, our Lord Jesus Christ, is with us undisputably through science, through the world, through the Christians, through the church, through everything is perfectly a vindicated. It's the same today. The both New and Old Testaments... God of the Old Testament was Jesus of the New, and the Holy Spirit of today. You know that. Don't you believe that? To blaspheme the Holy Ghost today, is just the same penalty, or worst, than blaspheming Jesus Christ, or God the Father." [*Early Spiritual Experiences, Hammond, IN 52-0713A*]

"Remember, Abel died on the altar with his lamb. And every man that comes to Christ must die on the same altar Jesus Christ did, on the altar of self sacrifice, forgetting your own ways, forgetting your own reasons, and taking God's Word, and saying, "It's Your Word, Lord; I believe it," and there die, as Abel did on the rock with his same lamb that he died with, that died for him, rather. We die out to Christ on the altars of God's sacrifice. Oh, my. That makes me feel kind of religious, to think, God providing a way. In that I could not save myself, God making a way through Christ, not by works lest any man should boast, but by faith accepting it, and Jehovah God sending down the Holy Spirit, stamping a seal on it of a confirmation. Sealed how long? "Until the day of your redemption," Ephesians 4:30." *[I Will Restore, Des Moines, IA 54-0620A]*

"Saint Paul, in the backgrounds, in the former chapters, he has specifically been dealing with the supreme Deity of the Lord Jesus and who He was. Christ was God, made so that men could feel Him and touch Him, and--and fellowship with Him. Christ, the Lord Jesus, was the body that God dwelt in, " God was made flesh and dwelt among us." First Timothy 3:16, "Without controversy great is the mystery of Godliness, for God was manifested in flesh." The Great Jehovah came down and was made tangible, by living in the body of His Own Son, declaring and reconciling the world to Himself. God was nothing... Christ was nothing short of God, and--and God was nothing short of Christ. The two together made the Godhead bodily, made a little lower than Angels, so that He could suffer. Angels cannot suffer. Jesus was the tabernacle that God dwelt in." *[Hebrews, Chapter Six, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0915M]*

"That is God's way and the only way. It ain't the Methodist way, ain't the Baptist way, ain't the Presbyterian, ain't the Pentecost. It's Christ's way. Christ is God's provided Way. He's God's provided Sacrifice. He's Jehovah-Rapha. He's Jehovah-Jireh. He's Jehovah-Manasses. When Abraham offered up Isaac, he called the place there Jehovah-Jireh, "the Lord will provide Himself a sacrifice." And there it is, the Son of God. Amen. God always makes a way of escape." *[God's Way That's Been Made For Us, Jeffersonville, IN 52-0900]*

"When Solomon built the temple and it was dedicated, God came into that temple and dwelt there. Is that right? And when Jesus Christ was dedicated to God on the river of Jordon, God came down and dwelt in Jesus Christ. He's Jehovah. Amen. Confession of sin always had to look to the temple. Confession of sin has to look to Christ, there's the Temple of God; God dwelled in Christ, there He is." *[Questions And Answers Law Having A Shadow, Jeffersonville, IN 54-0516]*

"Jesus Christ, God's provided Sacrifice, the same yesterday, today, and forever, He's an everlasting, perpetual Sacrifice. Thank God the more, He's done tasted death once for all. And for all the human race, He's God's Lamb, a provided Sacrifice, Jehovah did. Spared not His own Son, but took His life, and raised Him up, and sent back the Spirit was in Christ: "Let the mind that was in Christ be in you." And don't call His gifts mental telepathy and

fortunetelling. See? Let the Spirit of Christ, the Spirit that was in Christ be in you. God has provided a sacrifice.” [*The Faith Of Abraham, San Jose, CA 59-0424A*]

“God has got many titles: Jehovah, Jehovah-jireh, -rapha. Manasseh. Oh, many! He's got seven compound, redemptive names. He's got many titles: Rose of Sharon, Lily of the Valley, Morning Star; Father, Son, Holy Ghost. All that. But He's got one human Name. God only had one Name, and that was "the Lord Jesus Christ." When He was born, Christ, the Lord. Eight days later, the Holy Spirit called His Name "Jesus." His mother had Him circumcised, and called Him "Jesus." He was born the Christ. (Like I was born a Branham, I was a Branham when I was born and given the name of "William.") Amen. And He was born Christ, the Saviour. And when He was eight days old, He was given the name of "Jesus." And He was the Lord of Glory, made manifest. So, He is the Lord Jesus Christ, the God of Glory made manifest among us. Oh, there He is!” [*The Revelation Of Jesus Christ, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1204M*]

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John 20:31; 1 John 2:22; 5:1

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“For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.” [*Isaiah 9:6*]

“Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a Son, and they shall call His Name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.” [*Matthew 1:23*]

“Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.” [*John 8:58*]

“I and My Father are one.” [*John 10:30*]

“Almighty God, when Israel was cornered there and the Red Sea before them, the mountains, Pharaoh's army pushing, but You looked down through that Pillar of Fire with angry eyes, said one of the poets, and the Red Sea got scared and moved back, because Israel was on the homeward march to the promised land. And God, tonight this poor woman laying there, very low near unto death. She's done all that she can do. The doctors, Your servants, has done all they can do. Everybody's done all they can do. And now, Thou art Jehovah-jireh, the Lord's provided Sacrifice, this crucial moment.” [*An Ensign, Connersville, IN 53-0606*]

“Almighty God, Jehovah, Who made the heavens and earth and appeared in the way. And over the seas has come these people. Let Thy Presence, Lord, be great upon these people and may they receive now of Thy blessings, as Thy humble servant lays hands in obedience to the commandments of my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. I send them to their homelands with the desire of their

heart. Amen. You shall have what you have asked for. God bless you as you go. God bless you." [*Sirs, Be Of A Good Cheer, Chicago, IL 54-0721*]

"Do you believe Jesus was God, He was Emmanuel, God was in Him? God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself. The Bible said so. And He was the great Jehovah God, anointed One here on earth: God with us." [*How The Angel Came To Me, Owensboro, KY 53-1107*]

"For the glory of God, for the Coming of the Lord Jesus, for the Holy Ghost, for the know-so, for the living Presence of the living God! Jesus said, in Saint Mark there, He said, "In that day the Son of man will be revealed." Now, remember, not Son of God. He came in three sons' names: Son of man, Son of God, Son of David. When He was on earth, He come as Son of man, He was a prophet. Son of man is a prophet. Jehovah Himself called the prophets, Jeremiah and them, "Son of man, what seest thou?" Jesus come, because He had to come according to the Scripture, as Son of man. Moses said, "The Lord your God shall raise up a Prophet, likened unto me." And He had to be a prophet, Son of man. But after His death, burial, and resurrection, now He has been Son of God, the supernatural, the Holy Ghost." [*God's Provided Place Of Worship, Los Angeles, CA 65-0425*]

"God, in human flesh, recognized what was going on behind Him, the same One that--that knowed where Philip found Nathanael. The same One that's here amongst us tonight, that knows everything about you, He's still God. God had a need to talk to Abraham like a man, so He made Himself a body and stepped into it. And that same God of ours has every bit of calcium that's ever in your withered-up body. Hallelujah. Only thing He has to do is at the time of the coming of His Son, the Lord Jesus, is just speak, and every man that ever lived and believed in Him will come back to life again. He's Jehovah God, the Creator. Quit belittling Him; make Him big. That's what He is, He's big, powerful." [*Jehovah-Jireh, San Fernando, CA 55-1117*]

"Great Jehovah God, Who made the heavens and earth, all things in them is. I do not know how bad this woman is, her ears are, but Thou art here and can heal her. I pray that You'll grant it. And make Thy Spirit to come upon her now and make her well. I now ask that this devil that binds her in the form of--of deafness, "Come out of the woman. I charge thee by the Lord Jesus Christ to leave her." [*This Great Warrior David, Chicago, IL 55-0118*]

"He was Jehovah in flesh. His own human Name, that was the redemption Name, 'cause no other name is given under heaven that a man could be saved, only through that human redemption Name, the Lord Jesus Christ. That's right. He was God; He is God; He'll forever be God (That's exactly right.), the Lord Jesus Christ." [*Questions And Answers On Hebrews, Jeffersonville, IN 57-1002*]

"He was more than a teacher, yet He was a teacher. He was more than a prophet, yet He was a prophet. He was God. God was in Christ. He was the Emmanuel, Jehovah anointed, walking here on earth, living among men. I Timothy 3:16: "Without controversy, great is the mystery of Godliness:

for God was manifested in the flesh, seen of angels, preached on in the world, believed on in the world, received up into glory": God, Himself. So now, Jesus was God's manifestation of His own Being on earth, unfolding Himself into a human being to take away sin and make a way for sickness to be healed. And if there is no Divine healing, there is no resurrection of the dead. It's the earnest of your resurrection. Amen. I quit preaching quick tonight; you noticed it. The Angel of the Lord is here. That's right." [*Blind Bartimaeus, Louisville, KY 54-0402*]

"How could we ever take Jehovah-jireh out of the Bible, or Jehovah-rapha, the Healer, and accept Jehovah-jireh, the Lord's provided sacrifice? And in all these compound names, they were every one met in Jesus Christ. He was Jehovah-jireh, the provided Sacrifice, He was Jehovah-rapha, the Healer, He was Jehovah, the Banner, Jehovah, the Buckler, Jehovah, the Peace, Jehovah, the Shepherd. All those compound redemptive names was applied to the Lord Jesus. You couldn't apply one and take the other one away. And if they was not applied, He was not Jesus, the Son of God. There you are. They're inseparable, you can't--you can't separate God's compound names. And if one of them was applied to Jesus, all of them was applied to Jesus. So if He's God's provided Sacrifice for sin, He's God's provided Atonement for healing, the same yesterday, today, and forever." [*Jehovah-Jireh, San Fernando, CA 55-1117*]

"Lord God, great Jehovah, make Thyself known tonight. We believe Thee to be the infallible God, the great Elohim, the great Jehovah-jireh, Jehovah-rapha, the Almighty, the Alpha, the Omega. Thou art not dead. How could God die? The tabernacle that He lived in died, but not God. He raised up that tabernacle, the body of our blessed Lord that gave the promise, "A little while and the world won't see Me no more, yet ye shall see Me, for I'll be with you to the end of the world," Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever." [*Jesus Christ The Same Yesterday, Today And Forever, Harrisonburg, VA 58-0312*]

"May the Lord Jesus, the holy Son of God, Who I believe with all my heart to be the Jehovah made manifest in flesh... I believe Him to be the God Emmanuel that come down from glory and formed Himself in a body of flesh called the Son of God, walked on the earth among men. He lived like a man. But He made Himself a little lower than the Angels in order to take death upon Himself, that He might die the death of a sinner for all men, that all men who would believe would come to Him and be saved. May He, Who is the Rose of Sharon, the Lily of the Valley, and the Morning Star, Who is the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, may He come as I chant this to Him. And may He show to His servant things that should be, that the world might know that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and every person in Him is anchored to God. This I chant to God, the holy God of heaven, the Creator of heavens and earth in the Name of His Son, Christ Jesus, for God's glory alone and the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ." [*The Infallibility Of God's Spoken Word, Chicago, IL 56-0404*]

"Merciful God, Jehovah, the Almighty that thundered on Mount Sinai; and the people screamed, "Let Moses speak, and not God, lest we die." You said, Great Jehovah, "I'll raise them up a Prophet. I'll not speak to them no more like this." But You promised what You would do, and You did it; You raised us up the Lord Jesus. He is the Word. You said He was. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us."" [The Feast Of The Trumpets, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0719M]

"Paul had been in the Presence of God; he'd seen the Pillar of Fire. He seen that Jesus that was once the Pillar of Fire, had been made flesh and dwelt amongst us, and returned back to a Pillar of Fire, and commissioned him to his ministry. Hallelujah. Nothing's going to shake him. It was becoming to him, when they took handkerchiefs off his body and sent to the sick. It was becoming to him, because he knowed he was the anointed apostle. He saw the visions of God, and God appeared before him and spoke, and seen it happen just exactly. Why, it was becoming to Paul, that when he try to help the people, fulfill the Word that he was commissioned. He was the Light of the day. He was the Light to the Gentiles. He knew it; God commissioned him to be. He was the Light in that day. So He was commissioned to Paul." [It Becometh Us To Fulfil All Righteousness, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1001M]

"That is the revelation: Jesus Christ is God. The Jehovah of the Old Testament is the Jesus of the New. No matter how hard you try, you can't prove there are THREE Gods. But it also takes a revelation by the Holy Spirit to make you understand the truth that He is One. It takes a revelation to see that the Jehovah of the Old Testament is the Jesus of the New. Satan crept into the church and blinded the people to this truth. And when they were blinded to it, it wasn't long until the Church of Rome stopped baptizing in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ." [An Exposition Of The Seven Church Ages]

"The power of God is known by a spiritual revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ, not by some works, some other thing, or something another. It's God, Himself, revealing to you His Person, Christ Jesus, in your heart. That's where it's at." [I Will Restore, Saith The Lord, New York, NY 54-0829]

"This is not a--a some church theology; it's the Scriptures that we're speaking: that our Lord Jesus Christ came to earth and was Jehovah God inveiled in flesh in order to take away sin and sickness from the earth. God was in Christ reconcile the world to Himself. He said, "A... I came from God; I go to God. A little while and the world will see Me no more. Yet ye shall see Me, for I'll be with you, even in you, to the end of the world." Now, He promised that. He promised His disciples the things that He did, the disciples would do also to the end of the world, even more things than He did." [Do You Now Believe? Chicago, IL 54-0725]

Bible References:

Isaiah 9:6; Matthew 1:23; John 8:58; 10:30

Jesus, is He the Lord?

"The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (He is Lord of all)."*[Acts 10:36]*

"And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." *[Philippians 2:11]*

"You shall not worship the Lord in any gates, that the Lord God giveth thee. Any gates, you shall not worship Him there," God said, in 5th verse here, of Deuteronomy 16. "Thou shall not worship Him in any gates, that the Lord God giveth thee. He give you these things for temptations." We're going to get into that, this week, the Lord willing, see whether God takes His Word back, or not. Notice, He give you them gates, but don't worship the Lord in any of those gates, because the Lord thy God ain't going to meet you there. But the Lord God has chosen the gate. He has chosen the door. Jesus said, in Saint John the 10th chapter, "I am the door to the sheepfold. I am that door." He is Jehovah-Saviour." *[God's Provided Place Of Worship, Los Angeles, CA 65-0425]*

"Almighty God, Jehovah, Who made the heavens and earth and appeared in the way. And over the seas has come these people. Let Thy Presence, Lord, be great upon these people and may they receive now of Thy blessings, as Thy humble servant lays hands in obedience to the commandments of my Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. I send them to their homelands with the desire of their heart. Amen. You shall have what you have asked for. God bless you as you go. God bless you." *[Sirs, Be Of A Good Cheer, Chicago, IL 54-0721]*

"Can you hear me, lady? Can you hear me now? Can you hear me now? How long have you been this way? I just wanted to hear you talk so they can hear. Can you hear me now? Say, "Amen." [Sister says, "Amen."--Ed.] Say, "Praise the Lord." ["Praise the Lord"] I'm whispering. Here she is, a deaf woman. Now, look at her. Look at her. Say, "Amen." ["Amen"] "I love the Lord." ["I love the Lord"] Perfectly normal and well. You have female trouble too, is--is that right? causing a drainage, see, from the bathroom. It was an abscess, but it's gone now. You can go home and be well. Jesus Christ healed you. Hallelujah. Praise be to the Lamb of God." *[The Unconditional Covenant, Phoenix, AZ 54-0306]*

"I pray, Lord, as in the Bible we're taught that they taken from the body of Paul handkerchiefs or aprons, and unclean spirits went out and people were healed... We know we're not the St. Paul, but we know that You're still the same Lord Jesus Who honored the faith of the people. Then, Lord, I send this handkerchief to that dying woman and ask for her life to be spared in Jesus Christ's Name. Amen." *[An Ensign, Connersville, IN 53-0606]*

"I see the Angel of the Lord standing in the back of the building, a Light, moving around over somebody's head. I see a woman appear right here before me; she's wearing a white blouse. She's suffering with female trouble. It settles down. It's over a woman, just about three of four rows, this way, and about

three or four in this a way. A woman with a white blouse, sitting right through here, I see where It's hanging right over now. Stand up, back there, Lady, right back there, about the fourth one in. There you are, that's the truth. You--you had a female trouble, didn't you? You are healed, go home in the Name of the Lord Jesus. You are healed? Anywhere, Almighty God is God." *[Do You Now Believe? Battle Creek, MI 52-0817E]*

"If you're sick, afflicted, well, no matter what's wrong with you, if God has revealed it to you that you're going to be...that you are healed already by His provided Lamb, and the doctor says you can't get well, He's Jehovah Jireh, the Lord is able to provide you some eyes. I seen Him do it. The Lord can provide you ears. The Lord can provide you health. The Lord can provide you strength. He's Jehovah Jireh, the Lord's provided sacrifice. And in Jesus Christ, God's Son, all this is met for you, the seed of Abraham, if you'll only believe like Abraham did." *[Abraham's Covenant Confirmed, Middletown, OH 61-0318]*

"In the Old Testament He was Jehovah-jireh, the Lord's provided Sacrifice. He was Jehovah-rapha, the Lord that healeth thee. In the Old Testament in His compound names He was the Healer of Jehovah-rapha. In the New Testament He's Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever, the preparation." *[God Hath A Provided Way, Jeffersonville, IN 56-0108]*

"Let it be known this day, Lord, that You are God, that You have never changed Your mind about one Word that You ever said. And You're the same yesterday, today, and forever, and the one--the one and only way that God has provided. The only Man that God ever put His Name in, was His Own Son Who carried His Name, Jesus; God, Jehovah, Saviour, Emmanuel, the Door to the sheepfold; He that Was, Which Is, and Shall Come; the Root and the Offspring, both Root and Offspring of David; the Morning Star, the Lily of the Valley. O God, how wonderful! No wonder Isaiah said, "Counsellor, Prince of Peace, The mighty God, Everlasting Father." Oh, we have no other Father but You, Lord. You are our Father. You are our Mother. You are all that we are, all that we could ever be. We won't see nothing else but Jesus glorified! Father, I might have made a poor out of this, this afternoon, but take the sentiments of my heart, and hear me, Dear God. And let it be said, this day, that Jesus Christ was glorified right here in this temple. Grant it, Father, for we ask it in His Name, and as I humbly wait with this audience, to see You move by Your Spirit. Amen." *[God's Provided Place Of Worship, Los Angeles CA 65-0425]*

"Lord, wilt Thou let Satan hold Your people? God forbid. Rise, O Jehovah, rise. Let Thine eyes turn towards this people tonight who is confessing. O Lord, ride upon the clouds. You Who come on the winds of the morning, come riding into this building, Lord. Show Satan Who's Boss. Take over, Lord. And now, as Your servant standing in Your place, I rebuke the devil that's binding these people. "Thou demon, as the servant of Jesus Christ, I adjure thee to leave this entire building. Come out of the people. Leave them in Jesus Christ's Name." *[The Living Jesus Christ, Chicago, IL 53-0906E]*

"May God in heaven, bless His Words tonight and His people together as we approach on the Word, talking about Jehovah-Jireh. Now, God has seven compound, redemptive Names. Jehovah-Jireh is the first, "Jehovah-jireh, the Lord will provide Himself a sacrifice." Jehovah-rapha; the Lord that healeth thee, and on down, Jehovah-nissi; the buckler, the shield of peace. Seven compound redemptive Names that was revealed by Jehovah, and all those compound, redemptive names gathered up in one lovely, big Name, Jesus Christ. And in there rests all the fulfilling of the--the compound, redemptive Names of Jehovah. [*Jehovah-Jireh, Phoenix, AZ 55-0222*]

"May He, tonight, Lord God, great Jehovah, Elohim, come down in Your people, tonight, Lord. Come down and make Yourself known, that believers might believe. That people might understand and know that You still remain God, and You're the same yesterday, today, and forever. And then, Lord, those who are ordained to healing, and those who are ordained to Eternal Life, will reach up and get a hold, Lord, for this is the time of visitation. May it not pass in vain. I ask in Jesus Christ's Name." [*The Identified Christ Of All Ages, Louisville, MS 64-0401*]

"Our heavenly Father, we thank Thee tonight for the Lord Jesus. Surely, Lord, You're omnipotent, all powerful. Move on these people and let them know that this is You, Lord, that's a moving among the people, the great Jehovah they have trusted. Let the sinner know that he's guilty now in the Presence of God." [*An Exodus, Indianapolis, IN 56-0615*]

"The Lord Jesus Christ is lifted up for an ensign. To every alcoholic in here, here's an ensign lifted up for you, that Jesus Christ can set you free from drinking. To every sick person in here, that if I'd ask tonight, for how many hands, has been healed, crippled, blind, afflicted, there'd be dozens of them go up: ensign that God lives in the people today. He's Jehovah-jireh, the Lord will provide for Himself the sacrifice." [*God Providing Healing For This Generation, Chicago, IL 54-0719E*]

"When you've come to Christ, everything's settled. "Come unto Me all ye that labor--labor and are heavy laden, and I'll give you rest." It's settled. It's all over. Christ has done paid the price. Everything you have to do is just rest. Let down. Quit jumping around, getting all disturbed, place to place and denominations, packing your letter from the Methodists to the Baptist. Put it in heaven once and leave it there. See? Don't be disturbed. Let God...Just come to Him and rest. If He's Jehovah-jireh, rest on it. If He's Jehovah-rapha, rest on it. If He's the Lord that saves us by grace, rest on it. If He's the Lord Who heals us by grace, rest on it. If He's the God that's coming from heaven with ten thousands of His saints, rest on it. If the dead in Christ shall rise first, rest on it. Everything, rest. Oh, my. I feel pretty religious right now. Oh, resting, not jumping about from pillar to post and carried about with every wind of doctrine, but resting on what God said." [*Faith, Charlotte, NC 56-0427*]

Bible References:

Acts 10:36; Philipians 2:11

Jesus, is His Blood God's Blood?

“Much more then, being now justified by His Blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.” [*Romans 5:9*]

“Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.” [*I Corinthians 11:27*]

“And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His Own Blood.” [*Revelation 1:5*]

“God, Jehovah moved over Mary and created a blood cell in her womb, that brought forth the Son of God. You believe that? Then He shed that Blood, which every baby is the blood of its father, not of its mother, of its father. The blood cell comes from the male sex. And that had to be in that case, 'cause God is--is the Father of Jesus Christ, and His blood is holy, unadulterated blood, and He offered back to God in the--in the place of our sinful blood. Born in sin by our confession, God transformed all of our sins on Him, and He paid the price, and we're free. Isn't that wonderful? And to think, just as sure as God raised Him out of the grave, setting at His right hand tonight, making intercessions upon our confessions, that same God has promised. He swore by this covenant, that we that are in Christ Jesus, born into that Body, shall come forth in that Body, to be His Bride.” [*At Thy Word, New York, NY 51-0928*]

“He was God's Word made manifest. He was God's promise, vindicated. He was. He was God in a flesh form. The Bible said that, "God was in Christ." That great Jehovah that created heavens and earth, was made manifest in a body, the Lord Jesus. And in that one Man, He could achieve. Till... He tried it through Moses, and He did it in Jacob, and He did it in Joseph. But He come in His fullness, in the Man Christ, He was the fullness of the Godhead bodily, where God could express Himself. And He said, "Who can accuse Me of sin? Sin is 'unbelief.' If I haven't done exactly what the Scripture said I would do, then who can condemn Me and say where I failed in one way?" See, it's God's provided way. And Christ, the Just One, had to die in order to produce Eternal Life by His blood, giving His blood cell, that He might give us Eternal Life. That's God's provided way.” [*63-0731 There Is Only One Way Provided By God For Anything, Chicago, IL*]

“Jesus Christ formed from a blood cell. And the outside shield of the cell itself, which is billions times billions smaller than a human eye could see, but that was the body, the Lord Jesus. Inside of that was God Himself, wrapped Himself around the blood cell in order to take His own blood and to spill His own Blood, or--or give It freely, that we, through the breaking of that blood cell to our mortal, when It breaks, and our life leaves from here to go out through the redemption of--of the blood that God required, we can be brought into that Body and become a part of God Himself as a son of God.” [*He Swore By Himself, 54-1212 Jeffersonville, IN*]

"The word "washed" is actually "loosed"--"Loosed us from our sins in His own blood ." Isn't that wonderful? But are you spiritual minded? Did you catch it? It was His own blood that loosed us completely from our sins. It was not human blood. It was the blood of God. Peter called it the blood of Christ. Paul called it the BLOOD of the Lord, and the blood of Jesus. Not three persons, but one person. There is that revelation again, one God. That omnipotent Jehovah God came down and made Himself a body by means of the virgin birth and in-dwelt it, that it might be the blood of God that would free us (loose us entirely) from our sins and present us spotless before Himself with exceeding great joy." *[An Exposition Of The Seven Church Ages]*

"We're saved by the blood of God. The... We're the blood of our father. Jesus was the blood of His Father, which was holy, unadulterated blood, not by sexual desire, but by Holy Ghost was He born, conceived in the womb of Mary, and was born. I believe it with all my heart." *[Believest Thou This? Minneapolis, MN 50-0716]*

"Our relationship is restored to Jehovah through the offering of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. And Christ's body was only revealed in that blood cell and through the offering of blood (which is Life), that He might destroy the life of sin and bring in the Life of righteousness through His Son, Christ Jesus, putting a part of His Life in ours, and we are together. Didn't Jesus say, "In that day, you'll know that I'm in the Father, the Father is in Me, and I in you, and you in Me?" There you are. Then the Church of the Living God is the anointed body of the Lord Jesus Christ, walking on earth here, giving every hope and everything to the outside world, that the...nothing else can give Eternal Life." *[God Perfecting His Church, Binghamton, NY 54-1204]*

"We're talking to the Mighty God. And what human being is there, what mortal could make the right type of prayer before the living God? But, Lord, my mispronounced words, and my--and my nouns and pronouns in--in the wrong place; if You could pick out the ABC's for a little boy one day, and--and make a sentence, You--You can omit my nouns and pronouns and just look to what I believe, Lord. I believe You. I believe this Word. And I'm believing for each one here. And I--I'm bringing them to that Altar, Lord, by faith, where between us and Great Jehovah is the blood of His Son, Jesus. And the blood shall speak for us. When You smote Him on Calvary, You said, "Speak!" "Hear Him!" "And the blood," the Bible said, "speaks greater things than the blood of the lamb in the Old Testament, for the blood of Christ speaks greater than the blood of Abel; greater things." And speak, Lord, redemption for us, as we call through the blood ." *[The Masterpiece, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0705]*

Bible References:

Romans 5:9; I Corinthians 11:27; Revelation 1:5

Jesus, is that God's name?

“For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His Name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.” [*Isaiah 9:6*]

“I am come in My Father's Name, and ye receive Me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.” [*John 5:43*]

“Great Jehovah God, have mercy. I pray that You will heal this woman and heal the doctor. He didn't aim to do it, Lord. I pray for them both, that through one trying to help the other, now Lord, help them both. And, Satan, you hid from the doctor but you can't hide from God. Come out of her. In the name of Jesus Christ, may she go and be made well. God bless you, sister.” [*The Resurrection Of Jairus' Daughter, Phoenix, AZ 54-0302*]

“He was called the I AM. He's called Jehovah, and He's changed many times. The last time it was changed was when God became flesh and took a human name. Jehovah, I AM, and all of those, are titles to a name. See? If you was baptized in the name of Jehovah, it'd have to be the name of Jesus Christ. If you was baptized in the name of Jehovah-rapha, Jehovah Manasses, and Jehovah-jireh, all of those, it'd have to be Jesus Christ. The I AM is Jesus Christ.” [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0830M*]

“O Almighty God, Author of Life, Giver of every good gift, send Thy blessings upon the man. And may his nerves quieten now. May he go off the platform here, Father, and be well. May he just take Jesus just now, and know that Jesus Christ is the all-sufficient Sacrifice. God is Jehovah-jireh, "the Lord will provide a sacrifice for Himself." And now the sacrifice has been provided. May our brother accept it by faith and act it by works, in Jesus Christ's Name. Amen.” [*Lord, I Believe, Chicago, IL 53-0901*]

“O Jehovah, in the Name of Jesus, the Son of God, Your beloved doctors has tried to find him, but he's hid. But he can't hide from You. Come out of the woman, thou evil spirit, that's doing this thing. And Jesus Christ rebuke thee. And may she go in peace, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.” [*The Resurrection Of Jesus, Chicago, IL 56-0405*]

“O Lord God, Elohim, the great Jehovah God, heal this child. Heal the parents; forgive their sins. May this baby live to the honor and glory of God. Perhaps this was done to bring this family to You, Lord. Now that they've come, I pray for mercy for the baby in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen. God bless you, sister. Take up your place. You are... Did you see I regarded you "sister," the Holy Spirit did? See, you're a sister now. Go on your road, and God be with you.” [*It Is I, Be Not Afraid, Chautauqua, OH 59-0811*]

“O Lord, Created heavens and earth, Author of Everlasting Life, Giver of every good gift, send Thy blessings upon this man. And make this evil to leave him. O Thou eternal God, Who was before the day spring from on high, You was God then, You'll be God when the seas is wept theirself into deserts. You'll still be God. Now, I now ask that this great Jehovah, coming in His power,

through the name of Jesus Christ, and loose this man from his affliction. Go, in the Name of Jesus Christ, I ask the evil to leave.” [*Looking For Jesus, Phoenix, AZ 54-0228E*]

“This is, of course, where we call this God has the seven compound redemptive Names: Jehovah-jireh, the Lord will provide a sacrifice; Jehovah-rapha, the Lord that healeth; and the Lord our banner; the Lord our buckler, and so forth. He appears in His compound redemptive Names. And that's... When the Angel of the Lord appeared there in Houston that time, when the Baptist minister was debating with Brother Bosworth, he just asked him that one question. He said, "Doctor Best, I will ask you: Was the compound Names of Jehovah applied to Jesus, yes or no? Just answer me, yes or no." And he wouldn't do it. Because see, if he said, "Yes," then... You can't separate His compound Names. So if He's Jehovah-jireh, the Lord's provided Sacrifice, He's also Jehovah-rapha that heals all of our diseases. So... And if He's not Jehovah-rapha, neither is He Jehovah-jireh, our Saviour. So if He isn't God's provided Sacrifice... So you can't separate them. That settled it. That was just--just one Scripture it taken to settle.” [*Jehovah-Jireh, Long Beach, CA 61-0209*]

“Those people out there, Lord, You see their hands laid on one another. You know all about them. And Father, I pray in Jesus' name that You will heal every one of them. May the power of Satan turn them loose right now. In the NAME of Jesus Christ, may that sullen, unGodly demon spirit leave. Come out of the people in the name of Jesus Christ.” [*Believe Ye That I Am Able To Do This? Cleveland, OH 50-0820E*]

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Isaiah 9:6; John 8:58; 10:30

Medical Science

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Does God bless medical vaccines?

“Is there no balm in Gilead; is there no physician there? why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?” *[Jeremiah 8:22]*

“The fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for medicine.” *[Ezekiel 47:12]*

“They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick.” *[Luke 5:31]*

“Doctors’ medicines. You know there used to have a time they didn’t have any toxin for such as smallpox. Thousands died yearly with smallpox. They didn’t have a diphtheria toxin, and thousands died every year with toxin--or without having any toxin they died with diphtheria. But now they got toxin. They got inoculation for those things. And how does a doctor ever get a hold of these medicines anyhow? What, how do the--how do they ever do it? You know what they do? They put a lot of stuff together: some poison, and then some antidote, mix it together till they mix up a formula. And then they get a--get a guinea pig, and they inject this medicine into the guinea pig. If he survives it, then they give it to you. And then... And if it... See, it’s to kill the disease that’s in your body: so much of poison, so much to upset that poison. Too much poison would kill you; too much antidote wouldn’t do you any good, the medicine wouldn’t. It’s got to be a balanced formula.” *[Why? South Gate, CA 62-0622e]*

“A doctor; you know, it’s just like patient dying on a doctor’s doorstep, and he’s got the toxin in there for the patient, to cure his disease. Now, if the patient sits out on the doctor’s doorstep, and said, “Well, I got a certain disease, and--and... but the doctor’s got the medicine on the inside, but I just ain’t going in there. I just don’t like that doctor, and I’m just not going to take his medicine.” Now, you can’t blame the doctor for it if he dies right on the step. Certainly not. The doctor’s willing to wait on the patient. And you can’t blame the toxin. He’s got plenty of it in there. But, the patient, it’s because the patient don’t want to come in and take the toxin. That’s the reason he died.” *[Why? Phoenix, AZ 61-0128]*

“There was a time in this country where they didn’t have toxin for smallpox. Many people died with smallpox. But there’s no excuse today. There’s plenty of smallpox toxin. And for other diseases, they have it.” *[Balm In Gilead, San Jose, CA 59-0614]*

“There was a time when there was no toxin for diphtheria. Many died because there was no toxin. And there was a time when there was no toxin for typhoid fever. But they got toxins today for those things.” *[Balm In Gilead, Chicago, IL 59-0614]*

“There was a time when we didn’t have any toxin for smallpox. Many people died. But now we’ve got toxin for smallpox. We got smallpox, and for diphtheria, and many diseases, even now for polio we got toxins.” *[Balm In Gilead, Cleveland, TN 59-0707]*

"It's a dangerous thing. We had in our country just now that Salk vaccine. They asked everybody to take it, young and old, to inoculate from this horrible polio. And everybody, thousands went in to take it. And how did they--how did they do that? You see, you find out in taking doctor's medicine...You know, it'll work on some people, and then it won't work on the others, because that you know, everybody ain't made alike. Now, we have this penicillin. I carry a card in my pocket so that if I'd ever have an accident, a doctor must never give me penicillin. It would kill me. So it'll kill some people and help others, because this serum doesn't work just right on all the people." *[The Way Back, Shreveport, LA 62-1123]*

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“When they find some kind of a serum, that'll--that'll help somebody, my, the newspapers publish it everywhere. My, penicillin, or something, oh, how they just flash it everywhere. This Salk vaccine, and so forth, how they flashed it everywhere, because they found something that would help people. I'm salute those people. God bless them. I'm so happy for that. But they'll publish that in every little newspaper throughout the nation. And Almighty God can make the blind to see, and the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak, and they'll turn it down and won't put it in the paper. Say, "It's fanaticism." *[Come, Let Us Reason Together, Chicago, IL 55-1004]*

“Yes, they got real men in there. And they got some renegades too. And don't holler at them, 'cause we got some others, renegades, that calls themselves "reverend." That's exactly right. So sauce for the goose is for the gander. Yes, sir. A man's got toxin and--and Salk vaccine for these little children, and now polio. I pray daily that God will send us something for cancer. If we can't have faith, let's get something else. Faith is the first. Let's take the next best if we can't get that. Look at the world in the condition it's in: poor suffering humanity. Help everybody you can. Everything that helps is of God. Let's help; let's do everything we can and pray for men. The thing to do, brethren, is get our arms together, both medicine, doctors, hospitals, nurses, church, and all together, and put our faith in God and move forward. That's what we need. God's going to ask us why we didn't do it some of these days.” *[Why? Bloomington, IL 61-0413]*

“I believe that all healing comes from God. I do not condemn doctors. I think that doctors are God-sent to us. Hospitals and clinics, do I condemn them? I constantly pray for them, that God will give them knowledge to help poor suffering humanity. And I'm very grateful to God for everything that He's done, for penicillin, for the Salk vaccine, for everything that He's done, and pray that

the hour will soon come when they'll find something to curb cancer and--and the other diseases. If it ever comes, it'll have to come through God alone. I think if we Christians would spend much time praying for that, we'd be better off, to the whole human race." *[Expectations And Leadings Of The Spirit, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada 57-0811e]*

"There was a time when there wasn't any toxin on the earth for smallpox. Many died with smallpox, because there was no toxin. Diphtheria, no toxin, but now you can get inoculated from that. When an epidemic breaks out in the city, quickly you go down and get a smallpox vaccination or a diphtheria shot. They got toxin. I'm thankful for that. I'm glad of that. I'm glad we got it. And the Salk vaccine for little children, I thank the Lord for that. Pray that He will give us more and more." *[Why? Shreveport, LA 60-1126]*

"I thank God for every serum that they got, for the Salk vaccine. Pray constantly that God will give us something for cancer, for poor suffering people. Anything can do to help, I'm for it. Yes, sir, I'm a hundred percent for it. And if we Christian people would pray more for such things as that, we'd be better off. The whole country would. Yes, great men, they give their lives just trying to fight back at those things that cripple children and everything. Certainly. I certainly thank God for everything He's done for us. I thank God for an automobile. I thank God for soap to wash my hands with. And all the mechanics, all those things, I thank God for them. Certainly. There's one time we didn't have soap, you know. There's one time we didn't have an automobile. If I wanted to walk over to Phoenix I could take off, but I thank God for an automobile. I get in and trust Him, right down the road as hard as I can go. See? So we thank the Lord for those things. All things that's good to help us comes from God. Certainly." *[Why? Beaumont, TX 61-0125]*

"Some woman said to me some time ago, said, "What about, then, what're you going to say about penicillin for the flu?" "Well," I said, "penicillin is just like you had your house full of rats. They was eating holes everywhere, and you put out some rat poison, and poison the rats. That don't patch the holes. That's right. Penicillin only kills the germ. It doesn't patch the holes, or build up the tissue that it tore down. It takes God, the Healer, to do that. He's the Lord who heals all of our diseases. Certainly, I believe that, and I'm thankful to God for these toxins, and the Salk vaccine. And it's a dangerous thing to not take it. The little children, and things, to get inoculation, what would we do without such? Now, everybody can't have faith for healing. They should, but they don't. So what would you do? You'd just have sickness, and, oh, it would be a terrible place if we had no hospitals, or things. It'd be an awful place if you didn't have hygiene, and so forth, health clinics, and what we have. We thank God for everything that we've got. Every good thing cometh from God. Certainly." *[Why? Phoenix, AZ 61-0128]*

"There was a time when we didn't have toxin for typhoid fever, a time when we didn't have toxin for--the--the Salk vaccine and stuff like that, and--but now we got it. That's exactly. We got it now. Thank God for it." *[Why? Beaumont, TX 61-0125]*

“You say, “Brother Branham, do you believe in medicines?” Why sure, certainly. They are God-given things; we believe that. But that ain't what heals you. What if we didn't have health and hygiene, what would we have? The way the people has accumulated on the earth today and how many things. If the hospital is not of God, then burn the thing down; it's antichrist. See? Sure, but it is of God. But they don't do no healing. They are just a place to keep you away, and to help you, try to keep you clean while you... If you are ever healed, God healed you.” *[Why? Bloomington, IL 61-0413]*

“There was a time when, the toxin, there wasn't any, and many people died from the diseases. But now you can be inoculated. There was a time when God's balm wasn't perfect, because it was drawn from the veins of animals, and it only covered sin. It didn't divorce it, but there's no excuse now. God one day made a toxin.” *[Why? Shreveport, LA 60-1126]*

“There was a time when there wasn't any toxin for smallpox. There was a time when the Salk vaccine for the children in polio, they didn't have that. But they got it now. They've got it.” *[Why? Chautauqua, OH 59-0813]*

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“Seeing in medical books, that I even have it in my home to read. I'm--I'm interested in medicine, certainly am, anything that'll help God's people, help human beings. If it's peace, studying peace terms, I am interested in that. I am interested in a--a better community to live in. I'm interested in better schools for our children to go to. I'm interested in anything that's good, wholesome and right. And medicine has done some great things. I believe God has used it in many things. I believe, if we'd be more sincere and consecrated to God, they'd already had stuff for cancers and everything else. If we just... God's got the thing, if we'd just ask Him about it. See? So now, I believe the reason the Salk vaccine was, just because of little children suffering the way it is. And Satan, that evil thing out there, paralyzing them little children and things; and God just let that be discovered, for the inoculation. And it's done a great thing, and to which we are grateful to Almighty God for it. Just so thankful that God has ever blessed us in the...” *[The Uncertain Sound, Jeffersonville, IN 60-1218]*

“How do they find toxin? The first thing they do, science works on a--a certain different kinds of chemicals, and they mix it together in the laboratory, and

they put germs under the test and pour this toxin on it. And then take the good germ and the bad germ and work together till they can find something that will kill the bad germ and (unless it's an antibiotic), and--and leave the good germ. Now, when they think they've got it perfected, they take that serum, and give it to a guinea pig and find out if that guinea pig will live or die. Now, sometimes it won't work on human beings. And you can't be sure about medicine, because sometimes a medicine that will help one will kill the other one. And they're working on some kind of a medicine or something to-to try to cure the cancer." [Why? Tulsa, OK 60-0401m]

"Medicine has to be tested. They take medicine and they... First, when they find a toxins that they think that's for some ailment, they try it on guinea pigs. And they take the toxin, after the science has worked on it for a long time, and they shoot it into a little guinea pig, and they watch his reaction. If it doesn't hurt the little guinea pig, then they use it on human beings. But medicine is a chance to take. For some medicines that will help one human being, might kill another. So you have to watch that, because that it's--it's... Sometimes you must be sure that you know what you're doing, and let a doctor that knows how to give it, give it to you, someone that you got confidence in." [Balm In Gilead, Chicago, IL 59-0614]

"Usually, when we're hunting a toxin... There was a time when there was no toxin for smallpox; there was no toxin for the--for the polio. But we have those toxins now, and they're--they're great. We appreciate them. And then I thought, "How do you find a toxin? The way you find a toxin, doctors, usually, and scientists in research, they--they find some kind of a chemical and then try it on a guinea pig, and see if the guinea pig can survive it. Then they give it to you. And sometimes those toxins are... They won't work on all people, because all people maybe not be the same kind of condition of a body that that guinea pig is, so it wouldn't work right." [Why? Phoenix, AZ 61-0128]

"And think that he could fix your arm up, it's a dangerous thing not to do that. You should do it. It's dangerous if you don't do it. And there was a time we didn't have much toxine. People died with diphtheria, but they got a toxine for it. Polio, the Salk toxin, that's--that's fine; I--I sure appreciate that. I believe a man would be more humble... You say, "Brother Branham, you believe in Divine healing?" That's all Divine healing. Every bit of it's Divine healing. "I'm the Lord Who heals all thy diseases." Yeah. Every bit of it is Divine healing. If hospitals and the--and stuff like that is not the... Tell me where there ever was one doctor that could heal a disease, or tell me where they got a medicine that'll heal a disease. I was interviewed at Mayo's; you seen it in the "Reader's Digest," and so forth, Donny Morton, was healed up here. They called me, and they say, "We don't claim to be healers, Mr. Branham, we only claim to assist nature. There's one Healer; that's God." Sure." [Balm In Gilead, Long Beach, CA 61-0218]

"In medicine, sometime, there was a time when there was no toxin for typhoid fever. There was no... Just recently they got the Salk vaccine for the--for the children, for the a--the polio. There was a time they didn't have it. They got it

now. There was a time there was no inoculation for a--a typhoid fever, and tetanus, and typhus shots, they didn't have it. But we got it now." [*Why? Phoenix, AZ 60-0309*]

"Here sometime ago, I was called to a bedside, took out of a meeting and called to a bedside where there was a--a young boy dying. And the old father cme to me, it's been about fifteen years ago, I guess, and he said, "Would you come to my son, he is--he is dying with a--a horrible thing?" It's a--a disease of the heart, I call... I believe it's called some kind of a--a heart disease, I forget what the name of it is now, but it was real, real bad. And so I said, "Yes." Oh, I beg your pardon, it went on to his heart, but it was polio that was in his body. It was polio. And that was before we had the Salk vaccine. And then the boy was real bad. And so when I went to pray, the doctor wouldn't let me in. And he said, "I can't let you in." [*Perseverance, New York, New York 63-1116e*]

"What if we had something that they could say they could make a--a man that's--that's dying with cancer, come back and be well again? Would that not be an achievement? Like the Salk vaccine for the children, it went worldwide. But say for instance, what if science had found something, a little medicine that they could put in a spoon, and could pour it in an old man's mouth, or an old woman ninety years old, and watch it for about--the patient for about one minute, and see them return back to a young man and woman, with a blood that would never get old, and a being that would never die? Why, the whistles would blow. Nations would scream, "Death was over: No more old age, no more death, we've conquered it." Why, it would be something. Men are trying to find that through the resource of, well, of literature, or culture, education, science." [*God's Provided Way, Grande Prairie, Alberta, Canada 61-0516*]

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guinea pig, and they inject this medicine into the guinea pig. If he survives it, then they give it to you. And then... And if it... See, it's to kill the disease that's in your body: so much of poison, so much to upset that poison. Too much poison would kill you; too much antidote wouldn't do you any good, the medicine wouldn't. It's got to be a balanced formula.” [Why? *South Gate, CA 62-0622e*]

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Prophets

If you have a question on any subject in the Bible, then there must be a Bible answer (Amos 3:7).

With so many voices and interpretations, a person could be misled.

Apostle Paul in all his epistles, for example in 2 Peter 3:16, he speaks of things hard to be understood which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest with, as they do the other scriptures.

When Jesus preached, many people also misunderstood him being “astonished at His doctrine”.

The scripture says in Revelation 10:7, when the Seventh Angel sounds his messages, the mysteries of God should be finished.

Topics such as marriage and divorce, restoration of the original faith, the seven seals, serpent seen and many others have been divinely revealed. Mysteries that have been revealed during Elijah’s ministry (Malachi 4:5-6) is turning “the heart of the children back to their fathers”.

“Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures.” [Luke 24:45]

I hope you enjoy reading the Questions and Answers book #3.

-- *Larry Harrah*

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What in 1933 did God commission William Branham to do?

“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: and he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.” *[Malachi 4:5-6]*

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“Then consider. Now, I ask you at this hour, you people here at Jeffersonville, in 1933 the supernatural Light that fell down yonder on the river that day when I was baptizing five hundred in the Name of Jesus Christ (I was about a twenty-year-old boy.), what did It say, Jeffersonville? What was it at the foot of Spring Street there, when the "Courier Journal" (I think it was the "Louisville Herald") packed the article, and it went plumb across the Associated Press, plumb into Canada. Dr. Lee Vayle cut it out of the paper way up in Canada in 1933. When I was baptizing my seventeenth person under this Witness (and you know the rest of the story), and when I was standing there baptizing that seventeenth person, A Light come down from Heaven, a shining down above there like a Star falling from Heaven. a Voice said, "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ, your Message shall forerun His Second Coming into all the world." This day this Scripture is fulfilled. Thank You, Lord.” *[This Day This Scripture Is Fulfilled, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0219]*

“I wish, this morning, that I had just--much time to--to spend upon these phenomenas, that's beyond any shadow of doubt been proven for the past thirty years--or thirty-five years right here at this church, since down on the river when that same Light came down here in Jeffersonville in 1933 and spoke those Words: "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of

Christ, your Message will forerun the Second." We're at the end time. And we see it. We wonder sometimes why it hasn't spread over the earth; maybe sometime we'll have a chance to explain that, if God willing." *It Is The Rising Of. The. Sun, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0418m]*

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Malachi 4:5-6

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Were 7,000 Believers with Elijah in Israel?

"Yet I have left Me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him." *[I Kings 19:18]*

"I have reserved to Myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to the image of Baal." *[Romans 11:4]*

"I'm just as sure tonight, as it was by Elijah under the tree; You've got seven thousand yet that hasn't bowed their knee to Baalim. You've got many saints in the earth today waiting for the coming of the Lord." *[What Does Thou Here? Jeffersonville, IN 59-0301E]*

"Nervous, setting out there, said, "I'm no better than the rest of my fathers. I'm no more than any other prophets. Now, Lord, take my life. I'm the only that's left. I'm the only one that's preaching the right Gospel. So just take my life. Let me go." They get all flusterated like that. But God said, "No, I--I--I--I got--I got seven thousand more, that had never bowed their knee to Baalim yet. See? But I--that's all right Elijah, you're doing a great work. But I--I still got another bunch, you see, that you don't know yet." *[The Forgotten Beatitude, Chicago, IL 61-0425e]*

"Elijah wanted to stay with the Word. He was a real prophet. The other prophets had said, "Oh, well, it doesn't make much difference. Jehovah doesn't care, you know." Jehovah does care. It's got to be His Word. And Elijah stood boldly on that Word with **THUS SAITH THE LORD**. God give him a little secret one day. He said, "I got seven thousand, Elijah, that you're witness to out here. They haven't got the nerve enough to come out and claim it. They're hiding around in bushes; but yet in their heart they're My servants. They haven't bowed a knee to Baalim. They're afraid to do it, but I'm giving you a sign, and you are a sign. Stand out there and stand on My Word. I will take care of you. Give them a sign." Hallelujah. God send us something like that, who will be a sign of God's Word. And every promise God promised will be backed up in that person, 'cause he's a sign, a forgotten sign. Oh, they thought because Ahab was a great king and all the nations feared him, that was good enough. But Elijah was a sign of the Word. That's a true prophet: a sign of the Word. So while he was being the sign of the Word, they didn't believe him; they had no use for him." *[A True Sign That's Overlooked, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1112]*

"So Elijah when he got through, he water-soaked those logs all over with twelve barrels of water, and poured them upon top of there. He stepped out

there just as cool as he could be. Why? God can't lie. God told him. He said, "Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that You're God, and I'm Your servant, and I did this at Your command, because it's **THUS SAITH THE LORD**. I did this because You told me to do it, because it's according to Your Word. Let it be known now that You're God." And the fire of the Lord fell, consumed sacrifice, water-soaked logs, licked up the rocks, and everything else, and took everything away. Then Israel cried, the seven thousand, "Let God be God." [*A True Sign That's Overlooked, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1112*]

"Fell down and said, "God, let it be today. These people was against You. These people's broke up in all kinds of denominations out yonder. But today You proved Yourself. You're God. And the people said, 'Throw away Baalim.' And I've killed them thousands of priests. They're out of the way now, Lord. All the hindrances is gone, the little barriers that separated us." A Methodist would like to come worship with the Baptist; the Baptist would like to come with the Pentecostals, the true in heart down there, that faithful seven thousand; but they can't do it. If they do, they're kicked out of their churches. Some of them don't care; they come anyhow." [*A True Sign That's Overlooked, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1112*]

"As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the coming of the Son of man; eight souls was saved." In the days of Elijah there was seven thousand only had it. Oh, just think of where we're living now. When John came on the scene, the little church was certainly in the minority, but there was empty vessels to pour the Oil in. Hallelujah. God, let us empty ourselves up." [*Perfect Strength By Perfect Weakness, Jeffersonville, IN 61-1119*]

"Let us look at Elijah when he had been forsaken. Why? Because he had stayed true to the Word. He said, "All men has forsaken me." And he was excommunicated from society, from the organization, from the even national organization, or, the national church of Israel, the priests and all had throwed him out, and he had not even a coat as much as Paul, but a little piece of sheepskin, or, leather draped around him, and set up on a mountain, and was fed by the birds. Yes, sir. Why? For the Word of God's sake, 'cause he was true to **THUS SAITH THE LORD**. Now, they all went modern. The first lady of the land, Jezebel, has got all of the fashions and things out. And the priests had give in to it and so forth, and all of the preachers and so forth, they coordinated into it. But not Elijah, he stayed true to that Word. And for such a thing he was forsaken, till he cried out, "Lord, I'm the only one's left, and they even seek my life." But God give him some consolation, said, "I got seven thousand yet down there." [*Present Stage Of My Ministry, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0908*]

"As they were a remnant according to election (these Jews are now), the remnant according to election in the days of Elijah's first ministry to the Jews, where seven thousand believers were kept away by the hand of God." [*The Seventh Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0324E*]

“There were millions in Palestine at the days of the prophecy of Elijah, and seven thousand was saved out of millions.” [*The Seventh Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0324E*]

Bible References:

I Kings 19:18; Romans 11:4

Where in 1933 did God's Pillar of Fire appear?

“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: and he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.” [*Malachi 4:5-6*]

“And just then a whirl come from the heavens above, and here come that Light, shining down. Hundreds and hundreds of people on the bank, right at two o'clock in the afternoon, in June. And It hung right over where I was at. a Voice spoke from There, and said, "As John the Baptist was sent for the forerunner of the first coming of Christ, you've got a...have a Message that will bring forth the forerunning of the Second Coming of Christ." And it liked to scared me to death.” [*How The Angel Came To Me, And His Commission, Chicago, IL 55-0117*]

“Then when I was converted, I joined the Baptist church, started preaching the Gospel, right away. The Lord blessed greatly, and I had my first revival, a two weeks revival, five hundred came to the Lord. I taken them down at the river to baptize them. And while they was around ten thousand on the bank, watching... It was real dry, no rain for two or three weeks. People were praying for rain. And when I was baptizing the seventeenth convert, I heard a Voice, said, "Look up." It scared me. I was just a young boy. The girl that I later married, was taking pictures on the bank. I heard It again; said, "Look up." And I was afraid to look up. Everyone on the bank was wondering what I was hesitating about. All--many peoples up and down the banks of the river... Newspaper photographers. “And then It said again, "Look up." and I looked up, and as I looked up, here come that Light coming down. People begin fainting, falling, and a Voice came, that shook all around the place there, said, "As John, the Baptist, was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ, the Message that is given you will be a forerunning of the second coming of Christ." Not that I would be a forerunner, but the Message was the forerunning. I know no more than anyone else. It's the Christ we're speaking of. Then I--them visions started coming to me more than ever.” [*The Revelation That Was Given To Me, San Juan, PR 60-0210*]

“Let's sing that good old baptismal song, the one we was singing the first time that the Angel of the Lord there ever appeared before men in his presence. I'd seen it before, myself, but first time He ever come down. and when He come down, He--He said, "As John was sent to forerun the first coming of

Christ, your Message will forerun the second coming of Christ." Hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of people standing on the banks down there when It come down on June, 1933, at the river. And we were standing on the banks, singing." *[God Being Misunderstood, Jeffersonville, IN 61-0723e]*

"You remember when that Angel come down on the river (which you have the picture of It, and you know about), when It said here about...in 1933, when I was baptizing my first group, that the Message would sweep the world. And every nation they've got a revival going. They've had it everywhere. See? Sure. Pulling the Elected out. That's right. "This Gospel shall be preached." *[The Sign Of His Coming, Cleveland, TN 62-0407]*

"Then I think about the river in 1936, I think what He said. What happened there? Many of you know. I was just a boy, and of baptizing my first baptism when that Angel of the Lord came down and stood over where I was at. Some people said, "You didn't see It." Then science proved that it was so. See? See? Now, what did He say there? "As it was, as John the Baptist was sent forth to forerun the first coming of Christ, your Message will forerun the Second Coming." *[Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0527]*

"Years ago, as a little boy, when I was baptizing down on the river that day, just my first message in the Missionary Baptist church... I was baptizing five hundred. And that afternoon, on June, 1933, on June, about the 15th, here come that Pillar of Fire whirling out of the skies, like the pretty, sunshiny afternoon, and go right down in that voice and shook the whole country round there, said, "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ, your Message will forerun the Second Coming." Now, it's started a revival immediately after that. And there it's went across the nation, around the world, Pentecost reviving. And that's what has taken place, the Second Coming of Christ." *[Perseverant, South Gate, CA 62-0623]*

Bible References:

Malachi 4:5-6

Who in June 1933 heard God's audible Voice?

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: and he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse." *[Malachi 4:5-6]*

"I want to ask you: Do you believe? See that picture over there, that Pillar of Fire that's on the picture? You seen it. Now, I've seen That since I was a little boy. It's all down through the records. The first time that was ever taken, the Canadian newspaper packed it thirty-one years ago, across the whole province of Canada, all the provinces, the Dominion of Canada. Said, "A mystic Light appears over a minister while baptizing in the river." That was in 1930, at the foot of Spring Street at Jeffersonville, Indiana, when around ten thousand

people was standing there. And I was baptizing my seventeenth person. I said, "Heavenly Father..." And I was a young Baptist preacher, and I said, "Heavenly Father, I can only baptize him with water unto the fellowship of this church. But I pray that You'll baptize him with the Holy Spirit." And I said that. Something said, "Look up." I heard It a third time, said, "Look up." And I turned and looked. And a great roar shook around over the crowd, and here come that Light milling Itself down, and stood right over me where I was standing, and a Voice came from It, said, "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ, your Message will forerun the Second Coming." [*A Testimony Upon The Sea, Port Alberni, BC Canada 62-0726*]

"Oh, and I remember when He swept down there in that big Light, standing yonder at the bottom of the river, 1933, in June, when He said, "As--as John the Baptist was sent forth and forerun the first coming of Christ, I send you with a Message to the world to forerun the Second Coming of Christ." And around the world she's went, when revival fires had been built for fifteen years on nearly every mountain. And now I believe She is ready to strike that final climax yonder, to bring forth a Faith that will Rapture the Church into Glory. And She is laying in the Messages. We're really at the end time. We've talked about it, and everything, but the thing has moved upon us now. Yeah. Yes, sir. Here is one. That's right." [*Absolute, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1230m*]

"I went down then to baptize a bunch of people on the river. When I was baptizing there, where about five thousand people standing on the bank, right in the middle of the day, two o'clock in the afternoon, hot, they hadn't had a rain for a week or two, and standing on the bank, here come that Pillar of Fire whirling out of the air, coming down where I was standing, and a Voice saying, "As John the Baptist was sent and to forerun the first coming of Christ, your Message will forerun the Second Coming of Christ." [*A Trial, Louisville, MS 64-0405*]

"Five hundred walking into the river yonder, the first day the Angel of the Lord appeared visible to vindicate like He did on Mount Sinai, that I'd met Him. I walked into the river and hundreds singing that same song for the baptism. here He comes descending, that same Pillar of Fire that you see the picture there, descending down right down here at the river, and said, "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun His first coming, this Message will forerun the Second Coming." [*The Future Home Of The Heavenly Bridegroom And The Earthly Bride, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0802*]

"Just about six months after that I had my first baptism down here on the river when the Light came down right here at Spring Street. Many of you people might want to go down and take a look at it, at Spring Street and Water, right at the river front. And there's where The Angel of the Lord appeared in public first, and--at two o'clock one afternoon. And a Voice came from It, said, "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ, your Message will forerun the Second Coming." [*The Seed Is Not Heir With The Shuck, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0218*]

Bible References:

Malachi 4:5-6

Why did 7000 Believers not bow to idols?

“Yet I have left Me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.” [*I Kings 19:18*]

“I have reserved to Myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to the image of Baal.” [*Romans 11:4*]

“Jezebel refused to hear the Word of the Lord. She wouldn't want to call that old fuzzy-looking preacher, Elijah, her pastor. But he was her pastor, anyhow. Right. God sent him, and he bellowed out his message. Though uneducated, they don't know where he come from or where he went to. He came on the scene with the Word of the Lord. He sent his message, that he preached, and he condemned everything there was, called sin. That, that modern Jezebel, had switched and bewitched the people under the witchcraft of her powers until the whole nation was corrupted, and Elijah stood alone out there on the mountain. God said, "Elijah, don't think that. I've got seven thousand down there that's honest in heart, yet." That's his second pull, and the third one went back for them.” [*The Flashing Red Light Of The Sign Of His Coming, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0623E*]

“Notice when that Jezebel rose on the scene, there was a man rose up against it. God brought a man. We don't even know where he come from. He had no background of ministry. He never was no priest or nothing. He come forth, an old rugged woodsman by the name of Elijah, and he laid the axe to the root of the tree, and they hated him. Not only that, but his whole congregation hated him. And one time he thought he stood alone. He said, "No, I got seven thousand yet that's right with you." See? That was that elected group, see. There is always that group. Said, "Don't fear, Elijah. I know you think you're run out, because the denominations run you up there on top of the hill. But," said, "I got seven thousand that believes the same thing you're preaching. See, I got them.” [*Souls That Are In Prison Now, Jeffersonville, IN 63-1110M*]

“What this is for is to get the elected people that's coming out, like in the days of Noah. Like in the days of--of Elijah, the seven thousand or seven hundred, or whatever it was, that hadn't bowed their knee, to call them out. John calling out the elected, and give it over to Christ when He come, swapped his church, said, "I must decrease, He must increase, because," he said, "I'm just a voice of Him, crying in the wilderness, 'prepare the way for the Lord.'" And Jesus come the same way. Gets the elected ready to hear the voice of God, that's what the prophetic sign is. Oh, if you follow these messages, get the per--- get the elected ready. Not the others, will never hear it. It's the elected that's called.” [*The Voice Of The Sign, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0313*]

“But when Elijah came out there with such a message as he had, could you imagine? He became a nut to--to--to Pharaoh, or to... Pardon me. To Ahab, he became a regular... Separating himself! But, you see, there was seven thousand among those people, see, that could be saved. See? And he came for them. He had to become a nut to the world, in order to catch them. So did Noah, had to become a nut to the world to catch eight souls, with himself. See? He had to become an odd sort of--of a person.” [*The Oddball, Prescott, AZ 64-0531*]

“Ahab, he was a nut, exactly, to Elijah and the seven thousand, all his group out there. Jezebel in all their fine, fancy fandangles and things they had out there, that was a nut to that seven thousand, never bow their knee to Baal. And so was Elijah a nut to them, see, the same thing.” [*The Oddball, Prescott, AZ 64-0531*]

“Look at the age of Noah, at the climax before judgment. What happened? Noah, it was only his own family that believed the man. The rest of them criticized him. And destroyed the whole world. In the days of Abraham, only Abraham's group that believed. When the angels went and preached to Sodom, only Lot and his wife and two daughters come out, and she turned back to a pillar of salt. In the days of Moses, only the elected of Israel come out. And Pharaoh hated him. In the days of Elijah, everything (almost) but seven thousand men, every one of them hated him, the whole nation. In the days of Jeremiah, why, they throwed unripe fruit at him, and called him a fanatic, because he laid on his side for so many days, and the other side, and--and taken things and made symbols. They hated him. Isaiah the prophet, he condemned that race so much till they sawed him in two with a saw.” [*Events Made Clear By Prophecy, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801E*]

“Now the believers can see the Word is made flesh in their generation, God speaking. Now, them real true believers, them seven thousand, or was it seven hundred, in the days of Elijah. Seven thousand is right. In the days of Elijah, there was seven thousand men out of about two or three million, that saw that That was right. Not even a hundredth of the people, hardly, but they saw It was right. They saw God manifested.” [*Events Made Clear By Prophecy, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801E*]

“When Jezebel got the power of the state behind her she forced her religion on the people and killed the prophets and priests of God. It got so bad that Elijah, the messenger to his day, thought he was the only one left; but God had seven thousand more that hadn't bowed the knee to Baal. And right now out there amongst those denominations of Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians, etc., there are some that will come out and come back to God. I want you to know I am not, now, and never have been against the people. It is the denomination--the system of organization that I am against. I have to be against it for God hates it.” [*Thyatirean Church Age Book*]

“But consider this also. This prophet-messenger will be in his nature and manners as were Elijah and John. The people of this prophet-messenger's day will be as they were in Ahab's day, and in John's. And since it is "ONLY THE

CHILDREN" whose hearts will be turned, it is only the children who will listen. In the days of Ahab only seven thousand true seed Israelites were found. In the days of John there were also very few. The masses in both ages were in the fornication of idolatry." *[Laodicean Church Age Book]*

Bible References:

I Kings 19:18

Reasoning

The great commission to preach the gospel into all the world to every creature has been going on for two thousand years. Much has been accomplished since then. Saint Paul and the other disciples would never have imagined the gospel will spread far and wide. That over time, in spite of the opposition, brutal persecution and hardships, the early church that started on the day of Pentecost will grow like a giant tree branching into 39,000 denominations worldwide, and growing. Christianity is the largest religion with about 2.4 billion followers as of 2020.

But within Christianity are various denominations. They are of human origin and have no scriptural authority to exist. They are all in conflict with the church that Jesus Christ projected "that upon this rock I will build my church". The church we know and see in our time is the church of the Laodicea's. It is the condition of the church referred to in Rev. 3:14-20.

This is the church and its followers professing to know God; but in works they deny Him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate [*Titus 1:16*]. But there is "a voice from heaven, saying, come out of her, my people, that ye be not partaker of her sins. And that you receive not of her plagues". Majority of the Christians seem uninformed that there is a spiritual church or a mystical of body of Christ. This is the church that adheres to and abides in Jesus Christ and in His words to the end.

In the field of battle, natural or spiritual, confusion, distraction, deception and disinformation are tools being used to achieve victory. It was by deception and dis-information that sin and death came to every man.

In every journey one needs a guide, a compass, or a tool to get to his destination. In the same token, this book will be a valuable tool in one's spiritual journey. "Seek and you will find. Ask and you shall receive" [*Matthew 7:7*]. There is a special discovery waiting for you. . Godspeed!

—Enrique Chavez

Reasoning

Does God's Spirit Reason?

"Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God." [*I Corinthians 2:12*]

"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart." [*Hebrews 4:12*]

"We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the Spirit of truth, and the spirit of error." [*I John 4:6*]

"If you've got good reasoning, you'll set down and try to reason out the Bible, reason, "How could He raise from the dead? How could these miracles and things take place today in this great realm of civilization science that we live in?" You try to REASON that out, you're just getting farther away from God all the time. You'll never know Him by reasoning. God's not known by reason. God's known by faith. You accept it. You believe it. You can't do it until something happens in you, then the Holy Spirit comes in and you have the mind of Christ." [*Proof Of His Resurrection, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0410M*]

"Notice, now, in the germ; but when God, when Christ, was in the womb of Mary. You're just a little teeny germ. Before it was a germ... What's after that germ? Is a life. Then you're in the supernatural; you're in the sixth dimension. You're plumb out of human reasoning. You're into spirit life. Every little germ has a life; that life come from somewhere. The life of the cancer come from the devil. Your life come from God; that's the difference." [*The Law Having A Shadow, Binghamton, NY 54-1203*]

"If I'm going now to take my stand for Christ, and He's give me the Holy Spirit, His Spirit bears record of His Life in me. Then when I come to die, Satan try to say, "Now, you see, you didn't belong to an organization." Stay right with the Word. "You didn't do this. You didn't do that." No matter what, that, Satan has got no reasoning about It. It's God's Word. Stay with the Word. See? It casts down all reasonings. See? You don't have any reasoning; just holds onto the Word. See?" [*Wisdom Versus Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0401*]

"If you have Eternal Life today, you are in God. By God's Being in you, you are God's expressed thought. Whew! Then, don't listen to any reasonings, lest your crown be taken, give to another. Don't take any reasonings, at all. Just believe what God said is the Truth, and stay with It. Reasonings, through wisdom, tries to make the Word say something It doesn't say." [*Wisdom Versus Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0401*]

"There's just so many people today that has the right knowledge, that knows that this Word should be God's Word, and It is God's Word, but they stand and let some seminary student reason them out of It, away from the Holy Spirit,

away from the things of God. "Reasonings, we're to cast them down." [*Wisdom Versus Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0401*]

"What we need is back to the Holy Ghost, back to the Bible, back to the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, and not all this here reasonings, and intellectuals, and so forth." [*Why? South Gate, CA 62-0622E*]

"God, knowing at this last days there will come intellectual giants, there will come everything intellectual, all kinds of the enemy with reasoning powers to try to prove to the church that the days of miracles is past and all this. God packed in the baptism of the Holy Ghost with what? Speaking with tongues, interpretation of tongues, prophecies, gifts, and all kinds of things. They may seem hard in training, but, brother, on the battle front, every one of them's got to be used. God equips His soldiers exactly what it takes to use. Amen. Oh, they might say, "Just learn psychology." That won't work. No, sir. That's as thin as broth made out of the shadow of a chicken that starved to death. So that's no good. We have to have power of the Holy Ghost coming upon a man, with all the nine spiritual gifts dwelling in him. Oh, you say, "I just don't like to get out. I don't like to pray all night. I don't like..." Well, then you're going to get killed out on the battle front." [*To Take On The Whole Armor Of God, Santa Maria, CA 62-0701*]

"Satan knows that reasoning and where reasoning lays. Yes, sir. To be an effectual witness of His resurrection, He knowed it would take the Holy Ghost, 'cause man cannot do those things. He equipped His army with the Holy Ghost to do those things, to make known the secrets of the heart, as He promised. You can't do that with any kind of training. You've got to do that by the baptism of the Holy Spirit, the armor of God. And this is the evening Light. To make Hebrews 13:8 reality, it would take more than a training. You can read words, and read words, and read words, and it'll never make it come to pass until you have the Holy Ghost there to manifest that. That's the Light; putting on the whole armor of God, not just a dress only, dress up and say, "Glory to God. I got the Holy Ghost." Then you're spurting all the power out the whistle. You're doing no good. Put it in action; put it in faith; make it move; make it do something; putting on the whole armor of God to go out and withstand the wiles of the devil." [*To Take On The Whole Armor Of God, Santa Maria, CA 62-0701*]

"God deals with an individual. And notice, but every time there's a certain thing, from that time. From the time that Eve listened to the reasoning of Satan, death came into the world and has reigned ever since. Remember, don't forget that spot that Eve... There was a time when there was no death on earth. There was a time when men didn't have to die. But because that Eve reasoned, listened to Satan's reasoning against God's Word, death begin to reign from that time on. And it reigns yet today. But let me say this: in the face of all of it, there is a time, and a thing that can happen that will never change. It's eternal. There is something that can happen in a human life that can never change, that is eternal. That's when a man meets God. That is eternally settled, when a man meets God, and's born again of the Spirit of God, he has Eternal Life. Now, we

believe that with all of our heart. And remember, when that man, a human being, or that woman, that boy, or that girl, ever meets God and is changed, he's never the same. He's changed from that time on. That's right. He will never be the same. No matter, he might get away from God, but God will never get away from him. Everywhere you go, you'll be haunted day and night if you ever meet God, till you come back again." [*From That Time, Spokane, WA 62-0713*]

"God's in no hurry. He let the Hebrew children walk right into the fiery furnace before He ever turned a finger. That's right. And let Daniel go right into the lions' den, let Jesus go plumb into the grave, and His soul descend into hell, then raised Him right up through the bottomless pits, right on out through the grave, and cut every avenue of the devil off, and went straight into glory with it. See? Sure. He's in no hurry. He's God. See? He just... We just get in a hurry, is the only thing. You see? We miss it. So don't be in a hurry. Wait and watch; listen. Take the Scripture, examine It, see if It's right. And if It's right, hold on to it. If it's not, tell me so I can get it right. So we--we see that every work must be the Holy Spirit's work. It must be His work. It's His. And it must come out of the Bible. We mustn't draw anything from some conception or reasoning. We must draw it from the Bible." [*Perseverant, Salem, OR 62-0719E*]

"The achievement's been proved by science. They showed it out yonder at the World's Fair. We got it. Amen. It's being proved everywhere, astronaut age we're living in. See, "It was made of things which do not appear." See, it was made of something out of Heaven. It's God Himself here in that sixth dimension. It's the power of God. We've been in such a place till we have been lifted up into that dimension, beyond this thing of going to the grave and weeping, this thing of putting the crape on the doorknob and saying good-bye forever. Hallelujah! We done got in the astronaut, and sailed off out yonder and seen where it's at, and returned back. Glory! We're going to the Home beyond the sky yonder, beyond the reasoning of man. How the old will be transformed in the moment of twinkling of an eye. We shall see them there, old men and women, young again. "How do you know?" The Bible teaches it! And, God shot an astronaut up in there, we know what it's all about, come back. There's no worry about dying. Dying's nothing. Sure, it's living. Yes, sir. It's just getting your feet off the ground so we can go. Oh, how wonderful!" [*Countdown, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0909M*]

"You are an astronaut. You're going beyond Luther. Luther don't believe in it all. Wesley laid on hands. The Pentecostal anoint in oil. You're an astronaut, gone beyond anything reasoning. Just because the Word said so, I'm going on. Well, you say, "Didn't Luther believe? Wasn't that the Word?" Yeah, but Wesley went on above him. "Well, Wesley anointed with oil or something another. Don't you believe that?" Yes, that's right. "The Pentecostal cast out devils." Yeah. "Laid hands on, had healing in hands and everything else." Yeah, I know that's right, but go on. Go on! Wesley don't look back to Luther, Pentecost don't look back to Wesley. Neither do we look back to Pentecost.

"We're astronauts. We're beyond that. Let's go on. Christ said so!" [*Countdown, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0909M*]

"The astronaut age has been lifted above that, way in above it, way above Azusa Street, way above all the rest of them. It's the latest thing we got, is a astronaut. Amen. God ain't looking for horse and buggy drivers. He's looking for astronauts, somebody that can take off and go beyond reasonings. Now, somebody say, "Now, just a minute, brother. Isn't it reasonable that we..." This is beyond reasoning. It's in outer space, out of space of reasoning. We're supposed to cast them down. So when you go above them, they are cast down, 'cause they're under you. Outer space, astronaut, raised up above all human imaginations. You're in the glorious Presence of Christ, and Christ is in you." [*The Countdown, Shreveport, LA 62-1125E*]

"A man ought to first get on that sacred ground with God; where all the theologians, all the doctors of divinity, all the reasonings, all the atheists, nothing else can ever explain that away from him. He was there when God come, and he knows what took place. You can't reason it out of him; he was there when it happened. That's the kind of man we need today in the government, in the church, and anywhere else, in the times like this. For leadership, we need a man that's filled with the Holy Ghost. That's what the church needs today; not a theologian, but a Spirit-filled, born-again man, full of the Holy Ghost. I tell you, if we had more of that, the church would look a little different than it does in the present time. Things would be different if we just had more man filled with God's Spirit, not going after traditions of the elders, and so forth." [*Why? Hot Springs, AR 63-0626*]

"O Holy Spirit, move freshly in our hearts now. Show us our wrongs, Lord. We don't, we won't lean to our own understanding, our own reasoning. But we lean upon You, because we know that we're standing in Your Divine, vindicated promise of today. You have made Yourself known beyond any, beyond any reasoning. We could not reason nor explain it. But You've come right down here in our midst now, and made known to us that You are here, and men and women are believing that and accepting it." [*Lean Not Unto Thy Own Understanding, Phoenix, AZ 65-0120*]

"The virgin Mary, when the Angel Gabriel met her and told her that she was going to have a baby, without knowing a man. Whew! Never been. She never leaned upon her own understanding, that a woman could not have a baby without having a--a husband. She didn't lean upon that. But she said, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord, be it unto me according to Your Word." She didn't say, "How am I going to do it? And when will I do it? And how is this all going to take place?" The Angel said, "The Holy Ghost shall overshadow thee; and that Holy Thing will be born of thee shall be called the Son of God." She said, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord." She didn't take her reasoning, say it couldn't be done. She just said, "Behold the handmaid of the Lord." That's right. Notice." [*Lean Not Unto Thy Own Understanding, Phoenix, AZ 65-0120*]

"I know it is a great temptation to refer back to the day of Pentecost and also to the day when the Holy Ghost fell in the house of Cornelius and then set those two identical experiences as the evidence of the Baptism with the Holy Ghost. But on each occasion the tongues were understood by the listeners. This is a far cry from the modern babel of confusion of Pentecostal meetings. And if this were not enough to persuade us to leave off such reasoning, what will we do when we are confronted with the fact that people who have never spoken in tongues have some of the other eight manifestations in their lives, such as word of wisdom, the discerning of spirits, a word of knowledge, faith, healing and even miracles? And this observation is even more interesting in the light that tongues is the least of the nine gifts; so when we see people who do not, nor ever have spoken in tongues, use greater gifts than those who do speak in tongues, we must discount such a doctrine even more completely than before." [*Seven Church Ages Book, Smyrnaean Church Age 65-1204*]

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Does God's word reason?

"For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe." [*I Thessalonians 2:13*]

"Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear." [*Hebrews 11:3*]

"Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever." [*I Peter 1:23*]

"His reasonings was correct, scientifically correct, but where Pharaoh made his mistake was not looking into the Word of God that knowed that great promise that God was going to bless them and bring them out anyhow. No matter what science says, what reasoning says, if it's not based on the Word of God, I'm sure sorry for the person that listens to it. So therefore, faith can't rest on reasoning. It rests on God's Word, what the Lord has said." [*Jairus A Secret Believer, Macon, GA 55-0604*]

"The Holy Ghost comes on one level; that's you meet God's requirement. If you ever get It, you'll come on God's level and not your own thoughts about It. Satan tries to make it classical, some great something, some big something, intellectual. You have to cast down that reasoning and believe what the Word says about it." [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN 59-0628E*]

"I think, "What's the matter with us preachers?" I wonder what kind of a training we've had. God is training for this great battle. Matthew 24 said there,

and also Daniel 12, said, "There would be a time of trouble, such as never like on the earth before." And we're living in that time, when culture, and education, and things, has smothered over the Word of God, and got into reasonings and so forth. The battle is now. Who will stand? Hallelujah! The battle is ready to go in. She's array now. Look what a great opposition we got yonder." [*The Greatest Battle Ever Fought, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0311*]

"If one little iota of God's Word was disbelieved, caused all this trouble, how we going to get back, disbelieving the Word? You can't do it. Got to shut off all these other things, conscience, memories, and say... reasonings, and all these other things. "Casting down reasonings." We don't reason about it, at all, nothing at all. We just accept the Word upon the basis, "God said so," and sets a stream between you and God. Every channel comes open between you and God, then." [*The Greatest Battle Ever Fought, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0311*]

"A man or a woman that will take God's Word just the way It's given to us, hold It the way God said It, It's Life. But to mix it with some wisdom of some organization, you die right there, just like it did in the first. That's the Seed. That's the way, that's the way It acted the first time, that's the way It'll act every time. It always has. God permit, we'll prove that through the Bible, this morning. That's the only way it can grow, is to separate Itself from all reasonings, or anything else, and just believe the Word." [*Wisdom Versus Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0401*]

"We know how the battle went. We know that Eve lost the battle because she relied upon her reasonings instead of her faith in God's Word. Let's repeat that. She relied upon her own reasonings instead of having faith in God's Word. It reasoned out. Therefore she broke the front lines and the enemy rushed in, and then death struck the world. Now, therefore, God never did trust It again with the women, to hold that front line. It's with men." [*The Conflict Between God And Satan, Clarksville, IN 62-0531*]

"Well, I know the Holy Spirit was for them back in the early days, but it... Just reasons tell us that we..." Oh, no, don't you do that. "Whosoever will... To you and to your children, and to them that's far off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." See? No reasoning, don't stop to reason. Just keep believing, just believing what He said. "Well, Brother Branham, I've sought the Holy Ghost for--for ten years." What you reasoning about? If you've carried out His plan, then just go on. Then just believe it. See? He laid down the plan and just follow that plan. Then it's got to come out right. If it isn't, then He told something wrong. See? So He can't tell us nothing wrong and still be God. So you see, you got to believe it's His Word, or you don't believe Him at all. So--so it's strange, isn't it? But it's really true. It really is the truth." [*Putting On The Whole Armor Of God, Aberdeen, NC 62-0607*]

"But you know, surely, God wouldn't do a thing like that," he reasoned it with Eve. But when he come against Christ, he hit against that hundred-thousand volt wire. The feathers flew when he come with his reasoning, because He met him right back with "THUS SAITH THE LORD." Said, "If you're the Son of

God and you're hungry, why don't you turn these stones to bread and eat?" reasoning! "You could do it." Sure He could, but He come back, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word, proceedeth out of the mouth of God.'" [*Why? South Gate, CA 62-0622E*]

"I send My signs among them like that, and they just get up and walk out. What's the matter with the daughter of My people?" When it's explained and proven by the Word, and the Bible said if the--always to believe the Word. The Word is confirmed. Then you cannot disbelieve It. But you're reasoning, letting Satan tell you in your mind. Last night when you held your hand that you was a sinner, and didn't want to die a sinner, and I called you to the platform: turned around and walked out. What's the matter? You let Satan reason, "You're going to lose your job." I'd rather lose my job than lose my life. "Your wife will leave you." I'd rather lose a wife than lose my Christ. "Your husband or your--your neighbor will make fun of you." I'd rather have my neighbor make fun of me and be right with God. But, you see, you're listening to reasoning. That's it. You're just... You've had so many bogus things. Don't you realize, friend, that every time a bogus thing, declares that there's a real one? Sure, it does." [*Why? South Gate, CA 62-0622E*]

"The first thing that God put before man was "obey His Word." And just one little slip, not a whole great big chapter, but just misconstruing the Word, just twisting it a little bit (Satan did) by reasoning, and it caused the whole; every heartache that ever was, every sickness, every death, every little sick baby, every grave on the hillside, just to disbelieve one little Word. Just not exactly throwed it out, but just misquoted it, just reasoned. "Isn't it reasonable that God wouldn't do such a thing?" he said. But God said He would do it." [*We Would See Jesus, Santa Maria, CA 62-0627*]

"Jesus said, Himself, "Remember Lot's wife." If the Word isn't so important, if reasoning is all right; when that Angel said to Lot and his family, "Go to Zoar, but don't look back!" And Lot's wife, on a little insignificant thing as to turn and look back, but it was contrary to the Word, she turned to a pillar of salt. Then you say, "Telling women about cutting their hair, wearing clothes...?" God said don't do it! You follow the Word. Lot had, no doubt, a nice wife, but she didn't follow the Commandment to the Word. Lot! Eve was a good woman, but she didn't follow the Commandment to the Word; just reasoned a little with it." [*Jehovah Jireh, Grass Valley, CA 62-0707*]

"Here's how I--I think it's infallible. It's so infallible, till even when Eve, not disbelieving, but listening to a little reasoning against it, caused every death, and every sorrow, and every heartache. That's what she did." [*Jesus Christ The Same, Salem, OR 62-0718*]

"I believe that Lot's wife, as she was commanded by the Angel not to look back, and she turned and looked back, and she stands today a pillar of salt, because she just misbelieved God's Word that much. Now, she had a better reason than you and I have. See, her children, and her grandchildren were burning up in the judgments of God. And the screams of her own

children, and her grandchildren, and a mother's heart crying out just disobeyed God's Word enough to look over her shoulder, and there she turned. See, I believe the Word must be just exactly the way it's written: just that. Will you believe it with me? Upon that basis, let's settle ourselves now to the Word and speak of the Word." [*Jesus Christ The Same, Salem, OR 62-0718*]

"As the vision said, they just turn away from it. It's got to be that way. If they did it to Him, did it the other way, they're going to do it again, see, because they take up reasonings: "Now, shouldn't we have this? and shouldn't we have that?" That's reasonings and not the Word. Now, you say, "Well, how do you know?" First take it to the Bible, and see if God vindicates it or not. If God made a promise, God's got to keep His promise. If He doesn't, He isn't God. Now, you just can't guess at that. You've got to really believe Him, and you better know what you're talking about. Now, they claim it, but their actions speaks louder than word." [*Convinced And Then Concerned, Shreveport, LA 62-1125M*]

"When Eve reasoned and said, "Well, now, isn't it reasonable, I could live just as good," that did it. And that's always did it. That's the reason she was forbidden to be a preacher. See, it just let down the bars. That's where (the church) the grass roots of it hatched out, in Pentecost, and that's the grass roots. There's no Scripture for it. See? Now, what do you do then? You get the same conglomeration that you got back there in Eden. Notice, now, then when we come to the Word, you say about It... Nobody can withstand That! I challenge anybody to say it. Preached on *The Seed Of The Serpent*, so many blowed up about it." [*The Evening Messenger, Mesa, AZ 63-0116*]

"That's the thing that broke the fellowship in Eden, is because that Eve failed to keep the focus, of her looking on God's Word, and listened to the reasonings of the enemy. See? See? If she just stayed right with, "God said so. That settles it. God said so," but she didn't want to do that. See? She changed the focus of her glass, and begin to see, instead of being just one way, there become two ways. See? She saw, "Well, now, maybe this man could be right. Maybe he is right. Now, we know God is right, and maybe he is right. This is just more light on what God said." You see there? There is the same thing happens today, exactly right back to the same spot. See? See? You see two ideas. There's only one. There's not no creed. It's the Word, God's Word, God's purpose, God's plan. All other plans are no good. That, and Eve did this evil thing, and that's the reason today that God, in His Word, never permits women to be ministers. See? It's just not permitted in the Word." [*Victory Day, Sierra Vista, AZ 63-0421*]

"We realize that it was that, that it was reason, common reasonings that started the ball of sin rolling at the first place. It was reasonings what? Reasoning against the Word of God. When God told Adam and Eve, "The day you eat thereof, that day you die." That settle, that's all of it. And He fortified them against the enemy, behind His Word. But when Eve, listening to Satan's reasonings, see, culture, understanding, education, advancement, see, she stepped out behind there and listened to Satan's reasonings, and did the thing that God said "don't do." And if

one reasoning, listening to one reasoning against the Word caused all this chaos, one reasoning against the Word again won't take you back to the same place, 'cause how foolish it would be of God to bring man back upon the same basis He sent him out from. See? See? You got to come to the shed Blood of Christ. Your denomination won't work, and your reasonings won't work. It's the Blood and birth, and It produces in you a new creature, Christ, and after the fashion of Christ you live, because the Toxin that you take shows It kills the sin of unbelief, against anything but the Word of God." *[He Cares. Do You Care? Jeffersonville, IN 63-0721]*

"How different from the great learned Saint Paul, who had all the knowledge he could brag about. But he said, "I've turned the whole thing, of my reasonings, down. I met a Pillar of Fire one day, on the road down to Damascus." And he said, "I never come to you with excellency of speech, because, if I did, you would trust in the wisdom of man. But I come to you in the power and demonstrations of the Holy Ghost, that you--you will lean upon the Word of God." Amen. Said, "If an Angel from Heaven come, preaching any other thing, let him be accursed," Galatians 1:8." *[Lean Not Unto Thy Own Understanding, Phoenix, AZ 65-0120]*

"Well, starting way back there in the first church the people got to thinking and reasoning how to improve on God. The deeds of the Nicolaitanes began showing themselves. Then a group formed. They drifted away from the pattern of the Word. All it takes is just one word changed and that little leaven then leavens the whole lump. He that offends in one point of the law is guilty of all. Eve just changed one word. That will do it." *[Seven Church Ages Book, Smyrnaean Church Age 65-1204]*

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I Thessalonians 2:13; Hebrews 11:3; I Peter 1:23

What Is Mental Reasoning?

"When he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves." *[Acts 28:29]*

"And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient." *[Romans 1:28]*

"Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled." *[Titus 1:15]*

"How they must have felt. And when the disciples would reason in their heart, trying to keep it a secret from Him, and He'd turn around and say, "Why are you reasoning in your heart?" *[Divine Healing, Des Moines, IA 54-0620E]*

"He stood in the audiences, and He perceived what they were thinking about. He said, "Why are you reasoning in your heart about that?" And He found out

things like that; they know it come from God. And He said that--things that He had done, and how the Father had showed Him, and He found out everything that He said was the truth. So that was a sign to the Jew anyhow." [*The Curtain Of Time, Phoenix, AZ 55-0302*]

"That's the reason people doesn't get healed, is because they only have an intellectual view of it, what their mind conceives. But the mind will reason. The mind will say, "It cannot be. I am no better." My sense of sight says that, "My arm is no straighter than it was yesterday." My sense of feeling says, "I don't feel any different than I did yesterday." Reasoning, mental theology will reason out, say, "Well, now wait a minute, I believe that's foolishness." See, you're reasoning. That intellectual faith will do that." [*Fellowship By Redemption, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0403*]

"Father, if there be any uncertainty in any person's experience in this room; I pray, Father, at this hour, they'll confine their faith, not to their mental way of thinking, not to reasoning after men's doctrine, but to the believing of God's Word to Everlasting Life. These blessings we ask in Jesus' Name, Thy Son." [*The Uncertain Sound, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0731*]

"Many people come to me, many times in the prayer line, and stand there, and say, "Oh, Brother Branham, I have plenty faith. I've got faith like to move mountains." And, yet, they haven't any faith. They hardly have enough faith to get to the platform. But they are conscious of one thing, that they do believe. They are believing intellectually with their mind. And their mind will never bring them to God. Your mind is reasonings. And God has no reasonings." [*The Uncertain Sound, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0731*]

"The mind will reason things. In revivals of healing campaigns you see people get that in their minds. They'll say, "Now, looky here, this is all unreasonable." Here sets a lady in a wheelchair. I don't know her, never seen her. But maybe she might be paralyzed. See, I don't know what's wrong with her. Whatever it is, maybe say she was paralyzed, maybe been setting there for years. But say, the reasonings... The doctors says there's a calcium deposit over the bone; you can't move no more. Maybe the spines broke; maybe there's something wrong in that manner. Maybe there's a blind man setting here with his eyes blinded over. And you'd say, "Well, now..." Reason, "Now, the doctors, I've been to the best, and they tell me I'll never be any different." Well, now, mental reasonings would say, "That's right." But now, as long as you dwell in that mental reasonings, you'll never be no different. The Bible said we've got to cast down reasoning. Then when your soul says that "Jesus is my Healer and I now believe it and accept it," then reasonings move out. And your soul comes in first place, and whatever God says, it won't reason at all, it'll take it--God at His Word. That's what brings the results. Such a simple thing!" [*Inspiration, Owensboro, KY 56-0128*]

"The sin question is settled when the Holy Spirit comes into the human heart. It takes... It casts down reasoning. It goes above our intellectual affair. Now, today the reason so many ups-and-downs and things are enter the religious

people, because there's an intellectual conception of Christ. In other words, it's in their mind and not in their heart. See it? They just mentally believe it. And your mental will reason, "Could it be so? Could Divine healing be so? Could the baptism of the Spirit be so?" Now, that's intellectual reasonings. But when that comes into the heart, it's a faith. It's a positive. There's no question at all about it. It's all settled forever. It's in your heart. And your heart doesn't reason, because it's the throne, the dwelling place of the Almighty in the heart." *[The Infallible Proof Of The Resurrection, Sturgis, MI 57-0114]*

"The battle raged when Eve opened up her mind, to listen to her reasoning. That's the flue it come in. That's the--the channel it run down, her reasoning. She, in her soul, she reasoned. Her eyes was sight. She saw the serpent. He was beautiful, handsome, far better than her own husband. He was the most subtle of all the beast of the field, and he was probably a fairer man than her husband. He looked like a great masculine beast standing there. How great he was! And he was trying to tell her what a great thing it was. And first thing she did, she opened up her mind. And when she did, human reasonings caught it. "Why, wouldn't that be a thrill?" That's the thing he does to a woman today. Some woman with a lovely little husband, finds some great, big, masculine man. This man will try to opening up the reasons. Remember, that's Satan. That's the Devil. Or, vice versa, man to woman, woman to man, either way. What does he do? Work in that reasoning power, the conscience or something, begins to move through." *[The Greatest Battle Ever Fought, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0311]*

"When Satan walked up to Eve, and said, "You know, the fruit is pleasant." She stopped for a moment. Oh, that's when she made a mistake, when she stopped for a moment. Don't stop for nothing. You've got the Message. Jesus lives. God is a healer. That's the Message. Don't stop for nothing, no reasonings, no nothing else. But she stopped for a moment. That's when Satan walked right into that mind. Said, "Well, it sounds reasonable." Oh, don't do that. Just take what God said." *[The Greatest Battle Ever Fought, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0311]*

God can't give nothing else but His Word, because that's what He chose first. And when God makes a decision, has to ever remain that way. And Satan took reasonings, and took the reasonings and attacked the Word, and shook Eve off the path, that's right, by reasonings, human reasoning. Now, the only way that he, she could have got to disbelieve God's Word, it had to be appealing. And Satan knows how to make reasonings appealing. It has to appeal to you. And sin is very appealing. And there's only one sin, and that's unbelief. So it's really appealing. Satan makes sin so appealing to you!" *[The Conflict Between God And Satan, Clarksville, IN 62-0531]*

"We find that this great enemy of God thought, "Now, as long as they will believe that Word I can never get to them. As long as that little family in Eden keeps behind that Word I can never touch them." Neither can he today. Amen. He's still blocked off. That's right. "But if I can use some real good a strategy and just reason out... I give some human reasonings, because she's human. And if I can just give human reasonings, then we'll--we'll--we'll win the battle,"

Satan and his Angels. But then Eve gave a way.” *[Putting On The Whole Armor Of God, Aberdeen, NC 62-0607]*

“Satan reasoned with them, reasonings against the Word of God. That's what the devil does today. He tries to reason it. Say, "Now, this is only reasons that you don't have to do this. It's only reasons we got good doctors; we don't need Divine healing. It's only reason we got plenty of members; we don't need--we don't need the Holy Ghost, the Holy Ghost. They reason it out, trying to say the people are mentally upset, they're emotional, because themselves they are dead in sin and trespasses and knows nothing about the power of God.” *[Why? South Gate, CA 62-0622E]*

“Satan tried to get in there to spy out, to see what--how he could get a hold of that human race, and he took one of the most famous tactics that... Well, it showed that he had to be a supernatural power to think of it. And he used this the first time and was successful, and he's done it ever since, and still successful to a certain estate. He used reasoning against faith. Satan come to Eve and begin to reason against the Word of God, the great Armor that God had fortified His people with. He begin to use reasoning. Now, "It's only reasonable that God would not destroy you. Surely you will not die." But remember, friends, that's Satan's tactic to begin with, and he still uses the same thing, and still successful with it: a reasoning.” *[To Take On The Whole Armor Of God, Santa Maria, CA 62-0701]*

“Eve stopped for a moment. That's all she had to do. Satan had her caught, and just reasoned it with her. "Isn't it reasonable? If Sister So-and-so can do that, can't you do it, too? She's the pastor's wife." I don't care who she is, or who he is. If it's contrary to the Word, don't you listen to it. Go straight on! Examples! That's the way Abraham did. How much reasoning do you think the--the medical science could have give him, of that day, that he wasn't going to have that baby? And what about when he was seventy-five? Then we find him when he was a hundred, he still believed it stronger than he did the first place, had twenty-five years to keep building more faith onto it. I like that.” *[Jehovah Jireh, Grass Valley, CA 62-0707]*

“If you lived in the days of Noah, and was in your present character, what group would you be identified with? Now think of it. What group? When, here is an old fanatic standing up there on the hill, that's been proven, over and over, for a hundred and twenty years, that he's out of his mind, because he's absolutely predicting that there's water coming down from up there. And all their scientific instruments prove that it wasn't there. And because it didn't jive up with their scientific things, how could Almighty God ever do something that was against their own reasonings? See? And the man was talked about. He was the laughing stock of the time.” *[Identification, Phoenix, AZ 63-0123]*

“The intellectual will always goes to a reasoning. And it can't see the spiritual side, because it's intellectual. Oh, neither could any other time! They can't see it now. They couldn't see it in the days of Elijah. How could this one old fuzzy-faced prophet... God forgive me for saying a thing like that. But I--I miss-

make... And God knows I'm trying to make--make it as ridiculous as I can, so that you can see the--the Spirit of God. Like Paul said, "I never come to you, speaking with enticing words and wisdom, for your minds would drift off to the wisdom. But I come with the power of the Holy Spirit, that your--that your--your--your hope and trust would rest, not in the wisdom of man, but in the resurrection power of Jesus Christ." [*The Third Exodus, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0630M*]

"People has lost their common thoughts of decency. I'm running little Scriptures down here, just for... I was going to give myself about five minutes on it, ten, see. People has lost their common decency among one another. They are--they are not like they used to be. Man of age, of brothers and I, here, know, and women. People don't act like they used to be. They've lost their common understanding. The--the--the mental--the mental effect it's had upon the people of these modern scientific day that we're living in, has caused people to lose their natural reasonings. They can't regard somebody, a woman, as a sister and a brother. It's something filthy." [*Power Of Transformation, Prescott, AZ 65-1031M*]

"I will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." This verse is not a declaration that the true church will go into and through the tribulation. If it meant that it would have said that. But it said, "I will keep thee from the hour of temptation." This temptation is exactly like the temptation in Eden. It will be a very inviting proposition held up in direct opposition to God's commanded Word, and yet from the standpoint of human reasoning it will be so very right, so enlightening and life-giving as to fool the world. Only the very elect will not be fooled." [*Seven Church Ages Book, Philadelphian Church Age, 65-1204*]

"How can three persons be in one God? Not only is there no Bible for it, but it shows even a lack of intelligent reasoning. Three distinct persons, though identical substance, make three Gods, or language has lost its meaning entirely." [*Seven Church Ages Book, The Revelation Of Jesus Christ, 65-1204*]

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Acts 28:29; Romans 1:28; Titus 1:15

What is Satan's reasoning?

"When the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, This is the heir: come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours." [*Luke 20:14*]

"And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts." [*Mark 4:15*]

"And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." [Revelation 12:9]

"What is the tactics of Satan? Reasoning. "It's just reasonable." And when you hear anything that reasons against the Word, get away from it. It's the devil. I don't care how old fashion it is, how strange it looks, when God said so, that settles it eternally. Get away from anything that reasons against the Word. "Oh, it's reasonable today we don't need Divine healing, because we got fine doctors." Get away from that. "It's, oh, just the twelve apostles received the Holy Ghost. It..." Well, why did Peter say "It's for you, and for your children, and to them that's far off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call?" [From *That Time, Spokane, WA 62-0713*]

"These denominations rely on human reasonings, upon human reasonings. Listen close now. They... We are not to rely upon human reasonings. Proverbs, the 3rd chapter, the 5th verse, said, "Rely not upon thy own understanding." See? Don't do it, no matter what God's Word seems like. You say, "Well, it seems like it's just as good this way." That ain't what It is. It's God's Word, take It the way He said It. Eve said... Satan said to Eve, "I know God said That, but It really don't mean that. It means this." And she believed it. She believed it. That broke up the oneness, that broke up the fellowship, that broke up the union, that broke up the world, that broke up life, that broke up everything! And the person that disbelieves one Word of God's Word, it breaks the whole fellowship and all. Right! We believe It or we don't believe It. Let's stay with It! God said so, and let's stay with It. Lot of things I got to skip here, 'cause it's already past time." [Oneness, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0211]

"Satan's army brings diseases, and God's army is commissioned to cast them out. Amen. There you are. Every time Satan throws any on, onto you, God's army is to cast him out. Amen. Cast out! That's the very technique that God used. Satan used the army of destruction, to disbelieve God's Word, and set him up a better kingdom than Michael had, and God cast him out. God's method, is, cast out the evil. Cast down reasoning. Cast down superstition. Cast down worry. Cast down diseases. Cast down sin. Amen. You're above it, resurrected in Christ Jesus, setting in Heavenly places, with every devil under your foot. If he starts to stick his head in there, what... You know, you are dead. Your life is hid. What is dead? You're dead to your senses. You are dead to your conscience. Your own human will would say, "Yes, I guess I..." Dead to your reasoning. Dead to all those things. And you are buried in the Name of Jesus Christ; and raised with Him. And wherever He is, there you are also." [The Greatest Battle Ever Fought, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0311]

"In order to do this, he has to make it very appealing, reasonings. And that's the way Satan does. He's good at the job. And he's a good adversary. And he makes it appealing. He had to make it appealing to Eve. He said, "Now, look, dear, you know, you don't know what's right and wrong. And you--you must remember that it's--this fruit is pleasant to the eye. It--it--it'll make one wise, and all..." Oh, if that isn't a good bait. "Just get your Ph.D., or LL., double L.,

Q.U., S.T.D., or something like that. You'll be wise." [*Putting On The Whole Armor Of God, Aberdeen, NC 62-0607*]

"They try to reason, "Why would we need the Holy Ghost today? Why would we need Divine healing? Why would we need this, and how would we need another Pentecost? We're all civilized." They were too. But, you see, if whatever it taken to begin with, and whatever God give them to begin with, that's what it ever remains. And tactics of reasoning is what Satan used, and that's what he ever uses: reasoning." [*To Take On The Whole Armor Of God, Santa Maria, CA 62-0701*]

"The Devil won the battle over the human race by reasoning with the human race. Just reason, "Why, it stands to reason this would be? It stands to reason." If the reasoning is contrary to the Word, then the reason is wrong! The Word is right, just the way It's written! Don't put any private interpretation. Just say It the way It's written, and believe It like that. See? God has took care of It. It's just exactly the way It's supposed to be, so let's just believe It that way. Now it's the Word, every Word! Every! The Holy Spirit in a man; every sentence of the Bible, the Holy Spirit in you will punctuate with "amen," because the Holy Spirit wrote the Bible. And if He's in you, how can He say, "Well, That was for another age, That was for this, or That was for that"? How can He say that and be the Holy Spirit in you? Can't do it. He has to say "amen" to It!" [*Jehovah Jireh, Grass Valley, CA 62-0705*]

"If Satan could ever get Eve just to reason that that Word was... Said, "Now, surely you'll not die. Oh, sure, God has said... That's exactly right. But surely..." That's the first thing that he won by, and that's the thing he still knocked the human race down by: reasoning. He kills the human race by reasoning against His Word. And great seminaries and things raise up, and they put their minds together and reason, and things like that. I don't care how many minds there is, let every man's word be a lie and God's be the truth." [*From That Time, Spokane, WA 62-0713*]

"The enemy spy, Satan, tried to find out what could he do to break into that. So he--he knowed he just couldn't come out and bluff her, so the only thing that he could do was to get her on reasoning. And that's what God uses today, to fortify His Church, is His Word. And Satan comes around with reasoning power. Satan knowed that was the loophole. That was the place that people would break the easiest, was at reasoning. You say, "Now, let me just reason with you. Now is it necessary?" If God said it was necessary, it's necessary, whether we have to cry, and boohoo, and do all this. If God said that the baptism of the Holy Ghost is necessary, I don't care how heavy It is, and how much of the world you have to give up. You're going to have to use It, one of these days, to stay alive. The only way of survival." [*A Trumpet Gives An Uncertain Sound, Phoenix, AZ 63-0114*]

"Don't take Satan's unbelieving mark. Now, he will put it on you tonight if he can do it. He will poke you up against the wall and you'll walk out and say, "Aw, I don't know about that." You go home and study it. And then be sincere

and pray, 'cause everything's too--is too perfectly Scriptural at this very hour, this sacred hour of time. It's done been for years, proved. Come right up to it and this is the hour. This is the time. And now, don't let him poke that in your ear, his unbelieving mark. See? 'Cause he was an unbeliever to begin with. He doubted it. All right. Oh, don't even let--don't let him take the Scripture with his wisdom and--and twist It and pervert It with his own wisdom into reasoning powers. You just be humble and say, "God said so, and that's all there is to it." [*The Second Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0319*]

"Look, the natural woman, Adam's bride, before he come to her as a wife, fell for the Satan's scheme against the Word of God by reasoning it. Before Adam lived with Eve as a wife, Satan beat him there. That's right. You heard "The Bride Tree" I preached on, that talks of it. See? All right. Now, notice, there Eve fell for reasoning. Now, he, Satan, tried to reason it." [*The Second Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0319*]

"Satan's duty is to pervert the Word of God to wisdom's reasoning. Oh, my. Oh. Then he marks his subjects by rejecting the original Word." [*The Second Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0319*]

"That's the reason John wept, because if no one could get that Book, all creation, everything was gone. She'd just simply turn back to--to--to atoms and molecules and so forth and cosmic light, and not even be creation, person, nothing else, 'cause Adam lost the rights of that Book. He forfeited it when he listened to his wife, and she listened to Satan's reasoning in the stead of the Word of God. See?" [*The Sixth Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0323*]

"There is a little spot in a man, or woman, when they're born of the Spirit of God, that's Eternal. And you'll get into a place sometime to where every... Everything that's human about you, in reasoning, the devil can reason it away from you. But when it all breaks away, then, if that Eternal Life isn't there, you will fall also, because you can reason yourself away from God. But a man that claims to be a Christian, has no right in the pulpit, or has no right in the office, a leader anywhere, until first he has climbed them steps into a place to where he is born of the Spirit of God, filled with the Holy Ghost, in such a way that nobody can explain it away from him." [*Why? Hot Springs, AR 63-0626*]

"That is the unbeliever, unfaithful to the Word of God, that don't notice what the Word says, but notice to your own reasonings. That's what Eve done, in the first place. She relied upon her reasoning. Satan said, "Now, look here. Isn't it reasonable? I know the Word says That. But, wait a minute, isn't it reasonable that--that you'd be better off if you knowed right from wrong?" "Why, yes." Then she took it. See? Sure. That's the way with reason. Now, unbelief will always goes to reasonings, but faith won't touch it." [*The Third Exodus, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0630M*]

"Here is Lucifer at his job again, today. And, remember, the antichrist is not communism. The antichrist is so close like the real thing, till, "It'd deceive the very Elected if it was possible," Jesus said, Matthew 24, "the Elected if it was possible." Lucifer, again, Lucifer again is breaking God's unity in man, by his--

his limiting the Word of God to his reasonings. What he thinks that's right, and what he thinks, he breaks the Word of God. And the same thing he did in the days of Jesus. And Jesus said, "You, by your traditions, has made the Word of God of no effect." And the denominations, by their organized intellectual reasonings, has made God's Word of no effect upon the people. That's right. They just can't see It. Then they say, "Where is the God of the Bible?" He's right here. He's the Bible, that's what He is." [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

"What did they do? Sold out to reasonings of wisdom and education, like Eve did, fallen angels did. Wesley was a man of God; but what followed him? Fallen angels got into it. What was the angels, first? Creative beings of God, but fell for Lucifer's wisdom, fell for Lucifer, Lucifer's wisdom. And you see what they become? Fallen angels. And organizations, from men of God who has went forth to establish Truths in the earth; before that Truth could go on and proclaimate and get on to the real revelation of Christ, fallen angels come in and took it over and made denominations out of it. That's the reason the revelation of the Seven-Seal mystery had to be unfolded. Now you see it? What they left off! If Luther would have went on, it'd have been here. If Wesley would have went on, if Pentecost would have went on, what would they'd done? [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

"You can't add one word, or take one from It. See? So, remember, one word disbelieved! One word caused every heartache, every sickness, every death, and even the coming of the Lord Jesus to die to redeem us. Eve, she disbelieved, just reasoned with Satan, or Satan reasoned with her. "Well, that, honestly, God won't do it." See, that's Lucifer's business today, say, "God can't turn us down. We're too big a people. We stand tens of thousands, millions strong. You think God could turn us down?" He, sure, He has already done it. When you reject His Word, you're on the other side. It isn't God turns you down; you've turned God down. That's where it's at. See?" [*There Is Only One Way Provided By God For Anything, Chicago, IL 63-0731*]

"The very name, Ephesus, has a strange compound meaning, "Aimed at", and "Relaxed". The high aspirations of this age that had begun with the fullness of the Spirit, "the depth of God", whereby they were aiming at the high calling of God, began to give way to a less watchful attitude. A less ardent following of Jesus Christ began to manifest itself as an omen that in the future ages the physical vehicle called the church would sink to the awfulness of the "depth of Satan". It had become relaxed and was drifting. Already the age was backsliding. It had left its first love. The tiny seed planted in that Ephesian Age would one day grow in the spirit of error until all foul birds of the air would roost in its branches. So inoffensive to human reasoning would that little plant appear to that New Eve (the New Church) that again she would be deceived by Satan. The Ephesian Age had presented to her the opportunity for God's best, and for awhile she prevailed, and then relaxed, and in that unguarded moment Satan planted the seed of complete ruination." [*Seven Church Ages Book, Ephesian Church Age 65-1204*]

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Why Do Denominations Reason?

"The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him?" *[Matthew 21:25]*

"And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone?" *[Luke 5:21]*

"There were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts." *[Mark 2:6]*

"Reasons, reasoning sense, sees what the world wants you to see, big denomination. Well, are you a Christian? "Oh, I'm--I'm Presbyterian, Methodist, Lutheran, and Pentecostal, whatmore. I'm this, that, or the other." See, that, that's senses. "I belong to the first church, you see. Oh, I'm Catholic. I'm--I'm this, that." See, you say that. Now, that, that's senses. You like to say that because it's a denomination, something big. "Well, we--we--we got more members, nearly, than any church in the world." *[Why Cry? Speak! Jeffersonville, IN 63-0714M]*

"Look at all denominations. Look at Pentecost. What did we do? We sowed denominational seeds, we reaped the denominational harvest. Why, the church ought to be on fire for God right now, if there had been a Word seed sowed back there, and there would be signs, wonders, miracles, and that church would be together, one heart, one accord, and marching toward Zion, for the Rapture. That's right. What did we do? We had intellectual speeches instead of the Word. We had reasoning against the Word, and everything else." *[To Take On The Whole Armor Of God, Santa Maria, CA 62-0701]*

"I'm here as a Gospel preacher to let you know what's truth, then you do with it whatever you wish to. Then when you go to doing those things, you'll begin to reason, "If this woman can do it. She's well-thought-of. She goes to church. She lives in ranks of society. Why can't I do it?" That's reasoning, when your soul tells you it's wrong. God covered women up, and men up, in the garden of Eden, never stripped them. See? But it's reasoning. You'll reason it out, "The rest of them are doing it." Younger girls, you--you take heed this morning to the Gospel. The Gospel said, "Let the women dress themselves in modest apparel," not immodest, "modest apparel." And it's getting... It's a disgrace." *[The Uncertain Sound, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0731]*

"They creep in. All right. And try to spoil your faith. They just try to take it away, see, by their polished seminary reasonings, you know, they come in and reason out, "Now, looky here, isn't it reason now? Could you just imagine in the days of Jesus they'd do the same thing? They'd come and say, "Now, isn't it reasonable?" *[Putting On The Whole Armor Of God, Aberdeen, NC 62-0607]*

"They've got intellectual giants in the world today that can almost explain away everything that God said to be true. They can take it from a theological standpoint, intellectual. And if you just take your own mind of thinking, reasoning like Eve did at the beginning, they can explain everything of the Bible away from you. But if a man, or a woman has ever been on the backside of the desert in those sacred sands where no intellectual can stand, and there come in contact with the living God, no devil, or scientist, or anything else can ever explain that away. You were there. It happened. You know it's the truth. There's no one can take it away from you. You met God. And I believe that God, in every age sending forth a messenger, always first, meets that person on a sacred ground, because it's got to be so. There's too much of evil to try to explain all the supernatural away. And where there's a supernatural God, there's going to be supernatural things happening, because He is supernatural." [*Hear Ye Him, Spokane, WA 62-0711*]

"If those Pharisees would've just set down, and reasoned! Jesus said to them, "You stoned the prophets. You--you whitened the--their walls of their--polished their sepulchers, and you're the one that put them in there." See? But how... "Which one of the prophets that God sent that your fathers didn't stone?" See? And those... So forth. We've got to set down and think it over." [*From That Time, Spokane, WA 62-0713*]

"If you'll pardon this expression, that's what's happened to our churches throughout the country. They're fine people in there. Some of the best in the world goes to church. I think the best in the world goes to church. But the thing of it is, the--the organization system gets lifted up. That's what's happened to the--the Methodist. That's what's happened to the Baptist. That's what's happened to the Nazarene, to the Pilgrim Holiness, to the Pentecostal; lifted up, self-willed, self-centered, pride, that you can't tell nothing to. God can't find a way to get into their hearts. It's because they become so know-it-all that nobody can tell them anything. And by building themselves around reasoning, with brethren, they build themselves around their creed. And when they do, they leave God in the back. That's what happens to doctors when they get so self-centered that they don't need any help from God, that's when I don't want--want one fooling with me. Right. Yes. When you leave God out of anything, you, I want you to leave me out, too. See? Because, you must always remember God first." [*The Influence Of Another, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1013*]

"Korah, I believe he was sincere in his act. I believe the man didn't--didn't mean to do wrong. I believe it was the ignorance of the man that didn't see the hand of God moving and know the Scriptures, and that's the reason he just brought it to reasoning. And that's just about ninety percent of the trouble today, that we try to inject into the program of God, our thinking. And we're not supposed to think, at all. He does our thinking. We're supposed to surrender our thinking to His will. You understand now?" [*Why I'm Against Organized Religion, Jeffersonville, IN 62-1111E*]

"Just as natural Eve fell, spiritual Eve fell. God's bride fail--fell in the garden; Christ's bride fell in Rome (See? Notice.) by the same reasoning against God's

Word. She also forfeited her rights of virtue to Satan, which we found in the breaking of these Seals that that was Satan and still is Satan there. The Bible said it's the very seat of Satan. And as Eve forfeited her--her virtuous rights and give them over to Satan in the garden of Eden, the church, the bride of Christ did the same thing at Rome when they forfeited the Bible for their dogmas and reasoning." [*The Third Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0320*]

"When He came to the Hebrew bride, she was the mother of all that was living, but she rejected it. Natural Eve fell in Eden by listening to Satan's reasoning against God's Word. That's how she fell. All right, sir. She fell because she did that. Spiritual Eve, now that's the Church, Christ's Bride, she fell not in Eden but in Rome. See? At the Nicene Council when she rejected that Pentecostal church that went down to Nicaea and listening to Roman's reasoning instead of holding on to the Word, she fell and everything away from her, died with her, around her." [*The Third Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0320*]

"We know that spiritually they're doing the same thing today, for they are doing it, too, for the same purpose, and in the same way that they did in the crucifixion of the Lord, physically. They are doing it because of jealousy, because of spiritual blindness. That, they don't want to see. They won't listen to It. Jesus, in His journey here on earth, He said, "Well did Isaiah speak of you, 'You got eyes and can't see, and ears and can't hear.'" See? The same reason, the same--the same purpose and the same reasonings, they're bringing the crucifixion of Christ anew, afresh, (as we'll get to it after a while), for the same reasons that they did then. They cannot find nothing against It. They are daresn't to try to challenge It. And they know the evidence is there. And they know the Bible says so. And the only thing they can do is blaspheme It. That's exactly. So, and all this, the same reasons." [*The Indictment, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0707M*]

"They sold out to reasonings, sold out to reasonings of denomination. "If I can just belong to this! The--the mayor goes to this church." See? "If I can be a Methodist, or a Presbyterian." Just look where they've gone. Now, I've just explained, them limbs are pruned off. They're dead. They're not connected with Christ any more; they'd be bringing the same Life. They're not connected with It." [*Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0728*]

"You let down the bars, got away from the Word. When Eve let down the bars, to intellectual reasonings of Satan, death come in; and the bars that God had her barred in with, was His Word of promise. And we have substituted something else, a creed, instead of the Word. Amen. You know that's the Truth." [*Once More, Chicago, IL 63-0804A*]

"The woman who wants to have short hair and wear shorts, or wear paint and anything, she can go right through a Pentecostal filter just as easy as pie, nothing about it, right into death. Cause, he the... She say, "Well, there's no harm in that." ("If you love the world or the things of the world, it's because the love of God is not even in you.") Down through this spirit, then, she can pull

down into her soul, things that isn't of God and against God's Word, if that's the taste in the soul. It can come through the taste; see, taste... It can come through the think, through the reasoning, "There's no harm in it. I have taste. I have feelings. I have a feeling that this is all right." She can come right on down through that, and right into her soul, if her soul is of that type. Shows that she isn't drawing through God's Filter. But if she's got bobbed hair, wearing makeup, shorts, pants, looks like man's, all these slacks and ever what they call them; saying those kind of things, and doing those things, and living for the world, she'll stop; she can't get through There. No, sir. It'll stop her at the beginning." [*A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822E*]

"We cannot, we must not, listen to any other man's word. We don't care how smart, how educated. The Bible, in Proverbs, says, "We must cast down reasonings." See? Now, here in this second realm... First realm is your senses of see, taste, feel, smell, and hear, that's in your outer body. On the inner body, which is the spirit, is reasonings and thought, and so forth. We must cast all that down. Can't reason, say, "Now wait, if God is a good God..." And we're told so much today that He is. "If He is a good God, then if I be sincere, though I can't see that in that Bible being right, though I be sincere, I'll be saved." You'll be lost. "If I go to church and just do the things that I believe that's right, and try to hold up for what I think is right, well, I..." You're still lost. "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof is the ways of death." See? You won't be saved; you'll be lost. See? See? It must be that inside control Man." [*Christ Is Revealed In His Own Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822M*]

"Satan got Eve to listen to his gospel of theology, the gospel of knowledge, higher schooling, higher ethics, better civilization, higher education, and so forth; then when he got the... her to stop and listen to him a minute, to his reasonings (which we are commanded to cast down), when he got her to listen to it. "Now, looky here, the church is so-and-so. It's been established for so long. We're one of the oldest churches in the country. The mayor of the city goes." I don't care what it is, see. If it's against God's Word, be against it. That's your enemy. Anything that's against the Word is your enemy. Everything that's for the Word is your brother. He's a part of you." [*Satan's Eden, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0829*]

"Seven days, eat unleavened bread." No leaven shall be found amongst the Bride, no--no word added, no nothing. Remember, one word caused every death that's in the earth; every illegitimate child was born because Eve, the first church, the bride of the first Adam, doubted God's Word and accepted a denominational, or a intellectual, or a school exceptions of It; because It was reasoned out, and "Surely, God is a good God." God is a good God, but He's also a just God. We must keep His Word! School, she accepted it. There's where some of you seminary boys, no doubt a call in your life, but you run off to some Bible school to have this doctrine injected in you, and there's where you die... Stay with God and His Word. They won't let you; or, you can't even belong to their congregation, won't accept you on the platform. So let them

have it, let the dead bury the dead, let's follow Christ the Word." *[God's Only Provided Place Of Worship, Shreveport, LA 65-1128M]*

"For the clergy to organize themselves with one rank over another until they are finally headed up by a president is a manifestation of the antichrist spirit, regardless of how wonderful and necessary it may seem. It is nothing but human reasoning taking the place of the Word. And any person who is in the organized denominations is right in the midst of an antichrist system. Now let me say this and make it very plain. I am not against the people. I am against the system." *[Seven Church Ages Book, A Resume Of The Ages 65-1204]*

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Why Does Faith Not Reason?

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." *[Hebrews 11:1]*

"Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear." *[Hebrews 11:3]*

"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." *[Hebrews 11:6]*

"In order to have faith, faith has to have a basis. You just can't let faith be loose and wild. Faith has to rest itself, not upon the shifting sands of man's reasoning. Faith is based on the solid Rock of God's Word. Faith rests right on God's Word." *[Jairus A Secret Believer, Macon, GA 55-0604]*

"Just because I was passing those people through the line, just tell them one thing, and my strength goes from me. I can't talk to them. As long as I believe they got faith enough to be healed, why not? You was reasoning that in your mind up there. That don't do no good. I just letting them pass, here longer you talk to anyone, more happens. What's the use of talking to the people? If they're here to believe, they'll either believe or not believe. So I can't make them believe." *[Do You Now Believe, West Palm Beach, FL 53-1206E]*

"He turned, just like to that woman then, perceiving their thoughts. Is that right? To the audience He said, perceiving their thoughts He said to a certain person, "Why are you reasoning in your heart?" The same Jesus that rose from the dead just said to that woman there. Is that right? It's the same Jesus just working in His power." *[Faith, Chicago, IL 53-1213E]*

"Faith cometh by what then? Hearing the what? Word of the Lord. The Word of God settles it. Abraham believed faith--believed God by faith, because God's Word said so. He never reasoned; he never questioned; he just believed God's

Word. Is that right? Well, that's the same way we get faith tonight, is believing God's Word. That's it." *[Faith Cometh By Hearing, Chicago, IL 54-0320]*

"That's the reason Joshua and Caleb had no fear that they could not take the--the promised land. Because all the rest of the nine came back, or the ten, and said, "We can't do it. Why, those cities walled high, and we look like grasshoppers up side the people. They're so big and they're armed," and said, "We just can't do it." See, they were looking at the sense of reasoning. You can't look at the sense of reasoning; you've got to look at the promise of God. Now, God had already sent His Angel, and the Angel was in the camp moving on. And the revelation of God had brought the Word of God manifested, and now they was ready to push into the promised land." *[The Believer's Position In Christ, Chicago, IL 55-0116A]*

"If ever I had a time of success of praying for anyone, is when I could enter into the fellowship with them, feel their infirmities, feel their conditions. Then something in you goes down beyond the reasoning and prays the prayer of faith for the sick. You've got to feel for a man. You've got to sympathize with him. You've got to be with him before you can help him. Then you enter into some sort of a deepness; it's the love of God. It's beyond human love." *[God Projecting His Love, Edmonton, AB 57-0806]*

"Philip was positive. He knew what he was talking about. He said, "We found the Messiah." Not "Come, let us go over here and see. Let's--let's reason it out together, and see if this could be the Messiah. Let's you and I just take our books and go down and find out." It wasn't no reasoning with him. He wasn't presume it was the Messiah. He knowed it was. He knew it was." *[Presuming, Phoenix AZ 62-0117]*

"Wisdom has reasoning. Faith has no reasoning. But wisdom has reasonings." *[Wisdom Versus Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0401]*

"Wisdom will reason, now, but faith don't have no reasoning. It does nothing but hold to the Word. It holds the promise." *[Wisdom Versus Faith, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0401]*

"Faith, what kind of faith? What kind of way you using your faith, to fight the conflict? Are you going to use your faith on some theory, on some reasoning, something? "Isn't it reasonable that the most the people comes to this church? Isn't this the big church?" No, sir, it isn't. If that church don't preach every Word of that Bible there, and "amen" to every Word of It, believe every sign, every wonder, and see them working right among them, I'd get away from it, no matter how big, how little. See?" *[The Conflict Between God And Satan, Clarksville, IN 62-0531]*

"One of them smacked him in the mouth, said, "Now, we'll never take you into the association." Said, "Let me show you something, Micaiah. Isn't it reasonable..." I don't care how much reasoning it in, if it's against God's Word, it's against God's Word. If a intellectual giant come, said, "We don't need no Holy Ghost. We don't need this Divine healing." I don't care how

much reasonable it looks like; if it's contrary to the Word, God gave the promise." *[To Take On The Whole Armor Of God, Santa Maria CA 62-0701]*

"One time One come to die for the rest of us, and God raised Him up on the third day. And five hundred man stood there and seen Him being taken up into the clouds, with a Voice saying, "I will come again." And Angels come back and said, "This same Jesus that was taken up, the Master Astronaut, will return again in like manner, in the same kind of an apartment that He's in, a body, immortal." Hallelujah! "And we'll have a body like His Own glorious body, for we shall see Him as He is." Oh, hallelujah! He broke all the sound barriers, all the reasoning barriers, and went beyond reasoning, went beyond anything else." *[Countdown, Jeffersonville, IN 62-0909M]*

"The Bible said we should cast down reasonings. Faith does. Now, reason, "Isn't it reasonable, Brother Branham, that the church is in a better state today than it was at Azusa Street, or back in that time?" No, sir. They've got away from the Word. They've got away from their--where their--their--their shield. The Word is our Protection. And though people wouldn't dare to say they didn't believe it... They claim it, but their actions speaks louder than their words." *[Convinced And Then Concerned, Shreveport, LA 62-1125M]*

"When Adam sinned by heeding his wife's reasoning, instead of holding to God's Word, that's what made Adam sin. His--his wife reasoned with Satan, and then produced the product to Adam, and Adam turned loose the Word and sold out. He lost also his inheritance when he lost his fellowship and right to Life. Remember, "The day you eat thereof, that day you die." Adam lost his inheritance: the earth. Now, it passed from his hand to the one he sold out to: Satan. He sold his faith in God to Satan's reasonings. Therefore, his Eternal Life, his right to the Tree of Life, his right to the earth belonged to him, and he forfeited it every bit to the hands of Satan. He passed it from his hand to Satan." *[The Breach, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0317E]*

"Abraham received God in His Word, when he was an old man, seventy-five years old. Sarah was sixty-five. She was about twenty years past menopause. He had lived with her since she was about eighteen years old. His half sister; married to her. And God came to the old man one day, and told him he was going to have a baby by Sarah. And that Word, that Word, God in His Word! When God spoke that to Abraham, all reasonings of anything contrary to it left him. That's the way you do when you see God in His Word. You've got to receive It like that, though." *[Show Us The Father, Tucson, AZ 63-0606]*

"Want to ask you Lutheran, this morning, you Baptists, and you Catholic, and you, whatever you are, you denominational people around the world. How can you place your faith upon your denomination, when it's contrary to the Word? What kind of a faith have you got? You got reasoning power, and not faith. "For faith cometh by hearing," hearing the ecumenical council? Could you ever... Said, you might get that in the Old Ladies Birthday Almanac, but you never find it in God's Word." *[The Third Exodus, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0630M]*

“Faith sees what God wants you to see. See? Faith sees what God sees. And reasoning and senses see what the world wants you to see. Notice reasoning, “Why, it’s only human sense. It’s only--only reason that this... Well, ain’t this just as good?” See? That’s just exactly, when you use those senses which is contrary to the Word, see, then that’s what the world wants you to see. But faith don’t look at that. Faith looks what God said. See? You know, you cast down reasons.” *[Why Cry? Speak! Jeffersonville, IN 63-0714M]*

“They were talking of Him when He appeared. Now, that’s a good thing. We notice here in the Scripture, It said, “And while they talked of Him, while they spoke of these things, going along, talking about Him, sad,” when they find out that He appeared. And when He appeared, He appeared unto them while they were going along, reasoning about Him. That’s when He always appears, is when we talk about Him. Always, through the Scripture, it’s when the people talk about God, that’s when He appeared.” *[When Their Eyes Were Opened They Knew Him, Tulare, CA 64-0212]*

“Eve, which was no doubt an intelligent person; the first right off of Adam, who was the--the son of God. And Eve, certainly being in that spot where there had been no sin, no place for sin, she certainly must have had a wonderful conception of what God was. Because, every afternoon, she and her husband walked in the cool of the garden, in the evening, and talked face to face with God. What a--an UNREASONABLE thing that a person who would walk face to face with God, each day, and then would turn to the reasoning of something that reasoned her away from the Word of God! We still got them. They so easily be reasoned away from the Word of God, after sitting in the Presence of God. Seeing the Word of God preached, the Word of God made manifest, drunkards and sinners come to the altar and be converted and made new creatures in Christ, people of ill fame made ladies and gentlemen; and then to turn from that blessed Thing that led them to this Life, and then be perverted off after some kind of a creed, to become more popular or--or get into what they will call a better class of people.” *[Lean Not Unto Thy Own Understanding, Phoenix, AZ 65-0120]*

“What if Moses would have leaned to his own understanding, when God told him that he was to--to take Pharaoh... or the children of Israel out of Pharaoh’s hand? What if he would have leaned to his own understanding, when he was there by the Pillar of Fire, when God said, “Go down and I’ll be with you”? What if he would have leaned to his understanding when he brought them to the Red Sea, and there they was at the water, and here God had promised them the promised land? What if he would have leaned to his own understanding, “How am I going to get across there? We haven’t time to build a bridge. Here is the army coming right behind us. Here is the mountains on either side. Here is the water in front of us, the Red Sea”? Now, if he had leaned to his own understanding, he’d throwed up his hands and run, fell at the feet of Pharaoh, said, “Pharaoh, forgive me, I did wrong.” But he leaned not to his own understanding. But he prayed, and God told him to step forward, and the sea opened up, which was against all reasonings. But he leaned not to his own

understanding.” [*Lean Not Unto Thy Own Understanding, Phoenix, AZ 65-0120*]

“It started at the beginning, that when the natural and the spiritual, yet Cain and Abel worshiped the same God. They both built the same kind of altars. And they both worshiped the same God, at the same church, same altar. But Cain, by carnal reasoning, brought in the fruits of the land and laid them upon the altar as a sacrifice, thinking that surely that this would answer to God for an atonement. So he must have brought in, as people think today, "apples that Adam and Eve took, that caused the sin." And, whatever, I think now they got it down to a "pomegranate" or something now. Some of them said, not long ago, it was something else. And, but Abel had the right sacrifice. He knewed that it was blood that did it, so he brought a lamb. And when God received his, now, Abel, by faith, by revelation, no other way. There was no Bible written. So, you see, the beginning of righteousness is God's revealed Truth, and the entire Church of the living God is built upon that.” [*Does God Ever Change His Mind About His Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0418E*]

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Why Does Your Soul Not Reason?

“Immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts?” [*Mark 2:8*]

“And when Jesus knew it, he saith unto them, Why reason ye, because ye have no bread? perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart yet hardened?” [*Mark 8:17*]

“Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.” [*Hebrews 10:38*]

“The mind reasons but the heart doesn't reason. It just believes it. If I could ever drive that home to one of my audience, I'd have a real healing service. If I could ever get my audience to see that, that it's not what your head thinks at all. There's where the devil abides, but he reasons it out. "I--I'm sick. I can't get well. I--I got this... or I can't be saved. I--I--I've done too much." See, that's reason. But we are to cast down reasonings. That's right. Casting down our reasonings, we believe with our heart.” [*An Uncertain Sound, Middletown, OH 61-0315*]

“No wonder people can't believe Divine healing today. They haven't got nothing to believe with. Until God comes into the human heart, a man is not much better than a brute. His reason, he will think it all out, "How can this be?" And explain it all away. But when God ever takes His position in the human heart, all the reasonings fade away, and God becomes first.” [*Fellowship By Redemption, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0403*]

"In the soul where the man lives, you are what you are in your soul, not in your mind, not in your reasoning. Not because you say, "I will have a better standing. I can associate with better company if I become a Christian." That's reasoning. See? You mustn't do that. Don't do that. Let it become from a new experience, a new Birth, something that's happened, not in the mind, but in the soul, that's taken all reasonings away, and you become a new creature. And you're in Christ Jesus." *[The Uncertain Sound, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0731]*

"The doctor, with his intellects, with His intelligence, with His knowledge of medical science, he's told you the best of the travel of his mind. And you taking your mind, and using the same thing the doctor has told you, you... God can never touch that line, as long as you reason. But let's put down reasoning. God never made us to live by our intellect. We live by the Holy Spirit that's in our soul, that says "no" to any reasonings that's contrary to God's Word. When God's Word says it's so, there's nothing in the world stands in Its way. Then when you do that, you're getting down on the right side of God. You're getting down, till you can ask what you want to, and it'll be given to you, 'cause there's nothing between there. There's no reason. Let's cast away those reasonings. They stand in your way. Get your mind out of the way. And don't you say what you reason, what you see, what you think; say what God says to be the Truth. And that can only come from the inside, from the heart, not from the intellects." *[The Uncertain Sound, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0731]*

"With our heads bowed, I wonder if there's a person in here now, would reverently raise your hand, and say, "I do this, not to the preacher, but to God. God, change my way of thinking. I've tried to reason how these things would be. I tried to reason what my neighbors would say if I was ever born again, if God ever blessed me in such a way that I would shout, if God ever blessed me in such a way that I would have an experience that would make me weep, and I'd have to leave my associates. I've tried to reason it all out, God. But today, I won't reason any more. I'm right now raising my hand to You, God, and saying this is my testimony. If You'll take reasonings out of me, and let my soul take its place to believe Your Word without reasoning, I will believe it's a certain sound given to me."? Will you raise your hand? Anybody in the building, wherever you are. God bless you, you, you, and you, and you, and you. About eighty-five percent of the building. A reasoning? Cast down reasonings. Cast them down. God don't want you to have reason. Reason always tries to find a way out. Faith don't reason. Faith just believes. Your mind, what makes you reason. It's a liar. The lie detector proves that. God's Bible, first, proves it. But your soul is immortal, brother, sister. Your reasoning power will leave you when death strikes you, but your soul will be with you through eternity. Won't you believe God's Word today and accept Him?" *[The Uncertain Sound, Jeffersonville, IN 55-0731]*

"Many people have faith by their intellects; others have faith by their soul. Now, the intellect up here, will reason with the Word of God, "It's not reasonable." But the soul doesn't reason at all, it says, "It's the truth." And that settles it. It's... See, the soul believes it. The intellect will say, "I--I wonder,

it might've been for a day gone by. I... That might've been for the disciples, or-- or that might been something... Not for us now because we're living in a different day." But the soul says, "Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever." No reasoning; doesn't reason, at all. It believes. Now, the big percent of us, friends, will go to reasoning instead of the soul, and that's the reason we fail to receive wonderful blessings from God." *[Jesus Christ The Same, Campbellsville, KY 55-0806]*

"There is two, two different elements in the human body that has a mind, and one of them, or reasoning. One of them the reasoning is of the mind, which is intellectual. The other one is the soul, which does not reason but believes the Word of God. Somebody say, "It can't happen. It--it won't be." But something right down in your soul that tells you it's going to be. And don't makes any difference what anybody says or how unreasonable it seems to be, you seem to know that it's going to be that way. It's because your soul has testified and reasonings has been cast down as the Bible said they should be: casting down reasoning." *[Inspiration, Owensboro, KY 56-0128]*

"In the heart, the soul lives in the heart, and you believe from your heart. People don't get religion in their head by a book knowledge; you get religion in the heart by an experience in the heart. And the heart will always agree with the Bible, but the head will reason. And the Bible said, "We got to cast down reasoning. You can't go with your mind; that's... The devil work in that; you got to go with your heart. So her mind would tell her, "Now, it's reasonable, if these women can do that, why can't I? They're called Christians; they have good standing in the church; they good standing in the community, so why can't I? I'm a Christian like they are, and if they can do that, then it's reasonable that I should do it to, 'cause I'll be one of them. If I don't, they'll think I'm an old foggy, and I don't--I won't do this, I'm better than they are." See, that's reasoning. It'll get you in bad every time. No matter what your intellectual knowledge tells you, don't you believe it if it's contrary to the Word of God. Take **THUS SAITH THE LORD** first. Stay right with that, no matter--and your soul will always agree with that Word." *[Hidden Life With Christ, Minneapolis, MN 56-0213]*

"When the Holy Spirit comes in, there's something that moves. You can't understand what it is. It's a supernatural Being inside you, moving, controlling your emotions, making you scream when actually you feel like running. But you'll shout when you don't know what you're doing. You'll praise God just automatically. There's something happens. It's that main spring, the spring of God's grace in the middle of your heart, controlling you, making you shun from evil, accept life, get away from doubt, have faith. That main spring will make you cast down reasoning, accept God's Word. It's a moving, ticking, going around and around, and making your whole emotion come right in control with God. What a marvelous thing! The Holy Spirit brooding over you, as He did a bleak earth one time, and fruits come up out of the bleak earth. When the Holy Spirit drove together the calcium, and potash, and moisture, and whatever texture it taken to make flowers, and fruits, and beasts, and animals, and

mankind, the Holy Spirit brooding in connection with God, and these things came to pass. What more will it do over a born-again man now, for his health or whatever he has need of, of God's eternal promise. Sure, it makes you emotionally." [*Jehovah Jireh, Cleveland, TN 57-0106*]

"A man thinks with his head, but believes with his heart. That's right. The intellectual will reason. Oh, I'm too bad. I can't do this. This... Oh, if I could go over there, I will be... oh..." See, that's reasoning, but the heart doesn't reason. It just accepts the Word the way It is, and believes It. The Bible said we should cast down reasoning. That's right. We're to believe, not reason. Just believe it. "A new heart will I give you." Now, here's where many of the people has made a mistake. "And a new spirit will I give you." Now, He never said, "I'll just polish up the old spirit, polish up the old heart," but, "I'll give you a new heart and a new spirit." [*Why Is It That So Many Christians Find It So Hard To Live The Christian Life? Phoenix, AZ 57-0303A*]

"If you try to bluff that, it won't work. If you try to reason it in your mind saying, "Yes, God's Word is right. I believe that. I believe it will come to pass. I think that." Now, if that's intellectually, you just might as well stop thinking it. Until something comes down on the inside of you to just says it's so, and that's all there is to it... There is not enough demons out of torment could ever shake it from you. It's something on the inside called the heart. There's where real faith finds its resting place. Intellectuals will try to reason about it. "Now, let's us be reasonable." But faith has no reasoning. It just has one thing, and that's, "God's Word is right." Oh, there's where the soul sets its feet and rest eternally right there, for God said so. Not a bluff, but knowing it!" [*Believe From The Heart, Jeffersonville, IN 57-0623*]

"If the people can just get this in their heart, that it isn't anything that any man can do, it's accepting what God has already done. See? And then when you—you—you—you receive it intellectually, that's all right, but it'll never work here. Your reasoning powers is in your intellectuals. But when it leaves your intellectuals and settles in your heart, it's a finished product. There's no reasoning there. We must cast down reasoning. If you reason, "Well, my case is worse. And maybe it didn't..." Then, it--it hasn't settled yet. But when it comes right down into the heart, there's nothing in the world can ever move it anymore; it's settled forever. So therefore, healing, that way, is perfect, if we can believe it, that it is a finished work that Christ purchased for us, at Calvary." [*Hear Ye Him, Tacoma, WA 57-0725*]

"The Bible said, "We must cast down reasoning." So if you're believing Christ in the reason realm, how can you ever take His Word when you got to cast that aside, and let that Word that you have caught with your mind, come down into your heart to a living faith. There's the faith. "Buy of Me, gold tried in the fire," said the writer of the Revelation, God speaking through him, "the gold that's been tried and put to the test." There you are. So we have to cast away reasonings. Then if we believe God, we must be born again, and when a man's born again, his nature becomes of his Parent. God has no reasoning powers. He just speaks, and it's so. And we become His children.

No wonder people can't believe in Supernatural. They have no powers to believe with. They try to reason it out. You'll never get it. You just believe it. God said so; that settles it." [*The Great Commission, Edmonton, AB 57-0804A*]

"Don't try to use your own intellectuals; use your heart. Now remember, you don't never try to reason; we cast down reasoning. In the garden of Eden, the devil took a man's head to work through; God took a man's heart. And the man's always working to what he can see, and faith makes him believe things he cannot see. But he believes it because God said so. That settles it. That's just the--the story of faith." [*Abraham's Seed, San Jose, CA 59-0423*]

"In the garden of Eden Satan chose his part of the man: his head, his intellectuals. God took his heart. The intellectuals will reason. "Why, well, I'm--I'm this way, and I'm that way." You'll never get anywhere with God there. But your heart, your faith will make you believe things that your mind knows nothing about. You cast down reasoning. See, you must be positive, and you stay there until you are positive. Then when you're positive, there's nothing can turn you." [*Jesus Christ The Same, Tucson, AZ 61-0205E*]

"Just stay behind the Word. That's all. Christ retreated to the Word Himself: "It's written..." See? Now, stay behind the Word. But Eve, she begin to kind of let down, but she never let it all down; she only let one little phrase down, and that's what Satan wanted her to do. He got her from behind God's promise by reasoning. Don't never try to reason God's Word; just believe It." [*The Third Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0320*]

"The natural woman fell, and God made a way for her to be redeemed. Although she had fallen, He made a way. Now, that was, the first bride on earth fell before her husband and her were married. She fell by--by the reason of--of reasoning. Instead of staying with the Word she fell, and she fell to death, eternal separation. With her, she took her husband and everything else there was on the earth; she fell." [*The Third Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0320*]

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Soul

If there is a question, there has to be an answer. In every corner in this great universe, there are sincere hungry souls seeking and asking questions about the supreme, almighty, forever-loving God.

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Soul

Does Your Soul Believe God's Word?

"For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the Word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in Truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe." [1 *Thessalonians* 2:13]

"Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently." [1 *Peter* 1:22]

"If, after this Message, and Christ will reflect Himself in the people, and see that some poor soul has enough faith to touch His garment, and I can yield myself to His Spirit, and know that this is the Holy Spirit! Then, if you belong to something else besides a group that believes this, then I'd come over to where they believe the Truth. See? I would. I certainly would. I would believe, because God making Himself known. Don't identify yourself now with the Pharisees and them that don't believe, them blind, because Jesus said they would see Him no more. "But ye shall see Me, for I'll be with you. I'll be in you. You'll see Me." Well, if He is that same High Priest, that's the way you'd see Him, by reflecting Himself in the same way He did then. Is that true? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] All right. Now, you believe with all your heart. Have faith. Don't doubt, praying, and then we'll--we'll see what He said. Now, just believe with all your heart." [*Identification, Phoenix, AZ 63-0123*]

"There it is, it cannot perish now. The Life lays over it. It's a Token, lays over that little body, lays over that soul of that person. There is a Token over there, the Holy Spirit, that it belongs to God. It's His. "When I see the Token, I'll pass over you." A positive Token, the Holy Spirit is our Token. Therefore, when you receive the Holy Ghost, you've passed from death to Life. That's all there is to it, 'cause Life is in you. You can no more perish. The Bible said, "He that's born of God does not commit sin, for he cannot sin, for the Seed of God," amen, "the Seed of God remains in him." And how can he sin when the sinless God is in him? When he's in a sinless God, how can he sin? No matter what he's done, the Blood's covered him. See? He's a new creature now. His desires and ambitions is of Heaven, because he's changed from a cocklebur to a wheat. His desires ain't the same as they once was, and he displays it. You say, "Oh, I believe That." And still sinning? Na! You're deceived. See? It can't display nothing but the Token." [*Token, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0901m*]

"The Bride will be a called-out, separated and different, filled, Holy Ghost born, washed in the Blood of the Lamb. She'll abstain from everything that's filthy, around her Husband. She is a chaste virgin, pure, by the Word. The Word and her are the same. As a man and his wife becomes one, in union, so does the real genuine Church of God. When he becomes in Christ, the Bible is punctuated with an "amen," every promise. Don't make any difference what the denomination says. The soul that's in the believeR, punctuate it, because it

is the Word in him speaking out.” *[Scriptural Signs Of The Time, Birmingham, AL 64-0410]*

“No pumping up; Its power is within itself. It needs no priming, yes, sir, for (Itself) Its Own Life is in Itself. That's the way the seed of God is in a man's heart. The Life of God is within the individual, not in the church. In you, it's in you, you're the one that has the germ of Life in you.” *[Broken Cisterns, Phoenix, AZ 65-0123]*

“Now you tell her that it's wrong for her to cut her hair; the Bible said so. It's wrong for her to wear them shorts; the Bible said so. She would say, "Nonsense." Why? Her ultimate is not down here, in that third man, the soul that's predestinated and sent from God. But her ultimate is on an organization out here, that some man has organized outside of This.” *[And Knoweth It Not, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0815]*

And last Sunday when we was going into those cycles, about how that the five senses on the outer realm. That's the inlet, five senses to the body. There's only one way you can get into the body, that's by those five senses: see, taste, feel, smell, and hear. There's no other way to contact the--the body. On the inside of that man is a man called spirit, and he has five senses: think, thought... and thought, and love, and conscience, and so forth. All right. Now, you can't think with your body. You think with your mind. And in there is where too many, of Christians, only stop. And they can, just like the corn in the field and the weed in the field, they can be anointed with the same Holy Spirit that the real believeR is anointed with. But down on the inside of that, next realm, the third realm, is the soul; and that's predestinated by God. There is where the real SEED-GERM lays, is in there.” *[Christ Is Revealed In His Own Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822M]*

“If that soul hasn't come from God, it can make all the impersonations out here, but it cannot be real. You can act healing, you can act like you have. You can act like you receive it. Christians can act like they're Christians, and act and be ever so good at it, but that don't mean they're saved. That's exactly right, see. The Spirit can be there, the real, genuine Spirit. The Holy Spirit can anoint you, that still don't mean you're saved. It's that inside soul that never dies, it's got Eternal Life. It always was Eternal Life. See? It come from God, it goes to God, it's the soul. Now, notice that, it's got to be. Five, f-a-i-t-h, outside; spirit, J-e-s-u-s; on the inside, y-o-u. See? That's how standing here, looking at you, I don't know a one of you. The spirit can anoint me, still I don't know none of you. But when that inside of the inside breaks in, that's God. That's where the outside can reason. You take a man, say, "Well, you know, I--I know I'm not supposed to commit adultery. But, you know, then the spirit tells me I shouldn't commit adultery. But, you see, way down in there is still that thing in there." See, it'll kind of govern around, and better watch it. But when it's directed from the inside, it throws all the rest of it together. That's the guidepost. That's the control tower, the inside of the inside. The soul controls the spirit, the spirit controls the body. So an outside whitewash don't make any difference. Them religious people back there, that Paul called "whited-walls," and so forth, they

were (outward) just every way the...a believer, and they had prophesies among them, and everything else but the inside of the inside ("the soul that disbelieveth"). That's the reason I say people can jump up and down, and speak in tongues, people can shout, lay hands on the sick, and heal the sick and so forth, by faith; all these great things there by the Spirit, still be lost. Anointed ones." [*Works Is Faith Expressed, Shreveport, LA 65-1126*]

"No matter who you are, woman, man, boy or girl, whoever you are, Christian or not Christian, minister, deacon, whatever you are, if you'll just believe with your whole heart, for just a moment, and do this much tonight just to let God know that you're sincere. God..." Now look, I'm a Pentecostal," you say. "I'm this," or whatever you are. "I profess to dance in the Spirit. But, Brother Branham, I thought as long as we had that, we had It." You haven't. If you believe me to be God's prophet, you listen to my WORDS. See? That's a deception in this day. Didn't the Bible say, "It'd be so close it would deceive the Elected if possible"? The Elected, "down to the soul." But if you danced in the Spirit, still with the things of the world, there is something wrong. If you speak with tongues; Paul said, "I can speak with tongues of man and angels, and still not even be saved." Uh-huh, both kinds, see. "I can do all the emotions, I can have faith, I can preach the GOSPEL, I can give all my goods to feed the poor, I can carry the Word in the mission fields across the... and still I'm nothing." See? It's that Inside of the inside, brother. That... Your spirit breaks up when you die, it takes its flight, but your soul lives." [*Leadership, Covina, CA 65-1207*]

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Does your soul have freewill choice?

"Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision." [*Joel 3:14*]

"Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." [*Hebrews 11:25*]

"And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His Own Blood." [*Revelation 1:5*]

"I set down there and just started to weeping. I saw a vision. I saw as it was, the world whirling around in the air, and there stood a rainbow around that world. And someone that was speaking to me, said, "That's the Blood of Jesus Christ around this world, that keeps Him from destroying it. If God can see sin, 'The day you eat thereof, that day you die.' Every man under that Blood there has a-- is a free moral agent to take your choice. But if you ever die, and your soul soars beyond the mercy of that Blood, you're already judged before you get there. There's nothing left for you." [*Redemption By Power, Louisville, KY 54-0329*]

"You, you're a free moral agent; you act on whatever you desire to act upon. Right. God has put before man, like the garden of Eden, the Tree of Life or the tree of death. You make your choice. See? Whatever your soul is charmed for, that's what you'll eat." [*The Seven Church Ages, Jeffersonville, IN 54-0512*]

"I thought, "Oh, I see." If that's the reason God can't take the life of those people, sinners, because they are yet protected. They have a chance yet. The Blood of Jesus is still protecting them. It's like a bumper to the world. I said, "Oh, I see. I see, Lord, what You mean." Yeah, the Blood of Jesus Christ covered the world like this, and every man while you're here, you're still a moral, free moral agent. If you reject it, and reject it, and then you die, and your soul goes beyond that, then you've judged yourself; God don't have to judge you. See? If you die without the Blood of Christ, you're a sinner and you're lost. If you accept the Blood, then you're in Christ, protected." [*The Law Having A Shadow, Binghamton, NY 54-1203*]

"You may have intellectual faith. You may believe it from the standpoint of the Word. But in your heart, in your soul, has the Holy Spirit ever called you to there? No matter what your mind says, something in your soul believes. If not, then you're outside of God, outside of Christ, dead, alienated from God, dead trespasses and sin, a sinner bound towards hell." [*Contend For The Faith, Phoenix, AZ 55-0220E*]

"There's two elements that make up the human being. And one of them is your mind, and the other is your soul. And the mind is your mental thinking, your intellectual. And your soul is a part of God that's in you. Now, now a man can... When you are born in this world you be... As a child, you grow into be a living soul and at the age of choice, you hear the Gospel in some way, and something way down inside you tells you to receive Christ. That... You'll say, "Well, I'm too young now. I'll wait a little longer." Now, there's where you make your first mistake right there, for you grieved this person inside. God's not going to judge you by this man up here, your intellect. He's going to judge you by your soul." [*Jesus Christ The Same, Campbellsville, KY 55-0806*]

"Remember, I'm telling you, it could be the last time. "My spirit will not always strive with man," seeing that he's just flesh. You're a free moral agent; you can make your choice. Why not make it today? Why not put your soul in the hands of Him Who knows all things, Who holds Eternity in His hands? He's the right One to direct you. He's the only One Who can justly place you where you should be." [*Pride, Campbellsville, KY 55-0807e*]

"All people, we love our nation, why, the greatest nation under the heavens. If it wasn't, I'd leave till I get the greatest nation. But I'm glad to be in America, but I'm sorry to see it de--demoralizing, and--and corrupting and going down with vice and sin the way she's sinking tonight. And that's why we're preaching the Gospel and trying everything that we can to seine out every soul that God would have saved, before the great climax comes. That's our reason of being here tonight. There'll come a time when there won't be any Charlotte. There won't--won't be one stone left upon another. There'll be a time that these hills will shake and crumble, but you'll be somewhere. And tonight, maybe it's time

for you to decide where you'll be at that time. You're a free moral agent; you can make the decision." [*Jesus Christ The Same, Charlotte, NC 56-0426*]

"Are you thirsty? Do you really want to be a real Christian? If you really want to be a old-time Christian, there's something in there that makes you want it. Do you want to go to heaven? You remember the animal doesn't want to go to heaven. That animal hasn't got no soul. The animal don't know what life hereafter is. But you know what life hereafter is. You long for life hereafter; the animal can't; it has no soul. But you were made with a soul. And that soul was given to you to make a decision. That heart that's within you, it makes a decision. And the animal can't make that decision, 'cause it has not that in it to make." [*Thirsting For Life, Chicago, IL 57-0630*]

"You say, "What do you mean by putting up your hand, Brother Branham? Was that good enough?" Absolutely. I said this the other night. It stands repeating. According to the laws of science, you broke every law and defied science when you raised your hand. You're a creature of this earth, and the gravitation of the earth will hold your hands down, actually. But there was a spirit in you, a supernatural something that science can't find. The Holy Spirit spake to it. And you defied science by raising your hands to your Creator, "By this, I will now accept You as my Saviour." It was a decision that your soul made that defied science and gravitation and say, "I accept Jesus as my Saviour." It's a witness that you're a Christian." [*Thirsting For Life, Tacoma, WA 57-0728*]

"What have you done when you raise your hand? You've defied every law that science has. According to gravitation your arms are supposed to hang down. But when you raised your hand up to the Creator of heavens and earth, and your Creator, you defy the laws of gravitation showing that there's a spirit in you that's made a decision. "I now raise my hand, defy all laws of gravitation, everything else, because the Creator that spoke to my heart as... My soul has made a decision that I love Him and I will raise my hand to Him to be merciful to me." If I know my Bible right, Jesus said, "He that heareth My words and believeth on Him that sent Me, has Everlasting Life, and shall never come into the judgment, but has passed from death to life." That's the difference." [*God Manifesting His Gifts, Edmonton, AB 57-0805*]

"Man shall not live by bread alone," said the Lord, "but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." And a man's physical being, to be taken care of, is not all the reason God put him on the earth. Because what He does with this physical being amounts to very little. It's his soul what counts. It's the inward man that did not come from the earth; it come from heaven, and that's the eternal part of the human being. But yet, strange that he tries to figure his own way out. And we find it so in the Scriptures. That when a man chooses to walk in his own way and do the way he wants to, God just let's him alone. Man must not think for himself, but he must let the mind that was in Christ be in him. We are not to think for ourself. We are to call anything contrary to what He said, as though it is not, no matter what our eyes claim to be. We do not live

by what we see; we live by what we believe.” [Looking At The Unseen, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1003]

“God doesn't send you to hell for being a sinner. God sends you to hell, because you won't repent and take Christ as your Saviour. You refused to take the right road. You send yourself to torment. You send your own soul to its eternal destination upon the free moral agency of your own convictions. God does not send anyone to hell. He never did, and He never will. Men send themselves to hell, because they refuse to--to accept the way of salvation. God isn't... He's long-suffering. He doesn't want any to perish. Never wanted it. But men rather walk in darkness than to walk in Light.” [What Went Ye Out To See, Utica, IN 59-1001]

“That's the same way we are tonight. We can take His Word and be healed, or we can leave it, and walk away from it, and not be healed. We can have Eternal Life by believing on Him or we can walk away and not have Eternal Life. It's up to you: SELFWill.” [Expectations, Richmond, VA 61-0308]

“And to think of what a great Person that is you're talking to, the Creator Himself, and communing with Him Who put your life in this volcanic ash that you're living in. And then someday you'll have to leave there, and then it's in His hands where it goes from there on. And you have the privilege now to make your choice which way that soul goes when it leaves.” [Remembering The Lord, Phoenix, AZ 63-0122]

“The outside man is a physical being which is controlled by six senses... or five senses, rather. The inside man is a spirit man which is controlled by five senses; conscience, and love, and so forth. The outside man; see, taste, feel, smell, hear. But the inside of that spirit is a soul, and it's controlled by one thing, your freewill. You can accept what the devil says or accept what God says. And that'll determine what spirit is in there. If it's the Spirit of God, It'll feed on the things of God, and It won't feed on anything of the world. Jesus said, "If you love the world or the things of the world, it's because the love of God has not even entered this inner part." Satan has deceived you. "And man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." [The God Of This Evil Age, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801M]

“Now, inside of that is a spirit, which you become when you're born in the earth and the breath of life is breathed into him. That spirit is of a worldly nature because it was not given from God, but it was (given) permitted by God. Now you got that? For, every child that's born in the world, "is born in sin, shaped in iniquity; come to the world speaking lies." That right? So, that person, inside there, is a sinner, to begin with. Now, but... Now, it's got five inlets. And them five inlets... I don't know whether I can call them right off now. When the... First, I know, is thought, conscience, and love, choice... No. Conscience, love, reason... There is five inlets to the spirit. You can't think with your body; you have to think with your spirit. You can't have conscience in your body. It has no mental faculties at all; your body doesn't, so you have to think with your spirit. You have to reason. You can't reason with your physical

being, 'cause reason doesn't see, taste, feel, smell, or hear. Reason is what you can make in your mind. If you're asleep or you're *out*, your body is lying there dead, but your spirit can still reason. There is five senses that controls that inside man. And that... Now, to the last man, which is the soul, there is only one sense that controls that, and that is free moral agency's freewill to choose or to reject." *[And Knoweth It Not, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0815]*

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How Does Faith Affect Your Soul?

"Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." *[Romans 3:22-23]*

"Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul." *[Hebrews 10:38-39]*

"Your faith is the only thing that can do you any good, your belief, your faith in God. See what I mean? Without faith, it's impossible. Is that true? Now, you believe it with all your heart when you come through, that you're going be well, and you'll get well. If you don't believe it, it won't get well, no matter what happens. You won't be healed unless you believe it with all your heart." *[Experiences, Phoenix, AZ 48-0302]*

"When you're expecting something! Simeon was expecting Jesus to come while he was alive. He was expecting it, and God rewarded him for his faith. I'm expecting God to heal at least sixty or eighty percent of the people in here tonight, perfectly well before this service is over. I believe it with all my soul. See? I'm expecting it." *[Expectation, New York, NY 50-0405]*

"What is faith? Faith is a sixth sense. Five senses control this man. God put man in five senses to contact his earthly home. You don't contact God with your five senses. You know God by faith which is the sixth sense, which is the... There's two senses of the soul: faith and unbelief. And if you're possessed with faith, faith is just as real--much reality to you as sight is." *[The Beginning Of Jesus' Fame, Connersville, IN 53-0605]*

"It was that sixth sense that raised Jesus Christ from the dead after He had laid in the ground, because He believed the Word of God. Said, "Destroy this body, and I'll raise it up again on the third day. For David said, "I'll not leave My Holy One to see corruption, neither will I leave His soul in hell." It was that super sense. Cast down the reasonings of these senses. Believe the super sense, the sense of faith, that Jesus Christ gives.

“By that same sense, God spoke when there was nothing. What is that sense? That super sense is God, the faith of God in you, the part of God that comes into you, gives you the super sense. By that same super sense, God framed the world together with things which was not and did not appear. He spoke His Word and believed His Word, and a world shook into existence. Glory.” [*A Super Sense, Jeffersonville, IN 59-1227E*]

“That Laodicean Church Age, "naked, blind, miserable; don't even know it." See, it's out... It's that anointed, anointed with the real Spirit. See, that Holy Spirit can fall upon a man, in his spirit. But his soul is his germ; that germ is the Word. See? And how... I don't care how much you can preach, how well you do this, and how much you love; that's one of the inlets to spirit. You can't love with your body; you love with your spirit. That's one of the inlets. And you can love, and even love God, and still not be right. You can cast out devils, and preach, and do these things; still not be right. Jesus said so, said many would come in that day. That Word settles it! “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us.” [*Christ Is Revealed In His Own Word, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822M*]

“First circle is the--the human senses. The second circle is the spirit senses; will, self-will, desire, and so forth. But the inside is the soul; that soul was predestinated. So, they can anoint this spirit to make the outside body come in subject to the spirit. "But the soul that sinneth, that soul shall die." The soul that rejects, in unbelief, the Word of God, which it is a part of, that soul shall Eternally...has, always. I believe in an Eternal death, same as I believe in an Eternal Heaven, but not an Eternal hell. There's no such a thing as Eternal hell. There is an Eternal death for the people that are... Many of them, religious, in the world today, has always been dead. "The woman that liveth in pleasure," with her bobbed hair and painted face, "is dead while she is alive." The Bible said so. See? See, she may be religious, but she never was saved. She's got a outward motion. She might sing in the choir, or she might dance in the Spirit, she might speak in tongues, and have all the manifestations of the Spirit. But unless that soul on the inside is God's daughter, see, she is gone, no matter what she does.” [*A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822E*]

“Notice, that Word cannot deny Itself. Then it is satisfied, or it's the desire. It's a desire of what? What made you desire It, in the first place? Because down in your soul there was a predestinated seed which was Eternal Life, always laying in there, always was in there. "All that the Father has given Me will come to Me. There isn't any of them going to be lost." A thinking man's taste, when a thinking man hears the Word of God, "My sheep hear My Voice, a stranger they will not follow," for down in there is Life, and Life connects with Life.” [*A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822E*]

“It's the germ, seed Word from the beginning, that you was in God at the beginning, standing here drawing the seed Life. The seed is in your heart, by foreordination. Hallelujah! The seed is already in there, by the foreknowledge

of God, predestinated. And when it draws, it can't draw through nothing else but the Word. And then it's the taste of the thinking man, the righteous man, the holy man who sees the Bible, that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and forever. What comes into that place down there? That Word, that's in the heart. "I've hid Thy Word in my heart, that I sin not against Thee." What is it, when it's drawing through the Word? There's only one thing will pass through the Word; that's the Holy Ghost. That's the only thing that can pass through the Word, is the Holy Ghost. And a thinking man's Filter gives a holy man a taste." [*A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822E*]

"If you are a thinking people tonight, here and out in the land where the Message is going, your desire will be a Bible taste, not a denominational taste, for you will be judged by the very Bible, the Word that I'm asking you to filter your soul through. And to reject one Word of It, and not let your soul pass through that one Word, you'll be turned down. "For man shall not live, breathe, by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." And It will be brought into you, predestinated. And when the Lord breathes upon you, His Spirit will quicken that Word to a reality, and you'll see that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." [*A Thinking Man's Filter, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0822E*]

"By your desire, you can tell who is on the throne of your heart. By what you love, that's what tells. You, you say, "Well, I think them things are all right, Brother Branham." Well, just remember now, in your heart, you know what's there. Yes, sir. By what is feeding your soul, what your soul is thirsting for, and you can see it satisfies that; if it isn't this Word, then there is something wrong, because the Holy Spirit lives on the Word only." [*Thirst, Tucson, AZ 65-0919*]

"That little inside of the inside, that's where you start, which is your soul; then come from that, you're a spirit; and then you become a living being. Now, the living being has five senses, to contact; the second has five senses. That's the outside body: see, taste, feel, smell, and hear. The inside body has love and conscience, and so forth, five senses. But the inside of the inside, the control tower, it's either God or Satan. And you can mimic any of these things you can contact, like--like the, like a Christian; or you could cast out devils, like a Christian. But the inside control tower, the beginning, the origin, isn't of God, it'll never return to God. You understand it? Did not Judas cast out devils? Did not Caiaphas, the one who condemned Him and put Him to death, even prophesy? But he couldn't stay with the Word." [*Power Of Transformation, Prescott, AZ 65-1031M*]

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"There's many people just can't believe It, even Spirit-filled people. I'm going to give you one that'll choke you. The baptism of the Holy Ghost don't mean you're going in, not at all, not on that, don't have anything to do with your soul. That's the baptism, see. Here's the inside soul, in here, that has to come from God. But then on the outside you have five senses, and five out... inlets to your... contact your earthly home. The inside, you have a spirit, and in there you have five outlets: your conscience, and love, and so forth, five outlets to that spirit. Remember, in that spirit you can be baptized with the genuine Spirit of God and still be lost. It's the soul that lives, that was ordained of God." *[Modern Events Are Made Clear By Prophecy, San Bernardino, CA 65-1206]*

"The real, ordained of God, that real gene, that real germ, a soul of God that was in God before the foundation of the world; remember, you that's really got the Spirit of God in you tonight, you were here in Christ because He was the fulness of the Word. He was the fulness of the Godhead bodily. God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself. Do you believe that? Look, He was in Christ. Then if you were in God, a gene, a word, a attribute from the beginning, then you walked with Him here on earth, you talked with Him on earth, you suffered with Him on earth, you died with Him at Calvary, and you rose with Him again; and now you're setting in heavenly places in Christ Jesus, communing with Him (the Word) as It feeds into your soul, that, "Man shall live by ever Word that proceedeth." *[Modern Events Are Made Clear By Prophecy, San Bernardino, CA 65-1206]*

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How Does Your Soul Influence You?

"I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee." *[Psalm 41:4]*

"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart." *[Hebrews 4:12]*

"Faith is an element. It's a sense. It's the sixth sense of the human body of the... It's the one sense... The human soul has two senses. For every man has five senses control the human body: see, taste, feel, smell, hear. And the inward man has two senses, that's faith, unbelief. One of them governs." *[Faith Africa Trip Report, Zion, IL 52-0725]*

“The scientific search has found that in the human heart there's a little teeny cell that hasn't even got blood in it or anything, it's a little compartment, the animal doesn't have it, just the human being; and they say it's the occupation of the soul. So after all, a man BELIEVES in his heart. You think with your mind, but you believe with your heart. God's right after all; it's in your heart.” “Don't reason; just believe. Believe God's Word; don't try to reason it out. Just what God said is the Truth, and believe that to be the Truth. And don't go to your reasonings; go to your experience, to Christ, in the heart, and compare it with God's Word.” [*Expectation, Shawano, WI 55-1001*]

“Are you poor tonight in this world's goods? You don't even know how you're going to pay the coal bill or the oil bill, or whatevermore? You may be that way; I hope you're not. But if it's so that you are that way, you can leave this building tonight the happiest poor man there is on the earth. You can live here with--leave here tonight with riches that no money could ever buy. You can unite your heart with Christ Jesus, and He can come into your soul and take the control room. And no matter what comes or goes, you'll be happy the rest of your days. Would...It's the greatest present that was ever give. Oh, of course, you give your friends Christmas presents. That's good. That's tokens. But, brother, there's a Present offered you tonight that no money could ever buy. It's a free gift come from God: His only begotten Son Jesus Christ. Would you receive Him as your personal Guider, as your personal Savior, as your God, as your--as your Redeemer, as your King? He heals the soul and the body. He takes the control room. If you got fears and doubts, just let it go now. Let Him be King. Let Him come in and take over. Let Him be Lord. "Lord" is "Ruler." Lordship is rulership.” [*The Unity Of One God In The One Church, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1221E*]

“There is no satisfaction until God Himself comes into the heart to control, and to satisfy the people, and bless them, and give them the things that He created in their heart. He wants to fill that space. There's nothing else in the world that will fill that. Don't you all never forget that.” [*Why, Tulsa, OK 60-0401M*]

“What is a man? He's a triune being; body, soul, and spirit. How many knows that? Watch God's approach. What is his heart? You remember my message, God Chose a Man's Heart for His Control Tower? The Devil chose his head for his control tower; see, he makes him see things, look through his eyes. But, in it, God in his heart makes him believe things that he cannot see. Did He? See, God is on his heart, in the heart of man is the Throne of God. You get it? Man! God made His Throne in the heart of man.” [*Revelation Chapter Four, Jeffersonville, IN 61-0101*]

“From the depths of your heart, from the innermost being that you know anything about, the very soul that controls you... You who raised your hand a while ago, when I asked for that altar call and you wanted Christ to come into you, to make you a real persistent know-so Christian, do you now believe that you possess what you asked for? If you do, raise up your hand to God. All over the building look at the hands.” [*Perseverance, Chicago, IL 62-0520*]

"Now, to the last man, which is the soul, there is only one sense that controls that, and that is free, moral agency's freewill to choose or to reject." [65-0815 *And Knoweth It Not, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801M*]

"God gives the control tower to you, to give to you the things that you need. Now, the control tower in you is what directs you. And this thirst runs in on this co-... tower, control tower, and tells you what you have need of, spiritually speaking. The control tower in the body, and in the soul, also. There is a control tower in the body, that tells you the need that's needed in your body, and it's brought to you by thirst. Also, there is a control tower in your soul, that tells you the spiritual things that you have need of, something in your spirit, and, and you by this can tell what kind of a life is controlling you.

When you--when you can see what your desires are, then you can tell, by that, what kind of something that's in you, that's creating this desire that you have. See, there is a certain thing that you thirst for, and it--and it can tell you in your soul what this desire is, by the nature of the thirst that you have. I hope that you can understand that." [Thirst, Tucson, AZ 65-0919]

"There is a--a control tower of the soul, and one for the body, and each tower is a warning caller for the needs of the other. Each one calls to the need for what the caller is calling for, it sends out a wave of warning. For instance, the--the flesh thirst to satisfy the desires that's in the body, and the spirit desires for the things that's in the soul, desire is, and many times these war one against the other. We find there, what's a great trouble today, that too many people try to live between those two desires. For, one of them desires the things of the earth, the other desires the things of Heaven." [Thirst, Tucson, AZ 65-0919]

"A vulture wants dead things. That's right. And that's dead! That's exactly right. Plainly shows, it just plainly show here what is their head and their control tower, what it's giving them, see, what's in their soul. Their soul longeth for things like that. Their soul longeth for a high intellectual church, where the people dress real fine, and the pastor takes fifteen minutes, or twenty. And if you go over that, they drew him back on the deacon board. And he mustn't say nothing about sin. He mustn't say anything about wearing shorts, and wouldn't say nothing about people doing this, that, or the other. He mustn't mention that at all. If they do, the board will have him throwed out. See what it is? That's their thinking man's filter. The Bible said, in First John 2:15, "If you love this world system, or the things of this world, it's because that the love of God is not even in you." [Thirst, Tucson, AZ 65-0919]

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devils? Did not Caiaphas, the one who condemned Him and put Him to death, even prophesy? But he couldn't stay with the Word." *[Power Of Transformation, Prescott, AZ 65-1031M]*

"Five, f-a-i-t-h, outside; spirit, J-e-s-u-s; on the inside, y-o-u. See? That's how standing here, looking at you, I don't know a one of you. The spirit can anoint me, still I don't know none of you. But when that inside of the inside breaks in, that's God. That's where the outside can reason. You take a man, say, "Well, you know, I--I know I'm not supposed to commit adultery. But, you know, then the spirit tells me I shouldn't commit adultery. But, you see, way down in there is still that thing in there." See, it'll kind of govern around, and better watch it. But when it's directed from the inside, it throws all the rest of it together. That's the guidepost. That's the control tower, the inside of the inside. The soul controls the spirit, the spirit controls the body. So an outside whitewash don't make any difference. Them religious people back there, that Paul called "whited-walls," and so forth, they were (outward) just every way the... a believer, and they had prophecies among them, and everything else but the inside of the inside ("the soul that disbelieveth"). That's the reason I say people can jump up and down, and speak in tongues, people can shout, lay hands on the sick, and heal the sick and so forth, by faith; all these great things there by the Spirit, still be lost. Anointed ones." *[Works Is Faith Expressed, Shreveport, LA 65-1126]*

"I got the baptism, the Holy Spirit." That still has nothing to do with it. That's just only a temporal gift for you. The real gift is your soul down in there, see, that was born of God, and that controls the whole thing to the Word of God and the will of God. And there you grow up, see, then you're a son and daughter of God. You're a child of God. And these things, as you come up... Like the mother, now you're in the bowels of the earth, trying to come forth. You're a son of God, coming forth, and you see the Word says, "I should do this. I should be born-again." "Well, I belong to church." That don't mean one thing. See? "I'm Methodist; my mother." That's good for your mother. "Well, my, I'm Pentecostal. I belong." That, if you don't line with that Word, there is something wrong. See? Then, you see, your real father ain't God. See? "Because, that real start in your soul, before there even was a spirit, it was your soul. That soul didn't come from God, then it wasn't a germ of God, to begin. You're deceived. You're in a patch of weeds and bearing the world's record of the weeds coming forth. Acting like the world, loving the world, is because the love of God is not in you." *[Things That Are To Be, Rialto, CA 65-1205]*

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Psalm 41:4; Hebrews 4:12

Is Your Soul Redeemed by God?

“God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for he shall receive me.” *[Psalm 49:15]*

“My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and my soul, which thou hast redeemed.” *[Psalm 71:23]*

“Born in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world speaking lies, sinners by nature, then God has redeemed us and redeemed our soul, and has a blessed body waiting for us, that'll never be sick, even above temptation, a body like His own glorious body, then we shall see Him as He is.” *[I Am The Resurrection And The Life, Chicago IL 52-0810A]*

“Let's talk about the death side. Now, how could a person on that estate, in that kind of a condition, ever be sick? Because that your body is not yet redeemed. Your body is not redeemed. No matter how much, how good you are, and how saintly and how holy, how much Holy Spirit, that's only your soul. And your soul is not completed yet. It's just got the blessing, the promise of God, which is the earnest of our salvation. But now, if we have no earnest of our resurrection, no Divine healing, then I'll have no assurance or nothing to prove to me that there is a resurrection.” *[Demonology Physical Realm, Connersville IN 53-0608A]*

“Like the believer, as soon as he gets saved, maybe a cancer has eaten him up, or some disease. God has redemption also through power. The same as He has redemption for the soul, He has redemption for the body.” *[Redemption In Completeness In Joy, Louisville, KY 54-0330]*

“Then there was no man to till the soil, and He put man in the image of beast life. He might give him a hand like a monkey, a foot like a bear. But the difference between the animal and the man, he made him a soul, a living soul. Because the Spirit of God was in the man. And then the only way that God could redeem the man, then God came down and was made flesh to redeem the man that He'd condemn in the flesh. That's when Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was made flesh and dwelt among us.” *[I Will Restore Unto You, Saith The Lord, Los Angeles, CA 54-0809A]*

“What did He redeem? He redeemed your soul from hell. He redeemed and brought back everything that Adam lost, when he put you in the pawn shop. Jesus Christ, on Calvary was your Kinsman Redeemer that redeemed you from every curse of the devil. He redeems your SOUL. He redeems your sick body. He redeems your weary, dreary spirit. He brought you happiness. He brought you joy. He brought you... That's what the redemption brought you, brought you peace, long-suffering, goodness, gentleness, meekness, power, the Holy Spirit, brought you Divine healing. All these things Jesus Christ brought to you, because He was our Kinsman redeemer.” *[Redeemer Redemption, San Fernando, CA 55-1119]*

“When He died at Calvary, He raised His hands which was tacked to the cross, and said, "It's finished." What's finished? All's been finished. Everything that Satan done to the human race, the price was paid for, and we are completely

redeemed tonight in Christ from all of our--ever what happened. And no one can preach salvation without preaching Divine healing. See? You can't preach redemption of the soul without preaching redemption of the body. See, when you can't deal with sin in any measure, 'less you deal with sickness and every attribute. Sickness is the results of sin. Sickness is an attribute of sin." *[Hear Ye Him, Parkersburg, WV 56-1215]*

"When man was made and put here on earth, we find out that he was made not to sin. He was made a perfect man. Sin's what caused the fall. And now, he's in a twofold aspect. He is, one, he is spirit. Next, he's material. One, he's heavenly, a son of God. The next, he's a creature of destination. And he's got to be gone back to the dust on the account of the fall. And Jesus came to redeem that man. Now, I want you to notice. Sickness and sin is so closely associated together, that it's almost like the soul and body. It's inseparable. Man's got to die. His soul is full of sin, and his body is full of sickness, and death is pronounced on him. He's got to go. His soul is sick and his body is sick. And Jesus come to redeem both of them, that's right, not just one; his SOUL. He came to bring complete redemption. And we only have the earnest of our complete salvation now. If there is no Divine healing now, there's no resurrection of the body." *[Life Is The Healer, Indianapolis IN 57-0611]*

"Jesus come to destroy the works of the devil. That's why God was made both soul and body. Jesus had both soul and body and yet was God. He came to take on Himself the full form of man to redeem the full form of man back to God. That's why He come in flesh and in soul. That's the reason Jesus could say, "It's not Me that doeth the works, it's My Father that dwelleth in Me." *[Life Is The Healer, Indianapolis IN 57-0611]*

"When our Kinsman came, Jesus of Nazareth, born in Bethlehem, He stood on top of the Golgotha, and lifted Him up between the heavens and earth as a memorial that He'd redeemed everything that the human race had lost in the fall. How can men despise Divine healing and the powers of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, when a public ensign was made at Calvary, that, "I've redeemed the whole human race and everything that they ever lost." He redeemed our soul, redeemed our body, redeemed everything that we lost in the fall. Our Kinsman redeemer came and was made flesh, and dwelled among us, and offered up the ensign, and said, "It's finished," What's finished? Everything is finished. We're just walking right into our inheritance. And as the days go on, we're walking closer and closer." *[Why Little Bethlehem, Jeffersonville, IN 58-1228]*

"We believe that all that God can do for you has already been purchased for you at Calvary. When He died at Calvary, He finished the plan of salvation, redemption for the soul and body. And now, we draw the earnest of our salvation, which is the Holy Spirit. And then also we have the--the earnest of our resurrection; that is, that when our bodies are sick, God is our Healer. I believe that it is upon a finished work that was completed for us at Calvary some nineteen hundred years ago, when Christ died for us to redeem us from these things." *[Sirs, We Would See Jesus, Bloomington, IL 61-0409]*

“When that last soul comes in, then the time of redemption is finished. Then the Lamb comes forth to claim His rights to what He has redeemed, and that's all creation. The earth and everything belongs to Him. See? He has redeemed it with His own Blood. And when He come forth to take this Book to open it, why, my, they was... John didn't weep any more. And he looked, and this Lamb was a slain Lamb. It has already been killed, but it was alive again.” [*The Third Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0320*]

“Then how dare anybody to say that Mary, or Joseph, or any other mortal could be--be an intercessor. You cannot intercess unless there's Blood there. Yes sir, there's one Mediator between God and man, and that's Christ Jesus. That's what the Scriptures says. There He stands, and until the last soul has been redeemed, and then He comes forth to claim what He has redeemed.” [*The Sixth Seal, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0323*]

“We're trying to get every soul saved, so that Jesus can come. And He cannot come until that last one that has the name of the Book of Life, that was put There before the foundation of the world; when that name is called, that's the last one then. He came to redeem, to bring back. redeem is "to bring back." And when He brings the last one in... He is setting at the right hand of God, tonight, doing His mediatorial work. And when that last soul is saved, that was redeemed, and seen and knowed by God before the foundation of the world; when that last soul is saved, that closes the Book. Then the Lamb comes out, takes the Book out of the right hand of Him that sets upon the Throne.” [*Christ Is Identified The Same In All Generations, Tampa FL 64-0415*]

“I'm trying to redeem what time we have, so you bear with me. The... I'll pray that God will get every soul that's under here, that's savable, may He save it. I don't know how He does it. And it's our business to send the Word, or to preach the Word. And let the... It is a seed. And when that seed goes to growing, it'll produce just exactly what the promise is.” [*Then Jesus Came And Called, Tampa, FL 64-0417*]

“You are these other parts that's drawed out of this earth. The earth, you're a part of the earth; your body. Your soul is part of God, a attribute of God, displayed here on earth in a body. The body is to be redeemed. Now, the soul is redeemed, because it was in sin. So God come down, by a process of justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost, and redeemed your soul.” [*The Future Home, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0802*]

“If You heal their physical body from cancer, TB, pneumonia, something, they'll get sick again, no doubt, if they live very long, for their body is still under sin, the curse. But let them get the--the real Divine healing, the healing of the soul, which makes a new creature, passes from death unto Life, and then waiting in this old tabernacle for the redemption of the body after the soul has been redeemed.” [*The God Of This Evil Age, Jeffersonville, IN 65-0801M*]

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Tithing

The Scripture says: “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children” [*Hosea 4:6, KJV*]

As believers, we rely on the Word as our guideline, source of reference, and basis of action, reaction, and inspiration. From time to time, however, all believers come across questions which require answers, and for this we need knowledge. Much of this knowledge is provided in this book as well as in the previous volumes, the Spoken Word Messages, and the Bible.

I sincerely believe that this Questions With Answers Volume 3 will fill many gaps, bring greater clarity in many of the grey areas, and serve as a great aid in our Christian journey. The questions with answers herein posed appear potent, pertinent and very relevant to our day.

-- William Mullins

Tithing

Should the pastor take all the tithe money given by the believers or should he pay a salary from the tithe money? Also, should the tithe money be put in a designated Tithes/Offering box?

"If you sent me downtown to get a loaf of bread, and you give me twenty-five cents to get the loaf of bread, and I met somebody on the street wanted something else, and I'd give him the twenty-five cents (See?), I give them your money. If they asked me for something, let them get it over here in this pocket and give them my money; but this is your money. And a tenth of it is the Lord's. And Levi the priest could live by the tenth. The tenth is to be a tithing that's to be brought into the storehouse with a promise of God to bless it and a proof. He said, "If you don't believe it, come and prove Me and see if I won't do it." See? That's right. The tithings goes into the church for the pastor and so forth like that to live on. And then the--the--the building funds and things like that is a separate fund altogether. Now, that--that is Scriptural. One time when we get started, I want to take a night... I've went here some time ago before I left the tabernacle and taken about two or three weeks and just on subjects like that and went plumb through it and showed what tithings was in the church." [*Questions And Answers, Jeffersonville, IN, 61-1015M*]

"With faith, believing, I have prayed for you, all I know how. I--I prayed with sincerity, with all I know how to pray for it. Look, I realize that. You know what? It's your tithe and offerings that I live by. It's your support, here at the church, that I have somebody to preach to. It's your love, and your "amens," and your fellowship. And your kind words amongst out in the world there where you go to, to different states across the nation, it's your words that helps take the Message. It's you. We are partners in this, with Christ. We are brothers and sisters, and He is our King. And I love you. I--I--I--I, where I am, I want you to be. I drive across the nation, to speak to you a couple times. I long to meet with you here on Sunday morning. I love you. I've always loved you. Sometimes I have to speak real harsh, but it's only corrective. You see, it's just it's because I love you, see, and I don't want you to miss It. You, you mustn't do that." [*Token, Jeffersonville, IN, 63-0901M*]

"I draw a salary from my church, of a hundred dollars a week. There sits a trustee, sitting right there, that knows that's right. And that's all I get from that. And, otherwise, it goes right into the campaign. [*Testimony, LA , 63-1128M*]

"I get paid from my church. I never took an offering in my life. I don't ask people. When people gives me money, I put it in foreign missions. See? Some of my trustees are setting present right now, knows that's true. I don't spend one cent of it. I take the Gospel, myself. I get enough built in there, I take off, overseas, and preach to the people. That, that you--that you--you... You're sponsoring them. They don't have one penny of money. And then when I go over there, then I go over there and preach the Gospel over there. The way is already paid by you Americans. You're building your home; you know nothing about it, but, that Day, you'll understand. See? It's you doing that. I get a hundred dollars a week from my church, and that's right." [*A Paradox, Tampa, FL 64-0418B*]

"Someone sent me some boxes of candy. One sent me this tie chain the other day. And some of them sent me some tithe in an envelope. Oh, you don't know how I... I just can't get to you personally to say, "Thank you." [*Testimony, Los Angeles, CA, 51-0509*]

“I said, "What people send me." I'm looking in the face of people right now that sends me tithing continually. I never ask them; they just do it. That's the Holy Spirit. He's able to take care of His own.” [*The Baptism Of The Holy Spirit, Jeffersonville, IN, 58-0928M*]

“I remember one night, I was... You know how poor people get, when you can't make ends meet. You've had them times, I sure. And I wondered how I was going to make ends meet. And I said to my wife; I said, "Honey, I'm going to take up an offering tonight at the church." Now, not because they wouldn't give it, my church was just about the congregation about like this right here tonight in my church. And they love me, but I just, I was working, and I had enough just to go by, and I didn't need it. So she said, "Well, I'm going over to watch you do it." Well, we didn't even have a collection plate in the church, not a--not a one nor nothing. We had a little box on the back where they put their tithes in.” [*Jehovah Jireh, Brooklyn, NY, 56-1209E*]

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Trumpets

Trumpets

Has the Seventh Trumpet sounded? If so what about the second coming of Christ?

"But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God shall be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets." *[Revelation 10:7]*

"Revelation 10 said, 'The seventh angel's Message.' Now remember, that's right at the Seven Trumpets, and there's seven angels blowing Seven Trumpets. That's what we're coming to next. But remember there, very specifically It said, 'The angel's...', not the seventh angel's Trumpet, but the 'seventh angel's Message.' See, not the Trumpet angel, the Message angel! See, the angel only sounded the trumpet, that seventh angel. The Trumpet angel was this, that in the days of the Message of the seventh angel; see, when his Message is finished. See, that's the church age Message. And this time, then he would... the Message, not the Trumpet, and 'the mystery of God (that's written in the Word) should be finished.' *[The Uniting Time and Sign, Jeffersonville, IN 63-0818]*

"Notice now, exactly, the continuity of the Scripture, exactly the same. Under the Seventh Trumpet, is to Israel the same as the Seventh Seal was to the Church. We find, under the Seventh Seal, that when these souls that was under the altar there, that received robes... They were given robes, not that they earned them, because they were in the dispensation when God was still dealing with grace with the Gentiles, not Jews. Israel is saved as a nation. God deals with Israel as a nation. Gentiles is 'a people for His Name,' not a nation for His Name. Israel!" *[The Feast of The Trumpets, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0719m]*

"Notice the loosing of this ecclesiastical spirit. Now twenty years later, after that war, we see the loosing of the ecclesiastical spirit. What under? The Seventh Seal; the Seventh Trumpet to the Jew. Look at the moon darkening out. What under? See it drawn out, the Son of man being drove from the church. What is it? Joining in with the ecclesiastical bunch. The--the ecumenical move, and with the World Council of Churches, has drove every man... What does that thing stand for? Why, you have to surrender all your evangelical teachings and things. 'How can two walk together 'less they be agreed?'"

They can't. Jesus said they can't. And how can a church, the Methodist and Baptists walk together? How can the Church of Christ walk with the Presbyterians? How can the Catholic walk with the Protestant? How can Protestant walk with Protestant? But the Bride can walk with the Word, which is Christ. It must be in agreement. Not the ecclesiastical system; but the Word. You have to agree with the Word, to walk with the Word. Jesus said so. That makes it right. *[The Feast Of The Trumpets, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0719m]*

"Under the Sixth Trumpet, the--the Pentecostals reject the Bible; the--the lukewarm, not only Pentecostals, all the rest. The church world rejects Christ and He is put on the outside. And in the same Trumpet... And the same Seal,

rather, when It was opened, to show Jesus on the outside of the church, trying to get back in; at the same time, the Trumpet sound for the Jews, and the Jews recognize the Atonement. Glory! Hallelujah! Oh, my! The Holy Spirit has been bound by these denominational rivers, for almost two thousand years, but is to be loosed in the evening time, by the evening-time Message. The Holy Spirit back in the Church again; Christ, Himself, revealed in human flesh, in the evening time. He said. He promised it." *[The Feast Of The Trumpets, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0719m]*

"Oh, brother, watch! Exactly, to call all, call them out of the denominations and traditions. Now we see the church of Pentecost age is finished. The Bride must step out of the way, to go up now; so the two servants, the two servants of God, in Revelations, the two prophets, can appear upon the scene, to sound the Seventh Trumpet to them, make known to them the Christ. The seventh angel, messenger, say, "Behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world!" Not, "behold my Methodist, my Baptist, my Pentecostal." But, "The Word, the Son of God, the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world," for no other foundations is there! You see? How long have we got? The Jews are in their homeland. The Bride is called. Scripturally, everything just exactly what He promised. We're ready. The hour is here. *[The Feast Of The Trumpets, Jeffersonville, IN 64-0719m]*

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