You Are What You Are By The Grace Of God

Sunday Service, 5th, 12th May 2024 Bro. James Maina

God's Demands / Conditions

<u>Acts 2:38</u>

³⁸ Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

<u>John 15:7</u>

⁷ If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

All God's Promises Are On Condition

63-1115 — The World Is Falling <u>Apart</u> 143 Now we find out that God promised to supply all of our needs we had need of, in this journey. Is that right?

But, remember, He only supplies it on conditions. We've got to meet His condition, first. If we do not meet His condition, He will not meet—meet our condition.

We've got to do the thing that's right, first, got to go down to the bottom and build up. That's exactly. We can't start at the top and come down.

We got to go to the bottom and build up. Go back to the bottom. <u>Now, He'll meet our</u> condition. All of His promises are on condition.

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God Will Bless Under Certain Circumstances. If You Do Not Meet Those Requirements, No Blessings And Promises.

<u>62-1216 — The Falling Apart Of</u>

- The World
- 145 God will bless, but that blessing's got to come under certain circumstances, certain requirements that you must meet.

And if you don't meet those requirements, then the blessings and promises of God is none effect to you. God promised to meet Israel as long as they kept those solemn feasts and things, with—with sacredness and sincerity.

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God met them. But when he, they just went to making it just like a family ritual, then God refused to do it anymore. He said they stunk in His face. So it's the same thing today, that we—we—we got to get back to what's the truth of the thing.

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Every Mechanics, Then You Need A Dynamics

<u>65-1127E – I Have Heard But</u> Now I See

81 That's what the church, if it's in order (set in order), it only...it's got the mechanics ready, it only needs then the dynamics.

Tonight, if we'll get the mechanics ready, get our hearts right, the things that we can do,

follow every Word, follow Him in baptism, follow Him in every order that He told us to do, get every mechanic ready, and stand there;

then we're ready for the dynamics to be lit off, and only God can do that; and that's to drop into your heart that faith that says,

"I am now healed." Then don't make any difference what circumstances is, you're healed anyhow; 'cause it's faith, by faith you're healed.

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If You Are Standing On God's Word, Every Amen, Jot, Tittle

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Every Man And Woman That's Born Of The Spirit Of God, And Believes Every Word Of God, Stands Justified.

65-1125 — The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ 263 You are standing completely justified, as though you never did it at the beginning. This is my Message to the Church now.

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As you...as we go off the air, just in a minute. You are standing, if you're standing on God's Word and with God's Word, every amen, every jot, every tittle.

Where you standing? I'm trying to tell you, pull away from them shucks. And get out here in the wheat, where you can get ripe before the Son.

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I hear the coming of the combine. You're standing complete, justified, like you never did it in the first place. Hallelujah!

What Are Gifts?

<u>John 5:19</u>

¹⁹ Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.

Philippians 2:13 ¹³ For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Romans 12:6

⁶ Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;

<u>Ephesians 4:7</u> ⁷ But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

Like A Bunch Of Change In God's Hands, Pennies, Nickels... It Took Abraham

<u>64-0121 — God's Word Calls</u> For A Total Separation From <u>Unbelief</u>

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75 All these believers, as we could go on for hours, all these were like a bunch of change out of your pocket, in God's hands.

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You pull out a bunch of change. There is pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, half of dollars, dollar, all in coins. Now, that's what the world is, in God's hand.

There is some people that just can have a penny's worth of it, and God can only use them in a penny way. That's all they can buy. Don't reject them.

If they can't believe the real Truth, don't turn them down, don't kick them out and say they're not in It, because God uses pennies sometime.

76 Lot was just a penny, Abraham was a silver dollar, so it taken a hundred Lots to make an Abraham. And so will it take...

A hundred carnal believers will never stand in the presence of a genuine Christian that's separated from the carnal things of the world, living in Christ Jesus, where the Word can flow through him.

How To Get Out Of The Way

John 5:19 19 "...The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do"

<u>64-0122 — Looking Unto Jesus</u> 177 I would like to say one thing just before we pray for the sick.

Many people have the wrong impression about a gift. A gift is not something that God gives you to go out and say,

"Here, I'll go over here and pick out this, and I'll take that and I'll do this." That's not gifts. So many people think that, but they're wrongly impressed.

<u>A gift of God is just to know</u> how to get yourself out of the way so God can use you, that's all a gift is. See? As long as you're in yourself...

No One Can Take Your Place, Your Peculiarity

64-0313 — The Voice Of The

Sign 30 When God has—has called a person for a job to do, there is no one can take its place. There is no one can take your place, your peculiarity.

Gifts- As Long As You Are There, It Will Never Work, I Am The Greatest Enemy I Got.

64-0816 — Proving His Word 260 Now to heal, I cannot, you know that. "What is a gift, Brother Branham, something that you take?" No.

It's something you know how to get yourself out of the way. See? As long as you are there, it'll never work. William Branham is the greatest enemy lgot. See?

But when I get him out of the way, see, then Jesus Christ can use the body. See? See, now, I come to that woman. Now what? Now say if—if she—if she was sick.

<u>63-1115 — The World Is Falling</u> <u>Apart</u>

147 We wonder today, what,

why the gifts and things are not in the church, operating the way they should be.

Why, the gifts are put in the church, to separate and take sin out, to keep the church <u>clean. It's—it's God's toxin</u> that's given to the church. It's God's...

also His disinfect that He puts into the church, to kill out all the—the parasites that—that tear up the church. And—and—and God sprays His church over, with His Word.

And that keeps all the—the termites out, you know, so the church can grow, a plant. And God knows what it takes to do it. Well, you say...

148 <u>It's just like a—a little baby</u> <u>crying for your razor, when you</u> <u>were shaving. And your—your</u> <u>little baby was hollering</u>,

"Give me that razor, Daddy! <u>Give me that razor!" Your little</u> son, two or three years old, just scream, and jumping <u>up-and-down on the floor.</u> "Give the razor!"

Well, you know better than to do that. Well, you wouldn't give that baby that razor. He doesn't know how to handle it. 149 And that's the reason we don't find no more Divine gifts than what we do. They push it off on some kind of a tradition, over in some denomination.

They don't know how to handle it. God knows what to do with it. Well, you might say... 150 The little boy might say to you, you refused him the razor, say, "I see you handling it, Daddy." But, see, you're older, you know what to do with it.

151 And that's the way when the church becomes from a-a little baby toddling around, to a real virtue of—of sons and daughters of God, then things are going to be different.

Yes, sir. The church ought to be acting as sons and daughters. When we ought to be teachers, we have to be taught.

~Divine Gifts In The Church ~ Gifts Are God's Toxins ~Like A Little Boy Asking For A "Razor"

The Harmony Of The Father And The Son John 5:19

This Harmony Is Now To Exist By The Groom And The His Bride

What God Did In Christ; Christ Does It In You; Christ In You As God Was In Christ.

<u>63-0728 — Christ Is The</u> Mystery Of God Revealed 448 Now notice, God making Hisself known. Not, we're not suppose to make converts to Christianity by a government;

but by the revelation, the Christ in you, as God was in Christ. As God was in Christ, Christ in you!

When, what God did in Christ, Christ does in you! What signs did God in Christ, Christ does in you! Oh, isn't that beautiful? Uh! Oh, my! I like that.

Reverence

Diseases Goes From One To Another. Believe And Be Reverent, Do Not Move During Time Of Prayer.

<u>53-1103 — Taking God At His</u> <u>Word</u>

27 Now remember, if there happens to be a critic or someone who is an unbeliever,

I will not be responsible for that person. By the law, I have to say that because I've been caught four or five times, you see. Cause remember:

Diseases goes from one to another. See? And unbelief, it's a very...Any demon that's away from the people, an unbeliever is a perfect subject for the—the demon.

You remember the demons that was cast out of the maniac in Gadara? They said, "Let us go into those hogs." And they did, and the hogs drowned in the

sea.

Now, have faith and believe and be reverent; don't move around during time of prayer. We're praying, and trying my best.

Some of these people here will be your dads and mothers, or somebody's dad and mother, brothers and sister. And they're here, not for fun, they're here to be made well.

And I'm trying, before God, to do my part to help them, to pray for them. And you be sincere enough to help me pray for them.

Be Real Reverent...

Now Don't Move Friends Because Demons That Leave The People Go From One To Another.

Hundreds Of People Set Right In The Meeting, Take Epilepsy, Cancer, Setting There Critical.

61-1015E – Respects 111 No matter who you are, Christian or not Christian, you've got to still bring respects to God,

and respect what He's doing, or suffer the consequence. It's either receive it or go into judgment, either one you want to.

112 How I could stand with testimony, for hour after hour, of what I've seen in my lifetime,

what I've seen in the other countries and the other parts of the nations, and so forth, the things that's taken place. But to omit that,

just so that you'll get the-the idea of what I'm trying to say to you, you must respect it. I've seen young people sit in the meeting, and snicker and laugh in a meeting,

and, less than twenty-four hours, be crushed into the streets. I've seen young people sit in a meeting, in one year when I was in a place, and next, maybe within six months,

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go back to the same place, and practically every one of them was gone, or slain, stricken somewhere, with diseases and things. That's right. You have to respect it.

113 Remember a certain young girl one night, Tennessee, when I was going out the door, preaching at a big Baptist church, was going out the door. And I felt led that night to call her to come to Christ. Well, she laughed in my face when I called her to come to Christ.

She happened to be one of the deacon's daughters. And standing at the door that night, she waited for me.

And I come out, she said, "I want you to know something right now, don't you never embarrass me like that again." I said, "God was calling you."

114 She said, "Nonsense! I'm young," said, "I got plenty of time for that." Said, "My daddy's got enough religion for all of us at home."

115 I said, "Not enough for you, sister, every one has to have their own religion."

116 She said, "If I want anybody to talk to me about that, I'll get somebody that's got some sense, not somebody like you."

117 I said, "Go, say what you wish to. You don't bother me, but someday you'll regret it."

118 Not long after that, passed through the same city. Here she come down the street with her underskirts hanging down, slopping with a cigarette in her hand,

and offered me a drink of whiskey. Same thing! And here's her testimony, she said, "You remember the night you called there?"

Said, "That was the truth." She said, "The Spirit of God was testifying to me that night, trying to get me to come."

And said, "Since then I could see my mother's soul fry in hell like a pancake, and laugh at it." That's what happened, see.

119 <u>You've got to respect God</u>. That's all. You've got to do it, brother. That's all. Jezebel disrespected it.

120 And remember another time, there was some irreverent children, they had been raised up in a home.

121 Elijah, after his days, of course, the people hated him because he called that famine in the land. There was some people that taught their children that "Elijah, a man like that,"

been translated and taken into Heaven. "He got killed somewhere, and they just buried him and hid him." They-they didn't believe it.

122 So Elisha took his place, now he was the messenger of the day now after Elijah had been taken up.

So he passed down through a certain city, and the children, little children of that city, run out, making fun of him, said, "Say, you old baldhead, why didn't you go up like Elijah did?"

See, they didn't believe Elijah went up. There it is. It wasn't the disrespecting the man; it was disrespecting his Message. He was the successor to Elisha...to Elijah.

He had the anointing, the spirit of Elijah was upon him. He went right up there and done the very same things that Elijah did. Hallelujah!

123 Jesus said, "He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also." Yes. "These signs shall follow them that believe."

124 They disrespected it. And they disrespected Elijah because he believed in Elisha, because the Spirit was upon him. And he turned around and smote the Jordan with his mantle, and opened up the Jordan, went up and done the same kind of miracles that Elijah did.

And even all the preachers up there at the school of the prophets, said, "The spirit of Elijah rests upon Elisha," noised abroad in the country.

125 And the people, I bet they laughed to one another, said, "Hey, hey, look at it!" They say, "That bunch of holy-rollers, fanatic, saying, 'That man went to Heaven without dying, horses come down.'

We didn't see any." Certainly they didn't. Certainly not, they didn't. "We didn't see any horses. We didn't hear any chariots anywhere. Nonsense!

The old fellow died and they buried him, and then they're trying to make a lot of to-do over it." Just like they'd say today, the same thing!

<u>61-1015E — Respects</u> 126 Like they said about Jesus, they said, "Why, they come and stole His Body at nighttime." They even paid soldiers to testify that. But He raised from the dead!

127 And Elijah was took up in a chariot of fire, with horses of fire.

128 And when this young prophet walked along there, going down through the city. And he had lost his hair, as a

young man.

He was going down, so these little children run behind him, said, "Hey, why didn't you go up with Elijah?" Said, "You old baldhead, you!"

See? And they was giving disrespect. And what did Elijah do? He turned, in the power of the Spirit, and cursed those children. What happened?

Two she bears come from the woods and killed forty-two of them. Right. Disrespects, irreverent. You can't do that. You've got to respect God.

129 If any of them kids had said...Now, if their father and mother had said, "Now, look, children, they say that Elijah was taken up.

Now, we don't know about that, but, anyhow, I—I—I don't know whether it's so or not, but I tell you the best thing to do is just don't say nothing about it.

Just go ahead. When he passes...We hear he's coming down through the city today, going to have a street meeting up there.

If he does, if you children, on the road to school today, meet him, just say, 'How do you do, reverend? How do you, sir?' Or something like that. Speak to him."

130 But instead of that, no doubt they had been told at home. Oh, they heard papa and mama sit at the table and laughing, one another, saying,

"What do you know! They said that old holy-roller was taken up. Did you ever believe anything like that?

And they said this little old baldheaded fellow, just as baldheaded as a pumpkin up there, he ain't over about thirty-five years old, and here he's coming down through there,

and said he's going to hold a street meeting, expect us to believe such nonsense as that. Why, he isn't nothing but a little...just a—a mockery.

That's all it is. Cause, he won't come to our churches, He's just like Elijah was, he won't come to our churches. We'll, he'll...Probably some kind of a witchcraft, hoodoo, hoax that he's got, like Elijah." They didn't believe him. So, the little children was taught that at home.

131 If they'd have been taught reverence and respect, they'd have walked out there before that prophet of God and asked a prayer for themselves.

132 But they had been taught to snicker and laugh, and to make fun. About like the children of today,

mo....too many of them today will make fun at a street meeting, they'd make fun at the preaching of the Gospel.

133 So, Elijah cursed them, in the Name of the Lord. Not because of the children, but because of the irreverent parents that had brought the children up that way, to disrespect God.

Two she bears come out and killed forty-two of them. Now, that's irreverence. God demands respect!

When they disrespected His prophet, they disrespected Him; no matter how much they didn't believe, they ought to kept their mouth shut, stay away from it.

But, no, they had to put in their nickel's worth. They had to say something that they ought not have said. And what happened to them?

56-0428 — God's Covenant With Abraham 84 A minister brought a congregation. I asked them to bow their head on a **epileptic** child that's chewing its tongue, they had a stick in its mouth or a clothespin with a rag on it, Jonesboro, Arkansas. And he was trying to chew this tongue like that, and the child was having a fit on the platform.

And I said, "<u>Now, you all put</u> your head down." And I started to pray, and they wouldn't put their head down. I kept looking around; I said,

143 "Put your head down, ever who it is got your head up." And I started praying and wouldn't put his head down. I turned around; there was a fellow setting there with his head back like that,

about eight or ten people with him, or more than that. I said, "Sir, put your head down." He said, "This is a public place and I don't have to."

I said, "All right, let it be unto you then." I said, "Father, don't let this innocent child suffer for that man's condition."

146 85 And ask Richard T. Reed, Jonesboro Tabernacle, **Old-fashion Bible Hour** Tabernacle at Jonesboro, Arkansas, if this right or not. Ask G. H. Brown, 505 Victor Street at Little Rock, was there present.

And the epileptic left the child and twenty-eight people of a certain denomination pastor and all twenty-eight of them took epilepsy and fell over on the floor frothing at the mouth, right there in the audience.

As far as I know, they still got it. Several of them come, said, "I have nothing to do with that; that's a curse of God, so that's up to you. You was the one who disobeyed.

I asked you if you didn't believe to leave the audience, and you wouldn't do it." I said, "Now, it's up to you. I have nothing to do with it. I won't pray for that sin. No, sir. It's up to you."

So here stands two people here tonight. There's a woman l've never seen. Are we strangers, lady? We're strangers. I just wanted to know if I was strange to her as she is to me.

Lady Irrelevantly Raised Her Head. Fourteen Years In Serious Condition. Her Husband Came Knelt For Pray, Holy Spirit Did Deal

<u>62-0311 — The Greatest Battle</u> Ever Fought 40 One brother there, who had been having trouble with his wife, that had...Years ago, she raised her head in a meeting,

where that I was having service. And I had asked them to keep their head down; had an evil spirit that wouldn't leave a-a woman, on the platform.

And the lady, just irreverent, raised her head anyhow. And the spirit left the woman, on the platform, and went to her.

And this is around fourteen years, and the lady has been in serious condition; so much, even mentally, till she just does things that's not even right.

For instance, left her own husband, went and married another man while she was living with her husband; claimed she didn't know she done it.

And so they—they tried to examine her for this...What is it you call that, when you...Amnesia? It...My, ever what that name is. I guess that's right, doctor. But it wasn't that.

It was a spirit. And her...And the lady was a fine friend of mine. But from that night, on, she deliberately hated me. Course, you can see why it was.

41 But then when her husband came, and we knelt in the room to pray, then the Holy Spirit came down. That was it. Then He appeared to her husband that night, in a dream.

He came back with a dream, he thought it was jokey. Come to find out, it was the very answer to his wife's healing. How that the Holy Spirit did deal!

Every Person In One Accord And No Doubt, Not A Feeble Person In Our Midst In Another Five

<u>62-0311 — The Greatest Battle</u>

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Ever Fought

75 If this church, right now could be put together, and knitted together with such that <u>every person would be in one</u> accord,

with not one shadow of doubt anywhere, there would not be a feeble person in our midst, in another five minutes.

There would not be nobody here desiring the Holy Ghost but what would receive It, if you could just get that certain thing fixed. Now, there is where the battle begins, right in your mind, whether you will.

Colossians 4:6

⁶ Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

Ephesians 4:29 ²⁹ Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

Misjudgment

A Woman In Short Hair Speaking In Tongues

<u>61-0723E — God Being</u> <u>Misunderstood</u> 141. Brother Branham, in the First Corinthians, Corinthian, chapter the 14th, verse 34th and 35th, says,

"Let your women keep silent in churches for it is not permitted unto them to speak." 35th, "For it is a shame for women to speak in church."

Now, if a woman with short hair speak—speaks in tongues in—in churches, in church, is it the Spirit of—of the Holy Chost that speaks through her or is it a false spirit?

I Was Not Sent To Judge People, Misjudge One Another, Let God Do The Judging

I Had A Pianist – Short Little Short – Woman Has A Good Spirit In Her Wouldn't Say She Was Going To Hell.

Pastor Should Tear Into That Motherly, Godly And Sisterly And Talk To Her. **Condemnation Might** Harm, Let Us Express Our Very Best To Them.

<u>61-0723E — God Being</u> <u>Misunderstood</u> 60 Now, you are...And this is a real hard question, and I can

only answer it the best that I know how, see.

Now, I could not judge, because I was not sent to judge. But I think there's so many times...

I got another question down here somewhere that goes right along with that. But if a person is speaking in tongues, they are anointed of God. See?

They may be out of order, that may be true, and they may be doing something that's not right, but I wouldn't want to say that it wasn't the Holy Spirit, because I wouldn't know. See?

61 <u>And now there's many</u> <u>times that this...that people</u> <u>misjudge one another. And it is</u> <u>a bad thing to do</u>.

You say, "Why, she's got short hair, she's wearing her dresses too short, that-that-that's not the Holy Spirit upon her." Don't do that! Don't do that, that's not right.

You don't know what's in that woman's heart. You don't know nothing about it. You know that the Holy Spirit would make her conduct herself a little better, now, that <u>may be true</u>.

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But I'll tell you, as you and I, let God do the judging of that, and let's you and I just pray for that person that God will show them the Light.

62 Here some time ago a man met me out here, aside. And I had a pianist here that had a little, short, little skirt, and wasn't just exactly, I guess, just right.

<u>And the lady had short hair,</u> <u>and she was just a babe in this</u> <u>Way, and she was playing the</u> <u>piano.</u>

And a man met me out there and just tearing me to pieces, he said, "And you're a pentecostal preacher, and let that woman set up there! That short hair!" And just going on like everything.

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63 "Well," I said, "I think the woman has a good spirit in her. I certainly do not agree with that, you know, the skirt part up here, the two pieces."

64 One of them is down here and one kind up here, it's a shirt like they wear. And so it's real thin and shows that underneath garment that they have around there.

I don't think that—that should be done. I—I don't like that, I really don't. I—I can't...

They—they might be just as Spirit-filled as anybody else, I don't know; God knows that. But I wouldn't condemn that woman and say that she was going to hell, by the sight.

65 This same person had in his church a lady who had long hair and wore long dresses, and had a temper enough to fight a buzz saw, and just as mean as she could be.

Now, long hair and long skirts don't take you to Heaven. No, sir! It's the Spirit that's in you takes you to Heaven. But if you as a Christian...

66 Then you should remember that many times pastors don't mention those things and the people just automatically go on, think it's all right.

But a pastor should really tear into that. And—and—and then the sisters of the church.

those sisters who are in character standing, wearing their clothes neatly, they should be examples of sweetness, and—and motherly and sisterly-like.

67 <u>And I think that any woman</u> <u>that's motherly and godly and</u> <u>sisterly ought to go to such a</u> <u>person,</u>

and with sweetness of the <u>Spirit, just sit down and talk to</u> that lady. And if she is of God, the Holy Spirit will understand those things, and she'll correct herself.

But when you real quickly condemn her and drive her away, you might harm that young, born baby. See? So I-I wouldn't condemn the person.

68 Now, the person speaking with tongues.

69 Now, I—I have to say something here that may be just a little strange, and if you don't agree with me, that's okay.

You see, we misjudge these things so many times. Let's always try to think the very best of anybody who's trying to do what's right.

Let's express our very best to them. Oh, they're trying. We don't know their heart, unless you have a discernment. And if they're wrong, then if you got...

The Bible said, "If a brother be overtaken in a fault, let them which are spiritual go to that brother in a spirit of meekness,

considering your own self lest you be tempted, and see if you can't reconcile that person, see, back to God." Don't say that they haven't got the right spirit, 'cause...

God Will Respect You For Respecting Your Pastor

61-1015E – Respects 165 If you can't respect the man, respect the office he holds in God. That's exactly right, see, respect him. If a minister comes up, your pastor, always respect him.

I've heard congregations talk about their pastor, how just talk about him, run him down, ridicule him. How is that pastor ever going to do anything for you?

He can't do it. You—you don't, you don't re-...l don't say this church, but I mean churches I have seen, that if you...You've got to love your pastor.

You've got to know that he's a human being, but yet God has made him His pastor. The Holy Ghost has made him overseer, then you've got to respect him in that manner.

And no matter what the pastor's done, if you respect him in your heart, as God's servant, God will respect you for doing it.

Ever Who Call On The Name Of The Lord Jesus Christ ... I Want To Respect Him As A Servant Of Christ And As My Brother. We've Got To Have Respect Unto God

61-1015E – Respects 215 Ever who calls on the Name of Jesus Christ, I'm with him whether he's Protestant, Catholic, or whatever he is. I-I might disagree with him upon theology,

but I want to respect him as a servant of Christ and as my brother. See? And no matter what he does, we've got to give respects to the Holy Spirit. Exactly right. Yes, sir.

And when we get to doing that, then God will go to pouring His blessings among us. Just us, little group right here, about fifty or sixty,

or maybe seventy-five people sitting in here tonight, if we would just, all together, bind ourselves together and give godly respects to God and to the Holy Spirit,

and what He's doing in this day, and respect every gift and every office that He send into our midst,

God will just continue to pour out His Spirit upon us and we'll grow in numbers and multiply. Don't you believe that? Sure. <u>We've got to have respects</u> unto God.

Personal Responsibility

Grace Is What God Did For You, Work Is What You Do To Appreciate

<u>64-0816 — Proving His Word</u> 213 Daniel spoke of it, how the wise will be in that day, and how the unwise, and so forth. All right, so much, but I just keep getting too-too far away,

the clock's moving too fast for me. Notice, now watch, He noticed after...Now watch what taken place here. "All He foreknew, He called. All He called, He has justified.

All that He has justified, He hath glorified." Your journey's finished, you're living out your part. Grace is what God did for you. Works is what you do in appreciation.

You Represent The Entire Nation-You Represent Christ In His Church In Your Behavior

<u>60-1002 — The Kinsman</u>

Redeemer

63 Now, on the road back, there come a time, as her being a type of the Church, or the Christian.

As, each individual represents the entire Christian nation. Did you know that? You, in your behavior, in the way you act and what you do, you represent the entire Body of Christ.

You say, "But I'm just a lay member." That doesn't matter. When you take on that name of Christian, you represent Christ and His Church.

You should live like that. You should live like gentlemen, like ladies. Don't never do things of the world,

because the whole eyes of Heaven and earth is cast on you, to represent that one thing. No matter how weak you are, how little you are, hold your head right, 'cause you are a Christian.

You Will Be Written Epistles Of God Word Promised In The Day You Are Living In

Ark – The Word Message -By One Spirit Interpreted The Word Through You -Father's Business

<u>65-0220 — God's Chosen Place</u> <u>Of Worship</u>

90 God had a certain place He met—He met Abraham, and there Abraham worshipped.

- All down through the Testament! And His promised Word will be
- interpreted in you, by Him.

Did you get that? The Word that He promised to fulfill in the day that you're living in: <u>you will be a written epistle of</u> God, read of all men. Not what <u>you claim,</u>

but what God does through you, will speak out louder than anything you could claim. God said, "These signs shall follow them that believe." That speaks through you.

91 He spoke of this age, what would be now. The believers of this age has to believe This, what He promised today. Just the same as they had to come into the ark, to be saved;

go out of Egypt to be saved; they have to come into Christ, to be saved now, into the Word Message, that He's the same yesterday, today, and forever.

92 How do you get into It? By baptism! Baptism of what, water? By the Holy Ghost! "One Spirit, we're all baptized into this one Body."

93 And His promised Word, He will not...You won't have to interpret It. He will interpret It through you;

what you are doing, what He promised to do. The Church that follows Him will be so much like Him until the people will know.

Look at Peter and John when they was questioned about healing a man at the gate called Beautiful. They said, "They perceived," those priests did,

"that they were both ignorant and unlearned men," but they take notice that they had been with Jesus. Because, (what?) they were doing the things that He did.

94 He must be about the Father's business. And today it must be the same.

Lining Up ~ You've Got Take Your Place In God ~Joshua Divided The Land By Inspiration

~ Your Misbehavior Can Knock Somebody Else Of Out Of Getting Healed ~One May Be Out Of Line ~Then Again Joshua Went On Without A Scratch

60-0515E — Adoption #1 51 Where the church is...Now this is my purpose of doing this. The church is always trying to take somebody else's corner.

But don't do that. You can never raise corn in Ephraim's corner, if you're Manasses. You've got to take your place in Christ, positionally take it.

Oh, it gets deep and rich when we get in here, how that God puts one in the church to speak with tongues, another...

Now, we have been taught many times, "we all have to speak with tongues." That's wrong. "We all got to do it." No, we don't. They all didn't do one thing. Each one was...

52 Each, the land was provided and divvied up by inspiration. And, each one, I could take the Scriptures and show it to you exactly, that he put them in the place where they was supposed to be,

positionally, how that the two half tribes was to stay across the river, how that their mothers cried that in their birth, and how that each place was supposed to be.

53 And now after you are in, that don't mean that you're out free from war. You still have to fight for every inch of ground you stand on. So, see, Canaan did not represent the great Heaven,

because it's war and troubles and killings and fightings, and so forth. But it did represent this, that it must be a perfect walk.

54 There's where the church is failing today, on that walk. Do you know that even your own behavior can knock somebody else out of getting healed?

Your misbehavior, of unconfessed sins of you believers, can cause this church to bitterly fail.

And at the Day of the Judgment you'll be responsible for every bit of it. "Oh," you say, "now, wait a minute, Brother Branham." Well, that's the Truth. Think of it!

55 Joshua, after he crossed over into the land, God gave him the promise that...Just think, to fight an entire campaign without losing a man,

without even getting a scratch, without having to have a nurse, or a first aid or a band. Amen. God said, "The land's yours, go fight."

Think, of fighting a campaign, and there's no Red Cross around at all, there's nobody going to get hurt!

56 And they slayed the Amorites and the Hittites, but there wasn't one hurt among any of them until sin come in the

camp.

And when Achan took that Babylonian garment and that gold wedge, and hid it under his camp, then the next day they lost sixteen man.

Joshua said, "Stop! Stop! Wait a minute, there's something wrong! Something's wrong here.

We're going to call seven days of fast. God made us a promise, 'There will be nothing hurt us.' Our enemies will fall at our feet.

And there's something wrong here. Something went wrong somewhere, 'cause we got sixteen dead men laying here. They're Israelite brothers, and they're dead."

57 Why did they die, innocent men? Because one man stepped out of line. You see reason this needs to be taught? The church lining up, lining up with the Word of God,

lining up with God and lining up with each other, walking perfectly upright, soberly, before all man, fearing God. Because one man stole a garment,

and done something that he should not done, took the life of sixteen men! I think it was sixteen, maybe more. I believe it was sixteen man that was dead.

58 Joshua called, said, "There's something wrong! God made the promise, and something's wrong."

59 When we bring the sick up before us, and they fail to be healed, we need to call a solemn fast, call an assembly.

Something's wrong somewhere. God made the promise, God's got to stick to that promise, and He will do it.

60 And he called a fast. And they found out, they cast the lots. And Achan confessed it. And they killed Achan, family and all, and burnt their ashes,

and left it there for a memorial. And Joshua went right on through the battles, taking everything, without a scratch or a wound. There you are.

<u>1 Corinthians 14:40</u> ⁴⁰ Let all things be done decently and in order.

Your Conduct/Order

Duty And Position

The Order Of The Heavenly Host All Set In Place. When One Get Out Of Order, The Holy Spirit Would Place Very Member.

He Is Waiting For His Army To Position. There Is Only Two Powers, Kingdoms. Satan – Perverted Power

Let Us Take Our Position...

62-0311 — The Greatest Battle Ever Fought 47 And I thought of the order of that heavenly host, not one of them is out of place. Every one keeps its time, perfectly. God's great army!

I thought of the soldiers; how that if that moon would happen to get out of order, the earth would be covered again with water, just in a few minutes.

The earth would be just like it was when God decided to use it, for to have us here on it. "It was without form, and void, and darkness, and water was upon the breadth of the earth."

And if that moon would ever move, it would do the same thing again. When the moon rocks a little bit away from the earth, the tides come up.

When it goes down, just follows the tides. It's God's great army. And when I thought about the...that being God's great army there...

48 Now, we went to bed. And then I begin to think that not one of those get out of their place.

They all set in place. And if there's a moving, anywhere, of them, it's for a cause, and will affect this earth.

We just see the results of it now, from some of them moving into their other spots. It's effective. It affects everything.

49 And I thought, then, if that great heavenly host, like that, has to keep its place, to make everything in order, what about the disorder of the earthly host?

How, when one gets out of order, how it throws the whole thing out of cater!

The whole program of God is upset when one member gets out of order. We should continually to strive to keep the order of the Spirit.

50 And I would, to God, this morning, that we would bring this to a real healing service, that we could keep this **part...**

group that we have gathered under the roof this morning, in such a harmony, that the Holy Spirit would place every member of the Body,

that's here this morning, in such harmony, till there would be such a spontaneous healing of soul and body, if we'll just hold our positions.

<u>62-0311 — The Greatest Battle</u> Ever Fought 51 Now, as I said at the beginning, this lady who had the cancer that Doctor Holbrook take...was going to take off.

Now, the God that caused the fluttering noise to come into that clinic, and took that cancer without even leaving a scar, don't you know that same God is here?

And the only thing that He is waiting for, is for His—His army to get their position, like the stars, get the position.

54 And we are, today, setting here, and one or the other power is going to control us. So let's cast out the evil one. Let's take our position like the stars of the heavens.

~Bible Is Written In Riddles ~Find Out What God Wants You To Do

~Your Duties

Hold Still Till God Say So

63-0724 – God Doesn't Call

Man To Judgment Without First

Warning Him

33 It's hard if you don't...You have to depend on the Holy

Spirit because this Bible is wrote in riddles.

You just can't sit down and read It like a newspaper. It's hid. Yes, sir. How would you ever justify God when He told Moses up there, said,

"Now, don't you make any engraven images," in His commandments, "don't you make anything like Heaven, any—any Angel, or anything else, don't make any engraven images,"

and yet on the same day told him to mold two Angels out of brass and put them right at the mercy seat, where mercy's at?

See? You have to know God and His Nature before you can understand His Word.

He—He—He has the key to that Word, Himself, and He—He's the only One can—can handle It and open It, and so He's the One that has to reveal It.

34 And now, we find out that His Nature was, here, to always to warn a man before judgment, to warn a nation before judgment, and so forth.

He always gives His warning, a reminder to we, of a responsibility. We are responsible, and God has put us here on the earth for a reason,

and that reason that He has put us here for, we are responsible to Him for that reason. You should go to Him and find out what He wants you to do. See? lf you don't...

35 If you went to work for a man, and he give you a job on a ranch, or something another, and you just went out to the barn and just set down out there,

and say, "Well?" See, you must go ask him what he wants you to do, and then do it. If you're working for a man, find out what your duties is.

36 And then if our life is on the—the earth here, then we should go to the One Who put us here, and, "Lord, what would You have me do?

What—what—what must I do? Why am I here?" If it's to be a housewife, dishwasher, if it's to be... Whatever God wants you to do, then you do that the very best that you know how to do it. No matter how little, no matter how little it is, you must do it.

37 You say, "Well..." The trouble of it, is, each one of us wants to do the next man's job. We all want to pack the ball, as we say, you see.

38 Like this watch here, now, every little movement in there has its place. Now, every part of it can't be the hands.

Now, I only look at the hands to see what time it is. But if one of them little wheels in there gets out of order, that won't keep the right time.

39 And that's the way it is with people. We've all, the Body of Christ, has got to be in their position, in harmony.

See? And then we can look around and see what time of day it is. See? Then the world's looking to see what it is.

See? See? But they're watching you. And if you're just a little hairspring, mainspring, or whatever you are, you do the very best job you can at that.

63-0724 — God Doesn't Call Man To Judgment Without First Warning Him 40 Now, because, we have a responsibility that we've got to answer to God someday for.

Every man that come on the face of the earth has to answer to God for a responsibility.

And, to many of us, a stewardship, we have to answer for. We...This responsibility is a stewardship that's been committed to us by God, I don't care what it is.

As I said a few moments ago, "a housewife," then be a genuine housewife. That's right. If it's to be a farmer, be a genuine farmer.

Whatever it is that God has put you to do, you got a stewardship to that, you've got to answer to God for, because it takes all these things to do it.

41 Hezekiah was told to make ready and to get ready because that he had to meet his Maker. Now, Hezekiah was a king, and a-a great man. Did you notice his plea here? "Lord, I beseech You to consider me.

I-I've walked before You with a perfect heart." What a testimony that is to—to—to us today, and it should be, a man that walks before God.

42 Even death was pronounced upon the man and yet God changed His mind about him, because Hezekiah wanted to do something and God said He "would give us the desires of our heart."

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And Hezekiah's time had come, and he—he got a cancer on him, or something another,

and—and they called it "a boil" in that day, but we know boils don't regularly kill you, they just get well. But it was perhaps a cancer, and it opened up like a boil.

And—and God told Isaiah, said, "Go up there and tell him that he's going to die." And Hezekiah had something he wanted to do yet. He had-he had...

43 When you plead anything to God, you got to be a reason for it. It's just like this Scripture that I so often refer to, "If you say to this mountain, 'Be moved,' and don't doubt,

but believe that what you've said will come to pass, you can have what you said." Now, that's altogether controlled on motive and objective, see, or it won't happen. See?

44 You just can't go out here...That's where many of us makes a many mistakes, is going out and say,

"Now, I'll show you I got faith to do this." Now, you're wrong to begin with. God don't give you gifts just to play with it.

45 As I was saying a while ago, He don't show you visions just to play with. That's nothing to play with. That's sacred. Just use it in...as the Lord will let you.

Be a prisoner to Him. No matter how much you want to tell that guy he's wrong, and what this, that, or the other, you hold still till God says so.

Then when God says so, then you can come with THUS SAITH THE LORD! Until that, just forget about it.

Teenage Children – To Be A Real Man Someday

Incase Someone Is Misbehaving, Not A Bunch Of Talking And Carrying On

- Here To Worship The Lord, Running Over Sanctuary Hollering One Another Running Ruins The Next Set...

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Talking And Passing Notes Talk To Somebody At Their Home

63-0317M — God Hiding Himself In Simplicity, Then Revealing Himself In The Same 35 And then, many times, teen-age children and sometimes adult, will get to...

You know, young people will pass notes, or cut up, or something, in church. Now, you're old enough to know better than that. See?

You should know better than that. See? You shouldn't come here...If you expect to be a real man someday, and raise a family to the Kingdom of God, then start it off in the beginning, you see, and—and act right and do right, and now, course.

<u>63-0317M — God Hiding Himself In</u> <u>Simplicity, Then Revealing Himself In</u> <u>The Same</u>

42 <u>As soon as the service is</u>

<u>dismissed, leave the</u>

<u>auditorium.</u>

You're through, in the worship then. Then go out and talk to one another, and whatever you want to do. If you got something you want to talk to somebody,

<u>to—to see them, well, you go</u> with them, or to their home, or whatever it is, but don't do it in the auditorium. Let's dedicate this to God. See? This is His meeting place, where we meet with Him.

See? And the Law goes forth from the sanctuary, of course. <u>And I—I believe that that would</u> be pleasing to our Heavenly Father.

God's Will

Seek Ye The Kingdom Of God

The Will Of God

<u>65-1121 — What House Will</u> You Build Me? 31 Keep the Message honorable, live the right kind of life. Don't let no smut come

upon lt.

We're living too late now. We're-we're too late in the hour. Let's live It clean. Well, my life, your life, all of our lives needs to be picked up, before God.

Faith Sees What God See Want And Wants

<u>63-0714M — Why Cry? Speak!</u> 168 Now, notice, faith sees what God wants you to see. See? Faith sees what God sees.

Faith Is Designed To See What God Wills And Wants.

<u>63-0428 — Look</u>

- 123 Now listen real close to this remark. Faith! Now, don't forget
- to get this now. Faith is
- designed to see what God wills

and wants.

There is no knowledge that can do that. Faith alone is designed, and give to the human race, to find out what the will of God is.

You Have To Will To Do God's Will

<u>61-0108 — Revelation, Chapter</u> Four Part III

225 How did it? Self-will. "Why will you call that 'self-will,' Brother Branham?"

Because it puts a man and woman back again just like Adam and Eve at the garden of Eden. On what? The two trees! Self-will, this one is death.

This one is Life, self-will. Immoral...Free moral agency! God placed the first man, Adam and Eve, right here on free moral agency.

He places you the same place. And the only way that you can get this thing fixed in here is your own self-will. Hallelujah! Your self-will!

You have to will to do God's Will. You have to get rid of your own will to let God's Will <u>come in, for this is the only</u> <u>channel that leads to the heart.</u>

One Avenue Inside Self-Will You Will To Live Or Die

The Spirit You Let Dominate You Brings Fruits

62-0218 — Perseverance 25 The inside is one, one avenue. And that avenue is the same place that God set every man from Adam and Eve, self-will.

You will to live or you will to die, either one you want to. <u>It's,</u> <u>you're based on free moral</u>

agency,

and whatever a spirit that you let dominate you will bring forth the fruits, your life will be dominated by the inside. And faith...So many people rely upon these five senses on the outside.

They're fine, nothing against them, if they agree with this sixth sense. This soul...this spirit only can be of two kinds, one of them is the Spirit of God,

the other is the spirit of the devil. You can't serve two masters at the same time. You're wholly given to one or wholly given to the other.

And if you've got the Spirit of God in you, you've got faith, and you'll believe every Word that God wrote. And if you haven't, you might be...

Gift And Callings Are Without Repentance

God Makes You Who You Are By Grace

<u>60-0911M — As I Was With</u> Moses, So I Will Be With Thee 121 Now, when God gave me my commission. I've based all this, back, for this one purpose.

"Gifts and callings are without repentance." No man can make himself anything. God makes you what you are, by His grace. We have no way of making ourself.

Jesus said, "Who, taking thought can add one cubit to his stature?" Who can make hisself bigger or littler, by taking thought? You can't do it.

When God gave the commission, I questioned it. I said, "I'm unsufficient, or, insufficient. I have no education. I cannot do these things."

God Deals With Men According To Their Capacity

<u>59-1115 — My New Ministry</u> 76 I want you to know that He's God of the woods just the same as He's God of the city.

He's just as much God out there as He is here. <u>And God always</u> <u>deal with men according to</u> <u>their capacity, and what</u>.

Like David, by the still waters and green pastures, because he was a shepherd. And different ways He has, revealing, and something.

God Made Me What I Am Melancholy To Be The Help That Sent Me Here To Be.

<u>64-0830M — Questions And</u> <u>Answers #3</u>

9Well, we're thankful to the Lord. Amen! Be thankful for all things. I am thus, because I am thus. <u>God made me what I am.</u>

And I can't be nothing but what He made me, melancholy, and those kind of things. They tell me I just have to be that way in order to be the help that He sent me here to be.

And I want to be that kind of a person. If that's the way I was supposed to be, that's what I want to be. Whatever's the Kingdom of God's will, or God's will, that's what I want to be.

God Knowed How To Make Every Person Exactly How To Be A Certain Thing For A Purpose.

58-1005M — Hear His Voice 14 If I taught a Scripture of some historical God, and I wasn't sure that He was right here, I-I'd be all confused.

It'd make me so nervous, l wouldn't know what I was doing. See? And I wouldn't know where to tell people, "Well, now, He'll do this, or He'll do that."

I-I couldn't tell you. I don't know. But when you know what He promised He would do, and have seen Him do it, then you know where you're standing. See?

And see how God, in His great plans, just knowed how to make every person just exactly to be a certain thing, 'cause <u>He's going to use them for that</u> <u>purpose</u>.

We All Have Different Make-ups

58-1005M — Hear His Voice 16 And that's the way. We all have different make-up's. If we would just find our position in Christ, and there abide and serve Him.

Grace In Place

Philippians 2:13 ¹³ For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

2 Timothy 2:5

⁵ And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.

Ephesians 1:3

- ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who
- hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in
- Christ:

Everything Has To Work According To The Law Of Its Plan.

59-0823 – Palmerworm, Locust, Cankerworm, Caterpillar 36 Now, remember, that, only anything can work as you work in the law of that thing. The cosmic forces can only move according to cosmic law.

The planets can only move as they're moved by the law of the planets. The sun can only rise according as the earth turns to the sun.

And that there, is, **everything** has to work according to the law of its plan. For, God made all things, and made a law for that thing.

And then it's got to turn, and to work, and to operate according to the law of that item. It will not work correctly any other

way.

If Your Motive Have Divine Love.... Take Love And Go Forward.

Got One Thing To Do In Your Life "Love The Lord Your God With All ... " And Believe Every Word He Said.

Where You Can't Go Any Further, Sovereign Grace Will Be Projected.

56-0826 — Divine Love 70 And then when Divine love had come to its end, sovereign grace stepped in and took its place.

It'll do it every time; <u>if your</u> <u>motives are right, your</u> <u>alternatives are right, if you'll</u> <u>have Divine love,</u>

and believe, walk forward, doubting nothing. When it comes, to look like the end of the road has come, then sovereign grace takes its place.

56-0826 — Divine Love 75 That's the way it is, after we travel from church to church, from pillar to post, from healing service to healing service.

Brother, take love and go forward, 'cause you're at the end of the road. God will project sovereign grace when you come to the end of the road.

When love has met its fill, God is obligated then. When you've come to your end, and man's met their end, then grace takes over. It's God's nature to do so.

56-0826 — Divine Love 173 Why? When Divine love is projected, sovereign grace takes its place. My, brother, sister, there is only got one thing to do in your life,

that's, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all of your strength, with all your mind," and believe every Word He said is the Truth.

And when you come to the end of your road, where you can't go any further, then Divine, sovereign grace will be projected.

The Condition Is What Means Something

<u>62-1230M – Absolute</u>

- 77 God's promises are always on condition. You must,
- absolutely...No matter how
- fundamental you are with the
- promise, it's under conditions,
- always.

How we could stop here and wave through that Scripture, back and forth, for hours, see, that the condition is what means something.

You can be just as fundamental as you want to, but it's under conditions by the promise, predestination, and so forth. Notice.

Little Things Left Undone – Every Word Is Essential

65-0206 — Doors In Door 116 It's the—it's the little things that we leave undone, sometime, that breaks the whole chain,

you see, and lets us go free, just denominational-minded, and forget about these little things that really are the—the essential things.

Everything, every Word of God, is essential. None of It can be left out. We've got to take every Word of It, just the way It was wrote.

Everybody In One Accord Not A Feeble Person In 5 Minutes

<u>62-0311 — The Greatest Battle Ever</u>

<u>Fought</u>

75 <u>If this church, right now</u>

could be put together, and

knitted together with such

that every person would be in

<u>one accord, with not one</u>

shadow of doubt anywhere,

there would not be a feeble <u>person in our midst, in another</u> five minutes. There would not be nobody here desiring the Holy Ghost but what would receive It,

if you could just get that certain thing fixed. Now, there is where the battle begins, right in your mind, whether you will.

<u>60-0515E — Adoption #1</u> 91blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places...

92 Oh, let's stop just one more minute here. "In Heavenly places." Now, just not out anywhere, but in Heavenly places.

We are assembled in "Heavenly," it means that the position of the believer. That, if I'm prayed up, you're prayed up, or the church is prayed up,

and we're ready for the Message, and we have assembled ourselves together as saints, called out, baptized with the Holy Chost, filled with God's blessings,

called, elected, set together in Heavenly places now, we are Heavenlies in our souls. Our spirits has brought us into a Heavenly atmosphere. Oh, brother!

There you are, a Heavenly atmosphere! Oh, what could happen tonight, what could happen tonight if we would be sitting here in a Heavenly atmosphere,

and the Holy Spirit moving over every heart that's been regenerated and become a new creature in Christ Jesus? All sins under the Blood, in perfect worship,

with our hands up to God and our hearts lifted, setting in Heavenly places in Christ Jesus, worshipping together in the Heavenly places.

93 Did you ever set in one? Oh, I have set till I would weep for joy and say, "God, never let me leave here." Just Heavenly places in Christ Jesus!

94 Blessing us with what? Divine healing, foreknowledge, revelation, visions, powers, tongues, interpretations, wisdom, knowledge,

all the Heavenly blessings, and joy unspeakable and full of Glory, every heart filled with the Spirit, walking together,

setting together in Heavenly places, not one evil thought among us, not one cigarette smoked, not one short dress, not one this, that or the other,

not one evil thought, nobody got anything against one another, everybody speaking in love and harmony, everybody with one accord in one place,

"then suddenly there come from Heaven a sound like a rushing mighty wind." There you are, "Has blessed us with all spiritual blessings."

95 Then the Holy Spirit might fall upon somebody, and say, "THUS SAITH THE LORD. Go to a certain place and do a certain thing." Watch it happen just like that. [Brother Branham snaps his fingers—Ed.]

See? "THUS SAITH THE LORD. Do a certain thing at a certain place." Watch it happen like that. [Brother Branham snaps his fingers.]

96 "Blessed us together in all Heavenly blessings in Heavenly places." Watch! According as he has chosen us...