# The Middle-Of-The-Road Place

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#### ISAIAH 35:8

8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

### <u>JOHN 14:6</u>

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

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

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<u>Apart</u>

143 Now we find out that God promised to supply all of our needs we had need of, in this journey. Is that right? But, remember, He only supplies it on conditions.

We've got to meet His condition, first. If we do not meet His condition, He will not meet—meet our condition. We've got to do the thing that's right, first, got to go down to the bottom and build up.

That's exactly. We can't start at the top and come down. We got to go to the bottom and build up. Go back to the bottom. Now, He'll meet our condition. All of His promises are on condition.

144 But we try to reverse This, by our traditions. We try to make God something else. "We are going to inject our tradition and say it's just a little better," or that's the way the people try to think it.

145 Now I'm not just speaking to this church right here, this group of people. I'm speaking to the world. It's being taped here and will go all around the world, what we say.

And we would most surely, the world would today, accept It if It come according to our tradition. Oh, the Baptists would like to say, "It's according to what we believed It.

You see, you were all wrong." The Methodists say, "Now you Baptists are wrong, It's according to what... It come the way we believed It." But I imagine It'll come different from what any of us think about It.

That's right. It's going to come the way God has ordained It to come, and it's just not in man to be able to cut this thing out and say it's that way. Now would you...

## <u>60-1204E — The Patmos Vision</u>

95 Now, the...So, you see, we took that other side of the road. You know I've always tried to be this, and our Lord has always revealed it to me; there's one extreme, and another extreme,

but right in the middle of the road lays the Truth. Did you notice Isaiah, where He said that there shall be a highway? Isaiah 35. And you remember how our precious Nazarene brethren used to sing that song, you know,

"The Highway of Holiness. Highway of Holiness." Now, if you'll read your Bible right, it doesn't say "the highway of holiness." It said, "There shall be a highway and a way, and it shall be called," not the highway of holiness, but "the way of holiness."

And is a conjunction that finishes your sentence. See? "It shall be a highway and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness," not a highway of holiness.

96 See, a road is built, a way...A good road is built, the highest part is in the center, because it lets all the trash wash off to both sides. That's it. When a man really comes to Christ, he's got his eyes centered on Christ.

If he's a little bit emotional, he'll be a fanatic. If he's a little bit cold, he'll get on this other side and be just a cucumber, over on that side; see, his intellectual. But the main thing is right in the middle of the road, with enough

Spirit in you, keep you warm and moving. Amen! And knowing enough to keep yourself under obedience to the Spirit, to move just as the Spirit moves; not till or not after, just as the Spirit moves.

#### 63-0317M — God Hiding Himself In Simplicity, Then Revealing <u>Himself In The Same</u> 228 There is one side that's highly intellectual, cold and indifferent, they deny everything there.

And the others get on the other side, on the other side with a radical bunch of an emotion, and deny the word.

229 But the real true Church stays right in the middle of the road. Now, if you notice, it's—it's—it's got the Bible knowledge of what God said, and it's—it's spiritual enough to be warm in its heart, and it's just the road.

## Isaiah Said It Would Be That Way. He Said, "There Shall Be A Highway..."

## <u>56-0614 — God Provided A Lamb</u>

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12 I just made a remark a few moments ago: In my travels around the world I find two classes of people: two churches, as to speak.

There's only one church, but this is what I mean. I find the fundamental people, who positionally know what they are in Christ Jesus. But I say this with reverence, they don't have much faith in what they believe.

Now. Then the next class is the Pentecostal. They got a lot of faith but don't know who they are. That's it. Now, it's just like a man's got money in the bank and he doesn't know how to write a check.

The next man can write a check, but he hasn't got no money in the bank. If you could ever get them two together, you would have it.

If I could get Pentecostal faith and fundamental doctrine, or get fundamental doctrine and Pentecostal faith, the Millennium would start right away. There would be something wonderful.

But the Pentecostal people, with respect and knowing that probably eighty percent of this crowd is Pentecostal...Lovely people, but you-you shout all your joy away. You shout all your faith away.

If you'd take that and place it solemnly in what God said, and know that's what is making you happy, and know that what gives you redemption which you're happy about and you should be...

If you'd use that faith yonder at Calvary and take God and say "It's You, Lord, and there isn't one speck of me that doubts it," things would take place.

#### <u>64-0417 — Then Jesus Came And</u> <u>Called</u>

90 Now, when you have real faith, when those cogs go to meeting together like that, the wheel is going to turn. Something is going to happen,

'cause there's power on both sides. Power, in faith! And power...The little wheel turned by faith. The big turned by the power of God. When them things goes to turning, something has got to happen.

91 To make that light up there, it takes two pieces of material, and a dynamo, turning together. It's just like you. It'll make light. It'll make faith. It'll make—it'll make power. It'll make healing.

When the believer and God gets turning together, it generates the power of His resurrection. When believer takes His Word in their heart and begin to generate it. It brings forth faith, 'cause He has promised.

Everything is in line. The only thing you have to do to get electricity is push the button. That's all you have to do when this Scripture is supposed to be fulfilled now. Press the button. Don't be afraid.

92 That's what's the matter with the people. I've often said...lt's a little ridiculous to say it. I find two classes of people as I travel, the fundamentalists and the Pentecostals.

Outside of that, I don't know about it. And the fundamentalists are people who positionally knows where they stand, but they haven't got any faith in what they're doing.

And the Pentecostals is the people who they have...has got that faith but they don't know who they are.

93 It's just like a man that's got money in the bank and can't write a check and the other one can write a check and hasn't got no money in the bank. If you could ever get it together.

If you get the Pentecostals to wake up, that the Holy Spirit that you claim to have, that's Him identifying His Name and His Word. Then sign your name across the check and hand it in.

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## Watch it be—watch it be recognized by the banks of Heaven.

94 "Ask the Father in My name, anything." See? Don't be afraid to ask it. He promised He would do it. Why, there, that's...You don't have to worry about it. He promised it.

#### <u>63-1117 — Once More</u>

84 I said, "In my travel, I find two classes of people." And I said, "One of them are fundamentals, positionally they know by the mechanics, that they are to be sons and daughters in God."

And I said, "The next I find is the Pentecostals, they with the baptism of the Holy Spirit." But I said, "The fundamentals positionally know where they're at, but they don't have any faith in the Word.

And the Pentecostals has got a lot of faith, but don't know who they are." And I said, "It's like a man that had money in the bank, but could not write a check; and one could write a check, but had no money in the bank.

### If you could just get them together!" He said, "Well, what makes them act like that?"

85 I said, "It's letting off the steam." I said, "Now, I don't think that would have to be necessary," I said, "but they they've got to give vent somewhere."

And I said, "Now if they would just take all that steam and could know how to direct it fundamentally, in the Word, the big regime of God would start moving on."

86 There is where Satan got in, to make it all mechanics and no dynamics. Back, all dynamics and no mechanics. See, we've got to put it together. We've got the power of the Holy Spirit, but we've got to come back with

the Word to feed this machine. We can't feed it on creed. It won't burn it; chokes up the flues, and it will not burn it. It was made for the Word of God. "Man shall not live by bread

alone, but by every Word," not just part of It, "every Word that proceeds out of the mouth of God."

87 So here we stand, a Church commissioned on the last commission, the last thing that Jesus said to His Church, the last commission given, "Go ye into all the world, and make disciples of all nations.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; he that believeth not shall be damned. And..." And is a conjunction, to tie your sentence together. "And these signs shall follow them that believe: In My Name they shall

cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; if they take up serpents or drink deadly things, it will not harm them; if they lay their hands on the sick, they shall recover."

88 So why should we have to stand in the presence of some heathen god and take a defeat? We stand again like Samson, spiritually stripped, morally broken, our churches.

What has happened, they—they used to be honorable men and women, and today you—you...it's terrible. Now let's just look a few minutes at some thoughts that passed upon this.

So there stood Samson, and, pardon me, here he is again today, again stripped morally, spiritually. And it's also a symbol of a fallen nation. But we're speaking of Church, because Samson was God's servant,

supposed to be, and the Church is supposed to be God's servant in the earth.

89 Many great warriors standing there, sober up for a moment, as the liquors run off of their...probably their armors and breastplates, and their arms around their pretty, jeweled queens, as they looked out

upon there, and many of them looking at this sight. A little boy holding this big bulk of a man, and no eyeballs in his sockets; they had been burnt out.

90 That's what the enemy does. The first thing, when he gets a hold of you, he does like he did to Samson. He shuts your eyes off from the Light of the Gospel. Now he cannot see. His eyes are gone.

Long has the church lost its spiritual sight, that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever, and every promise is true.

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

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

Tonight, if we'll get the mechanics ready, get our hearts right, the things that we can do, follow every Word, follow Him in baptism, follow Him in every order that He told us to do, get every mechanic ready, and stand there;

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

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

### <u>65-0418M — It Is The Rising Of</u> <u>The Sun</u>

108 There has been churches, churches, brides, brides, churches, brides, brides.

109 But there has got to come One! Hallelujah!There has to come a real Bride! There must come One that's not only got the Mechanics, but the Dynamics of It, makes that Church live, move in the Power of His resurrection.

Until we come to that place, until we find that place, what good does it do to polish the hubs? What good does it do to give her a facelift or a simonize job, when there's no Dynamics in it?

No matter how much the Mechanics prove to be right, there has got to be a Dynamics to make It work.

117 "You can do nothing without Me; but with Me you can do all things." As He is the Word, It's the Father living. "Father sent Me, so send I you.

As the Father has fired Me and pushed Me into everything, I do only that which is pleasing to God. Now, as He sent Me, so send I you with the same Mechanics, and it takes the same Dynamics to operate It.

And these signs shall follow them that claim to have the Mechanics. The Dynamics will take Its place."

120 In Romans 8:11, "But if..." There is the problem. There's His catch. 74

But if the Spirit of him (God, the Holy Spirit) that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you,...

## 121 Now, there you are, "If the Bridegroom Spirit dwells in the Bride!"

125 Now, the predestinated Ones are the first to be quickened by the Holy Spirit, for the Holy Spirit comes to claim Its Own. Now, this is deep now, and be sure to catch this good.

127 Not all men will receive Christ. Oh, no. But those which God foreordained Life, is housed around some of the dirt of the earth, that's the One He comes to quicken. They're the Ones.

128 That, now, that dirt would lay there in the sun, and say, "Oh, this old sun is so hot!" That rock, say, "This old sun is so hot!" But that little seed, said, "That's what I'm looking for," and it begin to spring forth to life.

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

132 The Message is to the believer. To them that perish, It's foolishness; but to them that are in Christ, and part of that Seed, It's Life.

308 He is the One Who opened those Seals. He is those Seals, for the whole Word of God is Christ, and Christ is the Seals that was opened. What is the opening of Seals then? Revealing Christ.

318 And so is it today, we don't try to be some big person. We don't care what the people say about us. Our name ain't nothing; it's His Name. Our life, it's nothing; it's His Life. It's His Power, not our power.

And there is only one thing that we love to do, is see Him glorified. And how can it be? When He's glorified in us, by His resurrection that's in us. We see Him represented again as He was, today.

319 Did you get that? See, our desire is not to be glorified. Our desire is not some big name. Our desire is not boost some church, or make more in the Sunday school, or try to bring in, hog-tie, push in,

offer a picnic party, or bring stars, buttons, or something else like that. That's not our desire. Our desire is to see Him glorified. Glorified, (what?) not with self-pride; but in us, our lives, to prove He is alive and living in US.

320 If I can get myself out of the way, so when William Branham not even thought of, and you not even thought of, till we can see Jesus glorified among us. See Him, that's our desire.

That's the quick-...gives us the quickening Power. And it gives us joy, to know that we are with Him, both flesh and bone of Him, being the Bride of Him; and seeing His same vindicated methods, proving in us that He is now risen from the dead. See?

321 No wonder He said, "Fear not", for now, notice, we are redeemed by Him, and now risen with Him. That's what Easter means to the people, "risen with Him"! Notice. Now we have His Spirit in us, the abstract deed fully paid.

322 No, you don't say, "Well, I hope I make it." You've already made it. Not, "I will make it." İ've already made it. I never made it; He made it for me. See? Not me; Him! "Well, Brother Branham, they say..."

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I don't care what they say. There He made it, for me. That's all I want, I'm caring about.

323 I just—I just want to see Him manifested. How can you do it, call Him down? No. He is in you. See, He is in you. "Well, then, Lord, if I can get myself out of the way, You can manifest.

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Myself...How can You do it? Because You ordained it so. 'All that the Father has given Me will come." Notice. Glory!

## 64-0122 — Looking Unto Jesus 177 I would like to say one thing just before we pray for the sick. Many people have the wrong impression about a gift. A gift is not something that God gives you to go out and say, "Here,

I'll go over here and pick out this, and I'll take that and I'll do this." That's not gifts. So many people think that, but they're wrongly impressed. A gift of God is just to know how to get yourself out of the way so God can use you, that's all a gift is. See? As long as you're in yourself...

178 Didn't Jesus say, Himself, "The Son can do…" Saint John 5:19, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself." He passed by that pool where all them cripples was, and healed one man with prostate

trouble, or something (disease) retarded. He said "The Son can do nothing in Himself; but what He sees the Father doing, that doeth the Son likewise." "It's not me," He said, "that doeth the works; it's My Father that dwelleth in Me, He doeth the Works."

179 Now, you people setting out there, don't you dare to look to any man. You look to Christ; He is the One. But He promised in the last days that He would manifest Himself in human flesh, like He did there at Sodom.

Now your flesh, my flesh, let us just open our hearts and get our own thinking away, and just let the Word take Its course, tonight, in us, then we'll see God's great gifts of His Spirit manifested before us.

99 <u>65-0120 – Lean Not Unto Thy Own</u> Understanding 204 It's like I said, a gift is not something that's like you take a knife, and if you want to cut this with it, you can cut it, or you cut this, you can cut it, or whatever you want to. That's not a gift of God. See? No.

205 A gift of God is some way you have of getting yourself out of the way. And gifts and callings are the predestination of God. "Gifts and callings are even without repentance." You are born with it.

A little gear that you pull yourself over in, but you cannot step on the pedal. See? God has to operate it. You have to get yourself out of the way.

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## <u>64-0621 — The Trial</u>

169 Now, it's, what is it? It's a gift. A gift ain't to take, like a sword, and go, punch and jab and pull. That isn't it. A gift is just getting yourself out of the way, so the Holy Spirit can work in a human body.

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Don't try to say, "Glory to God, l got a gift! l got a gift, hallelujah!" You'll never get it. If you just know how to let yourself go!

170 It's like pulling a gear. See? Change yourself into faith, from unbelief, just jerk a little gear back there, say, "Well, I've always kind of been skeptic, but really, now, l believe now." Now watch what happens then. Just do it once and see what happens. Just pray.

171 And I try to get myself from the message, into a gift. A gift, to, that the Word might make Itself known by-by, as Hebrews 4:12 says, "Discern, know the thoughts in the heart."

## 63-1214 — Why Little Bethlehem 46 In the days of Noah, He had one man, Noah. The days that He brought Israel out, He had one man, that was Moses.

We know of Dathan and many of the others tried to think, well, they "had the same authority" and so forth. You know what happened to them. The days of the coming of the Lord, the days of John the Baptist,

and the different ones, He has one individual He works with. And He deals with us today as one individual, not as a group. One person! It's going to be up to you and I, of how we stand before God.

Because, He's dealing with you and I as individuals, not as a group that we're in, and not as the denomination church we belong to, but as you and I as individuals.

## <u>63-0728 — Christ Is The Mystery Of</u> <u>God Revealed</u>

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489 It goes right by them, and they don't recognize it till it's gone. It only picks up the predestinated Seed that God predestinated before the foundation of the earth.

The same thing come through in the days of Noah, same thing come through in the days of Moses, days of Elijah, days of the prophets, days of Jesus, on down through and to this very hour.

The pregnated person with the Seed of God, the Word in there manifesting Itself, so surrendered to the will of God that the Word, and the Word alone, manifests Itself in this person, the prisoner, to an individual.

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# 490 Not say, "My church..." Now, "my church" has nothing to do with it.

# 491 lt's an individual, one person! All hell is against this Teaching. All hell is against this Truth, but it is the Truth.

## 63-0714M — Why Cry? Speak! 172 But there is only one real Church, and you don't join lt. You're born in It. See? And if you're born in It, the living God works Hisself through you, and making Himself known. See?

That's where God dwells, in His Church. God goes to Church everyday, just lives in Church. He lives in you. You're His Church. You are His Church. You are the Tabernacle that God dwells in.

You are the Church of the living God, yourself. And if the living God lives in His living being, then your action is of God; if it isn't, then God isn't in there. He wouldn't make you act like that,

when He says in the Word here, His blueprint, "Don't do it," and you go do it. See, that's wrong. When you deny it, then that shows the Life isn't even in you. See? That's right.

## <u>62-1014M — The Stature Of A</u> <u>Perfect Man</u>

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172 We're not building an organization. I'm not here this morning to build an organization. Christ never sent me to build organization.

Christ sent me to build individuals to the stature of Jesus Christ, that they might be the powerhouse and the dwelling place of the Spirit, by His Word. By His Word, see, build up the individual to that place.

Not build an organization to a greater denomination, but build the individual to sons and daughters of God. That's the idea. See? Add to your faith, virtue; to your virtue, add knowledge. Well, now you're coming to a place.

#### <u>62-1014M — The Stature Of A</u> Perfect Man

340 And the way God is expecting us as an individual to grow, the way He has brought His Church in to grow. Every Church age, It becomes one big Church. See?

341 These fellows wasn't required what these fellows are. This wasn't required what this was. See? But He brought His Church up the same way. He brought His—His Church up the same way He's bringing His people up.

Then Peter here says, first, seven things: faith, virtue, (see, come up), knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly love, add brotherly kindness, and then the love of God.

The Holy Ghost, Christ in the person of the Holy Ghost, comes upon you, in the true baptism of the Holy Ghost, and you got all these virtues sealed in you.

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Then, God lives in a Tabernacle, called the Building, the living Tabernacle of the living God's dwelling place.

342 When a man possesses these kind of things, then the Holy Ghost comes upon him. No matter, you might speak with tongues, you might impersonate any gift that God has got. You might do that.

But until these virtues here go into you, you're still off the real, true foundation of faith. But when these virtues grow in, and you added that to that, then you are a living monument. You are a living, moving idol.

343 But, you know, the—the heathen, they prostrate themself before an idol, imaginary god. And in imaginary way they believe that that imaginary god speaks back to them. That's heathenism. That's Romanism.

130 They bow before all kind of saints and everything else. And they have Saint Cecelia, a house god, and so many different things like that. They bow to that, and actually believe that in imaginary way. What a—what a type it is, of the true living God.

344 But when we, not in imaginary way, but prostrate ourselves before a living God, a living virtue, a living knowledge, a living patience, a living godliness, a living Power coming from a living God, makes a

living man a living image in the stature of God. What's he doing? The same things that Jesus did; walking the same way He walked, doing the same things He did. Because, it's not imaginary thing. There's a reality that proves.

133 345 See what I mean? See how these virtues, these building materials, type in with the Church messengers, with the Church ages? Now, one of these days, we're going to take each one of these words, and study them out, and show that it proves it. It all goes together.

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## Sure. See? Oh, my! How wonderful that is, see, to see what it—what it does.

135 346 Now, that is the House that God dwells in; not a building with a big bell on top of it, and a high steeple. See? "But a Body has Thou prepared Me," a Body that God can dwell in, God can walk in, God can see in, God can talk in, God can work in.

Amen! Living instrumentality of God, God walking on two feet, in you. Glory! "The footsteps of the righteous is ordered of God," God walking in you. "For ye are written epistles, read of all men."

# And if the Life that's in Christ be in you, you'll bear the Life that Christ bore.

### <u>57-0305 — Divine Love</u>

18 Now, you've got to create an atmosphere, and your faith will do it. They were all in the upper room with one accord, when suddenly there came from heaven as a sound of a rushing mighty wind;

the atmosphere was right. It takes a atmosphere to do anything.You know, the regular procedure to hatch chickens is to put them under the hen. But get the egg in the right atmosphere, it'll hatch anyhow.

Listen, brother, if a man loves God, and the right kind of an atmosphere he could get into, it'll produce a newborn babe just as certain as I am here. It's the atmosphere that counts.

Let this little handful of people setting here tonight, get in the perfect atmosphere, watch what takes place. There will not be a feeble among a—one in our midst.

The cripples will walk; the blind will see; the deaf will hear; the dumb will speak without prayer or anything. It's the atmosphere.That's how twenty-five thousand was healed at one prayer in Africa.

When they seen the Lord do something, it created a atmosphere, and they stepped into it. That's the pool when the waters is running right.

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

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75 If this church, right now could be put together, and knitted together with such that every person would be in one accord, with not one shadow of doubt anywhere, there would not be

a feeble person in our midst, in another five minutes. There would not be nobody here desiring the Holy Ghost but what would receive lt, if you could just get that certain thing fixed.

# Now, there is where the battle begins, right in your mind, whether you will.

### 147 <u>56-0129 — The Supernatural</u> 23 And that's the reason sometimes a Divine life that's been called and set aside has become a fanatic, or crazy, or—or a mystic, or something to the eyes of the general public is

148 because you're considered a—a—a, I'd say a neurotic, or a insane person, is because that you have changed your dwelling place and got into a different atmosphere. And your one motive, your one thought is to stay in that atmosphere.

Any person that ever come into that atmosphere one time will never be satisfied nowhere else. And that's why I believe that we should have our churches under control by the Holy Ghost, that men and women in their work

and wherever they should be, should continually desire, and they will, if they've ever once come into that atmosphere.

#### <u>56-0129 — The Supernatural</u>

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.

# <u>65-0123 — Broken Cisterns</u> 82 But that's the way God does, He humiliates us in our educational system. Not as l'm trying to support ignorance, but I'm trying to tell you the difference.

Education can never bring Life. It takes the Spirit of God to bring Life, and that Life must not come out of just the intellectual revival. It's got to come out of the Bible, Word revival, and that Word is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

And when It falls today, and quickens, you get the same results you did in Acts 2. Exactly. It always has, and it always will be, because it's the Spirit of God that conditions the atmosphere.

## <u>64-0531 — The Oddball</u>

10 And I certainly have...If—if I said "amen" and walked out the door, I'd say it would pay me every Sunday to drive up here, or—or have my children even to come up,

to-to set under an atmosphere like this. Because, it's always the atmosphere that brings the results.

#### <u>61-0219 — The Queen Of Sheba</u>

38 The intents of our heart and mind, the Word of God can reveal it, because the living Christ, Who is the living Word, comes into our living soul, reveals the secret of the heart, for He is the Word.

Let the Word speak, Father, and the meditation of our heart be acceptable unto Thee, O Lord. For we ask it, in Jesus' Name. Amen.

# The Middle Road

Sunday Service, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024 Bro. James Maina

57-0821 - Hebrews, Chapter One 68 Good. Wonderful. And then they used to talk about the highway of holiness. Now, if you read over that, they get that out of Isaiah, the 35th chapter. Now, if you notice, he said, "There shall be a highway, and a way."

69 Now, and is a conjunction. See? A highway, it wasn't a highway of holiness. "It shall be a highway, and a way, and it shall be called, 'The way of holiness," not the highway of holiness.

#### "The way of holiness!" And the way of the road is the middle of the road. It's built like this so that the waters will wash off the trash, to both sides, keeping the road clean.

#### You don't, you have puddles standing in your road, all the time, if it isn't built right. "<u>The way</u>" is the middle of the road.

70 Now, on this side, when people get converted, their minds is set right on Christ. And if they're just a little scholarly. and don't keep under prayer, they'll get real cold, and stiff, and starchy, and indifferent.

And then if they're just a little bit nervous, if you don't watch, they'll just get radical and wild, on *this* side, see, they go into sensations and everything.

#### 71 Now, but, the real Church is a real sane Gospel, right in the middle of the road. It's not cold and starchy, neither is it fanaticism. It's a real good, old, warm Gospel, heart-felt love of God,

going right down the middle of the road, calling from both sides. That's right. Now that's what...And how you going to get that Church? Right out of the Word, the Urim Thummim.

#### <u>61-0413 - Why?</u>

63 I said, "And what about the rest of them? They do the same thing. But many times their members are in the paper; they're out...

The editors of the paper and things, you don't hear about it." But I said, "They do just as bad." <u>But I said, "Sometimes</u> <u>somebody does get off of the wrong end.</u>

#### And then what do you all do, you jump plumb across the real thing and pull over to that. And this over on this side, that's real wild fire, pour it plumb back over to old cold formal."

#### <u>I said, "It's right in the middle of the road</u> goes the genuine Holy Ghost, the church." Glory! Them old cold formals on one side, and erratics on the other side. <u>It's off-falls from the real thing</u>.

#### Isaiah said in 35th chapter, "There shall be a highway." You Nazarenes call it the "highway of holiness." You're wrong. Not disputing your word but said,

"There shall be highway and ('and' is a conjunction)...There shall be a highway, and a way, and it shall be called (not the highway but) the way of holiness." The middle of the road.

# The Two Together

60-0709 - God's Provided Way Of Approach To Fellowship 40 And then cedar wood...Cedar is red or white. We all know that the red through red makes the white.

And scarlet, hyssop, cedar wood put in with the red heifer and burnt together, mixed with water; that was water and ashes. Now, water speaks of the Spirit; ashes speaks of the Word

#### . <u>And when the Word and the Spirit get</u> <u>together, something takes place. When</u> <u>the true Spirit of God can come in on the</u> <u>Word that's being preached,</u>

# "Faith cometh by hearing, hearing the Word," and the true Spirit of God gets a hold of that Word, it'll manifest every promise that God made;

# it'll bring it to pass and make it so. The right mental attitude towards any Divine promise of God will bring it to pass, if you could get the Spirit with the Word.

41 You remember the story last night, the woman at the well? Jesus said to her (If you read it today in Saint John 4.),

### "The Father is seeking such that will worship Him in Spirit and in Truth." And His Word is the Truth: Spirit and Truth.

#### <u>Many people have Spirit with no Truth;</u> <u>other's has Truth with no Spirit</u>. It's like a man that's got money in the bank, and don't know how to write a check.

The other one knows how to write a check, and got no money in the bank. If you could ever get those two together, Spirit and Truth...The Word with the Spirit in it...

42 I've found so much of that in my time. Some people were really spirited, but had not the Truth. To you that was at the breakfast this morning, the subject I spoke on,

I'm sure you understand what I mean. All right, got truth, set in order, church with the Word, then let the Spirit come down in with the Word, and then watch what takes place...

## It'll manifest every time. Now, the unbeliever coming in, first thing he did, he had to do it just like a—a...the...

He come to this waters of separation first, to be separated. Now, what does he come? "Faith cometh by hearing." He was in the outer court. Now, it must be kept in a clean place.

#### 43 And the Word of God should be kept in <u>a clean place. A dirty heart has no place</u> for the Word of God. It should be kept in <u>a true, unadulterated heart, that's</u> <u>separated from the things of the world.</u>

"If you love the world or the things of the world, the love of God isn't in you." The Scripture says so. Then people today... Why our churches doesn't move the way they should,

## they got too much world in there, trying to mix the waters of separation with it, and it must be kept in a clean place to see manifestations of the <u>Spirit, in a clean heart. Kept in a clean</u> <u>place</u>...

<u>65-0418M - It Is The Rising Of The Sun</u> 110 That's what He proved! Hallelujah! That's what Easter proved. He wasn't only the Word, but He was God Himself, the Dynamics, in the Word. That made the body of Jesus Christ (cold, stiff, and dead, in the grave) shake into Life and rise again, and roll away the stone. "I am He that was dead," so dead till the sun said He was dead, the moon said He was dead, the stars said He was dead.

All nature said He was dead. And now the whole world has to recognize that He's alive again. He was not only the Mechanics, God's Word, He was the Dynamics to prove It.

111 And as He, being the Groom, the Bride has to come forth, 'cause It's part of Him. And It can only be the manifestation of the fulfilling of all the revelations any others has spoke of the Bride;

It can only manifest. If it does something different from the Groom, it isn't the Bride. Because, She is flesh of His flesh, bone of His bone;

# Life of His Life, Power of His Power! <u>She</u> is Him! As man and woman are one, and woman taken from his side; She had taken a Spirit, the feminish Spirit, from Him.

#### The flesh from His side, made both Mechanics and Dynamics, the Wife. The Spirit of Him and the flesh of Him, and put it together, and made Mechanics and **Dynamics**. Until the church or the people...

## 112 All these Easter bunnies, and ceremonies, and big churches, and finery, will fail and pass away.

113 Until that Church becomes both Dynamics and Mechanics; and the Spirit of God, that moved Him, to do the things that He did! If He hit on sixteen cylinders, so will the Bride. Amen! For He said, in John 14:12,

"He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also. I'll give him a charge of My Dynamics, in his Mechanics, that the world will not be able to withstand it; and I'll raise him up again at the last day."

That's the Easter Message, the Dynamics and the Mechanics, together! The Mechanics without the Dynamics, no good; neither is the Dynamics, without the Mechanics.

114 You can scream and shout, and jump up-and-down, all you want to, and deny this Word, it won't do any good. You're just cranking around the—the pistons of...Got the spark there to fire, but no gasoline to fire it by.

115 It'll only work as they come together. Amen! So, one will set still, and the other One will go up. That's the only thing there is to it. Yet, they both might look alike, both claim to be churches, both claim to be Bride. But One has Mechanics and Dynamics, It brings it to pass, of what He said is the Truth.

116 It just won't move, no matter how good the Mechanics is, until the Dynamics come. When the Dynamics come, that Fire is made to connect with that octane in the gasoline.

And when That explodes, it causes a combustion, and that combustion moves every motion, every move, for He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. That's the resurrection.

That's the real Power of God, Mechanics with the Dynamics. Notice, "It's the Spirit that quickens." It's the—it's the Spark that fires. It's not the gas that fires; it's the Spark that fires the gas. See?

# Balanced

# <u>62-0622E - Why</u>?

78 And how does a doctor ever get a hold of these medicines anyhow? What, how do they—how do they ever do it?

You know what they do? They put a lot of stuff together, some poison, and then some antidote, mix it together till they mix up a formula.

And then they get a—get a guinea pig, and they inject this medicine into the guinea pig, if he survives it, then they give it to you. And then...and if it...

## 79 See, it's to kill the disease that's in your body, *so-much* of poison, *so-much* to upset that poison.

## Too much poison would kill you, too much antidote wouldn't do you any good, the medicine wouldn't, it's got to be a balanced formula.

# <u>63-0318 - The First Seal</u> 21 Brother Vayle, Brother Lee Vayle, he-he...I think he's here. We were talking the other day about people who getting off the track. It's just like shooting a target.

# If that gun is perfectly balanced, perf ectly trained and sighted, it's got to hit the target; unless that barrel moves, or twists, or vibration throws it off, and wherever...or a wind puff.

Wherever it starts off at, there is only one way to do, is come back to where it left the track, and start again, if it's going to hit the target. If it doesn't, why, it just doesn't hit the target.

# That Place

# 63-0714M - Why Cry? Speak! 43 God has got a purpose of you being here. See? If you can only be, get to that place, how much trouble you save God and yourself, too.

65-0418M - It Is The Rising Of The Sun 109 But there has got to come One! Hallelujah! There has to come a real Bride! There must come One that's not only got the Mechanics,

but the Dynamics of It, makes that Church live, move in the Power of His resurrection. Until we come to that place, until we find that place, what good does it do to polish the hubs?

What good does it do to give her a facelift or a simonize job, when there's no Dynamics in it? No matter how much the Mechanics prove to be right, there has got to be a Dynamics to make It work.

65-1205 - Things That Are To Be 62 Oh, but the other one is called, "My Father's House." "I'll go and prepare a place for you. Take you out of this pesthouse and deliver you into My Father's House."

Amen. There you are; take you out of this old earthly pesthouse. He's gone to prepare a place, a perfect place where no evil exists, no sickness exists, no old age exists, no death exists.

## It's a perfect place calling you to that perfection, and you have to be perfect to get there. The Bible said so. Jesus said, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father in Heaven is perfect."

<u>It's a perfect Kingdom, so it must be a</u> perfect people come. Because, you have to stand and be married to a perfect Son of God, and you must be a perfect Bride.

So how can you do it through anything else but the perfect Word of God, which is, "The Waters of separation, that washes us from our sins"?

Amen. That's right. The Blood of Jesus Christ, think of It, the dripping, Bloody Word. Amen. The Blood, the-the Word of God bleeding Blood, to wash the Bride in. Amen. Yes, sir.

She stands perfect, virgin, unadulterated. She never sinned, in the first place. Amen. She was trapped into it. See? There's the Father's House that He's gone to prepare.

#### 65-1128M - God's Only Provided Place Of <u>Worship</u> 174 Now we're going to find the place of worship, right through there, coming through that Blood.

#### Notice, the blood on the door was <u>speaking the name of what was</u> going...was on the inside, they were in there. Our place of worship, the Lamb, is the Word. We know that.

## <u>65-1128M - God's Only Provided Place Of</u> <u>Worship</u>

184 Now, go in at the what? "You shall not go into any gate that the Lord God has given you, but at the gate that the Lord will put His Name in."

Not go into the house of the—of the gate which is the door. That right? <u>God's going to put His Name at the door, and you shall not...</u>

#### That's the gate that enters into the place of worship, the sanctuary. You don't go in there with your sacrifice to any of these gates, but in the gate that the Lord God chooses to put His Name in. See?

#### <u>65-0425 - God's Provided Place Of Worship</u> 198 Jesus promised these things. <u>Now</u> <u>when we see God make His promise live</u> <u>before us, and see that it's in us</u>,

# and His Spirit is living in us; that is the only way of worship, only place of worship, the only true way you can worship,

# "For there is no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus." God made the promise. Jesus said, "The things that I do, you'll do also,"

and what He would do in the last day. How it come through this age, neither light nor day, would be the-the like a darkened time, but said, "The evening time, it shall be Light."

# 65-0425 - God's Provided Place Of Worship 208 I've noticed here, I've almost quit having discernment, anymore, just lay my hands on the sick.

I've been noticing when, my, things I never... I didn't get to one-third of the people, otherwise. This way, I get to more than I ever did get to. And I find out a better results,

by just getting myself into God's arms, and saying, "Lord God, You promised it. It's Your promise; it's not mine, it's Yours, and You promised You would do it. And I've seen You do it. And I'm going to believe You're going to do it,

because I've been baptized into Your Body, and Your Spirit here to identify that that's the Truth." Amen. That's the place of worship. Then you get into a place, "all things are possible."

Then you get into a place that your-that your motives and objectives, for your achievements, is just exactly in the will of <u>**God</u></u>. And when you lay your hands there</u>** and believe it, it's going to happen.