

# The Passover

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1. The Passover  
Represented The  
Communion -Christ Is  
Our Passover Lamb

## 63-0901E - Desperations

47 Now we notice, tonight, that we're taking the symbols of the Passover.

And the Passover was taken in emergency, in times of desperation. You notice in—in Exodus the 12th chapter, and the 11th verse of the 12th chapter,

I believe it is, it says, “Eat this Passover with the shoes on your feet, with your loins girded up, and with the staff in your hand,” see, you’re eating it in desperation.

## 57-0418 - The Communion

16 And communion was held, first, way down in Egypt, the first of the communion, which was the—the passover lamb that was slain, which was the type of Christ.

And many of us are familiar with that blessed old story, of how that they who took the communion down there, walked through the wilderness for forty years.

And when they come out, there wasn't a feeble one among them. And there, even their clothes was not even threadbare, for forty years God had kept them.



What a blessed assurance it is to us tonight! If that be the type, then Christ is the antitype. And how that God delivered the children!

17 And, in the taking of the communion, was the difference between life and death. Those who were on the inside, under the shed blood, took the communion. No one could take the communion outside being under the shed blood.

The blood of the lamb was shed first, and then was put on the lintel and the doorpost...the lintel is the cross timber, and on the doorpost. And then the lamb was roasted,

and was...and—and was eaten with bitter herbs, and they girded themselves. After the blood was shed, and they had passed under the shed blood, they were girded and ready for the march.

18 And now it's a very beautiful type tonight, of, people who take Communion is not to be associated or affiliated with things of the world anymore.

They must come under the Blood first, and be cleansed from all sin, which is unbelief, and then be shod with the preparation of the Gospel, having on the whole armor of God, ready for the summons at any time.

19 And it was the—the sign that the death angel could not go beneath that blood. The death angel had to rise and go over the blood. And there is where the poet got the inspiration, saying,

“When I see the Blood, I’ll pass over you.” It was near the hour of deliverance when they accepted the communion, the—the roasted lamb and the—the herbs that they taken before leaving.



20 Now, in the antitype that we're to speak on, it was many years ago, tonight, that Jesus taken what we know as the Lord's supper, the communion. And there is something about it, that, He was going to talk to His disciples.

And just before going away, He wanted to talk it over with them. And it's a...They had a room prepared. It was a time of fellowship. And the communion does mean a fellowship.

## 54-1003E - Jubilee Year

162 Now we're going to have communion service, just in a few minutes. How many believes in communion?

[Congregation says,  
“Amen.”—Ed.] Thank you.

That's what Jesus Christ asked us to do, said, take the broken parts of His body, and to do it until He returned again. And if you who believe this to be the Truth,

and would like to have this little time of fellowship with us, around the Word of God here, we'd be happy for you to—to stay with us and—and have this time.

If not, we're going to dismiss, just in a few moments. We'd like for you to stay with the rest of them, anyhow, so that you'll be able to see the way we take the communion. This is not only...

163 This is for, also, for Divine healing. Do you know that? When Israel eat the type, the lamb, the passover, they journeyed forty years in the wilderness,

and come out without one feeble person in their midst. Think of that, not one feeble person, forty years. The communion, a sign of believers.



164 Now, in First Corinthians the 11th chapter, beginning with the 23rd verse, I'm going to read this for the benefit of the church. Paul speaking. For I have received of the Lord...

which...I also delivered unto  
you,...the Lord Jesus the same  
night...he was betrayed took  
bread: And—and when he had  
given thanks, he brake it, and  
said, Take, and eat: this is my body,  
which is broken for you:

this do in remembrance of me.  
After the same manner...he took  
the cup, when he had supped,  
saying, This is the cup of the  
new testament in my blood:

this do you, as oft as you drink it, in remembrance of me. For as oft as you do, ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, you...shew forth the Lord's death till he comes.

165 Isn't that marvelous? "Show forth His death until He comes." Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord.

166 “What does this mean, Brother Branham?” It means this: If you come and take communion,

and go out and live a different kind of a life than what a Christian ought to live, you are bringing reproach and disgrace to the cause of the Lord Jesus Christ.

You understand it? If you're a Christian, come. If you're not, don't do it. Look. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat the bread, and drink...the cup.



For...(29th verse) For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are sick and weakly among you,...many sleep.

For...we should judge ourselves,  
we should not be judged. But  
when we are judged, we are  
chastened of the Lord, that we  
should not be condemned with  
the world.

167 When we eat this bread and drink this cup, let's examine ourselves, and say, "Now, do I walk worthy?" Well, I don't walk worthy, no.

But Christ, in me, makes me walk worthy. I love Him. I testify of Him. I'm not perfect; never will be, in this world. You're not perfect; never will be.

But my love to Him, and He lets me live for Him, and I love to do it and testify of Him. I don't go out and carouse, and do things evil, that brings reproach to His Name.

168 For, if I find out that I do something, then I'm chastened of the Lord. Why does God do this? "That we wouldn't be condemned with the world."

169 Now, there's a great difference between the believer and the unbeliever. God makes a difference.

170 Remember, the believers in Egypt was all on the inside, (Under what?) under the blood. The lamb was killed.



And its blood, with hyssop, was sprinkled on the door. Look where it was put at. “On the lintel of the door,” that’s the doorjamb here, the door piece.

“The lintel of the door, and on the doorpost.” See what it is? The cross, hundreds of years before the Lamb of God came and was slain.

But the type of the Lamb, it was put on the lintel and on the door. And every Israelite, coming under that blood, was forbidden to go out anymore.

There you are, forbidden to go out. They were under the blood. They could not go until orders came to march, orders to go forward; type of Christ.

171 “Once, for by one Sacrifice, has He perfected, forever, those that are sanctified in Christ Jesus; once, for all.”

No more coming back, no more going this, no more doing that. Oh, you'll backslide, do things that's wrong; just repent and come on. See? But one time Christ sanctifies a human soul,

by filling him with the Holy Spirit, it's perfected forever. There you are, no more desire to go out. "For the worshipper, once purged has no more conscience," or, "desire," the right translation.

“The worshipper, once purged!”  
Oh, I wish I could just sink that  
deep. “The worshipper,” the  
believer, “once purged, has no  
more desire of sin, never.”  
Settled forever!



“For He has perfected, by one Sacrifice, forever, those that are in Christ Jesus.” The world becomes dead, you don’t care for it no more. Your affections are set on things Above.

172 Now, if you are saying you're a Christian, and still living worldly lives, then you are chastened of the Lord, for you should not be condemned with the world.

“Wherefore, when you come together...” Wherefore, my brethren, when you come together to eat, tarry one for the other.

(Watch.) And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that you come not together unto condemnation. And the rest...I'll set in order when I come.

173 You notice Paul here. Those Corinthians, they didn't get it. They went up there, and eat and get drunk at the Lord's table.

And they eat and drink, done everything wrong. Paul said, “When you come together, if a man is hungry, let him eat at home. But when you come together, tarry one for another.”

In other words, “Wait on one another.” You say, “Now, here is a brother that I don’t think ought to take the communion.” Well, don’t run up there and jerk him out; have patience with him.

After the service is over, in a kind way, come over to his house some night and sit down, say, “Brother, I...Forgive me if I’m wrong.



But I seen you down here, the other day, on the street, drunk,” whatever he was doing, “out with some other lady that wasn’t your wife, and you are taking communion. I love you, brother.

Let—let's you and I pray over this thing and straighten it up.” See? Wait on one another. Be servants to one another. Don't be bigger than somebody else. Try to see how little you can be.

174 I've often heard, say, "Don't never be big in your own sight." If you're big, let it be in God's sight. Be little in your own sight.

Every man that humbles himself,  
God will exalt. But those who  
exalts themselves, God will bring  
abase. See? Be little.

175 This man say, “Well, he’s...” “Well, I know but I...he’s my brother. I like to be his servant, you see.” Be servants to one another. Love one another, such a way that, oh, my, that you—you...

176 We used to sing a little song. I don't know whether you remember it now. We'd sing:

Blest be the tie that binds our  
hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred mind  
Is like to that Above.  
When we asunder part, It gives us  
inward pain;  
But we shall still be joined in heart,  
And hope to meet again.

177 When I stood down there in the Saint Angelo catacombs, and looked laying there, all along, for a mile nearly, under the ground, graves, where they'd have to bury their dead.



And right on the corner was the little bitty graves, that was the children, where they put the children in the corner. And there was a little church down there, where they had to hide away.

178 I went down there in the old Roman cathedral where they burnt them to the stake, fed them to lions. I walked out there in the middle of that place, and stood there. I looked around.

I hadn't seen it yet. All the dirt that fell in; and there was the great places where the lions come out. I walked right about where I thought maybe the lion pit was, where the Christians died.

I raised up my hands; stood there. I said, “O Jesus, I’m such an unworthy creature, to think that my brothers sealed their testimony here,.....

2. Commemoration Of  
The Passover Is A Time  
For Remembrance And  
Personal Dedication -So  
Is The Communion

## 63-0901M - Token

278 And remember, all the family was got, brought together. Oh, my! Oh, remember!

279 You say, “Well, my daddy is a preacher. My brother! My pastor! My...” That might be true, too, but what about you?

280 Remember, only safe when the token was displayed! If a man was here under here, and his son was across the street, he was in danger, he would perish. His daddy would be saved.



Or, if the son was over here, and his daddy over there, his daddy would perish. Only the token!

“When I see the token, I’ll pass over you.” That’s the only thing.

281 You say, “Well, my son is a preacher.” You mothers say, “I got the best boy,” or “the best girl.”

I'm telling you, they're the sweetest thing. They've been filled with the Holy Spirit, and such love! They're obedient. I never seen such!" What about you, mama?

282 You say, “My mother is the sweetest thing. I know, if she dies, she is going to Heaven, ’cause she’s really got the Token, Brother Branham.” But what about you, sis? The whole family must be brought under.

283 Are you tired?

[Congregation says, “No.”—Ed.]

I’ll...It’s twelve o’clock...Just a minute. I could cut it off and start tonight again. [“No.”]

But if you—you want to wait just a little bit longer, I'll try to hurry now. ["Amen."] I'll place this right in, 'cause I think right now while you're under the anointing of it, it'd be better if you'd get it right now.

284 Only when the Token is displayed! Then, the whole family must be under that Token, Blood. Papa and mama, I know how you feel.

I've got children, too, I got to see them saved. I'm talking to myself today. See? I got brothers. I got a sister. I got loved ones. I—I want to see them saved, too.



But, remember, without the display of the Token, they'll perish. There is no resurrection for them. That's right. They're gone. Only when the Token is displayed!

3. Passover  
represented the  
oneness of family: It  
was reconciliation  
time

## 64-0705 - The Masterpiece

176 Notice the great masterpiece, of the family. The husband and wife cannot be truly a family unless they are one. They have to be.

If they're not, they're not a good family; wife pulling one way, and the husband another. That would make an awful family. But in agreement, with love one to the other, that's a family.

And now that was God's masterpiece, and now all the true family here portrays that. See? And now the Masterpiece family has come again, Christ and His Bride, ready to come.

The Second Adam, Second Eve, ready now to return back to their Home. And the whole picture has been redemption. From where it was, bringing it back, see, just exactly bringing it back again. After...

## 62-0211 - Oneness

14 Now, the first man and first woman in the garden of Eden was in perfect harmony with God, so much that God could come down at any time He desired and talk lip-to-ear with Adam and Eve.

Now, that is perfect oneness, God and His creation, God speaking lip-to-ear with Adam and Eve. And they were so perfect in harmony with God till they were one with God. God and His family was one.



15 Any man and his family, a correct, good, noble, obedient family is one with another, any family. And if there's something in the family that moves them apart, then it's not right, the family's broken somewhere.

They should all be one, father with mother, mother with father, children with parent, parent with children, all in agreement. And, when you see that, you'll see one lovely picture.

16 That's God's purpose. And His purpose as Father, supreme, was to be one with His family, earthly family, Adam and Eve. And the only way that they could be one with the family,

or with God, was because God's nature was in them. So that made them with God's nature in them, then with each other and God, they become all one. Isn't that a beautiful picture,

God in His family, Father over all,  
supreme! No death, no sorrow,  
no heartaches, no nothing; just  
joy unspeakable; never to be  
sick, never to have a heartache,  
just one with God!

What a picture! Because, the very nature of God was in these people. And therefore, what they did, they followed just in line with God, and God with them made them one.

17 Now, Jesus prayed, in John, the 17th chapter and the 11th verse, to you who put down these Sunday school texts. I have many of them this morning.

John 17:11, Jesus prayed that the Church and He would be one like He and the Father were One. That the Church, we as members of the Body of Christ, would be one, together, just like He and the Father are One.



And at that day we would know  
that He was in the  
Father...Father in Him, and He in  
us, that together we were one.  
What a union, a oneness that  
would be,

to see God in His Church till every member is just perfectly in harmony with each other and God. That's the Church that Jesus is coming for. That's when His prayer will be answered, that we will be one.

18 And it is the only grounds of fellowship that God has ever laid down for Himself and His Church, is the oneness of Himself in the people. That's the only grounds of fellowship.

And the only way that you can have those grounds is by a union, to be united with Him forever. Just like when you unite with your husband,

the woman to unite with her husband, it is a vow until death. Now, then when you unite with God, it's the same thing that the church united with Christ, it's until death we part.

And then if you never sin or do anything wrong, you'll be Eternally united with God. And only death can take you away from God, and not physical death, but the sin of death.

Sin is death, and that takes you away from God. So, to be united with Him in the Spirit of His power, is Eternal Life, you're Eternally united with God.

Oh, I want to get to that after a bit. United Eternally with the Eternal God, perfectly in harmony with Him, perfectly united together, a Church that all, both God and His Church, is one, united together.



## 63-0901E - Desperations

48 They had seen the great hand of God. They had saw all of His miracles, and then they had come under the sign of the Token.

And while they were under the sign of the Token, they've taken the communion in—in desperation, for they knew at that time God was fixing to strike with judgment.

49 And it was a shaking time. It was a time where every man was examining himself, because the Word of the prophet had not failed one time.

It had been proven to be true.  
Whatever he said, it happened  
just exactly the way he said it.

The Pillar of Fire was still there. And, then, the prophet had announced that God would only pass over when He saw the token at the door. And it was a desperation.

50 I would imagine the children were...when they saw those big, black wings drop down from the sky like a smoke settling over the city,

the screams coming from every house, the children might have went to their daddy and said, “Daddy, are you sure that we’re under that token?”

”And he could go to the door, look upon the post, the lintel, said, “Son, that’s according to His Word.” “Remember, I’m your oldest child. Daddy, are you positive?”



51 “I am positive! That’s according to what the prophet told us, and he has the Word of the Lord. Said, ‘When I see the blood, I’ll pass over you.’

Take a lamb for the house.' I've brought all you children in. You're my oldest, but my firstborn.

That's the one that's dying all out in there; but there is the blood. That's what **THUS SAITH THE LORD** was. So rest, my son, rest at ease, because God made the promise.

See?” “Well, Daddy, why you got your shoes on? Why you got the staff in your hand? Why have you got a piece of bread in one hand and a lamb in the other hand?

Why is them bitter herbs and things? What are you eating it? What's the sweat running off your face about?" "Son, death is fixing to strike." See, it was in a time of desperation.

52 Now, I believe that we're  
living in the days that we're...

Or, otherwise, the days that we're living in should cause the Church to go completely into desperation. I believe, since the message this morning from God,

not me, I believe it ought to  
throw this entire congregation  
into desperation, that we have  
played long enough. We've  
went to church long enough.  
We got to do something.



53 How is it that we can see other great signs and wonders done on others, and what about us? It should cause an estate of desperation, that we are determined, before God.

The signs of His Coming should bring this entire congregation, when we've read it from the Word...The Holy Spirit has told us, "Go at a certain place, such-and-such a thing will happen,"

not tell us what it was, but it would happen. We go there, it happens that way. The newspapers pack it, the magazines pack it, show the picture of it.

Come back here and see those great mysteries, hidden in the Bible, opened up to us, on a new field that we never knowed before, and perfectly blends in to the Coming of the Lord Jesus.

54 Then, at the end of the Messages, see the action of the great Holy Spirit, see Him come down visible before people, even take pictures of It.

See It working and showing that  
it's not a man, it's not just a  
preacher, it's not a certain  
congregation.

It's the Holy Spirit showing the same thing It did when It was embodied in the body of Jesus Christ. Now It's embodied in the Body of His Bride. It should throw us into desperation.

55 Those people had seen the hand of God. And that night of the communion, they took it with...in desperation, because they knowed that something was fixing to happen.



And we know something is fixing to happen. And remember, the Coming of the Lord will be a sudden, secret going away.

He'll come and take Her like a thief in the night. And to think that if somebody, all of a sudden, there is members of our family gone, and you're left behind!

It should throw us into desperation, that, by the grace of God, we'll not be left back behind. "If there's anything I don't want...Don't, don't leave me, Lord."

# 4. Christ The Passover Lamb Is Our Hiding Place

## 55-0223 - Job

35 Then the Israelites, once settled there, what if they get to studying, “Well, I’m not worthy.

What else do I have to do?” You don’t have to do nothing. The only thing is, is to come under the shed Blood.

That settles it. Once under the Blood, you're safe. What if the death angel with his sword in his hands, sweeping the land, you didn't have to wonder.

And to be scared was an insult to Jehovah. If a man once under the Blood feels afraid that God won't keep His Word, it's an insult to Him.



Say, “Jehovah, perhaps this is Your Word, but I don’t know whether It’s right or not.” Oh, shame on you. Why, once under the blood...He said, “I’m the Lord that healeth thee.”

I believe it. That's all. Don't insult Him. He said, "He that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out." I believe it. Once coming under the Blood, take His Word for any thing He says.

36 And every believer...Here it is, get it. Every man or woman that has once been brought under the Blood of Christ, all fear and condemnation is gone out. Then he will believe every Word that God writes in the Bible to be the truth.

He will not say, “This is not inspired, and that’s not inspired,” but he will believe every Word of It. Amen. Come to the Fountain filled with Blood, drawn from Emmanuel’s veins.

Oh, what a wonderful Saviour we have. What a plan of redemption Jehovah alone lotted out for us, laid out the carpet for us to come home on. Notice.

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

274 Pure, unadulterated; oh,  
hallelujah; leaving soon for the  
skies; amen; standing ready.

Think.

Your garments, washed by the  
Water of the bleeding Word!  
The Word become Blood. The  
Word bled for you, and you are  
washed in bleeding Word.

The Word, bleeding! The Life of God in the Word, and the Word was bled for you, that you might be washed from the filth of these prostitutes,



and be cleaned and sanctified by the washing of the Water of the Word, and makes your mind and heart stayed on God and on His Word.

275 Now, how you know It's true? When God comes down and vindicates It and prove.

276 You say, “Well, I didn’t believe it that way.” They didn’t believe it Jesus’ way, but God proved it. They didn’t believe it Noah’s way.

They didn't believe It Moses' way. They was willing to take Balaam's word for It, "We're all the same, so let's just associate together." "Separate yourself," the Bible said, "from unbelief."

277 Hallelujah! Now notice.  
You're not only that, but you're  
going to the Wedding in the  
sky.

And you are wearing the wedding band of predestinated, unmerited grace, a wedding band of grace unmerited of your own. God did it, Himself.

He knew you before the  
foundation of the world, so He  
slipped the wedding band on  
you There, put your name on a  
Book. What a thanksgiving!  
Hallelujah! Praise our God!

## 63-0707M - The Indictment

110 Now, and Christ is God's provided Lamb. Notice how appropriate it was now, showing that that Jerusalem was ceasing. When? It was in effect until that hour.



The blood of the lamb was all right until that day, but now at the crucifixion it changes. The old system is done. There was a new one, and the—the Lamb was at the Sacrifice.

The Lamb, the sacrificial Lamb, was on the grounds. They were condemning and doing the very thing there that they had to do. That's right.

111 God be blessed, for seeing this wonderful Heavenly Light in this last day! Because, the churches is doing the same thing today.

Until the hour that organization  
religion is condemned and  
proved to be sacrificing Christ's  
Word, from then on comes the  
Word, and the Word only.

From, the old paschal lamb  
passed away and Christ become  
our Lamb, at the day of the  
crucifixion.

And the day that the denomination crucified the Word of God and accepted a creed in the stead of the Word, that's the day the Word come into full effect. That's just been recently.

57-0120M - The Impersonation  
Of Christianity 180 The Holy  
Spirit gave you your appendix,  
your eyes, your nose, your  
mouth, your heart. And put a  
new spirit in you, and then  
come to live in you.

Do not, by any means, accept intellectual things, theologies that's contrary to the Bible, but stay only with THUS SAITH THE LORD. "He was wounded for our transgressions. With His stripes we were healed."



181 The Holy Spirit brooded His  
Own body, to live in, Jesus  
Christ; when He overshadowed  
Mary and created,

or brood, a Blood cell in the womb, that brought forth the Son, Christ Jesus; where God Himself tabernacled, on earth, for thirty-three and a half years.

And was made a propitiation for our sins, to redeem us, and to bring reconciliation between lost man and a holy God, to kiss them and reconcile them together.

That, in the cool of the evening,  
when the sun is setting over our  
brow, when my life's journey is  
run and my race is finished,

I want Him to kiss me to sleep, as He did Stephen when he was baffled from hand to hand. He said, “I see the heavens open, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God.” There you are.

## 59-0712 - A Total Deliverance

26 I want this tabernacle, now that you're on your feet, I want you to keep pressing towards the mark of the high calling.

Whatever you do, cling together, be as clannish as you can be, but always with an arm out, to reach and get someone else, to bring them in.

But in this Faith that we're now preaching and earnestly contending for, don't you move one inch from It. For, if you believe me to be His servant, this is the program of God. It'll never be in the majority.



It'll always be in the minority,  
always has and always will be.  
But, remember, it is written,  
“Fear not, little flock; it's your  
Father's good will to give to you  
the Kingdom.”

63-0728 - Christ Is The Mystery  
Of God Revealed

83 Don't never clan among  
one...or—or talk, make yourself  
clannish. We are one. I couldn't  
say,

“Left hand, I’m—I’m mad at you,  
I’m going to take you away  
,’cause you’re not a right hand.”

He’s my left hand. I want him to  
stay there. Even the little tip of  
my finger, I want to stay right  
there,

every little part of my body stay right there. And God wants us, as a body of believers, to stay right exactly with one another, right at with one another.

84 And now you've got tapes on that. You've got tapes on what we believe.

You've got tapes on discipline in the church, how we behave ourselves in the church of God, how we got to come here together and sit together in Heavenly places. Don't stay home.

If God is in your heart, you can't hardly wait for them doors to open out yonder, to get in here to fellowship with your brothers. If you don't—don't feel that way, then I tell you, it's time you got to praying.

85 Cause, we're in the last days, where the Bible exalted, or, exhorted us to—to, “Much more as we see that day approaching,” to love one another with Christian love and Divine love, “to assemble ourselves together in Heavenly places and—



and—and Christ Jesus,” and love one another. “This will all men know you are My disciples, when you have love one for the other.” That’s right. Stay right together.

86 If the brother, you think he's a little wrong, or the sister, say, "Lord, don't let me never have the root of bitterness spring up, 'cause it'll—it'll affect him,

and it'll take the Christ right out of my life.” That poison acids of malice, and jealousy, and hatred, that will just take the Holy Spirit right away from you.

It will run Him from the tabernacle here. It'll kill the Spirit of God, or drive It away from here, hurt your pastor. It'll do everything. See? Don't you do that.

87 You just wax that much closer together. Draw up the...Take the buckle, as the brother testified, a minister here the other night, about having a buckle, seeing it in a vision. Just, that buckles on the whole armor of God.

Just pull her on, tighten up, move right up close to one another. Love one another, anyhow. Talk nice about one another, say nice things about one another, and then God will bless you.