

As A Man Thinketh [The Mind As Your Personal World]

Friday's Fellowship, 20th September 2024

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2 Corinthians 10:4-5

⁴ (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

⁵ Casting down imaginations,
and every high thing that
exalteth itself against the
knowledge of God, and
bringing into captivity every
thought to the obedience of
Christ;

Philippians 2:5

⁵ Let this mind be in you,
which was also in Christ
Jesus:

Romans 12:2

² And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Proverbs 25:28

²⁸ He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

Jeremiah 17:9

⁹ The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Romans 6:16

¹⁶ Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

Proverbs 4:23

²³ Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

Proverbs 23:7

⁷ For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.

James 4:7-8

⁷ Submit yourselves
therefore to God. Resist the
devil, and he will flee from
you.

⁸ Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

God's Laws And Rules

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.

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

44 As I said, God will never go
outside of His laws to do
anything. If you've got an
artesian well on this hill,
blowing water all over the air,

and on this other hill over here, you've got a crop burning up, you can stand on this hill and holler, "Oh, water, run over here and fill my crop!"

Oh, water, get to my crop!”
It’ll never do it. But if you’ll
work according to the laws
of gravitation, you can water
that crop.

45 You've got a sick man
laying here, or a sinner laying
here, or a man that wants to
be right, can't give up
drinking, can't give up
smoking, can't give up lust
and things.

If you'll just work according
to the laws of God, let the
Holy Spirit come in there,
then he's no more his own.

He, he will stop that thing,
because the Holy Spirit takes
him over. But you've got to
work according to the laws
of God, the rules of God.

60-0108 — Conference With²⁴ God

14 I think that Divine healing is something that you must approach reverently, sanely, because it is the work of God.

Now, God can never go
against His Own laws and
rules, He will always work
according to His rules.

60-0729 — What It Takes To
Overcome All Unbelief: Our
Faith

123 There's an old proverb
that's more than a proverb,

“No matter how, who is
there first, you have to play
the rules of the game, or
you’ll never win.”

If a runner is running around the track, and one takes a shortcut, and cuts through the field, and beats the other one there by a half-hour,

still he will be disqualified at the end of the race. He's got to play it according to the rules of the game, or he's disqualified.

124 And that's the way we
have to do, the race of life
that we're running now, it
has to be played according
to God's qualifications, or
we'll lose when we get
there.

Whether we're President,
whether we are the
Governor, or a minister, or
who, what church we belong
to,

or what denomination, the rules of the game has to be kept, we must run it fair, we must play it by the rules; we must preach the Word, we must do it willingly.

62-0422 — The Restoration Of
The Bride Tree

88 Enforce! Then, we are
the...have the privilege to
enforce, upon Satan, the
claims that God give us.

For, God has a law, and His
Word is a law, and God in
this Word made certain
claims to the Church.

Therefore, we have a right to
force these claims upon
Satan,

and say, “Give it back,” and he has to do it. Because, we can take God’s Agent, the Holy Spirit, go right down on our knees, and say, “It’s THUS SAITH THE LORD.”

He's got to give it up, that's all, 'cause the Holy Spirit is there to make him do it.

The law of the land is to enforce. It's by the land, for the land.

63-1229M — There Is A Man

Here That Can Turn On The Light

163 You can't go against

God's nature. He's got a law,

and, to contrary that law,

kills your plant.

You've got to go according to
God's spoken laws, and His
laws is His Word. Any law is a
word spoken. And a word is a
thought manifested. See? Now
we—we know that that's true.

With Head Or Heart?

61-0315 — An Uncertain Sound

101 Here some time ago, it was questioned about Solomon in the Bible, when he said, “As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he.”

Well then, the scientist said,
“Looky here, there’s no
mental faculties in a human
heart, Solomon meant his
head.” Huh!

If he'd have meant head, he'd have said, head, that's it. I—I believe the Bible to be just exactly the way It's wrote. Just, I believe That's God's Word, just, I believe It is God.

God is no better than His Word, you are no better than your word. Your own word is what is going to stand there to judge you at that Day.

102 Now, in Chicago about
four years ago, Brother
Mattsson-Boze's little girl,
Joyce,

is to be married next month,
lovely little girl, she's always
telling me something, and
laughing, just always have a
little joke to tell me,

saying about something
that—that’s a little crack she
has to make about
something, and she says to
me, she said, “Did you hear
what was in the paper
today?”

And I said—I said, “Now, wait a minute, Joyce, now what—what you going to tell me now? What...?”

103 Said, “No this is not,
Brother Branham,” said, “I’ll
bring it to you, show you.”
Said, “I heard you say about
man thinking in his heart.”

I read it in the Bible. She said,
“Now, today they have found
it, and proved it, it’s not in
the, it’s not in no other
heart,

but the human heart, it isn't in a animal heart, but there's a little compartment in the heart that science says is the place where the soul abides.”

So therefore God was right when He said, “As a man thinketh in his heart.” See, there is a mental faculty in the heart.

104 Now, when you say,
“Well now, l—l—l...” Did you
ever...? All of you has had
this: times that when you
would think,

“Well, I—I don’t know whether it could happen or not.” And all at once something just tells you, “It’s going to happen,” regardless of what anybody else says,

you know it's going to happen. We've all had them experiences. That's when your heart is thinking, that's your heart telling you.

105 Now, the mind reasons,
but the heart doesn't
reason, it just believes it. If I
could ever drive that home
to one of my audience,

I'd have a real healing service, if I could ever get my audience to see that, that it's not what your head thinks at all.

There's where the devil abides, but he reasons it out, "I—I'm sick, I can't get well. I—I got this," or, "I can't be saved, I—I—I've done too much."

See, that's reason, but we are to cast down reasonings. That's right. Casting down our reasonings, we believe with our heart.

106 In the garden of Eden,
man was divided in two
parts, the devil took his
head, and God took his
heart.

The devil makes him look at things, and say, “Well, it just can’t happen, I can reason it out.”

And God took his heart to dwell in his heart to make him believe things that his head don't even know nothing about. That's right.

So it's in your heart you think. Down here, that's where the real certain Sound comes from, is from the heart, there's where God talks, and here is where the devil talks from.

So let's cast down what the devil said, and take a certain Sound, and that certain Sound is God talking in our heart, that's true, God's promises.

107 Let's just interview for the next three or four minutes, find some that took His promises, and whether they were realities or not.

They didn't reason about them. God makes you think of things, and do things that's unreasonable to the human head. Did you know that?

108 Here's a little boy
setting here in a chair,
wheelchair, perhaps, maybe
his mama and papa might
have brought him,

and he...maybe the doctors done everything for him they can do. See? He said, "It's all over." Well now, if you're going to listen to what he tells you, then it's all over,

but if there's something
begins to work down in here,
brother, that—that's
different then, that's another
sound.

109 Now, this sound says, “It’s over.” But this sound is a certain sound, it’ll deny this one. Now, depends on...And this one will try to deny that one, the vice versa.

But depends on which one
you listen to.

Like the Indian was that
time, that got saved. Said,
“How you getting along,
Chief?”

110 Said, “Well, since I got saved, there’s two dogs in me, and,” said, “one is white and one is black, and the white one wants me to do right, and the black one wants me to do wrong.”

Said, “They’re fighting all the time.”

He said, “Well, how do—how do you get along? Which one wins, Chief?”

111 He says, “Depends on which one Chief feeds the most.” Well, that’s it. If you’re going to listen to reason, you’ll always have this fellow conquered,

but if you'll listen to the certain Sound, God's Word, working in your heart, you'll conquer this one. Which one do you feed?

58-1005M — Hear His Voice

94 It'll make a different man
and woman out of you, if
you'll just stand still long
enough to hear His Voice,
like Samuel did.

Stand still. Don't be excited.
If you want something of
God, ask Him; then stand still
and listen, see what He's
going to say about it.

Just open up your heart, say,
“What about it, Lord Jesus?”
Just stay there. If He doesn't
answer the first five hours,
then wait another.

If He doesn't answer today,
then He'll answer tomorrow.
If He doesn't answer this
week, He will next week.
Stay there till He answers.

95 Hear His Voice speak
back, in your heart, and say,
“Yes, I’m the Lord that
healeth thee.”

Then it's all over. You can settle then. See? "I'm the Lord Who forgives all thy sins. Now go and sin no more."

I don't condemn you." Then you can go free. You're all right. But you want to be sure that you heard that Voice speak. Moses heard It. He was a changed man.

63-0120M — The Voice Of
God In This Last Days
86 Moses heard the Voice
of God. He was full of
theology.

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

87 And no man is never the same. You might hear in your ears the—the Voice speaking, but when you hear in your heart,

the Voice speaking, see, then you're hearing. You do not see with your eye. You look with your eye, you see with your heart.

You see something, say, “I just don’t see it,” you mean you don’t understand it. You do not hear with your ears, you hear with your heart.

Many times your ears hears the true Voice of God, and It falls off of you like water off of a duck's back. But when you really hear, you hear with your heart.

63-0120M — The Voice Of
God In This Last Days

89 And this is what He
promised for the last days.
He'd raise up a people from
the Gentiles, and all the
promises.

63-0120M — The Voice Of
God In This Last Days
110 So you're going to hear
the Voice of God some
time.

Maybe faintly this morning it speaks in your heart, that you should turn from the way that you're going, turn back to God.

Now, remember, they'll
record that Voice that's
speaking to your heart, in
Heaven. And someday when
Jesus does call, and all that's
in the grave, all, right and
wrong, will rise.

And then this very same Voice will whisper right back to you, “In Phoenix, Arizona, on a certain Sunday morning, when the minister held you so long, speaking on the Voice, I spoke to you;

told you women to let your
hair grow out, quit dressing
immorally; told you men to
quit that lying, smoking;

told you preachers to turn
back to the Word of God.”
See what I mean? That’s
right.
That still Voice say, “It could
be right.”

60-0518 — Adoption #2

19 But now, on forward.

Then did you notice Moses,
that great miracle performer
that brought down Israel
down through the land,

and brought them up to the promised land, but did not place their inheritance to them?

He did not give them their inheritance; he led them up to the land, but Joshua divided the land to the people. Is that right?

And Christ brought the
Church up to the place to
where their possession was
made to them, was given to
them, just the Jordan to
cross,

but the Holy Spirit is the One
Who sets the Church in
order. The Joshua of today
puts the Church in its order,
giving to each one, gifts,
places, position.

And He is the Voice of God
speaking through the inner
man that Christ has saved,
the Holy Spirit. Now do you
get that much of it? Now we're
getting over into the Book of
Ephesians.

Now, the same way, He's positionally placing the Church where they belong. Now, Joshua placed them in the natural land.

Now the Holy Spirit is placing the Church, positionally, in the land, that they, in the position that they belong in, their inheritance.

63-0714M — Why Cry?

Speak!

45 I think any man with a...or
woman, boy or girl. And I
think, in a intellectual
conception of what they think
the Word is,

and so forth, never can have
a full foundation stand until
they have met that Light
that brings that Word to a
reality.

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

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

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The Battle Ground

62-0311 — The Greatest
Battle Ever Fought

64 Now, before any battle
can be put in array,

they first have to choose a
meeting ground, or a place
where the battle is to be
fought, a selected place.

62-0311 — The Greatest Battle Ever Fought

68 When this great battle started on earth, there had to be a mutual meeting place.

There had to be a place selected for the battle to begin, and for the battle to rage. And that battlegrounds begin in the human mind. There is where the battle starts.

The human mind was
chosen for the place of the
battle, where it was begin,
and that is because that
decisions are made from
the mind, the head.

Now, they never started it from some organization. They never started it from some mechanical affair.

The grounds never started there. Therefore, that organization can never, never do the work of God,

because the battlegrounds,
where you've got to meet
your enemy, is in the mind.
You've got to make your
choice. It meets you.

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107 If you've got your senses, see, taste, feel, smell, and hear, they're all right, but don't trust them unless they agree with the Word.

They're all right, but, if they disagree with the Word, don't you listen to them.

Now, imaginations, conscience, memories, reasons,

and affections, they're all right if they agree with the Word. But if your affection doesn't agree with the Word, get rid of it.

You'd blow a flue, right quick. See? If your reason disagrees with the Word, get away from it. That's right. The engine...

If your memory, if your
imaginations, if your
conscience, anything,
disagrees with That what's
on the inside, get rid of it.

108 What you got then?
You've got a solar system.
Hallelujah! It's, God set the
stars in order and said,

“Hang there till I call you!”
They stay there. Nothing’s
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It shines out, certainly, just
as clean and clear, for the
Word of God to work
through, the Power of God.
See? That's the main thing.

110 There's your
battleground. Your
battleground is back here at
the beginning, back here in
the soul, back in your mind
that opens.

The—the mind is the gate to the soul, the gate to the spirit, rather. Your mind opens up and accepts the spirit,

or it rejects the spirit. You can have little consciences, and little feelings, and little sensations, all these things.

That has nothing to do with it. That's just little sensations and things. But when it comes to reality, your mind opens it up.

Your mind either accepts it
or rejects it. That's it, friends.
God, let none of them miss
it.

111 See, it's your mind that opens up the door; or closes the door, and listens to your conscience, listens to your memory, listens to your affections.

But when your mind closes
itself to these things, and let
God, the Spirit of His Word,
come in,

It blows the rest of the stuff
out. Every doubt is gone.
Every fear is gone. Every
sensation of doubt is gone.
Every feeling is gone.

There's nothing standing there but the Word of God, and Satan cannot battle against That. No, sir. He cannot battle against It. Now, we know that's true.

62-0311 — The Greatest
Battle Ever Fought

399 Now, what did Jesus?
Jesus was the Word of God.

He was the Word. He
attacked the Word. Glory!
I—I'm just getting...just
feeling good, to preach now,
honest I am.

That's right. Jesus is the
Word. "In the beginning was
the Word, and the Word was
with God, and the Word was
God.

And the Word dwelled, made
flesh, and dwelled...” Jesus
was the Word. What did He
do? He cut him to ribbons.

Oh, my! I'm going to quit.
What did Jesus do? He was
the Word. So, with the
Word, He cut Satan on his
wild attack.

He flew in there like a bunch of para-, storm-troopers, or something another like that, flew in on Jesus, the Word, like that.

And Jesus took that Word,
and sliced him to pieces.
Hallelujah! Sure, sliced him
to pieces, defeated him with
the Word.

400 See his attack? Watch, listen close, this closing. His attack is what? Disbelieve God's Word, that's his attack.

There, can you see the greatest battle was ever fought? There's only two forces: Satan and God. And what is Satan's weapon against you?

Is to try to get you to
disbelieve your Weapon. He
disarms you. Let's—let's
listen real quiet now. Listen.

If he can get you to disbelieve your Weapon is equivalent, if he gets you to believe that your Weapon is not strong enough, he has disarmed you.

The Greatest Enemy

54-0320 — Faith Cometh By
Hearing

26 And he's sending the
letter now to the Romans,
getting the Church in order.

And he's speaking to them about faith. On the 1st—the 4th chapter of Romans he speaks of Abraham being justified by faith.

Then on the 9th chapter of Romans, he's speaking on the election of God, how God called Isaac, or I beg your pardon, called Esau, Jacob, and ordained them;

or He said, “By election He chose (by His own choosing) chose Jacob instead of Esau.” Though Esau being rightly to the birthright,

then He chose Jacob instead of Esau. And then in the—the 10th chapter here, we find him now dividing what faith is.

Now, faith is burly. My, how I like to think of faith: hope, faith, and charity, those three things.

And hope, what a beautiful
thing hope is. Little, timid
hope, lovely and sweet as
she is, yet, she's the
greatest enemy faith has.

That's right. The greatest enemy faith's got is hope.

'Cause a person becomes so hopeful till they leave away from faith.

27 Now, hope will agree with the Bible. Hope will say, “It’s True.” Hope will say, “I believe every bit of it.

I believe that that's the Word of God. And I—I—I believe that God will keep His promise.”

Hope believes all of that. But hope then says, “Now, I believe that God will heal, but look at my condition.”

Now, faith don't look at that. Faith comes around, "I don't care nothing about conditions. God said so, and it's mine." You see? Faith's burly.

As I once said, “Faith has hair on the chest. When it stands up and pulls its big muscles out, everything else vanishes away.”

Just takes—flies away. When
faith really takes a hold,
nothing else stands.

28 I'm telling you, faith...But
you've got to have hope and
charity. If you've got real
burly faith and no love with
it,

you've ruin your influence
before the people (if you
haven't got love mixed with
it). See? You seen people, a
real burly,

what we would say (excuse
the expression) a bulldog
faith, to grab a hold, but is so
rough with it. Then you see
when you do that,

it doesn't—it hasn't got the kindness here to move with it. So what we need is hope, faith, and charity. Isn't that right?

Hope, faith, and charity,
together. God help our
church to have it like that,
the people, to have that
combination.

29 But if you just rely on hope, you hinder faith. Now, hope looks for something, way off.

But faith claims it right now.
See? Faith says, “God said so
and it’s mine.” That settles it.
See?

“I don’t care if I’m still crippled, I’m still blind, if I’m still sick, that don’t have nothing to do with it. I believe it anyhow.”

It's mine right now. God said so and that settles it." See? That's faith. But hope says, "God said so, and I'm expecting to get it, someday."

You see? “I’m expecting, someday.” And as long as Satan can put you off to another day, that’s as good as he wants.

That's right. You'll never get it. Just believe that you got it right now; it's your personal property.

“Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”
Is that right? Faith acts now.
It’s positive. There’s no...Oh,
my.

I tell you, sickness and everything else, when faith steps in, it's just like a snowball on a hot stove. It just melts away.

Everything goes away from
faith. 'Cause faith stands up
and takes over rule. When
faith speaks, everybody else
keeps still. That's right.

61-1119 — Perfect Strength

By Perfect Weakness

96 God spoke back to him,
said, “Paul, My strength is
made perfect in your
weakness.”

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100 That's when God can
use you. That's when He can
use any of you.

He can use anybody when
we get out of the way. But
as long as we got ourselves
in the way, then we cannot.
All right.

63-0825M — How Can I
Overcome?

72 The thing you have to
overcome is yourself, your
idea, your thing, and surrender
yourself to Him. He overcome
for you. He knows the way; we
don't.

62-0311 — The Greatest
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The Still Small Voice

58-1005M — Hear His Voice

80 But listen to His still
small Voice. Every one of
you people who profess to
be Christians, get yourself
quiet before Him.

Don't let the washing
hinder. Don't let the work
hinder. Don't let nothing
hinder. Don't let nobody
know what you're doing.

Just go before Him. Get up
in the woods somewhere.
Get out on the side of the
road. Go into the secret
closet and close the door.

When the kids gets at school, there get down on your knees. You've heard all kinds of voices everywhere,

but just get down and stay there until those voices are silenced and you begin to lift up. It'll change you. It'll make you different, like it did this little Samuel.

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

81 Now let's us go back off of this modern day, until a day that's past. Let's go back to the days of the early times.

And this Voice of God has
come to men in all walks of
life, in all ages.

No matter if you're a
farmer, if you're a shoe
cobbler, whatever you may
be, God still speaks. If you're
a sinner, if you're a
prostitute, harlot, if you're a
drunkard,

if you are (what?) a local church member, nominal—nominal, whatever you might be, the Voice of God still waits to speak to you.

59-0301E — What Does
Thou Here?

94 There's one more thing
left. “And, God, take me to a
cave where I can find It.”

Let's get that still small
Voice, that Something that
puts the cream in the life.

That Something, that,
“Though you speak with
tongues of men and Angels,
and have not That, you’re
nothing.

Though you can prophesy
and speak with tongues, and
show signs and wonders, and
work miracles and do great
signs,

but, if that little, still small Voice isn't in there, you're nothing," says the Scripture. That's what we're listening for now.

95 We've had the thunders.
We've had the fire. We've
had the rushing winds and
the earthquakes.

But, “God, send us the still small Voice.” That’s what we need. Listen, brother. We need that still small Voice, a still small Voice that spoke.

96 Jesus. Said, “You couldn’t hear His Voice in the street. You didn’t hear Him crying.” He was our pattern. Look at Him. He was compared, His Spirit, like a dove, gentle.

97 It's great things are quiet things. Did you know that, friends? Listen. The sun, which gives life on the earth, to every living thing,

in botany life, plant life, tree life, whatever more, it brings forth life, the sun does. And it can draw a million gallons of water from the earth,

and make less noise than we
can get a bucketful out of a
pump. See? It's big things.
Quiet things are big things.
Did you ever hear the world
turning?

Did you ever hear the planets
as they pass through the
orbits? Do you ever hear
one? That's the big things.
Did you ever hear the sun
rise?

98 Oh, we think we have to have a lot of noise, have to have a brass band, to beat, a lot of jumping up-and-down, or we ain't got a good meeting.

We think everybody has to be on top, they're clapping their hands and things. We think the music has to be going in a rhythm,

and everybody run
up-and-down the aisle.
We've had that. What good
has it done? Where is it at?
Where has it got us today?

In a bunch of confusion, a
bunch of denominations;
broke up, brotherhood
ruined. Certainly, it has. It's
been the old cankerworm,
and palm-worm,

and—and all kinds of bugs
from back there in the
beginning. And Job saw,
or...Joel saw them. “What
the palmerworm has left, the
cankerworm eat;

and what the cankerworm
eat, the grasshopper eaten,”
and so forth, till we've eat it
down to a stump.

99 But the Scripture says, “I will restore, saith the Lord.”

We're waiting for something.

60-0804 — As The Eagle

Stirreth Up Her Nest

121 What's she trying to do?
She's trying to teach her
babies the sound of her
voice.

Hmm! They're going into some perils in a little while, so they got to know the sound of mother's voice.

Oh, I tell you it pays you to
listen to the Voice of God,
the still small Voice that
speaks deep and rich, It
attracts the attention of His
people.

62-0204 — Communion

127 And it is said also, by our Lord, “No man can come to Me except My Father draws him, and all that the Father has given Me will come to Me.

My sheep hear My Voice.” A
stranger, and if a stranger
speaks, a voice that’s not
scriptural, quickly the sheep
will recognize it.

O God! And if it's Your
Voice, the Bible, what It
says, every sheep will hear
It, because It is sheep Food.

They have communed. They know what kind of Food the Father feeds. “Man shall not live by bread alone,

but by every Word that proceedeth from the mouth of God.” Grant, Lord, that many will see and will understand, and will come to Thee tonight.

64-0315 — Influence

133 And that when...One time, in the Bible, we have an example of that.

There was a—a prophet went
back in the cave and...Elijah.
And God was trying to
attract his attention, to
come out.

And there come the fire, and
smoke, and—and blustering
winds across the mountains,
and thunder, and
earthquakes, and shakings,
and everything else.

The prophet never even moved. God wasn't even in it. But when that still, small Voice spoke, he covered his face and come forward.

When the still, small Voice
of God's Word speaks, not a
racket, not our big
denominations, not our big
something,

but that still, small Voice, of
the Word, that's looked
over. That should call a man
to repentance. God in His
Word!

63-0714M — Why Cry?

Speak!

64 Now, though his mother had told him these things, and he knowed this, yet he needed another touch.

The—the teaching was fine,
but he needed a personal
contact.

65 That's what the world
needs today. That's what the
church needs today.

That's what everyone needs,
that's sons and daughters of
God. In order to be that, you
need a personal contact,
see, Something.

No matter, you know the Word is true, you know It's right; but then when it contacts, and then you see the thing done, then you know you're on the right road.

See? And, watch, it'll always be Scriptural. It'll stand right with the Scripture, 'cause this did.

Your Duty [Something To Do]

52-0713E — God Testifying Of His Gifts

24 Now. See? Now, things like that, that's a miracle. Now, in a case of healing, here's a cancer, a malignant growth, now it's in there.

We pray for you, do all that we can; others pray for you. Now, usually in the case, when this happens...Now, what takes place?

Not so much as a cancer growing. The doctor, he can cut it out; that's all right. If he can cut it out and get the roots out of him, okay, that's fine.

That's his duty to do that.

That's what he's trained for.

That's what our schools are
for, for doctors;

that's what our hospitals
are for. That's what—that's
what God give us that tree
of knowledge for, to do
something to help
somebody.

52-0713E — God Testifying Of His²⁵⁷

Gifts

25 If your arm's broke,
it's—it's your duty to go to
the doctor, and let him set
that arm, then ask God to
heal it. See? That's—that's
right. But now wait.

What if that cancer, he can't
cut it out? What if the roots
is scattered out like this?
Then there's only one thing
left, that's that's God,

the Almighty...They have no medicine that would poison that germ, as yet. God will help them to find something, is my prayer.

But now, in the case of Divine healing, what happens? The life, not the cancer, the body, the life of that cancer, which was the inside of that germ,

the life that started
developing in the first place,
is rebuked, and brought out
by Jesus Christ, and took
away from you.

The body's still...
Say for instance, like this
lady setting here, what if she
was a cancer on the earth,

and I wanted to get rid of her
in the way of Divine healing?
I'd just call her life out of her,
her body would fall down.

Well, her body's still here,
just the same as it is now.
You see? But what's
happened to the lady? She's
dead. All right. Just give her
enough time.

52-0713E — God Testifying Of His Gifts

26 Now, the first thing that a happens to a patient, usually they feel good, right away. They go to feeling good.

“Thank the Lord. Well,
Brother Branham, I—I wasn’t
able to eat for a long time. I
can eat anything now.”

Now, be careful just a moment. Now, in a ordinary in the procedure, and many know this, they'll get like that for about seventy-two hours, 'cause anybody in here...

How many hunters is in here?
Let's see your hands, that's
hunted wild game, let's see
your hands. All right.

Did you ever kill a deer today, tell the boys how much it weighed? Be careful when you put him on the scale in the morning,

he isn't going to weigh that much. Is that right? If there's a butcher here, if there's a undertaker here, will know the same thing.

52-0713E — God Testifying Of His
Gifts

27 Our human body...They'll
take the artificial eye, or
false teeth out, because the
body will shrink for the first
seventy-two hours,

it'll start

shrinking—shrinking away.

And then after it lays so long,
then it starts swelling again,
it's deteriorating, swelling
up.

And like the little animal
laying out on the road, he's
killed. Let him lay there in the
sun about seventy-two
hours,

why he's heavier then than he was in the beginning. He weighs more. A human body weighs more after it starts deteriorating, it swells up.

Any animal does, any body,
any human flesh, or other
flesh, it begins to
deteriorate, and it swells up.

28 Now, nine times out of ten, if the patient isn't instructed on what to do, right there they lose out. See?

They say, “Well, I feel so good. I just feel so wonderful.”

And then about—after about seventy-two hours, they get a sick spell.

They start getting sick. They say, “Oh, I’ve lost my healing. Oh, I thought Brother Branham told me, ‘In the Name of the Lord...?...””

That's the best sign in the world that you're healed. See? The thing's dead; it's swelling up. What if a lump of flesh as big as my hand, was on the inside of you,

and it was, this as plain,
where it was rotting in
you? The heart stream has to
pack off the impurities
and—and any infectional
sore, fever...?....

You know that. Then it's got...Your blood and stream has to purify your body; that's what it's for. God put it there for that purpose.

And then the people say,
“I’ve lost my healing.”

Why, brother or sister, that’s
when you’ve got your
healing.

But you go along, just sadly and—and for...“Well, Lord, You—You didn’t treat me right,” something like that.

52-0713E — God Testifying
Of His Gifts

29 The faith that taken
away unbelief, will resurrect
it again. When you take your
stand for Jesus Christ,

stay there and die by it.
What God says is the truth,
and don't you fear
what...Satan hasn't got
anything to do about it.

Don't argue with him; don't fuss with him. Just ignore him and walk away. If you fuss with him, he will keep you fussing day and night. See?

“Well,” he will say, “You know you’re not healed.”
You’ll say, “Well, now, look, Satan, I want to tell you something.” Don’t say it.

Just say, “Get away, I don’t want to hear nothing about you.” And walk on, and say, “Thank You, Lord.” Go on. See? Don’t pay any attention to it.

53-0513 — God's Provided

Way

43 Look, I will prove it to you it's of Satan. When Satan met Jesus, he said, "If Thou be the Son of God, You can do miracles now."

You're a Divine healer, You're all...?...Make these stones bread and I will believe You.”
Is that right? See the fatherhood of that spirit is?

Took Him up on the temple,
said, “Now, look. It’s written
in the Scripture here,” like
they point Mark 16 to us
today,

“it’s written in the Scripture here, ‘He give the Angels charge over Thee, lest any time they dash thy foot, they bear up.’”

Jump down off of here, and then when you get to the ground, just bear Yourself back up, like that.” See, give Him Scripture.

Jesus turned around to him, said, “Thou shalt not tempt the Lord Thy God.” That’s right. “It is also written.” That’s right. He put the Scriptures right back to him.

God has a provided way. If
the doctor...Sure it's your
duty to go to your doctor.
It's your duty to do
whatever you can for
yourself. But look, brother.

When you get to a place where the doctor can't help you, you've got a right to call on God. That's exactly right. And you believe it.

44 And God has a provided way, and that provided way tonight, is what? Not your Brother Branham, Brother Reed, or any other minister, it's Jesus Christ the Son of God,

Who healed you nineteen
hundred years ago. And
we're only pointing to it.
Brother Reed, as a minister,
is pointing to it by the Word.

God gave a Divine gift in the Church that points to it, and says, “It’s Jesus Christ.” Then you believe Jesus Christ, friends. And Jesus Christ has already...

Listen, Scripturally, here it
is. Christ has healed every
sick person in this room
right now. That is in the
Scripture.

“He was wounded for our transgression and with His stripes we were healed,”
past tense. The only thing in the world you can do is look and believe. Look and live.

That's not pointing towards the Pentecostal church, or the Baptist church, or any other church. It's pointing towards Jesus Christ. Look and live.

56-0826 — Divine Love

73 See, it's something that happens. When you get to the end of your road,

when you get to where you can't move, then the Power of God will move in, by sovereign grace, the thing that you see.

74 You take a little kid, a little baby, that has little tantrums, spasms, and they'll scream, and kick, and holler.

And the first thing you know,
they'll hold their breath. And
you'll see a mother grab it,
and pull it,

and throw it up in the air,
blow in its face. Let it alone.
There has never been, in all
medical history, one ever
died like that.

They won't die. He's just having a tantrum. He's trying to get sympathy. He's trying to get some humoring, and it's just a temper spell.

And after he gets his temper
spell, to a place, he's held his
breath, where he can't go no
farther, then nature sets in,

and he relaxes and starts breathing again. All your picking up, and screaming, just make...hollering, and blowing in his face, makes him worse.

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.

59-0417 — Jehovah-Jireh

58 You are sick. Your duty is
to go to your doctor. If your
doctor cannot help you,
then God has a Sacrifice
provided.

If you're an alcoholic,
you've went to the
's-Anonymous, and you
probably tried to get cured
that way.

If you're cigarette smoker,
you probably taken
"Notobac," and everything
that you can think of, and
still you crave them things.

You've come to the end of the road. With that, with them unclean habits, you can't be of God. And if you've done everything that you can do,

and still you see that it doesn't work, then Jehovah has a provided Sacrifice. He's Jehovah-jireh, the Sacrifice to take you away from your sins.

You say, “Brother Branham, I’ve sought for the Holy Spirit. I’ve did this.” You never do that. The Holy Spirit seeks you. You don’t seek the Holy Spirit, It’s seeking you.

It's just your surrender to It.
That's what does it. "Brother
Branham, I've sought Divine
healing." Divine healing was
purchased at Calvary.

You don't seek Divine healing; the Divine healer seeks you—God. That's why you're here tonight. He's trying to get into your heart.

60-0711 — The Door Inside

The Door

9 So, I've always had a little
slogan that I always give to
people is: Do three things in
life.

First thing is do right, that's
your duty to God; think
right, that's your duty to
yourself; and you're bound
to come out right.

That's exactly right. You do right, and then think right, and as long as you are going right, you can't be going wrong.

60-0711 — The Door Inside

The Door

10 When my boy, Billy, at about fourteen years old, before I sent him down to the Bible school, he was in the common school,

and did not have a very good background, and all the children, girls, boys smoking and carrying on. And one day I come into the house and set down,

and Billy was staying with his grandmother, and while the Presence of the Lord was near, there was a vision, I seen my boy with a cigarette in his hand;

that liked to killed me.

So, after a while, his bicycle
stopped out front, and he
came in, said,

“Hello, Dad,” run, threw his arms around me.

I took him in my hands, and I said, “Billy, when did you start this?”

He said “What, Daddy?”

I said, “Smoking.”

He said, “I don’t...”

I said, “Don’t tell me. You do smoke, Billy.”

11 And he started crying. I couldn't keep from it, I went out to the bathroom, I set down out there, and I cried like a baby. I thought, "His mother in Glory,

and last thing she said to me, 'Take care of Billy.' And here I've tried to put the example before him, and to see him do a thing like that!" It almost killed me.

12 So I took him out on the walk, I said, “Son, you’re coming away from there right now. I’m going to send you to Bible school, no matter how lonesome you get.”

And so I said, “I want you to stretch out your arms like this.”

And he did, he said, “What’s the matter?”

13 I said, “This is left and this is right. Now, you cannot be going both ways the same time.

You're in the shape of a cross." And I said, "As long as you're going right, you may think you're going wrong,

but you've got to come out right. You can't go east and west at the same time; you can't be doing right and wrong at the same time."

14 Sometimes people are going wrong, thinking they're doing right, but it'll wind up wrong.

So always think right, do right, and you'll come out right, you just got to. That's exactly.

Do right, that's your duty to God; think right, know that you've got to come out right; and you will come out right.

64-0304 — Sirs, We Would
See Jesus

11 And, now, healing is of
God alone. God alone has
purchased for us our
healing.

It's up to us to do
everything that we can, in
our life, and in every way
that God has give us, for our
healing, but it's God that
heals.

If God calls you to go Home,
tonight, there isn't enough
medicine in the world will
keep you here. There is
nothing going to keep you
here. And if

He determines you to stay on the earth, no matter how many physicians says you're going tonight, you're not going. So it's just all up to God.

64-0830E — Questions And
Answers #4

389. When a person realizes he has an inferior complex, or some sort of complex, how may he overcome this?

So, should it be if he was
the only child caused this in
his early youth?

71 Take exactly the
opposite. If you're always
wanting your way, and that
one little brat that wants to
always have everything
your way,

turn right back around and
give everything you got the
other way. If you're selfish
and you want to hold
everything,

then start giving away what you got. See? Do whatever...Just go the vice versa. That's the way to overcome anything, is an antidote.

62-0612 — Behold, A Greater
Than Solomon Is Here

63 And then it was tried in court, because there was his name, said that—that he pardoned the man, and the man was shot,

so when it was tried in federal court, here was the decision of the federal court: “A pardon is not a pardon, unless it be accepted as a pardon.”

So that's the way God's
Word is. It's the Word of
God to all those who will
accept It as the Word of
God, if It's not, well then, It
isn't.

61-1231E — If God Be With Us,
Then Where Is All The Miracles?

242 Martha, at the grave.

She had met the Word of
God. She believed It. Before
she could see the miracle of
God,

she had to believe the Word of God and act upon It. She said, “Lord, if you would have been here, my brother had not die.”

243 He said, “Martha, I am the resurrection and Life. He that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.

And whosoever liveth and believeth in Me, shall never die. Believest thou this?"

She said, "Yea, Lord." There you are, acting! "I believe."

“What do you believe,
Martha?”

“That Thou art the Christ that
was to come into the world.”

Said, “Where you buried
him?”

244 Got down there at the grave, and there He was standing there. (Said, “I want to see if she really believes that I am the Word.”) Said, “Take away the stone.”

245 She went to acting on
the Word! She had to, to see
death turned to life.

246 And the only way you'll
ever be able to see death
turned to life, is take His
Word and act upon It!

247 If you're a sinner, take His Word and act upon It, then you'll see the miracle of God. You become a miracle of God.

248 If you are sick, take the Word of God! Doctor says, “You’re going to die.” Take the Word of God and act upon It, that will bring new life. Oh, my!

62-0121E — The Marriage Of³⁶³
The Lamb

53 And, that, we know that there is going to be a Bride, and there's going to be a wedding supper served in the skies.

That's just as sure to be, as
God is, because it's His
Word. And we know that
those that are going to make
up that Bride is going to be
His Church,

and they're going to appear
before Him without spot or
wrinkle.

And they have the material on earth now to make themselves ready. If you notice, It said, “She has made herself ready.”

54 So many says, “If the Lord will take this evil spirit from me, from drinking, or from gambling, or from lying, or stealing, I’ll serve Him.”

55 But that's up to you. See,
you got to do something,
too. "They that overcome
shall inherit all things." They
that overcome.

You have power to do it, but you must be willing to lay it down. See? “She has made Herself ready.” I like that Word.

56 You see, God could not push us through a little pipe, pull us out on the other end,

and then saying, “Blessed is he that overcometh.” You had nothing to overcome; He just pushed you through.

But you've got to make decisions for yourself. I have to make decisions for myself. In doing that, we show our faith and respects to God.

57 Abraham was promised a child, but he must maintain this promise for twenty-five years,

the ups-and-downs that he had, and temptations, in those twenty-five years. But he held to the word of the promise.

58 And Israel was promised a promised land, but they had to fight for every inch of it.

“Wherever the soles of your foot treads upon, that have I given you,”

God said to Joshua. It was all there. The land was there, and God gave it to them, but they must fight for it.

59 The same way it is about Divine healing. God has got the power to heal you, if you've got the courage to accept it, but you'll fight every inch of the way.

60 God has got amazing grace to save you, and He will do it, but you'll fight every inch of your way.

61 I been behind the pulpit,
going on thirty-one years,
and every inch of that has
been a fight, constantly. It
certainly has.

62 “But we must fight if we must reign.” So we find out that the Bride has to make Herself ready.

“Be willing to lay aside every weight that does so easily beset us, that we might run with patience the race that’s set before us.”

We must lay them aside, ourselves. We can't say, "God, You come, lay them aside for us." We got to do that, ourselves.

63 Now, I like to think of
weddings. I've had the
privilege of marrying quite a
few people. And I think,
when I bring a young man
and a young woman down to
the altar,

and see them come down
through the church; and she,
pretty with her wedding
garments on, and the veil
over her face and hanging
down;

and the bridegroom, straight,
dressed beautiful; and young
and full of vigor, as they walk
down there in their very best
of life,

and take that marriage vow, I think there is something sweet about it. There is something sacred,

because that it reminds me
that there will be another
great wedding someday,
when Christ's Bride will come
walking down the corridors
of Glory.

Design Of The Mind

Sunday Service, 5th October 2024

Bro. James Maina

Complexes

61-0723E — God Being
Misunderstood

46 Well, my Christian brother or sister, whoever it may be, now, most times when you find people that's got stubborn spirits,

it's usually a complex that
causes this, either they
have inherit it from a
mother,

father, uncle, aunt, or
grandmother, grandfather,
somebody like that. And if
you'll trace back down
through your life, you'll
find...

Now, I've taken this by
experience, under
discernment, because I have
met cases on the platform,
thousands of those that had
that spirit.

And the first thing you
know, I'd chase that spirit
right back by discernment
and find that there was a
granddaddy,

there was a grandmother,
there was somebody else
back down there, and you
inherit that by nature.

47 Stubborn, stubbornness is not of God. And now the only way to get away from that is you have to have faith to overcome that, that, you are a Christian.

You are a son or daughter of God, whichever you may be, and you'll never be able just to stand and rebuke it and rebuke it and rebuke it.

It's just like tantalizing a rattlesnake, he's laying there ready to bite you. If you'll just ignore him and walk away from him, he can't hurt you. See?

48 So when you feel that you got a stubborn spirit, lay the thing on the altar, and believe God that the thing is dead and you'll never have it no more,

and go on and don't even pay any attention to it no more, and the thing'll leave you. Resist the devil and he will flee from you, that's, "get away quickly."

So that's, would be my
advice how to overcome it.
We overcome the devil by
faith. That's what we
overcome all evil, is by faith.

63-0801 — A Paradox

18 For instance, a few days
ago, I was called in on a—a
scene, or on a—a little
something going on. There
was a fine young man,

very fine boy, he was going
with a little girl, very fine
little girl out of a fine
family. And this boy, all of a
sudden, came up with some
kind of an idea,

and he just walked away. He
did something wrong to the
little girl, and much as
promised her to do a certain
thing and then didn't do it.

And instead of coming to
the girl and apologizing,
like a—a gentleman should
do, he, it just wasn't in him
to do it.

19 And the father and
mother called me to the
scene, and said, “We would
desire to know what is
wrong with our boy.”

20 Now, it's not easy to do
sometime, but you must be
truthful and honest.

Therefore, the boy was a Christian, as far as a believer. He had repented and had been baptized,

and had his position among the believers, but yet had not received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, no matter how much he thought he had.

21 You thinking you have,
and having it, is two different
things. You might be able to
try to say you have,

and you might be able to show some evidence of some emotion; but unless your life is vindicating what you're professing to have, you still haven't got it.

No matter how many emotions, how much you jump, run, sensations, speaking in tongues, or shouting,

or whatever you might lay it upon; which is all right, I believe in all that, too; but unless your life copes with your testimony, then you haven't got it.

Cause, the fruit of the Spirit vindicates what you are, just like the fruit of any tree tells what it is. Jesus said, “By their fruit you shall know them.”

22 Now, this young fellow's parents. His mother is German. No reflection on the German, but there is a strain in that family. And, that is, they'll just sit,

and you can talk to them,
and they'll just stare you
right in the face. They
got...This girl's sister, the
mother of this boy, her
sister.

I have come down the street, many morning, and this young lady be setting out in the yard, and I'd say, "Good morning, to you." She'd just look at me.

And I'd stop, and I'd say,
"Sure a fine morning." She
would just stand, look right
at you; an intelligent woman.

And I'd say, "Come up to see us sometime." She'd just stand and look. Well, her brothers are that way, father and mother is that way.

23 Now the father of the boy,⁴²⁰
is strictly an Irishman, moody,
and high-tempered,
high-strung. That's his whole
family like that, except one
other out of the family,
converted. Now in this, this
boy...

24 This father and mother, both are Christians, filled with the Holy Ghost, and they have brought this young man up in the way of the Lord.

And now the young man is
about seventeen or eighteen
years old,

something along there, very fine kid, and he's—he's been a real model boy at home, nice kid. And he's got a brother that's just vice versa.

63-0801 — A Paradox

25 But the girls, the mother's family, lives close to the...a fine church. But do you think they'd ever come over there? No.

And they know It's right, but it's just not in them to—to ask forgiveness or ask pardoning. They just won't do it. It's just not in them.

26 Now the genes in the father and the mother of this boy, no matter how much they are converted, still remains the flesh that's been interbred out to this boy.

Therefore, the boy has got a complex in him, just like from his mother's family, and they are not forgiving, they will not apologize, and that's where that boy stands.

27 Now, I said to the father,
“No matter how much
you’ve raised him up...”

I said, “Now look at you, out of your family: all of them, drunks, and—and fighting, and shooting, and cutting, and so forth.”

28 “Now look at your family,” to the mother. “They’re a bunch of people, just set there and won’t speak, very independent,

and so forth, irreverent to religion. But,” I said, “it’s not you. You’re the only one of all your sisters and brothers, and you are sweet, kind, and forgiving.

What does that? And you're tree, part of that family tree, yet you have received the Holy Ghost.

That's the thing that made you tender and sweet. It's not your people anymore, it's your Christ that lives in you.”

29 I said to the boy, “Look at your family, practically all of them are drunks, and so forth.”

I said, “And how moody,
and—and high-tempered and
high-strung, but you’re not.
You’re kind, forgiving. What
is it?”

The Holy Spirit. You're no more what you are; it's Christ in you." I said, "Now that same thing has to happen to your son."

30 And the father raised up and said, “My son went to the altar. He was baptized correctly, in the Name of Jesus Christ, and water baptism in the pool.” Said, “I know my son has come to Christ.”

31 I said, “That may be all right, all the outward motions. He might be identified as a believer with the believers.

But until he is regenerated,
born again, I'd advise that
young man to never marry a
woman. He'll make Hell on
earth for her,

until that gentle, sweet, forgiving Spirit of Christ comes in. Then that will be a paradox in itself, to take the very nature of a boy that's bred between father and mother.

And yet, in his intellectuals,
he is trying his best to
overcome it. He can't do it.
He'll never overcome it.
Christ will have to overcome
it.

When he lets Christ in, then he's already overcome then. It'll be a perfect paradox, when a man is born of the Spirit of God.

32 I've seen critics stand off and make fun, and carry on, of a Holy Ghost revival. And after a while, God get a hold of that same man and change him,

and here he stands right in the pulpit preaching the same thing that he once hated. It's a paradox, how that God can take the unbeliever and make a believer out of him.

33 Now I wonder, if a man thinks that miracles is passed, I wonder what kind of a scientific medicine you could give such a person to change that disposition in them,

to take that hatred and malice and strife, out? There is no one can explain it. But it's a paradox, because it's a miracle of God.

When a man is changed from the person that he is, to a new creature in Christ Jesus, he becomes a new creation. He is no more what he used to be. He is absolutely a new creation in Christ.

64-0830E — Questions And
Answers #4

405. Brother Branham, when
some of...someone gets on
me or “steps on my toes (This
might be a good one.)—steps
on my toes,”

as the old saying is, my temper rises; how can I overcome this thing? I know the Lord will have to do it, but what can I do in my heart? I don't want this thing.

94 Sweeten your temper
with prayer, then make up
your mind. There...I don't
guess there is too many
people in this building ever
had any more temper than I
did to begin with.

Oh, I—I had a mouth mashed
all the time. And I—I—I'd
taken a lot of my meals out
of a straw.

95 My mother, as you know, was a half Indian, and my father was an Irishman, a Kentucky Irish at that. And every one of...

Both of them had enough temper to fight a buzz saw. And all the time my mouth was mashed; I was little to begin with.

And they'd just pick me up
and knock me down. And I'd
get up again; and they'd
knock me down again till I
just got too able...unable to
get up anymore.

That's always. And then when I got able to get up, I got up again; they knocked me down again. So that's just the way I had it.

96 I thought, “I can never be a Christian.” But when the Holy Spirit came into my life, that’s done it. No more...

97 I had a woman one time; I went to have to cut the lights off. And that day I had hair on top of my head. She said, “You little, kinky-headed idiotic!”

I told her, I said, “Woman, you oughtn’t to curse like that. Oh, don’t you fear God?”

She said, “You little, kinky-headed idiotic, if I wanted somebody to talk to me about things like that, I wouldn’t get a half-wit like you.”

“Whoo!” Then she called me a blankety, blankety name. Oh my, if that’d been a year farther! I always said, “A man that’d strike a woman wasn’t man enough to strike a man,”

but I—I might have broke
that at that time calling my
mother a bad name like that.
But you know what?

It never even fazed me. I said, "I will pray for you." Never bothered...I knowed right then something had happened to me. Yes, sir! Oh, my!

98 You know the evils that I done when I was a kid, fighting! Almost killed five men at one time. Took a rifle loaded with sixteen shots,

and when them boys beat me because I was a Kentuckian, no other reason...I couldn't even hold my head up. One would hold me by hands like this,

and the other one'd stand
there with a rock in his hand
and pound me in the face, till
I just lifeless. Nothing in the
world...

64-0830E — Questions And 466

Answers #4

99 They called me a “Kentucky squab,” because my mother, when she was young, she sure looked like an Indian (looking at her picture a while ago),

and they knowed she was a half Indian. And because I was Kentucky and her being a squaw, they called me a “squab, a Kentucky squab.”

And I had nothing in the world to do into it; I couldn't help because I was born in Kentucky.

100 I went down there to school, and I didn't have no clothes to wear, and my hair hanging down my neck. And Pop...Mom took Pop's old coat that he was married in,

and cut it up and made me a pair of pants to wear to school my first time. And I...And she dressed me with a pair of white stockings on and a pair of tennis shoes.

And they said, “If you don’t look like a ‘windy’ Kentuckian.” And—and all...and that...and then, that went on all my—all my school days.

101 And a couple of boys,
because I walked down the
road with some little girl and
packed her books...

They didn't want me to do that, and they met me down there and beat me till I was simply unconscious.

I told them, if they'd just let me go, I promise that I would go right straight home. And so they took...

let me loose, kicked me four or five times, knocked me down, and scraped my face all over. And I went home, like this, up through the broom-sedge field.

102 I had a little .22
Winchester rifle laying up
over the door. Reached up
and got that rifle full of
bullets,

went right down through the locust thicket, and hid by the side of the road till these five or six boys come along there.

Just waited till they come, and when they was coming there, talking, said, "That Kentuckian will realize where he's at from this on," going on like that.

103 I stepped up with the hammer pulled back on the rifle. I said, “Now, which one of you wants to die first, so you won’t watch the others?” They started squealing;

I said, “Don’t squeal, ’cause you’re all going to die one by one.” And I meant it! And just then they started squealing. And I pulled up and snap!

The gun snapped. I threw another shell in. Snap, it snapped; another shell, snap, it snapped. And I pumped sixteen shells on the ground.

Every one of them snapped.
And them boys running, and
screaming, and diving over
the hill, and everything.

104 And after they left, I stood there. When I'd get so angry, till I—I—I wouldn't cry, I would laugh like a idiot and tears run out of my eyes.

Now, that's a temper. If it hadn't of been for God, I'd have been a murderer.

105 And I picked up them shells and put them back in the rifle, and, “Pow, pow”; they’d shoot just as good as ever. Talk about grace!

57-1006 — Questions And
Answers On Hebrews Part III
836 Now, because the spirit
that you have come to you
by nature,

and by nature coming from sexual intercourse, desire by men and women produces a earthly child. And let that child alone,

and don't teach him nothing right, he'll go wrong. Don't teach him neither right nor wrong, he'll take wrong.

Because it's his nature to do such.

837 Watch a little ol' baby,
not over higher than that,
just get so mad; he'll
just...he—he'd wring his
hands,

and turn red in the face, and hold his breath. Sure. What is it? It's his nature. He got it from his pappy or his mammy, one;

she had enough temper to
fight a buzz saw, or his
daddy. If they didn't, his
grandfather or
grandmother did. See, it's
offspring.

59-1223 — Questions And
Answers

76 If there's one thing in my
life that's helped me to
understand that the Holy
Spirit came into me down
there that day, has been that.

I was hotheaded, fiery, Irish
on both sides. And I always
could never eat hardly at all,
my mouth was always
mashed where somebody
mashed it,

jumping up where I shouldn't
jump up. I've got some of my
teeth broke out now and
filled where I—

I spoke where I oughtn't to
have spoke (you see?) and
said things...Always in
trouble. And I
said...Somebody said to me,
my teacher at school, she
said...I said,

“Lady, I—I—I can’t help it.”
See, I’d get in trouble all the
time. And I said, “I can’t help
it.” Poor old Mother Temple,
she just went to Glory the
other day.

And she said, “Well, look Honey.” She got me upon her lap, and she pulled me up in her arms and started crying.

First time I had ever had
love like that from
somebody, an old woman.
She just cried over the top of
me.

She said, “Billy, I am going to do something for you, Honey; I’m going to give you a little piece of string.” And said, “If any of the boys jumps on you...”

77 Called me “corn-cracker,”
'cause I was from Kentucky,
you know, and—and...I
was—I really was terribly
dressed.

And they'd make fun of my hair, hanging pretty near as long as it is now, and all down over my face. And I was just having an awful time, you know.

And—and they would beat me around and slap me.

Anytime anybody gets their temper up, they'd walk around, and just get ahold of me, and slap me down.

And here I'd come. See? And
a—so then—and a fight. And
we got—we got even, I even
had knife fights and
everything else.

78 And took a Winchester
rifle and tried to shoot it,
pump it right into four or five
boys, from beat me till I
couldn't hardly stand up.

Would've killed every one of
them if it hadn't been for
God. Picked up the shells off
of the ground,

put them back in the gun;
they was just shooting as
good as they ever did. See?
I'd been a murderer of five
man, probably, or five boys.

79 Was only about twelve years old, high tempered! And teacher said, “You take this little string, Billy, and whenever you get mad, you just stop and tie nine knots in that string.”

Said, “When you do that, then you bring the string to me. I’ll bet your temper will be over.”

80 I said, “Mrs. Whalen, I
sure think you’re so nice.” I
said, “I—I’m going to try it.”
See? (Or Mrs. Temple; I’m
saying Mrs. Whalen. I said
Mrs...Mr. Whalen was a
teacher up here once.)

So I—I put the string in my pocket. And I hadn't been out in the yard five minutes till somebody popped me one. Well, I went—started on them, you know.

I reached down and grabbed my string; and I started to tie one knot; I throwed the string down, and away I went. See? I just couldn't do it. See?

81 And I said, “I could never be a Christian.” But let me tell you, that night down yonder on Ohio Avenue when the Holy Spirit came into me, that settled the temper.

That was over. I said, “I could never do it. I could never be a Christian, ’cause I’d never get over that,” I said, “something that’s borned in me.”

I said, “Boy, my daddy was hotheaded; and—and my mother, half Indian, enough temper to fight a buzz saw.”

I said, “Me?”

Oh, I...Boy, anybody that jumps on me is going to get it; that's all." I said, "If I have to climb up on a step ladder to hit them," I said, "I'll sure do it." See?

82 But now, you could drag me out there and wallop me and...See? Why? Not me! What am I trying to make a point here?

Something happened. That old power, that old William Branham died, and Someone else come in.

[Blank spot on tape—Ed.]
And it makes me feel sorry
for my enemy. When anyone
does anything wrong to me, I
never pray against them,

I pray for them. And that's where the Holy Spirit give that test the other night in New England, before this happened down here. When that—when

He gave power, said, “Just speak what you will to them people.” The way they had done...And I looked down there, and I said, “I forgive you.”

That's exactly what He wanted. See? Forgive your enemies. See? These are the spirits that make you evil. Watch them spirits.

63-0818 — The Uniting Time And⁵²²
Sign

9 And I...one of my main
things that's always hurt me
through my life, has been a
nervous condition. That when
I get so worn, then I get real
weary.

I get...kind of feel like
nobody cares for you, you
know, and—and you're
all...You have it, too. And I
just happen to have a real
overdose of it, you know,

and it gets real bad
sometime, and I can't
hardly...It's tension, and
that's what does it. And I
get to a spot then that
many times,

especially with so many of
those visions, you see, it
just gets me. I look at a
person, I think, “This is a
vision. No, no, no, it isn’t.
Yes! Is it not?” You see?

And you just don't realize
what a price goes with that.
So then—so then you—you
wonder. Then you get to
thinking, “Well, you’re...”
Then you get off your side
and say,

“Well, now, what—what have I done? Here I am, I’m—I’m fifty years old and I’ve done nothing for the Lord; and I—I’m getting old. And what’s....?”

Oh, my.” Then you just get the...what we used to call “the blues.” Some of you brethren about my age remember what they used to call “have the blues.”

Pop used to talk about it and I wondered what he meant, and I sure know now what he meant.

So then, you get to feeling that way, which is none of it true; it's just you, you know it. See, you know it, it's just you doing that.

Temperament And
Love For
Outdoors/Woods

59-0423 — Abraham's Seed

5 Some time ago, I was up in the mountains, and I was hunting elk. And I...Storming.

And just I got behind a tree
until the storm was over.

When the storm left, why
the evergreens had frozen
from the water that was
falling.

It was early in the fall, middle of October, in Colorado. And then, after that happened, I was standing behind a tree watching.

And I noticed the sun peep
out in the...through the
crevices of the rocks way
over here towards California.

And, you know, God's just so everywhere, you can see Him if you'll just get Him on the inside of you.

That's what makes it so hard
for people to see and
understand God, because
He's not in their heart.

If God is in the heart, He—He shows you. He—He shows Himself to you. And I seen the sun set, and there was God in the sunset. And then l...

As you know, my people are Irish, except on my mother's side. My mother's mother come from the—from the reservations, the Cherokee reservation.

And so, I love the outdoors
so much, just enough to
make me like the outdoors
and woods. My conversion
never took it out of me, and
I'm glad.

64-0306 — A Greater Than
Solomon Is Here Now

147 A little story before
praying for the sick. I like to
hunt.

My mother, you know,
is...she...her mother
drawed the pension. She
was a Cherokee Indian.

I...and my conversion never
taken the love of the
woods. I love it. That's
where you see God. That's
where I first saw God, was
out there in the woods.

There is where He meets us.

There is where He does the

talking. There is where those

seven Angels met. Did

you...on, Sirs, What Time Is

It?

64-0830M — Questions And Answers #3

9 I'm something like
Abraham was; I'm looking for
a City. See? I can't find it, but
I know it's there.

But I certainly can't get adjusted to any certain place on this earth. It just don't look like...Fine people, fine places, and you go here, it's too wet;

go out there, it's too dry; go
up here, it's too cold; go
down there, it's, too hot.
See? And you...There's no
place; it just ain't Home.

Don't want to take up my
time crying on your shoulder,
but I'm...

Well, we're thankful to the
Lord. Amen! Be thankful for
all things.

I am thus, because I am
thus. God made me what I
am. 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.

The Design Of The Mind

The Conscious And
Subconscious

52-0713E — God Testifying
Of His Gifts

33 Look here. How many in
here ever dreamed a dream?

Let's see your hand. Well,
the bigger percent of
you...Well, what if I said,
“You dream me a dream,
now.”

Could you do it? No, sir, it's⁵⁵⁵
impossible. So is it
impossible to me to see a
vision for this woman or that
man. Just as...Ever who gives
you that dream, it's up to
them.

It's not up to you. No matter how much you want it, it's what they say. Is that...Whether God gives it to you or not...Is that right? That's the same way it is here.

Well, there is people in here, that I noticed hands a while ago, that never dreamed dreams. They just sleep sound; they don't dream at all.

Now, I'm going to try,
because I know there's
people here that, now, don't
try argue with me. I know
there's people here that does
not understand. See?

34 Here's what it is: here's a
man's conscious, right here,
the conscious you live in
now. We're taught by
science that you're
dreaming, you're in your
subconscious.

Did you ever see a person dreaming? You think you dreamed all night. It isn't that long. [Brother Branham snaps his fingers—Ed.] Just a moment, you...?...a little bit.

You've done dreamed hours of dreams, you think.

But just a moment, a flash while it's going through...The person that's dreaming is not sound asleep.

But you people here
who—who does not dream
dreams, your subconscious
will be back to a place where
you do not reach to it in
sleep.

You can't help that; you
can't help it. You were born
that way. Something that
has the rulership over you,
and made you, made you
that way; you can't help it.

And you people who dream
dreams, you can't help that.
Wasn't it...You don't have
no control of it; it's your
subconscious.

52-0713E — God Testifying
Of His Gifts

36 Now, a seer of visions
is...God has to send that
Himself.

Now, his subconscious is neither back there, nor here, that far away from him, it's right here. He doesn't go to sleep, he just breaks from one conscious to another.

And in...Now in this dreamland, that we speak of, God sometimes deals with people through dreams. You believe that? He did with King Nebuchadnezzar, with Joseph,

and—and Joseph, the father,
foster father of Jesus. He
promised in the last days, that
the old men would dream
dreams, young men see
visions. See? God sets that in
order.

Now, to see visions, I couldn't help that. Nobody never laid hands on me and said, "Now you have gift to—to see visions."

It wasn't that I merited it.
God ordained it to be so. And
then, and I find that that is
so, then I come out here, in
the Name of the Lord,

after He had commissioned me to do so to try to help you to believe on God. You see? How many understands now, what I'm speaking of? All right.

37 Now, I want to ask you. Jesus Christ claimed not to be a healer. Is that right? He said, “It’s not Me that doeth the works, it’s the Father that dwelleth in Me.”

Is that right? And now, I want to quote a Scripture, when He had passed by the lame, and halt, and blind in Bethesda, there at the pool,

Saint John 5. Now, listen to this real close.

The Jews questioned Jesus, and He's talking about the diabetic, or whatever He healed.

He said, “Verily, verily, I say unto you...” Listen, I’m quoting your Lord, and my Lord. “Verily, verily (That’s absolutely, absolutely.)”

I say unto you, The Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing: that doeth the Son likewise. And the Father loveth the Son, and show him the things,

what things soever he doeth,
and he will show you greater
things (than the healing of
this diabetic otherwise) that
you might marvel.”

38 Is that right? Now, according to Jesus' own words, which I believe they are the Truth. No one disputes that Saint John 5 is not in...but what's inspired.

And according to His Words,
He said, “I do nothing until
the Father shows Me what
He’s doing. Then what the
Father shows Me, that I do.”

Is that right? Saint John 5:19.
Now, if Jesus Christ is the
same yesterday, today, and
forever, “A little while, and the
world seeth Me no more,

yet you'll see Me, for I will be with you even in you." Then Jesus Christ comes into His Church, to His people, to manifest Himself out through the people,

while He, Himself, is setting
at the right hand of the
Father, sending back the
Holy Spirit, the third Person
of the trinity,

to live in human beings, to work through them, to show the same works that He did in the beginning, making Him, “the same yesterday, today, and forever.”

39 Is that right? “Ye shall see Me.” Who? The believers.

“You’ll see Me; I will be with you. I will be among you.

Somebody there’ll be doing this. (See?)

I will be with you even to the end of the world.” Is that the truth? Well then, if we was looking for Jesus tonight, we’d look for a—the Master of Life Who says,

“I can do nothing in Myself,
but what the Father shows
Me, for what the Father
shows Me, that I do.” Is that
right?

Now, if I come to you
testifying in the Name of the
Lord, that He is the same
yesterday, today, and
forever,

and His Presence is here,
that He's here to do these
things, if it comes not to
pass, then you say I've told
you wrong.

But if it does come to pass,
then you're obligated to God
to believe His Son, Christ
Jesus, is the same yesterday,
today, and forever.
Is that true? Let us pray.

63-0724 — God Doesn't Call
Man To Judgment Without First
Warning Him

108 The prophet is a special man. A prophet is a man of whom the Word of the Lord comes to,

because the prophet is so
designed (life) that his
subconscious and his first
conscious is so close together
that he doesn't go to sleep to
dream his dream, he sees it
when he's wide awake.

See? Now, that's something
God has to do. See, he sees
what's going.

64-0209 — Countdown

108 It's just like your
conscious. See, your
subconscious is where you
dream.

109 I had a physical examination, here a couple, three years ago, by time wave, brain wave, you know.

And the doctors come out they said, “Hey, you’re a funny guy.” I said, “What’s the matter?”

110 Said, “You know what?”
Said, “You could dream when
you was wide awake.”
I said, “What?”
Said, “You can dream when
you’re wide awake.” I said...

111 Said, “Here is your first conscious,” said, “it’s controlled by your seven, or your six senses; see, taste, feel, smell, and smell.

Your first conscious is only active as long as you're in the six senses." Said, "Here is your subconscious."

Said, “When these are inactive, then you go to your subconscious. When these are inactive, you’re asleep, and you go over here and dream a dream, some part of you goes over there.

Then when you come back over here,” said, “then you remember what you dreamed when you was out of your senses of feel, taste, see, smell, and hear.” See? And said, “That’s the ordinary.”

112 Said, “We never seen it before. But both of yours are laying right here together,” said, “both of your timing waves, from subconscious and your other conscious.”

They never heard of it before, in my life.” Said, “Man, you could dream a dream, standing up and wide awake.”

I said, “Doctor, did you ever hear of a vision?”

He said, “No, I don’t believe I ever did.”

I said, “Are you a believer?”

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55-0113 — The Fundamental ⁶⁰⁴

Foundation For Faith

14 Now, we hear so many people say, “Well, if I only had faith!” Faith is, doesn’t mean long, drawn-out prayer meetings, it doesn’t mean long fasts,

faith is an unconscious
thing. Your real faith, you're
unconscious of it, you don't
know that the faith you
have got, it's an
unconscious matter with
you.

57-0322 — Hear Ye Him

91 What do you think,
setting there on the end of
the seat, sir, suffering with
catarrh? You believe Christ
will make you well?

All right. If you believe it, you can have it. That scared you. You didn't know you had that much faith. Faith is an unconscious thing.

Just have faith and believe. If thou canst believe...Your wife's deaf and you want her prayed for too. Isn't that right? Certainly is.

What did you think, lady with the red hat on, when you raised around? Would you like to get over that stomach and gallbladder trouble?

You would? That's what you had. If you'll believe, you can be made well too. Just accept it and say, "Lord Jesus, I believe."

Do you believe, sister, too?
Blessed Holy Spirit, bless her
I pray in Jesus Christ's Name.
Amen. Have faith now. Don't
doubt.

64-0306 — A Greater Than
Solomon Is Here Now

199 Your faith is
unconscious. Don't press
now, or jump.

You jump away from it. It's right with you. Just relax yourself and believe. Just believe now, have faith. [A brother prophecies—Ed.]
Amen.

And be reverent, just have
faith, just believe.

Sometimes your faith is
unconscious, you have it
and you don't know it. That
little woman had it; she
didn't know it.

CAB-03 — 3 - The Ephesian Church Age

I don't believe everything I read, but it is certainly a curious thing that the March 1, 1963,

issue of Life reports
psychiatrists as saying
exactly the same thing we
are discussing.

Now I know that all psychiatrists don't agree with each other, but here it is. The fear of snakes is not a conscious revulsion but an unconscious one.

If it were a natural fear
people would just as happily
stand fascinated before the
gorilla or lion cages. Their
unconscious thoughts keep
them staring at snakes.

That lure of snakes is
unconsciously sexual. That
it has been through the
ages is seen by the people
in generation after
generation going through
the same thing.

Snakes have always been
and always will be repulsively
attractive. The snake has
always stood for that which
is both good and bad.

It has been a phallic symbol through the ages. Just exactly as the Garden of Eden description, we find the serpent the personification of passionate evil.

58-0927 — Why Are We Not A
Denomination?

78 Listen. You young people,
today, I don't know whether
you come to this church, or
where you come, you young
boys and girls.

Did you realize, the things
that you're doing, if there is
another generation, your
children will be judged for
what you do? Haven't you
no respect of decency?

You girls that's out here wearing these little old shorts and things around, you know, that's reflected on your daughter.

Did you know your grandmammy was a—a flapper, and your mammy a chorus girl, and that's the reason you're a striptease today? Certainly. What will your children be?

Yes, sir. God said He would
visit the iniquity of the
parents upon the children
and their children, to three
and four generation.

79 And do you realize, my brother, every time you do that which is right, that'll be visited on your children?

80 Look here, let's take
Hebrews, the 7th chapter.
The Bible said, when—when
Melchisedec met Abraham
returning from the
slaughter of the king,

and blessed him, and it said,
now, “Levi...” He’s talking
about paying tithes. Said,
“Levi had an order from the
Lord to receive tithes from
his brethren.

And Levi who received
tithes, paid tithes, for he
was yet in the loins of
Abraham when he met
Melchisedec.”

And Abraham was his
great-grandfather. Abraham
begot Isaac, Isaac begot
Jacob, Jacob begot Levi;
Levi, father, grandfather,
great-grandfather.

“And while Levi was in the loins of Abraham,” the Bible said, “he paid tithes to Melchisedec.” Hallelujah!

81 Don't let nobody tell you that any kind of a move in the world can ever interfere with God's great cog.

She's moving right on! It was planned back there in the beginning. There ain't a devils or enough devils can interfere with His program.

82 Now, the Bible didn't say
“potentially” he paid it. The
Bible said, “He paid tithes,”
when he was in his
great-grandfather's loin.
Glory!

That's my Lord. Oh, He knowed it, even, before the world was ever formed. He knowed everything. And in Abraham, he paid tithes.

62-1013 — The Influence Of
Another

36 Now, now we find out
that this young man taken
the throne.

If you want to take some of the Scriptures down, in Second Chronicles, the 26th chapter, you can read where tells that King Uzziah, after his father died.

A-m-a-z-i-a-h, Amaziah, after he died, being a righteous man, and had turned from the Lord and was slain by his own people,

Uzziah taken his, or Uzziah, rather, taken his place as king. And he was set on the throne and anointed, at the age of sixteen years old, just a boy.

But he was in line to be king, yet being just a lad. And he did well. The Bible tells us that he had a godly father and a godly mother.

And he could be nothing
else, hardly, with such
influence, as to be a godly
boy, because that had been
what had been placed
before him at all time.

37 You know what I think?
Everybody has their own
opinion. But one of the
greatest, and to my opinion,
the greatest president that
we ever had in this nation,
was Abraham Lincoln.

Now, not because he was a
Republican, but because he
was what he was, a godly
man. And he was raised, and
he...to serve God.

And he said, “If there is anything that I want to give praise to,” he said, “or my life was influenced by, was a godly mother who taught me to pray and to know Jesus as my Saviour.”

38 Oh! Your family is what you are. You raise your child in a certain environment; it's got a ninety-eight percent better chance to go right than it has if you bring it up in the wrong way.

“Bring up a child in the way that it should go, and when it’s old, will not depart from it.”

Be brought up right. Teach your children to do right, to be honest, to be square and fair, even when they're in school.

As The Man Thinketh

Friday Fellowship, 18th October 2024

Bro. James Maina

61-0315 — An Uncertain Sound

157 Just coming in from
California the other day,
hadn't got my suitcase in,
hadn't been home for two
months, right at two
months,

I got about the second suitcase in, the phone ring, it was a lady. Well, she used to be kind of a girlfriend of mine, years ago when I used to pastor the Milltown Baptist Church.

158 She had two lovely daughters, and she married a fine man, a Brother Huff, and he was a millwright, he'd had it, one of his fingers and thumbs cut off, a very nice brother.

They had—had two
twins—twins, and another
girl, making three children.
And the twins were staunch
Christians, they—they were
UBC people,

but they—they really believe
God. And so they, one little
girl, going to school, she got
a complex, the girls tell her,

“Well, why don’t you smoke like we do? You think you’re better than we are? Why don’t you go to dances?”

159 Now, they didn't go to dances, or neither did they smoke or drink, and they made fun of.

The healthier girl, she said,
“Hmm! Let them jump in the
river. I’m the one serving
Christ, they don’t want to,
let them go ahead.”

160 But the other one, she
begin to think, “Oh, maybe I
could do something.” And she
built a complex, got nervous,
she went insane, they had her
in a institution two years.

And so, they was trying to
doctor her, by give her all
kinds of stuff, and
treatments, and—and
everything. They...It didn't
work right.

63-0623M — Standing In

The Gap

173 God bless you, each one,
and we hope to see you
again real soon. Till then, will
you do this one favor for me
now,

both here and on tapes also, you brethren? Pray that God will place into my heart that something that I lost out there in that complex.

It's so easy to build a
complex.

I had an interview the other day with my Brother Way sitting here, standing here in front.

A good man, but built himself
around a complex, another
kind of a complex, did the
same thing. Brother Way,
you can so easily do it;

it's you just get a little something in your mind, keep thinking that way. Go back and check it with the Scripture, and see if it's right or not, and then go from there on. Yeah.

Don't lose the feeling of the people. See? You must remember they're not made out of sawdust. They are flesh and blood, human beings and a soul.

Pray for me, all of you, if you will. God bless you now. We're going to bow our heads and ask Brother Ruddell if he'll...

65-0822M — Christ Is
Revealed In His Own Word

18 I was just talking to a young minister and his wife, in the room, just a few moments ago.

And both of them are nervous just like the rest of the world, rest of the human beings on earth.

I said, “Remember, Satan’s got a punch coming at you.” Don’t care who you are, God...He’s got a right for that one punch.

Which had you rather be,
that punch; be blind, or be
an arthritic setting in a chair,
or be nervous? See? He's got
somewhere he can punch
you.

He's got a right to that
open place. Now, that's the
spot you got to keep
covered all the time. And to
see this nervous age that
we're living in!

65-1127E — I Have Heard

But Now I See

66 See, we don't use the gift
of God for commercial. No!

No! He could tell me where it
was at,

but I don't have any need of it. I wouldn't even have faith enough to ask Him. See? If I had a need of it, I believe if I'd ask Him, He'd tell me.

But first, you see, your motives and objectives has to be right. You have to have reasons for this. God don't give you those things just because you ask.

And you cannot ask in faith unless there's a real objective to that, to be in the will of God. See, if you want to be well, what do you want to be well for?

See, if you want to be
healed, what's the reason
you want to be healed?
What are you telling God?
What do you want to do
with your life when you get
healed?

See, there's got to be...you've got to have a motive and objective, and they have to be right according to the will of God.

And then's when the faith is revealed to you, and God by His sovereign grace places that faith in there, then it's over. See? Now see?

53-1212 — The Inside Man

30 Now, I have my Bible so marked up with pencil marks and things where I've been reading, I—I missed my place coming down where it was at on that. I'm sorry. But...

May the Lord add His
blessings now to His Word.
When there was a trouble,
God has always been the God
to meet the need when there
is a need for His people.

And you know that. And
God promised that He
would supply their need.
Now, when they had...Yet
they had did wrong,

and they had sinned and done things that was wrong, yet when they had need of healing, God made an atonement for healing when there was no atonement yet.

See? God made it. In the face of every difficult God will make a way of escape. He will do it, if you'll just have faith and believe Him.

31 Now, course they were way out there. Moses, perhaps, was a physician.

He was taught in all the—the
wisdom of the Egyptians and
perhaps knowed many
remedies for snakebites, but
this time the remedies that
he had,

the wisdom of the Egyptians, would not work, because the reason there was a...The people had been disputing with Moses and disputing...

Said, “Why did you bring us up out of the wilderness?”

Just complaining all the time and it brought sin.

And sickness is a direct, or indirect caused by sin.

Before we had any sin, we had no sickness. So first, sickness is an attribute of sin, maybe not what you've done, but what you—

689
you inherited because God
promised that it would go
even to the third and fourth
generations, that He would
visit sickness because of the
parent's disobedience to
Him.

Now, there is sometimes a
good doctor. If you go to a
doctor, and if he's a good
doctor, you say, "Doctor, I
got a headache."

Now, if he's interested in
his patient, he won't say,
"Oh, well. Take an aspirin
and go home." He won't do
that.

He's going to find...First
he's going to diagnose that
case till he finds just exactly
where the cause is. See?

There's something causing
that headache.

Maybe an aspirin would take care of it, I—I wouldn't know. But if he's a good doctor, he just wouldn't brush you off like that. He'd do the best that he could for you.

32 And now, if he'd say,
“Well, perhaps you got
appendicitis. We'll just
operate on you.”

Well now, without diagnosing the case, that would still be unethical. See, he's—he's got to first find the cause.

Well now, that's the way it is in God in these meetings. And the reason that I go slow with the patients is the first thing, there's something caused that sickness.

And before you can get rid of the sickness, if the doctor can do nothing for you, then you got to find the cause, the reason for that. So there's many times...

And you who attend the
meetings, understand how
the Holy Spirit will reveal to
the people hidden sin and
so forth that they—

they've done a long years
ago, or maybe something
that they ought not have
done or something they
ought to have done and did
not do. And you watch it on
the platform.

57-0518 — Stand Still

99 What happened? God bless you, mother. Go right off the platform rejoicing.

Watch, she's walking by herself.

Let's say, "Praise the Lord."
Everybody. [Congregation
says, "Praise the Lord."—Ed.]
Let's bow our heads now and
thank Him.

Heavenly Father, we thank
Thee tonight. Thou art—does
restore sight to the blind.
And now, Lord, we realize
that this little woman...

May these eyes
continually...As that spirit
left, and sight begin to
creep into her eyes again, it
elated her, Lord. It made her
happy. It makes us happy.

I pray that it'll continue to grow, her sight in her eyes, until she's perfectly normal again. I ask in Jesus' Name, and thank You for what You've done. Amen.

100 Let me explain something to you. See, being blind, the blind spirit turned loose of those—of those sight, that the—the vision.

And when the spirit left...
Look here. Watch here.
What if a transparent band
was around my hand, cutting
off the circulation?

Now, you don't have to take my fingers off. Now, what does a doctor do? He operates on anything that he can see or feel.

That's the only senses he can work with, what he can see, what he can feel.

Now, if it's blind, those nerves went dead in the eye.

Now, what happened when the nerves went dead? They didn't go dead all over the body. What in that little boys ears, a while ago that was deaf?

What about in the vocal chords of the mute that couldn't speak? They say it went dead. They can't see what to operate on.

There's nothing there to operate. They say the—the nerve went dead. Well, why didn't it die all over the body? Why did it just die there?

101 Now, what it is, the Bible said that it's a blind spirit. How many knows that? The Bible said, "It's a deaf spirit, a dumb spirit."

Is that right? Why, the spirit has cut off the circulation. Now, remove that, course it'll be sore a little bit, but circulation starts back.

If nature's not hindered, it'll
work perfect. The devil
hinders nature. And when it
does, there it is. Then move
the cause; the cure is sure.

Is that right?

Now, when the blind spirit went out, she could see; that's all. If she'll keep believing...

Now, in about twenty-four hours, she'll be seeing better all the time. Then about seventy-two hours, she may go totally blind again.

Then after that, if she'll just keep on believing, then it'll start coming back and be normal again. All right, if she'd just believe, don't doubt, but have faith.

61-0428 — Getting In The Spirit

188 The Bible said, “Jesus
Christ is the same yesterday,
today, and forever.” So He is
still that smitten Rock, He
has still got the Life, still got
the water,

He has got the healing
power. You say, “Brother
Branham, will Jesus heal
me?” He has already got it,
just get the logs out of the
way.

189 Get all the trash, and
old buckets, and cisterns,
phhh, hmm! Get all that
stuff out of the way.

Old, dead horses, and ecclesiastical things that's laying in your way, throw the thing out of it, God ain't going to come in on no ecclesiast-...

it'll pollute the water. And
the water ain't going to be
polluted, so you just get your
own pollution out, of
unbelief,

and God will pour the water in, it's already there, only thing you have to do is just move the cause, the cure is already performed.

190 God has already healed
you, you just have to get
your unbelief out of the
way; that's the vision.

I say that in the Name of the Lord, the same as Elisha said it that day, THUS SAITH THE LORD, get your unbelief out of the way, watch what will take place.

191 Get your systems out of the way, watch what a revival will strike Chicago.

Watch what a revival will
strike the world, if we get
our systems out of the way.
Get our own ideas out of
the way and let...

The Spirit's already...The
Rock's already smitten, the
only thing we have to do,
just get the things out of the
way and let it flow.

You want to see people healed? You want to get healed yourself? Just get all of the doubt out of the way, and then see what takes place, it will flow like a river.

63-0412E — God Hiding Himself In
Simplicity

81 Here, a doctor is setting
present. If a doctor...You go
to a doctor's office, say, "I'm
sick at my stomach, and got
a headache, and so forth."

And that doctor just writes
you out a little prescription
of—of aspirin or a
tranquilizer, something,
he's never diagnosed that
case.

He's just trying to get you
out of the office. See? Now,
if he's got you upon his
heart, and he's interested,
he'll diagnose that case
until he finds the cause.

God's Permission

53-0608A — Demonology,
Physical Realm

18 Many times you can see
a person maybe of insanity.
Now, they may be yet a
converted person, filled
with the Holy Spirit,

and yet be totally insane.
See? That's right. That has
nothing to do with the soul.
It's a tormentor, see,
something that torments
them.

19 Now, all sickness, we have to find first that all sickness came from the devil. God is not the author of sickness. No sickness comes from God.

God sometimes permits
Satan to put sickness on you,
as a whip to bring you back to
the house of God, when
you've disobeyed. But
sickness, in its beginning,
come from the devil.

Could you imagine a person would believe that God, our Heavenly Father, would be the author of such a thing as sickness and death?

Well, no, He isn't, never was,
never will be. God permits
death because of
disobedience. God permits
death. As one writer said,

“All that death can do, God harnessed it to a buggy and it pulls us into the Presence of God, a believer.” But the word death means “separation.”

56-0129 — The Supernatural
35 You see the failures of
the church, the Pentecostal
church, the Methodists, the
Baptists, and all?

It's a failing to that abiding
grace of God. Tonight you'll
shout and clap your hands,
and dance in the aisles,
speak in tongues. That's
gifts.

Gifts is no good unless
you're abiding in the
Shekinah Glory. See?

Those things are fine. I have
nothing to say against them;
they're of God.

Shouting and blessing God is wonderful. Speaking in tongues, or translation of tongues, or I mean interpretation of tongues, it's the same,

but...And all these other things, gifts of healing, prophecies, and all these things are marvelous, but they're no good, they're not fruitful, they can't yield the right,

unless you're living in the Presence of the Shekinah, the atmosphere around you is godly.

That's the reason that men and women are not permitted to these things,

because you'd go out here
and call a blessing over
something God had cursed
or—or curse something God
had blessed. It's a abiding
Presence to know the will of
God.

Then don't look what the world's going to say about you. It's what God thinks about you. Then you're living in His Presence.

59-0419E — Show Us The
Father And It Will Satisfy Us
70 Now, you in the prayer
line that's standing here
now, to come into the line,

if there is any unconfessed
sin in your life...Remember,
I'm laying it right back in
your lap, my brother.

Look, if you have got sin,
that you have not confessed,
just be it aware that you'll be
worse than ever if you come
here to be prayed for with
unconfessed sin in your life.

You make things right. If that's in your life, step out of the line just a minute, make that right; come back in the line. But don't come like that.

Now, that's the reason my lines used to be, when I combed each person closely to see if there was sin in their life by the visions of the Lord. Then the reason I did that was to be sure.

If God permitted Satan to
put a something on the
people and I come along
with prayer and take it off,
then I would be in trouble
with God.

And so I—I don't want to do that, and that's the reason I kept it just one by one and watch closely that nothing pass by.

Now, tonight, not a discerning line, not in the discernment, but just to pray...So if you've got unconfessed sin in your life, don't come in the line before you make it right.

Now, then if you have, when you pass by here, don't come by just say, "I'm going up and let Brother Branham pray for me." Get that way—that off your mind.

71 The thing to do is know that you're coming to fulfill a promise that God made you. There's going to be thousands of people praying for you.

And when you come by this line, when we pray, lay hands on you, just as soon as hands is laid upon you, you've just like rising them up out of the water of being baptized.

You have done something
that God give you a promise
what would happen. He that
believeth and is baptized
shall be saved.

You go right out of this building testifying that you're saved. What if you go out of the building saying that, "Well, I don't know." Then you're not saved.

But God will make your body obey your confession. See?
And He's the High Priest of
our confession. Before you
can be healed, you have to
confess it first.

You have to believe that you are healed. And then when you believe you're healed, God makes your body obey your confession.

So now when you come by here, just let it be settled; say, “God, this is Your command. I believe I’m healed,” walked off the platform say... [Blank spot on tape—Ed.]

60-0417S — I Know

36 It's those crucial hours that press us on to those sacred sands, it was in the Bible.

And remember, no matter
how great the distress is,
Satan cannot take your life
until God has finished with
you.

There is nothing can happen
to you unless God permits
it, there is no evil can come
unless God permits it, and
it's for your good He is
working it.

62-0601 — Taking Sides

With Jesus

151 Now, this blind man was sitting there, and Jesus and His disciples come by. And I think Jesus gave them a little lesson here.

When they seen this poor,
blind man, they thought,
“Well, now surely, there’s a
sin behind that, somewhere.”

When we see something
happen to a man, we always
say,

“Well, he sinned. He got out of the will of the Lord, somewhere.” When Brother Crase hit the post, “He got out of the will of the Lord, somewhere,” in somebody’s idea.

When the gun blowed up, on me, “Well, he was out of the will of the Lord.” Brother Neville hit the car, “He was out of the will of the Lord.”

That's not exactly right. No,
sir. It isn't. God permits
those things.

Jesus turned around and
taught them a lesson.

152 They said, “His father must have sinned. Or—or, did his mother sin? Or, did he sin?”

Jesus said, “Neither of them
sinned, but that the works
of God might be made
manifest.” Amen. See?

God lets things happen just
to...for the works of God to
be made manifest. Now,
and so He said, told the
man, and give him his sight,
and He went His way.

Causes And Reasons Of Things

Ecclesiastes 7:25

²⁵ I applied mine heart to know, and to search, and to seek out wisdom, and the reason of things, and to know the wickedness of folly, even of foolishness and madness:

Genesis 22:16

¹⁶ And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

Isaiah 44:7

⁷ And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them.

Lamentations 3:37-40

³⁷ Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not?

38 Out of the mouth of the
most High proceedeth not
evil and good?

³⁹ Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins?

⁴⁰ Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.

Amos 3:3-7

³ Can two walk together,
except they be agreed?

⁴ Will a lion roar in the forest,
when he hath no prey? will a
young lion cry out of his den,
if he have taken nothing?

⁵ Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gin is for him? shall one take up a snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?

⁶ Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it?

⁷ Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.

Joel 2:25

²⁵ And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

Proverbs 16:7

⁷ When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.

Proverbs 26:1-2

1 As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.

² As the bird by wandering,
as the swallow by flying, so
the curse causeless shall not
come.

Romans 1:26-32

²⁶ For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

²⁷ And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

²⁹ Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

³⁰ Backbiters, haters of God,
despiteful, proud, boasters,
inventors of evil things,
disobedient to parents,

³¹ Without understanding,
covenantbreakers, without
natural affection, implacable,
unmerciful:

³² Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

1 Corinthians 11:30

³⁰ For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

Galatians 6:7-9

⁷ Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

⁸ For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

⁹ And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

2 Corinthians 9:6

⁶ But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Jeremiah 17:9

⁹ The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?