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“... in the days of the voice ...” Rev. 10:7

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Introduction

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Lord.-All-right,-all-of-us-together,-we're-going-to-wave-like-we're-going-into-Canaan-now.-Wave-your-handkerchief.-All-right,-now:

I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land,
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land;
O-who-will-come-and-go-with-me?
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land.

²⁶⁴ Now,-if-there-is-someone-here-that-hasn't-made-their-election-and-calling-sure,-that-would-like-to-come-while-we-sing-it-again,-would-like-to-pull-out-your-handkerchief-and-wave-with-us-again.-The-gate's-open-now,-the-tickets-are-free.-Won't-you-come?-Step-aboard-the-old-ship-of-Zion,-she's-going,-moving-out.-Let's-go.-

I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land-(it-won't-be-long),
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land;
O-who-will-come-and-go-with-me?
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land.

²⁶⁵ As-we-bow-our-heads:

To-be-like-Jesus,-just-to-be-like-Jesus
On-earth-I-long-to-be-like-Him;
All-through-life's-journey-from-earth-to-glory
I-only-ask-to-be-like-Him.

From-Bethlehem's-manger-came-forth-a-stranger,
On-earth-I-long-to-be-like-Him;
All-through-life's-journey-from-earth-to-glory
I-only-ask-to-be-like-Him.

²⁶⁶ Don't-forget-Sunday.-Don't-forget-Wednesday-night-is-prayer-meeting.-Remember,-pray-much.-Pray-for-me,-pray-for-your-pastor,-pray-for-your-neighbor,-your-deacons,-your-trustees,-pray-that-God-will-have-His-way-with-us-all.

To-be-like-Jesus,-to-be-like-Jesus,
On-earth-I-long-(that's-my-heart's-desire)-to-be-like-Him-

(He's-understanding.-Though-a-lot-of-people-don't-understand-it,-remember-that-God-will-make-a-way);

...from-earth-to-glory
I-only-ask-to-be-like-Him.-

[Brother-Branham-begins-humming.]

...humble-and-lowly,
On-earth-I-long-just-to-be-like-Him;
All-through-life's-journey-from-earth-to-glory
I-only-ask-to-be-like-Him.

²⁶⁷ With-our-heads-bowed-now,-and-our-eyes-closed,-and-our-hearts-centered-on-God,-we-will-call-on-my-precious-good-friend,-Brother-Roy-Borders,-from-California,-if-he-won't-pronounce-the-benediction-upon-this-meeting.-Brother-Borders.

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¹ The Lord bless you. Pray for me. We had just a little shower, enough to cool off, in which we're grateful for, and I trust that we'll have one of the spiritual showers on the inside to kind of help us out a little bit.

² I believe, Brother Neville, if we'll turn that around on you, how about that? Me speaking, I get a little ...get that air on me and then I ...this bald head of mine lets that come down and stop up my throat.

³ Now, I gave out some ...for some questions tonight, and answers just to kind of.... The reason we do this is to kind of find out what's on the hearts of the people.

⁴ I think that's very good for a pastor to give out this, and then he finds out just about what the people's thinking about if they'll write their question if they have something. And I think every one of us is duty bound to expel our thoughts to our pastors and our spiritual leaders, and so forth, and anything that we see, that's so we can make everything run smooth and fine, for the kingdom of God's sake.

⁵ And then up till about a half hour ago I only had about two or three that Billy had picked up after the service this morning and he brought them up to me. And then I went in and studied on the Scripture, thought I'd speak then a little bit tonight, being I had mentioned it, of being up here. Then he called me a few minutes ago, said, "Just hold it, I got a handful now."

⁶ So I'll try to get right in on these and answer them the best of my knowledge. And then if I get finished in time, I have a text I'd like to speak on for just maybe twenty or thirty minutes, just a short text.

⁷ And then, remember, if the Lord is willing, next Sunday morning I want to do my best, by the grace of God, to explain the seventy weeks of Daniel. As I said this morning, it's a great scripture. And it's not so much to speak on, but to place it where it belongs, to make it fit with the rest of the Bible.

⁸ And we have started from Revelation 1, got over in the sixth chapter. And, of course, we get in now to the seven last seals. And those seals will run from the last part of the sixth chapter, unto the nineteenth chapter, inclusive. So it would take a long time. Now, I could take, say, seven nights, and run the seven seals, opening them up. But if you do it that way, then the people will miss the great part back here that fills in this. And if they're not really taught, it might not be good. But the first three or four of them is just happenings that we could take all right, just coming right in a row; but the next of it, then you have to go back into Daniel again, come back over into Genesis, go back over into Revelation, come back down into the Gospels, and just weave it in there, because it's the trace of Israel, God dealing with Israel. For when the church goes up, that's the last of the church until she comes with her Lord as bride and bridegroom in the nineteenth chapter; during this time it's dealing with Israel. And to get the seventy weeks of Daniel in now, it sets the picture for this coming opening-first seal.

⁹ Then I thought, the Lord willing, next Sunday I'd speak on that. If I don't get finished Sunday morning, then I'll try it Sunday night again. And that would open the way then, if the Lord should lead us. We wouldn't have to stop with that part, we'd go right straight on into the seven seals and just carry it on, as long as we seen the Lord leading.

¹⁰ Now, tonight we've got some questions, and they're all sensible, reasonable questions. There was one here that I'd like to speak of first, just a moment. It was someone asked.... It's not a question. It's just someone asked me: "Where are my keys? Please tell me. They had lost them this afternoon.

¹¹ Now, I tell you, a few weeks ago, about.... A few days ago I was here at the Tabernacle. I used to go into prayer and wait on the Lord and find out where those things were for the people. I have found people's cars. The Lord would speak to me, where the people would....

¹² Brother Welch Evans come up here and lost his car. Somebody stole it in Louisville. He and Brother Fred Sothmann and some of the brethren.... Brother Tom Simpson, I believe, was along that day. Or ...wasn't you, Brother Tom? And they come up to the house. And there was Brother Evans-without a car, without clothes, everything that he had was in that car. And they pulled in over at Miller's and somebody took it.

¹³ Well, we got a racket, or ring, in Louisville, where they pull these cars off, and they'll run them down to Bowling Green, or somewhere like that, and re-spray them. And in Kentucky you don't have to have a title, anyhow, to your car, and they can change those cars in a few minutes and sell them any way they wanted to.

¹⁴ Well, Brother Evans with his little car and all he had in it-and the Lord gave me the answer for it. And before they even got home, the car was sitting out here about half empty of gasoline, where He turned them around on the road to Bowling Green, and brought them back; and set the car right back out there with everything in it, not a thing missing, just what gas they'd used.

¹⁵ Many times people have said that ...certain things, and they'd ask. And I'd go before the Lord and wait for those visions, now, waiting till they come. But I find out that that has brought a great stumbling block before the people. Really, the people of America are not ready for such a ministry, the churches. That's right. It's beyond their time, see. And it causes everything. Some call you a devil, some call you a spiritualist, some call you a son of God, a god, and everything, see. So I just promised the Lord that I'd let it go, and just wait and use that ministry in Africa, or on personal interviews when I have them here.

¹⁶ Now, we're here for personal interviews. That still goes on such things. But in ...a way to obtain them is not come through the church. You go to our secretary, or my son, Billy Paul, and he'll give you a little ...a ticket, tell you just when it's to be and so forth. And anything like that, that's on personal interviews. Here or in the field, can only come

I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land,
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land;
O-who-will-come-and-go-with-me?
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land.

I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land,
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land;
O-who-will-come-and-go-with-me?
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land.

When-shall-I-reach-this-happy-place,
And-be-forever-blest!
When-shall-I-see-my-Father's-face,
And-in-His-bosom-rest?

Oh,-I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land,
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land;
O-who-will-come-and-go-with-me?
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land.

All-o'er-those-wide-extended-plains-
Shines-one-eternal-day;
There-God-the-Son-forever-reigns,
And-scatters-night-away.
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land,
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land;
O-who-will-come-and-go-with-me?
I-am-bound-for-the-promised....-

²⁶¹ Let's-just-sing-that-again,-and-shake-hands-with-somebody-around-you.

I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land,
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land;
O-who-will-come-and-go-with-me?
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land.

²⁶² Now,-without-a-shadow-of-doubt,-every-one-of-you-that-has-accepted-Christ,-and-know-that-you-are-born-again-of-the-Spirit,-let's-raise-our-hands-now-and-sing:

I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land,
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land;
O-who-will-come-and-go-with-me?
I-am-bound-for-the-promised-land.

²⁶³ I-haven't-seen-this-for-a-long-time.-Ladies,-reach-in-your-purse-and-get-your-handkerchief.-Gentlemen,-reach-in-your-hip-pocket-and-get-your-handkerchief-out.-Now-we're-going-to-have-a-wave--gift-to-the-

And-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me.

Oh,-when-I-get-happy,-I-sing-and-I-shout,
Some-don't-understand-it,-I-see;
But-I've-crossed-over-Jordan-to-Canaan's-fair-land,
And-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me.

Oh,-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me,-(Praise-God!)-
Oh,-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me;
I've-crossed-over-Jordan-to-Canaan's-fair-land,
And-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me.

²⁵⁷ Oh,-I-love-that.-Don't-you?-Crossed-over-Jordan-to-Canaan's-fair-land,-I-bid-farewell-to-the-world,-lifted-up-above-the-things-of-the-world,-now-I'm-living-in-this-heavenly-atmosphere.-Sure,-I-act-funny-to-them-buzzards-down-there.-Yes,-sir,-I'm-flying-above-it.-That's-right.-What-do-we-care?-We-are-living-in-Canaan's-land.-Amen!-Yes,-sir.-Eating-the-new-grapes,-just-having-a-wonderful-time-full-of-glory,-full-of-power,-full-of-the-Holy-Spirit.-Yes,-sir.

ACTS6:5-ACTS7:55

²⁵⁸ Said,-"Stephen-was-a-man,-full...."-Full-of-what?-Full-of-what?-He-was-full-of-the-Holy-Ghost.-He-was-full-of-power,-he-was-full-of-wisdom,-he-was-full-of-might.-What'd-it-all-make-up?-He-was-full-of-the-Holy-Ghost!-That's-where-all-these-things-dwell.-That's-what-the-church-of-the-living-God-is.-Aren't-you-happy-for-it,-Christian?-Aren't-you-happy?-If-you're-misunderstood,-all-that-live-godly-in-Christ-Jesus-shall-be-misunderstood.-They've-always-been,-down-through-the-Bible.

²⁵⁹ Now,-what-am-I-trying-to-say?-To-you-people-who-speak-with-tongues,-to-you-who-shout,-dance-in-the-Spirit,-people-say,-"Oh,-it's-nonsense,"-just-remember-I've-went-right-back-and-showed-you.-Right-down-through-the-Scripture,-they're-always-misunderstood.-Remember,-you're-in-the-Scripture,-you're-doing-that-which-is-right.-Stay-right-with-it,-God's-with-you.-Just-keep-right-in-the-Scripture,-God-will-take-care-of-the-rest-of-it.-Amen.

²⁶⁰ I-love-Him.-Let's-sing-my-good-old-baptismal-song,-the-one-we-was-singing-the-first-time-that-the-angel-of-the-Lord-there-ever-appeared-before-man,-in-His-presence.-I-had-seen-it-before,-myself,-but-first-time-He-ever-come-down.-And-when-he-come-down-he-said,-"As-John-was-sent-to-forerun-the-first-coming-of-Christ,-your-message-will-forerun-the-second-coming-of-Christ."-Hundreds-and-hundreds-and-hundreds-of-people-standing-on-the-banks-down-there-when-it-come-down-on-June,-1933,-at-the-river.-And-we-were-standing-on-the-banks,-singing:

On-Jordan's-stormy-banks-I-stand,
And-cast-a-wistful-eye,
To-Canaan's-fair-and-happy-land,
Where-my-possession-lie.

through that way. There's a board of it published, or a book, or a note on the bulletin board there, of how to do this. But just to come up here to the platform....

¹⁷ Now, we have gifts in the church. We have Brother Neville here who has received a gift of prophecy. Brother Higginbotham sitting here, who has a gift of speaking with tongues and interpreting tongues. I would advise you.... I'll pray that God will give you your keys. But I advise, maybe, that if the Holy Spirit would speak tonight, maybe, through Brother Neville or Brother Higginbotham, or some of these gifts in the church, (that we got some questions on in a few minutes), that maybe they could do that.

¹⁸ But, for myself, I made a promise to God, no more in America in public meetings, see, because it just caused me to leave the field. And some will run you plumb out to be a devil; the others will make a god. And so you see ...and they're just not ready for it. And so God cannot work that, and I'm sure the person that asked it will understand. Now, maybe the Holy Spirit yet tonight.... You just be praying. I'll pray that the Holy Spirit will show you right where your parcel is that you're waiting for. I pray that you'll find it, and I do believe you will find it, see.

¹⁹ And then, Billy Paul, if someone has such a thing like that, if they would call him, he would refer them to the church. I try to take the emergency cases when I'm at home.

²⁰ Now, let us, now before we approach these questions.... First I want to say that any answer that's not according to your faith, or in the Bible, it's not according to the Word, then you don't have to receive it. And so that I can get down and maybe get to the text also tonight, I'd like to go along and answer them. And those I think that got scriptural to answer by, well, I'll answer them, everything that I can. But I just got them a few minutes ago, all but three. And neither three of those had any.... just little things about someone had dreamed a dream or something, wanting to know if they should tell it, or something another like that, you see.

²¹ So let us bow our heads now as we approach His mercy. Lord, we are thy people that are called by thy name. We are so glad tonight to know that we have a heavenly Father who watches over us and cares for us, and loves us as His own dear children. And so I am happy, Lord, that I am numbered with these people, to be their brother, and they are my brothers and sisters. I am so grateful.

²² There is one, Lord, who has lost some keys. Thou knowest right where they are laying. I pray that You will reveal it and will bring them right straight to those keys. It's a precious thing to them, it's to their car. And I pray, Father, that You will grant this request to those people.

1COR14:24,25

²³ Now I pray that You will bless our pastor, our beloved Brother Neville. We're so glad to see You working in our midst in these great spiritual gifts in our church, the part of the body of Christ that is

worshipping on this corner of Eighth and Penn. We are so glad to be numbered with that group of people, and to know that God reveals His secrets to His people. I pray that You'll bless Brother Neville, our pastor, and Brother Higginbotham, Brother Funk, Brother Junior Jackson, and our sisters, who are speaking with tongues and giving interpretations. We pray, Father, that You will continue to manifest Yourself through these great gifts, that our church might be known as a spiritual church, that where people that are weary could come and sit in the presence of Almighty God, and know He speaks and reveals the secrets of the heart.

²⁴ And, Father, I pray that You'll bless us tonight in answering these questions. Some of them, Lord, are mild, and some of them are strong. To each one that asked the question, it's a strong question. It's something that's on their heart. They want it settled. And, Father, we are all insufficient of these duties, but we know that Thou art more than sufficient. So we pray that You will interpret these questions to us, that we might give the people the correct answer, that they might be helped and the church be magnified, God's name be honored.

²⁵ Now, Father, if it's your will, I pray that You'll deal with us this week and will help me as I'm studying on that seventy weeks of Daniel, that I might be able next Sunday morning, if it be thy will, to open the Scripture to those people. God, grant it, that their souls might be refreshed. Teach those, Lord, who are seeking deep things. Save those who are lost. Heal those who are sick. We're all waiting on You, Father. In Jesus' name. Amen.

²⁶ Now, this first question is not exactly a question. It's just a little thing for.... Say, do I stand too close to this? Does that blur, back there in that back? If it does, raise up your hand.

QUESTION: "Brother Bill, please say something about both children and adults being so noisy in moving about during service. This Tabernacle needs some lessons in reverence."

²⁷ Amen! Children, do you not know how to obey yourself in the house of God? Do you not know this is the sanctuary of God? God is in His holy temple, let everybody keep quiet. It's the place of God where people are coming, meditating, trying to find salvation to the soul; trying to find the problems of the people's lives, trying to help someone. The least you can do is be reverent, be quiet. Get you a drink of water before church starts-I know little ones have to have drinks. Mothers that's got those little fellows, if you'd sit near the back, keep them just as quiet as possible. And there should never be a whisper, never one whisper. We're all guilty. But when that Bible is read and that minister enters the pulpit, we should be silent, waiting on the Lord. Now, please try to do that.

²⁸ I know, you little fellows, you've got to squirm around a little. If you do, make it ...just be real nice. And, you remember, mother don't want you to do that, and daddy don't want you to do that. And so....

²⁹ And I know, I got little ones, too, that squirm around. And Joseph

misunderstand-it.

²⁵¹ Israel-misunderstood-it.-They-don't-understand;-they-just-can't-because-they-are-carnal-in-spirit.-It-won't-deviate-with-the-spiritual,-because-it-will-not-mix.

JOHN3:5,8 JOHN15:19-JOHN17:14-EPH2:6-COL3:1-HEB11:13-1PET2:11-1JHN1:7

²⁵² But-I'm-glad-that-we-live-in-a-kingdom-that's-not-made-with-hands-of-men.-I'm-glad-that-we're-going-to-a-kingdom-that-men-had-nothing-to-do-with.-I'm-glad-that-our-kingdom-is-above.-And-if-our-kingdom-is-above,-we're-born-from-above,-then-we-see-those-things-which-are-above,-where-Christ-sits-at-the-right-hand-of-God-oh,-where-He's-not-ashamed-of-us,-is-our-testimony.-We're-not-ashamed-of-Him-on-this-earth,-because-we-are-pilgrims-and-strangers.-We're-not-of-this-earth;-we're-born-of-the-Spirit-of-God.-We're-sitting-together-in-heavenly-places-in-Christ-Jesus,-washed-in-His-blood,-born-of-His-Spirit,-filled-with-His-grace.

²⁵³ That's-it,-misunderstood.-But-what-do-we-care?-We-love-Him.-Don't-you-love-Him?-All-right,-Teddy,-give-us-a-note-on-"I-Love-Him,"-and-let's-sing-it-from-the-bottom-of-our-heart:

I-love-Him,-I-love-Him
Because-He-first-loved-me;
And-purchased-my-salvation
On-Calvary's-tree.

HEB13:15-1PET2:5,9

²⁵⁴ Isn't-He-wonderful?-Don't-you-love-Him?-Aren't-you-glad-that-you're-peculiar?-Royal-priesthood,-chosen-people,-peculiar-people,-offering-spiritual-sacrifices,-the-fruits-of-your-lips-giving-praise-to-Him.

²⁵⁵ I'll-sing-you-a-song-now,-I-feel-like-singing:

I-find-many-people-who-can't-understand
Why-I-am-so-happy-and-free;
I've-been-filled-with-the-Spirit,-there-isn't-a-doubt,
And-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me.

Oh,-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me,
Oh,-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me;
I've-been-filled-with-the-Spirit,-there-isn't-a-doubt,
And-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me.

²⁵⁶ Do-you-like-that?-Let's-all-sing-it-then:

We-find-many-people-who-can't-understand
Why-we-are-so-happy-and-free;
We're-filled-with-the-Spirit,-there-isn't-a-doubt,
And-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me.

Oh,-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me,-(Praise-God!)-
Oh,-that's-what's-the-matter-with-me;
I've-been-filled-with-the-Spirit,-there-isn't-a-doubt,

people.-They-misunderstand-it.-Every-one-of-them-said,-"We-believe-Brother-Branham...."-I-talked-to-a-preacher-a-while-ago,-said,-"Brother-Branham,-we-all-know-that-you-was-sent-to-the-church,-but,-the-idea-is,-how-do-you-come-baptizing-in-Jesus'-name?"-They-misunderstand-the-Scriptures.-They-misunderstand-it.-That's-what-He-sent-me-for,-that's-my-purpose-of-being-here.-"Why-do-you-teach-the-serpent's-seed,-and-things-like-that-that's-contrary-to-what-we-teach?"-Well,-brother,-that's-why-I'm-here.-They-just-misunderstand-it.-Amen.-But-God-is-bearing-record-by-His-Word-and-the-signs-of-the-Holy-Ghost-[unclear-words].-No-matter-how-much-they-misunderstand-it,-God's-confirming-the-Word!-Amen.

²⁴⁶ God's-always-been-misunderstood.-And-those-who-live-with-God-are-misunderstood-with-God,-because-it's-God-working-in-them.-Amen.-Do-you-believe-it?

I-love-Him,-I-love-Him
Because-He-first-loved-me;-

(Do-you-love-Him?-Raise-up-your-hands-and-say-"Praise....")
...purchased-my-salvation-
On-Calvary's-tree.

²⁴⁷ Are-you-glad-you-are-misunderstood?-We-used-to-sing-a-little-song,-saying,-"Now-I'm-marked,-marked,-marked,-marked-by-the-Spirit-divine."-That's-right.-People-that-once-loved-me,-turn-their-back-on-me-now-because-I'm-marked,-marked-by-the-Spirit.-Amen.-I-lost-my-mind-to-the-things-of-the-world,-to-receive-the-mind-of-Christ;-therefore,-if-I-have-the-mind-of-Christ,-my-mind-seeks-those-things-which-are-above.-I'd-like-for-somebody-to-show-me-any-different-correct-baptism-besides-the-name-of-Jesus-Christ.-I'd-like-for-somebody-to-show-me-a-scripture-that-says-the-serpent-didn't-have-a-seed.-I'd-like-for-somebody-to-show-me-a-scripture-that-says-there's-three-gods.

²⁴⁸ Then-they-say,-"Well,-what-is-it?"

MARK16:20

²⁴⁹ God-sent-His-message-and-bears-record-of-it.-He-confirms-the-Word-with-signs-following.-That's-what-the-Bible-says.-They-can't-deny-that.-It's-a-fact.-But-what-did-they-do?-They-misunderstand-it-because-I-didn't-come-in-the-name-of-the-Assemblies-of-God,-the-Oneness,-or-the-Twoness,-or-the-Threeness,-or-the-Church-of-God,-or-the-Baptist,-Methodist,-Presbyterian,-Lutheran.-I-come-in-none-of-them-names;-I-come-in-the-name-of-Jesus-Christ.-And-God,-by-His-mercy,-confirms-the-message-by-the-power-of-the-resurrection-of-Jesus-Christ.-So-it's-still-the-Spirit-of-God-that-the-people-misunderstand.-That's-right,-misunderstood.-

²⁵⁰ Sure,-you're-misunderstood.-All-that-live-godly-in-Christ-Jesus-is-misunderstood.-All-the-way-from-righteous-Noah,-all-the-way-down-to-the-modern-day-saint-today,-is-misunderstood.-Always-been.-People-

...and Meda says, I don't get anything out of the service, trying to keep Joe quiet." Well, she's trying to do that so somebody else can get something out of the service, see.

³⁰ And we always want to respect one another, honor one another, and above all things, honor God and honor His house.

Now, this next question is:

QUESTION: "The two children, aged six to eight years, were here at the altar this morning. How soon is it advisable to have them baptized?"

ACTS2:38

³¹ Just as soon as you can. "Repent immediately and be baptized," that's in the name of Jesus Christ. Now, that's question number one. I would advise that. But we find out in the Scriptures....

³² You say, "Is that scriptural?"

ACTS2:41 ACTS18:8

³³ When Peter preached on the day of Pentecost, three thousand souls were saved and baptized the very same time. "As many as believed on the Lord were baptized." So as soon as you believe on the Lord and accept Him as your Saviour, go right straight to the water and make your confession, start right there-young or old, no matter who it is.

³⁴ You say, "Well, these children might be very young."

MATT19:14 MARK10:14 LUKE18:16

³⁵ Jesus said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, forbid them not, for such is the kingdom of God." I would daresn't put my hand upon a child that wants to come to the altar or be baptized, at any age. I don't care what age they are.

Now, question number two:

QUESTION: "A minister friend of ours baptizes in the name of Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Would we be held responsible for not telling him of his error?"

³⁶ I believe, as a Christian, as a duty, and if he is a personal friend of yours.... Not to pick an argument with him. If you do that, then you're not right. Your spirit's not right. But if you love that brother, which you must, because you said, "A minister friend," then.... (No names is signed to any of these notes. I do not know who they come from, these questions.)

MATT28:19 ACTS2:38

³⁷ Now, I would advise you, whoever it is, if this minister friend baptizes like this, and you visit his home and so forth, I would just mention the question some time. And that might give you.... Just talk up to it, just keep talking around, about, round about; and let the Lord open it up, and then it's the Lord telling you to do it, see. Just wait till the Lord opens up the question. Then you say to him, you say, "Brother, I just wonder, in the scriptures of Matthew 28:19 and Acts 2:38, and continuing on, is there some contradiction there? Could you explain why that one said here, 'Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,' and the other one said,

"The name of Jesus Christ?"

³⁸ Now, don't try.... If you're not really a student, and you don't know what you're talking about, better leave it alone, see. You just tell him, say, "Well, I wish you would come up...." If he seems to be sincere, say, "Wonder if you'd meet our pastor, or someone, and discuss it?"

³⁹ I tell you, it's a deep thing, see. Don't take it upon yourself, because you might wind yourself around. Now, if you know what you're talking about, and firmly settled and know the Scriptures, all right. But don't offend him, for whatever you do, don't offend him, see. Don't bring offense. Just tell him that....

⁴⁰ And, of course, he is in error. That's true. The man is in error when he baptizes like that. Any man that baptizes in the name of "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost" is scripturally in error. That's right.

Question number three:

MATT28:19 2COR13:14

QUESTION: "In a statement of faith, they said, 'We believe in one God, eternal, existing in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:19, 18 and 19; I Corinthians 13:14.' Should this not be three offices instead of three persons?"

1COR8:6 1COR12:6 EPH4:6

⁴¹ You are correct. There is no three persons in the Godhead. And there cannot be a personality without being a person. It takes a person to make a personality. There is no three Gods. There is only one God, and that God is Jesus Christ. God is a Spirit that lived in Jesus Christ, and is living in His church, you and I, today, separating Himself to us in the form of the Holy Spirit, which is God Almighty, Himself, living in you.

⁴² Now, you are right, it is "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit," is three offices of the same God, but not three Gods. That is scripturally wrong.

QUESTION: "Can a Christian go to heaven if he or she does not pay tithe?"

⁴³ Now that's one that I could not answer scripturally.

⁴⁴ Now, this "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit," if the minister is sincere, just let us know, you see, we'd be glad.... Brother Neville and myself, or Brother Beeler, or Brother Collins, or any of these ministers here who are ordained to this ministry, and so forth, can do so.

MAL3:8 REV22:14

⁴⁵ Now, but now, does a Christian not get to heaven because they do not pay tithe? I could not say "yes" or "no" to that. But I do believe that every Christian is obligated to pay tithing because it is a commandment of the Lord. "And blessed are they that do all his commandments, that they might have a right to enter into the life, the tree of life." Now, I do believe that tithe-paying is essential to a Christian experience. For ...I'll get to that in another question in a few moments. I know there's another one in here pertaining to that.

QUESTION: "Brother Branham, I am saved and have been baptized

them-a-little-bit-and-threatened-them-(that-they'd-hang-them-the-next-time,-or-burn-them,-or-put-them-on-the-cross,-or-something),-they'd-stop-it.-But-the-next-thing-they-found,-they-was-out-on-the-street-doing-it-again.-Why?-They-misunderstood.-It-wasn't-them-people;-it-was-God-in-those-people,-doing-those-things.

²³⁹ When-they-caught-up-little-Stephen-at-the-Sanhedrin-Court-that-morning,-said,-"We'll-take-him-before-this-court.-When-all-these-rabbis-and-Jews-and-high-priests-and-holy-fathers,-and-all-of-them-gathered-out-there,-these-doctors-of-divinity,-it'll-scare-him-in-the-wits."-So-they-brought-him-out-in-his-chains,-and-stood-him-out-there,-the-little-fellow-like-a-lamb-amongst-a-bunch-of-raving-wolves.-They-said,-"Watch-him-take-down-now-and-say,-'I'll-take-it-all-back,-brethren,-don't-you-all-bother-me."“

ACTS7:51

²⁴⁰ He-said,-"You-stiffnecked-and-uncircumcised-in-heart-and-ears,-why-do-you-resist-the-Holy-Ghost?-Like-your-fathers-did,-so-do-you!"-Amen!

ACTS7:54-60

²⁴¹ They-found-out-that-it-wasn't-him!-For-they-picked-up-clods,-and-threwed-their-hands-in-their-ears,-and-began-to-gnash-upon-him,-and-clod-him-to-death.-And-when-he-raised-his-head-up-towards-that,-and-a-bat-beating-him-from-one-side-of-the-head-to-the-other,-he-said,-"I-see-the-heavens-open,-and-Jesus-standing-at-the-right-hand-of-God."-Amen!-And-he-fell-asleep-in-the-arms-of-the-Lord-Jesus.-When-he-died,-he-said,-"Father,-lay-not-this-sin-to-their-charge."

ACTS22:20-1COR15:9

²⁴² See,-they-misunderstood-what-they-did.-Paul,-standing-there-looking-at-it,-later-on-it-got-on-his-nerves,-and-said,-"I'm-the-least-among-all-of-them,-because-I-bore-witness-to-Stephen's-death,-thy-saint."-Amen.-That's-it.

²⁴³ See,-people-misunderstand-this-enthusiasm.-People-misunderstand-today.-They-misunderstand-the-power-of-the-Holy-Spirit.-They-call-it-a-bunch-of-holy-rollers.-They-call-it-a-bunch-of-people-that-ain't-got-their-right-mind.-They-misunderstand-that-you-have-to-lose-what-you-call-your-right-mind-that-call-yourselves-Christ's,-because-you-have-the-mind-of-Christ-in-you.-You-can't-have-the-mind-of-the-world-and-the-mind-of-Christ-at-the-same-time.-One's-carnal-and-the-other-one's-spiritual.-He-that-walks-after-the-flesh-is-carnal;-he-that-walks-after-the-Spirit-is-spiritual.-Amen.-So-I'll-lose-myself-and-find-it,-Lord,-in-Thee.-Yes,-sir.-So-God's-misunderstood.-

²⁴⁴ It's-not-you-that's-misunderstood;-it's-the-Holy-Spirit-making-you-do-that-that-they-misunderstand.-Amen.-They're-not-speaking-against-you;-they're-speaking-against-Him.-People-are-misunderstood.-There,-they-can-let-them-go,-but-they-get-right-back-in-the-street-and-start-again.-The-same-today.-They-misunderstand-the-people.-They-don't-know-what-it-is.-

²⁴⁵ Today-I'm-misunderstood-in-my-ministry,-that-He-sent-me-to-the-

ACTS2:7,8,13

230 And-they-were-misunderstood,-insomuch-that-they-said,-"Are-these-men-not-full-of-new-wine?-These-people-are-drunk-because-we-hear-them-blabbering-off-something-we-don't-know-what-they're-talking-about."-All-at-once,-they-said,-"How-hear-we-every-man-in-our-own-language,-are-not-all-these-Galileans?"-They-misunderstood-that-it-was-the-promise-of-the-Father.

ACTS2:14-21

231 Then-God-had-a-prophet-there-who-could-stand-up-and-speak.-Peter-said,-"You-men-of-Jerusalem-and-you-that-dwell-in-Judaea,-don't-misunderstand-this.-This-is-that-which-was-spoken-of-by-the-prophet-Joel:-'It'll-come-to-pass-in-the-last-days,-saith-God,-I'll-pour-out-my-Spirit-upon-all-flesh:-and-upon-my-handmaids-and-maid-servants-will-I-pour-out-my-Spirit,-and-they-shall-prophecy.-And-I'll-show-wonders-in-the-heavens-above-and-in-the-earth-below,-and-fire-and-vapor,-and-pillars-of-smoke:-It-shall-come-to-pass,-before-the-great-and-terrible-day-of-the-Lord-shall-come,-that-whosoever-shall-call-upon-the-name-of-the-Lord-shall-be-saved.'" -

232 It-was-the-work-of-God!-It-was-the-Holy-Ghost,-but-they-misunderstood-it.-He-was-misunderstood.-

233 He's-always-been-misunderstood.-Israel-misunderstood-Him,-the-people-in-Noah's-time-misunderstood-Him,-the-people-in-Daniel's-time-misunderstood-Him.-The-people-in-John's-time-misunderstood-Him,-the-people-in-the-prophet's-time-misunderstood-Him,-the-people-in-the-Pentecostal-age-misunderstood-Him.

234 The-people-in-this-age-misunderstand-Him.-It's-still-the-same.-They-don't-get-it,-because-He's-misunderstood.-It's-the-time-to-compare-the-natural-with-the-spiritual.

ACTS3:2-8

235 When-the-people,-right-after-the-day-of-Pentecost,-when-they-was-all-filled-with-the-Holy-Ghost,-had-this-great-big-meeting-up-there....-They-called-...a-man-down-there,-crippled-from-his-mother's-womb.-Two-of-them-was-going-along-the-street,-and-this-beggar-shook-a-can-and-asked-for-some-money.-And-he-said,-"Silver-and-gold-have-I-none,-but-such-as-I-have-I'll-give-it-to-you."-He-said,-"In-the-name-of-Jesus-Christ-of-Nazareth,-stand-up-and-walk!"-And-he-took-the-man-by-the-hand-and-raised-him-up,-and-immediately-his-feet-and-ankle-bones-received-strength.-He-began-walking,-and-leaping,-and-running,-and-jumping,-and-praising-God.-Went-into-the-temple,-and-all-the-people-began-to-come-together,-and-screaming-and-carrying-on.-Why,-it-was-unusual.

ACTS5:18,28

236 And-they-put-them-in-jail,-and-threatened-them-that-they-should-not-preach-anymore-in-the-name-of-Jesus.

ACTS5:29

237 And-Peter-said,-"Who-should-we-listen-to,-God-or-man?"

ACTS5:40

238 And-they-turned-them-loose,-thinking-because-they-had-whipped-

in the name of Jesus Christ, but how do I get away from a stubborn spirit that I can't seem to break away from?"

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 inherited it from a mother, father, uncle, aunt, or grandmother, grandfather, somebody like that.... 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 trace 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. 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.

JAS4:7

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 will leave you. Resist the devil and he will flee from you-that's, get away quickly. So that would be my advice how to overcome it. We overcome the devil by faith. That's what we overcome all evil, is by faith.

QUESTION: "Why do you baptize in the name of Jesus Christ in place of the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost?"

49 Well, there is no such a thing as the name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. That's the reason. There was nobody in the Bible ever baptized in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Every person in the Bible, or three hundred years this side the Bible, was baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Not one apostle, not one Christian, not one time was the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost ever used for baptism until the Catholic church was organized at the Nicene Council, three hundred and six years after the death of the last apostle.

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50 There is no such a thing as name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Father is not a name, Son is not a name, Holy Ghost is not a name. It's three titles, three office titles to a name: Jesus Christ. So therefore there is no such a thing as the name of Father, Son, Holy Ghost. And it's no.... There's no name to it, so I baptize in the name of Jesus Christ which is the name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Clear?

ACTS2:31

QUESTION: "Some people say that Christ was in Hades before the resurrection. Is there scripture for this?"

⁵¹ Now, here's a scriptural question I'd like to answer you from the Scriptures, because they've asked, "Is it in the Scriptures?"

1PET3:18-20

⁵² I would that you would turn with me to I Peter 3:18 and 20, you that wants to hear it, whether you asked the question or not, so that you won't have to take someone else's word. You may read it and find out whether this be true or not. We always want to stay with the truth, and where the Bible says it. And this dear person, whoever it was, has asked it as wanting to know for a reference from the Bible if this is so or not.

1PET3:18-20

⁵³ Now, we find this in ...if I've got it. This old Bible is about tore up here. I've had it now for several years. If I can see if I got it in here, I think maybe.... Just one second, brother, I'm sure that's.... Let's see, it comes right after Timothy, Titus, Hebrews. Here we are. Yeah, I got it. Thank you. I Peter 3, the third chapter of I Peter. The third chapter, and let's begin with the eighteenth verse:

For Christ also has once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:

By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;

Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

ACTS2:30,31

⁵⁴ Now turn to Acts 2, Acts 2, and we'll take the thirtieth verse. In Acts 2, and this is the apostle Peter also speaking. Acts, the second chapter, and the thirtieth verse, I have written down here:

Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruits of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither did his flesh see corruption [Christ's body].

1PET3:19

⁵⁵ His soul descended into hell and preached to spirits, or souls that repented not in the long-suffering in the days of Noah. His soul did descend into hell and He preached to spirits, and rose on the third day. That is scriptural-the truth. Now....

QUESTION: "Were the five of the virgins lost?"

MATT25:1,2,32,33

⁵⁶ I presume that they are asking the question, the five virgins, the five wise and the five foolish. Now, if you were with us in the last teachings in Revelation, you find out there that those virgins, the five foolish virgins were not lost; but they were not permitted to go in to the wedding

Hissself-to-death?-And-walk-up-through-there,-beaten-and-crying,-the-spit-running-off-His-face,-and-blood-mixed-with-it-where-they-had-took-the-handfuls-of-beard-out,-plucked-it-from-His-face;-and-warped-His-back-till-His-bones-was-shining-through,-and-kicking-Him,-and-beating-Him-around;-them-cussing,-drunken-soldiers,-beating-Him-right-up-the-street.-"And-stand-and-let-them-do-that?"-They-misunderstood,-so-they-stood-far-off.-That's-right.-

²²³ The-devil-misunderstood-Him.-The-devil-said,-"Surely-that-cannot-be-a-Son-of-God-that-would-stand-there-and-be-mistreated-like-that,-and-them-cussing,-and-my-disciples-down-there-just-treating-him-any-way,-and-him-taking-it.-He's-not-the-Son-of-God."

MATT27:40-MARK15:30

²²⁴ Also-the-Pharisees,-the-priests,-misunderstood-Him,-said,-"If-thou-be-the-Son-of-God,-bring-yourself-down-off-of-there."

LUKE23:39

²²⁵ The-thief-on-His-left-misunderstood-Him,-said,-"If-thou-be-the-Son-of-God,-take-us-off-the-cross,-save-yourself-and-us-too."

LUKE23:42

²²⁶ But-the-thief-on-the-right-understood-Him.-He-said,-"We've-done-evil-and-we-deserve-what-we're-getting,-but-this-man's-done-nothing.-Lord,-remember-me-when-You-come-into-Your-kingdom."

LUKE23:43

²²⁷ Watch-that-voice-come-back,-said,-"Today-shall-thou-be-with-me-in-paradise."-He-understood-that-that-was-God-dying-for-our-sins.-The-only-way-He-could-die,-would-be-put-to-death-in-the-flesh.-He-couldn't-be-put-to-death-in-spirit,-because-He's-the-eternal-Spirit.-And-He-had-to-be-in-flesh-to-be-put-to-death,-so-they-just-misunderstood.-He-understood-it.-

LUKE24:49-ACTS1:13-ACTS2:1,2

²²⁸ One-day,-about-ten-days-after-that,-or-about-forty-days-after-that,-fifty-days-it-was,-the-disciples-climbed-up-into-an-upper-room,-and-they-stayed-up-there-for-ten-days-and-nights-until-the-fiftieth-day-come.-Then,-all-of-a-sudden,-there-came-a-sound-from-heaven-like-a-rushing-mighty-wind.-Because-Jesus-had-told-them,-"Behold,-I-send-the-promise-of-my-Father-upon-you,-but-wait-in-the-city-of-Jerusalem-until-you-are-endued-with-power-from-on-high,"-they-knowed-that-it-was-going-to-come.-They-knowed-it-had-to-happen.-"Go-up-there-and-wait-until-I-send-it."-They-waited-up-there.-They-confessed,-got-everything-out-of-their-minds-and-hearts.-They-were-waiting,-all-in-one-accord,-in-one-place,-waiting-for-the-promise;-walking-back-and-forth,-the-men-and-the-women,-up-there-walking-around-together-in-this-upper-room,-all-the-doors-barred-so-the-Jews-couldn't-get-in-and-hurt-them.

ACTS2:2,3

²²⁹ All-at-once,-they-was-up-there-walking-around,-and-there-came-a-sound-from-heaven-like-a-rushing-mighty-wind,-whirled-around-through-there,-and-the-licks-of-fire-begin-to-sit-upon-them.-The-doors-flew-open,-the-windows-come-open,-out-into-the-streets-they-went.

could-say-that!-Amen.-Hallelujah!-That's-right.-"He-that's-seen-me-hath-seen-the-Father."-Nobody-else-could-say-that!

MATT7:29-MATT8:27-MARK4:41-LUKE8:25-JOHN7:46

217 No-wonder-them-soldiers-said,-"There-never-was-a-man-spoke-like-this."-He-don't-speak-like-a-scribe-or-a-preacher;-He-speaks-with-authority!-And-even-the-devils-obey-Him,-and-the-winds-and-the-waves-obey-Him.-They-thought-He-was-a-man;-but-He-was-God.

JOHN8:48-JOHN10:20

218 See,-He-was-misunderstood.-Said,-"Why,-you-were-born-a-bastard.-You-were-born-out-of-holy-wedlock,-and-you-try-to-teach-us?-Why,-we-know-you-are-mad-and-got-a-devil.-You're-a-Samaritan,-you've-been-over-there-and-got-them-devils-on-you.-You're-trying-to-teach-us,-us-holy-rabbis?"

JOHN8:44

He-said,-"You're-of-your-father,-the-devil."

219 Yes,-they-misunderstood-Him.-They-didn't-know-who-He-was.-That's-what's-the-matter-today,-people-trying-to-make-Him-something-that-He-isn't.-He's-not-just-a-man;-He's-God-in-man!-No-third-person;-He's-the-only-person.-Yes,-sir.-Well,-sure,-they-misunderstood-Him.-

LUKE7:36-39

220 The-Pharisees.-The-Pharisee-that-invited-Him-down-there-that-time-for-a-dinner,-a-big-banquet,-he-misunderstood-Him.-He-thought-he'd-just-have-Him-down-there.-[I-was-preaching-on-that-message-out-here-not-long-ago,-at-a-breakfast,-I-believe-at-Chicago,-at-that-breakfast.-That-Pharisee-said,-"Now,-look-at-him-sitting-back-there,-sitting-back-there,-unwashed-feet-and-everything.-That-little-woman-come-in-and-washed-him-with-the-tears,-and-wiped-with-the-hairs-of-her-head."-He-said,-"If-he-was-a-prophet-he'd-know-what-manner-of-woman-that-is-there-washing-his-feet.-Shows-he's-not-a-prophet!"]-

LUKE7:38,40,44-47

221 Jesus-stood-up,-and-said,-"Simon,-I-got-something-to-say-to-you."-Amen.-He-just-misunderstood,-that-was-all.-He-said,-"You-invited-me-to-come,-and-I-left-my-busy-schedule-to-come-to-your-invitation.-And-you-never-met-me-at-the-door.-You-never-had-washed-my-feet.-You-never-anointed-my-head.-You-never-kissed-me-welcome.-You-just-let-me-come-in,-dirty-and-stinking-and-full-of-sweat,-and-sat-me-over-here-in-a-corner-to-make-fun-of-me.-But-this-woman,-this-woman,-she-has-constantly-kissed-my-feet,-and-she's-washed-them-with-the-tears-of-repentance-(What-beautiful-water!),-and-wiped-them-with-the-hairs-of-her-head.-I've-got-something-against-you,-Simon.-Verily-I-say-unto-you,-her-sins-which-are-many-are-all-forgiven-her."-Simon-misunderstood;-she-understood.-Simon-said,-"He's-just-a-man";-she-said,-"He's-God,-my-Saviour!"-He-was-misunderstood.-He's-still-misunderstood.-

MATT26:56-MARK14:50

222 The-disciples-at-Calvary,-they-misunderstood,-when-they-all-denied-Him-and-went-away.-How-could-they-see-a-man,-a-man-that-they-had-knowed-to-perform-miracles-and-raise-the-dead,-yet-submit-

supper, but they suffered persecution and was martyred, and raised again at the general resurrection in the last day. Those are the people where He separated the sheep from the goats, see. They stood before judgment.

57 You say, "Well, Brother Branham, don't we stand, the church?" No, sir! We do not stand before the judgment.

JOHN5:24 1COR6:1,2 REV1:6

58 We are now standing before the judgment. God put our sins upon Christ, and we ..."He that heareth my word [St. John 5:24], and believeth on him that sent me, has eternal life, and shall not come into the judgment but has passed from death unto life." No more judgment for the church. It's took up in the rapture, and comes back to pass judgment upon the people who did not receive the Holy Spirit. Does not Paul say that he dares any of us to take a matter to the court, to the unjust magistrates, when "know ye not that the saints shall judge the earth?" We will sit with Christ as judge, kings and priests, and judge these people that we preached to and told them about the baptism of the Holy Ghost and they refused to receive it. Think of it!

59 No, they were not lost, but they will never be in the bride. They will come in the second resurrection, but never be in the bride, and be judged according to the way they treated the light that they received. Now, that part will be up to Christ. They were not lost, though.

1COR14:34,35

QUESTION: "Brother Branham, in the I Corinthians, chapter ...the fourteenth, verse thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth, says, 'Let your women keep silent in churches for it is not permitted unto them to speak [thirty-fifth], for it is a shame for women to speak in church.' Now, if a woman with short hair speaks in tongues in churches, in church, is it the Spirit of the Holy Ghost that speaks through her or is it a false spirit?"

60 Now, you are.... And this is a real hard question, and I can only answer it the best that I know how, see. Now, I could not judge, because I was not sent to judge. But I think there's so many times.... I got another question down here somewhere that goes right along with that. But if a person is speaking in tongues, they are anointed of God, see. They may be out of order, that may be true, and they may be doing something that's not right, but I wouldn't want to say that it wasn't the Holy Spirit, because I wouldn't know, see.

61 And now there's many times that people misjudge one another. And it is a bad thing to do. You say, "Why, she's got short hair, she's wearing her dresses too short, that's not the Holy Spirit upon her." Don't do that! Don't do that, that's not right. You don't know what's in that woman's heart. You don't know nothing about it. You know that the Holy Spirit would make her conduct herself a little better. Now, that may be true. But I'll tell you, as you and I, let God do the judging of that, and let's you and I just pray for that person that God will show them the light.

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

guess, just right. And the lady had short hair. And she was just a babe in this way. And she was playing the piano. And a man met me out there and just tearing me to pieces. He said, "And you're a Pentecostal preacher, and let that woman sit up there! That short hair!" And just going on like everything.

⁶³ "Well," I said, "I think the woman has a good spirit in her. I certainly do not agree with that." (You know, the skirt part up here, the two pieces. One of them is down here and one is kind of up here. It's a shirt like they wear. And so it's real thin and shows that underneath garment that they have around there.)

⁶⁴ I don't think that should be done. I don't like that, I really don't. I can't ...they might be just as Spirit-filled as anybody else, I don't know; God knows that. But I wouldn't condemn that woman and say that she was going to hell.

⁶⁵ By the side, this same person had in his church a lady who had long hair and wore long dresses, and had a temper enough to fight a buzz saw, and just as mean as she could be. Now, long hair and long skirts don't take you to heaven. No, sir! It's the Spirit that's in you takes you to heaven. But if you as a Christian, then you should....

⁶⁶ Remember that many times pastors don't mention those things and the people just automatically go on, think it's all right. But a pastor should really tear into that. And then the sisters of the church, those sisters who are in character standing, wearing their clothes neatly, they should be examples of sweetness, and motherly and sisterly-like.

⁶⁷ And I think that any woman that's motherly and godly and sisterly ought to go to such a person, and with sweetness of the Spirit, just sit down and talk to that lady. And if she is of God, the Holy Spirit will understand those things, and she'll correct herself. But when you real quickly condemn her and drive her away, you might harm that young-born baby, see. So I wouldn't condemn the person.

⁶⁸ Now, the person speaking with tongues....

GAL6:1

⁶⁹ Now, I have to say something here that may be just a little strange, and if you don't agree with me, that's okay. You see, we misjudge these things so many times. Let's always try to think the very best of anybody who's trying to do what's right. Let's express our very best to them. They're trying. We don't know their heart, unless you have a discernment. And if they're wrong, then if you got.... The Bible said, "If a brother be overtaken in a fault, let them which are spiritual go to that brother in a spirit of meekness, considering your own self lest you be tempted, and see if you can't reconcile that person [see], back to God." Don't say that they haven't got the right spirit, because....

⁷⁰ Listen, now I'm going to say something that's going to really stab you for a minute, so just sit still just a minute. The Holy Spirit can speak through a hypocrite. Exactly! I've seen it done, and I can prove to you by

They-misunderstood-it.-They-expected-Him-to-be-just-one-of-them.-He-wasn't-one-of-them;-He-was-God-among-them!-He-was-more-than-a-man.-As-I've-often-said.-He-was-a-man-when-He-was-hungry;-but-He-was-God-when-He-fed-five-thousand-with-a-biscuit,-two-biscuits-and-some-pieces-of-fishes.-He-was-a-man-when-He-was-tired-on-the-back-of-the-boat;-but-He-was-God-when-He-ceased-the-winds-and-waves-and-made-them-obey-Him.-"What-manner-of-man-is-this?"-He-wasn't-a-manner-of-a-man;-He-was-God-manifested-in-a-man.-They-misunderstood-Him.-They-thought-Him-to-be-a-man,-Mary's-son,-a-carpenter;-but-He-was-God-manifested-in-the-flesh.-Amen!

MATT26:67,68-LUKE22:64

²¹¹ The-Roman-soldiers-misunderstood-Him,-when-they-had-Him-sit-in-the-court,-and-put-a-rag-around-His-eyes,-and-hit-Him-on-top-of-the-head-and-said,-"Now,-if-you-are-a-prophet-they-all-say-you-are-a-prophet-come-tell-us-who-hit-you-on-top-of-the-head."

JOHN5:19

²¹² See,-they-misunderstood-that-Jesus-said,-"I-do-only-what-the-Father-shows-me-to-do.-I-do-what-the-Father-shows-me,-then-I-do-what-He-tells-me-to-do."-They-misunderstood-it.-They-misunderstood-His-ministry.

MATT12:42-LUKE11:31

²¹³ The-Jews-misunderstood-Him,-how-He-come-to-be-their-friend-and-Saviour,-and-they-wanted-to-make-Him-something-was-evil.-They-misunderstood-His-ministry.-He-said,-"The-queen-of-the-south-shall-rise-up-in-the-judgment-with-this-generation-and-condemn-it,-for-she-came-from-the-utmost-parts-of-the-earth-to-hear-the-wisdom-of-Solomon.-And-a-greater-than-Solomon-is-here."-But-they-misunderstood-that-He-was-greater-than-Solomon.-They-thought-He-was-just-a-man.-

JOHN8:48,52

²¹⁴ Many-of-them-thought-He-was-born-out-of-holy-wedlock,-come-up-out-of-a-bad-family,-that-had-these-desires-and-so-forth,-and-a-bastard-child-which,-we-just-had-the-question.-They-could-not-even-...why,-they-said,-"Why,-we-know-that-you-were-born-out-of-holy-wedlock.-You-got-a-devil-on-you.-Why,-you-try-to-teach-us?-We're-rabbis!"

JOHN8:44

He-said,-"You-are-of-your-father,-the-devil."

JOHN8:46

²¹⁵ See,-they-misunderstood.-When-the-Roman-soldiers-went-back-one-time,-listened-at-Him,-said,-"Never-a-man-spoke-like-this.-We-never-heard-a-man-speak-like-this."

JOHN10:30-JOHN14:9,10

²¹⁶ It-was-not-a-man-speaking;-it-was-God!-Yes,-sir.-Men-didn't-speak-like-this.-A-man-tells-and-speaks-the-Scriptures;-Jesus-makes-the-Scriptures-live.-Men-don't-live-like-this:-"The-Scripture-says-this-here;-here-it-is!"-Man-can-say-the-Scripture-says-it,-but-that's-about-all-he-can-do.-But-Jesus-could-say,-"I-and-my-Father-are-one,-my-Father-dwelleth-in-me.-He-that's-seen-me-hath-seen-the-Father."-Nobody-else-

she-didn't-know....-He-wanted-to-know-what-become-of-a-growth-she-had.-She-said,-"Brother-Branham-prayed-for-me-and-the-Lord-healed-me."-

²⁰² He-said,-"I-do-not-believe-it."-He-said,-"I-can-never-believe-anything-like-that."-Said,-"Tell-me-who-took-it-off."

Said,-"Find-the-scar."

Said,-"What-did-you-put-on-it?"

²⁰³ Said,-"Nothing,-not-at-all."-Said,-"He-just-called-me-out-of-a-meeting-and-the-thing-left."

²⁰⁴ And-I-was-sitting-right-in-the-next-room,-that's-right,-sitting-right-in-the-next-room,-listening.-She-didn't-know-I-was-in-there.-He-didn't-know-I-was-in-there,-because-he-didn't-even-know-me,-see.-And-there-I-was-sitting-in-there.-And-he-said....-Taking-somebody-else-to-a-doctor's-office,-that's-exactly-right,-and-I-could-overhear-what-he-said.-I-got-the-patient-and-got-out-of-there-when-I-found-that,-that-he-didn't-believe.

²⁰⁵ So-he-said,-"I-don't-believe-one-word-of-it."-Said,-"I've-never-seen-anything-yet-that-could-do-anything-like-that.-I-just-don't-believe-it."-Said,-"I've-got-to-see-it-before-I-believe-it."

She-said,-"Well,-what-about-my-growth?"

He-said,-"I'd-have-to-see-it-leave-before-I'd-believe-it."

HEB11:1

²⁰⁶ See,-seeing-is-not-believing.-"Faith-is-the-substance-of-things-you-don't-see."-See,-you-believe-it-first-and-then-it-happens.-So-the-man-was-not-a-believer,-so-therefore-it-was-all-a-mystery-to-him.-He-didn't-know-what-he-was-talking-about-because-he-couldn't-understand-it.-It-was-a-riddle-to-him.

²⁰⁷ People-say-today,-"Oh,-I-don't-believe-in-that-divine-healing.-I-don't-believe-in-that-Holy-Ghost.-I-don't-believe-in-that-speaking-in-tongues.-I-don't-believe-in-that-shouting.-I-don't-believe-in-all-this-stuff-like-that.-I-don't-believe-in-it."-Why?-It's-a-mystery!-You're-just-misunderstanding.-It's-God,-here-it-is-in-the-Bible.-Here-it-is-bringing-the-same-results-that-the-Bible-spoke-of-bringing.-Then-it's-got-to-be-God.-You-just-misunderstand-it,-that's-all.-God-is-misunderstood.

MATT8:27-MARK4:41-LUKE8:25

²⁰⁸ His-disciples-couldn't-understand-His-miracles.-That-night-when-He-come-into-the-boat,-and-he-said,-"What-manner-of-man-is-this-that-even-the-winds-and-the-waves-obey-Him?"-They-misunderstood-that-He-wasn't-a-man,-He-was-God.

²⁰⁹ That's-what's-the-matter-today-with-people,-they-want-to-make-Him-a-little-mascot-boy,-or-something-another-carries-the-bat.-They-want-to-make-Him-just-a-little-fellow-around-the-camp.

MATT8:24-27-MATT14:19,21-MARK4:38-41
MARK6:3,41,44-LUKE8:23-25-LUKE9:14,16-JOHN6:9-11-1TIM3:16

²¹⁰ He-wasn't-a-little-fellow-around-the-camp;-He-was-Jehovah-God!-

the Scriptures that that's right. I can prove to you by the Scriptures that demon powers take up those spirits and use them. Sure, they take up those gifts and use them. I've stood right ...and seen devils speak in tongues and interpret it. And I've seen hypocrites take the genuine Holy Spirit and speak with it. That's the reason you can't say that speaking in tongues is the only evidence of the Holy Ghost.

⁷¹ Now, some time ago when I was first brought into Pentecost, I went to Mishawaka to Brother Rowe's tabernacle. There they were having a convention. It was the Jesus' Name people. Now, I did not agree with the Jesus' Name people. They're my brothers, but the reason I....

ACTS2:38

⁷² They baptize for regeneration, in the name of Jesus Christ. I do not believe that. I do not believe that water saves you from sin. I believe it's the blood of Jesus Christ is regeneration. But the Oneness people baptize unto regeneration. The name of Jesus ...just baptize them in Jesus' name, and they're saved, because he said "Repent, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins."

⁷³ But what comes first? Repentance, godly sorrow for your sins, then turn away. Then be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, it's all right. You've done all of this for remission of sins.

⁷⁴ Now, and in there, there was several thousand people. In them days they had segregation in the North here ...or, in the South. And they had to have it up here because many colored brothers was coming to this convention. It was the P.A. of W. and the P.A. of J.C. before the merging. And they was at Mishawaka, colored and white, all together. They couldn't have it in the South at that time. Well, I seen two white men sitting on the seat. I had never heard anything of these messages before in my life. And there those men would raise up and one speak in tongues and the other give the interpretation, and tell the people right in the meeting what was wrong with them, tell the people what they had done. Then this one would speak and the other one interpret. I thought, "My, I've dropped down here amongst angels." Never heard of such a thing.

⁷⁵ All night, in the corn field, I prayed. Well, since a little baby (I believe gifts and callings are without repentance), I've always been able to see visions. And the next morning they asked me to speak, and I did. Outside there was many people who came to me and invited me to their meetings, yet I was a Missionary Baptist. So I just went ahead and let it go like that. After a while I was anxious to get ahold of these two angel-men. I never heard any....

⁷⁶ They'd turn white around the mouth, and raise up and speak with tongues. And the other one stand right up and say, "Thus saith the Lord, 'Jones over here, he did a certain thing, day before yesterday. When you walked around the house you picked up that pocketbook that belongs to this man, this man lost over here.' Thus saith the Lord, 'Take it back!'"

⁷⁷ "God have mercy on me, here it is."

⁷⁸ See, truth. Just say such as that, tell the people right out. I thought, "Oh, my, isn't that wonderful!" So, then I thought, "This is God!"

⁷⁹ Well, then I got to one of those men, and while I was talking to him, I prayed, "God let me have that, ever what it is." I didn't know what to call it, visions, I didn't know what to call it. And when that man come before me, and I caught his attention, just kept speaking to him till I caught his spirit, just like the woman did at the ...Jesus did the woman at the well. Just kept talking till I caught his spirit. And he was a Christian, a real, genuine saint of God. I thought, "Blessed be the name of the Lord!"

⁸⁰ I met the next man coming around the corner, about a half hour later, and I talked with him. And if I ever talked to a hypocrite, he was one of them. His wife was black-headed, and he was living with a blond and had two children by her; and yet speaking with the same Spirit this man was speaking with, and giving the same interpretations, just exactly right. Then I knew.

⁸¹ Before my conversion, I had an experience of one time going into a witch camp with Indians. They're devil-dancers. Take a snake and wrap it around them, and do the corn dance, and speak in tongues and interpret it, and tell exactly the truth what's sitting amongst the people. And seen a witch take a pencil and lay it down, and see that pencil rise up and write in unknown tongues, and interpret it and tell the people exactly what was going on out through there. In a spiritualist's meeting!

⁸² So I said, you see, "I've got amongst devils," and I left the whole thing go.

⁸³ So one day up at Green's Mill, I had been up there praying in my cave, not for that, and I come out and laid my Bible down. It was musty back in the cave and I wanted some sunlight, and it was in the afternoon. And I come out and laid my Bible down. I was going to read a little while, out on the log that lays kind of down the hill. And I just laid the Bible down, I started reading. And the wind blowed, and blowed it over to Hebrews, the sixth chapter. I thought, "Maybe the Lord wants me to read that." I read it.

HEB6:4-8

⁸⁴ "We which were once enlightened, made partakers of the Holy Ghost, seeing we fall away ...to renew ourselves again unto repentance. The rain bringeth forth the ...earth bringeth forth fruits and the rain is sent to water it, and thorns and thistles which is nigh unto rejecting, whose end is to be burned." Something on that order.

⁸⁵ Well, I read it and I thought, "Well, praise the Lord." Turned it over to another one. I thought, "Well, I'll just read somewhere over in here somewhere else." Laid it down like that. Wiped my eyes, the wind blowed it back to Hebrews 6 again. Well, that happened three or four times, as many as three, anyhow. I thought, "I don't see nothing wrong

heaven.-And-Herod-thought-it-would-be-an-earthly-king,-and-he-wanted-to-kill-Him-to-get-rid-of-Him.

JOHN18:36

¹⁹³ It-wasn't-an-earthly-king.-He-said-this-earth-is-not-His-kingdom.-"If-this-was-my-kingdom-my-subjects-would-fight-for-me,-but-my-kingdom-is-of-up-above."-Herod-misunderstood-it.-He-thought-it-was-an-earthly-king.-

¹⁹⁴ That's-the-way-they-say-today,-"What-church-do-you-belong-to-if-you're-a-Christian?-What-denomination?"-

"None."-

¹⁹⁵ They-don't-get-it.-See,-they-can't-understand-it.-They-think-a-denomination-means-a-Christian.-It's-vice-versa,-very-much-so.-But-it's-misunderstood-by-the-people.

¹⁹⁶ Now,-we-find-out-that-Herod-misunderstood-it.-He-couldn't-understand-it.

JOHN3:1-4

¹⁹⁷ Nicodemus-couldn't-understand-it,-the-new-birth,-when-he-came-to-Jesus-by-night.-Someone-condemned-him.-I-don't-condemn-him.-He-was-a-good-man,-he-wanted-to-find-out-something.-He-was-busy-through-the-day,-maybe-he-was-at-his-priest's-office,-or-something-another,-he-had-to-come-by-night.-Anyhow,-he-got-there.-He-done-a-lot-better-than-a-lot-of-people-does-now.-They-won't-come-day-or-night.-He-finally-arrived;-before-you-condemn-him,-have-you?-He-finally-got-to-Jesus,-and-let's-not-condemn-him-if-we-haven't-been-there.-And-if-you-get-there,-then-I-don't-think-you'd-condemn-him.-No,-he-got-there.-And-he-come-by-night,-maybe-he-was-busy.-Anyhow,-he-come.-Maybe-Jesus-was-too-busy-out-praying-for-the-sick-and-things,-only-time-he-could-catch-Him-for-this-interview-would-be-at-nighttime.-But-he-finally-got-there.-He-stayed-there-till-he-got-an-interview-with-Jesus.-And-when-Jesus-said....-He-said,-"Rabbi,-we-know-that-you-are-a-man-sent-from-God,-for-no-man-could-do-these-things-that-You-do-except-God-be-with-Him."-

JOHN3:3

¹⁹⁸ Jesus-said,-"Except-a-man-be-born-again-he-cannot-enter-the-kingdom,-not-even-see-the-kingdom."-

JOHN3:4

¹⁹⁹ And-the-great-rabbi,-master-in-Israel,-said,-"Me,-an-old-man,-enter-into-my-mother's-womb-and-be-born-again?"-See,-he-misunderstood-what-Jesus-was-talking-about.-He-just-didn't-get-it.-Because-that-Jesus-was-talking-about-a-spiritual-birth,-and-he-was-trying-to-apply-it-to-a-natural-birth,-so-he-misunderstood-Him,-he-didn't-get-it.-He-just-...the-way-people-do.-Just-like-Nicodemus,-many-of-us-misunderstand-the-things-of-God-because-we-just-take-it-and-apply-it-for-a-natural-thing.

²⁰⁰ Like,-say,-a-doctor-say,-"Oh,-I-do-not-believe-in-divine-healing.-I-don't-believe-there's-anything...."-

²⁰¹ I-heard-a-doctor-tell-a-woman-in-an-office-one-time,-said....-And-

forth,-and-sound-the-flutes.-They-all-bow-down,-but-what's-the-matter-with-this-crackpot?-What's-the-matter-with-him?-He-won't-do-it.-Because-he-was-in-contact-with-God!-That's-what's-the-matter.-He-was-misunderstood.-He-was-supposed-to-be-crazy,-or-had-lost-his-mind,-or-they-was-a-bunch-of-cranks.-But-they-were-only-following-the-leading-of-the-Spirit.-That's-the-reason-they-were-misunderstood.

¹⁸⁵ All-the-prophets-of-the-Old-Testament,-how-they-rose-up-and-prophe-sied-against-their-nation,-how-they-prophe-sied-against-the-people,-how-they-prophe-sied-against-the-thing,-putting-curses-upon-them,-and-doing-things-like-that.-They-misunderstood.-Why?-They-were-God's-servants,-they-were-doing-the-will-of-God,-they-were-doing-the-service-of-God-therefore-they-were-misunderstood.

¹⁸⁶ Anybody-that-follows-God-is-misunderstood.-Jesus,-our-Lord,-when-His-birth,-He-was-misunderstood.

NUM24:17-MATT2:1,2

¹⁸⁷ The-Magi,-they-were-misunderstood.-They-were-following-a-supernatural-sign-to-find-a-King-that-was-born-King-of-the-Jews.-They-knewed-there-was-a-star-rising-out-of-Jacob,-according-to-the-prophecies-of-Daniel.-And-they-knewed-this-King-would-be-a-Saviour,-He-would-be-the-King-of-Israel.-And-they-come-two-years-all-the-way-from-India,-down-by-the-Tigris-River,-and-across-the-deserts-and-through-the-mountains,-everywhere;-and-come-into-the-city-of-Jerusalem-one-evening-about-sundown,-screaming,-"Where-is-He-that's-born-King-of-the-Jews?-Where-is-He?"

¹⁸⁸ And-nobody-knewed-nothing-about-it.-It-was-a-strange-thing-that-the-King-of-the-Jews-was-born-and-people-hundreds-of-miles-away-knewed-about-it;-and-right-here-in-the-city-where-He-was-born,-and-the-place-He-was-born,-amongst-the-people-He-was-born-to,-and-they-knewed-nothing-about-it.-They-misunderstood-the-Magi.-They-said,-"There's-no-such-a-thing-as-the-king-of-the-Jews.-We-got-a-king-up-here,-Herod."

MATT1:18,20

¹⁸⁹ He-was-misunderstood-in-His-birth-when-He-was-born.-And-Mary-was-to-be-mother-before-she-was-married-to-Joseph.-Misunderstood.-They-thought-it-was-born-out-of-holy-wedlock.-They-did-not-know-that-the-Holy-Ghost-had-conceived-this-child-in-her.-But-it-was-misunderstood.-It-was-an-act-of-God-and-people-misunderstood-it.

¹⁹⁰ They-still-misunderstand-it.-An-act-of-God-is-usually-misunderstood.-

¹⁹¹ Only-by-spiritual-believing-people,-people-who-believe-the-Spirit.-But-it-was-misunderstood,-the-Magi-was-misunderstood.-

MATT2:7,8,16

¹⁹² Herod-misunderstood-it.-When-Herod-said,-"Well,-you-tell-me-where-the-baby-is,-and-I'll-go-worship-Him,-too,-"he-was-a-hypocrite,-he-was-a-lying.-What-he-was-afraid-of....-He-didn't-know-the-Scriptures-that-there-was-supposed-to-be-a-Messiah-come,-a-King-of-

with that. What's in there?"

HEB6:7,8

⁸⁶ Just let me.... You've read it many times, Hebrews 6, "Thorns and thistles. The rain cometh oft upon the earth to water it, to dress it [see], for its fruit. But thorns and thistles which is nigh unto rejection, whose end is to be burned, to be gathered and burned."

⁸⁷ I couldn't get nothing out of that. I thought, "Well, thorns and thistles will be burned, when God takes His wheat to the garner. That settles it, so I don't see nothing about that."

⁸⁸ I was sitting there, I was looking out like that, and a vision came before me. And I seen a world turning like this, and it was all disked up ready to be planted. And a man with a white robe on-head bent down into a feed sack, or a seed sack, rather-he was going along. And I don't know whether any of you remember the old broadcast system, how you.... I seen papa do it. Throw it with his hands like that, and they'd just fall on the grounds, the seeds like that. Well, this man was throwing seeds like that. And as soon as he went along, up behind him come wheat coming up.

⁸⁹ Well, as soon as he went around the curvature of the earth, I seen a black something coming up, like a black moon. And I looked, and it got closer, it was a man, solid black, dressed in black. He was slipping along, looking like this. And he had a seed sack, only in there he had weeds. And he was sowing them amongst this wheat like that, throwing it first one way and the other. And behind him come up weeds-thistles, thorns, briars, and everything.

⁹⁰ Well, I thought, "That is a shame for that man to do a thing like that." In a vision, I wasn't thinking of it being scriptural, see. And I said, "That man's sowing them weeds in that man's wheat field."

⁹¹ Then it got real hot. The little wheat held its head over and going "Huh, huh, huh" like that, just panting like this for breath. The little weed had his head over, "Huh, huh, huh," he was panting for water, too. Everybody prayed for the rain.

⁹² Afterwhile it got ...a great thunder clouds come up and just rained all down, and when it did, the rain struck the earth. And the little wheat begin to jump up and down, hollering, "Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!" And the little weeds a-hollering, "Praise the Lord," straightened right up. The life come to the weed the same to the wheat.

MATT5:45

⁹³ And then the scripture come, "The rain falls on the just and the unjust." There I caught it, see.

MATT5:45 MATT7:16,20 MATT13:30

⁹⁴ If a person is sitting in a congregation, a spirit can fall upon that person, and yet you know that they are wrong and they don't live the right kind of life. Be careful what you say about that spirit. It might be the Holy Spirit. Don't judge the spirit by the person. The person may be

wrong. But now does not the Bible say, "The rain falls on the just and the unjust"? Did not Jesus say, when the fields was planted, "Let them all grow up together, the tares and the wheat, together. Don't you try to pull up the tares. Don't you try to judge them. Just let them grow together. And at that day the angels will be sent forth and will take all the tares and burn them, and the wheat will be gathered into the garner"? But by their fruits we know them. You can know in your heart.

⁹⁵ Keep trying to deal with that person. Don't say that this woman, if she's immorally dressed or.... How did it read? "Let's say that the Holy Ghost will visit...." Let's see. No, I got the wrong one here, somehow. Oh, here it is, yes, the women speaking in tongues. Now, "If a woman with short hair speaks in tongues in the church, it is the spirit ...[Let's see.] is it the Spirit of the Holy Ghost that speaks through her, or is it a false spirit?"

⁹⁶ You see, I wouldn't say nothing. And if you thought the woman wasn't just exactly right by having short hair (I believe that was the subject-yeah, short hair) why not you, brother, if you're a married man and this is a married woman, why don't you take your wife or get your wife to sweetly talk to this little lady? Let's believe she has got the Holy Ghost. If she's in this church, I'm going to believe that she has. And then, just say, maybe she's a....

⁹⁷ Did you know, once in a while, we might examine and find out we might have a little something wrong, too. You know, that's kind of how it is. So somebody might have to tell us something. Lot of times people has told me a lot of things was wrong, that I was doing wrong. I appreciate it.

⁹⁸ But now let's say that ...let's believe that whatever it is, let's believe.... If the woman is not exactly a Christian, if she's just putting on, God will judge her for that. That's right. But.... And if she's dressed immoral, and the things that she's doing is not right, God will take care of that. But let's believe that that Spirit on that woman is the Holy Spirit, see, because we don't know.

⁹⁹ Now, if the interpretation of that Holy Spirit gives something, a curse to Christ.... "No man speaking by the Spirit calleth Christ accursed." If that woman is speaking in tongues and the interpretation comes that "Christ is accursed," then you know that's an evil spirit on the woman. But as long as it's blessing and edifying Christ, then believe that Spirit, see. Amen. I hope that doesn't confuse. I hope that gives a little light on it, anyhow.

DEUT23:2

QUESTION: "Deuteronomy, the twenty-third chapter, the second verse, doesn't it teach that a person whom out of wedlock cannot be saved? It says that God will visit the iniquity of the parents upon the children unto the third and fourth generation. Explain what this means."

¹⁰⁰ All right. Adultery was such a horrible thing in the time of the Bible until even if a man had a child by a woman that wasn't his wife, that

direction-of-God.-Amen!-I-like-that.-He-was-misunderstood.-

GEN2:5,6

¹⁷⁷ How-could-a-man...?-You'd-say,-"There's-never-no-rain-come-from-the-sky.-What-is-rain?"-Never-had-rain;-God-irrigated-the-ground.-"Noah,-where's-that-rain-at?"-

"I-don't-know."

"Show-me-where-it's-at!"

"I-can't-show-it-to-you."

¹⁷⁸ "Well,-how-do-you-know-it's-going-to-come-down-from-up-there-when-there's-none-up-there-to-come-down?"

¹⁷⁹ Noah-might-have-said-something-like-this,-"God-told-me-it-was-coming-down.-And-if-God-said-it's-coming-down,-He's-able-to-take-it-up-there-and-then-bring-it-down.-That-settles-it.-If-God-said-so,-that's-all-there-is-to-it,-see."-He-was-misunderstood-because-he-was-following-God.

1KNG21:23

¹⁸⁰ Elijah.-"I-could-stay-on-these-subjects-a-long-time,-but-I've-got-several-of-them-here-I-would-like-to-come-to-quickly.-"Elijah-was-misunderstood-by-his-nation.-Elijah-was-an-Israelite,-he-was-a-Jew.-And-he-was-misunderstood-because-he-was-always-condemning-his-nation,-condemning-the-king,-condemning-the-queen,-condemning-everything-there-was-around,-and-condemning-them.-What-a-crackpot-he-seemed-to-be.-Why,-my,-everything-the-king....-"Thus-saith-the-Lord,-God's-going-to-punish-you,-you-jezebel,-you-so-and-so."-

¹⁸¹ He-was-misunderstood.-Why?-He-was-following-God.-It-was-not-Elijah-they-misunderstood;-it-was-the-working-of-the-Holy-Spirit-in-Elijah-that-they-misunderstood.

¹⁸² How-could-a-man-raise-up-against-his-own-nation?-Blaspheme-his-own-nation,-correct-it,-and-put-the-curses-of-God-upon-it,-the-very-nation,-the-very-people-that-he-lived-with.-His-own-race,-his-own-color,-his-own-creed,-his-own-kind,-and-yet-predict-the-judgments-of-God-and-call-a-famine-upon-them.-He-was-misunderstood;-because-it-wasn't-Elijah,-it-was-God-in-Elijah-that-they-misunderstood.-It-wasn't-Elijah-being-misunderstood;-it-was-God-leading-Elijah,-and-they-misunderstood-that-God-was-a-holy-God-and-He-could-not-tolerate-sin.

¹⁸³ And-no-matter-if-it's-on-your-brother,-sister,-or-mother,-no-matter-who-it-is,-it's-sin-in-the-sight-of-God-and-the-judgment-will-come-upon-them-for-it.-

DAN3:16-18

¹⁸⁴ Misunderstood.-Daniel-was-misunderstood-when-all-of-the-rest-of-the-children-of-Israel-bowed-down-to-the-image,-but-he-and-Shadrach-and-Meshach-and-Abednego-refused-to-bow-down.-Well,-they-said,-"What's-the-matter-with-him?"-The-whole-nation-said,-"What's-the-matter-with-this-crazy-guy?"-Well,-all-the-rest-of-the-Hebrews-recognize-our-god.-They-recognize-it.-They-bow-down-when-we-play-the-trumpets,-and-sound-the-trumpets-and-play-the-psalteries,-and-so

what-was-God-doing-these-miracles?-He-was-trying-to-get-to-His-people-that-He-was-the-mighty-Jehovah.

JOHN11:25

¹⁷⁰ And-that's-what-He's-trying-to-do-today!-He-just-doesn't-heal-people-just-because-He-can-heal.-He's-trying-to-get-to-you-that-He's-the-resurrection,-that-He-can-make-you-well,-He-can-raise-up-your-body.-He-can-do-whatever-He-wants-to,-He's-Jehovah!-I-like-that.

¹⁷¹ But-the-people-misunderstood-Him.-God-is-so-easily-to-be-misunderstood-by-unbelievers,-by-those-who-don't-want-to-understand.-Many-people-try-to-understand.-Many-don't-want-to-understand.-They-just-shut-up-themselves,-and-say,-"There's-no-such-a-thing,"-and-"I-don't-believe-in-such."-Then-they-can-never-understand.

ISA1:18

¹⁷² But-a-man-that's-willing-to-understand,-that's-willing-to-sit-down-("And-come-let-us-reason-together,"-saith-the-Lord)-now,-that-man-is-on-the-line-of-learning-something-from-the-Lord.-But-people-who-always-are-associated-with-God-and-God's-power....-You-can-hardly-be-associated-with-God-without-being-associated-with-His-power,-because-when-you-are-associated-with-Him-you-are-acquainted-to-Him,-or-a-relative-to-Him,-and-then-you-have-His-power-in-you.

¹⁷³ That's-the-reason-that-people-cannot-believe-in-miracles-today-because-they-don't-have-anything-in-them-to-believe-with.-They've-got-to-have-something-in-there-to-believe-with.-And-when-the-Spirit-of-God-is-in-a-man,-he'll-say-"Amen"-to-every-word-of-God-and-every-miracle-of-God.-But-as-my-mother-used-to-say,-"You-can't-get-blood-from-a-turnip,-because-there's-no-blood-in-it."-So-that's-the-same-way,-you-can't-get-belief-out-of-an-unbeliever,-because-there's-nothing-there-to-believe-with.

¹⁷⁴ A-man-said,-"I-don't-believe-in-divine-healing,-no-matter-what-you-say."-Certainly,-it's-not-for-him;-it's-only-to-those-who-can-believe.-If-you're-going-to-get-blood,-get-it-out-from-something-that's-got-blood-in-it.-If-you're-going-to-get-faith,-get-it-out-of-something-that's-got-faith-in-it.

¹⁷⁵ And-that's-the-way-God-uses-something-that's-got-faith-in-it.-He-don't-send-you-out-here-in-a-healing-campaign-when-you-ain't-got-faith-enough-to-believe-it.-How-is-He-going-to-send-you-out-in-a-miracle-working-revival-when-you-ain't-got-faith-enough-to-believe-it?-He-wants-something-that's-got-something-in-there-that-He-can-produce-something-with.-

HEB11:7

¹⁷⁶ So-the-people-misunderstood.-Noah-was-very-much-misunderstood-in-his-day.-Noah,-acquainted-of-God,-a-servant-of-God,-a-believer-in-God.-And-when-you-become-a-believer-in-God,-you-do-things-so-contrary-to-what-people-think-that's-right-till-they-think-that-you-are-crazy.-And-Noah,-warned-of-God,-prepared-an-ark-for-the-saving-of-his-household.-And-the-people-thought-that-he-was-crazy.-He-was-not-crazy,-he-was-just-misunderstood,-because-he-was-following-the-

child, its children's children's children, for four generations, four hundred and something years, could not enter even into the congregation of the Lord, because that the blood of bulls and goats and heifers was not sufficient to take away sin. It could only divorce or could only cover sin. It could not omit sin, see. It could not omit sin; it could only cover sin. Adultery is a horrible thing!

¹⁰¹ A woman, a precious jewel, that God has made her to be a mother, entrusted her with motherhood, that if she would bring forth a child from another man not being her husband, then there was a curse upon that child, and his children, and his children, and his children, to three and four generations. Even many times such as syphilitic, and blindness and things struck the people. Yes, it was a horrible, horrible thing for a woman to have a baby outside of holy wedlock. Now, not only then, but it's still a horrible thing, sure is, always.

QUESTION: "Will Ezekiel 38 and 39 come to pass before the rapture?"

¹⁰² Now if you will notice, Ezekiel 38 and 39 deals with Gog and Magog, which is Russia, the north country. Now, I do not say that this is correct, but to my way of teaching it, that it comes to pass after the rapture, after the church is taken up. And God deals with Gog and Magog when they come down before Israel there. And I think that will come to pass after the rapture. Now, that doesn't make it so, see. But that's just my way of teaching it. I suppose that's what they wanted to know, what my idea was.

QUESTION: "The Lord has told us through prophecy to witness unto others of the things which we have heard and seen here, such as the nearness of the coming, baptism in the name ...in Jesus' name, and such things. We have told these things to some who seem to be Christians, yet they don't seem to believe. What do you think will happen to those people? Will they go in the rapture?"

¹⁰³ Now, I'm glad you said it that way, "What do you think?" Which that wouldn't make it right because I would think it. I believe that no man can walk in the light of God until God reveals it to him. And I don't believe that any man that.... All these hidden things are hid from the people, and no man can see them except God reveals them. I believe it, because in the Bible it's always been that way.

MATT13:13-15

¹⁰⁴ Did not Jesus say that you have eyes and you can see not, you have ears and you hear not?

ISA6:9,10

¹⁰⁵ And yet in Matthew, I believe it's either the eighth or twelfth chapter, it said that though Jesus had done so many miracles among them, yet they could not believe, because Isaiah said, the prophecy said, that they had eyes and could not see, and ears and could not hear. See?

JOHN6:37,44

¹⁰⁶ And Jesus said, "No man can come to me except my Father calls him

first, and all the Father has given me will come to me." That settles it, see.

¹⁰⁷ Now, you're responsible for spreading the light; you're not responsible for them receiving the light. You're responsible to take it to them, but you're not responsible for their reaction. And then if God lets them in, that'll be up to Him. If they haven't got the garments on, and so forth, and they don't.... But, remember, they cannot see it until God reveals it to them.

DAN12:11

QUESTION: "Brother Branham, in Daniel, the eleventh chapter, the thirty-first-verse,-teaches-of-the-taking-away-of-the-daily-sacrifice,-and-the-abomination-that-maketh-desolation.-Would-you-please-explain-what-these-are?"

MATT24:15

¹⁰⁸ Oh,-this-person-has-signed-their-name-to-this-one.-That-is-my-subject-on-next-Sunday,-and-that-comes-in-with-the-seventy-weeks-of-Daniel.-And-I-might-just-say-this-to-you,-my-most-precious-brother-that-signed-this-here,-which-is-a-very-dear-friend-to-all-of-us,-yes,-the-abomination-that-maketh-desolation-Jesus,-in-Matthew-24,-spoke-of-it-the-abomination-(means-filthiness)-that-maketh-desolation,-the-abomination-was-the-Moslem-Mosque-of-Omar-that-was-built-on-the-temple-grounds-where-the-holy-place-stood.

MATT24:15

¹⁰⁹ In-A.D.-96,-Titus-came-in-and-captured-Jerusalem-and-burnt-the-temple.-And-they-built-the-Mosque-of-Omar-(the-Mohammedan-religion)-right-on-the-temple-grounds,-and-still-stands-there-to-this-day.-And-it-will-stand-there-until-God-returns-to-the-Jews-again.-"And-the-abomination-[that-is-the-Mosque-of-Omar]-that-maketh-desolation-of-the-holy-place,"-standing-in-the-holy-place,-see.

MATT24:15

¹¹⁰ Jesus-referred-to-it,-said,-and-in-parenthesis,-"Let-he-that-readeth-understand,"-see.-Therefore,-He's-give-so-many-days-from-that-time-until-the-...after-the-Prince-and-so-many-days,-and-so-forth,-which-we'll-get-into-next-Sunday.-And-I'll-try-to,-the-best-of-my-knowledge,-to-get-that-in-for-you-for-next-Sunday.-But-that-abomination-is-the-Mosque-of-Omar-that-took-the-place-of-the-temple.-"When-you-see-the-abomination-that-maketh-desolation,-spoken-of-by-the-prophet-Daniel,-standing-in-the-holy-place."-See,-standing-where-the-temple-stood-(the-holy-place),-the-Mosque-of-Omar.

QUESTION:-"Brother-Branham,-don't-you-feel-that-everyone-who-claims-to-be-a-Christian-should-pay-tithes,-pay-their-tithes-into-the-storehouse-of-the-Lord?-Please-give-scripture-to-this-question."

MAL3:8,10

¹¹¹ All-right,-if-you-will....-That-is-right,-that-the-Bible-said-in-Malachi,-the-fourth-chapter,-"Will-a-man-rob-God?-And-you-say,-'Where-have-we-robbed-Thee?'-In-tithe-and-offerings.-Bring-all-of-your-tithes-and-offerings-into-my-storehouse,-and-prove-me,"-saith-the-Lord,-"if-I-will-not-open-up-the-windows-of-heaven,-and-pour-out-a-

¹⁶³ Now,-God-doesn't-do-miracles-just-to-say,-"See,-I'm-God."-God-does-a-miracle-for-an-understanding,-see.-God-does-it-for-a-purpose.-And-did-you-notice-the-reading-of-the-Psalms-here-in-this-seventh-verse?-I-think-it's-so-beautiful,-I-want-to-read-it-over-again:

Our-fathers-understood-not-thy-wonders-in-Egypt-[see,-they-didn't-understand-it];-they-remembered-not-the-multitude-of-thy-mercies;-but-provoked-him-at-the-sea,-even-...the-Red-sea.-

Nevertheless-he-saved-them-for-his-name's-sake,-that-he-might-make-his-mighty-power-to-be-known.-

¹⁶⁴ See,-they-did-not-understand-why-that-God,-down-in-Egypt,-performed-these-miracles.-He-was-trying-to-show-them-His-mercies.-He-was-trying-to-get-them-to-understand-that-He-was-God-in-their-midst.-I-love-that.

¹⁶⁵ In-my-little-sermon-that-I-preached-here-some-time-ago-up-at-Chicago-(and-then-I-believe-I-preached-it-here,-the-boys-has-got-it-on-tape),-"As-The-Eagle-Stirreth-Up-Her-Nest,"-fluttereth-over-her-young,-how-that-the-old-mother-eagle-takes-her-little-babies....-Before-she-takes-them-on-a-flight,-they-got-a-lot-of-loose-feathers-in-them.-And-they've-never-seen-her-really-in-her-best-because-they're-all-squatted-down-in-the-nest.-But-she-gets-up-over-the-nest-and-she-spreads-her-big-mighty-wings.-What's-she-doing?-She-screams-she-wants-them-to-know-her-voice.-She-stretches-forth-her-big-wings.

¹⁶⁶ The-female-eagle-is-sometimes-the-largest.-They-are-...said-that-eagles-sometimes,-them-big-females,-have-wings-fourteen-feet-from-tip-to-tip-pick-up-a-calf-and-fly-away-with-it.-Fourteen-feet,-tip-...from-tip-to-wings,-as-far-as-across-this-platform-right-here,-from-post-to-post.

¹⁶⁷ She-gets-up-there-before-this-little-fellow,-because-why?-She's-going-to-take-him-on-a-flight.-He's-never-been-out-of-that-nest.-And-she's-going-to-take-him-way-up-in-the-heavens-and-then-shake-him-off,-and-let-him-up-there-to-flop-for-himself,-to-learn-how-to-fly.-So-she-wants-to-show-the-authority-she-has.-She-spreads-forth-her-big-wings-to-the-strutting-of-the-feathers,-and-she-screams,-and-then-she-fans-them.-Oh,-my!-The-feathers-fly-out-of-the-nest,-and-everything-else.-She's-throwing-wind-in-there-like-out-of-a-jet-plane.-Knocks-him-backwards,-and-he-lays-on-his-little-back,-and-looks-up-and-thinks,-"Mother,-how-great-thou-art!-How-great-thou-art!"

¹⁶⁸ "See-how-strong-my-wings-are?-I-can-pick-you-up-and-pack-you-anywhere-I-want-to.-I'm-powerful."

DEUT32:10,11

¹⁶⁹ That's-what-God-was-doing-to-Israel.-You-know-He-said,-"As-the-eagle-stirreth-up-her-nest...."-That's-the-same-thing.-He-found-Israel-in-a-howling-land-down-there,-and-He-brought-him-up-out-of-Egypt-and-took-him-into-the-promised-land,-on-the-wings-of-an-eagle,-see.-And-

¹⁵⁴ We-pray,-Father,-that-You'll-bless-these-gifts-and-manifest-them-in-the-church.-And-may-it-come-to-pass-that-pilgrims-and-strangers,-coming-by,-drop-in-that-door-and-sit-down-a-few-minutes,-and-may-the-Spirit-of-God-be-so-great-in-here-till-it'll-make-known-the-secret-of-every-heart-that-enters-the-door.-Grant-it,-Lord.-May-it-be-with-such-sweetness-and-humility,-never-harsh-and-rebuking-and-tearing-down.-We-know-the-Spirit-of-God-isn't-like-that.

¹⁵⁵ So-we-pray-that-You'll-bless-us-in-everything.-Bless-our-church,-bless-our-people.-Bless-the-people-of-other-churches.-And,-Father,-we-know-that-there-is-only-one-church-and-we-are-all-born-into-that.-

¹⁵⁶ Now-I-pray,-Father,-that-You'll-bless-us-further-as-I-read-this-little-text-that-You-seemed-to-give-me,-sitting-there-by-the-desk-this-afternoon.-And-help-me,-Lord,-not-to-keep-the-people-too-long,-but-just-to-speak-a-few-expressions-here.-I-pray-that-You'll-be-in-it.-And-give-us-a-little-thought,-that-we-can-go-home-with-it-and-thank-the-Lord-for-His-goodness.-We-ask-in-Jesus'-name.-Amen.

¹⁵⁷ Now,-don't-forget,-next-Sunday-morning,-the-Lord-willing.

PSA106:7

¹⁵⁸ Now-turn-to-Psalms-106,-and-the-seventh-verse.-I-was-going-to-read-on-down-...a-part-of-this-Psalm,-but-...-It's-David.-Why-it-come-to-me,-was-because-of-this-morning's-message.-And-I'll-get-my-watch-here-and-try-to-be-out-at-nine-thirty,-if-all-possible.-Now-on-the-seventh-verse-of-Psalms-106:

Our-fathers-understood-not-thy-wonders-in-Egypt;-they-remembered-not-the-multitude-of-thy-mercies;-but-provoked-him-at-the-sea,-even-...the-Red-sea.-

PSA106:8

¹⁵⁹ I'm-going-to-read-the-next-verse:

Nevertheless-he-saved-them-for-his-name's-sake,-that-he-might-make-his-mighty-power-to-be-known.-

The-Lord-add-his-blessings.-

¹⁶⁰ I'm-going-to-speak-to-you,-if-the-Lord-willing,-on-the-subject-of-"The-Misunderstanding";-"God-Misunderstood."-I'll-take-it-like-that:-"God-Being-Misunderstood."

¹⁶¹ You-know,-misunderstanding-gets-us-in-a-lot-of-trouble.-Many-times-that-people-say-things-that-they-repeat-after-somebody-else,-where-they-misunderstood-them.-That-gets-a-person-in-trouble.-I-believe-it-would-be-good-for-us-if-we'd-just-wait-till-we-understood-what-we-was-talking-about.-Don't-you-think-so?-I-know-it-would-be-for-me,-very-good-for-me-to-find-out-first-and-then-say-it.-But-we're-always,-seem-to-be,-misunderstood.-And-here-David-is-speaking-of-Israel-misunderstood-His-miracles-when-they-were-in-Egypt.

¹⁶² Now,-to-misunderstand-is-just-not-to-say,-"Well,-I-didn't-hear-what-he-said";-but-to-see-something-done-and-misunderstand-what-it's-for.-You're-missing-the-boat-all-completely-then.

blessing-that-there'll-not-be-room-enough-to-receive."

¹¹² That's-a-challenge-to-any-individual.-And-if-I-only-had-the-time,-and-would-not-get-to-this-little-scripture-that-I-wish-to-get-to-in-about-the-next-ten-minutes,-I-would-like-to-give-you-a-personal-testimony-of-how-that-I-was-even-hungry,-and-my-mother-and-them-hungry,-and-my-daddy-sick,-but-I-took-my-tithes-out-first-and-give-it-to-God,-and-you-ought-to-see-what-happened.-I-have-never-seen-in-my-life,-that-any-man-or-a-woman,-that-if-you-only-make-one-dollar-a-week,-will-bring-the-ten-cents-of-that-money-and-put-it-into-your-storehouse,-or-a-church-where-you-come,-if-God-don't-bless-that,-call-me-a-hypocrite.-Yes,-sir.-That's-a-challenge-to-anybody.-And-every-Christian-(that-goes-to-this-other-question),-every-Christian-should-pay-tithes.-That's-right.-It-should-be-done.-

All-right,-now:

QUESTION:- "If-a-person-or-persons-speaking-in-unknown-tongues-in-the-same-tone-of-voice,-each-time-the-same-thing,-but-the-interpretation-is-different-by-the-interpreter-each-time,-could-that-be-the-Holy-Spirit?"-

Now-let-me-read-that-again:

"If-a-person-or-persons-speaking-in-unknown-tongues-in-the-same-tone-of-voice...

[in-other-words,-just-saying-the-same-thing-like-certain-certain-word-over-and-over-and-over]

...each-time,-and-the-same-thing-each-time,-but-the-interpretation-by-the-interpreter-is-different-each-time,-could-this-be-the-Holy-Ghost?"-

¹¹³ Now,-there-is-a-stiff-one,-but-let-me-shed-just-a-little-light-on-this-if-I-can.-And-I'm-sure-you'll-understand-that-this-is-just-Brother-Branham-trying-to-do-my-best,-but-let-me-just-give-this-as-my-own-personal-experience-of-dealing-with-spiritual-things.-And-I-appreciate-your-confidence-of-asking-me-questions-like-this.-If-you-didn't-have-confidence-in-me,-you-wouldn't-ask-me-no-such.-I-believe-a-Christian-wouldn't-ask-questions-to-raise-an-argument.-I-believe-they're-trying-to-find-what's-truth,-see.-And-I-would-answer-...and-I'll-answer-it,-and-if-I've-made-myself-clear,-it's-the-best-of-my-knowledge.-And-then-if-that-spirit-in-you-gets-angry,-that-shows-it-isn't-the-Holy-Spirit-in-you,-see.-So-then-the-Holy-Spirit-will-not-anger.-It'll-be-corrected-each-time-by-the-Word,-and-stand-correction.-

¹¹⁴ Now-let-me-say-this,-that-in-this-case-(Remember,-God-be-my-judge,-this-is-William-Branham),-I-couldn't-say.-But-in-experiences-that-I-have-witnessed-while-under-the-anointing-of-such-meetings,-I-believe-that-the-person-that's-saying-the-same-thing-over-each-time,-the-same-tone-of-voice,-is-really-speaking-in-tongues.-I-do.-I-believe-by-the-Spirit-they're-speaking-in-tongues.-If-they're-Christians,-they-are-

speaking-with-tongues,-no-doubt.-But-I-believe-that-you-get-the-wrong-slant-of-interpretation.

¹¹⁵ Now,-many-times,-people-...I-want-to-....-It's-just-the-church-folks-here,-I-guess,-tonight,-anyhow,-about,-isn't-it,-Brother-Neville,-just-about-what-comes?-So-if-the-strangers-are-here-and-you-differ-with-this,-I'm-trying-to-speak-to-my-own-church,-see.

¹¹⁶ Now,-as-your-father-in-the-gospel,-as-your-pastor,-I-would-like,-a-little-later-on,-when-your-spirits-and-gifts-begin-to-come-to-perfection-....-If-you-go-to-watching-them-flying-loose-and-getting-...then-you-just-better-watch-that-person.-Just-let-it-go,-because-it's-not-the-Spirit-of-God-on-them.-But-when-they're-sweet-and-meeek-and-humble-and-ready,-and-everything,-that's-the-Spirit-of-God.-And-if-somebody-gets-out-of-order-and-the-pastor-has-to-call-it-down,-and-that-spirit-flies-up,-then-it's-not-the-Spirit-of-God.-The-Spirit-of-God-always-stands,-comes-to-the-Word,-see.-It-recognizes-the-Word-every-time.-

¹¹⁷ Now,-but-now-I'm-not-trying-to-flatter,-or-to-shake-down.-I'm-only-trying-to-make-a-truth.-Now,-someone-speaking-in-tongues,-and-another-one-gets-up-to-interpret-tongues.-Now-listen-close.--(And-I-think-this-is-being-taped.-Is-it?)-In-interpretation-of-tongues-....-Now,-I'm-going-to-have-to-get-down-in-some-doctrine-now-with-you.-In-the-interpretation-of-tongues,-many-people-interpret-tongues-by-an-extraordinary-expression-of-them-feeling-to-say-such-a-thing.-That-is-not-interpretation.

¹¹⁸ Interpretation-is-when-they-are-speaking-in-an-unknown-tongue,-you-are-hearing-them-in-English,-and-just-repeating-over-what-they-are-saying.-But,-if-this-person-speaks-in-your-church-....-I-don't-think-we-have-it-in-this-one.-If-it-does,-I-never-heard-it.

¹¹⁹ But-someone-getting-up-just-saying-like-some-certain-word,-over-and-over,-or-same-tone-of-voice-running-right-down,-right-down,-right-down,-right-down-....-

¹²⁰ I-tell-you,-I-don't-believe-Junie-Jackson's-here-tonight.-Is-he?-I-don't-think-he-is.-But-I'm-always-amazed-at-Junior-Jackson-and-his-speaking-in-tongues,-and-Brother-Higginbotham,-and-many-of-you-people-here,-how-that-you-see-that-change-of-voice-in-the-interpretation,-see.-Now-that's-all-right.-Now,-I-ain't-boasting-my-church-up.-No,-sir.-If-my-church-needed-correction,-I'm-going-to-stand-here-and-do-my-best-for-my-Saviour.-That's-right,-whether-it-hurts-or-whether-it-doesn't.-I'm-your-father-in-the-gospel,-see,-and-I-want-....-You-don't-want-a-wrong-spirit.-You-want-the-right-Spirit.-

¹²¹ Why-take-a-substitute-when-there's-a-whole-...Pentecostal-skies-are-full-of-the-real?-Why-eat-at-a-garbage-can-when-there's-a-fine,-big,-clean-table-setting-here-with-chicken-and-dumplings-and-everything,-see?-Why-would-we-do-that?-See?-Let's-get-the-real.-That's-what-we-want,-the-real,-genuine-one.

¹⁴⁸ Now,-the-great-blessing's-on,-and-people-are-shouting,-and-the-glory-of-the-Lord-is-a-falling,-and-people-want-to-scream-and-shout-and-do-whatever-the-Spirit-tells-them.-Go-ahead,-that's-right.-But-when-a-man's-coming-to-be-healed,-where-the-question-between-death-and-life-is-involved,-I-believe-we-should-be-reverent-and-speak-to-Father-and-talk-to-Him-for-this-brother.-Instead-of-worshipping-Him,-let's-ask-Him,-"Father,-I'm-a-worshipper-of-yours.-I-love-You,-You-know-I-do,-I-express-my-love-to-You.-Now-I'm-expressing-my-faith-to-You.-Help-my-brother-to-be-well.-Will-You,-Father?"-I-believe-you'll-get-a-better-results-by-doing-that.-I-really-do.-In-reverence,-the-Spirit-of-God.

¹⁴⁹ My,-these-may-be-a-hundred-miles-long-but-I-hope-I've-answered-them,-strowed-just-a-little-bit-of-light.-I-kind-of-know-what's-on-your-minds-now,-anyhow.-And-I'll-tell-you-what,-a-little-later-on-I-want-to-ask-pastor-here-if-he'll-come-and-help-me-to-...maybe-come-down-and-get-all-the-people-together-that's-got-the-Spirit-of-God-upon-them-in-the-form-of-gifts,-let's-talk-about-it-a-little-while.-Maybe-I-can-help-you-to-climb-the-ladder-just-a-little-bit-higher-and-get-a-little-closer-to-God-with-it,-and-set-it-more-in-order-in-the-church.-I've-been-watching-along.-It-seems-wonderful-to-me.-And-I-just-love-to-see-it-move-on-and-on-and-on,-on-and-on-and-on.

¹⁵⁰ And-as-we're-coming-up,-don't-let-Satan-creep-in,-now.-Boy,-he's-smart.-Don't-outwit-him,-don't-try-to,-because-you-can't.-You-just-depend-on-God-and-just-keep-walking-humbly,-and-God-will-do-it.-And-you'll-find-out-that-God-will-use-you-more-and-more-and-more-like-that.-The-Lord-bless-you.

¹⁵¹ Do-we-have-time-for-twenty-minutes-of-speaking?-[Congregation-says,-"Amen!"]-Thank-you.-Thank-you.-I-guess-that-was-enough-to-start-me,-Ben.-All-right.

¹⁵² Let's-turn-to-Psalms-just-a-moment.-The-Lord-seemed-to-give-me-a-little-thought-here-I-would-like-to-express-to-you-all-tonight-just-in-a-manner-of-a-sermon,-if-you-will,-just-a-few-minutes.-I-know-it's-hot,-and-it's-hot-up-here,-too.-But,-remember,-we-won't-meet-anymore,-maybe,-till-Wednesday-night.-So-let's-just-wait,-and-before-we-sing-the-good-old-song-of-"Blest-Be-the-Tie-that-Binds,"-let's-talk-about-the-written-Word.-These-questions-kind-of-make-us-...leave-us-in-a-stew.-Let's-get-out-of-it-now,-and-speak-in-the-Word.

Now-can-we-bow-our-heads-again-just-a-moment?

¹⁵³ Heavenly-Father,-these-questions,-I've-tried-to-find-what-the-people's-got-on-their-hearts,-see-if-they'll-ask-about-this,-about-that.-I-see,-Lord,-they're-desiring-spiritual-gifts.-And-those-who-have-spiritual-gifts-are-wondering-how-to-conduct-it.-To-some,-it's-throwing-great-light-on-the-church;-to-others,-they're-wondering.-Now,-Lord,-help-us.-Help-us,-Lord.-We-are-your-children.-We-are-not-doing-these-things-to-honor-ourselves,-we-are-doing-this-to-the-honor-of-God-by-a-gift-that-God-has-given-us.

are-of-God.-Now,-if-it's-of-God,-it'll-always-be-truthful,-it'll-always-happen-just-exactly-the-way-He-said.

¹⁴¹ And-now-don't....-If-you-start-showing-off-with-it,-it'll-just-leave-you.-See,-just-be-reverent-and-sweet.-And-when-He-shows-you-anything,-and-it's-something-that-you-should-tell-somebody,-that-they've-done-something-that's-wrong,-then-just-don't-stand-right-up-and-rebuke-that-person,-go-to-them-yourself-and-say,-"Sister,-brother,-you-know,-the-Lord-told-me-the-other-night-that-you-were-doing-something-wrong,-a-certain-thing."

¹⁴² If-that-person-says,-"You-are-wrong!-That-is-a-lie!-I-did-not-do-that!"

¹⁴³ Now,-the-thing-to-do-then-is-go-back-and-say,-"Heavenly-Father,-was-that-wrong?"

¹⁴⁴ Now,-if-that-person....-Then-if-that-person-was-telling-you-the-truth,-then-you've-got-the-wrong-spirit.-But-if-that-person-was-lying,-and-he-did-do-it,-God-will-deal-with-that-person,-see.-Yes,-sir.-Because,-see-what-he's-done-there,-he's-blasphemed-against-the-Holy-Ghost,-denying-what-the-Holy-Ghost-has-called-to-his-attention,-see.-So-it's-the-wrong-thing.

QUESTION:-"Brother-Branham,-how-can-a-church-dance,-shout,-speak-in-tongues,-and-let-the-Spirit-[let's-see,-now-wait-a-minute]-...and-get-lost-in-the-Spirit,-and-very-seldom-any-time-Scripture-read.-I-don't-understand-it."

¹⁴⁵ Neither-do-I-shouting-dancing,-speaking-in-tongues,-and-not-even-read-the-Scripture.-I-say-this-(remember,-William-Branham,-which-could-be-a-million-miles-wrong),-I-believe-that-most-of-the-people....-I-was-asked-that-question-today-by-a-brother,-something-on-that-order.-That,-when-they-go-to-pray-for-the-sick,-a-brother-will-maybe-pray-for-one,-then-get-them-all-singing-or-dancing-in-the-Spirit,-thinking-that-brings-power-amongst-the-people.-No,-for-myself,-I-believe-that's-wrong.

¹⁴⁶ I-believe-that-a-person-coming-in-the-healing-meeting-will-be-like-coming-for-salvation,-come-reverently,-believing.-Every-person-in-there-not-shouting-and-dancing-but-seeing-their-brother-or-sister-going-up-there-to-ask-God-for-mercy,-bow-your-head-and-start-praying,-"God,-help-my-brother-now-as-pastor-prays-for-him,-anoints-him.-Let-the-Holy-Spirit-come-upon-him-and-give-him-faith-to-believe-for-his-healing.-He's-a-precious-brother.-She's-a-precious-sister."-Be-praying-for-him-instead-of-just-singing,-shouting-and-dancing.

¹⁴⁷ But-we-see-so-much-of-that-in-our-Pentecostal-meetings.-It's-a-constant....-I-believe-it's-a-worship.-I-truly-believe-they're-worshipping-God.-Yes,-sir,-I-believe-it-with-all-my-heart.-And-I-believe-in-speaking-with-tongues,-shouting-and-dancing.-I-believe-it-every-bit,-yes.-I-believe-anything-that-they-do-in-the-Bible-is-just-as-good-today-as-it-was-then.-Sure.-But-I-believe-it-has-its-time-and-its-order.

¹²² Now,-I-believe,-in-this-statement-that's-made-here,-same-thing-over,-I-believe-in-that-statement-that-they're-both-correct,-but-I-do-not-believe-that-the-interpreter-is-interpreting-the-language-of-the-person.-I-do-not-believe-that.-I-believe-that-the-Spirit-is-present-and-the-interpreter-is-propheying.-I-believe-he-is-a-prophezier-instead-of-an-interpreter-if-he-does-not-hear-the-voice-in-his-own....-"How-hear-we-every-man-in-our-own-language-wherein-we-were-born?"-See,-you've-got-to-hear-in-the-same-...you've-got-to-hear-English.-

¹²³ Here,-here's-an-interpreter.-Now,-I-stand-up,-and-I-only-know-two-or-three-words-in-a-different-language,-that-I-know-of.-Now-I'm-just-taking-this-in-literal,-not-in-spiritual-now.-Now-I'm-going-to-say,-"Baie,-baie,-bly.-Ekke-wil-Afrikaans-sprekken."-Now,-I-doubt-whether-there's-a-person-here-knows-what-I-said.-Brother,-what'd-I-say?-[A-brother-says,-"You-said-you-could-speak-Afrikaans."]-Afrikaans.-"Baie,-baie-bly"-I-am-very,-very,-happy.-"I-am-here-to-speak-Afrikaans,-see,-Afrikaans-sprekken,-see.-I-am-here-to-speak-Afrikaans."

¹²⁴ Now,-what-did-he-do?-I-was-speaking-Afrikaans-but-he-heard-me-in-English.-Is-that-right?-Because-you-know-Afrikaans.-Now,-if-you-are-speaking-...if-I-am-standing-here-saying-...preaching,-and-Brother-Neville-is-interpreting-to-another-language-of-people,-he's-saying-in-their-language-what-he-hears-me-say;-he-knows-what-I'm-talking-about-because-he-knows-my-language.

¹²⁵ And-if-you-are-speaking-in-an-unknown-tongue,-and-interpreting,-you-are-hearing-in-the-language-that-you-were-born-in,-because-that's-the-only-way-you-can-interpret-what-they're-saying;-because-the-Holy-Spirit-has-interpreted-it-to-you-and-you're-just-speaking-for-the-Holy-Spirit.

¹²⁶ But-then-if-the-Spirit-is-present-to-bless-this-poor-person,-and-they're-standing-up....-Like-a-precious-old-brother-gone-on,-he's-in-glory-tonight,-I-really-believe-the-dearest-old-soul,-old-Brother-Ryan.-All-of-us-know-him.-He-used-to-stand-out-on-the-street-(And-God-forgive-me,-not-to-be-sacrilegious,-I-know-it's-a....-Blaspheming-the-Holy-Ghost-is-unpardonable.)....-But-Brother-Ryan-used-to-say-one-word-over-and-over-all-the-time,-something-about-"seekem-and-see-kem-and-see-kem,"-or-something-like-that.-He-used-to-have....-Why,-somebody-said,-"Do-you-think-that's-of-God?"

¹²⁷ I-said,-"Certainly-it's-of-God.-Certainly,-I-believe-it's-of-God."-But,-he-was-speaking-in-tongues,-but-I-couldn't-say-what-he-was-saying-because-I-don't-know.-But,-the-presence-of-the-Spirit-was-there.

¹²⁸ So-if-the-presence-of-the-Spirit-is-there,-and-this-person's-just-saying-one-word,-over-and-over-and-over,-and-this-other-one-jumps-up-and-tries-to-give-an-interpretation,-yet-he-don't-know-what-he's-saying,-it's-this-man-is-not-giving-the-interpretation,-he's-propheying.-The-spirit-of-prophecy-is-upon-him-and-he's-propheying,-not-giving-an-

interpretation.-

¹²⁹ So-therefore,-dear-Christian,-to-you-who-said-that,-"Could-that-be-the-Holy-Spirit?"-it-could-be-the-Holy-Spirit-using-two-offices.-One,-blessing-a-soul-in-speaking-in-tongues;-and-another-one,-prophesying,-not-have-to-be-interpreting-what-he's-saying.-But-yet-he-said-it.-The-Holy-Spirit-come-upon-him-in-prophecy-just-the-same-time-that-this-one-was-speaking-in-tongues,-and-he-thought-it-was-an-interpretation.-What-difference-does-it-make?-It's-the-Spirit-of-God-giving-a-message-to-the-church.-But-interpretation,-it's-got-to-understand-in-English-and-repeat-back-exactly-what-the-person-said.-That's-the-gift-of-interpretation.

QUESTION:-"If-there-is-already-three-messages-gone-out-in-unknown-tongues-in-one-meeting,-then-in-the-prayer-line-can-there-be-more-messages-go-out-and-still-be-in-the-spiritual-order-of-the-meeting?"

¹³⁰ Why,-certainly.-That's-right.-Sure.-I-know-where-you're-getting-to.-There's-Paul,-said,-"If-you-prophecy-or-speak-in-tongues,"-something-like-that,-Paul-speaking-of....-

¹³¹ Little-later-on,-when-you-all....-Brother-Neville,-when-you-all-want-to-now,-these-people-that's-got-these-spiritual-gifts....-Now,-if-you'll-trust-my-understanding-of-the-Scripture,-I-will-come-down-with-a-meeting-just-with-you-people-alone-who-has-these-gifts,-just-with-you-all,-so-we-can-sit-together....-And-if-you-feel....-And-you-watch-Brother-Neville,-and-see-in-the-church-that-it-is-God,-and-God-a-moving-among-them,-that's-what-we-want.-But-we-want-to-put-that-in-order-so-it-can-go-to-blessing-the-church-and-doing-something.-Now,-God-...I-know,-and-know-the-Scriptures,-what-to-do.-And-that's-what-we-want-to-do.

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¹³² Now,-this-person-here,-I-know-in-speaking-in-tongues,-it's-supposed-to-be-by-courses-two,-or-not-more-than-three.-That-is-correct,-but-if-you'll-notice-here,-if-it-was....-

¹³³ Just-like-someone-give-...up,-up-there,-like-Brother-Sothmann-raised-up-and-give-a-message-in-prophecy-or-speaking-in-tongues.-Interpretation-of-tongues-is-prophecy,-see,-spirit-of-prophecy.-Now,-if-you-just-speak-in-an-unknown-tongues,-there-be-no-interpreter,-that-person's-blessed-of-the-Spirit;-but-he-doesn't-hurt-the-church.

¹³⁴ Now,-what-Paul-was-trying-to-get-at-is-this:-you-use-the-whole-service-just-in-speaking-in-tongues,-see.-And-the-unlearned-said,-"What's-this-about-anyhow?"-See,-they-don't-get-it-but-there-be-an-interpretation.-And-let-there-be-one,-two,-or-as-many-as-three-messages-in-a-meeting.-

¹³⁵ Now,-the-person-here-says,-"Then-in-the-prayer-line?"-That-must-have-been-that-maybe-someone-in-the-prayer-line....-Maybe,-Brother-Neville,-or-in-some-other-church,-or-wherever-it's-from,-that-in-the-

prayer-line-this-man-...or-in-divine-healing-meetings.-Might-have-been-in-Brother-Roberts'-meeting,-Brother-Allen's-meeting,-or-some-...my-meeting,-or-somebody-else,-I-don't-know.-But,-whatever-it-is,-what-Paul-is-speaking-of-is-a-message-to-the-congregation-out-there.-Let-that-just-be-three,-because-the-message-of-God-is-speaking-a-message-trying-to-get-it-over-to-the-congregation.-But-when-the-man-in-the-prayer-line,-he's-prophesying-to-an-individual,-not-the-whole.-If-that-be-so,-I've-been-out-of-order-all-along-in-my-prayer-lines,-see,-when-thirty-or-forty-of-them-in-a-night,-see,-if-you're-prophesying-to-an-individual.

¹³⁶ But-this-man-prophesying-is-to-the-whole-body.-Let-that-be-two-or-three-messages-and-then-stop-it.-Though-the-Holy-Spirit-may-still-want-to-speak,-but-wait-a-minute,-give-the-Word-a-chance-to-go-out.-You-see?-And-then-really,-that-speaking-should-be-either-before-or-after-the-Word.-Nothing-should-interrupt-the-Word-as-it's-going-out.-But,-however,-we-get-that-in-order-later-on-when-our-spirits-and-gifts-begins-to-get-into-perfection.

¹³⁷ We're-talking-now-on-the-seriousness-of-the-Pentecostal-church,-I-mean-the-real-Pentecostal-church.-And-we're-glad-that-God-still-lives-and-reigns-and-speaking-through-us.

¹³⁸ Now,-but-if-it's-like,-for-instance,-if-the-sister-here-would-give-out-a-message-in-tongues-or-a-prophecy;-and-the-lady-next-to-her-would-give-a-message-in-tongues-or-prophecy;-and-then-the-lady-next-to-her-or-somebody-back-there,-someone-would-give-a-message-or-prophecy,-or-tongues;-no-doubt-but-what-it's-merely-all-speaking-on-the-same-thing,-if-God's-urgent,-trying-to-put-something-over,-calling-some-individual-in-the-church-to-do-something,-now,-or-something-that-He-wants-done.

¹³⁹ Now-then,-for-instance,-the-prayer-line's-called,-and-Brother-Neville,-or-myself,-or-any-other-minister,-goes-down-to-this-individual.-That's-not-to-the-body;-that's-to-this-individual.-And-the-Spirit-of-God-comes-upon-him-to-tell-this-individual-something;-then-tell-him,-because-he's-not-speaking-to-the-congregation.-He's-speaking-to-this-individual,-not-to-the-congregation,-so-that-is-all-right.

QUESTION:-All-right,-"Dear-Brother-Branham,-time-after-time-the-Lord-shows-me-things-in-dreams.-He-has-showed-me-things-about-my-son-in-the-navy,-which-my-son-told-me-were-secrets.-He-has-showed-me-of-people's-deaths-and-of-the-secrets-of-people's-hearts.-Is-this-a-gift-from-God?-When-He-shows-me-in-dreams-the-hearts-and-minds-of-people,-everything-has-always-turned-out-like-the-dream-shows-me."

GEN37:5,6,9-GEN41:15

¹⁴⁰ Why,-yes,-my-brother-or-sister,-whoever-it-may-be.-The-Lord-bless-you.-That-is,-to-my-opinion,-the-gift-of-God.-It's-a-gift-of-God.-Don't-you-know-the-Bible-speaks-of-dreams?-Joseph,-how-he-dreamed-dreams-and-interpreted,-and-how-others-dreamed-dreams.-Those-things-