

The Call to the Bride: Come up Hither!

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Revelation 4:1

1 After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

John 11:18-28

¹⁸ Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off:

¹⁹ And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.

²⁰ Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house.

²¹ Then said Martha unto Jesus,
Lord, if thou hadst been here,
my brother had not died.

²² But I know, that even now,
whatsoever thou wilt ask of
God, God will give it thee.

²³ Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

²⁴ Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

²⁵ Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

²⁶ And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord:
I believe that thou art the Christ,
the Son of God, which should
come into the world.

²⁸ And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.

1. The Call To The
Bride Is To "Come Up
Higher," Into The
Spirit.

60-1231 - Revelation, Chapter¹⁵

Four #1

145 Notice now, let's see what was this: And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat upon it, upon the throne.

146 There was a “Voice” that
called him. Oh, that Voice! Oh, I
can’t get away from that, that
Voice of that One behind him.

Then he looked around there,
and He showed him all the
church ages, 'cause he was
standing in the church ages, the
seven golden candlesticks.

Then he heard that Voice after the church ages ceased; that Voice left the earth, went up. When He got into Glory, he heard Him say, “Come up here! I’m going to show you what’s going to happen from hereafter.” Oh, my!

147 That Voice! Let's speak on that Voice a minute; I got some Scriptures wrote down here. Let's go to First Thessalonians 4, and just listen over here what this Voice is going to say.

Oh, we all know what It's going to say, without...before we read it, don't we? We know what's going to happen. "The trumpet of God shall sound and the dead in Christ shall rise." Is that right?

You who are putting it down, in First Thessalonians 4:16 and 17, “the Voice,” that Voice was the Voice of Christ. Is that right? The Voice of Christ! For the...trumpet of God shall sound,

and the dead in Christ shall rise first:...we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them...to meet the Lord in the air: and forever be with the Lord.

148 The same Voice that summoned John, “Come up,” the same Voice that said to John, “Come up,” is the same Voice that’ll summons the Church someday (Amen!), summons the Church.

149 Also, the same Voice that summoned John to come up, is the same Voice that summonsed dead Lazarus out of the grave, that same Voice of the archangel.

Christ is the Voice of the archangel, “Voice of the archangel,” see. Oh, that trumpet Voice of Christ summonsed John to come up, the same Voice summoned Lazarus.

Did you notice at the grave of Lazarus, He spoke with a loud Voice. (Not just said, “Lazarus, come forth.”) “Lazarus, come forth!” It summonsed him from the dead.

150 And he answered, “Here am I.” And he come from the dead, after he was dead and his body rotten.

151 That same Voice said to John, “Come up here, I’ll show you some things that’s fixing to happen.”

152 That same Voice that shall sound when the dead in Christ shall rise, “For the trumpet...”
The trumpet! What is a trumpet?

The Voice of Christ, the same One sounded and summoned him up. He heard the Voice like a trumpet sound and said, “Come up hither!” See how the resurrection will be?

It'll be in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye. That clear sounding Voice, and He'll summons the Church, calling, "Come out of it." That great summonsing Voice. God, help me to hear It that day.

153 As I've often said...I know, as a mortal, Rodney, I know that there's a big dark door set before me, it's called death.

Every time my heart beats, I'm one beat closer to that door. Some of these days I got to go into it. But I don't want to go in like a coward, screaming and hollering.

I want to go in this, wrapping myself in the robes of His righteousness, knowing this: that I know Him in the power of His resurrection; that someday when He calls, I'll come out from among the dead;

when He summonses me to
appear on High, when the
trumpet of God shall sound and
the dead in Christ shall rise, if
I'm alive, I'll be changed in a
moment, in a twinkling of an
eye,

and shall go with the rest of them, up to meet the Lord in the air. That trumpet Voice, sound clear, loud. Hmm. Oh, it will be the same, the same at His Coming.

61-0101 - Revelation, Chapter
Four #2

37 Now, we find that after,
“After these things.” After
meant that “After the church
ages had ceased.”

38 Then John was summonsed
to come up higher, “come up
hither,” which means “come up
here.” He showed him all that
was going to happen in the
world of the—the Church age.

Then after the church ages was
over, we find then that John was
a type of every true believer that
will be summonsed by Christ on
High. That right? Summonsed,
“Come up hither.”

39 And we find out that the Voice that spoke to him was the Voice of a trumpet, clear, distinctly, and it was the same Voice that spoke to him here on earth.

See, as long as He was in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks, He was speaking to...or from. Oh, I like that, “speaking from the candlesticks.” See, He was in the candlesticks, speaking from them to His Church.

Then when the church age had ceased, He left the earth and moved up into the Heavens and He called His Redeemed up with Him. Oh, isn't that beautiful? I—I...Oh, it just makes my heart jump.

40 And remember, as we bring these things, I want especially young converts like Sister Ina here, or, and Ina, rather, and her husband, and Rodney and—and his wife,

and Charlie and them, to understand that these things, and many of you young people that just come into the Lord, that hasn't went very far down the line yet, just tasted Him and seen that He's good and gracious.

Now, notice this, that these things that we're speaking, what we're trying to do is settle your faith, that when God says anything it's got to happen.

It just simply won't fail! No matter...It may look like it's a million miles...and never can happen, but God will move it right around and make it happen. And He does that to test you.

60-1231 — Revelation, Chapter Four Part I

112 Now, we notice John, the
2nd chapter...the 2nd verse.

Notice, quickly, John added this:
And immediately...(Amen!)

113 Oh, if I act funny, I just feel good. John added:
...immediately I was in the spirit....

114 When you hear the Voice of God speak to you, something happens. Amen! Oh, did it happen to you like that?

It did to me, thirty-one years ago, and I've never been the same since. Oh, when He said, "Come up to Me, all ye that labor and heavy laden, I'll give you rest." It changed me.

115 John said:
...immediately I was in the
spirit...(What spirit? The Holy
Spirit. Oh!)...I was in the spirit:
and, behold, a throne was set in
heaven, and one sat on that
throne.

116 See, John had left the earth now. Christ had left the earth (in the form of the Holy Spirit) and had returned back to the Body again.

Today the Body sits there as a memorial, as a sacrifice. We get to that right on down through the chapter here. But the Spirit of Christ come back to live in the Church, to live in us.

117 Now, immediately after He showed the end of the age of His work here, He went on up into Heaven, He said, “I’ll show you what’s going to be after this, after the church ages.”

He said, “John, I can’t talk to you down there no more, ’cause I’ve left down here, I’ve come up higher.

Come up here with Me!” Amen!
“And I’ll show you what’s going
to take place hereafter.” Oh,
my! Hmm! Oh! Caught up in the
vision, caught up into Glory.

118 His experience must have been something like that of Paul's. Second Corinthians 12:2 and 4, if you're putting it down. Second Corinthians...2 to 4. Paul was caught up one day, in a...into a vision, too.

Did you know that? And he saw things that wasn't expedient for him to even talk about; fourteen years, never even mentioned it. See? But listen at the difference between them.

119 What Paul saw, he was forbidden to speak of it or to put it out to the public. Oh, my! I don't believe he could do it. (For, a little trip I took one day, I've never got over it and never will.)

See, he—he saw things that he couldn't talk about. I guess he didn't have words to...he was caught up in the third Heaven, though. See, up in the third Heaven.

2. Same Voice Called⁶¹
Martha And Mary- Out
Of Gloom Calls you
Individually To Christ-
The Promised
Word-Giver Of Life.

48-0305 - At Thy Word, Lord

30 Look at Him. Here it is; get it.

I can hear Him scream with a loud voice, way out there in spirit land, "Lazarus."

I believe if He hadn't have called him by name, there'd been the general resurrection right there. And I believe it. That's what I think of Him. That's right. He said, "Lazarus, come forth." Oh, my.

Corruption knew its Master, the spirit, likewise. Lazarus had been dead four days. His soul was somewhere in eternity. I don't know where it was at; neither do you. We won't argue about that, where his soul was.

But anyhow, it heard the Voice of the Son of God.

And a man that had been dead four days, stood up on his [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] again.

He's the same yesterday, today,
and...[Blank spot on tape—Ed.]
You believe it? “Nevertheless,
Lord, at...[Blank spot on
tape—Ed.] I will let down the
net.”

31 Old Paul, at the end of his...The saint, at the end of his journey, “I’ve fought a good fight, I’ve finished the course; I’ve kept the faith.

Henceforth, there's laid up for me a crown that the Lord will give me at that day." Notice another thing, what he said there in his going away when he said he fought the good fight and everything.

He said, “Oh grave...Death, where is thy sting? Grave, where is thy victory? Oh death, show me where you got...?...Where you at?” A challenge. “Come down, death. See if you can scare me.” All right.

Looked down and seen that six foot of mud laying there, said, “Oh grave, where is your...” [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] “Show me where you can show it to me.” Say, “I can hold you. I can show you an empty tomb in Jerusalem.”

Amen! He's still Christ tonight.
“Death, where is thy sting;
grave, where is thy victory?” May
I add this with Saint Paul,
“Sickness, show me your place
to stand before our God...?...”

32 But nevertheless, Lord, at Thy Word, I'll let down the net. I don't know how You're going to take my soul from here when the wheels of mortal life stand still, but at Thy Word, Lord, here I'm coming into dark eternity, trusting you...

50-0716 - Believest Thou This?

85 I can see Him walking down through that place there then, to the grave. Said, "Take ye away the stone."

Look like if He'd have been a gentleman, He'd have took it away Himself. But He asked them women to. Why? You've got your part to do. Yes, sir.

You've got to do your part. Said, "Take ye away the stone." And they took away the stone and the stink was so bad. And they was about to have suffocated there on account of that, a dead human body.

Then I can see Him straighten
His little self up again; said,
“Father, I thank Thee that Thou
hearest Me always. But for these
that stand by is why I said...”

He'd already seen the vision. He⁷⁷
knew what was going to
happen. Then He cried with a
loud voice and screamed, said,
“Lazarus, come forth.” I believe,
brother, if He hadn't have called
him specifically by the name of
Lazarus,

I believe the general resurrection would've took place then. That's what I think about Him. That's right. I believe the resurrection of every dead thing that had ever died would've come out of the grave if He had just said,

“Come forth.” Yes, sir. But He called, “Lazarus, come forth.” I’m glad today that my name’s on His Book. “One day He will call too, and I will answer,” said Job.

86 But there, He called on Lazarus, a man that had been dead four days, his body rotten, his soul four day's journey somewhere out in...

I don't know where it was, neither do you, so we won't argue about that. But that man's soul had been gone four days, returned back. And a dead man stood on his feet and lived again. Believeest thou this?

Yes, sir. I believe it. I believe He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. Believest thou this? I believe He was the One that spoke to the seas, and they stopped. Believest thou this?

I believe that He said in His Word, “These things that I do, greater shall you do.” Believest thou this? I believe that He said, “If you abide in Me, My Word abides in you, you can ask what you may, and it will be given to you.” Believest thou this?

I believe that in the last days
there'd come a falling away;
men would be heady,
highminded, lovers of pleasure
more than lovers of God. I
believe we're living in that day.
Believest thou this?

He said, “In that day the branch of the Lord would be beautiful.” He prophesied He’d have a Church that these signs would follow them that believe. In Mark 16, He said, “In My Name, they shall cast out devils;

they'll speak with new tongues;
take up serpents or drink deadly
things; lay hands on the sick,
they shall recover. I believe that
we're living in that day right
now. Believest thou this?

87 I believe His Spirit's right here this afternoon. I believe He said that whosoever will call upon the Name of the Lord will be saved.

Believest thou this?" I believe that every man or woman standing here right now under the unction of the Holy Ghost could accept Jesus right now and receive the Holy Ghost.

Believest thou this? I believe
He'd heal every person in this
building right now if you'd just
only touch Him. You...Believest
thou this?

88 Three years ago an Angel met me in the realms that are...in the room and said, “If you get the people to believe you and be sincere when you pray, nothing shall stand before your prayer.”

Believest thou this? I believe
He's here now. Believest thou
this? I believe He wants to heal
right now. Believest thou this? I
believe He wants to heal these
men of cancer.

Believest thou this? I believe He
wants to heal that little crippled
boy. Believest thou this? I believe
He wants to so fill this place
with the Holy Ghost right now.
Believest thou this?

63-1116E - Perseverance

182 But Martha, she had been very dilatory, seemingly; about fixing a place for Jesus to sleep, a place for Him to eat, and so forth. Even asked Jesus, one time, to make her sister come help her.

But down in her heart, faith struck. While Mary sat still, crying, and doing nothing about it, and give up; Martha slips out of the—out of the house, and down through the city.

No doubt, she met some on the street, said, “Where is that Divine healer that you had around here? What about Lazarus now?” She passed right on by them.

183 She got to where He was at. Watch how she was. She run up to Him. She had a right to upbraid Him, she had a right to tell Him, saying, “Now why didn’t You come when I called You?” If that would have been a—a Pentecostal of today,

or a Baptist, or a Presbyterian, they would change churches right quick. See? Sure. “Why didn’t You come when we called You?” She had a right to, seemingly. But she didn’t have a right to.

184 As I said last night, you've got no thought. It's His thought, see, what He does. "Thy will be done,' pray like this." He is not an errand boy. He is God.

Notice, "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done."

185 And when she got to Him, she approached Him in the right way. She said, give Him His right title, “Lord!” Not upbraid Him, but, “Lord, if Thou would have been here, my brother would not have died.”

Oh, my! I can see Him pulling His little, tired body together. And—and He said...“If You would have been here, my brother would not have died. But even now, whatever You ask God, God will give it to You.”

See, she knowed what the God of creation was. She knowed He was the anointed Messiah. She approached Him right, upon her knees, said, “Lord, if You would have been here, my brother would not have died.

But even now, whatever You ask
God, God will give it to You.”
Oh, if we could only think that!
“Even now, Lord, whatever You
ask God, God will give it to
You.”

186 He said, “I am the resurrection and Life.” No other man could ever say that. “I am the resurrection and Life.

He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. Whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die. Believest thou this?”

187 She said, “Yea, Lord. I believe that You’re the Son of God that was to come into the world.” He said, “Where have you buried him?”

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

176 Now notice, Paul used it, if you want to read it now. Put it down, you can read it later.

In Titus 3:5, Paul is using this same word, means regeneration of man, that man has passed from a sinner to a saint, not completely annihilated.

When a man is changed, he isn't annihilated, but he's a changed person. He has been changed from what he was to what he is, not annihilated.

177 Jesus used the same word in Matthew 19:28; now, not 28:19. Now, 19:28, He said to them, “You’ll set with Me in My Father’s Kingdom, regenerated,” you see, “changed,” when you’re changed. He used the same word.

178 And He used the same word when He said, to the colt, said, “Loose the colt and let him go.”

179 Said the same thing at the resurrection of Lazarus, “Loose him! Change him! He’s been tied; let him go!”

180 What does it mean? The earth will be loosed from the grip of Satan. It'll be loosed. It'll be loosed from politics, it'll be loosed from denominational religious systems; to be used for the Kingdom of God, to be establish it here on the earth.

But as long it's in the hands of Satan, politics...Satan the ruler of the earth, he owns it; it belonged to him, but now Christ has redeemed it.

181 One time, I was his property, but not now. One time, that little woman was his property, but not now. See, He come to loose the grip of it. He loosed the grip of sin, of Satan, upon my life, upon your life, and now we're not his.

182 Have you often heard me say, in prayer, “take your hands off of God’s property”? See? Amen! Have faith to claim your own. That’s your rights. “Take your hands off of her!”

Take your hands off of him!”
See, faith will do it. Oh, my! Not annihilate it, but, just, “Take your hands off of it,” to loose it, let it go, pass it away. It changes.

3. The Bride Is Called To
Go Outside The Camp
To Meet Christ The
Life-Giver

...Heb.13:12-14

64-0209 — Countdown

135 And did you notice the Laodicea Church Age, also, was the only church age that Jesus was on the outside, trying to get in? Did you notice He never said “let them alone”?

Jesus is the Word (Is that right?), the manifested Word. Now He...Now listen. He was not, see, walk away and left them, but He was trying to get some cooperation somewhere.

“He that will open the door, I’ll come in with him, sup with him, and he with Me.” But, no door, see; just trying to get in, on the outside. They don’t reject man. They reject God.

63-0223 — A Door In A Door

237 Why, He loves you. You know that? And that's the reason that knock comes, "I stand at the door and knock. [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit—Ed.]

And if any man will hear My Voice, and open the door, I'll come in to him, and sup with him, and he with Me.”

238 Now, that still, little Voice
that knocks at your heart's
door, it might knock so many
times till it may be very faint
right now.

But let's just be honest, just honest with God and ourselves, for just one minute. That little knock, way down there, that said, "I better curb my ways. I'd better be different. I'd better straighten up."

I know there's things in me. I look here, I examine my life with this Word, and I see I'm wrong in many things." Look around, see how good; it's His goodness that knocks at the door.

239 No matter what we done,
how much we've sinned, how
much we've turned it away, how
much we said, "Later on we'll do
it," He is still, in the midst of all
that, knocking.

[Brother Branham knocked on the pulpit—Ed.] “And if any man or woman will just open your heart, I’ll come in and sup.”

64-0719E - Going Beyond The
Camp

155 Lord Jesus, we may be hated by the world, but loved of the Father.

Help us, dear God. Help these people, that each one of them, Lord, that Thy blessings will rest upon them.

Let us go beyond the camp now.
Let us go beyond our own
thinking. Let us go by the
thinking of God. And the Bible
said this, "Let the mind that was
in Christ be in you."

So let us think His thoughts, not
our own thinking, because most
the time we're wrong. So, to be
sure, let His mind rest in us. And
His mind was to do the Father's
will, and the Father's will is His
promised Word.

156 Let us go beyond the camp,
tonight, Lord, and find Jesus.
We'll never find Him by joining
the church. We'll never find Him
by shaking hands with some
minister,

or—or signing some creed, or something that we promise, to go to Sunday school so many days out of the year, and so forth. We'll only find Him in the Word, because He is the Word.

157 And as we see this day
promised, that He would be outside
the camp, put out again; now let us
go beyond the camp, ready to bear
His reproach; hated of this world,
but loved of the One Who has
invited us to the Camp. Grant it,
Lord.

64-1221 - Why It Had To Be

134

Shepherd

267 And the ages is over now,
we're right here at Laodicea. And
remember, the Laodicea age, He
was on the outside of the church,
knocking, trying to get back in: Eve
had put her Adam out. God, help
us.

Let us go beyond the camp to
find Him. Let us suffer without
the gates with Him. Let us go to
Him in His death, in His burial,
and in His resurrection; for He's
the same yesterday, today, and
forever.

63-0126 - Investments

112 Now notice, now, the rich Laodicean church. Jesus reveals, in Revelation 3, gives this age, this Laodicean Pentecostal age, the same opportunity that this rich man did, the same one.

Cause, Laodicea, “Knocked at the door,” showed that our organized life had put Christ outside. Because, Christ is the Word,

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God,” and the Word is still God. And the Word was put outside, for our organizational system.

65-0815 - And Knoweth It Not

36 You know, somewhere in there, as I was reading, I...If you'll excuse me a minute, I—I found some place that sounded good to me,

and I don't know just where it
was at now. Here it is...and
knowest thou
not...wretched,...miserable,...po
or,...blind,...naked:

37 Oh, my, that's kind of the picture here of the church of today! Now, it's, I—I think that that church age here, that we're speaking of...

Course, I've got the church age coming forth now in the books. But being that is the Laodicean Church Age that we're in, let's just look at the conditions.

38 I don't want to take any text or anything, because we're not...just talking casually, as we see to talk on whatever the Lord would lead us to do, but something that would help us.

39 Let's think of the Laodicea Church Age and its condition today. As far as I know, I don't see anything to hinder, at this time, the Coming of the Lord Jesus, outside of the readiness of His Church. I think that one of the—the prophecies...

4. It Takes (the Spirit)
Quickening Power To
Raise The Bride Out Of
Laodicea Into the Mind
of Christ

56-0923 - Spiritual Adoption

61 Then when God came down in the form of a dove, and lit upon the Lamb and abode in the Lamb, and never did leave the Lamb, for they were one.

That was one of the greatest
advents that the world has ever
had. Let's just look at that for
just a moments, off my text,

but how that heavens and earth
embraced each other. How that
God and man become
reconciled together! How that
even the creatures that fly the
heavens,

and the beasts that roam the fields, became one, when man and God was reconciled together, by the Man, the Lord Jesus Christ. What a marvelous thing!

62 In order to stay with God, stay gentle. God is gentle. In order to stay with God, stay with love. God is love. Stay meek. Stay...Not never be self-sufficient. Always rely upon Him. Never use your own mind; take His thoughts.

Let His thoughts be your thoughts. And take Them into your carnal mind, and repeat Them over. And say, “O God, take all my doubt away, and let my thoughts be Your thoughts.”

And you sick people, do that as we're speaking. Just take away, cast away the thought of sickness. Take God's healing thoughts, let Them become your thought.

63 “Think upon these things,”
the Bible said, “if there be any
praise, if there be any virtue.”

60-0417M — Go, Tell

80 As we continue, a moment,
with the slaves, and our
thought. There was a
proclamation, Emancipation of
the Proclamation, that was
signed,

and the slaves was going to be free upon a certain day. You don't know, oh, if you've never met Christ, you never know what that meant to them slaves.

When it went, the message
throughout the land, that,
“You’re going to be free on
such-and-such a day, at daylight.

You're going to be free. You'll not have to wear slave belts anymore, neither will you get any more whippings. But you are free, and you are a citizen of this great United States.

You are not no more a slave,
after daylight on a
certain-certain morning.” Oh,
with great anticipations they
waited.

81 If the sinner could only see that! If the sinner would only hear the true Gospel! Not the joining of a church,

but the preaching of the Gospel, that you can be free from sin, that you can be free from your sickness. “At a certain-certain time,” that’s the time you believe.

82 You know, those slaves were so excited and under such anticipation, waiting for the hour that they would be free, until, they tell me,

that they gathered at the bottom of a hill, mothers and little children, all gathered, and some of the old. And they climbed up to the top of the hill, around midnight.

They knowed when the day
broke and the sun come up,
that they would be free. It
wouldn't take over one half of a
minute to shine the sun from
the top of the hill,

but some of them was up on
top the hill, watching, watching.
“Oh, when the sun rises, we are
free.” That was the s-o-n...or,
s-u-n.

83 But when the S-o-n rises one
of these days! And when the
S-o-n rose some nineteen
hundred years ago, He broke
every slave belt,

He set every captive free, He
healed every sickness, He gave
freedom to those who are in
bondage. How we ought to
climb and watch!

84 And when the sun peeped up, first, the man was at the highest, saw it, and he shouted down to the next man, “We are free!”

And the next man shouted to the man farther down the hill, “We are free!” Until it come to the camp, “We are free!” For, the sun was arising, they were waiting, waiting, waiting for that hour.

85 How much more ought we to
be waiting, today, for the S-o-n
of God. We are free from sin.
We are free from the shackles.

We are free from habits. We are free from smoking, drinking, carousing, because the S-o-n of God has raised from the grave and has broke every fetter. All condemnation is gone!

The debt has been paid. The penalty is paid. The sins are washed away, and we are free. Oh, we are free, people! Slavery? Freedom, when the Son of God rises with healing in His wings!

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

127 Not all men will receive
Christ. Oh, no.

But those which God foreordained Life, is housed around some of the dirt of the earth, that's the One He comes to quicken. They're the Ones.

128 That, now, that dirt would lay there in the sun, and say, “Oh, this old sun is so hot!” That rock, say, “This old sun is so hot!” But that little seed, said, “That’s what I’m looking for,”

and it begin to spring forth to life. It quickened that part of the dirt. Because, the sun was sent not to quicken the rock, not to quicken the dirt, but to quicken the life of the seed.

129 Now, the Holy Spirit comes now. Of course, It wasn't sent...Why won't all the people receive It? It wasn't sent to them.

65-0410 — The Easter Seal

98 Notice, you—you are now on your way, growing to the full resurrection. No tree just comes up overnight.

It's got to grow, as we grow in the grace and knowledge of God. You are baptized into the Holy Spirit. Now, as the pentecostal Church, baptized into the Holy Spirit, it's begin growing.

Limbs has died. They was pruning them off. But the Tree is still growing, is still going on, because It's got to come to the resurrection.

99 They're led by the Spirit, to quicken the Word to you who is believers. The Word keeps quickening, as you come to first limb, second limb, third limb, on up.

It just keeps quickening. The Spirit of God keeps quickening to you.

63-0728 - Christ Is The Mystery
Of God Revealed

522 Our Headship is in Heaven.
I'm not going to Rome; I'm
going to Heaven when I die.
See? See? The Headship is in
Heaven.

523 And the Body must follow the Head, as the wife follows the husband. Being that Adam was not deceived, he walked out with Eve. Eve was deceived, she was in the transgression,

or the entire resurrection of the whole Body would have come forth at the day of the Lord Jesus when He come forth from the grave. But He had to redeem Her, which is His Body.

She has to be redeemed in order to come to Him. Do you see it? [Congregation says, “Amen.”—Ed.] Oh my! See, it couldn't have happened then. The redemption is going on.

524 Now you see the Seals?
When He's in His mediatorial
work back there, redeeming, but
some day He comes forth to get
this Book that He's redeemed.

And all that's in this Book would be Him, for that's the believer, the words in the Book, and the Word is Him.

And all that's in that, He come
forth for this Book of
Redemption, whose names are
written on the Book before the
foundation of the world, when
He was slain as a Lamb.

525 And here He is today, in His Word, manifesting the same thing He did there. She can't recognize another headship.

No, sir. There's no bishop, no nothing. She recognizes one Headship, that's Christ, and Christ is the Word. Oh, my! Whew! I love that. Uh! Yes, sir.

526 As the Head was took up from the grave, so must His Body follow Him into Eden. Therefore, the Body cannot recognize any other headship, but the Headship of the Word.

62-0909M - Countdown

79 What does it represent? A spiritual age, a spiritual time to where God's going to have spiritual astronauts. Amen! They're here right now! Hallelujah!

The eagles of the air that can go beyond any other bird, sail above everything, spiritual astronauts (Glory!) that can take the Word of God and prove that He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. A spiritual astronaut! Oh, my! Glory!

That makes me feel good, living in this age! Now what a wonderful thing for a spiritual astronaut! See? What is it? What did the natural scientists do? Has been able to achieve that.

And God, through man who would stay with the Bible and say that “He’s the same yesterday, today, and forever,” and not afraid of the promise regardless of what anybody said, stay with it. What is it?

You become in an astronaut
that can go so far it's beyond
denominational thinking. It's
beyond anything else. It's
beyond the things of the
church. Out yonder with God
and Him alone you stay.

Astronauts!

80 And, remember, in order to¹⁹⁷
get be an astronaut, they had to
get in a tank, and they can't
control themselves. It takes a
radar power, an atomic power
to lift him out beyond space,
and then he's controlled by a
tower. Glory!

God's spiritual astronauts is the¹⁹⁸
same! They come into a tank,
and into a place, into a body,
and that body is the Body of
Christ. Then, it's not them,
it—it's not, it wasn't John Glenn,
it was—it was the tank that he
was in.

It was the machine. He just set there, he didn't do nothing. He just had the real pure courage to get up there and say "it's right," because science had proved it.

81 God wants man who can come into Christ and believe that He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, and don't take their own thinking, move out into space, controlled by the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Astronauts! Whew! How far it is back from the old horse and buggy! How far it is even from the airplane! How far it is from justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost!

They're coming to eagles. The first, they were lizards, then they become chickens, then they become crows, but now they're eagles. No one can follow them!

82 An eagle is a special bird. He can go higher than any other bird. He's prepared to see, keep his head level when he gets up there.

There's some people can jump way up and don't know where they're at after they get there, 'cause he can't see no farther than what he's jumped.

But there's some that can look back and see what's going on. That's the eagle. He can stand there till he looks it over, and waits till he hears a message that tells him what to say.

That's the astronaut of God.
See? It's followed all the other
achievements, why won't it
follow this achievement?

83 Astronauts for Jesus. Amen.
Don't even leave by his own
power. He's fired out. Only thing
he does is get into it. That's all
you have to do, is get into it,

God will do the shooting and the placing. It ain't gasoline power no more, neither, some church creed. It's God's atom power that pushes you plumb out of space out yonder. Amen.

Oh! Why, what is it, these astronauts? They've got the...They never need...just took the word justification, just the word sanctification, he's got into the whole Bible.

Amen. He's got into all of it, because that he knows that God is able to perform every promise He ever made. He just sits there and waits. Oh, my! The Word is bound to manifest Itself.

If you're sick, and an astronaut,
just remember, get in Christ,
wait the countdown. That's all.
He'll fire the bullet, don't worry.
Now, been able to achieve it
because God promised it.

84 Now, how much greater is the astronaut, these things now, from the old horse power, automobile power, and—and the airplane power!

You see, the astronaut, he's so high that he can see things that a man in a horse and buggy couldn't see.

He's so high he can see things that a man in an automobile couldn't see.

He's so high that he can see things a man flying an airplane can't see.

He's done went plumb out of reason. Amen. Glory! That's it. He's done went beyond any achievement man could think of, the organization, the denomination,

“You have to be Methodist, Baptist, or belong to this one, the oneness, twoness,” or whatever it is. He’s an astronaut, he’s sailed off plumb out into space. Amen. How thankful I am!

85 And, remember, the astronaut is controlled by a radar power. You seen them bring John Glenn in. I looked down there at Cape Canaveral and seen that great big radar thing,

and you couldn't even see him
nowhere, but you could tell
where he was by the way that
radar was pointing. That's where
he was at. See? And we got a
radar, too, prayer.

Prayer is the radar power that directs the astronaut. “Ask the Father anything in My Name, I’ll do it.” See? Just watch the way the prayer’s going, you can see the way he’s pointing. Amen.

Just watch the way the church is praying, you can see the way the missiles will fly. You can tell it by the—the way the astronauts are traveling, by the way the church is praying.