

WE WOULD SEE JESUS

E-1 May be seated. Thankful to you Brother Borders. It's certainly a grand privilege to be here in San Jose tonight. I might say that this was my first invitation to California, and I been fourteen years getting here. I been all around everywhere else to finally get to San Jose. And I heard that I was going to get to come this time; it certainly thrill my heart. For there were some pastor here, perhaps on the platform tonight, that give me the first invitation fourteen years ago, and my first one.

So I've . . . I have looked around on the map, and over . . . I been to Fresno, and around, rim firing it and just got here. You know they always say the best is last, is that—save the best for last, is that what it is? The dessert. Looks at this nice audience tonight . . . So great anticipations on your faces, looks like you're looking for something to happen. Then I am believing this is, the Lord has saved last the best.

E-2 We've just closed a great meeting down to the Angelus Temple. And we had wonderful time down there. The Lord did bless us, and give us a hundred of souls, great testimonies of all kinds. Wheelchairs, cots . . .

A young colored girl was called in the meeting. And I believe I have her testimony over there, that she had two tumors that turned to cancer, one on each side, that the doctor could not touch. It was done past that. And within two days, the same doctor could find nothing of them at all. They were gone. So, it's just to show that our Lord still is Lord. He still rules and reigns. So happy for that.

E-3 Now, it's too bad we just have three days. I wished we just had three weeks, or four weeks, or something, so we could really have a—a great time together. Now, I'm so glad to hear that all this fine cooperation of all the different pastors, different, the Church of God, Assemblies of God, and all—all of them. Every . . . All different denominations of the Full Gospel brethren has fully cooperated. How thankful we are for that. That just shows that when God gets in anything, we can just drop the differences and take right off after God, don't we.

I believe that's the way it'll be someday when He comes. We'll just forget what we—brand we are, and take right out after Him at the rapture.

E-4 Used to, in herding cattle . . . We used to run the old Tripod Ranch, over in Colorado. And I'd help take the cattle up in the spring of the year. And when we got to the drift fence . . . I'm sure you brethren know what a drift fence is. Well, the ranger would stand there and count those cattle as they went through and check them. Now, the ranger never paid so very much attention about the brand they had, because there's all kinds of brands; but he watched for the blood tag, was the main thing. Then what brand it was, it had to be a thoroughbred Hereford or it could not go in that forest for the summer grazing.

I think that's the way it'll be at the judgment. He will not notice what brand we're wearing, but He will watch that Blood tag, that's—that's on us. All with the Blood tag. . .

I'm so glad that I'm cleansed by that Blood. That Blood cleanses us now from all of our sins, and we stand justified in His Presence, because of the love of Christ that's shed in our heart.

E-5 Now, the services tonight, I thought would be a little night to kinda get acquainted, and—with each other. And—and then tomorrow afternoon at two-thirty I'm to speak. Usually I don't speak on the afternoon service. I have someone to do that. But this time, being that the service is quickly, and just the three days, well, I took the afternoon service also.

Now, you that can come out tomorrow afternoon, the prayer cards is give out in the afternoon also. They . . . I will be speaking on the next two afternoons on the faith of Abraham, teaching. So, we'd be glad for you to come out and enjoy this if you possibly can. And then tomorrow night will be the beginning of the service, seven-thirty again (I think that's right, isn't it, brother?), seven-thirty. And then, I don't know about the ministerial breakfast. I haven't got to talk to the brethren yet, whether there'll be one or not, or what they'll have. That'll be announced from here. And then—then tomorrow night at seven-thirty, we'll begin right back again and—and with the prayer lines, praying for the sick: a message before, and then praying for the sick. Then Friday afternoon also, and Friday night . . . So, we expecting great things.

I go home for just a day or two's rest, and get my children back in school. And—and then, I'm going to Australia, New Zealand, and through the East. And we're hoping to get back here again in fall of the year.

E-6 Now, before we open this Book, let's speak to the Author as we bow our heads in prayer.

Precious Lord, it's one of the grandest privileges that we can think, is to come before Thee with bowed heads in the Name of the Lord Jesus, because He has promised that You'd hear us. "Ask the Father anything in My Name, I'll do it."

And we pray, Lord, first, You will forgive us of all of our shortcomings. We just want to stand clean tonight, Lord, with open hearts, feeling this wonderful Presence of the Holy Ghost. May He just get into our hearts tonight, and teach us great things, show us His power to love, and to serve, and to heal. Get glory out of the service.

E-7 Lord, we thank You for this great cooperation with this fine bunch of men. We pray that You'll bless them exceedingly abundantly. And may this be a meeting that'll long be remembered, because of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon us. Melt our hearts together as one.

And may there not be a wheelchair left in our midst when the service is over. May there be no cripples, no afflictions left, no one sick, no one unsaved. May they surrender their life to God. And may God get glory out of all that we are trying to do for—for His Name. Grant it, Lord. And we'll bow our heads and give praise to Thee, for we ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

E-8 Being a believer in the Scripture, I think there's no meeting complete without the reading of the Word. The Word is God's foundation. I believe all doctrines, everything should come exactly from the Word of God. I believe God can do things that's not written in the Word, because He's God. But as long as I know that I'm just following what He said He would do, then I know I'm right, as long as He said He would do it.

Now, tonight, I just want to take time. . . Now, we really should have at least two or three nights before we even pray for the sick, to get the people instructed. But just three nights to be here, then we got to do it quickly.

E-9 And I want you to just hold to every word, so that you'll be able to understand. I wonder if you can hear me all the way in the back of the back well if you can. That's fine. That's good. That we might get a grip on God's Word, because it's essential that we do this.

Now, to introduce the ministry, the first I want to make it real clear that I'm not a healer. I do not believe there is a healer outside of God. I just had some wonderful answers to prayer. I pray for the

sick. I believe that healing was included in the atonement. If the old atonement had healing, and this is a—a better, so it would have to be better in every way. It would have to have also a healing.

E-10 Now, I believe that all these things that we're enjoying are of Christ, was finished for us at Calvary, that that told the story there that "He was wounded for our transgressions, and He was bruised for our iniquity, and the chastisement of our peace is upon Him, and with His stripes we were healed." All something in the past, something that God has already done, and it's just our personal faith in a finished work that we get the benefits of His vicarious suffering and death at Calvary. See, it's something that God has already done. And it's just the people on the platform are no more privileged than the one all the way at the back of the building. It's just when your faith believes it and can lay a hold of it.

And now, Divine healing is not the purpose of our—us being here. As I'll—will quote Brother Bosworth, he said Divine healing is like bait that goes on a hook. You don't show the fish the hook; you just show him the bait. So he grabs the bait and gets the hook. That's the way it is by Divine healing. When a man is laying at the cor—point of death, and then he takes a hold of God for healing, he gets a—God gets the hooks in his mouth. Then he sees that God loves him.

E-11 As a shepherd . . . The story of the shepherd was told once, that the shepherd had a sheep that had a broken leg, and he said, "What caused that sheep's leg to be broke?"

He said, "I did it."

Said, "Well, you must be a cruel shepherd."

Said, "No, I did it so I could show it special care, so it would follow me."

And sometimes God has to let us lay on our backs to look up to let it—to let us know that He's still God. Sometimes think . . . Scriptures clearly said, "All things work together for good to them that love God." And we know the Scriptures is true.

E-12 Now, as a preacher, I'm—I'm a spare tire. I—I say it with all this around me here. My good friend Booth-Clibborn, and many of the brethren on the platform tonight, is who I know are real theologians, and I'm just a Kentucky plow-boy, so I'm . . . I . . . Now, you excuse my "hit, hain't, tote, fetch, carry," and all my language. Just remember, I may not know the Book too well, but I know the Author real well. And that—that's what I'm relying on, is—is the Author. So my mistakes, you know, He just overlooks it.

Now we want to take the subject tonight, first to read a portion of the Scripture found in Saint John, the 12th chapter, 30th—or the 20th verse rather, 21st.

And there were certain Greeks among them that came up to the—worship at the feast:

The same therefore came unto Philip which was of Bethesda of Galilee, and desired him, saying, Sirs, we would see Jesus.

Hebrews 13:8 said:

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, to day, and forever.

E-13 Now, I believe that all Scripture is given by inspirations. And the Scripture is—has got to be right, or all of it right, or there might be that if we could say: some of it's right and some of it's not right, then we get ourself all mixed up. I just believe that it's all the truth.

Now, I may not be able to have faith to make it all manifested, Its promises and so forth, to bring them to pass, but I will never stand in somebody's way that does have faith to do it. I might not climb where Enoch did, and take a afternoon walk with God, and go home with Him. I might not have that much faith. And I might not have enough faith to shout like Joshua that knocked the walls down. But I certainly not stand in anyone's way who does have that type of faith.

E-14 So, it's a very odd Scripture tonight, but it's a fitting Scripture. Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever. And our reading was that these Greeks wanted to see Jesus.

I do not believe there has been any person who has ever heard of the Lord Jesus but what longs to see Him. All of us do. I might ask this audience tonight, how many of you would like to see Jesus, and every hand in here would go up. We want to see Him.

Then, if these Greeks came to one of His ministers and asked to see Him. . . We know the Scripture reading on proves that they got to see Him. Then, if He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, and we want to see Him, why can't we see Him then?

E-15 Now that's. . . I know that sounds strange. But it's truth, just the same. Now, if He is the same yesterday, today, and forever, He's got to be the same in principle, the same in power, all but the corporal body. That corporal body sets at the right hand of God. But the Holy Spirit is back here to manifest Jesus in every way that He lived. You're on a. . . You said, "The works that I do shall you also. A little while and the world will see Me no more. Yet, ye shall see Me for I (a personal pronoun) will be with you to the end of the world." Christ in us.

Then if—if the Spirit of Christ is in the Church, It should be doing the works of Christ; because God set that body aside, the Lord Jesus, His Son. And it was a sanctified virgin born body, that through His Blood, He might redeem us, who were borned after sexual desire and in corruption; that we might be cleansed, not by ourselves or through our own good works, but through His grace we are cleansed from our sins. Because He is that Offering laying there constantly atoning for our sins—we who have confessed faith in Him.

E-16 Therefore, we are cleansed by His Blood, so that His Spirit lives in the Church manifesting Itself, moving among the members. “The works that I do shall ye also.” I know the translation there is “greater” than this in the King James, but I believe the right translation would be “more” than this shall you do, for there could hardly be greater. He raised the dead, and stopped nature, and He did everything. “More” it’d be a universal, all around the world in the Church at the same time; where God was manifested in one Person, Jesus, now, It’s manifested in the Church universal, around.

Now, then that great Spirit . . . If I said the Spirit of God was in me, I would be doing the works of God. Jesus said, “If I do not the works of My Father, then believe Me not.”

E-17 And I think today we come to the Church to find Jesus, and we find our programs in the stead of the Spirit of Christ. See? If we went to a peach orchard, we’d expect to find peaches, went to an apple orchard, we’d want apples. And we’d be strange to find pumpkins growing on an apple tree. But that’s just about how we get it today. We say, “Well, our—our—our theology is this; we’ve been taught to believe this.”

But this is what’s truth: Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever. Then His Spirit in the Church moves with His Church, His same Spirit, doing the same works, bringing Jesus to the world now, just as He brought It in the form of—bringing Christ to the world just as He did in the Son, Christ Jesus.

E-18 Now, we know God does not change. We want to always remember this: that we are finite, and He’s infinite. Now, if God ever makes a decision, every called to make a decision, and God’s decision, being He’s infinite, He has to continually stay with that decision. See, I can make you a promise, and tomorrow I can say, “I was wrong.” See, I’ll say, “I was mistaken. I didn’t mean to say that. I see different now.” But God cannot, because He’s perfect. He—He knows all things. And His decisions . . .

If a sinner ever came to Him on bending knees and asked for mercy, and God, upon a—a certain merit gave that man pardoning

of his sin, the next man has to receive the same. Or if He did not save the second man, then He did wrong when He saved the first man. And if a—a man that's sick ever comes to God and meets the requirements of God. . .

E-19 Now, sometimes when we meet the requirement, we think about, well, it's. . . Why didn't He answer? God does sometime that way upon our action to see what our reaction will be. See? Sometimes. . . Look at the—the Shunammite woman for instance. See, He wanted to see what her reaction would be. And He does that many times, just to see how we'll react. But if we're certain that we have met God's requirement, just stay right with it; He's got to act. You hear it? He's got to act. If He made the promise, He's God and has to keep that promise. He's God. He just can't take it back, and say, "Well, I was mistaken." God makes no mistakes. He's perfect. All right.

Now, when God led the children of Israel in the form of the Pillar of Fire, the Angel of the covenant, then that same Angel was made flesh and dwelled among us. . . Jesus said, "I came from God, and I go to God."

E-20 Well now, we find out when It was here on earth, the way It behaved Itself, that Holy Spirit that was in the wilderness with the children of Israel. Now, when we know It was the Pillar of Fire. Moses met Him at the bush, and the bush was on fire. Then the Pillar of Fire led the children of Israel. And He met him there in the Name of I AM.

When He was manifested in flesh, He was still, "Before Abraham was, I AM. A little while and the world sees Me no more. (He's going away.) I come from God; I go to God." And then after His death, burial, and resurrection, and ascension, Paul was on his road down to Damascus one day—or Saul, rather, and all of a sudden there was a Light shown around him that blinded him, and a Voice saying, "Saul, Saul, why persecuteth thou Me?"

He said, "Who are You, Lord?"

He said, "I'm Jesus. I came from God, and I go back to God." That was the Spirit in Jesus speaking out, God, in Christ, manifested. E-21 Now, what He was in the days yesterday, living in a body, Jesus, He will do the same today in His Church, because that's His program to carry on with His Church.

Now, if I asked all the Methodists here tonight, "Do you believe that?"

All of them, “Yes.” Baptist, Presbyterian, Pentecostals and so forth, we’d all believe that. Now, the thing the . . . We know the Bible teaches It, but will it work? It’ll work if we believe It’ll work, because It’s God’s Word. See?

Now if we can get a idea of what He was yesterday, we can see clearly what He is then today. Now, we was reading just now out of the Book of Saint John. Now, hold on to these things with all that’s in you. We won’t have much time to express them in future meetings. But to save time, let’s just go back a little bit and find out what He was yesterday. And whatever He was yesterday, He must remain the same today.

E-22 Now, we find Him . . . We’ll go back to the first book, the first part of the book we just read, Saint John, and just begin to unfold His life and see what He was yesterday, and see the way they seen Him yesterday, and the way He manifested Himself yesterday, then He’s got to do the same thing today.

Now, the first place . . . Let’s settle it for all time. Jesus did not claim to be a healer. He said, “It’s not Me that doeth the works; It’s My Father that dwelleth in Me. He doeth the works.” Saint John 5:19. Jesus said, “Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself but what He sees the Father doing.”

E-23 He’d passed through the pool of Bethesda—or by it, where there was multitudes of i—im—of people that were crippled, lame, halt, and blind. And He found a man laying on a . . . Well, I’d call it in my country, a pallet.

I don’t know whether you Californians . . . How many knows what a pallet is? What part of Kentucky you all from? I thought they was all of Okies and Arkies here. But look like got some Kentuckians here. I was raised on one, so I know what a pallet is.

Well, this man was laying on a pallet, little blanket or something laying there. And when He passed by, Jesus knowed that he’d been in this condition all this time, and healed him, and went on His way. What if He did that here in San Jose tonight. Tomorrow morning He’d have the same criticism He had then. Why didn’t You heal this one, that one, and this one, and that one. See? Jesus said, “I only do as I see the Father doing. The Father worketh, and I worketh hitherto.”

E-24 Now, let’s get back and find what He was. We know of His—His birth in the manger, and a little stable in the side and a cave on a hillside in Bethlehem. And we know of His—part of His boyhood to twelve years old, and then being showing forth, John the Baptist

baptizing Him; and the Holy Spirit coming down from heaven; and then into the wilderness for forty days and nights to be tempted of the devil; and then came forth in His ministry.

Now, follow close. Saint John, the 1st chapter we're beginning with. And we want you to know that the things that you see and hear, may be just a little different from what you have been, maybe, thinking about. But sometimes God does things a little different than what we've got our programs worked out. See? God does that. He did that in His—the first coming of Jesus. He had it . . . The ministry had it . . . They had it all worked out some way that Christ was to be. But then He came so different, till they did not understand it. And it could be that way again. I don't say it will be, but say it could be.

E-25 Now, we find as soon as He started His ministry, there was someone came to Him by the name of Simon. And as soon as he walked up into the Presence of Jesus, Jesus told him that his name was Simon, and his father's name was Jonas. "Thou art Simon, the son of Jonas." That must've affected that man, until we find out that he became later the head of the Church at Jerusalem. "Thou art Simon, the son of Jonas."

There was one standing by by the name of—of Philip, a righteous man, a good man that became a servant of the Lord Jesus. And later, we find him about two days later making a trip around the mountain to find one of his friends. That was a—certainly a good sign that he'd really got in contact with Jesus. He went after somebody else.

E-26 The Spirit of God in a man or a woman, if they have really found this great Pearl of great price, they'll try to get somebody else to It, just as quick as they can, because It's the Spirit of God, trying to call everybody to Him. "If I be lifted up, I'll draw all men unto Me."

Now, and Philip, when he went . . . Let's just take a little drama so the young folks will catch it. I can see him go and knock on the door. And—and Nathanael's wife spoke to him and said, "Good morning, Philip. Looks like you kinda tired this morning."

"Yes, I've run all night." They tell me it's about fifteen miles around the mountain. And he said, "I come to find Nathanael."

She said, "Why, Philip, he just walked out to the olive orchard just a while ago. You perhaps find him out there somewhere looking over the grove." Must have been a—a farmer, but an honest and just man.

And so out went Nathanael quickly into the grove, and he find—finds Nathanael on his knees, praying. Well, as a Christian gentleman, he wouldn't interrupt him when he was praying. He just waited till he finished. And when he got up off of his knees, I can see him turn around, say, "Philip, what doest thou here?"

E-27 Now, they didn't have time to talk over a lot of things like we do. But the—the message was urgent. And if it was urgent then, how much more is it urgent now? Here he not, "How's your farm getting along," or so forth, but quickly to the point. "Come, see Who we have found, Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of Joseph."

Quickly, this staunch man rode out, straightened up his robe, and said, "Now, wait just a minute, Philip. I know you to be a just man. I know that you're a good man, and it would be . . . It's so strange and hard for me to see that you've gone off on the deep end. Do you mean to tell me that you've fallen for some something like that? that this Jesus that you're speaking of, this Galilean prophet is the Messiah that we're looking for? Why, if the Messiah would come, the high priest would know about it. All the churches would know about it. Everybody would know."

But it . . . I think Philip give him the best answer that anyone could give. He said, "Come, see for yourself." That's the best way, friend. Come, take your Scriptures, take the Bible and look it over. Compare Scripture to Scripture and see if it's right.

E-28 Now, we find out then, that after he had said that to him, he got ready and along the road, he was coming. And I can imagine Philip saying to him something like this, "Nathanael, do you remember that old fisherman that you bought them fish from last summer?"

"Oh, the old fellow, Simon. Yes."

"You know, you wanted a receipt, and he couldn't even sign his name to the receipt." The Bible said he was ignorant and unlearned. "Well, he came up before this One that we know to be the Messiah, and He said to him, 'Your name is Simon, and your father's name is Jonas.' Now, Nathanael, let's us be gentlemen. You know the Messiah is to be the God-prophet, for Moses, the one we believe, said, 'The Lord your God shall raise up a prophet liken unto me,' and the Messiah is to be a prophet, God-prophet, the God of the prophet. But He's to be like a prophet. And wouldn't that just fit Him exactly? When this old ignorant fisherman came, and He told him that his . . . what his name was and what his father's name was?" Philip might have said something like this. "It wouldn't surprise me He didn't know you."

“Oh, now, just a minute. You’re not putting any of that . . . He will never be able to read my mind. You just wait till I get around there, I’ll tell Him about it.”

E-29 And perhaps Jesus was standing. . . Maybe it was in the prayer line. Or, maybe it was just standing talking to the people. But however, when they arrived, and Philip came up into the line with Nathanael, Jesus looked at Nathanael for the first time, and said, “Behold, an Israelite in whom there is no guile.”

I can imagine Philip punched him, “What did I tell you? See there? What did I tell you?”

And it astonished this man. And he said to Him, “When knowest Thou me, Rabbi? Teacher? When did you ever know me? This is the first time we’ve ever met.”

Now, He didn’t know him by the way he was. . . He did not know him the way he was dressed, because all the Oriental people dressed the same way. He could’ve been an Egyptian, he could’ve been a Greek, or something else. I’m told they all dressed alike then, wore a beard and so forth.

“When did You know me?”

He said, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the tree, I saw you,” fifteen miles around the mountain, day before. Yet, “I saw you.” What eyes.

Oh, quickly then, this staunch Hebrew, who was called to Eternal Life, fell on his face and said, “Rabbi, You are the Son of God. You are the King of Israel.” Oh, he believed It, because he knowed that Messiah was of the God-prophet, and only Messiah could do that. Now, hold that close. Messiah was the only One could do that. And he was looking for that. That settled it.

E-30 Oh, there were those standing by now, that did not believe that. We’ll take that up later, of the Jews, the great staunch and the big high churches and so forth. They were standing by. And not out loud, but in their hearts, they said, “This man is a fortuneteller, or—or a devil.” And we all know that fortune telling’s of the devil. “This man is a fortuneteller, or maybe he has a telepathy. He—he is a mind reader. He has. . . He has Beelzebub, the chief of the devils telling Him that.”

What did Jesus say? He said, “You speak that against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven you.” But in so many words, to break it down, “Someday, the Holy Spirit’s coming, and He will do the same things that I done. One word against It will never be forgiven.”

Now remember, the Jews were looking for Him. He was pointing to the Gentile age. That sign was never performed before a Gentile. It was to a Jew and a Samaritan, 'cause they was both looking for His coming. Now, they were taken out then as a nation. But now, it's the Gentile's age. Only three: Ham, Shem and Japheth's people from Noah, which we believe that all is—all of our human race sprang from those three.

E-31 Now, notice. "Thou art the Son of God, the King of Israel." That's what a real true Jew thought. But the other side said, "He's a fortuneteller. What? Because Jesus pronounced that horrible thing with no forgiveness, because they were calling the Spirit of God an unclean spirit, doing the thing that the Bible predicted He would do, and they would've done before them, they said It was of the devil. That was to never be forgiven.

Now remember, we Gentiles in those days were still heathens. We were worshipping idols. We wasn't looking for no Christ. But there was another class of people called the Samaritans. Now, Jesus came to His own. When He sent out His disciples, said, "Go not in the way of the Gentiles, but go rather to the lost sheep of Israel." Matthew 10.

E-32 Then notice, that when He... One day He... Saint John 4 now. He had need to go by Samaria. I wonder why. See, when God does anything one time, He's got to do it the same the next time, or He did wrong when He did it the first time. Then if God made Himself known through Christ, manifesting it like that to the Jews, and called out the disciples in that manner; there was another class of people that was looking for Him, a Messiah to come. That was Samaria—Samaritans. And when these Samaritans, when they were looking for Him, Jesus had need to go by to see them.

And we know the story of Saint John 4 when He was—sent His disciples in to get some victuals. And then when they were gone in for this food, He set down over against the well, perhaps a panoramic, something like this. And being a Jew, yet about thirty years old...

I think the Scriptures kinda lead us to believe that He looked fifty, because in Saint John 6, they said, "You mean You saw Abraham? and You're not a man over fifty years old? Now we know that You've got a devil, and You're mad."

He said, "Before Abraham was, I AM."

E-33 Notice. And here now at this—this Samar—the public well... Now, while they were all went up there for water, especially

the women to get their daily water to do their cooking and whatever they had to do. . . All was away from the well at the time, and Jesus being weary in His way, tired, sit down on the side of the well.

Let's just for—for a drama sake, say, He's setting back in some grape vines, just leaning back, resting a little. And up come a—a lovely woman. Now, she was a woman that we believe to be of ill-fame, we Westerners. But she came up to the well to get some water. Maybe she didn't come with the rest of the women, because maybe the way she was living, we'd say. She couldn't come with the rest of them. And then. . . Yes, as Brother Clibborn said, "It could've been the wrong time for her to come."

E-34 And however, she was—came up to the well. And let's say she had a—a water pot on her shoulder, walking along. And she was thinking about something. She hooks the little hooks into the little pot, and she starts on the windle to let it down in the well. And she heard someone said, "Woman, bring Me a drink."

And she turned. She had not seen anyone when she ha—was approaching, or coming to the well. And she looked, and she saw a man setting over against the side of the well. And it was a Jew. And she quickly said to Him, "Oh. . . ." In other words, "We got a law of segregation. You—You being a Jew, You have no right to ask a woman of Samaria such a question. We have no mixings, no dealings."

And He said, "But if you knew Who you were talking to, oh, you would ask Me for a drink." What was He doing? Now, you'll have to take my word for this. It's been Scriptural till right here. I believe that He was contacting her spirit. The Father had showed Him to go up there, because He said He did nothing until the Father showed Him. But then He was. . . He knew this woman was coming. But now what would be next, He doesn't know.

E-35 For instance, here. I believe that God sent me to San Jose. Now, you're here, but I don't know what next, if it's the Spirit of God, then after awhile, I'll begin to speak to somebody, just like He did.

And as He begin to talk, she said, "Oh," she said, "we worship in the—here in this mountain, You say at Jerusalem." And the—the conversation went on with this Man and woman. Now remember, the first time they had ever met. . .

And Jesus said to her after He'd found what was her trouble . . . How many knows what her trouble was? Sure. Said, when He found her trouble, He said, "Go get your husband and come here."

Now listen close. Hang on to this. Now remember, this is a second nationality. There's only three, the three sons of Noah. This is a Jew, and a Samaritan, and a Gentile. Now, these two was looking for Him coming. But first, He made Himself known by telling Peter, and telling Nathanael, and talking to them in that manner as a God-prophet that they were looking for.

E-36 Now, here's this woman. We're going to say she was ill-famed. And she's standing there. And she's talking to a Man that . . . He's just looked like an ordinary man. But she can't catch, just what's He talking about. Finally, He said, "Go, get your husband and come here."

She said, "I have no husband."

Listen at His words. "Thou has said right. You've had five husbands, and the one you're now living with is not yours. You spoke the truth."

Quickly, listen at her. Now, where a lot of the great high church members, the priests and high priest said He's Beelzebub when He did that. What did she say? "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. We know when the Messiah cometh . . ." She knowed more about God than a lot of preachers does. That's right. "We know when the Messiah cometh, He will tell us these things. He will show us these things. Now, You must be His prophet."

What was that? That's that second . . . The Jew? Now, here's the Samaritan. Gentile wasn't looking for it. Is their days is coming now. But God, if He revealed Himself through Christ to—or sent the Messiah in that form to the Jew, He's got to send the same thing to the Samaritan, and so will He to the Gentile, if Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

E-37 Now, He said . . . The woman said, "Sir, I perceive that Thou art a prophet." Let me quote It again. "We know when the Messiah cometh, He will tell us all things. We know that's the sign of the Messiah. When He comes, that'll be the sign that'll be following Him, for He is the God-prophet, the One that Moses spoke of. But, Who are You, Sir?"

He said, "I'm He that speaks with you." Never was nobody could say it but Him. Never will be nobody can say it but Him. That's right. "I'm He that speaks to you."

She dropped that water pot and took off into the well—from the well as hard as she could to the city, and she said, “Come, see a Man that told me the things I’ve done. Isn’t this the Messiah?”

If that was the sign of the Messiah yesterday, and He’s the same yesterday, today, and forever, it’s the sign of the Messiah now.

One more little thing. The time’s getting away. One more little plug I want to put here ‘fore we hit the lessons tomorrow and the next day.

E-38 Remember. That sign was only given at the end of each generation when they were—was taken away from the . . . God. God deals with Israel, ‘course now it’s the individual, but He always deals with Israel as a nation, I believe. Isn’t that right, brethren? He . . . And with Gentiles is individuals, but Israel as a nation. See, He left . . . Israel was blinded so that we’d have a chance to come in. God blinded them. Now look. He closed that dispensation there with that, or that . . . That dispensation He just closed Israel out, blinded them there. The Samaritans, He gave it there. Now, here we are at the end of the Gentiles.

Let’s take what the prophet said. The prophet said, “There’d be a day that wouldn’t be called day or night. But in the evening time, it should be Light. It’ll be Light at the evening.”

Now, the same sun that rises in the east, sets in the west, not another sun, the same sun. And when the Holy Spirit came on the day of Pentecost, It was on an Eastern people.

E-39 We’ve had a day that we’ve went across the world. We’ve had great churches, great revivals, organized, built churches, built places. God never did command that. Never did He say do that. See? The commission was preach the Gospel. Manifest the power of His resurrection. But now, it’s come over this dark day. And now the civilization has come from the East traveling westward. Just a few hundred yards out here, a few miles, and we’d be in the ocean. Then East and West is meeting again.

Now, the Western people, it’s their time. And the Holy Spirit is here. And God’s duty bound to manifest Himself just like He did back there to them, or He did something that one time and did something else to another time. He’s got to do it. And He promised to do it. Just to give a little place so you’ll see He promised to do it before we get to the . . . Here’s the place you’ll see.

E-40 One time, Noah . . . Well, let’s take as Jesus said, “As it was in the days of Lot,” we’ll take that one. The days of Lot. Now listen close; we’re closing.

“As it was in the days of Lot, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man.” Everybody knows that to be true. “As it was. . .” That not as, “pretty near that way,” but “as it was.”

Now look. Sodom and Gomorrah was burnt up with fire. And we are taught that the world will be destroyed again. The heavens will be on earth and the earth will burn with heat, fire again.

I believe these missiles and things that they're sending through this air is going to strike the moon. One of these days, just outside the orbit of this earth. . . I may be all wrong in this. I'm not a scientist or. . . But I'm just thinking. . . I read where they was miles and hundreds of miles of volcanic acids and gasses gathering outside this earth. What if one of those missiles would happen to set that off? What would it be? Fire in the heavens.

E-41 And Russia, and other places with missiles, atomic bombs that could strike and blow a hole in the ground a hundred and seventy-five feet deep for a hundred miles square. And thousands of those. . . I was in a. . . There's a man setting right here now, a Chaplain out of the army, was just a few weeks ago in Los Angeles where they was talking it over. You can read in Look Magazine where that great general said, the next war will just be minutes. Some fanatic's going to blow his top one of these days, as we call it, and he's going to pull off one of those bombs. And submarines will be rising up out of the ocean, and other nations where they've got these atomic missiles planted and there'll be whirling one way, and the other. . . The world can't stand it. We're at the end time. We're here at the end.

E-42 Now, God's going to do this. As it was in the days of Sodom. Always watch your three classes of people. There was the Sodomites. There was the religious world, Lot's people, in Sodom. And here was Abraham out of Sodom, out of the world, living in a place. . . He was the elect.

One day, standing in his tent door, he saw three Men come walking to him. They looked like men. They might've had dust on their clothes. But somehow, Abraham standing there, thinking about the goodness of God, when he saw Them coming, there was something begin to strike him. It's when we think on God; that's when we see things. That's when things happen.

E-43 It's when Cleopas and his friends from the—the first Easter, on the road down to Emmaus, while they were speaking and thinking about Him, that He stepped out of the bushes and begin to talk to him. It's when we're talking about Him, when we're thinking about Him.

We can't be out there running around, doing one thing and another. The church has got too many programs. We ought to get back to God, the old prayer meetings, and—and a real back Pentecost, back in the church. We got too much outside things to do, too many societies to take care of. We've got to come back. Yeah, entertainment . . . That's right.

The American people want to be entertained. They stay home on Wednesday night to see "Who Loves Sucy," ever what that program is. That shows what's in your heart. If you loved God, you'd be at church. You've got to get back to the church. Back to the Bible, back to Christ.

E-44 Here they was. There was Abraham, thinking about the goodness of God, twenty-five years, waiting for that baby. And here he was knowing that God was going to do it, and he seen three Men coming, and One of Them was God.

Now, this might be . . . If I—if I'm on here, just do like I do when I'm eating cherry pie. I don't throw the pie away; I throw the seed away. So you do the same way here. Just keep eating pie.

The reason I don't believe that's theophanies, is because that I'll tell you why. The man eat veal chops. He eat a calf that Abraham slayed; He drink the milk, and eat some corn bread with butter on it. He wasn't no Spirit, He was a Man. And Abraham called Him Lord, capital "L," Elohim (Amen.), God.

Someone said to me, "Billy, you don't mean to tell me you believe that was God."

"Sure."

E-45 God called Gabriel and one of His other Angels and said, "Come here a minute. Let's step down and look down in Sodom." Grabbed up a little handful of calcium, potash, and petroleum, cosmic light—sixteen elements we're made out of, went, phew [Brother Branham illustrates—Ed.] and just stepped into it. That's all. That's our God. Sure, it served the purpose. That's the reason I know that someday He will say—call our name, and we'll come from the dust of the earth. God just throwed a little calcium together and stepped into it Himself, and had dust on His clothes, walked down there, and He was standing, and said . . .

Now, two of them modern evangelists after the ser . . . after they'd eaten and . . . Now remember, as soon as dinner was over, nobody seen any women yet. This One said to Abraham, said, "Where is Sarah, thy wife?"

E-46 Now we're at the close of the age, you remember, close of the age, close of Sodom and Gomorrah. "Where is Sarah, thy wife?" A total stranger—knowed he was married, and knowed who his wife was, and what her name was.

Said, "She's in the tent." And the Bible said that the tent was behind Him.

And He said, "I'm going to not keep this from Abraham, but I'm going to visit him according to the time of life." You know what I mean.

And Sarah, within her heart, in herself, she went [Brother Branham illustrates—Ed.], laughed.

And the Angel, with His back turned to the tent and her in the tent said, "Why did she laugh?" While a modern Billy Graham, and a lot of them down holding revival down in Sodom and Gomorrah . . .

E-47 But this elected Church, Abraham and his group saw this sign. It was the end time. "As it was in the days of Sodom, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man." See that sign there just before the time come. God was going to . . . Sodom caught afire after that. And this world's going to leave here one of these days. God's calling to His Church, Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Look at that same Spirit when It's put into a virgin borned body, look at things that It done. Did It do the same as It did there? He perceived their thoughts, called them by their names, told them who they was, where they been, so forth. And the real truly believers, the elected Jews, believers, believed It to be the truth.

Here It is again today in the last days. Now, if Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever, He will have to manifest Himself, if I've told the truth about this being the end time.

E-48 Now, we've had revivals; we've had shoutings; we've had gifts; we've had speaking with tongues, and all them things. That's all been the Pentecostal's revival. But remember, this was promised. Paul said, "If you speak with tongues, and there be no interpreter, they'll say you're mad." But said, "When one prophet will say—reveal the secret of the heart, then they'll all fall down and say truly God's with you." Sure.

Do you believe Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever?

Let us pray. O Lord, such a wonderful Spirit in the church. [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] Most anything could happen. Looking out across this audience, and well aware that You know every one of them, and all their conditions. I pray, Father, that Your great mercy and love will be manifested to each and every one. Just a few

moments, Lord, here I'll be before these people in this . . . the . . . The clergyman, the ministers of the Gospel setting here on the platform, angels ordained to preach Life.

E-49 I pray, Father, that You'll be merciful, and let this church . . . every sick person know that You're God, and You—You know every heart. You know every secret; You know everything; and every promise that You made is the truth.

And we see here that You promised just before the end time, "As it was in the days of Sodom," and as it was at the end for the Jews and the Samaritans, they were all looking for Your coming. And now, the Gentile age is preaching Your coming, been watching for years for the coming of the Messiah. Now, it's closing down. It's their end coming.

Now, Father, we know that Your Word is true. And let every spirit in here be subject to Your Spirit. And may You come among us now and manifest Your power, and Your Spirit among us, that It might reveal to us that Jesus Christ is not dead, but He is alive forever more, and lives in His Church, among His people, walking in and out the door to the Sheepfold, the Shepherd of the flock. Grant, Lord, that these things will be done for His glory. We ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.

E-50 Such a wonderful audience, I spoke just a little long. We won't take . . . I tell you, being it's a quarter after, we usually are finished at nine-thirty. Let's just call a few in the prayer line. Each night, we call a hundred people, about, or maybe more if we can. Let's just call a short group of them tonight, just 'cause we get out on time, and you come back again tomorrow night.

Where's Billy Paul? Prayer cards A-1 to 100 is what he gave out. Now, let's have A number 1. Let's start from number 1, just bring a few of them. Who has number 1? Just call it . . . raise up your hand. Now, it may be somebody in these chairs can't raise up, but . . . To the left? All right. A number 1, would you come right here, lady. Now, if you can't get up, if you let someone know, and we'll pack you. A number 2, would you hold your hand? Right here, sir. Number 3, number 3? Prayer card number 3. Right here? All right. Number 4, who has 4? Prayer card number 4? I am . . . Now, look around. It maybe somebody deaf and dumb, can't . . . Oh, have they found it? All right. Bring the lady right over, number 4. Number 5? All right, sister. Number 6, number 6, would you raise . . . ? All right. Number 7? 8, who has prayer card 8? All right. 9, 9? All right. 10, 10, number 10? All right. 11? 11, all right. 12? 13? 14? 15? See, one, two . . . There's another one, number 15? Number . . . (Oh, would you

like to . . .) 15? 16, 17, 18. Three people. There they are. There's two of them. 16, 17, 18, 18. All right. 19, 20, 20. Move quickly, real quickly, because we don't want to keep the . . . (Thank you.)

E-51 Oh, I want to say that I'm—I'm expecting really something to take place. Don't you? Yes, sir. This is a—wonderful. Our Lord . . . Now, how many out there that does not have prayer card, and yet you're sick, and you want Jesus to heal you, just raise up your hand, so I can get a general idea where you're all at—does not have prayer cards, anywhere in the building. Now, while they're lining them up, just let's wait a minute.

The Bible said, the book of Hebrews, that Jesus Christ is now, right now, the High Priest that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities. How many know that? He's the High Priest now that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities. All right. Then if He's the High Priest now . . . And if He's the same High Priest that He was yesterday, the same today, will be forever . . . How did the High Priest ask—act when somebody touched Him?

E-52 There was a woman one time who was coming through a crowd of people, and she touched the hem of His garment. How many remember that? And everybody was touching Him. And Jesus turned around and said, "Who touched Me?" And everybody denied it. Maybe in a—a audience that large. Everybody denied it. But He said, "Somebody touched Me, for—for I perceive that virtue . . ." That's strength. In other words, if I'd say it like this now, "I got weak." Visions make people weak. See? "I perceive that I have gotten weak."

And Peter rebuked Him. Peter said, "Oh, why—why, Lord, everybody's touching You, and then You come around and say, 'Who touched Me?' Everybody's patting You on the back and saying, 'That was fine, Reverend. We're sure glad to see You, sir,' and all like this. Everybody's touching. And then come around and say, 'Who touched Me?'"

He said, "But, that was a different touch," see. "Somebody touched . . ." Now physically, He could not have felt it, because the Palestinian garment hung loose. And I think then they had an underneath garment. So, it would not have . . . He could not have felt it, physically. But He felt it in the Spirit, because that woman was pulling from God what she had need of. See?

E-53 God, in Christ, was in the fullness. And us, It's just a—just by measure. He had It without measure. See? Now, we just have

a . . . We got a, like a spoonful of water out of the ocean, and He had the whole ocean. But you see, a spoonful of water's got the same chemicals that the whole ocean's got, but just not as much of it.

So, these gifts are put in the Church to bring the Church to God to let you know, to show you what Jesus died for is your personal property. They have first . . . And the first there is apostle, prophets, teachers, pastors, evangelists, and that's the Church offices. We have pastors, evangelists, and prophets, and so forth in the Church. All these are done. And there's nine spiritual gifts that go into the Church also I Corinthians 12. But those are God-called, elected bodies sent to the Church to bring the Church, keeping unity, and keep the Church in line and in order. We need it.

E-54 Now, if Jesus is the High Priest, and can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities, how would you know you touched Him if He didn't act the same way He did back there? He'd have to act the same way, wouldn't He. Is that right? He'd have to act it, or He—He wouldn't be the same High Priest. But if He acts the same way He did then, then you know you touched the same High Priest that that was.

So now, you without prayer cards, you just start and pray and say, "Lord, that man don't know me. He don't know nothing about me. But let me have faith." Now, don't get worked up, just come quietly to Him, just as reverently, say, "Lord, I believe, and I believe I'll touch Your garment." See if He don't turn right around and tell you just the same as He did that woman. Now that . . . If He doesn't do that, then I've misrepresented Him to you.

And here, everybody in the prayer line that knows that I do not know you, raise your hands: I know nothing about you, all down along that line know that I don't. . . How many out in the audience knows that I do not know you, raise your hands. There isn't a person here that I know, out of. . . I'm sorry to say this. 'Course, some of these ministers I might know if they'd introduce themselves. The only one I really could know of right now is Brother Booth-Clibborn sitting right there (That's right.), and Brother Borders. That's the only person that I see now besides my boy over here in the corner, is the only one that I see in the entire building that I know. But Christ knows every one of you.

E-55 Now, here they are in the prayer line. Now, if there was anything I could do to heal you, I'd do it. If I know that crawling on my knees and pushing a quarter all the way around this city here wi—with my nose would—would heal you, I'd take off to do it. I—I sure would, 'cause if that was God's requirement, I'd sure try it.

But it's not God's requirement. See, God has already sent Christ, and Christ died; He was wounded for your transgressions, with His stripes you were healed. And the thing's settled. See, the thing of it now is for you to believe it. It's your . . . It's—it's yours.

You say, "I got saved last year, Brother Branham." No. I beg your pardon. You just accepted it last year, you was saved nineteen hundred years ago when He died. See, see, see? No, see, and you're already healed. Every one of you's been healed since back at that time. See, the devil has no legal rights to hold you. He's just a bluff. That's right. Because Christ stripped every legal power he had when He—when He took it away from him at Calvary. You know that. The—the debt was paid completely right there. So, the only thing is just you to believe what He said, and accept it, and hold on to it.

E-56 Now, now, here we got all the Scriptures and everything laying right out here. Now, will He do it? Now, the next thing, will He do it? Now, do you see where I'm standing? I am absolutely going to be found in a few minutes a false prophet, or telling the truth. God's going to be found, Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever, or the Scripture's wrong. See?

Now remember, Jesus said He could not heal. We'll get into it different nights. He did not heal. He only did what the Father showed Him to do, what He could see the Father doing. How many ever read that? Saint John 5:19, "I do nothing, 'less I see (not hear, but), see the Father doing it." Then had to be a vision. The prophets all did that. When Elijah laid everything out at Mount Carmel, he said, "Lord, I've done of all this at Your command." Everything was laid just the way it did, because of His command.

E-57 Now, I'm your brother. And brother, sister, I wouldn't be here for nothing in the world as a deceiver. I've . . . I—I—I love you too much for that. And God knows, what about Him? See?

I'm here. I've saw visions since I was just a little boy. You've got my life story here and all about. It's went around the world. The picture of the Angel of the Lord, that Pillar of Fire, how many's ever seen that, let's see your hands? Sure, there's all . . .

They didn't have any more. The Angelus Temple took it all, and they had enough books to ten minutes awhile ago—a thousand. So, that's all they had. But it's in Washington, DC. They just got another up here in California a few days ago, was the most outstanding you've ever seen. What does it do? If I die tonight, the Church knows I've told the truth. God's vindicated it. The scientific world knows it. George J. Lacy said, "The camera will not take psychology. That Light struck the lens. It was there." See? There it

is in Washington, DC now, and so forth. It's just . . . It's the truth, friend. It's the truth. And don't let . . . No, not me, I'm nothing to do with it. See? I'm just your brother.

E-58 But you see, in every age, they've let these things go by. How about you Catholics back there about Saint Patrick? They never knowed who he was till he was dead: Saint Francis of Assisi. How about Joan of Arc. You burned her as a witch to a stake, because she saw visions and things. Thought she was a witch and burned her to a stake, because she was God's prophetess. See, she was a Beelzebub to you. Then you dug up them priest's bodies that did it and throwed it in the river to do penance. But let me tell you something. It's always that way. It goes by, and you don't know it until it's over. That's same way as with our Lord. It's every age that way.

Now, for you people here with this lovely Spirit, come right in and believe now while we pray.

E-59 Father God, it's a—a great moment just now. Hundreds of people are sitting here. They're waiting. Hundreds and hundreds, this is their first time. And here I stand. I don't know what to do or what to say. But Thou knowest all things. I pray that You'll help me now, Lord. And may it be so, that I could just submit myself to Thee, and this audience could—could submit themselves to Thee. We could be so committed to God that we wouldn't think our own thoughts, but we would think His thoughts. And may I be so committed to You, Lord, that Your Spirit would use my lips to speak, my eyes to see, not for a glory of man, but that the people might know that God keeps His Word, and it's at the end time. And may many repent and many be healed. For we ask it for God's glory in the Name of His Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Now, just for a few moments, everybody reverently. Now, don't move around, just set real quiet. Watch this a way, pray. Now, you without . . . You out there with sickness, not going to be in the prayer line, just look this way and start praying now.

E-60 Now, the woman and I meet for the first time, I guess, in life. If that's right, so the audience will know back, just so they see your hand; they can't hear your voice. This is our first time ever meeting. I would never know the woman; I've never saw her. Now, here's a picture of Saint John 5—or Saint John 4, a man and woman meeting for the first time on earth.

Now, if I go up to the woman and say this . . . Perhaps she's sick, perhaps she isn't. I don't know who she is, don't know nothing about her. But what if I went up to her and say, "Sister, you sick? She'd say, 'Yes, I'm sick,' . . ." Lay my hands on her, say, "Glory

to God, God healed you. Amen. Believe it. Go off the platform rejoicing. Believe that you're healed." She had a right to do that, because the Scriptures teaches that she's already healed. But that would be fine. And that's what . . . That's what God's been doing for years.

But He's God. He wants to get just a little closer to you now. Now, what if the Lord tells her something about herself that she knows that I don't know nothing about. Then if He knows what has been, He surely will know what . . . If He—if He could tell you what has been, you can take His Word for what will be. If He could reveal the past, surely, He could tell the future. Is that right?

E-61 Now, you do the same thing out there. Just be praying. And after a night or so, when you see the kind of the suspicion, setting waiting, wonder, anticipation (See?), that'll break down. Then the Holy Spirit will just go over the audience, and you'll see everything take place. It's your faith that does it.

Now, if this woman and I, both with our hands up, we never met before in life, never seen each other before, just our first time ever meeting. If the Lord will tell that woman something that's wrong, or something about her I don't know, all of you will believe? Would you just raise your hand, say, "I believe; I—I believe."

Now you know it'll have to come through some power. 'Cause we don't know one another. Now, you can be like the modern Pharisee was, say it's evil, then you get that reward. Then you say it was Christ, like the woman at the well did, and got His reward.

E-62 Now, just to speak with her just a moment, because I've never seen her. Now, here's the same thing I thought He done to the woman at the well. Now, see, I want to speak with you, but as soon as the anointing gets into the audience and you start believing with all your heart, then It'll go out there. See?

Now, I don't want you to say nothing, but just whether it's right or wrong to whatever is said. You be the judge. Now, if we're meeting just like our Lord and a woman at the well met to—to talk, and converse with one another. And He found by some way, the moving of her spirit, what her trouble was. I believe God sent her up there. Don't you believe that? I believe He sent you here too. Sure He did. For it's for some reason that—that you've come.

E-63 Now, if anyone can notice . . . If you could see, between me and the woman, there stands that Light, right here now, going right to her. She is a Christian. She's a borned again Christian. She is. And she's suffering with a tremendous nervous condition. That's right.

Them feelings comes in the evening time, kinda late you get weary and weakness from your work. Then you got a—something else on your mind that's really bothering you. That's right, isn't it? You believe God can reveal it to me? It's a growth. You believe God can tell me where the growth is? On the breast. Now, you believe that God's going to make you well? If that's right, raise up your hand. All right. Go believing it. That's all there is to it. Me calling you on that. . . Go this if you want to, sister. Come right here, sister.

Do you believe out there all of you? Now, just real reverent. . .

E-64 Now, that was at the woman at the well. Now, this is a man. Now, Philip went and found. . . Or Andrew went and found Peter, brought him up. Or either it was Philip went and found Nathanael, or one of the man's case (See?), like in—in the 1st chapter of Saint John. A man. . . I guess this is our first meeting. You've met me one time. Just introduced yourself. 'Course, I guess that's been some time ago, and I wouldn't know nothing about you. All right, all right, that—here's our first time of meeting. Do you believe that God that was in the days of Philip and Nathanael is still the same God today, Jesus, alive the same yesterday, today, and forever?

If the Lord will reveal to me something that you know something in the past, like you did, ever what it was. See, I don't know what I say, 'cause it's—it's my lips, but it's His Voice. You see? He just speaks it. You believe, would you, sir?

Would every man in here believe if He would do the same? All right. May the Lord grant it. I keep watching that clock. I'm thinking about nine-thirty. You see, I'm trying to keep that off my mind. See?

E-65 You're suffering with high blood pressure. That's right, isn't it? Uh-hum, uh-hum.

And you think I guessed that? He's a fine man. That's fine, if it was. Let's look this way. Seemingly, there's something else on his mind anyhow. Yes, he's got heart trouble. See? That's not all that's on his mind. Something else, there's somebody in here he's interested in. I can feel their spirit, setting right here. Yes. Comes before him. I see that it's a woman. That's your wife. You believe God can tell me what's wrong with your wife out there? She's got a nervous condition and a colon condition in the colon. That's right. You believe?

You believe God knows who this man is? If God will tell you like He did Simon Peter and that, will you believe with all [Blank

spot on tape—Ed.] And all the rest say you believe? Mr. Harris. That's—that's right. Mr. Harris, go home. You have received what you've asked for. . . ? . . .

If thou canst believe, all things are. . . ? . . .

E-66 The lady setting with the red dress on, right in front of that man with the—with the wheelchair there, put her hand down on her lap, looking this way: got spinal trouble. Do you believe Jesus Christ would make you well? You're healed now, you. . . What did you touch? The High Priest. That's right. Amen. Just have faith, don't doubt.

See, believe out there, just the same as you believe here. God is God. Now, see, she's twenty yards from me. I don't know the woman, never seen her. If that's right, raise your hand up, ever where the lady was? See, there she is right there. Now, I never seen her; I don't know nothing about her. But God knows about her.

There's something else happened there at that time. Yeah, the lady's crying. You had spinal trouble too. It's like. . . ? . . . set there with a little. . . ? . . . green ribbon. . . like this. . . All right. That's right. I don't know you, do I. If that's right, shake your hand—your hands like this to the people; they know I don't know you. Your spinal trouble's over. When that devil left her he was screaming for mercy. And that's the reason that screamed out there. You see what it did? It left both of you. Now, instead of dark over, it's light over you, you were both healed. Jesus Christ makes you well.

E-67 How many believes on Him now? Sure. Just have faith. Don't doubt. Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever. . .

Excuse me. We don't know one another. God know us both. If God will reveal to me your trouble, will you believe me to be His servant, and I'm telling the truth, speaking of Him? I—I love people, and that's why I'm here, try to help. Well, you're real nervous; you can't hardly eat. You have. . . That's right. It's true. That's right. And then you've got something wrong with your legs too. You been fallen, haven't you. That's right. Certainly. Do you believe He's going to make you well now? Go off the platform rejoicing; it'll be over. . . ? . . . the Lord will heal you. Amen.

E-68 If thou canst believe. We're strangers to one another. The Lord Jesus knows us both, doesn't He?

I wish I could find that faith like that every night in the first night of a meeting. That's wonderful. Just keep that up and. . .

That side trouble you have, over there on the end of the row, if you believe with all your heart, it leaves you. You accept it? All right. Stand up on your feet. Stand up and accept it. The trouble's gone from your side now; you can go home and be well. God bless you.

E-69 Hospital's an awful thing, isn't it? I see you been in the hospital. You got heart trouble, high blood pressure. You believe you're going to get well now? All right, Mrs. Laughlin, you can go home and be well. All right. God bless you. . . ? . . . Just go this way and be well. How did He know who you was? Because He's God.

How do you do. We're strangers to each other, isn't it.

Now just a moment, something happened. There's a younger woman standing here than that. I have to watch; It's a Light. Now, just somewhere in the audience. Yes, right back over here: hemorrhoids. A lady setting there, do you believe that God makes you well, with the hemorrhoids, setting right back behind the wheelchair there, and kinda in through here to the left there, sitting there. . . Do you believe that God makes you well? Stand up to your feet and accept it. All right, go home; it's all over. Jesus Christ makes. . . What did she touch? The High Priest.

E-70 We're strangers to one another. Do you believe that God know who you are and knows all about you? And you believe He could tell me what you're trouble is? Would it help you?

Setting right back across the top of this chair you're praying with that throat trouble, setting there. Do you believe Jesus Christ makes you well, lady? Stand up on your feet if you believe it. All right. Wave your hand to God and say you accept it. All right. Your throat trouble's left you now. You can go home and be well.

Oh, that's the way to do it. I. . . What'd you say there? You said, "Oh, Jesus. . ." then was praying. You was praying, "God, let him call me." Is that right? Setting right back there. Well, your have arthritis, and you've had gallbladder trouble. That's right. If that's right, stand up on your feet now. You can go home. It's all over. Your arthritis is gone. Your attitude towards God makes you well.

I ask any of you, anywhere in here that's a believer with all your heart right now. That's the Holy Spirit. If that isn't Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever, I don't know the Scripture.

E-71 You believe the Lord, sister, with all your heart? You're aware something's going on. See? That feeling, that real sweet, kind feeling, is that right? If that's right, raise up your hand so the people can see. Real sweet and kind, 'cause between me and you, there's that Angel of the Lord, that Light. You've got a growth. That growth's in your

head. You're scared. If God will tell me who you are, would you believe it . . . ? . . . Don't—don't doubt. Believe. Mrs. Boyle, go home; Jesus Christ makes you well. Have faith in God.

You want to go eat your supper? That old ulcer's gone. Go on on your road rejoicing.

Come lady. What's you so nervous about? Oh, it's nervousness. Well, it's just coming that kind of time for your life. It's—it's going to leave you now. Go home and be well. Jesus Christ makes you well. Just have faith.

E-72 Come here, sir. You got one of the most dangerous disease there is, heart trouble. But do you believe God will make you well? Well, raise up your hands, say, "I accept it." In the Name of Jesus Christ, go on and be well.

Come. Oh, my. Asthma: do you believe God will make you stop with the asthma? All right, go on your road and be well. Go rejoicing, saying, "Thank You, Jesus."

All right. A dark shadow's over the woman: cancer. You believe God will heal you of the cancer and make you well? Raise up your hands, accept Jesus. Go on your road rejoicing, saying, "Thank You, Lord Jesus." That's the way to do it. All right. Believe with all your heart. All right, all right.

Come sister. That back trouble left you when you come up to the platform. Believe it and just keep on walking, believing God and you'll get all right. Amen. Don't doubt. Now, go believing.

E-73 Yours also, son. You believe with all your heart? Just start rejoicing then; and it'll go right out of your . . . ? . . . stay so.

Come believing with all your heart. Oh, my. Here's a baby shadowed with death by cancer. Do you believe that God will heal it, brother? Come here. Satan, you evil spirit. Challenge you tonight in . . . ? . . . faith. This great ransomed Church of God stands here. You are exposed. You're a devil, and we adjure thee by the Name of Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, come out of this child. Believe it. Amen. Don't you doubt. Baby will get well. Just believe with all your heart. See? He will do it. All right.

You're a little lame with that, but, the main thing is your diabetes you're scared about. But you believe God will make you well? All right. Go on your road, rejoicing then, and it'll be over and gone; you'll be all right. If you'll believe.

E-74 Now, you know you're facing an operation with that tumor. But do you believe that God will heal you? All right, go on your road rejoicing, saying, "Thank You, Lord Jesus, for healing me."

Now I want to ask you something. When I spoke diabetes to that man, something funny happened to you, wasn't it, when I said that. Just keep on. Go on believing. If you believe with all your heart, you also can be made well. God bless you.

Now here's a woman shadowed to death: cancer. Yeah. That's right. You knew it. All right, do you believe that God will heal you? Lord God, come in the power of the resurrection of Your Son Jesus and make well this woman. I ask this in Jesus Christ's Name. Amen.

E-75 (It's twenty till ten. Think we'll . . . Oh, I tell you. Wait. We'll—we'll—we'll bring them all up, bring them up tomorrow night.)

How many believes with all your heart? If you're ever going to believe, you would believe now. Is that right? You believe now? Now, I want to tell you what the Scripture says. Now, you all . . . To me, you look like it's just kinda hazy out there.

You can imagine, if one vision made the Son of God weak, what about me. That's the reason I interpreted that Scripture awhile ago, "More than this shall you do." See? Not greater, because there could be no greater, just more. It's His grace that strengthens us.

E-76 Now, here's what He said in the—in the closing of His ministry, when He was leaving the earth and commissioned His Church: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." You know the Scriptures, Saint Mark 16.

Now, He said, "These signs shall follow them that believe." How many believers are in here? "These signs shall follow them that believe: If they lay their hands on the sick, they shall recover." If God will keep this promise, He will keep every promise. He's God. Don't you believe that?

Now, I want each one of you people that's sick to raise your hand; every person that's sick, raise your hand. Now, somebody that's got their hands up, lay your hands on one another that's sick; just lay your hands over on each another that's sick. Someone on the wheelchair there, on—the wheelchair there. You . . . If you—you'll just believe, you're going to see something happen like you've never seen before, if you'll just believe it.

E-77 Now, look. Don't you pray for yourself. No, you pray for the next fellow; the next fellow's praying for you. See? You pray for the person you got your hands on; and the one that's got their hands on you will be praying for you. Now, I'll pray for you all here, and this great bunch of ministers will pray, and then, you'll see the glory of God.

Now I wonder, while you got your hands on one another here, if there would be. . . How many sinners in this building that's never accepted Jesus would want to do it right now, believes that Christ is here, would you just stand up on your feet just a minute and let us pray for you? Sinners that has not believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, and know that this is His Presence, and you're a backslider, whatever you are, would you just stand up to your feet just a moment, you who wants to accept Christ at this time? God bless you. Stand up. Someone else now? God bless you, son. All right, someone else? God bless you. Another one? Stand up to your feet, say, "I now want to accept Christ as my Saviour." Stand up to your feet, anywhere in the building. God bless you back there, sir. Another one? God bless you. God bless you, sister. That's right. Another one? We want to see how many will come to Christ.

E-78 Look. The Holy Spirit. . . I was starting to make a prayer for the sick, and the Holy Spirit said to me, "Call them sinners." A young fellow standing up back there, how do I know not—not—might be a minister that'll take the Gospel. See? I don't know. You have to obey the Holy Spirit. Stand ever who is wanting to accept Christ while His Presence is here like this. You'll never be any closer to Him till you see Him face to face. Stand up. God bless you, son. God bless you. God bless you, sister. Someone else? Stand up, Say, I now. . . This is the first night, but I—I want to accept It. I want Christ to come to me. I believe He's here. And I know if He knows my heart and knows the secrets of my heart, He's the same Jesus that lived in the days gone by. I want Him for my Saviour right now. I—I belong to church, but really, I've never been saved, Brother Branham. I want to stand." Say, "I want to be saved, borned again, filled with His Spirit. I want It now." Stand up. Yes. While we're waiting, just a moment. This might mean the difference between death and Life to you, friend. Don't let this pass by. God does these things for His glory. Someone else? Someone else, just before we pray? All right. God bless you, way back there in the back. I see it, like a family standing. God bless you, young fellow. That's very fine. God bless you, sonny boy. That's very fine. God bless you, little boy.

E-79 Isn't that strange, them little boys up, not over ten, twelve years old. You say, "They don't. . ." Oh, yes they do. "Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not. Such is the Kingdom." Their little hearts hasn't been pulled through too much stuff yet. They're tender, and they can easily receive Christ. The Spirit knocks, and all they know to do is say, "Yes, Lord." I love those little fellows that does that. All right. Anyone else just before

we pray now. I see the young lady over here, and—and a young man and a woman back in the back. I see you way back there, and a young girl. That's fine. God bless you.

All right. Now, lay your hands on one another, you that's sick. Now, you that's accepted Christ as personal Saviour, immediately after this prayer, I want you to come up here and stand around the altar where we can pray for you. The Lord bless you.

E-80 Now, let's pray for the sick, everybody. Heads bowed. Now, you pray for the next person now, just like you want them to pray for you.

His Presence, the Holy Spirit moving in the building knows your heart. Feel His glorious Presence.

O Lord, Creator of heavens and earth, Author of Everlasting Life, Giver of every good gift, let Thy Holy Spirit come into this people just now. We know He's in the building. And one time, they laid in the shadow of a man called Peter, and they were healed. They taken aprons and handkerchiefs from the body of another, and they were healed. O Lord, let it know now . . . Not only the shadow, but the Presence of the Holy Ghost is passing over these people. That great Angel of God is moving around over this audience here, dipping down into hearts that will listen, and will believe. Let it be, Lord, this night, that they all might know that Your Presence is here. This is a sign. May San Jose believe it right now, Lord, that it's the end time sign, and we're here at the end of the road; and Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever is here to minister to their needs.

Satan, you have lost your grip. Come out of here. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we adjure thee, as the Church of the living God. Get out of these people. Jesus Christ has defeated you, and we stand as His servants ministering with a gift that was brought by an Angel. Come out. In the Name of Jesus Christ, leave these people.

E-81 With your hands on one another now, every one of you that can accept your healing, that somebody has prayed for you, believing now that God's Word is true. I pronounce every one of you healed in the Name of Jesus Christ. Now, if you believe it, stand to your feet as a testimony. God bless you. That's right. Just looky. That's the way to do it. Amen. Amen. Amen. Wonderful. Wonderful. That's it. That's it. God bless you. That's right. Just still standing. Look where God healed at one time. Amen. Look at that. Praise God. Oh, that's fine. That's fine. They're still getting up. All right.

While, you're standing there, lift up your hands, and let's sing this song "I Love Him, I Love Him Because He First Loved Me."

Everybody now. Let us...?..."I Will Praise Him, I Will Praise Him." All right. Praise the Lamb for sinners slain. That's what we want to sing. Everybody together now. All right.

I will praise Him, (Raise up your hands if you meant it.)

I will praise Him,
Praise the Lamb for sinners slain;
Give Him glory all ye people,
For His blood has washed away each stain.

I will praise Him, I will praise Him,
(Just raise up your voices, praising.)

Praise the Lamb for sinners slain;
Give Him glory all ye people,
For His blood has washed away each stain.

E-82 Let's bow our heads now while we hum it. [Brother Branham begins humming—Ed.] While they're praising Him, now, you that raised your hands, and you backsliders, come down here just a minute. Stand close. I want you up here close, so I can pray with you. Come right on out. You that raised your hands, move right down here, come down at the altar just a moment. That's it. Come right out. Come on down, just a moment. I want to pray for you right here myself. I'm going to have answer for you at the day of the judgment, and I want to see that you come out here. "He that will confess Me before men, him will I confess before My Father and the holy Angels." Now, move right on out. Come right down. That's it. That's it. Now, they're coming right down.

Now, you that... Even if you didn't raise your hands, come down anyhow. If you feel like you want to come down, and come to Christ, come on now.

I will praise Him, I (God bless you, honey; that's fine.)

...praise Him,
Praise the Lamb for sinners slain;

You're in the Presence of the Holy Ghost now, not your brother, the Holy Spirit.

...glory all ye people,
For His blood has washed away each stain.

I will prai—(Just keep coming. That's right. We'll keep waiting. You just keep coming.)

. . . will praise Him (Come on. One soul's worth
ten thousand worlds. Come right ahead, young
fellow.)

. . . slain;

Give Him glory . . .

Give Him your life if you want to give Him glory. Come,
give yourself up to Him, surrender. The great Holy Spirit, God's
Detective knows all about you.

. . . way each stain.

I will praise Him, (Oh, that's fine, just keep coming
on up.)

. . . will praise Him,

Praise the Lamb for sinners slain;

Give Him glory all ye people,

For His blood has washed away each stain.

E-83 Now, everybody real reverent for a moment now. Now, you
people that's standing here, that's come to the Lord Jesus; that's
the greatest thing you've ever done in your life. That's the greatest
move that you've ever made. Now, look. It's true. Cancer has left
this platform from the people tonight. As the nights go by, you'll see
lame, blind, halt, withered, everything being healed here, always is.
The Lord does that.

But you've done a greater than that. There . . . You see, you
come up here; you raised up. According to science, you broke
scientific rules. You raised your hands first. That breaks a scientific
rule, 'cause you're supposed to keep your hands down. Gravitation
holds it down. But there's a spirit in you made a decision. You
raised your hands, said, "Yes, I want Christ." Now, see, what was it?
Jesus said, "He—he that heareth My Words and believeth on Him
that sent Me, hath (present tense) Eternal Life and shall never come
into the judgment, but has passed from death unto Life." Jesus said
that. We're here to help you. We love you. You're our sisters; you're
our brothers. You've made the greatest decision that anybody could
make, is to come to Christ. You've come here . . . "He that will come
to Me . . . He that comes to Me, I will in no wise cast out." You're
God's. Now, you belong to Him.

E-84 Now, just bow your heads, and let's pray. And we're going to
ask God . . . And you pray in your own way. Now, your sins, just tell
Him you're sorry for them. Now, He . . . When you raised up, when
you stood up, that you're . . . If you'll stand for Him, He will stand
for you. See? It's over. Now, let's bow our heads and pray now.

Lord, these are the trophies of the gathering tonight, with the healings that's taken place, the little children and the sick people who has been healed—hundreds of them, Lord. There's so many here that was suffering with heart trouble and different diseases, that I'm positive was healed just a few moments ago. Felt that great pressure go away, and I know they were healed. And I pray Thee, Father, to keep them in peace.

And now, these come, Lord, for the salvation of their souls. They're convinced when they see the sign of the Messiah, the Messiahic sign working in His people, proving that He is with us: "I'll be with you, even in you till the end of the world." Forgive them, Lord, of every sin. I know You have, 'cause no. . . "No man can come to Me, except My Father draws him first." And the Father spoke to these people, and they come. Now, Lord, I present them to You as trophies of Your grace. Now, they are love gifts that God has given You. You will keep them in perfect peace, whose heart and mind is stayed on You. Now, grant, Lord, that their sins will be forgiven, washed away; may they take a place in a good church, be baptized into Christian faith, and walk after Thy holiness from henceforth. Grant it, Father. They're Yours now, in Jesus' Name.

E-85 While you have your heads bowed, each of you now that wants to accept Christ as your personal Saviour, believing that He has forgive you of all of your sins, you that's standing close, raise up your hand, wants to. . . ? God bless you. That's right. That's right. God bless you. The entire. . . The whole entire group has accepted the Lord Jesus as their personal Saviour.

There's workers with you who will probably have a room here for the Holy Spirit. I would advise you, as a minister of the Gospel, go right in the room there, where they can give you instructions on how to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Right to the left there. Someone lead the way there. And you go right into this side room here now, where we can dismiss the audience, and have you in there so we can instruct you.

Then join some of these churches. If I lived here, I'd belong to one of these churches. These men represent exactly what I believe. They wouldn't be standing here if they wasn't. They're—they are. . . They are God's man, and they are here for this purpose. God bless you now, each one of you.

All right. To the rest of the audience now. Bow your heads, each one out there in the land. Bow your heads now for prayer.

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