

The Pain Of Love

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Luke 2:34-35

³⁴ And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against;

35 (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.

The Lord Jesus Was
A Love Gift To
Mankind

John 3:16

¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

A Sword Shall Pierce
Through Your Soul

62-1223 - The Reproach For The
Cause Of The Word

212Looked up and said,
“Lord, let Thy servant now
depart from this life in peace.
My eyes is looking at Your
salvation.”

213 ...She told Mary, “A sword
will pierce your heart, but It
will reveal the thoughts of
many hearts.”

This Love Gift – The
Lord Jesus Christ –
Constrains Us

2 Corinthians 5:14-15

¹⁴ For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:

¹⁵ And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.

57-0324 - Why Some People
Can't Keep The Victory

70Oh, brother, God gave
the Holy Spirit, God's Love to
control the church, not smart,
educated, but love.

Gifts goes in the church, but it
don't control the church. Love
controls the church.

“God so loved the world He
gave His only begotten
Son.” His love constrained Him
to do it. And when a love is
constrained, then sovereign
grace projects its object.

May I say that again: When
Divine love is projected, grace
produces its object. And God
loved the world so much till
sovereign grace projected a
Saviour to the world.

Yes, indeed. And when you love
God so much, sovereign grace
will project to you the baptism
of the Holy Ghost to make you
live, and love, and to be a real
Christian.

That Love Compels
To Give The Ultimate
Price - Death

It Causes You To Give
Your All

Not Divorcing The
Word But Die

Then Sovereign Taken
Over

True Love Overcomes
Evil

Romans 12:19-21

¹⁹ Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

²⁰ Therefore if thine enemy
hunger, feed him; if he thirst,
give him drink: for in so doing
thou shalt heap coals of fire on
his head.

²¹ Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

For Love Covered All
Sins

Proverbs 10:12

¹² Hatred stirreth up strifes: but
love covereth all sins.

1 Peter 4:8

⁸ And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

A Wild Bull – Hornets –
A Deranged Man :-
Divine Love Conquered
Their Fury

Christmas Pointed To Calvary

Matthew 26:39

³⁹ And he went a little farther, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.

Divine Love Bore Our
Sins From Adam To
Last Man

He Was Totally
Forsaken

Matthew 27:46

⁴⁶ And about the ninth hour
Jesus cried with a loud voice,
saying, Eli, Eli, lama
sabachthani? that is to say, My
God, my God, why hast thou
forsaken me?

John 19:30

³⁰ When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

60-0522M - Adoption #3

39 How could God judge Him again, when He went to Calvary?

Going up Golgotha, He was
beaten, bruised, He could not
heal, He could not even speak a
word, hardly. Cause why?

He had the sins of the world on
Him. Not because that He was
a sinner, but “He was made
sin” for me and for you. All the
sins of the world from Adam
until His Coming, rest upon His
shoulder.

And God was not punishing His
Son. He was punishing sin. See
how horrible it was? He was
making a propitiation.

He was making a way of escape for all those that God, by His foreknowledge, knowed would come. We're going to get into that in a few minutes.

56-0726 - Love

23 I thought when I heard the story, “That’s right. What Jesus became for us, He became death and sin, that we who were really guilty and sinners...

...Divine love is one of the
most powerful forces. It's—it's
one of the greatest forces in
the world.

And when Divine love has
been projected and comes to
its end, then sovereign grace
will take its place. Now, that's
my text.

When Divine love has
been projected...Project
Divine love and it comes to its
end, till it can't go no
farther, then sovereign grace
will come in and take its place.

Now, do you realize, being a
son or daughter of God, that
you are a minor creator?

Do you know you create the atmosphere that you live in? Do you realize that the atmosphere that you dwell in, you influence somebody else? ...

57-0126E - When Divine Love Is
Projected, Sovereign Grace Takes
Its Place

17.....Love is one of the
greatest instruments that
there is in God's great
economy. God is Love. The
Bible said that He is love.

And when you become one of
His children, you become a
part of that love. You are a part
of God's economy. You become
a subject of His domain.....

58-0314 – Love

14Now,

when love is projected, and it

comes to its end, sovereign

grace produces

what love projected.

When God so loved the world
that His love was at the end of
its going and then
that love projected sovereign
grace that gave us the
Saviour.....

God Told Israel

Jeremiah 31:1-5

1 At the same time, saith the LORD, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

² Thus saith the LORD, The people which were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel, when I went to cause him to rest.

³ The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.

⁴ Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.

⁵ Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things.

Love Is Painful

53-0729 - Questions And
Answers On Genesis

72 ...And God came down in
the image of man, in the Man
Christ Jesus, to suffer pain.

God could not suffer pain in
the Spirit. How could He
suffer physical pain in the
Spirit?

73 ...God Himself came down
and lived in a human body and
suffered temptation. “God was
in Christ, reconciling the world
to Himself.” See what love is?
The Love of God!

Faith And Love Are
Twin Sisters

63-0825E - Perfect Faith

126 And faith and love is relation, because you can't have faith unless you got love, because your faith is in a God Who is the very essence of love. Faith and love works together.

Faith That Works By
Love Is A Master
(Overcomes) Of All
Situations

1 John 5:4-5

⁴ For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

⁵ Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

63-0825E - Perfect Faith

132 ...And God came down in that muck, what you were, and sought you out and brought you out!

That ought to create a Perfect Love. Look what you was, and look what you are. What did that?

Somebody that loves you! Can't you have faith in what He's promised you, then? Real genuine love will create a confidence in His Word.

133 He caught me when I was nothing. I'm still nothing, but I'm in His hand. See, He caught me.

And He loved me when I was unlovable. He loved you when you was unlovable, but He changed you.....

...If God, when I was an alien from Him, so loved me till He stooped down to get me and pick me up, that gives me confidence that He wants to use me.

He's got a purpose in doing it.
He seen something in me. He
seen something in you. He had a
reason to save you, look at the
people that's unsaved today.

Look at the millions He could have took beside you, but He took you. Amen! No one can take your place. Amen! You're in God's economy. No one can do it. That's His Love to *you*.

134 Then, won't your love reach right back to Him? And there's a love affair. No matter what the situation is, its circumstances is governed by this Love that creates Faith:

that God loves you and you love
God, and you love one another,
and—and that brings the Faith.
All right....

135 ...Perfect Faith is pure, just
as pure as love is.....

63-0825E - Perfect Faith

138, love and faith has to go together. They're kinfolks, they love. Love produces Faith.

Jesus' Remedy To Overcome Temptations

Matthew 26:41

⁴¹ Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Mark 14:38

³⁸ Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.

Love Creates Faith
Which Brings True
Fellowship Between
God/Man/Man

Answering Questions: “Press Play”

The Purpose Of The Message Of The Hour

Is To Unionize Jesus
Christ And Man With
Man

Oneness:-

- Uniting Time And Sign
- Invisible Union
- Choosing Of A Bride

Jesus Is So Unionized
With The Bride – He
Is Making Love To Her

63-0728 - Christ Is The Mystery
Of God Revealed

397 ...Jesus making love to the
Church, His Bride, whispering
secrets to Her.

63-0728 - Christ Is The Mystery⁸⁶ Of God Revealed

395 Look! What was once
God's great secret, great
mysterious secret in His mind, is
now put in the hearts of the
believer, that is, the Body of
Christ.

What was God's once great secret in His mind, before the foundation of the world, is now made manifest. Think of it, friend. Oh, oh, I'm...

396 I'm sure we don't, we don't get it. Well, I—I can't see it the way I ought to, and—and I'm sure you don't. See?

398 You know how you tell your wife things, you know, the little girl you're going to marry.

You love her so much, you just tell her the secrets, and get her up next to you, and love you and everything. You know how it is.

399 That's what God, Christ, is doing to the Church. See? He is letting Her know the secrets, just the secrets.

Not these flirts; I mean His
Wife (See? All right, now
look.) knows, by having the
revelation of His secret made
known to them, by His grace!
How the grace of God!

People, I know it...I hope you don't think this sounds personal, to a—a bunch of people, or *this, that*; but the secret that God is sharing with the whole Church, if they would just receive it.

See? It doesn't mean just me or just you. It means the Church, that He—He is trying to get into it.

Like Rebecca
“Eliezer” Has Brought
The Bride To The Lord
Jesus Christ

The Prophet Of
Today Is The Holy
Ghost

65-0725M - The Anointed Ones
At The End Time

129 The Holy Spirit is the Prophet of this hour; He vindicating His Word, proving It.

The Holy Spirit was
the Prophet of Moses' hour.
The Holy Spirit was
the Prophet of Micaiah's
hour. The Holy Spirit, which
wrote the Word, comes and
confirms the Word.

Now what happened in the time of Micaiah? Ahab was killed, and the dogs licked his blood, according to the Word of God.

The holy ghost is the author of
the bible

2 Peter 1:21

²¹ For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

In Each Age (7) The Holy
Ghost Quickened
(Mat 4:4, John 6:63)
The Word For The Age

Today the Holy Ghost himself is speaking to the Church.

John 14:18-20

¹⁸ I will not leave you
comfortless: I will come to you.

¹⁹ Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

²⁰ At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

Like John the Baptist – Malachi
4:5-6 has introduced Jesus
Christ to the Bride

62-0318 - The Spoken Word Is
The Original Seed

110 My mission,
that I believe that God has
called me for...I—I have to say
some personal things today,

because that's what I told you I'd do, see, and tell the world. My mission, I believe, to the earth, is (what?) is to forerun the coming Word, see, the coming Word which is Christ.

And Christ, in Him, has the Millennium, and has everything right there, because He is the Word. See? All right.

64-0719M - The Feast Of The
Trumpets

307 The seventh angel,
messenger, say, “Behold the
Lamb of God that takes away
the sin of the world!” Not,
“behold my Methodist, my Ba
ptist, 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?

64-0719M - The Feast Of The Trumpets

112 Go into the prophet's chamber and watch them seven steps. Where did the—where did the guard meet the challenge to bring the comer into the presence of the king?

At the top of the steps; was in
the seventh step. There shows
that we've got to come again
with that same Spirit that was
on John; he introduced the
Messiah.

He was greater than all the prophets; he introduced It. And we've got to come to a place, again, to something that's going to introduce the Messiah.

113 And how will the
Messiah...the people that's
believing Him know it unless
they're constantly in the Word,
to know what He is!

Daniel said, “The wise shall know; but the foolish, the unwise, wouldn’t know. They shall know their God.”

Now, now, how He shall appear in the last days, is to bring the people back to the Word, so that the Bride will know Her Husband, know Her Mate, the revealed Word. That's why this has to happen.

56-0122 - The Junction Time

39 Now, I'm not here as a impersonator of Christianity. I'm not here as a deceiver. I'd be home with my family today, enjoying what few days I have home.

I COME HERE BECAUSE I HAVE
A MESSAGE IN MY HEART THAT
I WANT TO PRODUCE TO YOU
ALL, OR TO INTRODUCE TO
YOU ALL, RATHER. And that's
why I come.

I love you, and I realize that someday I've got to give an account for every word in every meeting that I ever held. And every word, I got to answer for it at the judgment.

65-1125 - The Invisible Union Of The
Bride Of Christ

335 And you ministers down there
in Tucson, tonight, I don't hold you
responsible for that. God
does. This Message must live
. I tried my best to get in to you.

62-0318 - The Spoken Word Is
The Original Seed

91 I'm taking my time, so
that, the tapes, give people time
to study.

I don't want to be in any hurry. I want to just take my time. I don't know what will happen from here on, but I—I want this to the people.

That, even though some day
God take me from the world, if I
don't live to see His
Coming, the Message will still
live on. True. Stay
with the Word.

63-1229E - Look Away To Jesus

52 And I want to say this. I've never said it before. But according to Scripture,

according to what He said thirty years ago; thirty-three years ago on the river down there, in 1933, rather; what He said, everything has happened just exactly.

I may not do it, but this
Message will introduce Jesus
Christ to the world. For, “As
John the Baptist was sent to
forerun the first coming, so is
the Message to forerun the
second Coming.”

And John said, “Behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.” See? So, it’s, it paralleled it in every way. And I know it will, the Message will go on.

65-0220 - God's Chosen Place Of Worship

71 My friends, I don't want to hurt feelings, but I am responsible for a Message, and, that Message is, "Come out of this mess!"

And if I ask you to come out,
where am I going to take you
to? Would I take you to the
Branham Tabernacle? It's as
much fault as any of the rest of
them.

But there's one place I can take
you to, where you're safe and
protected from death, that's in
Jesus Christ, God's place of
worship. That's the place I'm
introducing to you, tonight,
where God put His Name.

Where He promised He would meet every person that come in there, He would worship with him and feast with him, that's in Christ; not in no church, no tabernacle.

But, in Christ, He is God's
Tabernacle. He is the place that
God came into, Himself, and
dwelt in Him.

Should We Then Go
To Church?

64-0830M - Questions And

Answers #3

352. Brother Branham (We got just ten minutes

now.)—Brother Branham, we have no preacher where we live,

but we have tape service on Sunday night only.

Should we take our children to another church for Sunday school? Are the tape services sufficient?

216 Well, let that be according to the way your children are going. See? Now, if you get your children, they're young; and you get them out into some kind of a group out there,

that'll just pound the stuff into them that they—that they—they shouldn't know; I wouldn't do it. If they—if they seem to learn enough from the tapes and things...

And you, say, you put them over in a Catholic church, take them over to Catholic church, take them over to something like that; I wouldn't advise that. See? If they...

217 But now, if you got a nice little church over there that maybe disagree two or three things with you,

and your children wants to go to Sunday school, they're full Gospel people, or something, well, that's perfectly all right.

But see, but when you come to a place where...Depends on how your children take it. See?

Watch what your children does, what, how they react to it.

353. Let's see. If you don't have a church to go to, should you just listen to the tapes?

Yes! That's...I'd—I...That'd be fine.

64-0830M - Questions And
Answers #3

349. Now. Brother Branham, is it true that no one should preach but you?

We have seen your—we have seen you ordained men. We do—don't believe you would do that if there were not...if they were not to preach.

203 Mercy! Brother, sister, ever
who told you that nobody's to
preach but me, I'd sure be a
poor subject to God with all
that.

No! Every man or...that feels a call of God upon his life, get into the ministry and start preaching; we need them.

204 Men of God are anointed all over the world to preach the Gospel. See? I'm just one little pebble on the beach among many big stones.

See? So I...There's just many
that's more eligible, more
worthy, more of anything to
preach than me;

I'm just one little, humble person laying out here. I'm one grain of wheat in a whole garner. See? So that just a... You know what I mean!

205 Any man that's called of
God needs to preach the Gospel.

Should Five-fold
Ministry Feel
Displaced

John Didn't Feel
Displaced

John 3:27-30

²⁷ John answered and said, A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven.

²⁸ Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before him.

29 He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.

^{30}He must increase, but l must decrease.

63-0324E - The Seventh Seal

326 I'm only telling you what I
seen and what has been told to
me. And now you—you do
whatever you want to.

I don't know who is going to...what's going to take place. I do not know. I just know that those Seven Thunders holds that mystery. The Heavens was quiet.

Everybody
understand? [Congregation
says, “Amen.”—Ed.] It may be
time, it may be the hour
now, that this great person that
we’re expecting to rise on the
scene may arise on the scene.

327 Maybe this ministry, that I have tried to take people back to the Word, has laid a foundation; and if it has, I'll be leaving you, for good.

There won't
be two of us here the same
time. See? If it is, he'll increase;
I'll decrease. I don't know.