

Why Little Mary; Why The Little Bride?

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Luke 12:32

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These Whys

64-1227 — Who Do You Say

This Is?

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has a meaning. Every name has
a meaning. There's nothing
written in the Scripture but
has a—a profound meaning.

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not theologians, but shepherds.
It had to be that way.
Theologians wouldn't have
believed such a Message. So
they...it had to be shepherds.

46 I preached up here, a few
years ago, two years ago, Why
Was It, That Had To Be Little
Bethlehem? The Lord willing,
next Christmas, I want us
preach on, Why Did It Have To
Be The Wise Men?

These Whys?: they got answers to them, and they're right here in the Bible. And we're living in a marvelous time, the greatest time of all ages. We're living to when, anytime that it...

time can cease and Eternity can blend right in with it and go on. The ages that all the prophets and sages looked forward to. We ought to be every hour on our guard, watching for His coming.

We Are In Another
Christmas

63-1127 — The World Is Again¹²

Falling Apart

37 But we find out, at this Christmas, to get down to the subject, that this Christmas finds the world just about like it did two thousand years ago, when Jesus came.

It hasn't changed very much since then. Cause, this, that Christmas found the world falling apart, and was looking for a Messiah to help hold it together.

And—and that's about the way
it is today, we are doing the
same thing. The World Is Again
Falling Apart.

38 Now, that's not only in America here, but that's all over the world, wherever you go; the religious world, the political world, the everything, the—the world of moral.

It—it, there is just no more of it,
it's just...Morals is just amongst
the good people, anymore, and
that's very hard to find.

It's—it's a shame. And politics
and everything is corrupted, till
the whole thing is sick and
putrefied sores, from the head
to the feet, the whole world.
Our political system, our
religious system,

our moral system, everything
we've got, is gone!
Just, there is no way to keep it
together. She, she is finished!
The...We're at the end of the
road. That's all there is to it.

39 We, I know we talked about it a long time, but one of these days it's going to be past talking about, it's going to be a historical thing, and we'll find ourself outside if we don't watch at this time.

40 I wonder, if we this
Christmas, if God should send
Him again like He did back
there two thousand years ago,
if He would send Him to us in
1964, I wonder if we wouldn't
do with Him as they did then?

I just wonder if His Coming would be any more, He'd be any more welcomed, in the—in the—in the political world or in the religious world, than He was then?

I just wonder if we're in any
more shape to receive Him, as
He was then? But we know He
was rejected then.

Mary

Matthew 1:18-23

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

¹⁹ Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.

²⁰ But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

²¹ And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

²³ Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Luke 1:26-35

²⁶ And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

²⁷ To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

²⁸ And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.

²⁹ And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

³⁰ And the angel said unto her,
Fear not, Mary: for thou hast
found favour with God.

³¹ And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

³² He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

³³ And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

³⁴ Then said Mary unto the
angel, How shall this be, seeing I
know not a man?

35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

Her Background

52-0810A — I Am The Resurrection
And The Life

21 Then watch, just down in
Nazareth, the meanest city in the
country, worse than Chicago,
probably. Then, pretty near as bad
as Jeffersonville, where I come
from.

Then the first thing you know,
well, there, a little virgin one
day, engaged to a man about
forty-five years old, widower
with about four children.

65-0124 — Birth Pains

167 Now she is in the worst stage, that, according to the Scripture, that she's ever been. We are in the Laodicean church age, "A rich, but blinded church age, that don't know it."

168 There wasn't nowhere in the Bible that Christ was ever put out of the church, but the Laodicea age. She's in the worst age. She's the rottenest she ever was. Said, "I set as a queen, have need of nothing."

169 “And don’t know that you’re naked, miserable, blind, poor, and don’t know it.” Yes, sir. Said, “I counsel thee, come buy eyesalve from Me, that I might open your eyes.”

And that'll—*that'll*
certainly...The eyesalve of God
will certainly bring Light to the
church if it wants to open its
eyes to what God has said.

170 Notice, quickly now. Now,
she is in that stage, beyond a
shadow of doubt. We're in the
Laodicea church age.

The Salutation

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

40 May I add to this Woman,
Grace, may I place Her in the
Bible, also, as called the elect
Lady, this Miss Grace I'm going to
talk about. You know, the Bible
declares,

said, “To the elect Lady.”
That, if you notice, “elect”
come from the word “elected
Lady.” One Lady, amongst all
the other ladies, was elected.

41 Like, the virgin was to bring forth the body of God, on the earth. She was an elected woman. God chose Mary.

42 And, also, God has chose an
electd Lady, which is His
Bride. She's electd. I hope
we're members of that, tonight,
across the world, across the
nation, rather.

65-0410 — The Easter Seal

239 Do you know you're the
ones the Bible speaks of? Do
you know your position is in
Christ? If you're in Christ,
you're a new creature.

Do you know this Word is just
like everyday living, to you?
Why, sure. It's yours. You are
an eagle. That's your Food.

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

265 You are the pure, virtuous,
sinless Bride of the Son of the
living God.

Every man and woman that's
born of the Spirit of God, and
washed in the Blood of Jesus
Christ,

and believes every Word of
God, stands as though you
never sinned at the first place.
You are perfect. The Blood of
Jesus Christ! How can you...If a
man...

65-0120 — Lean Not Unto Thy
Own Understanding

17 So, you see, if you were in the foreknowledge of God, then you are becoming a part of God.

And the only way you can be a son of God or a daughter of God, you had to be a part of God, and God isn't complete without you. Has to be.

She Was Espoused

63-0320 — The Third Seal

93 So, she stepped out from There. And before Adam ever got to her, for a wife, she was already defiled by Satan. And she...

94 And did you notice? Christ
did the same thing, exactly.
Now, for redeeming, God had
to be there first.

Did you notice? Mary, before
she come to Joseph, the Holy
Spirit had done got there.
Amen. See? That's where the
Redeemer come.

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

212 Now, it was nature,
associated with death.

Your first husband, that had rule over you, was your nature by natural birth. Natural, you love the world because you are the world, and part of the world.

That right? Your desires was, by nature, to love the world which you're a part of. You're a part of nature. You believe that? And that's your natural thing.

213 That's the reason you have to be born again. You have to separate; you have to die to that first husband. You can't live with it. You just can't say, "Well, I'll divorce him, and hang him up here till occasion."

No, sir. No writing of
divorcement! He dies. The
nature of the world has to die.
Every speck of him has to die.
You have to be reunited, again,
with another Nature.

214 Your name of your first nature, was born, and put in a book of life. And all your deeds was wrote in it, too. Everything you done under that nature was put in a book, called the book of life.

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

222 Well, you separated from your first union, by spiritual death. Now you are born again, or remarried again, to the new spiritual union;

of not your natural life of the
things of the world, but of
Eternal Life. That germ that
was in you at the beginning,
found you.

223 Now, your old book is gone,
with your old union. Now, your
name in your old, in your...has
been transferred.

Now, you say, “Do you mean to tell me that my old book...” God put it in the Sea of His Forgetfulness. You stand perfectly before God.

224 Now, your name is now in
the new Book; not the book of
life, but the Lamb's Book of
Life, what the Lamb redeemed.

Not the old book of your natural
union, but your new, Bride.

Hallelujah!

Your new life is in the Lamb's
Book of Life, your marriage
certificate, hallelujah, where
your true Eternal germ, from
the beginning, takes hold. Now
you're not only forgiven, but
you're justified. Glory!

Her Faith

52-0810A — I Am The
Resurrection And The Life
21 ...Now, look at the
difference between Zacharias,
that minister, who had studied
the Scriptures over and over,

and over and over, and over and over again, had plenty of examples: There was Sarah, and Hannah, and so forth, back in the Old Testament, plenty examples.

He—he doubted it to be so. But
this little girl didn't doubt. She
said, "Behold the handmaid of
the Lord; be it unto me
according to Thy Word." What
a difference.

22 Now, sometimes you can
callous yourself. Reading the
Bible, and just like reading a
newspaper, and having about
the same kind of faith that
would, you have in one, then
you callous yourself.

When you read God's Word,
believe It just like It says It is
there, and take God at His
Word.

Now, as soon as she read this,
or she seen this before her, and
the Angel of the Lord said,

“You’re going to have a baby.”
Look what she had to believe.
Well, she had to believe
something that had never
happened.

Zacharias didn't have to...Plenty times did that happen through the Scriptures. He had plenty of examples. But Mary had to believe something that was total impossible,

and had never happened
before. But yet, she didn't
stagger at it; she just said,
“Behold the handmaid of the
Lord. Be it unto me.” She took
God at His Word.

65-0218 — The Seed Is Not Heir
With The Shuck

76 It had never been done in all
of the ages, but Mary believed
God.

And she said, “Behold the
handmaid of the Lord.” She
believed the Word.

How is she going to have it?

She knowed that Hagar had the baby by a sex desire, with Abraham; and Sarah had the baby by sex desire, with Abraham, children of promise; the bondswoman and the freewoman.

But here she is asked to believe.
That's a contribution to the
faith that was in Abraham, who
believed the impossibles, "As
long as God said it's so, that
makes it right."

77 She believed God, never
questioned. She said, “Behold
the handmaid of the Lord.

No matter how much criticism
I have to bear from the world,
be it unto me according Thy
Word.” There come forth the
genuine Seed.

65-0410 — The Easter Seal

143He that believes not the
full Word of God is a sinner.

142 Those Pharisees believed
in many things, to be the
Truth. They said, “We are
God’s children.” And they
were, until that Word was
preached.

But when that Word was
preached and vindicated, then
they become sinners, for
rejecting the Thing that they
knowed was right, and
witnessed that.

“We know Thou art a teacher
come from God, for no man
could do the things that You do
without God being with
You.”

64-0802 — The Future Home Of
The Heavenly Bridegroom And
The Earthly Bride

257 Now you say, “Well, look at this priest. Wasn’t he a son of God?” It proved he wasn’t. He couldn’t recognize what?

Did he say, “I believe the Bible”?
Sure. But he couldn't recognize
the expressed Word of the
hour. He only had an intellectual
learning from some group that
had been back before him.

258 And it's the same thing today! See? I know that's strong, but it's the Truth.

259 There was the Word, as spoken exactly for that day; and, he, yet he was a scholar, yet he was a renown person, but he could not recognize It.

Why? No matter how scholar he was, anything like that, he still didn't have representation of predestination. See?

260 Only the predestinated
will only be the one who does
it; only can be.

She Was The
Earthen Vessel And
Had To Bear The
Reproach

2 Corinthians 4:7-11

⁷ But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

⁸ We are troubled on every side,
yet not distressed; we are
perplexed, but not in despair;

⁹ Persecuted, but not forsaken;
cast down, but not destroyed;

¹⁰ Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

¹¹ For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

62-1223 — The Reproach For
The Cause Of The Word
192 What a reproach to Mary!
(As we're closing.) What a
reproach to Mary and Joseph,
for His Word!

It's Christmas time. I was planning on holding just a little bit, but you'll hear much of it on radio and among the pastors, and so forth.

What a reproach for Mary and Joseph, to hold to God's Word of promise! Remember, now. And the scorn, that lifted up eyebrow, when they seen little Mary go by, seeing Joseph.

“You are marrying a prostitute.” See? And remember, brother, adultery was death in them days. “Now, you keep her from getting killed.”

She is to be mother by you.”
And, but, remember, all the
time, God was dealing with
them, and it was according to
the Word. And they didn't know
it. See?

193 “A virgin shall bear a child.” Joseph knowed that. Mary knowed that, because, after the Word was written, there was an Angel talking to them, vindicating,

or manifesting the very Word¹¹³
that was written, that was
going to happen. Don't dream
now. Think. The Holy Spirit
come down to the earth; never
spoke to the whole
congregation. He spoke to
them.

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

213 And about that time, here
come an old blind woman,
winding her way around,
staggering around through the
audience.

And she come up to Him, and she also prophesied, for she was looking for Him. She told Mary,
“A sword will pierce your
heart, but It will reveal the
thoughts of many hearts.”
See? What was it?

215 Same thing today. “Sitting
in Heavenly places in Christ
Jesus, being lifted up by the
Holy Spirit.” Sure. Yes, sir.

She Was Life-giver To
Predestinated
Children Of God

60-0925 — That Day On Calvary
129 Now notice. The “greater”
works, was to have the Power in
the Church, not only to heal the
sick by prayer, cast out devils by
prayer,

but to impart Eternal Life to
believers. The Holy Ghost was
coming, and given into the
hands of the Church, to impart
Life. Oh!

That's what Calvary meant. It
took stooped, degraded men
and women, and lifted them
into a place, to be sons and
daughters of God, to heal the
sick and to impart Eternal Life;

by giving the Holy Ghost to
obedient believers, men who
were once unbelievers, be
made believers, and impart
spiritual, Eternal Life.

130 How much greater is it: To say, “This sick woman laying here, I can pray a prayer of faith and she’ll be healed,” that’s a great thing, that’s what He was doing then;

“but,” said, “greater than this shall you do; I’m going to give you Power, not only to raise him up for a while, but to give him Eternal Life, which will be Eternal, forever.”

131 Poor, blind, wretched people, how do you miss that? Don't you see what the "greater" thing is? That's the greatest thing could ever happen, was to impart Eternal Life to people.

What is Eternal Life? The Life
that He lived, the Life that was
in Him, impart That to others.
Can a man do that? A son of
God can.

132 Jesus said, “Whose soever
sins you remit, to them they
are remitted; whose soever sin
you retain, to them they are
retained.”

59-1217 — What Was The Holy Ghost Given For?

31 That's the purpose of the Holy 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 co-worker with Him;
giving you a place, giving you a
part for your fallen, lost
brother and sister;

giving you His Spirit and His
love, to go hunt the lost, as He
did in the garden of 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 abode, there's a
thirst and a hungering for lost
souls.

She Brought Forth
The Child In Time Of
Great Distress

63-1216 — We Have Seen His¹³²
Star And Have Come To
Worship Him

38 Now we find out, that the taxes, that this Herod said that all the people that were strayed from their birthplace, must return back.

That, he thought he was doing something great there, when he done this;

and not knowing that he was
working exactly in harmony
with Jehovah. How many of the
priests probably cursed Herod
at that time, in the Name of
the Lord!

How many stood up, probably¹³⁵
secretly, and said, “Oh, this
Roman, what a...If we could
get a hold of him, we’d do
so-and-so, and so,” not
knowing it was working
exactly according to God’s
plan.

41 Now we notice then that on this great taxation, the king gave forth his rule, or his order, that all people would turn to their birthplace, regardless.

Now, it looks like a horrible
thing, that poor little woman,
in that place that she was in,
heavy with child, and would
have to take that long journey.
Today, we would hardly think
of taking her in an ambulance.

And she had to. If you was ever in Palestine, and see where she had to come through that rugged, granite boulders, up through there, on the back of a little mule.

No matter how bad it was, and how cruel it seemed, that was the king's orders, everybody must do it, young or old, prepared or not prepared, they had to do it, anyhow.

42 And sometimes we think
that, our burdens. I might inject
this right here, that, we think
our burdens are so heavy
sometimes, that there's nothing
like it in the world. Do you know
all those things are good for
you?

They are all to mold you, make you. Prophets and sages was molded on the backside of the desert, in the hot, blazing sun, through tribulations and trials, and persecutions.

And these things that we have
today, there's nothing
happened to us that hasn't
happened to other Christians,
before.

Other Christians has had to
stand in the hour of darkness
like this, and even be fed to
lions, for their testimony.

63-1229E — Look Away To Jesus

38 So now I am going to say something to you, now, that I haven't said all along.

And, that is, the thing that we have looked forward to for so long (for at least many years, four or five years, or maybe longer), the Third Pull, has now been vindicated, and I'm sure you all know what it is.

39 Now remember, there'll
never be an impersonation of
that, 'cause it can't be. See, it
cannot be. Now it's in existent.
And I have...I am warned of this,
that soon...

Right at this time now it's just
happened, so it could identify
its presence among you, see,
but it will not be used in a
great way until this Council
begins to tighten up.

And when it does, when that does...The Pentecostals, and so forth, can almost impersonate anything can be done.

But when that time comes,
when the squeeze comes
down, then you'll see, what
you've seen temporarily, be
manifested in the fullness of
its power. See? See? See?
See?

The Little Bride Will
Fulfill All That Was
Promised Through
The Virgin

65-0801M — The God Of This
Evil Age

167 But, in obedience, this
little faith Woman, that lives
by faith, the Bride; the person
here, there;

here, off somewhere else,
some other church, some
other denomination,
whatever it is, in some
not...Believes the Word of
God, obedient, waiting in love,
for the promise of the age to
be confirmed.

She is watching for it. She is
part of that Word, and She is
watching for Her life to
manifest that Word.

65-0221M — Marriage And Divorce

259 He went right on revealing His Word to the Body, and vindicating Him, same, by Himself.

His children begin to kind of look more like Him, because It's fully maturing, or, they become children of the Word, not children of the church.

Children of the Word! And the
Bride will be a lovely little Lady
of the Word, unadulterated,
not touched by any man's
organization, any man-made
theory.

She'll be purely unadulterated,
Bride of the Word! Amen and
amen! I hope you get that, out
on the air. She will be the
pregnated daughter of God.

62-0318 — The Spoken Word Is
The Original Seed

355 Then from a little group of
the true Seed of the Word, God
will present Christ a beloved
Bride, a Virgin, a Virgin of His
Word.

And through them, and by
them, will be fulfilled all that
has been promised for His
Word in the Virgin who knows
no man-made creeds or dogmas.

356 The Word of promise in
Himself, like It was in Mary, God
Himself made manifest. He will
act Himself, by His Own Word of
promise, so to fulfill all that has
been written of Him, as He did
when He came from the virgin
womb.

Type of the Spirit womb now,
so will the Virgin now,
accepting His Word, “Be it
unto me as Thou has said.”
Though it was said by an Angel,
while it yet was the written
Word, Isaiah 9:6.

Is It Still A Little
Puzzling?

65-0218 — The Seed Is Not Heir ¹⁶³

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157 Oh, Christian, oh, believer, if
you've been a partial believer,
keep on attending the meetings
for just a little while (will you?),
we got something here that I
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¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

¹⁹ Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.

²⁰ But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

²¹ And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

²² Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

²³ Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

Luke 1:26-35

²⁶ And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

²⁷ To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

²⁸ And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.

²⁹ And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

³⁰ And the angel said unto her,
Fear not, Mary: for thou hast
found favour with God.

³¹ And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

³² He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

³³ And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

³⁴ Then said Mary unto the
angel, How shall this be, seeing I
know not a man?

³⁵ And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

Her Background

52-0810A — I Am The Resurrection
And The Life

21 Then watch, just down in
Nazareth, the meanest city in the
country, worse than Chicago,
probably. Then, pretty near as bad
as Jeffersonville, where I come
from.

Then the first thing you know,
well, there, a little virgin one
day, engaged to a man about
forty-five years old, widower
with about four children.

65-0124 — Birth Pains

167 Now she is in the worst
stage, that, according to the
Scripture, that she's ever been.
We are in the Laodicean church
age, "A rich, but blinded church
age, that don't know it."

168 There wasn't nowhere in the Bible that Christ was ever put out of the church, but the Laodicea age. She's in the worst age. She's the rottenest she ever was. Said, "I set as a queen, have need of nothing."

169 “And don’t know that you’re naked, miserable, blind, poor, and don’t know it.” Yes, sir. Said, “I counsel thee, come buy eyesalve from Me, that I might open your eyes.”

And that'll—*that'll*
certainly...The eyesalve of God
will certainly bring Light to the
church if it wants to open its
eyes to what God has said.

170 Notice, quickly now. Now,
she is in that stage, beyond a
shadow of doubt. We're in the
Laodicea church age.

The Salutation

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

40 May I add to this Woman,
Grace, may I place Her in the
Bible, also, as called the elect
Lady, this Miss Grace I'm going
to talk about.

You know, the Bible declares,
said, “To the elect Lady.” That,
if you notice, “elect” come
from the word “elected Lady.”
One Lady, amongst all the
other ladies, was elected.

41 Like, the virgin was to bring forth the body of God, on the earth. She was an elected woman. God chose Mary.

42 And, also, God has chose an
electe Lady, which is His
Bride. She's electe. I hope
we're members of that, tonight,
across the world, across the
nation, rather.

65-0410 — The Easter Seal

239 Do you know you're the
ones the Bible speaks of? Do
you know your position is in
Christ? If you're in Christ,
you're a new creature.

Do you know this Word is just
like everyday living, to you?
Why, sure. It's yours. You are
an eagle. That's your Food.

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

265 You are the pure, virtuous,
sinless Bride of the Son of the
living God. Every man and
woman that's born of the
Spirit of God,

and washed in the Blood of
Jesus Christ, and believes every
Word of God, stands as though
you never sinned at the first
place. You are perfect. The
Blood of Jesus Christ! How can
you...If a man...

65-0120 — Lean Not Unto Thy
Own Understanding

17 So, you see, if you were in the foreknowledge of God, then you are becoming a part of God.

And the only way you can be a son of God or a daughter of God, you had to be a part of God, and God isn't complete without you. Has to be.

She Was Espoused

63-0320 — The Third Seal

93 So, she stepped out from There. And before Adam ever got to her, for a wife, she was already defiled by Satan. And she...

94 And did you notice? Christ
did the same thing, exactly.
Now, for redeeming, God had
to be there first.

Did you notice? Mary, before
she come to Joseph, the Holy
Spirit had done got there.
Amen. See? That's where the
Redeemer come.

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

212 Now, it was nature,
associated with death.

Your first husband, that had rule over you, was your nature by natural birth. Natural, you love the world because you are the world, and part of the world.

That right? Your desires was, by nature, to love the world which you're a part of. You're a part of nature. You believe that? And that's your natural thing.

213 That's the reason you have to be born again. You have to separate; you have to die to that first husband. You can't live with it. You just can't say, "Well, I'll divorce him, and hang him up here till occasion."

No, sir. No writing of
divorcement! He dies. The
nature of the world has to die.
Every speck of him has to die.
You have to be reunited, again,
with another Nature.

214 Your name of your first nature, was born, and put in a book of life. And all your deeds was wrote in it, too. Everything you done under that nature was put in a book, called the book of life.

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

222 Well, you separated from your first union, by spiritual death.

Now you are born again, or
remarried again, to the new
spiritual union; of not your
natural life of the things of the
world, but of Eternal Life. That
germ that was in you at the
beginning, found you.

223 Now, your old book is gone,
with your old union. Now, your
name in your old, in your...has
been transferred.

Now, you say, “Do you mean to tell me that my old book...” God put it in the Sea of His Forgetfulness. You stand perfectly before God.

224 Now, your name is now in
the new Book; not the book of
life, but the Lamb's Book of
Life, what the Lamb redeemed.

Not the old book of your natural
union, but your new, Bride.

Hallelujah!

Your new life is in the Lamb's
Book of Life, your marriage
certificate, hallelujah, where
your true Eternal germ, from
the beginning, takes hold. Now
you're not only forgiven, but
you're justified. Glory!

Her Faith

52-0810A — I Am The Resurrection And The Life

21 ...Now, look at the difference between Zacharias, that minister, who had studied the Scriptures over and over, and over and over, and over and over again, had plenty of examples:

There was Sarah, and Hannah,
and so forth, back in the Old
Testament, plenty examples.
He—he doubted it to be so.

But this little girl didn't doubt.
She said, "Behold the
handmaid of the Lord; be it
unto me according to Thy
Word." What a difference.

22 Now, sometimes you can
callous yourself. Reading the
Bible, and just like reading a
newspaper, and having about
the same kind of faith that
would, you have in one, then
you callous yourself.

When you read God's Word,
believe It just like It says It is
there, and take God at His
Word.

Now, as soon as she read this,
or she seen this before her, and
the Angel of the Lord said,

“You’re going to have a baby.”
Look what she had to believe.
Well, she had to believe
something that had never
happened.

Zacharias didn't have to...Plenty times did that happen through the Scriptures. He had plenty of examples. But Mary had to believe something that was total impossible, and had never happened before.

But yet, she didn't stagger at
it; she just said, "Behold the
handmaid of the Lord. Be it
unto me." She took God at His
Word.

65-0218 — The Seed Is Not Heir
With The Shuck

76 It had never been done in all
of the ages, but Mary believed
God. And she said, “Behold the
handmaid of the Lord.” She
believed the Word.

How is she going to have it? She²⁵⁰ knewed that Hagar had the baby by a sex desire, with Abraham; and Sarah had the baby by sex desire, with Abraham, children of promise; the bondswoman and the freewoman.

But here she is asked to believe.
That's a contribution to the
faith that was in Abraham, who
believed the impossibles, "As
long as God said it's so, that
makes it right."

77 She believed God, never
questioned. She said, “Behold
the handmaid of the Lord.

No matter how much criticism
I have to bear from the world,
be it unto me according Thy
Word.” There come forth the
genuine Seed.

65-0410 — The Easter Seal

141 ...He that believes not the
full Word of God is a sinner.

142 Those Pharisees believed
in many things, to be the
Truth. They said, “We are
God’s children.” And they
were, until that Word was
preached.

But when that Word was
preached and vindicated, then
they become sinners, for
rejecting the Thing that they
knowed was right, and
witnessed that.

“We know Thou art a teacher
come from God, for no man
could do the things that You do
without God being with You.”

64-0802 — The Future Home Of
The Heavenly Bridegroom And
The Earthly Bride

257 Now you say, “Well, look at this priest. Wasn’t he a son of God?” It proved he wasn’t. He couldn’t recognize what?

Did he say, “I believe the Bible”?
Sure. But he couldn't recognize
the expressed Word of the
hour. He only had an intellectual
learning from some group that
had been back before him.

258 And it's the same thing today! See? I know that's strong, but it's the Truth.

259 There was the Word, as spoken exactly for that day; and, he, yet he was a scholar, yet he was a renown person, but he could not recognize It.

Why? No matter how scholar he was, anything like that, he still didn't have representation of predestination. See?

260 Only the predestinated
will only be the one who does
it; only can be.

She Was The Earthen
Vessel And Had To
Bear The Reproach

2 Corinthians 4:7-11

⁷ But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

⁸ We are troubled on every side,
yet not distressed; we are
perplexed, but not in despair;

⁹ Persecuted, but not forsaken;
cast down, but not destroyed;

¹⁰ Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

¹¹ For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

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

192 What a reproach to Mary!

(As we're closing.) What a
reproach to Mary and Joseph,
for His Word! It's Christmas
time.

I was planning on holding just a little bit, but you'll hear much of it on radio and among the pastors, and so forth. What a reproach for Mary and Joseph, to hold to God's Word of promise!

Remember, now. And the
scorn, that lifted up eyebrow,
when they seen little Mary go
by, seeing Joseph. “You are
marrying a prostitute.”

See? And remember, brother,
adultery was death in them
days. “Now, you keep her from
getting killed.

She is to be mother by you.”
And, but, remember, all the
time, God was dealing with
them, and it was according to
the Word. And they didn't know
it. See?

193 “A virgin shall bear a child.” Joseph knowed that. Mary knowed that, because, after the Word was written,

there was an Angel talking to
them, vindicating, or
manifesting the very Word
that was written, that was
going to happen.

Don't dream now. Think. The Holy Spirit come down to the earth; never spoke to the whole congregation. He spoke to them.

62-1223 — The Reproach For
The Cause Of The Word
213 And about that time, here
come an old blind woman,
winding her way around,
staggering around through the
audience.

And she come up to Him, and she also prophesied, for she was looking for Him. She told Mary,
“A sword will pierce your
heart, but It will reveal the
thoughts of many hearts.”
See? What was it?

215 Same thing today. “Sitting
in Heavenly places in Christ
Jesus, being lifted up by the
Holy Spirit.” Sure. Yes, sir.

She Was Life-giver To
Predestinated Children
Of God

60-0925 — That Day On Calvary
129 Now notice. The “greater”
works, was to have the Power
in the Church, not only to heal
the sick by prayer, cast out
devils by prayer,

but to impart Eternal Life to
believers. The Holy Ghost was
coming, and given into the
hands of the Church, to impart
Life. Oh!

That's what Calvary meant. It
took stooped, degraded men
and women, and lifted them
into a place, to be sons and
daughters of God, to heal the
sick and to impart Eternal Life;

by giving the Holy Ghost to
obedient believers, men who
were once unbelievers, be
made believers, and impart
spiritual, Eternal Life.

130 How much greater is it: To say, “This sick woman laying here, I can pray a prayer of faith and she’ll be healed,” that’s a great thing, that’s what He was doing then;

“but,” said, “greater than this shall you do; I’m going to give you Power, not only to raise him up for a while, but to give him Eternal Life, which will be Eternal, forever.”

131 Poor, blind, wretched people, how do you miss that? Don't you see what the "greater" thing is? That's the greatest thing could ever happen, was to impart Eternal Life to people.

What is Eternal Life? The Life
that He lived, the Life that was
in Him, impart That to others.
Can a man do that? A son of
God can.

132 Jesus said, “Whose soever
sins you remit, to them they
are remitted; whose soever sin
you retain, to them they are
retained.”

59-1217 — What Was The Holy Ghost Given For?

31 That's the purpose of the Holy 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 co-worker with Him;
giving you a place, giving you a
part for your fallen, lost
brother and sister;

giving you His Spirit and His
love, to go hunt the lost, as He
did in the garden of 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 abode, there's a
thirst and a hungering for lost
souls.

She Brought Forth
The Child In Time Of
Great Distress

63-1216 — We Have Seen His Star
And Have Come To Worship Him

38 Now we find out, that the taxes, that this Herod said that all the people that were strayed from their birthplace, must return back.

That, he thought he was doing something great there, when he done this;

and not knowing that he was
working exactly in harmony
with Jehovah. How many of the
priests probably cursed Herod
at that time, in the Name of
the Lord!

How many stood up, probably²⁹⁹
secretly, and said, “Oh, this
Roman, what a...If we could
get a hold of him, we’d do
so-and-so, and so,” not
knowing it was working
exactly according to God’s
plan.

41 Now we notice then that on this great taxation, the king gave forth his rule, or his order, that all people would turn to their birthplace, regardless.

Now, it looks like a horrible
thing, that poor little woman,
in that place that she was in,
heavy with child, and would
have to take that long journey.
Today, we would hardly think
of taking her in an ambulance.

And she had to. If you was ever in Palestine, and see where she had to come through that rugged, granite boulders, up through there, on the back of a little mule.

No matter how bad it was, and how cruel it seemed, that was the king's orders, everybody must do it, young or old, prepared or not prepared, they had to do it, anyhow.

42 And sometimes we think
that, our burdens. I might
inject this right here, that, we
think our burdens are so heavy
sometimes, that there's
nothing like it in the world.

Do you know all those things
are good for you? They are all
to mold you, make you.
Prophets and sages was
molded on the backside of the
desert, in the hot, blazing sun,

through tribulations and trials,
and persecutions. And these
things that we have today,
there's nothing happened to us
that hasn't happened to other
Christians, before.

Other Christians has had to
stand in the hour of darkness
like this, and even be fed to
lions, for their testimony.

63-1229E — Look Away To
Jesus

38 So now I am going to say something to you, now, that I haven't said all along.

And, that is, the thing that we have looked forward to for so long (for at least many years, four or five years, or maybe longer), the Third Pull, has now been vindicated, and I'm sure you all know what it is.

39 Now remember, there'll
never be an impersonation of
that, 'cause it can't be. See, it
cannot be. Now it's in existent.
And I have...I am warned of this,
that soon...

Right at this time now it's just
happened, so it could identify
its presence among you, see,
but it will not be used in a
great way until this Council
begins to tighten up.

And when it does, when that does...The Pentecostals, and so forth, can almost impersonate anything can be done.

But when that time comes,
when the squeeze comes
down, then you'll see, what
you've seen temporarily, be
manifested in the fullness of
its power. See? See? See? See?

The Little Bride Will
Fulfill All That Was
Promised Through
The Virgin

65-0801M — The God Of This Evil

Age

167 But, in obedience, this little
faith Woman, that lives by faith,
the Bride; the person here, there;
here, off somewhere else, some
other church, some other
denomination,

whatever it is, in some
not...Believes the Word of
God, obedient, waiting in love,
for the promise of the age to
be confirmed.

She is watching for it. She is
part of that Word, and She is
watching for Her life to
manifest that Word.

65-0221M — Marriage And Divorce

259 He went right on revealing His Word to the Body, and vindicating Him, same, by Himself.

His children begin to kind of look more like Him, because It's fully maturing, or, they become children of the Word, not children of the church.

Children of the Word! And the
Bride will be a lovely little Lady
of the Word, unadulterated,
not touched by any man's
organization, any man-made
theory.

She'll be purely unadulterated,
Bride of the Word! Amen and
amen! I hope you get that, out
on the air. She will be the
pregnated daughter of God.

62-0318 — The Spoken Word Is
The Original Seed

355 Then from a little group of
the true Seed of the Word, God
will present Christ a beloved
Bride, a Virgin, a Virgin of His
Word.

And through them, and by
them, will be fulfilled all that
has been promised for His
Word in the Virgin who knows
no man-made creeds or dogmas.

356 The Word of promise in
Himself, like It was in Mary, God
Himself made manifest. He will
act Himself, by His Own Word
of promise, so to fulfill all that
has been written of Him, as He
did when He came from the
virgin womb.

Type of the Spirit womb now,
so will the Virgin now,
accepting His Word, “Be it
unto me as Thou has said.”
Though it was said by an Angel,
while it yet was the written
Word, Isaiah 9:6.

Is It Still A Little
Puzzling?

65-0218 — The Seed Is Not Heir³²⁷
With The Shuck
157 Oh, Christian, oh, believer, if
you've been a partial believer,
keep on attending the meetings
for just a little while (will you?),
we got something here that I
believe the Lord wants you to
know.

The Holy Spirit Shall
Come Upon You

Luke 1:34-35

³⁴ Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

³⁵ And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

Mary Believed The
Message Of The Angel,
Then The Holy Spirit
Came Upon Her

62-0318 — The Spoken Word Is
The Original Seed

170 Right up in Judaea she
went. “You know, I’m going to
have a Baby,”

before she felt anything,
because the Word had already
been set there. That was all.
She didn't have to go through
the prayer line, second time, you
know.

No, no. No, sir. No, sir. She
believed it. She didn't have any
sign of life. She never had no
sign of pregnancy, at all. She
never felt nothing.

As...Everything had been just like it was. But she went, telling everybody, “I’m going to have a Baby.” Why? “God said so.” What’s that? The royal Seed of Abraham.

62-0318 — The Spoken Word Is
The Original Seed

162 We were sowed with the
Word. “Some day, I’ll bring the
Life into the earth and
re-multi-...replenish the earth.”

What Eve failed to do, Mary
did. She took the Word. Eve
took Satan's lie. Mary took
God's Word. And through
Mary's Seed, replenishes the
earth again,

through His Bride, through the
Word, and will bring up the
Millennium. Through that goes
forth the Word, and the Word
is planted into every
predestinated heart.

And the Spirit comes down and
waters it, and they cannot die.
“I’ll raise him up again at the
last days.” Oh, brother, sister,
that’s—that’s real.

The Spirit Comes To
Quicken The Word

65-0911 — God's Power To
Transform

49 Now, God, in six thousand
years, had planted all these
wonderful seeds, or He had
spoke His Word.

“It shall be this way. This tree shall be. This shall be.”

Everything was perfect. It was just good.

And He commanded each one
of those seeds that they would
be, they would transform
themselves into the plant of
which kind of life that the
Word of God had spoken in
them should be.

If it was an oak tree, it was to bring forth an oak. If it was a palm, it was to bring forth a palm.

50 Because, the great Creator
had just sent forth His Word,
and the Word seed was there
before the real seed was ever
formed. And the Word formed
the seed.

See, “He made the world out of things that does not appear.”

See, He—He made the world by His Word. God spoke everything into existence.

65-1205 — Things That Are To
Be

27...God, at the beginning, He
said, “Let there be. Let there
be. Let there be.” The world
was just dark, in a chaos.

Even when He said, “Let there be light,” there might have been hundreds of years before light ever sprung in. But when He spoke it, it has to come to pass.

It must be that way. See? And
He spoke His Word. Then
seeds was beneath the water.
When He dried off the earth,
then the seeds come up. What
He says must come to pass.

62-1125E — The Countdown

35 The great Holy Spirit begin
to brood up over the earth, and
there come one form of life,
then another form of life.

And it kept on coming up,
coming up, coming up until it
come in the very image of the
One that was brooding it:
image of a man.

Proved it, when God was made
flesh, He was a Man. It's never
produced anything greater,
'cause it can't. The very
Creator was a Man Himself.
See?

65-0410 — The Easter Seal

86 Now, the Holy Spirit is here
on earth, looking out those
individuals that God has
ordained to Life in this age.
And as soon as It finds it, It
does just like It did on Jesus
Christ,

the great super Son of God
Who redeemed us all. It comes
down and takes Its place of
abode into the human life, now,
notice, brought the quickening
power.

Now, that quickening power
that come upon Jesus
quickenened Him to manifest
every promise of the Word of
that day.

So does the Holy Spirit that
come upon us in this day, if it's
not a mockery holy spirit, if it's
not the devil mocking the Holy
Spirit, but is the real, true Holy
Spirit. It'll manifest the
promise of this hour.

We Really Don't Seek
The Holy Spirit; He
Seeks Us

56-0404 — The Infallibility Of
God's Spoken Word

23 ...God calls sovereignly
without anything you done
about it; there's nothing you
done. Men say, "Oh, I sought
God." No man has sought God
at any time.

But it's God seeking man, not
man seeking God, God seeking
man. Jesus said, "No man can
come to Me except My Father
draws him first." You get it? It
has to be God drawing man.

24 Man in his nature is a—a
castaway. He's an alien; He's
away from God. Then God by
grace has to draw him to His
own side. “And all that the
Father has given Me will come
to Me.”

No way at all, there ain't
enough picture shows, enough
dance halls, enough burlesque
shows in the country to keep
you away from God.

When God goes to drawing
back yonder before the
foundation of the world when
He put your name down that
you'd come, you're coming,
that's all; that's all.

65-0410 — The Easter Seal

118 It's the Holy Spirit, today,
hunting out honest hearts that
will believe that Message.

Everything in the Bible, that was
promised, is to that believer.

And when you accept it in its
fulness, and God knows that
you'll do it, He gives you the
abstract to that. And then
every promise that's made is in
your possession, and the Holy
Spirit is there to quicken that
to you.

Mary Was Only An
Incubator

1 Corinthians 15:50

⁵⁰ Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

65-0218 — The Seed Is Not Heir³⁶⁷

With The Shuck

83 Notice how more like the real Thing, Mary was, but like the shuck. The shuck hugs the seed in itself and protects it, and nurtures it until it's standing alone, mature.

So has this third church age (of Pentecost) matured, holding this Grain until it's time to open up the shuck. Mary, being the mother of Christ, just a incubator.

He was no blood of Mary; He was no blood of Jew; He was no blood of Gentile. He was the Blood of God. God created this Blood. It could not be sex. He wasn't Jew nor Gentile.

84 The baby is not one speck of the mother's blood. The blood comes from the father. We know the hemoglobin is in the male.

60-0515E — Adoption #1

76 That's the way it is with real thoroughbreded Christians.

Hallelujah! “Receive ye the Holy Ghost.

Repent, every one of you, and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ, for the remission of your sins.” Gone, just as quick as they can get to the water, they’re gone.

They can't rest day and night until they receive the Holy Ghost. Why? You know, a Christian knows who his Papa was. See, it takes two to make a birth. That's right, papa and mama.

The mule don't know which was
papa, or which was mama. But
we know Who Papa and Mama
was, for we were born of the
written Word of God,
confirmed by the Spirit.

64-0830M — Questions And
Answers #3

362. Please explain the
mystery of the translation of
the Bride.

242 Just a change, see, our
bodies. Now, let's say our. You
know what I mean when I say
that? I don't mean to be
sacrilegious. I don't mean to say
ours; I don't mean to say this
church; I mean to say every
believer.

243 Abraham, he was looking
for a promised son, that was
promised him. Is that right?
And the Church is looking for a
promised Son. The Bride (is
that right?), the Bride is
looking for the promised Son.

244 Before the promised son
could come to Sarah and
Abraham, their bodies had to
be changed. Is that right?

245 She was too old to have a baby. She had no milk veins in her breast; her breast was dried up.

Her womb wasn't fertile; she was sterile. She could not have the baby; her heart was too old to stand labor. So what happened? God changed her back to a young woman.

And He did Abraham the same thing, 'cause He said his body was as good as dead. See? And He had to change their body in order to receive the promised son.

246 And we cannot receive the
promised Son that's promised
us today in these bodies that
we live in; these bodies are sin.

247 This first conscience controls this body with see, taste, feel, smell, and hear, and has just got us all scrupled up; we reason and everything else.

But that new body, that comes
from this borned again (not
this first conscience, it'll pass
away)...It's that inside
something that lives.

Everybody understand it say,
“Amen.” [Congregation says,
“Amen.”—Ed.]

248 It's not this outside see, taste, feel, smell, and hear. It isn't. It's subject to death and will die, but the inside part of you, down in here, inside, that is the, person that cannot die.
See?

And that's the person that the
new life starts from, from this
new birth; and it builds another
person in the image of this
person you are, around that
life. You get it?

249 So potentially it's in here,
and what is it? The Word
promised before the
foundation of the world. And
around there, this only reflects
the negative; that will reflect
the positive, the Word. See?

And the same thing is...Or, the
translation of the Bride will be
the same thing. The Word
that's in you, the body will
materialize around that Word,
and the same thing did by
Sarah.

250 Before...When that old body that she had, that first body, it had to be changed in order to produce a son.

You get it? That body could not do it. This body cannot do it, so it'll have to be changed the same way to receive the Son.

65-1207 — Leadership

162 The choice of your conduct.
You could...You can't mix it now.
You're either for God or against
God, and the outward
expressions shows exactly
what's on the inside. See?

The cocklebur...Many of you
think, “I got the baptism of the
Holy Ghost, I’m going to
Heaven.” That don’t mean one
thing that you’re going to
Heaven.

No, sir. You can have the
baptism of the Holy Ghost
every hour in your life, and still
be lost and go to hell. The Bible
says so. Uh-huh, that's exactly
right.

163 Look here, you are a
outside person. You have five
senses that contacts that
outside body. God gave you five
senses; not to contact Him,
your earthly home: see, taste,
feel, smell, and hear.

164 Then you have a spirit on the inside of that, and it has five outlets: conscience, and love, and so forth. Five outlets that you contact the spirit world with that, but with your spirit.

165 Your physical contacts the physical. Your spiritual contacts the spiritual. But inside of that you've got a soul, and that soul is that gene that come from God.

166 And like a baby formed in
its mother's womb. When the
baby comes into the—to the
mother's womb by the little
germ, it crawls into the egg,

it doesn't form one cell a
human, the next a dog, and the
next a cat, and the next a
horse. It's all human cells
because it's building off of an
original human cell.

167 And when a man has been
borned again by the Word of God,
predestinated to Eternal Life,
called “The Elected,” it’ll be Word
of God on top of Word, Word on
Word! Not a denominational creed
and then a Word, and a creed; and
it won’t work.

You can't have that leaven in It!

Only one Eternal Life, Jesus

Christ the Word:

In the beginning was the Word,

and the Word was with God, and

the Word was God.

The Body Is Brought
Into Subjection Under
The Word

65-0221E — Who Is This
Melchisedec?

71 But, look! When this body
receives the Spirit of God, the
immortal Life inside of you, it
throws this body in subjection
to God. Hallelujah!

“He that’s born of God doth not commit sin; he cannot sin.”

Romans 8:1, “There is therefore now no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus; they walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.”

There you are. See, that throws
your body subject.

You don't have to say, "Oh, if I
could just quit drinking!"

If I could just..." Just get in
Christ, and it's all gone, see,
see, because your body is
subject to the Spirit. It's no
more subject to the things of
the world; they're dead.

They are dead; your sins are
buried in baptism, and you are
a new creation in Christ. And
your body, becoming subject
to the Spirit, try to live a right
kind of life.

65-0221E — Who Is This
Melchisedec?

73 And then when you become
subject to that Spirit, it throws
your whole being subject to that
Spirit. And that Spirit is nothing
in the world but this Seed Word
made manifest,

or quickened, hallelujah, made
alive. And when the Bible said,
“Don’t do this,” that body
quickly turns to it. There is no
question.

And what is it? It's the earnest
of the resurrection. This body
will be raised up again, because
it's already started.

It was once subject to sin, and
mire and corruption, but now
it's got the earnest; it's turned
Heavenly. Now, that's the
earnest that you're going in
the Rapture. It's the earnest.

65-0418M — It Is The Rising Of
The Sun

123 So the Bride must also be
flesh of His flesh, and bone of
His bone.

Then how is this mortal flesh
going to become His flesh?

We'll get to it in a minute, see.

How is it done? How? What is
this great transformation?

Notice.

65-0911 — God's Power To
Transform

212 Now, what is the
transformation? (Quickly.)
How do we get it? What does
the transformation? God does
it by the Spirit of His Word.

He transforms. He plants His
Seed, throws His Spirit on It,
and It brings forth the product.
His Holy Spirit transforms the
Seed Word in to be vindicated
of Its kind.

213 What kind of a seed you are, that shows just what's in you. You can't hide it. Whatever you are inside, it shows outside. You just can't keep from it. You can't make that tree anything but what it is.

See, it's—it's going to be that way. The Holy Spirit transforms the seeds that's on the inside of it. No matter what kind of a seed it is, It'll transform it. If it's evil, it'll bring forth evil.

If it's a hypocrite, it'll bring forth a hypocrite. If it's a genuine Word of God, It'll bring forth a genuine son or daughter of God, through a thinking man's Filter.

When the Seed comes up, It
comes through That, It
produces a son and daughter
of God.

THE TRUE SPIRIT WILL ONLY
COME THROUGH THE SPECIFIC
MESSAGE OF THIS AGE

65-0418M — It Is The Rising Of
The Sun

94 As Christ was the first One to raise, from all the prophets, and so forth; although typed in many places, He was the Firstfruits of those that slept.

In the Bride, coming of Christ,
coming out of the church,
there'll have to be a Sheaf
waved again in the last days.

Oh, my!

95 Waving of the sheaf! What was the sheaf? The first one that come to mature, the first one that proved it was a wheat, that proved it was a sheaf.

96 Hallelujah! I'm sure you see what I'm talking about. It was waved over the people.

And the first time there will
come forth, for the Bride age,
for a resurrection out of dark
denominationalism, will be a
Message,

that the full maturity of the
Word has turned back again in
Its full Power, and being waved
over the people, by the same
signs and wonders that He did
back there.

65-0418M — It Is The Rising Of The Sun

91 He was waved at the Day of Pentecost, “when there came a sound from Heaven like a waving, mighty rushing wind,”

and was waved over the people,
the pentecostal people that was
up at Pentecost, waiting for the
Blessing to come.

92 And to be waved again, we
realize, in the last day,
according to Luke 17:30, in the
Son day again, “in the day that
the S-o-n of man will be
revealed,” or waved again over
the people.

93 Now, Who is the Son of
man? “In the beginning was
the Word, and the Word was
with God, and the Word was
God.

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

355 “In the very day that the
Son of man is revealed.”

Revelation 10:1 to 7, read it
when you get home, “the
seventh angel’s Message,
opening up the Seals.” What is
it? Not the angel is the Son of
man;

but the messenger is revealing
the Son of man. Can you get it
separated now? That's where it
seems to be so hard for you,
you see. Not the Son of man,
Himself;

but the seventh angel, the
seventh messenger, is
revealing to the public the Son
of man, because It's left the
shuck. He can't organize It. It's
the Grain, Itself, again.

356 “And in that day, Jannes
and Jambres will withstand,”
anoointed ones (make-believers
and unbelievers, the church
formal and the Pentecostals)
stand up against the true Grain,

“but let them alone; their folly will be made manifest, as theirs was.” See? You understand now? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.]

63-0728 — Christ Is The
Mystery Of God Revealed

529 Then, our Headship is a Kingdom. “The Kingdom of God is within you,” said the Bible, Jesus. The Kingdom! We are not a denomination.

We belong to a Kingdom, and
the Kingdom is the Word of
God made Spirit and Life in our
own life, bringing to pass every
promise in this day, as it did in
that day when the Word and
God was One.

And the Word and God is one
in His Church today, making It
the Headship of the Body that
is redeemed, to bring the
Message in the last day;

and be taken up from the dead,
in the resurrection, to go back
and will restore again, as Adam
and Eve, in the beginning in the
garden of Eden. The threefold
mystery of God, His Body! Oh,
my!

To Be Truly Pregnated
Like Mary, Take The
Word In Your Heart

62-0318 — The Spoken Word Is
The Original Seed

177 Glory! Before the actual,
spiritual Birth can take place,
the Word has to find itself
through your mind, believe It.

“He that heareth My Words,
and believeth on Him that sent
Me, hath Eternal Life, and shall
never come to the Judgment,

but is...or through the
Tribulation period, but has
passed from death unto Life.”
That’s it. Oh, my!
Now notice. Virgin womb, her
mind; virgin mind, to believe
God’s Word.

62-0318 — The Spoken Word Is
The Original Seed

161 If you want a Church, start
with the Word of God. You want a
Life of God, start with the Word
of God. Accept the Word of God
in its fullness, every measure of
it.

And then let...And if that is the
fullness of God in you, then the
rain that's falling will produce
exactly what's in your garden.

61-0117 — The Messiah

God's gift is His Word. God
promised, made a gift, sent a
gift. You take the gift, and then
with His Word, there's your
conductor. With a gift of God...

If God give you the gift of the Holy Ghost (You believe that?), well, the Word of God is a conductor to use that power with. Whatever the Holy Ghost promised you, that's what you can do.

40 See, that's the thing that
delivers the Word. The Word
goes right out, and the Holy
Spirit follows the Word.

Wherever the Word's
preached...You see your pastor
preach it. First thing you know,
“whew,” [Brother Branham
makes a blowing sound—Ed.]
across the building goes the
Holy Ghost.

See? That's right. It's the
conductor of the Word. The
Word goes...or, the Word is
the conductor of the Spirit,
because where the Word is
preached, the Spirit follows it.

Wherever it goes, why, the
Spirit follows the Word. Oh, I
like that. I like sound Bible
teaching, and the Bible Holy
Ghost coming back confirming
Bible teachin

He Is The Quickener
Of The Word

64-0621 — The Trial

83 And this Defense Witness ought to know whether these man are believers or not, because, after all, the Defense Witness is the—the quickener of the Word Itself.

He knows whether you believe
or not. He is the One that's
been given by God, to make It
come to pass.

Hallelujah! He is the One that
proves that. He is the One
what makes It come to pass.
He is the One Who knows
whether It's fell in the right
place or not, this Defense
Witness for the Word.

Notice, He wants to call again to the believers, the Defense Witness knows whether it is or not, He is the quickener of the Word.

64-0419 — The Trial

33 And now the Defense Witness Himself should know whether they are believers or not, because He is the One that quickens the promise. Now how you going to get past that? Got a right-hot trial going on.

How you going to get past that?
The Holy Spirit should know,
for He is the Life that's in the
Word, He's the One that
quicken the Word.

Just like your spirit quickens your body, and the body is quickened by the spirit; without the spirit, the body is of no effect, the body's dead.

And the Word is dead without
the Spirit. It takes the Spirit to
bring forth the Word, to make
It live. And He is the Quickener
of that Word, and He is the
Defense Witness of the
Defendant.

Amen. How you going to get
a-past that? I want this court to
understand that very well, that
He is the Quickener, He should
know. He quickens the Word.