# Come, Let Us Reason Together

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### Luke 19:1-10

1 And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho.

<sup>2</sup> And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich.

<sup>3</sup> And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

<sup>4</sup> And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycomore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way.

<sup>5</sup> And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house.

<sup>6</sup> And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.

<sup>7</sup> And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.

<sup>8</sup> And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord: Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.

<sup>9</sup> And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham.

For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

#### Isaiah 1:18-20

18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

<sup>20</sup> But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

### Isaiah 43:26

<sup>26</sup> Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified.

# The Call Of Grace Brings In The Most Unqualified

#### Matthew 22:1-14

1 And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said,

<sup>2</sup> The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,

<sup>3</sup> And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.

<sup>4</sup> Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage.

<sup>5</sup> But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:

And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them.

<sup>7</sup> But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.

<sup>8</sup> Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.

<sup>9</sup> Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.

10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.

11 And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:

12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness, there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

14 For many are called, but few are chosen.

### 63-0630E — Is Your Life Worthy Of The Gospel? 32 Now, did you notice, there was three pulls, or three turns, of it? When they went out, first,

and call to them that were, or, bidden to come, and they didn't do it. So there went out a healing campaign, went out to get the blind and halt.

And still there were room, so he went out and compelled the good, bad, and indifferent; they should come in.

#### 1 Samuel 22:1-2

1 David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam: and when his brethren and all his father's house heard it, they went down thither to him.

<sup>2</sup> And every one that was in distress, and every one that was in debt, and every one that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them: and there were with him about four hundred men.

## God Is Seeking Someone He Can Have Total Control Over

## 62-0607 — Putting On The Whole Armor Of God 164 Oh, God makes Himself present in His army then. Do you believe that? Now, God said, "I sent them the Word,

Eve just walked right over the top of It, disbelieved It, I made It manifest, and they crucified It, I am just getting tired, I am coming Myself." So here He comes, God in

God above us, the Pillar of Fire; God with us in Jesus Christ; God in us, the Holy Spirit. What is it? The same Word, the same God. Amen. 165 No more trusting in anything else, God come Hisself. This is a Man-size job, so He just brought it all down,

and come down Himself, "They won't have to do nothing about it, just let them surrender to Me and I will walk in them,

talk in them, speak in them, work in them, thoroughly." Oh, my! That's it. "I will do the, do... I will do the work, just let them just humble themselves,

let them just empty up, l will defeat My enemy out there through them." That's it. You can't do it in yourself now,

you're not a match for him, but if you'll just let God do it, get the Word in you, then it'll be, all be taken care of.

### CAB-05 — 5 - The Pergamean Church Age Those in the bride do only His will. No one can make them do otherwise.

They have "thus saith the Lord" or they keep still. They know that it has to be God in them doing the works,

fulfilling His own Word. He did not complete all His work while in His earthly ministry so now He works in and through the bride.

She knows that, for it was not yet time for Him to do certain things that He must now do.

But He will now fulfill through the bride that work which He left for this specific time.

In Order To Be Able To Come Into This Last Day Group, God Needs To Do A Special Work On Them.

# He Calls Them As They Are

#### Isaiah 1:18 (ICB)

The LORD says, "Come, we will talk these things over. Your sins are red like deep red cloth. But they can be as white as snow. Your sins are bright red. But you can be white like wool.

## Isaiah 43:26 (ICB) But you should remind Me. Let's meet and decide what is right. Tell what you have done and show you are right.

## Where Two Limbs Meet

## 63-0121 — Zacchaeus, The

#### Businessman

170 There, then, we find, here he is, setting up there. You know what? I hope this drama doesn't sound ridiculous,

but I'm going to think he said, "Now, wait a minute, if that Fellow would happen to see me setting up here on this limb!"

## And he set down where two limbs crossed. And was setting there, thinking it over.

## 171 That's a good place to set, where your ways and God's ways meet.

## That's a good place to think it over. And I hope that every person in here, that hasn't never met Him,

and really know that you're born again of the Spirit of God, that you're setting on that limb tonight. But, you businessmen,

I hope you're setting where we're trying to say Zacchaeus set, up in the sycamore tree, with the limbs where two ways met, yours and God's.

## 59-0712 — A Total Deliverance 49 Just like you, if you are a Christian, God don't make any halfway Christians.

God makes complete Christians. God don't make halfway preachers, but the preacher can be halfway.

And God makes His children Christians, but sometimes they're halfway Christian. But it's not God's intention for them to be that way.

It's their own ways got mixed up with the plan of God for their life, and that's what makes them the way they are. God don't want them to be halfway Christians,

or halfway preachers, compromising on either side, or...He wants them to completely stand in the breach.

## <u>64-0321B — He Was To Pass</u> This Way 95 Now, that's a good place to sit, where two ways meets; yours and God's; your idea, and His.

That's a good time to sit down and think it over. Your own thoughts about Him; and what His Word says He

What you think He is; and what the Word says He is. What the Message of the hour is, to your thinking;

### and what the Message of the hour is, to His Word. That's the difference. Sit there and think it over a little while.

64-0620B — Who Is Jesus? 82 When, they accused Him of going with sinners. So we see they should have understood that, but they didn't.

They had their theology of—of living good and being fine people, and so forth, but they didn't understand what really their Messiah was to be.

83 Do you know that could be again? That could so easily happen, that we would misunderstand it in some way.

Now there is only one way to be sure, that's, find out what He was. Then, the Scripture says,

"He is the same." Find out how He will manifest Himself at the end time. It's written. See, He never does anything unless He reveals it first.

He said so in the Scripture, "He does nothing, except He reveals to His servants the prophets."

And He has revealed It. And This is His prophet, This is a Book of prophecy, It's the complete revelation of Jesus Christ, all the way through.

Nothing to be added to, or taken from It. And we ought to search It and see what day we're living in, 'cause we might be caught in the same trap.

## God Is Not Ashamed Of Your Baggage. He Wants You To Bring It In This Conference With Him

# Two Natures In There

#### 65-0119 — The God Who Is

#### Rich In Mercy

41 Now—now we might, I might inject just a little bit of doctrine here, that I don't...If you don't believe it, all right.

That's just okay. I do believe it. I believe that—that a man, when he is born in this world, that when you're a little baby,

born into the world, you could not have been here without being the foreknowledge of God, because He is infinite and He knows all things.

And when that little baby is born into the world, there is something in that baby. If he is ever going to have Life, there is a little something in there,

in that child then, that he comes to, sooner or later. That little seed is in him. Now if you'll take...The Scriptures plainly declare that.

#### 65-0119 — The God Who Is Rich In Mercy 42 Now if you've got Eternal Life tonight, if we have Eternal Life, then we always were, because there is only one form of Eternal Life.

We always were. And the reason we were, because we are a part of God. And God is the only thing that's Eternal.

#### 65-0119 — The God Who Is

#### Rich In Mercy

47 Many of you can—can fellowship with me on this thought. When you was a little boy, or a little girl,

you would walk around and there would be certain things that would just, where it wouldn't bother the other kids, it seemed like there was something in you that cried out.

There was God somewhere, yet you were a sinner. You remember that? Certainly. Now what was that? That was that little form of Life in you then.

#### 65-1212 — Communion 45 I was saying this, taking for myself, like you was going to say, "William Branham,

well, forty years ago, the William Branham, it isn't the same one tonight." If somebody back there would say, "William Branham, he was a rank rascal,"

see, because I was born of Charles and Ella Branham. In their nature I was a sinner, I came to the world, a liar, and all the habits of the world laid right in me.

But down in there, too, was another Nature present, see, predestinated, was in there by God. In this same body, see, two natures in there.

46 Well, I only catered to one. As it growed, I gooed as a baby, "Dad-da." First thing you know,

I become a liar, become everything else that's a sinner, because I raised up that way. But down in there was a little speck of Life all the time.

#### 65-1212 — Communion 49 What was it? There was another William Branham. See? A little spot of Eternal Life down there, from the—the—the genes of God,

#### the Word of God that was placed in there. Each one of you can think of similar things. See, It was working.

#### 63-1110M — Souls That Are In Prison Now 36 Now, the soul of man is not the body of man, it's the soul. See?

# And the soul is something that's the—the nature of the spirit. And then when the nature of a man...

When he said, "We are dead," the Scripture plainly tells us that, "we are dead, and our lives are hid in God through Christ,

sealed there by the Holy Spirit." Now, it wasn't that your body died; it wasn't your spirit died. It was the nature of your spirit died;

see, the nature, which is the soul. The nature of your soul is—is God, if you're born again. If it's not, it's of the world. Anything that begin has to end,

so therefore the only way that you can have Eternal Life is to have a Life that never did begin. And then your life did begin when you were born,

when God breathed the breath of life into your nostrils and you became a living soul, then you begin then. But when you...

### 63-1110M — Souls That Are In Prison Now 44 But, that soul that's in there, see, that soul is what God is working on, see. If He can only get that nature, that spirit,

to agree with Him, then that nature dies, the nature and the love of the world dies, and the things of the world is dead.

See? Because, "If you love the world, or the things of the world, the love of God is not in you." See? And a man must be born again.

So, this nature has to die, and the nature of God comes and lives in you. And God is the only thing there is that never did begin or never can end.

## 61-1231M — You Must Be Born Again 73 You see what I mean now? You are dead. Our souls are placed upon His Divine judgment.

That's brass. When our souls is placed upon an altar of Divine judgment, what was the penalty? Death.

And when you lay yourself upon the altar of God, which is pronounced death upon the sinner, how can you raise from there, alive in sin, if God accepted the sacrifice?

Is it clear now? You die! You actually are consumed, and you're petrified. There's no more left to you but just this form that you're standing in,

like the brass serpent, like Christ was when they took Him dead and cold off the cross. You're dead! 'Cause why? You're on God's altar of judgment.

What is His judgment? When the Judge has passed His sentence, what is the sentence of His penalty?

Death. And when you place your soul upon His altar of judgment, it's death to you. Now you get it?

# Let Us Be Like The Queen Of Sheba

# 56-1001 — The Ministry Explained 59 Now, she didn't come just to stay one night. She come to stay till she was convinced. But we'll go one night and say,

"Oh, I heard that guy speak. I've seen this preacher. Oh, I know about our...?...Oh, his own idea." See? You don't even give him a chance.

She unpacked the camels, and so forth, and fixed the beds, and got ready. She was going to camp awhile. She was going to stay at the meetings.

She was going to be convinced that it was neither right or wrong. If she ever seen it in operation, she said, "I'll believe it."

60 So after she had been there for a while, and she had seen the gift of God in Solomon, she said to Solomon;

she said, "I have heard many things, and I..." In otherwise like this. "I've heard many things of you, I could hardly believe."

But God did miracles with Solomon there with his gifts, till the Bible said there was no more spirit left in her.

And if you'll notice how that's spelt there in Second Kings, it's spelt with a little "s." That's carnal spirit, not capital "Spirit," carnal "spirit" little. "No more spirit left in her."

# He Is The Dissolver Of Doubts

#### Daniel 5:10-12

<sup>10</sup> Now the queen by reason of the words of the king and his lords came into the banquet house: and the queen spake and said, O king, live for ever: let not thy thoughts trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed:

<sup>11</sup> There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy father, the king, I say, thy father, made master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers;

12 Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation.

65-1125 — The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ 182 Let the Holy Spirit search your conscience, and you'll agree with Daniel 5:12,

when the queen come in before Belteshazzar, and said she found out that there was a prophet, Daniel, was among them, and he was a dissolver of doubts.

You let the Holy Spirit, He is the Prophet of the day, let Him come into your heart right now and examine with the Word of God,

and the doubts about the Message will be all dissolved. He dissolves all the doubts. You find out, it's exactly on the Word for this day.

183 You cannot preach Luther's message today. It goes in It, but that's the feet. Uh-huh. Uh-huh. Cannot preach Wesley. Cannot preach Pentecostal. We're plumb beyond that. They denominated and died. They're the stalk.

190 And then the Life comes out of that denomination, goes into the grain. Then what happens? When the grain begins to grow,

and to get bigger so It can cover over something, the denomination pulls away from It. Why ain't we got a denomination out of This?

They never will be. It's the grain. It can't go no farther. We're at the end time. So what does It have to do now?

Lay in the Presence of the Son, to be ripened, that's exact, the Word to be ripened into your heart, to bring forth and live what we're talking about. Yes, sir. 191 Then you'll have no more doubts, if you let the Holy Spirit reveal It to you, like the queen said about Daniel.

## 57-0325 — The Lamb And The Dove 10 And now, I'm sure that in this we have found lots of impersonations.

And an impersonation, friend...A person that would impersonate something is the most miserable person that I would know of.

Isn't it much better just to be yourself? As Congressman Upshaw used to say, "Don't try to be nothing that you hain't." Well, that's pretty good.

Don't try to be nothing that you are not. Just be yourself. And then, if you want to be a Christian, just ask Christ. He will take your old nature out,

put a new nature in; then you don't have to impersonate anything; it's just your normal life that you're living.

And as long as you got malice, envy, strife, all these things of the world, then you know Christ isn't in there. The Bible said, "If you love the world, or the things of the world, the love of God's not even in you."

See, 'cause the Life of God isn't in you. The Life is in there, it just produces itself; it just lives its way out.

63-0728 — Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed 587 Then, we stand justified in the Presence of God. As a drop of ink dropping into a—a—a tub full of bleach,

you'll never find the stain of the ink no more. It went somewhere. It'll never come back again.

And when man is truly redeemed, that predestinated Seed that sees It and accepts It, his sins are demolished. It's gone. It's separated.

It's dropped into the ink of the—of the Blood of Jesus Christ, and it's never to be remembered. God forgets it. And he stands as a son and daughter of God,

in the Presence of God. Amen and amen! "Now we are the sons of God." Not we will be; we are! Now we are redeemed.

### 65-1205 — Things That Are

#### To Be

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."

It's a perfect Kingdom, so it must be a 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?

# 65-1125 — The Invisible Union Of The Bride Of Christ 274 Pure, unadulterated; oh, hallelujah; leaving soon for the skies; amen; standing

ready.

# Think. Your garments, washed by the Water of the bleeding Word!

# The Word become Blood. The Word bled for you, and you are washed in bleeding Word. The Word, bleeding!

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

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

# 59-1220M — Conference With God 95 Maybe you don't know what to do. Maybe you're a sinner, and have done so much sin.

Maybe you smoked till you can't smoke no more, and can't quit it. Maybe you've drank till you can't drink no more, and you can't quit it.

Maybe you've come to the place where you so full of sin and lust, till you have to look upon every woman you see, wrong. Or, maybe you've even perverted your own natural resources.

Maybe you've come to a block. I don't care where you're at, God is still ready to come to you, in a conference, and talk it over with you. Maybe you broke up your home.

Maybe you've left your husband, or left your wife. Maybe you run off from your children. There might be many things in this life, that the enemy has trapped you into,

but, remember, my brother, sister, you still have the rights to have a conference with God. Yes, sir. Talk it over with Him. "He's a very present help in the time of trouble."