## Co-Working With God

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#### LUKE 10:2

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2 † ¶ <u>Therefore said he unto them, The</u> <u>harvest truly is great, but the labourers are</u> <u>few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the</u> <u>harvest, that he would send forth labourers</u> into his harvest

<u>into his harvest.</u>



#### I CORINTHIANS 3:9

## 9 † ¶ For we are labourers together

#### with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are

God's building.

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#### PHILLIPIANS 2:13

# 13 † ¶ For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good

<u>pleasure.</u>



#### GALATIANS 6:7

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#### 7 † <u>**J**</u> Be not deceived; God is not

#### mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth,

#### <u>that shall he also reap.</u>



#### II CORINTHIANS 9:6

## 6 † ¶ But this I say, He which soweth

## sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also

#### <u>bountifully.</u>

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#### <u>56-0408E - The Time Is At Hand</u>

- 5 Sometime this afternoon I...maybe my...I
- over estimated, maybe. But maybe twenty people or more accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Saviour. Oh, that thrills my heart to see that, just makes me feel so good. And know that according to God's
- Word,

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when their hands went up to accept Christ, and I believe it with deep sincerity, every one of them, Jesus brought into His Kingdom today. <u>He can't take His Word back. He</u> promised He would do it. And He said, "No man can come except My Father draws Him."



## And if the Father was here drawing them to Jesus, and they come and said, "I now want to accept Him," then there's nothing left, but they're just accepted; that's all.

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<u>6 Now, that brings you to the—into the</u> <u>believers. That includes you now as a</u> Christian believer. And now, I would do this (to give you advice); I wouldn't stop here. I would ask God to give me the Holy Spirit to baptize me into the Church, into the Body of believers by the Holy Ghost



#### and to make me a co-worker in His

<u>Kingdom with Him.</u>

And join some good church. Just don't stay away from church; go out to some church and help the fellowship of that church.



- And that's for all you who've been saved in-in these meetings. Now, I think Brother Oral Roberts...I was going to announce his meeting, but I think he's closing tonight also. And I don't know whether Brother Freeman is going to close tonight or
- not



[A brother says, "He starts tonight."—Ed.] He starts tonight; I'm sorry. I'm—don't get the itinerary of these brothers. I...The only thing that I have is just a...I don't have a magazine of my own. Brother Joseph, he's kind enough to let me use his magazine for the—my itinerary and articles to be printed.



## <u>59-1217 - What Was The Holy Ghost</u>

#### <u>Given For?</u>

<u>30 And in the cool of the evening He</u> <u>would come down and commune with</u> <u>them. And there He lost that fellowship,</u> <u>because sin would not let Him do it.</u>



And then He was made flesh and dwelt among us, in order that He could come back again to man, and live in man, and restore a man to a state of communion with Him again, and give him back his God-given right. That's what He did.



<u>31 That's the purpose of the Holy</u> Ghost. It's the Father, again, God the Father dwelling in you, working out His plans, to finish His plan of redemption; working through you, making you a <u>co-worker with Him; giving you a place,</u> giving you a part



for your fallen, lost brother and sister; giving you His Spirit and His love, to go <u>hunt the lost, as He did in the garden of</u> Eden. "Adam, Adam, where art thou?" That's what the Holy Spirit does to a man or a woman. When It strikes into their heart and takes Its



<u>abode, there's a thirst and a hungering</u> for lost souls.

That's what's the matter with the meetings today. There is not enough Spirit-touch in it, to go for the souls of the lost and the dying. It's more to make a name, or a church, or a



building, or a denomination, instead of a soul-winning program. How pitiful! We could stay on it much. God poured Himself into Christ. Correct.



32 Christ poured Himself into the Church. Therefore, now watch, "At that day you will know that I am in the Father, and you are in Me, and I am in you. At that day you'll know it." For, it's, the whole thing is one plan of redemption coming down,



that God coming back to live in, and dwell with, and commune to His people, as He did at the beginning. Now, then, as soon as He gets His <u>Church in speaking conditions, gets His</u> Church to a place that He can





flow Himself through, and love, and persuade, and fellowship, then there will come a Eden. He'll take His Church back to where It—It left Him at, back to an Eden again, there where It fell. It, now...That's where It made Its first start, or fall.



## There is where It'll be taken right back, with every clean slate of redemption, bringing them straight back to that place again.

## 62-0311 - The Greatest Battle Ever

## <u>Fought</u>

<u>36 A devil is almost harmless unless he</u> <u>can have something to work in. He's</u>

got...You remember those devils that

were cast out of Legion?



#### They had...they want to do more

mischievousness, so they wanted to go in

the hogs. So, devils must have something

to work in, somebody to work through.

37 And that's the way God does, too. He

<u>has to have us. He's depending on us, to</u>

<u>work through us.</u>



## <u>62-0603 - The End-Time Evangelism</u>

- 71 Now, we're in the evening time. And
- the messengers down through the
- age...We find out that at the beginning
- when a messenger was sent, to-to
- misconstrue His Word or to doubt one
- Word, it was



- total annihilation and Eternal
- separation from God, to misconstrue
- that messenger's Word. <u>And the first</u>
- Messenger was God Himself. And
- the...Every other messenger has been
- <u>Cod speaking through man, since,</u>
- which is God's Word, for there's no



man then for Him to speak through but just the one He was talking to. But since He's made man and redeemed man, it's been God speaking through man.



He uses not the—the agency of—of any mechanical device, but the agency of man, a man that's surrendered and consecrated to God.



#### <u> 64-0619 – Perseverant</u>

10 When He looked upon the harvest,

He was the Lord of the harvest, and He

said, "The harvest is ripe, the laborers

are few; pray ye the Lord of the harvest,

that He may send laborers into His

harvest,"



making Himself with man so bound together that He works only through the agency of man. He chose man to work for Him. He could have chose the sun to preach the Gospel, He could have chose the winds, or the trees, or the stars.



## <u>But He chose man, veils Himself inside,</u> <u>hides Himself from the unbeliever,</u> <u>reveals Himself to who He will.</u>



#### 63-1130E - Go, Awake Jesus

- 195 May, as they pass through this line and we lay our hands upon them, may they recognize it's just not just going by man, but God and man is one. God
- has come into man,



## and God does nothing apart from man. That's what He does. His works is through man. He made man His partner.



<u>196 When Jesus stood, looking upon</u> the harvest, He said, "The harvest is ripe, the laborers are few; pray the Lord of the harvest." And He was the Lord of the harvest. In other words, "Ask Me to do what I know is right to do."



## 63-0118 - Spirit Of Truth <u>96 He's interested in you. He's</u> interested in me. And He's interested to see His Word made manifest, and He's <u>depending on us to do it, for we are His</u>

<u>agents.</u>



# Nothing in ourselves. It's Him; yielding ourselves and walking with Him.

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#### <u>60-0309 - Why?</u>

36 Why? God made a way. Then why

<u>don't you receive it?</u> Now, you could

kind of straighten this medicine

proposition out. You could kind of

wonder about that, because it helped

some and killed some.



It's not too accurate, because every person's body is not like a guinea pig, and we all are different one from another. I want to get on that this week, if I could. How that one tries to impersonate another. You can never do <u>that.</u>



<u>God never made two people alike. You</u> just go the way the Holy Spirit leads you. We might take the millions that's in the world, and no two of them's got the same thumb print. That's right. God made them different.



He's a God of variety. He made them different. And don't try to impersonate the next fellow; you do what God tells you to do and stay with it, because there's no one in heaven, or in earth, can take your place. God made you for a purpose. Stay with that.

# <u>65-0218 - The Seed Is Not Heir With The</u>

#### <u>Shuck</u>

149 Notice, there will be no more carrier, mother churches, denominations, after this carrier shuck.



150 Because, after the shuck, there is no more, nothing left by then but just the Grain. Is that right? It's got to be the Grain. It's got to be the same kind that went into the ground, Jesus Christ the same vesterday, today, and forever,





# a Spirit come upon the Bride to do the same things that He did. See? It's the reproducing again of the Grain.



151 The Word, yet young, spake for Itself, "And know not that I must be <u>about My Father's business?" Huh!</u> 152 There is the secret of the Message now, just exactly, "the Father's business." What is the Father's business?



Could you think of what the Father's business was, in Him? To fulfill what Isaiah said, "A virgin shall conceive." Fulfill what Isaiah, said again, "The lame shall leap like a hart," and all these things would take place.





Like Moses said, "The Lord your God shall raise up a Prophet, among you, liken unto me." It was the Father's <u>business, to fulfill that Word. Well, if</u> that come down through them stalks, of them natural women;



what about these stalks of these spiritual, church women? Churches means women, women means "churches," rather. Is that right? Then what is it now? "We must be about the Father's business," the Wheat would cry back, the Grain.



Yes, sir. What must it do? Vindicate Malachi 4, vindicate Luke 17:30, vindicate Hebrews 13:8, vindicate Saint John 14:12, vindicate all of His Word. Vindicate Hebrews, I mean...Revelation, the 10th chapter, of the opening of the <u>Seven Seals,</u>



and the mysteries of God; even to serpent's seed, and all, would be manifested; marriage and divorce and all these other mysteries that's been hid under the pillars for all these years, from the theologians and so forth, but it's now the hour.



# That's the Father's business. Think they would receive It? They want to be dignified, and say, "Our denomination don't teach us That." But the Bible does. That's right.



### <u>62-1230E - Is This The Sign Of The End,</u>

#### <u>Sir?</u>

<u>444 If this year doesn't settle it, then,</u> <u>next year, without water or food, I'll</u> <u>walk out into the desert, and I'll wait till</u> <u>He calls me. I can't go on like this.</u>



You've got to get desperate. You've got to get to the place where you want to know what's the will of God. And how can you do the will if you don't know the will?



### <u>58-0720M - By Faith, Moses</u>

<u>36 There is no way to ever please God,</u>

only by faith. The Scripture plainly

states it that way, and it's by faith.

"And without faith," says the Scripture,

"it is impossible to please God."



37 So, if faith disagrees with science, and science disagrees with faith, that puts them at—at edge at each other, then we must take a choice as Moses did. By faith we believe!



<u>38 Now, if we lose faith, then we will</u> never get a prayer answered by God. "For he that cometh to God must first believe that He is, and a rewarder of those that diligently seek after Him." So, if we lose faith, our prayers are annulled; we get nowhere.



39 So it's all that we can think of, this <u>morning, is to hold onto faith. Then, if</u> we lose faith, all our hopes is gone. And if we lose faith, all our spiritual reality is gone. For, you cannot have faith in things that you see, for the things that vou see are all perishable.

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#### <u>63-0428 - Look</u>

123 Now listen real close to this

remark. Faith! Now, don't forget to get

this now. Faith is designed to see what

<u>God wills and wants. There is no</u>

knowledge that can do that.



# Faith alone is designed, and give to the human race, to find out what the will of

God is.



<u>124 And you take your faith that you</u> <u>got, and it don't focus with the Word,</u> <u>then leave it alone. You got the wrong</u> <u>faith.</u>

<u>125 But when your God-given faith</u> focus you with the Word of God,



you're directly in line and zeroed. Oh, my! God help us this hour, great hour that we live in. Faith, designed to see what God wants! How do you see it? Through the camera of His Word, His promise. This is a full revelation of Jesus <u>Christ.</u>



126 Then, when the faith that's in you, focus you to this Word, you're focused away from all denominations and creeds and everything. You're focused right straight on the Word of God. You're zeroed in.



It only needs is a little touch-off. Amen. That prayer flies straight in the Presence of God, because there's nothing to stop it. Yes. That's what does it, when you're zeroed-in with God, focused in, by then you're looking at the target.

#### 64-0206E - God's Provided Way For This

#### <u>Day</u>

27 They have never, in all the way, tried to find anything that's better than God's way of doing it. You know, they've never found a way, better, for a chicken to get born in



this world, than peck hisself out of his shell. Did you know that? They never have found a better way. The little fellow is born with a little snoot on the end of his—on the end of his bill. And that little bill he got, to go to work and go to scratching,



scratching back and forth, till he gets his head started, gets his head out, picks his way free. It's God's provided way. You pull him out of the shell, it'll kill him. He won't live if you pull him out of the shell. He has to come God's way.



28 That's what's the matter with Christians today. We so soft-soaped them, and we shook their hands and brought them in by secret, and joined them into the church. What they need is an old-fashion prayer altar where they pray through,



<u>until using themselves, come in God's</u> provided way, till they free themselves from the world. The trouble of it, today, they put their name on the book and join church, and that's all there is to it. But God's way, provided way, is to stay <u>there</u>

<u>it.</u>

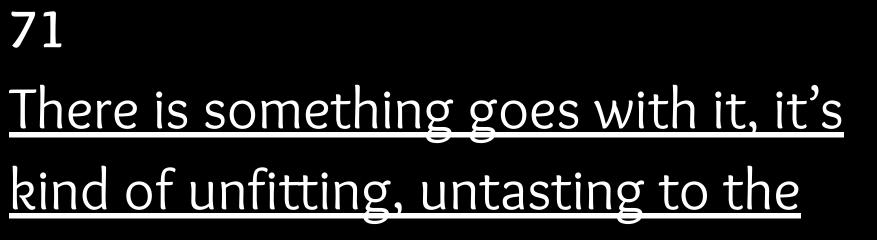


and work your way through, until God gives you the new Birth. That's exactly right. Pick him out, it'll kill him.

<u>29 That's what's the matter, today, with</u> the people. A new Birth, they all dodge



They don't like it. Oh, they have <u>substituted something for the new</u> Birth, "come up and believe, and that's all you have to do." The devil believes, himself, and you know he is not born again. There is a new Birth.



world.





# <u>30 Any birth is a mess. I don't care</u> where it's at. If it's in the pig pen, or—or a hospital. A birth is a mess.

<u>31 So is the new Birth! It'll make you do</u> things you didn't think you would do.



<u>It'll make you get down at the altar and</u> cry, scream, wash the paint off your face, raise your hands, praise God, speak in tongues, and all kinds of things. The new Birth will do that because it's God's provided way to be borned again.



<u>32 You have to die. You have to die</u> before you can be reborn. Any seed has to die before it's regenerated again. <u>Unless it dies, it abides alone. A man</u> has got to die to his own thinking. He's got to die to the thinking of anything but God's Word, and come His way.



That's God's ground. We don't meet Him on our thoughts; we meet Him on what He said do. That's God's provided way for it. People dodge it; they don't want it. But it's true, just the same. It'll, it produces death, and you have to die, die to your thinking.



# <u>33 "Well, I know the Bible says it, but I</u> <u>can't understand it." Then stay there till</u> <u>God reveals it. That's right. It's</u> <u>got...That's the new Birth.</u>



### <u>AMOS 3:3</u>

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### 3 Can two walk together, except they be

agreed?



# <u>64-0719M - The Feast Of The Trumpets</u>

- 191 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?



192 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.



### II CORINTHIANS 5:21

## 21 † ¶ For he hath made him to be sin

### for us, who knew no sin; that we might be

## made the righteousness of God in him



# <u>An Exposition of The Seven Church Ages 01 –</u> <u>The Revelation of Jesus Christ</u>

- The Word has not been quickened. The
- Bible says in II Corinthians 5:21 that we
- have become the righteousness of God by our union with Jesus Christ.



Did you get it? It says that WE ARE THE **VERY RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD** HIMSELF by being IN CHRIST. It says that He (Jesus) became SIN for us. It <u>does not say He became sinful, but</u> became SIN for us that by our union with Him we might



become the RIGHTEOUSNESS of God. If we accept the fact (and we must) that He literally became SIN for us by His substitution for us, then we must also accept the fact that we by our union with Him have become the VERY <u>RIGHTEOUSNESS of God.</u>



To reject one is to reject the other. To <u>accept the one is to accept the other.</u> Now we know the Bible says that. It can't be denied. But the revelation of it is missing. It is not real to the majority of God's children.



# <u>It is just a good verse in the Bible. But</u> <u>we need to have it made ALIVE to us.</u> <u>That will take revelation.</u>



## 60-1218 - The Uncertain Sound

- 359 Now, then, first thing you know,
- well, little old Martha come running out
- there. And she's said, "Lord." Oh, I like
- that! See, she titled Him what He was.
- He was her..."Lord, If Thou would have



been here, my brother would not have died." See? Said, "Even now, whatever You ask God, God will give it to You." Nothing uncertain about that. No. See? See?



360 That's when two positives meet. See? That's when two omnipotents meet. See? When, one omnipotent she had, she had perfect omnipotent faith in Christ; and Christ was omnipotent. See? She had perfect, infinite faith in <u>Christ, that</u>



He was the Lord; and knowed, whatever He asked God, God would give it to <u>Him. In other words, she said, "You just</u> speak the Word, that's all You have to do. Whatever You ask God, God will

give it to You."



# <u>That's om-...That's—that's omnipotent,</u> <u>all-powerful, 'cause He just said so. See?</u>

All right, and He was all-powerful. That's

when two powers, two omnipotent

powers, meets together. It's a contact

<u>then.</u>



361 When a line here has got a hundred and fifty volts, and this one got a hundred and fifty volts; when they come together, you got a hundred and fifty volts, both ways. See?



362 And when you got supreme Power, when Jesus said, "Lay hands on the sick, they shall recover," and you got supreme faith in that being the Truth, you need a supreme God that made a supreme promise, and a supreme result will come. Amen. That's it. See?



### 60-1204E - The Patmos Vision

- 251 Amen! Cut every obstacle from
- human beings, that they might be
- connected like in the garden of Eden.
- Now, man...l was going to choke it, but
- l'm going to say it. Man is omnipotent.



You don't believe that, but he is. A man fully surrendered to God is omnipotent. Did not He say, in Mark 11:22, "Whatsoever things you say, and don't <u>doubt in your heart, it'll come to pass.</u> You can have what you've said"?





252 What happens when two omnipotents meet? When God and man comes together, two omnipotents, something's got to shake. Some -... Whatsoever you'd say with that creative power of omnipotence of God,



knowing that He's promised it, and He said it in His Word, it creates a power that goes out vonder and brings things to pass, things that is not, it makes, them as though they are, because two omnipotents have met. There He stands! Oh, isn't He wonderful!



### 62-0520 - Perseverance

- 42 You know, somehow faith finds a
- source that others don't know nothing
- about. No matter how much they try to
- say, "Don't go," they go anyhow (See?),
- 'cause faith finds its source. Others
- don't see it.



That's right. Now, she knowed His Word. And the Bible said in Hebrews the 4th chapter and the 12th verse, that, "the Word of God is sharper than a two-edged sword, cutting even to the-the asunder of the-the soul, and a discerner of the thoughts of the heart."



That's what the Word of God does. It discerns even the thoughts that's in your heart. Listen. Faith is the hand that can vield that Sword. No other hand <u>can do it, no ecclesiastical hand, no</u> organizational hand,



no group hands, no national hands. It takes the hand of faith to do it. And depends on how strong that hand is. You might cut enough away from you to see that you're—you're free from sin. Then if it's strong enough, you can cut into healing.



You can cut into anything that God promises. It's all out there. As He told Joshua, "Everywhere the soles of your foot sets, that's possession." Depends on how strong that hand of faith is that vields that Sword of God's Word.



<u>63-0714M - Why Cry? Speak!</u>

161 For, you see, faith sees what God

wants done. Oh, I hope this goes in.

Faith doesn't look at the present time.

Faith doesn't see this here. Faith looks

to see what God wants, and it works accordingly.



# That's what faith does. It sees what God wants, and what God wants done, and faith operates through that.



<u>162 Faith is a long-range vision. It don't</u> lower its sights. It holds to the target. Amen! Any good shooter knows that. See? That, it's long range. It's a—it's a telescope. It's a binocular, that you don't look around here.



# You don't use binoculars to look to see what time it is; see, you don't use that. But you use binoculars to look a way <u>off.</u>



<u>163 And faith does that. Faith picks up</u> <u>God's binoculars, both of them, both</u> <u>sides, the New and Old Testament, and</u> <u>sees every promise that He made.</u>



And faith sees it out vonder, and faith chooses that regardless of what the present tense says here. He looks at the end. He don't drop his sights down to look this a way. He looks out yonder.



<u>He keeps the crosshair dead center on</u> <u>the Word. That's what faith does.</u> <u>That's the faith that's in a man that</u> <u>does those things.</u>



### 59-1227E - A Super Sense

- 52 I would like to speak just for a short
- time upon the subject of "senses." We
- are taught that the natural man has five
- senses. And those five senses control
- his-his...Or give...



God gave him these five senses, to contact his earthly home. And those senses are known as: see, taste, feel, smell, hear. Those five senses, which are known to the natural man, and they are good. And we cannot operate, or live a normal life, when one of these senses fail to act.



Your sight, hearing, feeling, smelling, or tasting, we cannot be normal without them. There is something missing, some portion of life that we cannot contact, without that sense acting. And they're good. And they're useful. And they were given to us by God.



53 God gave those senses, but they're given to you as a gift. And it depends on how you, what you yield these senses to, will be the way that your life is controlled, the way you yield those five senses.



You're...What you see, what you hear, what you taste, smell, or feel. Whatever those senses are yielded to, they will dominate you.



54 And we are grateful to God that we have the five senses. But by no means was these five senses given, to you, to guide you. They were given to you for earthly contact. But there was given you the sixth sense, and, that sixth <u>sense,</u>



is belongs only to the Christian. And you cannot have this sixth sense until you become a Christian; is the only way that you can ever have any more than the five natural senses for the natural

person.



But, sixth sense is better known, to the Christian, as faith. It's the one that governs and guides you, and it is superior to all the other senses. It's a superior to all of the senses, the other,

five senses.



84 That super sense, it's super, above the senses. It's a greater sense. It's a faith. It's a power that stirs and drives. Amen. It's something that makes you do things that you never thought you would do. It's the sixth sense, the super

sense.



### 63-0113E - Perseverance

95 Faith finds this source that no one

can explain it. It's something that you

<u>know. Others can't see it, but faith sees</u>

it. Faith sees that, where the natural eye

<u>doesn't see it. But the inside eye sees</u>

that thing. Now, she had a need of

Jesus. She ha-...



96 First thing you have to do, if you're going to find Christ, you've got to know that you've got a need of Him. When you think that you just don't need Him, then you'll never find Him, 'cause you won't search Him diligently.



97 Did you notice that Scripture where it says, "Seek and ye shall find, knock and it'll be opened"? Actually, that's just not knock, like [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit once—Ed.], and it'll be opened.



He that's not just say, "Well, I went out, Lord. Here I am. You want me?" No, that's not it. "He that seeketh, he that knocketh," continuation. [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit several times.]



- It has to compare with the rest of the Scriptures.
- 98 Like the unjust judge and the
- widow. She constantly knocked on his
- door. She was persistent. If he turned
- her away today, tomorrow she was on his hands again.



<u>99 That's the way you want to get God.</u> Be on His hands, every morning, every night, every day, all the time, constantly. Just keep seeking, keep asking, keep knocking. Just don't knock a little while, and get tired and go away.



Just keep standing there, "Lord, I'm here, and I'm not going to leave. I'm on Your hands now. I'm going to stay right here. You getting tired listening? I'm having a great time knocking, 'cause I know You're coming." Amen.



<u>That's when something happens. He</u> <u>has to get you off of His hand, see, so</u> <u>He comes out to answer you. Now,</u> <u>faith finds this.</u>



# <u>100 His Word is a Sword. The Bible</u> <u>says, in Hebrews 4:12, that, "the Word</u> <u>of God is sharper than a two-edged</u> <u>sword."</u>



101 Now, there's only one thing can hold this Sword. That's the hand of faith. The hand of faith is the only thing that can yield this sword of faith, sword of the Word. Now, you might have a weak arm, just enough to pick it up for justification, you're so weak.



Maybe that's all you can cut through. But this sword of the Word will cut free every promise that God made in It, if they got a good strong arm of faith holding it there. "I believe God for my healing. I believe God for my baptism."



God made the promise, and faith holds this Sword, it'll cut her out of the Rock yonder. Every promise of God can be cut free, by the Word of God, for it is a Sword.

<u>any.</u>



## <u>She had many hindrances, but her faith</u> <u>didn't have any.</u>

# <u>102 You might have a lot of hindrances.</u> <u>Every person that starts out to meet</u> <u>Christ will find you got a lot of</u> <u>hindrances, but your faith don't have</u>



<u>Faith don't have no hindrance. Faith has</u>

hairs on his chest, great big muscles.

Reasons raise up and said, "You know,

it's reasonable."

103 Faith pulls his muscles back and

sticks out his big chest, and said,



"Shut up. Set down." And reason jumps over in a corner and takes his stool. Right. Faith has got muscles, and <u>he—he means what he says.</u> <u>104 That's what we need tonight.</u> That's what the Foursquare church needs. That's what the Pentecostal



group needs. That's what the whole world needs. That's what I need. That's what you need. And we ought to be ashamed to admit it, but we need a faith that will hold God's Word and say It's true. Meet the devil and say, "THUS SAITH THE LORD."



<u>105 I was reading the other day where</u> <u>a man said the devil got before him.</u> <u>And said, "He was just a little bitty old</u> <u>devil, and he said, 'Boo.'"</u>



106 Said, "I jumped back." And said, "He said, 'Boo.' I jumped back. Every time he'd holler, 'Boo,' and I'd jump back, he'd get bigger and I'd get littler." And said, "He kept saying, 'Boo." Said, <u>"I'd get smaller each time when I</u> jumped back, and he'd get bigger."



<u>107 Said, "I knowed I had to fight him,</u> after while." Said, "I looked around, thought, 'What?' I found the Word of <u>God." Said, "I rolled it in my hand. And</u> the devil said, 'Boo.' And I said, 'Boo,' back." And said, "When I said, 'Boo,' back,



# <u>every time I said, 'Boo,' he got smaller</u> and I got bigger." That's it. You've got to fight him, sooner or later.



108 You know, the people don't believe there's a devil. I run into him, all the time, uh-huh, head into him every day. Any other believer does. Yes, you got to fight him, sooner or later, so you might as well start right now.



# There's only one thing he's afraid of, is that Blood and that Word. Faith holds It. It's strong, marches on.



### 64-0206E - God's Provided Way For This

### <u>Day</u>

55 Come with a determination. Come that you're going to stay there till it's

over. Stay there till God answers and

vindicates. A man that believes in God,

can see the Presence of God,



feel the Presence of God, sense the Presence of God, and know He's here. He is here to answer everything that He made promise for in this day. Then, cry till you get it! Hold onto Him. Don't leave, if you have to stay day and night.



<u>God don't want His children to listen to</u> <u>intellectual speeches. He wants them to</u> <u>cry out to It, till the promise is</u> <u>vindicated.</u>



# <u> 61-0723M - The Ever-Present Water</u>

### From The Rock

<u>152 When you are saved, God gives</u> <u>you faith to rise from the muck of the</u> <u>earth. Your faith overcomes the things</u> <u>of the world. What is your faith?</u>



Your faith in that act that God has did in vou, to make you a son of God. You guit your lying, you quit your stealing, you <u>quit your drinking, because your faith</u> <u>rises you up above it. Amen. If you</u> don't do it, you don't have any faith.



"And by faith are you saved, and that

through grace."

153 As much as your faith will be

released, that's how much Power you

can have, because in you dwells the

Power to make Heavens and earth. God

dwells in you, and you are sons and

daughters of God.



Amen! There you are. But, it's your faith. Jesus said, "According to your faith, be it unto you. If thou canst believe, all things are possible. Verily, I say unto you, if you say unto this mountain, 'Be moved,' and don't doubt, but believe that what you have said."



### <u>63-0825E - Perfect Faith</u>

123 Notice now another. Perfect Faith

is a master of all circumstances. Perfect

Faith masters all circumstances. No

matter what it is, It masters it. Now,

just watch! When you believe anything,

<u>do anything,</u>



and you got faith in what you're doing; no matter what the circumstance is, that don't have one thing to do with it. See, it masters that circumstance. If it's in a—a room of sickness, and the Lord's revealed that this certain thing's going to happen,



you just speak it and go on. 124 "Oh, does the ...?" Just don't ask any questions. It's already over, just keep going. See? It masters all circumstances. "Well, if you do this, So-and-so's going to do..." That...you see, It already got it mastered. See?



# <u>125 Faith believes that God will work it</u> <u>out. "I don't know how He's going to</u> <u>do it, but He'll do it anyhow." See? It</u> <u>masters all circumstances.</u>



# DIVINE COMMUNICATION

#### COMMUNING WITH GOD



#### II CORINTHIANS 13:14

# 14 † <u>¶ The grace of the Lord Jesus</u>

### Christ, and the love of God, and the

# <u>communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you</u>

### <u>all. Amen.</u>



## <u>62-0204 — Communion</u>

- 46 May the Lord bless His Word. I want
- to, just for a few minutes, speak on:
- Communion. What does the word
- communion mean? Commune means
- "to talk." To have, to...Communion
- really means "to have fellowship, talk
- <u>with each</u>



<u>other.</u>" If you talk on the phone to someone, you carry a conversation there, you are communing one with another. And if we should come aside and stand back in the back of the building, any individual and the pastor, or any two people, they are communing one with the other.



<u>47 Now, you do not commune by</u> radio, because you cannot talk back, or television. But when...You can by telephone, because you are communing one to another, just isn't one side. It is...l cannot commune with you now, because



you do not talk back. So, therefore, it would not be coming to hear a minister deliver his message. That would not be, coming together, to communing. Communion would not be that...



If you come just to commune with the minister, you'd call him to one side, or any individual, and commune with him or she.



48 But to what we come into, communion, is for each of us as individuals to commune with Christ. That is communing. Then, communing is not altogether one doing the talking, us doing all the talking, but waiting and seeing what He says back to us.



49 Now, there's where, many times, <u>that we make our great mistakes, is, we</u> do all the talking and don't wait and give Him a chance to answer back. We go sometimes, say, "Lord, I would that You would do so-and-so and so-and-so, amen,"



and get up and leave. Now, that really isn't communing. That's going and asking a favor. But when you stay long enough until He answers back, that's when you're getting communion, <u>communing with the Lord.</u>



Now, and a great way to commune, is to be agreed, you must agree upon certain things. Now, and it's strange that sometimes when we get those things...



## <u>62-0204 — Communion</u>

<u>59 Commune is "to talk to, commune</u>

with, something that you can speak to

and it'll speak back to you." That's

<u>communing. A wafer cannot speak</u>

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.



60 "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.



61 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."



# <u>And God talks back to you,</u> <u>communion. And it's still bread and</u> <u>wine, that we call communion.</u>



# <u>58-1005M — Hear His Voice</u> 57 The prophets spoke of these days, that when, "They, for teaching, will teach the man's doctrine and not God's

Doctrine."



58 And we seen so much of that, and it's gone on so long, until, today, the Word of the Lord is a rare thing, that someone can come and say, "THUS SAITH THE LORD." Now, we've had a lot of impersonations of that.



Satan is really on the job. And many years gone by, people were afraid to say that unless it was the Lord. But, today, they just don't care. But it's a rare thing to hear the Voice of the Lord, and to find a person that can say, "The Lord spoke to me."



# You notice that amongst the people, anymore, that they hardly hear a time that when they say, "The Lord spoke to

<u>me."</u>



59 When, men and women used to pray all night, and their homes were set in order, by the Book of the Lord, and God was first in their home.



60 See, we got too many things ahead of the Lord. You can't have the prayer meeting, because Mr. Godfrey is on tonight. You can't have the prayer meeting, because We Love Sucy is on tonight. Or, some kind of a foolish nonsense like that, that takes up the time, and we



don't have time to hear the Voice of the Lord. And those who do claim to be Christians, just kneel down, of the little prayer like this, kind of homemade, "Lord, bless me and my family, and take care of us. Good night."



And the next morning, rise and say, "Just guide us through the day. Good day."



61 We should wait on the Lord. You see, we do all the talking. We don't give Him a chance to talk back to us. That, if we would pray, and pray until our soul comes into the Presence of God, and then just relax and listen to His Voice.



62 But there's so many voices, today, that takes the Voice of the Lord away from us. There's the voice of pleasure. So many people are listening to that, where they can go and have a good time. And many of them are professing to be Christians. Some kind of an old



rock-and-roll coming up, they just can't listen to what godly. They say, "Well, <u>I'm a Christian, I ought to read a verse</u> in the Bible today. Yeah, 'Jesus wept.'" That's it. Go ahead. But then to really get down and pray, they got too many other

## things to do. There's so many voices in

the world, so many things to attract our

attention from God.



63 And 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 man. 64 And the Bible says, "It's an abomination in the sight of God, for a woman to wear it."



65 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?" 66 She said, "You remember, I never got in until six o'clock this morning." And she wasn't

over



twelve years old.

- 67 Now, Jesus, at twelve, which was our
- example, said, "Don't you know I
- should be about My Father's business?"



68 No wonder the Voice of God is a rare thing today. It's smothered out, by so <u>many different voices, so many things</u> that dim and take away. It's got to a place until it dulls our senses, until we can't hear the Voice of God.



Our senses, of where we ought to shake ourself, and realize that you are men and women, and you are the creation of God, and you were put here to serve Him. But Satan's voice and false prophets, "Oh, be modern!"



69 As I was speaking a few days ago, I was coming to church, and I turned my radio on. And I heard a program out of Louisville, that said that they were teaching their children, in churches, to just drink moderately. Making them modern, so that they won't go to the

excess.



70 Oh, they need to teach them Christ, not drinking. And that will wreck and ruin and damn any home. How could the Voice of God speak among a family that's half soused with whiskey, and their minds paralyzed with smoking and drinking, and all-night-long carousing?



71 Men that waits upon God, comes into His Presence. And to come into the Presence of God is just like going out early of a morning, when the dew and the honeysuckles are all sweet. When <u>you come in the presence of a person</u> like that, you know they have been with God.



72 My wife said to me, coming down, this morning. She said, "Billy, I don't mean to say this to flower at anybody. But," she said, "last night," I believe, or one of the nights, she said, "I set by one of the little Amish women, and a little lady with a little cap on her head."



She said, "And you could tell that woman had been with Jesus, for she was sweet. Her soul was mellow. Her eyes were clear." There's not no sin or nothing to hide behind, or anything. She had been in the Presence of God. Her senses wasn't dull, by whiskey and tobacco, and



all kinds of things of the world. She was refreshed from the Presence of God, reading her Bible, studying God's Word. 73 But, we modern Americans, what we do! And the false prophets behind the pulpit say that's all right. I'm kind of in the notion of saying



this. If I'm wrong, God forgive me. I'm persuaded that a lot of them don't know God. And the congregation will never live any higher than its pastor. No wonder the Scripture says,



"These shepherds, how they have scattered the flock! Woe unto them. They are the branches that bears not fruit, which will be plucked off and burned."



74 So many things to dull the senses of the people today! Oh! But in the midst of all that, in spite of every dulling and every voice that's in the world today! Some of them, pleasure voices. Some of them are—are sinful voices, to lure the people.



But in the spite of every bit of that, the Truth of God still remains, "He that will hear My Voice and come after Me!" Men and women who will hear the Voice of God: God still waits to speak to every individual that will open their ears to hear God's Voice.



75 If a man, who he is, and pastor...Many times, people say, <u>"Couldn't you do this? Couldn't you run</u> over here? Couldn't you do this?" Oh, I love to do it. But I've got to stay in the Presence of God if I'm going to do the thing right.



Then people say, "Oh, Brother Branham is one of these isolationist." That's not it. I love people, but there's just thousands of them. But I must stay with Him, to find out what He'd have <u>me tell them.</u>



# <u>Somewhere, just listen, He'll have</u> <u>something for you, that He wants you</u>

<u>to know about.</u>



<u>76 Pastor, don't vou never get too busy</u> but what you can stay in the Presence and listen for His Voice. God always keeps His Word. And no matter how bad the times may be, how much your church may teach against it,



Jesus Christ is still willing to speak that still small Voice to anybody that will listen for Him. He is still ready to do it, if we just quieten ourself.



77 But we run in, flustrated, and say, "Say, pastor, could I join this church?" "What church do you come from?" "So-and-so." "Well, bring us your letter." Oh, my! "Could I join this church?"



78 "Oh, yes. Come forth, and we'll sprinkle you a little bit, with water, and put your name on the book. And you get the right hand of fellowship."



79 Well, the Masonic Lodge has got a better order than that. It's true. The Masonic Lodge and all other lodges are all right, but it still isn't the house of God. There's where God speaks. Those lodges try to make you moral, but God makes



you righteous through Jesus Christ, His Son. Now, there's a code of ethics to it; God has a new Birth for you.



80 But listen to His still small Voice. Every one of you people who profess to be Christians, get vourself quiet before Him. Don't let the washing hinder. Don't let the work hinder. Don't let nothing hinder.



Don't let nobody know what you're doing. Just go before Him. Get up in the woods somewhere. Get out on the side of the road. Go into the secret closet and close the door. When the kids gets at school, there get down on your knees.



## You've heard all kinds of voices

everywhere, but just get down and stay

there until those voices are silenced

and you begin to lift up. It'll change

you. It'll make you different, like It did

<u>this little Samuel.</u>



It'll do something to you if you'll just do it. Now, It'll make you what you should be. It'll make you the kind of Christian that you ought to be.



<u>81 Now let's us go back off of this</u> modern day, until a day that's past. Let's go back to the days of the early times. And this Voice of God has come to men in all walks of life, in all ages. No matter if you're a farmer, if you're a shoe cobbler,



whatever you may be, God still speaks. <u>If you're a sinner, if you're a prostitute,</u> harlot, if you're a drunkard, if you are (what?) a local church member, nominal—nominal, whatever you might be, the Voice of God still waits to speak to you.



82 I'm thinking now of Moses, when he was already eighty years old, and had eighty years of theological training. And he knew the Scriptures; he knew Them well. And he had a promise to him, that he was going to be the deliverer of his people.



But, yet, just knowing the Scriptures and being a-a formal church member of that modern church in that day, he took the thing over in his own hands and tried to do it. He slew an Egyptian. You see what you do without listening to God? You just mess it up.



83 And when the devil, this morning, would say, "Don't you be baptized." Another would say, "Oh, do it later." One would say, "You better be sure you know what you're doing." And the other one say,



"You're going to lose a good time." The only way to settle that, is go to God's Word with it. But people, today, don't seem to want to do that. 84 And, Moses, he had been to the best of the rabbis, but they had got



formal and cold. He had heard the story his mother told him, how that he was hid in the bulrushes, and how that the big alligators couldn't get a hold of him. How that, floating down that stream, was that little baby. Where the...



85 The old alligators were just fat. (This is for the little children.) They were fat, from eating them little babies. They had old hook-nose women, police women, never did have a baby, didn't know how the love of a baby was. Why, they just go out there and take and kill them



little babies, and throw them out in the river. Them old alligators was just fat, on them little babies. 86 And, yet, God put upon the mother's heart to place her baby right in death. Don't you see it was a type of Christ?



He went right into death. And every one of them old alligators would come up to that little bitty basket going down the river. You know why they couldn't do it, why they couldn't eat that little baby? There was an Angel setting there. "Get away from here."



87 Why? God gives His Angels charge to watch over His people. Don't you get scared, honey. God is watching you. The devil may try to do something to you, but God is greater. See? So, alligators have to run away from that little basket.



88 And, yet, Moses knew all these things. And, yet, after forty years of training, and then in the wilderness, he still tried to take the thing over, in his hands.

89 We know the Bible, what God says to do, and yet we say, "Well, now, we'll make This be this way.



It's, just, the days of miracles are not so anymore. We know we don't believe we see them anymore, and we believe the days of miracles is past. And the sprinkling is just as good as immersing. And 'Father, Son, and Holy Spirit' is just as good as the Name of the Lord Jesus.



And so we'll just...The rest of them is going that way, so we'll just do that, too."

90 Moses had been a military man. And he thought that the way that he was trained, as being a military man, that he could just kill them Egyptians off with his hand. "Be just as good



as doing what God did." Did you ever think of it? Everybody condemns Moses for killing one man. And he come back down there with anointing of the Holy Ghost and killed the whole thing, nobody said nothing about it.



# He slew all of Pharaoh's army, but God was in it. God wasn't in the first one.



91 And then Moses, just chucked full of church theology, he was to be the next pharaoh. And we find him, still not knowing God.



92 But one morning, on the backside of the desert, an old man of eighty years old, his whiskers hanging way down low, he seen a burning bush. And he turned aside to see what was going on. And when he got near the bush, he heard a Voice.



God had to quieten him for forty years, before He could ever speak to him. And we won't stay quiet ten minutes, so God can speak to us, with all the rumble and bumble we have of this day.



<u>93 And vet, Moses, after forty years,</u> stood there, and in the Presence of that bush. And that one Voice that called him, he knew more about God in five minutes, after that, than all the eighty years of training had taught him. It made a different man out of him.



94 It'll make a different man and woman out of you, if you'll just stand still long enough to hear His Voice, like Samuel did. Stand still. Don't be excited. If you want something of God, ask Him; then stand still and listen,



see what He's going to say about it. Just open up your heart, say, "What about it, Lord Jesus?" Just stay there. If <u>He doesn't answer the first five hours,</u> then wait another. If He doesn't answer today, then He'll answer tomorrow.



# If He doesn't answer this week, He will next week. Stay there till He answers.



95 Hear His Voice speak back, in your heart, and say, "Yes, I'm the Lord that healeth thee." Then it's all over. You can settle then. See? "I'm the Lord Who forgives all thy sins. Now go and sin no more. I don't condemn you."



<u>Then you can go free. You're all right.</u> <u>But you want to be sure that you heard</u> <u>that Voice speak. Moses heard It. He</u> <u>was a changed man.</u>



96 Look at Isaiah, the prophet. As a young man, he had it made. The great favored King Uzziah, in them days, a righteous man, a good man. He loved Isaiah, for he knew he was a prophet. And so he just leaned upon the king's arm. Everything he wanted, why, Uzziah give it to him.



- And every time he wanted anything, why, the good king would give it to him. But there come a time that the king died. 97 Prosperity always ruins people. That's a hard thing to say. But prosperity takes a man away from God.
- God spoke one place, in the



Bible, something on this line, and He said, "When I blessed you, and gave you much. When you were poor and you didn't have nothing, I come to you, and you heard Me and you served Me. But when I blessed you and give you plenty, then you turned your head from



- Me." That's what America has done, turned their heads.
- 98 That's what the churches done. You
- can sit out on the corners, and have the
- great fine buildings, and the millions of
- dollars per...placed into it, and
- everything just as easy as it could be.
- No wonder you haven't



got time to hear God's Voice. But wait till the hour comes when that's took away, then you'll long to hear It. Everything is fine now, but the hour is coming when it won't be that way. 99 So, Isaiah, he could lean upon the king's arm. And he was a young



man of favor, and fine spirit in this young man, so the king loved him. And one day, the props was knocked out from under him. The king died. And when the king died, then Isaiah had to go alone. And then he begin to look around, and he found out that everybody wasn't



like the king. 100 You'll be kicked out, some of these days, from these interdenominationals like this. It'll come a time when you'll have to belong to an organization, or you can't worship. As you know, the Scripture says it will be. They just



make fun of you now. But there be a time where there be a boycott, for the mark of the beast must come. You'll either belong to the confederation of the churches, the beast like it is in Rome, or you won't worship at all. That's what the Scripture says. That's when



you'll have to cry out like Isaiah did. 101 And he got down in the temple, and he realized then. He raised his hands and he said, "O Lord, I am a man of unclean lips." You think you're good, but wait till that time comes. "I dwell among peoples of unclean lips." What did he? Got desperate.



<u>102 And when you get desperate about</u> this thing, something will take place. You're not desperate enough. "Oh, well, I joined church. That settles it." But you have to be desperate about it. You have to really need God.



### <u> 58-1005M — Hear His Voice</u>

<u>131 lf you say, "Oh, it might be just my</u>

conscience telling me that."

<u>132 If you're a child of God, you'll know</u>

it's His Voice. "My sheep hear My Voice.

<u>My sheep hear My Voice." They'll know.</u>



148 When you enter into the place where the doubts have passed away, then you'll be free, and you can hear the Voice of God speaking. "Child of Mine, I am your Saviour. Child of Mine, I am your healer. You don't have to do these things.



<u>I died that you might be free. But as</u> long as you're down here in this vibration, mixed up with all kinds of voices, just whirl away from all of them."



171 He said, "I am the Vine, ye are the branches." And if that's the Doctrine of the branch, first branch, the second branch has to have the same Doctrine. <u>And the same Doctrine will produce the</u> <u>same results.</u>



And as each branch comes on the Vine, it'll produce the same thing. I'm glad, this morning, I'm so glad that I know that the Spirit of the living God still talks and speaks to people, and <u>confirms His Word.</u>



### THE VOICE OF



253
JOHN 10:27
27 † ¶ My sheep hear my voice, and I
know them, and they follow me.



### HEBREWS 4:7

7 † <u>¶ again, he limiteth a certain day,</u> saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said,

<u>To day if ye will hear his voice, Harden not</u>

<u>your hearts.</u>



<u>63-0122 — Remembering The Lord</u> <u>30 But I've wondered many times if,</u> that word, we use it just right, communion. Now, commune means "to talk to," see, "to commune with." And I wonder if really, when we meet together like this in Heavenly places,



if that isn't communion, that we are communing with God, talking to Him. 31 And, then, if we just set still and let Him answer us back! Many things, and the one of the horrible things that I do, I try to do all the talking,



and—and not set still long enough for Him to answer me back. We do that so many times in prayer. I think if we would get off of our heart what's in it, and express ourself to the Lord Jesus, and then just kneel, and just be still a while and—



### and just see what He would say back to

#### us. See?



32 And sometimes I've did that, and my whole opinion was changed, you see. I'd go ask Him something, "Now, Lord, these people, really, they got something. I-I believe they want me over there." And I'd just start praying, and first thing you know,



<u>I-I'm just satisfied that that's the</u> Lord's will; but, after I pray, if I just—just linger a little while, see, then it's changed, altogether, sometimes, sent somewhere else. Just commune with the Lord.



# <u>Oh, what glorious fellowship, just to</u> <u>get down and talk, and commune, and</u> <u>wait for Him to talk back.</u>



33 And to think of what a great Person that is you're talking to, the Creator <u>Himself, and communing with Him Who</u> put your life in this volcanic ash that <u>you're living in.</u>



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.



<u>34 And what a wonderful thing to</u> <u>commune with Him upon the basis of</u> His promises, then hear Him commune back to you, and say, "It's all well." My, that—that really expresses it right. We don't have to look to any creed.



We don't have to look to-to any dogmas. Only thing we have to do is just know that He witnesses back His Word, that it's settled, and that's all of it. Then the burden rolls away

# <u>63-0120M — The Voice Of God In This</u>

### <u>Last Days</u>

49 I'm trying to get to a point here to tell you something, what I—I believe. <u>The Voice is rare, the Voice of God.</u>

### <u>63-0120M — The Voice Of God In This</u>

### <u>Last Days</u>

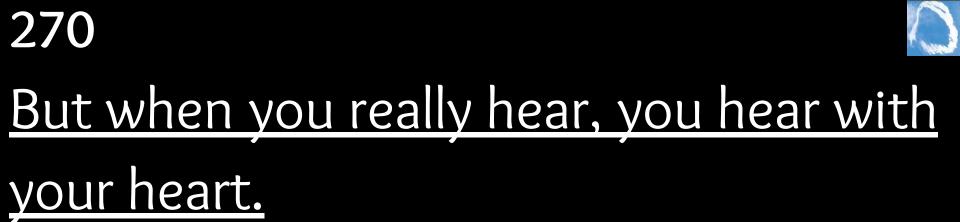
86 Moses heard the Voice of God. He was full of theology. He knowed all the in's and out's, but it failed. He heard the Voice of God, Moses was never the same.



87 And no man is never the same. You might hear in your ears the—the Voice speaking, but when you hear in your heart, the Voice speaking, see, then you're hearing. You do not see with your eye. You look with your eye, you see with your heart.



You see something, say, "I just don't see it," you mean you don't understand it. You do not hear with your ears, you hear with your heart. Many times your ears hears the true Voice of God, and It falls off of you like water off of a duck's back.





# <u>63-0120M — The Voice Of God In This</u>

### <u>Last Days</u>

105 Closing, I might say this. <u>There was</u> <u>a man one time who was a believer. He</u> had been dead four days. He was in the grave, stinking, rotten, but he heard the Voice of God speak, "Lazarus, come forth!"



And if It brought a man forth after being dead and rotten, what ought It to do to a church that still has life in it? It ought to resurrect them, in the mess of all of these voices that we've talked about, religious, politics, Hollywood, all the false



prophecies and things that's gone out. In the midst of all of it, the true Voice of God will call a man, that's dead in sin and trespasses, to life again. It ought to take a backslidden church and call it to life again. Sure!



106 Remember, in closing, I say this, and then I'll close. Jesus said, "The time would come, when all that was in the grave would hear the Voice of God." And you're going to hear It. No matter what condition you're in, you're going to hear It anyhow.



And some of them that come out of the grave, will come to condemnation. They hear the Voice, but It's condemning. And if you hear It today, "Today, after so long a time, when you hear My Voice, harden not your hearts, as you did in the days of provocation."



And if you, Pentecostal people grouping yourself out in creeds again, in worldliness, "having a form of godliness and denying the Power thereof," before you have to rise in the resurrection to be condemned,



because the Voice of God that speaks to you now through the Word will condemn you in that day. 107 If you're just a lukewarm believer, the Voice of God cries in your heart this morning, "You are a lukewarm believer," you'd better repent!



108 You men, women, boys or girl, that's not living for Christ, and the Voice of God speaks to you through His Word and says "stop doing that," you better do it. Because you're going to hear It again one day, and It'll condemn you. You can't deny It,



## <u>It's speaking to you now. And,</u> <u>remember, it's recorded.</u>



# <u>109 And those who does right and</u> <u>hears His Voice, will rise to</u> <u>righteousness, to Glory, to Heaven.</u>



110 So you're going to hear the Voice of God some time. Maybe faintly this morning It speaks in your heart, that you should turn from the way that you're going, turn back to God. Now, remember, they'll record that Voice that's speaking to your heart, in Heaven.



And someday when Jesus does call, and all that's in the grave, all, right and wrong, will rise. And then this very same Voice will whisper right back to you, "In Phoenix, Arizona, on a certain Sunday morning, when the minister held you so long,



speaking on the Voice, I spoke to you; told you women to let your hair grow out, quit dressing immorally; told you men to quit that lying, smoking; told you preachers to turn back to the Word of God." See what I mean?



That's right. That still Voice say, "It could be right." <u>111 If I had to come like Nicodemus, I'd</u> still try to get there. I'd come to Him, and go out here in the desert somewhere, and say, "Lord God, here I am, change me now.



Mold me in Your fashion." Come back to the Word. Somewhere where you see you're leaving off in the Word, <u>come right back to that, because a</u> chain is its strongest at its weakest link.



And anywhere in your life that you've left the commandment of God off, to serve a tradition, there's where your chain will break no matter how firm you are on the other things. Hold to God's unchanging hand



<u>63-0601 — Come, Follow Me</u> <u>120 That Voice is still alive tonight. And</u> there is still posts, outposts, listening posts, receiving stations, of faith, that can accept It. We pray that each one of these children will receive That, Lord, in their hearts.



And remember that, not what they do to be good, but they...God does not judge us by what we do, but by what we have accepted. We are saved by our faith, and not in our works.



## <u>So we pray, Heavenly Father, that they'll</u> <u>catch the vision now, and see and hear</u> <u>that great Eternal invitation, of "Come,</u> <u>follow Me."</u>



### <u>58-1005M — Hear His Voice</u>

- 115 And if He was delayed twenty-one
- days because of the evil of that land, in
- the days of Persia, what would He be in
- this day? How long could He be
- delayed?



But that undying faith, that hunger and desire in the human heart, that won't say no to God, but will hold on till God speaks from Heaven. You can't play with this, with this Gospel. It's not to be played with.



<u>It must hit the tack, ten times out of</u> <u>ten. It's got to be perfect, or it isn't</u> <u>right and it won't work. It's got to be</u> <u>perfect. Daniel prayed.</u>



## <u>63-0714M — Why Cry? Speak!</u>

43 God has got a purpose of you being

here. See? If you can only be, get to

that place, how much trouble you save

God and yourself, too.



44 Moses borned, and then he was, afterwards, he was brought to the-the place where he was anointed. And, notice, the seed laying there with an intellectual conception, with all the faith that he was born to deliver this people, and <u>yet it never come to Life</u> until that Light from



the burning bush flashed across it; until he seen, not something he read about, but something he seen with his eyes; Something that spoke to him, and he spoke back to It. Oh, how that did bring things to Life!



45 I think any man with a...or woman, boy or girl. And I think, in a intellectual conception of what they think the Word is, and so forth, never can have a full foundation stand until they have <u>met that Light that brings that Word to</u> <u>a reality.</u>



<u>46 I think no church in its practice, no</u> matter how intellectual and fundamental it might be, that church cannot thrive until the Supernatural is made known among that people, and <u>they see it.</u>



## Something that they can talk to, that will talk back to them, that a vindicates this written Word.



52 And now, and may I just add this if it...God forgive me if it sounds sacrilegious. "I do not work upon the earth, only through man. I-I-I am the Vine; ve are the branches. And I only declare Myself when I can find a man.



And I have chose you, and I'm sending you down to take them out." See? Now notice, "I'll be with your mouth, and I...you take this rod."



## <u>62-0422 — The Restoration Of The</u>

### <u>Bride Tree</u>

<u>415 But what? He was God's perfect</u> <u>Prophet Tree, the example Tree, the</u> <u>Bridegroom Tree. Amen. Glory! I'm</u> <u>going to say something directly: If He is</u>

<u>the Bridegroom Tree (Do you</u>



believe it? From the garden of Eden?), 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 borned 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. <u>"The works that I do shall you also." Is</u> that right? He was the Bridegroom, <u>remember.</u>



416 You say, "That ain't Scriptural." Oh, it is. I caught that now. See? We're fixing to have a healing meeting in a minute. I caught that. He was.



417 You want proof of it? He said, "I am the Vine, ve are the branches." Saint John saying it: "I am the Vine, you are the branches; you bear the fruit." See? And the male tree and the female tree produces the pollen, one to the



## other, brings the fruit. And the branch and the vine does the same thing. See? That's exactly right.



<u>64-0313 — The Voice Of The Sign</u> 202 And what does that do then? There has to be human flesh, on earth, to speak His Voice. "I am the Vine, you are the branches." There is no way of getting around it, friends. It's just Scripture. It's the Truth. You ministers believe that, back there?



62-0120 — The Unchangeable God Working In An Unexpectable Way 261 Well, now, He has no hands on earth but mine and yours. His voice on <u>earth is ours; our voice is given to Him.</u> That's why we preach the Gospel. We <u>believe it's not us.</u>



We're inspired to preach those things, the Holy Spirit speaking through us. <u>See? We don't believe it's we can do</u> that. Certainly not. I know I couldn't. <u>And—and we—we know that it's the</u> inspiration of the Holy Spirit.



### <u>63-0628E — A Greater Than Solomon Is</u>

### <u>Here</u>

235 Now, Christ's Life live in you, then if that first Life that come out of that branch...Now He has no hands now but vours and mine. He has no voice but mine and yours.



See, the vine doesn't bear fruit. The branch bears fruit. And if the branch that bore in the first limb that come out of that grape vine, as I said, they wrote a Book of Acts behind it. If it ever puts forth another original vine, you'll write another Book of



## Acts behind it. It'll be the same Spirit, 'cause it's the same Life in the entire vine. Every branch that bears will be There.



# PERSONAL CONTRACT



### <u>62-0608 — Perseverance</u>

88 I think if minister brethren today

would just not take it from a

intellectual standpoint, but would find

them a place on the backside of the

desert on those sacred sands, where

Satan cannot place his dirty



feet of unbelief, and stay there until a message comes from God and position you, places you in the ministry, then all the devils out of torment could not shake you from it, you know you're called.



89 I think each Christian ought to do that, before you come out and confess the Holy Ghost, confess that you have the baptism, there ought to be such a personal contact with God until all the intellectuals in the world couldn't explain it from you.



You know, you been there, you've had the witness, you know it's so. 90 That's a requirement. Jesus told the disciples, "You wait, you know the intellectual part, you know the Word, but you wait up there at the city of Jerusalem,



## <u>until you're endued with Power from on</u> <u>High." Then they knew.</u>



<u>63-0127 — An Absolute</u>

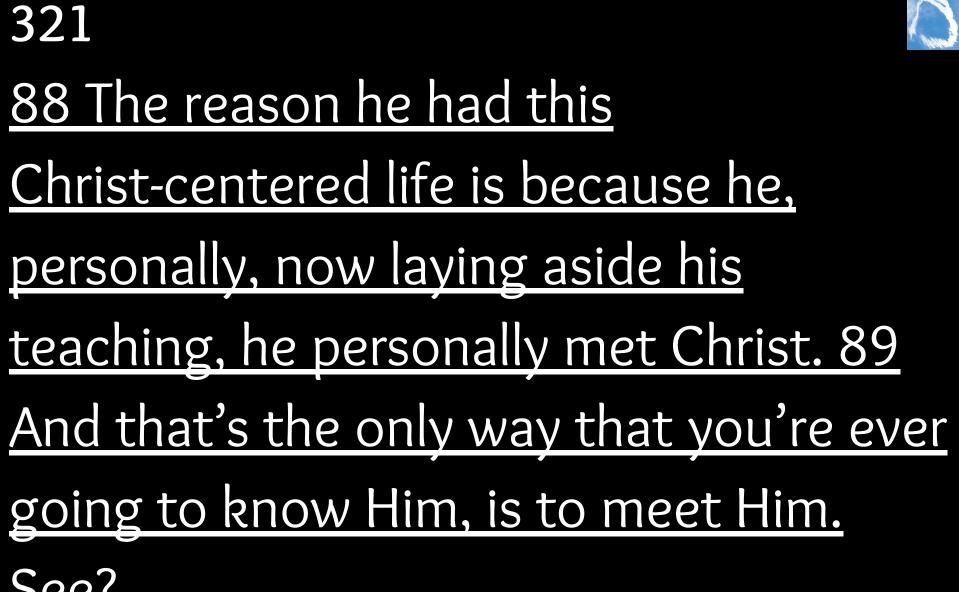
86 And now, Paul had met Jesus one

day. Met the...Met Him, face to face, on

the Damascus road when he was going down to persecute the Christians.



87 A—a great brawler giving out great threats, and doing things against the Church of God, making havoc of It, even persecuting It unto death. And one day on the road down...



See?



## Now, "To know Him is Life," not even know His Word, as good as It may be. Yet, you've got to know Him. "To know Him is Life."



90 And Paul had not had this experience yet. And he said, one place here, "The life that I now live..." Showed that he had lived a different life, one time. His life had been changed. <u>91 And</u> when your life is changed, it makes you <u>do</u>



things you ordinarily would not do. And, it makes you say things you wouldn't ordinarily say, a man that's got a Christ-centered life.



<u>92 Why, Paul stood right in the midst</u> of the people, those Jews, and so forth. <u>He was...one speck of fear about him.</u> He knowed Who he had believed. And <u>he-he had a-a life that he would by no</u> means have did it, if he hadn't have found



<u>something that was genuinely and had</u> <u>anchored him.</u>

93 I think, any Christian should be that way, every believer. You should never...l think, especially, ministers should never try to enter the pulpit until they have met God upon those



sacred sands where there's no philosopher can explain It away. You met God, and you know it, and there's nothing can ever hide It away from you. 94 Now, we have times that we have great scholarship, and nothing



against that. That's all right. But, all that goes good. But you, personally, have got to meet God, to a place that no one can twist any Scriptures. You were there. You, you're the one that met Him. You had the experience of it. You know Him. See?



95 I think, every minister, especially, and every believer, should—should take this place, this position, to first meet Christ, PERSONALLY. And it makes you do things, as—as I said, that you ordinarily would not do.



It makes you say things that you ordinarily would not say. Yet, It is <u>something that you're centered to, or</u> tied to. It's something that you know, <u>like Paul, that you—you met something</u> that was different than that you ever seen in your life. See?



63-0714M — Why Cry? Speak! 64 Now, though his mother had told him these things, and he knowed this, vet he needed another touch. The-the teaching was fine, but he needed a personal contact.



<u>65 That's what the world needs today.</u> That's what the church needs today. <u>That's what everyone needs, that's sons</u> and daughters of God. In order to be that, you need a personal contact, see, Something. No matter, you know the <u>Word is</u>



true, you know It's right; but then when it contacts, and then you see the thing done, then you know you're on the right road. See? And, watch, it'll always be Scriptural. It'll stand right with the Scripture, 'cause this did.



## <u>63-0802 — Perseverant</u>

75 But the man and woman who has

faith that God, that Christ, is the same

yesterday, today, and forever, that His

Word is just as real now, and every

<u>promise just as true as it ever was,</u>

<u>there is no minister,</u>



nobody, nobody can explain it away from them. They are perseverant. They climb on until they achieve what they've purposed to do. There is no way to explain it away from them. They believe it.



76 Moses, he did the same thing, he-he had forgotten the vision and the feeling of the people. But when he met God in that burning bush, and he seen that that was God's Word! See, Moses

had just come up under good teaching,

his mother,



and had been taught the way of God. But when he got up there and met this Person that his mother had taught him about! You see what I mean?



77 Many people take the Bible and understand It, intellectually perfect, but, that's—that's not it. That's not what we're talking about. No matter how well you can explain It, you've got to meet the AUTHOR OF IT PERSONALLY.



Then is what brings faith, for the Author lives in you after you are born of Him. 78 Moses met the Author, "I AM, the <u>God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and</u> <u>of—of Jacob. And I remember My</u> promises, and I've come to send you." Amen.



<u>"I'm sending you to deliver them." 79</u> And notice when he performed his first sign, and it seemed like it failed, because he had a lot of impersonators. The Egyptians could do the same thing <u>that he did.</u>



But, you see, Moses, after he had met God in the burning bush and knowed that He was God, it didn't make any difference how many more impersonated it and what kind of a character they was that did it, Moses knew that his was genuine,



## <u>that it come from God. He just stood</u> <u>still, in the face of Pharaoh, and then his</u> <u>snake eat up the rest of them.</u>



80 That's the way people do today. They maybe...If they're not sure, if they're worked up on some emotion, and they see somebody else get off on the deep end of something, and go on, then they think, "Well, maybe mine..."



81 But—but that man who really meets God, and knows it, he knows what happened. It, it's God! Certainly. No one could explain it away from him.



# THE STILL, SMALL





<u>62-0121M — And Thy Seed Shall</u> **Possess The Gate Of His Enemy** 92 Think of it, a Pentecostal church that's supposed to stand for the Word of God! That's where your organization takes you to. Right. They fail to hear that still small



<u>Voice of the Word, that calls them to</u> the truth. They're all listening for rushing mighty winds, and lot of shouting and dancing, saving they got power. That's all right. I believe in that, too. But, brother, when you can dance and shout, and then turn



around and deny the Word of God, and live like the world, there is something wrong somewhere. Right. <u>93 The Spirit of God comes down, that</u> still small Voice, and directs you right straight to Calvary, where we



are dead, and our life is hid in God through Christ, and sealed by the Holy <u>Chost. Then, that Word alone lives</u> there. "Then if ye abide in Me, and My Word in you, ask what you will and it'll <u>be given to you." There's the difference.</u>



<u>99 There is where we see the defeat of</u> the Pentecostal movement, because they get away from the Word. The Word will say one thing; they'll try to make that organization come in there somewhere. And they'll walk right away from that



Word, and take it right in with the organization. And you see where it's gone to? It's almost like the rest the churches. But then we dance and shout, and speak in tongues, and jump <u>up-and-down, them is all right.</u>



<u>Their organization is all right. I hope I</u> <u>made myself clear. But the thing is, that</u> <u>still small Voice of the Word speaking</u> <u>forth. That's it.</u>



## <u>58-1005M — Hear His Voice</u>

- 146 This morning might be the time
- that you make up your mind, whether
- you're going to listen to what the
- television says, or what the paper says,
- or what the theologians say, or what

<u>God says.</u>



# Let me tell you, as a people. Don't you listen to what anything says, but what God says. Wait on that still, small Voice, and He will change you.



147 You say, "I like to believe, Brother Branham. I wish I could believe. I wish I <u>could do certain things." But you can't.</u> Why? You don't get quiet long enough. You don't get into a place to where the-the doubts are all gone.



148 When you enter into the place where the doubts have passed away, then you'll be free, and you can hear the Voice of God speaking. "Child of Mine, I am your Saviour. Child of Mine, I am your healer. You don't have to do these things.



I died that you might be free. But as long as you're down here in this vibration, mixed up with all kinds of voices, just whirl away from all of them."



## <u> 58-1005M — Hear His Voice</u>

- 161 Would there be some here this
- morning, which I know there is, that
- would say, "Lord God, be merciful to
- me. Although I have joined church, I've
- made a confession, but I–I don't know
- what it is to get



quiet before You, and hear Your Voice leading me and teaching me. I wouldn't know what to do if You should speak to me in an audible Voice. I would love to know You, so that You could speak to me and direct my paths"?



Would you raise your hands just now and say, "God, be merciful"? The Lord bless you, everywhere, hands everywhere. Just continue putting them up. That's right. "Lord, be merciful unto me. I need You so much."



Would there be some more just before closing? God sees your hands back there, lady, and all you way in the back, and standing in the rows and so forth. God sees you, even to the platform, up around here. And Samuel said, "Eli, did you call me?"



# Eli said, "No, my son, I never called you."

<u>162 That wasn't me that spoke to your</u> heart, friend. That was God. Just speak back and say, "Thy servant heareth. And take me into Your care, today, God. Let me, from this day, be wholly Thine."



163 Eternal God, lover of the soul, Creator of all things, while that still small Voice of God that spoke to Samuel, that spoke to Saul, that spoke to Peter, that spoke to Daniel, and Isaiah the prophet, and all down through the ages, has spoke again this morning in the tabernacle.



Perhaps maybe thirty, or forty, or maybe fifty hands, of sinners and church members, and people with flusterations, raised their hands. Many of them were here last night, and they heard Your Voice come audible.



And now, this morning, that same Voice speaks down deep in their heart. They've raised their hands, with their hands towards Heaven, saying that they are wrong, and they want to be right.



# <u> 58-1005M — Hear His Voice</u>

179 And now, friends, now, you that's

<u>here this morning, you never been</u>

baptized that way, may God's still small

Voice speak down deep in your soul.



# <u>And regardless of what bishop, what</u> <u>church, what anything else says, come</u> <u>and obey the Lord, is my command to</u>

you.



## <u> 59-0412E — What Hearest Thou,</u>

<u>Elijah?</u>

28 It all looks bad when we think of the

Lord God of heaven what He's a doing,

giving great miracles and signs, and

then the people don't listen to it. They'll

go and say, "Oh, I saw it once.



<u>Oh, I been in Brother Branham's</u> <u>meeting; I saw discernment. I was in</u> Oral Roberts' meeting I saw him tell how many was in the audience should come, and didn't do it, and so forth, and how he told them what would happen.



<u>I seen all of that. I've been to the</u> Pentecostals, and heard the rushing wind, and the-the speaking. I heard all of that." That's right. But what was behind it? There's where you fail, to not listen to the still small Voice of God to <u>call you.</u>



There's where the trouble lays, is in that, certainly. The world can mimic and—and out entertain. The church is not an entertainment. It's not supposed to entertain. It's supposed to preach a new birth that makes a new creature in <u>Christ.</u>



But the world is looking for

entertainment, some social parties, or

<u>some fantastic of some sort.</u>

29 Now, I want you to notice what

taken place. It isn't always the noisy

things that's great things. It's not the

<u>noisy things. A wagon can go out in the</u> <u>field; when it's unloaded it'll</u>



bump, and rattle, and make a lot of noise, can come right back over them same bumps loaded with good things, and won't even make a squeak. Why? It's loaded. What the church needs tonight is to be loaded, filled with the love of God.



The sun can draw a million gallons of water with less noise than we can pump a glass full out of a pump. That's right. The-the heavens can sprinkle dew all over the earth with less noise than you can sprinkle your front lawn. Certainly. Did you ever hear the planets turning?



Great things are quiet things. Watch the Holy Spirit when It comes in tonight, how quiet It gets everything. But we're after sensations, running after little things, failing to hear that

<u>Voice.</u>



<u>32 Listen, brother, you might have a lot</u> of noise, but I wonder how much spirit's behind it, is what I'm a wondering. It isn't noise that makes <u>spirit. I've seen people that could jump,</u> and run, and shout, and—and play bands, and run up-and-down



the platform, and didn't have enough real true faith to stop a toothache. That's right. It's that still small Voice of <u>God that operates the power of God,</u> that makes things real and brings Life to the church. That's what I'm speaking

<u>of.</u>



It ain't noise that counts; it's the vindication, the Spirit of God that makes the difference. It's been here each night performing signs, and wonders, and miracles among the <u>people. It's true. I don't see how</u> Pentecostal people, who claim to



have kissed the cup of the golden blessings of Jesus Christ, can set still hardly when the Holy Chost is a moving in such things. But it's because it ain't got a noise behind it. The noise went first, then the still small Voice come. We've had those times; it was all God's





## <u> 59-0412E — What Hearest Thou,</u>

<u>Elijah?</u>

<u>37 What we fail to see is to listen to</u>

that still small Voice that speaks to us,

then wrap ourself in His righteousness,

and walk out saying, "Lord God, did You

<u>speak to me?</u>



Does it mean me, O Lord? I am here tonight; I'm sick; I'm needy. Oh, if I <u>could've only stood on Mount Carmel</u> and seen Elijah, after all that fasting and prayer, bring down that fire from Heaven, bring down a sign out of the Heaven and prove that



You were still God, the God that's with the Hebrew children in the fiery furnace. The God that was in the burning bush with Moses, that same God was here on Mount Carmel.



If I could see You do that, or do as You did when you was manifested in flesh here on earth, I'd worship You with all my heart." Then you'll hear God speak to you when you do that. Let us bow our heads. [A message in tongues and interpretation is given—Ed.]



# <u> 59-0412E — What Hearest Thou,</u>

## <u>Elijah?</u>

57 How do you do? Now, just stand right over here just a moment, lady. It is that you are the first one in the line. Now, that the audience...How many in this visible audience has never seen the ministry before,.



never seen my ministry, raise up your hands, would you? My there's many—many hundreds of them that hasn't seen it. Now, if the Lord Jesus was standing here by this woman... I do not know her; God knows her. Are we strangers to one another, lady? If that's right raise up your



hand, so the people will see? We've never met before. Well, now if you want to know that the Bible still lives, here's a case like Saint John 4: A man and a woman meet for their first time, like Jesus met the woman at the well. He talked to her a few minutes until He found what her



trouble was. How many knows what her trouble was? Raise your hand. Sure, she was living with her sixth husband. And Jesus told her, "Go, get your husband and come her." She said, "I have no husband."



58 He said, "That's right. You've had five, and the one you're living with now is not your husband." She said, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. Now, we know when the Messiah cometh, He will tell us these things. But Who are You?" He said, "I'm He that speaks to you."



She ran into the city and said, "Come see a Man Who told me the things I've done. Isn't this the Messiah?" Now, if Jesus Christ is the same vesterday, today, and forever, and that was the Messianic sign to that generation, it's got to be the same Messianic sign to this



generation, or He's a different Messiah. If that's true say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] Now, to let you know that it's not a man, God knows that I do not know this woman; l've never seen her in my life.



But if the Holy Spirit will come here and prove that He's still Messiah by using my eyes, my lips, my mouth, and her faith, and my faith...There's something she's here for. She might be a deceiver; she might be a Christian.



<u>She might be here for financial troubles.</u> <u>I don't know. I—I've never...I have no</u> <u>way of knowing. She's just a woman</u> <u>that comes here in the prayer line</u>



## <u>63-0825E — Perfect Faith</u>

<u>61 I don't know the mechanics of the</u>

<u>Holy Ghost, but I know It fell on me. I–I</u>

<u>can't tell the mechanics of It, but I</u>

know the blessings of It.



<u>That—that's all I—I care to know about,</u> is the blessings of the Holy Chost. And mechanics, He works them. That's His <u>secret.</u> <u>62 This boy could not be healed,</u> because...The disciples had power; Jesus gave them power to heal all manner of sickness, to cast out



devils, to cleanse the lepers, and to raise the dead. He gave them power, but they didn't have faith to operate the power that they had. And then they questioned Jesus and said, "Well, now, why couldn't we do it?"



<u>63 Now, remember, they had the Word;</u> and the Word was Flesh then. And the Word told them, "I give you power." Amen! "I give you power." And they had the power, but they didn't have faith to operate the Word that was in them.



<u>See what I mean? But, Jesus had it, He</u> was the Word, and He had faith that what He said would happen. He said, "Oh, bring him here. How long will I suffer you?"



<u>64 He had faith, with His power. How</u> did He? He said, "I can do nothing in Myself." Why? He relied upon what He was; He relied in knowing that He was the Word. And He had faith in God, Who made Him the Word.



He was God (the Word), and they was in Him, and that give Him faith because He understood His position. He knowed what He was, because the Scripture had said He was this. And here every <u>Scripture tied in, to prove that He was</u> exactly what the



# <u>Scripture said He would be, and He</u> <u>knew what He was.</u>

<u>65 Therefore, He relied upon what God</u> <u>had made Him. And if He did that, then</u> <u>can't we rely upon what God made us</u> <u>as believers? "These signs shall follow</u>

them that believe!"



<u>He had faith in what He was. And if you</u> are a believer, you have faith in what you are: you are a believer! And if you've got faith in God, the Bible says over here in..."If our—if our hearts condemn us, then we can't have faith;



but if our hearts don't condemn us, then we have faith, we have confidence towards God." If you want to read that, found in Saint John 3:21. I got the Scripture written down there.



<u>63-0707M — The Indictment</u> 369 Now I pray, God, that everywhere these Words fall, both on tape and present here, that the Holy Spirit will call every predestinated person just now, from the foundation of the world when



their name was put on the Lamb's Book of Life. May they hear the Voice of God speaking today, in that little, still, small Voice down in their heart, saying, "This is the Way, walk in It." Grant it, Father. I <u>ask it in Jesus' Name.</u>