

# Raising Jairus' Daughter

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1 Therefore, in praying for the sick, we like to make the service --the preaching--service just as short as possible, because of keeping the prayer line going. And then I think it's much more forceful if we don't wear out, just preaching. And as I've always said to pray for the sick in the manner of the gift that the Lord has given me, His unworthy servant. My strength so quickly depletes anyhow in that, under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, that I like to put all my strength to the prayer for the sick.

2 Now, that's what it's announced for. And now, maybe tomorrow night, I suppose maybe we'd better have prayer for the sick. I think it's kind of questionable before Brother Moore, tonight anyhow, about us having to leave tomorrow for Canada, or they'd have to cancel the Canadian meeting, 'cause we won't have time to make it. That'll be their decision.

3 So now, we'll announce healing service ... or, prayer for the sick tomorrow night anyhow. So now, you pray, and come early to get your tickets tomorrow night, and then we can announce farther from there the way the Lord has given it out to us.

4 And now, how many love Him? Isn't He wonderful? We're so unworthy of these things. I just think of how good He is to let us fellowship with these great things, and we're so unworthy.

5 I was thinking last night. I was so tore up when I come to the platform last night, and I didn't even have a text to read hardly, when I come here. That hot weather's just about to melt me. I'm coming down to Shreveport when it gets wintertime. We'll put up the tent out here in wintertime, so we can really ... and raise up the sides so we get some breeze in. If I get a block of ice and sit on it awhile [unclear words]. I tell you. I don't see how you live, but you're accustomed to it; that's all.

6 And up north, why, my, we just love that cold weather. I get up and have the services there, where they come to hear me preach in the

sled rows, it ten, fifteen below zero. Why, they just wrap up in them blankets, and come sit out there, and every time I preach, it just look like a frost, or freeze like that, and you blow your breath out. That's just right for me. I just love that.

7 I've preached to Indians and them, see them come and sit by the thousands, just sitting on the blankets like that, it be way in below zero. Oh, we don't pay no attention to that. Just sit there, the little ones get up, and put their little blanket around them, and sit there and listen to all the words. I preached till looked like your breath would be freezing as it went out. But when you come down then to where you're perishing, that just makes it different.

8 But now, it'd just be vice versa to you all, but we love you. And, oh, if you only asked if I could only move the north down to Shreveport here (See), move the mountains from the north down to Shreveport here, I'd love to live in Shreveport for the people. The nicest people I've ever met in my life are these southern people. And I don't say that because I'm down here. I'd be a hypocrite, but that's right.

9 I don't care. . . . I went into a store; little old boy there about fourteen years old. Well, my country, walk in, just say, "Well, what do you want?" See, that'd been all of it. Never said, "Thank you. Come back again." Why, I thought that little boy was going to tell me I was his brother. Why, he was so nice. He said, "Now, now come back and see us again."

10 You know, there's just something that catches me. I like that. I like that old-fashioned kind, you know. Like they used to say. . . . I was down in a meeting, down in Miami, Florida, one time. Brother Bosworth said, "Brother Branham," said, "as you go out in the back," said, "as you go through the little tent in the back," said, "the Duchess that's let us have this grounds here, wants to shake hands with you."

I said, "Well, who's she?"

He said, "Why, she's a duchess."

I said, "What's that?" And I didn't know whether that was a different variety of woman or what it was. I said, "Tell me."

So, he said, "No, she's a great woman." Uh-huh.

So, I said, "Well, now what about all these sick people that wants to see me though."

Said, “Well, she just wants to shake your hand. She’s just there at the door.”

11 So, then I went out, around there stood the woman. And my, my, if I had the money with all them diamonds she had on her fingers, I could missionary the world almost. Standing there, and she had a pair of specks on a stick. Yes, she did. Now, she didn’t have them on her nose where they belong, she had them on a stick. And all kinds of bracelets around her arm, you know, like that, and she looked at me like this when I walked out.

She said, “Are you Doctor Branham?”

I said, “No, ma’am, I’m not.” I said, “I’m Brother Branham.”

12 She said, “Well, I am chahmed.” And she raised her hand way up like this. Now, you know, who’d want. . . . You know how it is. Now, she was just putting-on. You know human beings don’t act like that naturally? Isn’t that right? Now, they don’t. Now, “I am chahmed.” Now, what did I know about that--a Kentucky hillbilly?

13 So, I looked at her, and I said. . . . I grabbed hold of her big fat hand, I said, “Well, get it down here so I know you when I see you.” Now, that’s. . . . So, I think people just putting-on. Now, I like this good old southern pump-handle handshaking. I like that. I really do. Say, “Hello dayah, preacha.”

14 My wife one time. . . . We was driving downtown. Oh, it’s been two or three years ago; and there was a young lady on the street which we knew her. She said, “Hello, Sister Branham.”

And Meda was looking that way. And I didn’t hear her speak to her. And I said, “Hey, that girl spoke to you.”

She said, “I spoke to her.”

I said, “I didn’t hear you, and I’m sure she didn’t.”

And said, “Well,” she said, “I smiled at her.”

15 And I said, “You mean to tell me a little silly grin will take the place of ‘hello’?” I like to hear you say it, don’t you.” I like to, not grin about it, just really say it out so they know it, and I just like that way that you all have around here, see.

16 Up in the north they're cold, indifferent. I went to visit my uncle, and they went into a place, and I said, "Uncle Charlie, who lives over..." I said, "Is that your neighbor?"

"Yeah."

And I said, "How long you lived here?"

Said, "Twenty years."

I said, "Who is he?"

Said, "I don't know."

I said, "You don't know. Has he lived here as long as you?"

"Yeah."

17 I thought, "*My, my. I'd have to get acquainted with him or something in that much time.*" And so, they don't say nothing to one another up there. They don't talk to each other. So this is at Plattsburgh, New York. And so that's how the Catholic side of our family come.

And my great aunt founded the convent at Montreal and is buried up there. And so, they were real royal Catholics.

So then coming... I said, "Uncle Charlie, I want to get some thirty-two specials for my rifle. I'm going deer hunting."

And he said, "Well, go downtown for a *certain* store." I could get it.

18 So, I said, "All right." Now, I went out, and I couldn't find the place, so I looked around. There was a man standing on the corner. He looked like an intelligent looking gentleman. I said, "How do you do?"

He looked at me, and started walking on down the street.

And I thought, "*Well, something wrong. Maybe it's with me.*"

19 So, I walked up, and there was a fellow walking out of a cigar shop; and he was striking his match for his cigar, and he had on a little derby hat and dressed up like a gentleman.

Said, "Good morning, sir. Could you tell me where *such-and-such* a hardware store?"

He just turned around.

I looked at him. Started walking on. I said, "Somebody's crazy. It might be me."

20 I just don't like that. I like... Why, even here your police will try to direct you around and everything. I like what you got, a wonderful group of people. If you just had some good cool weather, it would be fine.

21 So, Brother Jack gives me the assurance that it's going to be cool. But the one thing that's nice, friends, and everywhere you go when you meet born-again children of God, they're all the same, no matter what country. We've went into the Hottentots of Africa, and we've went into the Germans, we've went to the French, we've went to the Swiss, we've went to the Swedes, the Norwegians, and Finns, and everywhere around the world, about. And everywhere you meet born-again Christians, they everyone act alike. Yes, sir. They've been borned again. That's what makes it.

22 So, they all get that good southern spirit on them. Somebody said "Amen" to that. I said, "That good southern spirit." That's what they get, so that's very fine.

23 Now, we're going to approach His Word tonight, and read from His Word, and get right into the service. Now, I want you to pray for me now as we go into the Word.

24 But first of all, let's address Him and [Microphone makes feedback sound.] and He will let us have His grace [Microphone feedback again.] His Word. Something went wrong somewhere. Brother L.C.? Now, he's supposed to be my partner, see.

25 One time down in Texas where the Angel of the Lord had His picture taken up where He was standing at the pillar of fire, well, Brother L.C., the Baptist preacher, walked over and slapped another man right in the mouth, and Brother L.T. had his picture in the paper next day holding them apart, so ... and then come and step on something down there that... Oh, is it me doing it? Oh, you got it there? I don't want to condemn him unjustly. No, sir. He's a good brother.

26 So, I see Anna Jean smiling tonight. Have you heard from Brother Don today? No? That's all right. Faith is what we believe, that God will give Brother Don a safe trip, a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit down there where he's going in South America. All right. Shall we bow our heads now for a word of prayer.

27 Most gracious Lord, these happy-hearted people tonight, full of joy, it's because of Your presence and Your visitation to us. We thank You for sending the air conditioning tonight, fixing it up for us, so we can feel more comfortable to worship Thee.

28 We pray tonight, God, that You'll forgive us of every sin, every shortcoming that we have in life. We pray that Your great grace will reach down and forgive us. Forgive every sin that's under the tent tonight, God. I pray as standing between the living and dead, that You will forgive every trespass. And all of our little differences, we pray that You'll just forgive us for having those things, and lay it aside and worship Thee tonight in Spirit and truth.

29 When the prayer line's called, O God, make their choice. Call every one, we pray tonight and heal every sick person. Save every sinner tonight and call back every backslider to the way of truth and life, for we ask it in the name of Thy beloved Child, the Lord Jesus. Amen.

30 I feel the presence of the Lord so close tonight. I believe we could just start a prayer line without saying anything out of the Word. Just to read a portion of His Word here and talk just for a few moments on an incident that happened in the Bible.

31 We find this in St. Luke the 8th chapter, and we'll begin at the 48th verse and read just a little portion of the Scripture here for a context tonight:

*And he said unto her, Daughter, be of a good comfort: thy faith has made thee whole; go in peace.*

*And while he yet spake these words, there come one from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master.*

*But when Jesus heard it, he answered him, saying, Fear not: believe only, and thou shalt be made whole.... And she shall be made whole.... (Excuse me.)... And she shall be made whole.*

32 Now, our subject tonight is a great outstanding instance in the Bible. I love to rehearse His works here on earth, when He was here in a corporal body, and as He has said that He would be with us and manifest Himself to us until the end of the age....

33 And the Bible says that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. And if we can rehearse some of His instance just before we pray for the sick, and declare to the sick and to all, that He's not dead but alive, see.

34 For we see of His actions and His attitudes in the days gone by, then we can expect the same thing in this day now. Don't you think so?—if He is the same?

35 Now, I would to God with this lovely feeling of spirit around this little group of people tonight, if each one of you would get into your mind, into your heart, that our Saviour is not dead, but He's alive and present now, just as present as He ever was in any age gone by. Just as present as He was with Noah, just as present as He was with Abraham, just as present as He was with the Hebrew children, present as He was with all the patriarchs, and all the apostles, and all through the age. He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, the same.

36 Now, let's get that in our minds, and remember that He is ever present; and there's no other creature that could be omnipresent except God Himself--no other creature.

37 The devil is a great force. The devil has a great power, and the devil is great in his power; but he's under the power of God. And the devil can only be one place at a time. His imps can be everywhere, scattered out--his demons, his coworkers.

38 But God Himself is alone in this field of omnipresence, not an Angel, but God Himself. Hallelujah! Then that gives us courage. "Wherever two or three are gathered together, I will be in their midst." That's universal, everywhere.

39 And now, let's watch His actions for a few moments. See what kind of attitude He takes towards His saints and towards the sinner. And then if we find His attitude towards them in the way that He works, then if He does the same thing here, that's a absolutely infallible proof that He has raised from the dead.

40 Aren't you glad tonight? With the thousands of different religions in the world; and yet there's none of them can take the stand and prove that their god is living, outside of Christianity.

41 Christianity is the only one that takes the claim of their God has raised up from the dead. Their God came to earth and was made flesh and died for them to take away their sins and appeared back again in their flesh to manifest Himself until we're all made manifest in His glory when He sits on His throne, David's throne and takes rule for the millennium. Then we shall see Him, the very Lord Jesus that was crucified, and we'll look upon Him and know Him.

42 And we are His kingdom, and His domain is from eternity to eternity. Think of that. All the powers and everywhere is given unto His hands. That's right. How wonderful.

43 Now, if we'd go down and being a missionary.... Now, you say, "Brother Branham, you'd take the claim as a missionary and just going back and forth overseas?" Oh, yeah. That is a missionary. One who goes and stays is not a missionary. He just changed residence. If you go over there and stay four or five, eight and ten, twelve years, you just changed residence.

44 Paul was the greatest missionary we've ever had, and he'd just go over *here* for a few weeks and *there* for a few weeks. That's a missionary, see. But one that goes and stays, just makes his home over there, he's just changed his residence. He's just living in Germany, or he's living in Africa, somewhere like that. He's a pastor or evangelist over there.

45 Now, we want to notice in our text tonight, it says here that it was on the instance of the healing ... or, raising from the dead, Jairus' daughter, the little priest.

46 Now, our Lord Jesus was a very busy man when He was here on earth. He was greatly in demand. He never stayed one place but just a little bit at a time, then away He would go somewhere else.

They persuaded Him to stay in the cities, the different places. "Stay with us."

47 But He said, "I've got to go to this other city; for that's what I've been sent for." And He didn't stay in one city but just a day, or a maybe an hour or two at a time, and performed a miracle, leaving the rest of the meeting for His disciples that was to follow Him.

48 Now, we find Him a few days before this, great things He had done. And just a few hours before the instant that we're speaking of,



He'd been crossing a sea. Tired, weary, virtue had been going out of Him; people had been healed. He'd been preaching the Gospel, and on His road across the sea, over to the land of Gadara, He'd got so tired and weary until He laid down in the back end of the boat.

49 Some of them had fixed Him a little pillow back there because they loved Him, and when they was rowing and the sails a-going, and all the apostles moving with their oars, He'd gotten so sleepy, and so tired and worn. See, He was man in one sense; He was God in another sense. He was man in flesh; in Spirit He was God. We just went through that.

50 The Dove came on the Lamb, and they two became one. The Lamb was one creature, and the Dove was another creature; and when the Dove and the man . . . the Dove and the Lamb united together, God was manifested in the flesh. That's right.

51 And now, He's manifested in your flesh by being adopted sons and daughters to the kingdom of God through the baptism of the Holy Spirit. That's right, and you become joint-heirs with the Lord Jesus Christ. Oh, church, you got a power, if you got the faith to use it with. That's it.

52 Last evening in speaking of Noah, how that the ark was built; how that one tree had to be cut down. And then they beat the rosin out of the tree, which the rosin is the sap. The life of the tree had to be beat out to make an atonement to save the life of Noah and his family.

53 And the gopher wood that the ark was made out of. . . . The gopher wood first had to be cut down and dried out. All the life in the gopher wood which was not good . . . not preserving. . . .

54 Very beautiful type of the sinner as though you're standing, yet the life that's in you, my friend, is not worth nothing. Your good works and all that you are in your goodness cannot atone for your sins. There had to be another of your kind cut down, the Lord Jesus, the perfect One; and out of His body was beaten with a cat-o'-nine-tails across His back, beat on the head, spit in the face, nails drove through Him, pierced in the side; and the life of Him had to run out in order to be a Saviour for your life.

55 Now, we find out that the gopher wood, the first thing the ark being made out of gopher wood, it had to be cut down, and its own

life dried out. That's the sign of the sinner. The sinner before he can get right with God has to dispel all his sin, get white.

56 Then the gopher wood was the lightest wood there is, and a sinner that's repented and laying before God is the most receptacle thing that there can be. Then the Holy Spirit comes down.

Now, if you put that gopher wood in the water, it would sink in a few minutes. That's right.

57 Now, the sinner's all emptied out, and then when the gopher wood emptied out, it become light, flexible. Then we find out. . . . Did you ever get real light when you got down and asked God forgive your sins, it seemed like that you was walking on clouds? Sure. Emptied out your own life; then God took you to the tabernacle, to the gathering of the people, and He made you a piece of timber or a stone in a house.

58 And then when you were nailed on like the gopher wood was, then they took the rosin out of this tree, the pine tree, the evergreen, and put it . . . boiled it and poured it into these pores that once was sap of no use, no effect, and poured the rosin out of the other tree into that, and made it as strong as steel. And it could stand the judgment.

59 And then when you poured out all your sinful life, and the Holy Spirit, boiled in the fires of Calvary, had been poured into you, it seals you into the kingdom of God. "Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby ye are sealed until the day of your redemption." Amen. Let the world bounce, and the chunks, and all the other things will never touch a born-again Christian. Amen.

60 The Bible said (Ephesians 4:30), "You're sealed until the day of your redemption." Amen. That boat went on through the waters. Amen. The old ship of Zion will surely pull in one day (Right.), protected.

Christ laying on this ship, both God and man; God was in Him.

61 A woman here not long ago was speaking to me. She was a . . . Well, I don't mean to make light of anybody's religion. That's up to them; but she belonged to the group that said don't believe in the virgin birth and believes that Christ was just simply a good man, a prophet. If He was a prophet only, then His blood is no more than

mine or yours. He was either God or the biggest deceiver the world ever had.

She said, "I'll prove to you He wasn't nothing but a man, by the Bible."

62 I said, "Lady, I don't believe you can do it. I've read it many times through and studied it prayerfully." I said, "If you can prove to me that the Bible said He wasn't nothing but a man, then I want to see your Scripture for it."

63 And she said, "In St. John the 11th chapter, the Bible said that when Jesus went down to the grave of Lazarus, the Bible plainly stated He wept."

I said, "Well, what's that got to do with it?"

Said, "He could not be immortal. He could not be any more than a man and cry at a funeral."

64 I said, "You just didn't see all of it." I said, "It is true, He was a man in flesh, for God was in His Son reconciling the world to Himself. He was a Lamb in one place, but He was a Dove in the other. The Dove was in the Lamb. God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself."

65 I said, "He was a man when He went down to the grave of Lazarus, crying. He was a man then, but when He straightened up His little figure and said, 'Lazarus, come forth'; and a man that had been dead four days stood on his feet. That was more than a man; that was Christ; that was God speaking out of man."

66 I said, "He was a man when He come down off the hill that night, hungry, looking around on that fig tree for something to eat. He was a man; He was hungry; hunting for something to eat, He was a man; but when He took five biscuits and a few little pieces of fish and broke it and fed five thousand, that was more than a man. That was God's hands when that bread was breaking through there.

67 Did you notice? not only raw, live fish, not wheat, but already cooked, baked, fried and ready to eat. Amen. What kind of an atom

did He turn loose when He done it? That was more than a man. That was a God of the atom. That was a God that made the atom. That was God that made the calcium. That was a God that made the life. That was the God that made the creation.

68 He was in the world and the world knew Him not. And the world was made by Him. That was more than a man out there. Yes, sir. He was a man the night that I'm speaking of. The night when He was laying there in the back of that boat, so tired physically that He couldn't even get up. He was so tired, till the waves didn't even wake Him up. He was a man when He was laying in the back of that boat asleep.

69 But, when He raised up and put His foot upon the brail of the boat, looked up and said, "Peace be still," and the winds and the waves ceased, that was more than a man speaking; that was God speaking through the lips of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. It's true.

70 He hung on Calvary begging for mercy. That was a man. When He hung on Calvary begging for mercy, that was a man. But on Easter morning, when the Angel of the Lord rolled the stone away, and He come up, He proved He was God. No wonder the poet said:

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me;  
Buried, He carried my sins far away;  
Rising, He justified freely forever;  
Someday He's coming--oh, glorious day!

71 Sure He was. He was a God-man. He was divine. He was virgin born. God, Jehovah, God overshadowed a little virgin and brought forth the virgin-born Son of God. And that was a tabernacle--or, the dwelling place--of Jehovah Himself. Jehovah walked in a tabernacle of flesh, and paid the price for sin. Don't you never let Him be a prophet. He was the God of the prophets. Sure was. He was more than a good man. He was the God of the good men.

72 Now, out here on this little old sea, tossed about, ten thousand devils of the sea swore they'd drown Him while He was laying back there tired.

73 You know, the devil takes advantage of you when you get tired or wore out. He does you the same way. You just get a little tired and wore out, and get discouraged. Certainly. He caught Jesus right at that weak spot, tired and weary. He was laying back in the back of the boat, rocking around; and the Bible said that a storm came down upon the sea and begin to toss the boat.

The disciples said, “Carest Thou not that we perish?”

74 He said, “Oh, where’s your faith?” Looked around and the great winds and waves obeyed Him. What was He doing? Crossing a rough sea that night, because one soul in Gadara was ready to receive Him: one soul in Gadara.

75 He would come from glory to Shreveport for one soul that was ready to receive Him. And remember, this man that was ready to receive Him was a sick man. He was mentally sick. He was a maniac. He’d lost his mind. The doctors could do nothing for him. He was out into the caves, in the graveyard. That’s a place the devil takes you. He’ll put you in the graveyard.

An insurance agent here some time ago, come to me and said, “Billy, I want to sell you some insurance.”

76 I said. . . . I haven’t got any of that kind. So I said to him, “I’ve got insurance.” And my wife stopped and looked around at me. She knewed I didn’t have any insurance, especially what he was selling.

She said, “Billy.”

And I said, “Well, I’ve got insurance.”

He said, “Who you. . . . What is your insurance? What policy is it? Who you hold it with?”

77 I said, “With the Lord Jesus.” I said, “Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine. Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine: heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.”

He said, “That’s good, Billy. I’m glad to hear that,” but said, “that won’t put you in the graveyard.”

78 I said, “But it’ll take me out.” I’m not worrying about getting in there. It’ll take me out of there, is what I’m thinking about. That’s

right. It sure.... I ain't worried about getting in the graveyard; it's getting out.

79 And I know one thing, brother, that there's a good old-fashioned baptism of the Holy Ghost, and every time when the heart beats we're going one step closer to that great place called death.

80 And I want to say this, when I come to the end of the road I know Him in the power of His resurrection, that when He calls from among the dead, He'll know my name, like He did Lazarus.

81 That's what we're striving for tonight: to honestly contend for the faith that was once delivered to the saints. Then we'll know Him in the power of His resurrection, not a dead God, not a God in the manger, but a God that's raised and among His people tonight working signs and wonders, showing forth His great power.

This poor maniac out there in the graveyard. That's the way a lot of churches go: right to the graveyard.

82 Then when he got out of there, cutting himself.... When they get away from the Lord Jesus, they do. And Jesus crossed the sea to bring deliverance to this one poor man. And as soon as this maniac saw Him, he run to Him and fell down, and he was so submitted to the devil till the devil used his tongue.

83 You can be submitted to the devil, and he'll use your tongue. If you'd be submitted to God, God will use your tongue if He can get control of you. But first, you have to let Him get control of you.

84 Now if you're cursing and damning and going on like the sinners does, the devil's got you in complete sway. Let God have a hold of you one time and watch what you're going to say.

85 Oh, how wonderful. Then this maniac run down to Him and the Lord Jesus rebuked them spirits. And a lot of people say that religion will run you crazy; not the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ won't. It'll give you a right mind. And you're not in your right mind until you have met the Lord Jesus. That's true.

86 Why, some people that call themselves gentlemen, but so beastly till they'd throw a baby out of the mother's arms to ravish her, a beast-brute lust in his heart. Maybe weigh 250 pounds of muscles

like some kind of an animal. That ain't a man. That's a beast. Certainly. Man is not measured by his muscles or by his stature. A man is measured by his character. Whatever he is, he is by character.

87 There was no beauty, as I said, we should desire Jesus. But what a character; it's never been duplicated in all the world. That's right.

88 So, the Bible even said when we looked upon Him, there was no beauty we should desire Him. We all turned our heads from Him and everything, but a character has never been measured to Him. What a wonder.

89 Then this maniac, when he came to his right mind after the devils had left him, he wanted to follow the Lord Jesus. Everybody that ever gets in their right mind wants to follow the Lord Jesus. I don't want to hurt your feelings, sinner, but that's true. You come to your right mind, you'll follow the Lord Jesus. Jesus don't take your mind from you. He gives you your right mind. It's true.

90 Now, notice, then when they come, going to have a revival over there. But you know what? Them people there were hog raisers. And they didn't want no revival, because it cost them two thousand hogs to have a revival. So, they wasn't interested in a revival as long as it was going to cost them some hogs.

91 I just wonder if people around the country today about got the same attitude. That's right. Going to cost a little something, why, you don't want it. Want everything on a silver platter. That's the reason you don't enjoy it.

92 One of the greatest meetings that was ever held, I guess it was.... I don't whether it was Moody; I forget just who it was now. Well, anyhow, an old wash woman, God laid it upon her heart. Brother Moore might remember the instance. Oh, it's back couple hundred years ago and so.... I'm not meaning he's that old, but I mean that he might knowed it by his history. So, I didn't mean Brother Moore was just quite that old anyway.

93 But, when this old wash woman had prayed, and God had told her that she was going to have a revival. And she went around the

street and passed out little tracts, hired some preacher to come. She took her wash bench down and cleaned out the livery stable, and hired . . . and rented it with her money that she had washed with.

94 And when everybody had thrown the pamphlets down on the street and wouldn't receive it, a little old boy come by with his daddy's suspenders on and hair hanging down his face and, "What are you giving away, lady?"

95 Give him one of the little tracts and invited him to the meeting. And that night when the preacher come, that old lady and that boy was the only one at the meeting. And when the preacher, true to God, preached just like there was ten thousand sitting there. And the little boy came to the altar that night. Was that A. B. Simpson? [Yes.] A. B. Simpson who almost led a half a million souls to God. Who gets credit for it? Amen.

96 You see, it's not the big things you do. It's the little things you leave undone. You've got to sacrifice. Why, that's the reason the people up north come into a meeting. Why, they come by the thousands times thousands. They like to get out in the cold; they like to do something for God. That's what we ought to do. Don't make any difference what it is, let's do something for God. Make a sacrifice. For the Bible said that we are priests of God making spiritual sacrifices, the fruits of our lips giving praise to His name.

97 All right. But when them people thought it was going to cost them a few hogs, they come down and asked Him to leave the country. So, if you ask Him to go, He'll go. He won't stay around very long. No, no. He'll never stay where He's not welcome. He always comes where He's welcome.

98 You remember the sermon not long ago of the woman washing Jesus' feet. He always stays where He's welcome. He feels at home when you welcome Him.

99 You pray like everything for a revival to come to Shreveport. Then Jesus can come to Shreveport, a great revival start in somebody; and my, my, instead of talking, trying to get people in, the bigger part of them says it's fanaticism.

100 The churches. . . . Here in the country, not Shreveport, all over the country, pray for a revival. The first thing you know, a little revival spirit breaks out in some old sister's heart, and say, "Well, praise the Lord."



101 “Ahem,” put her out. “Hey, that interrupts me when I’m preaching?” Why, you make Him unwelcome. Oh, you might talk to Him once in a while down in the cellar, or up in the other room or something like that. When you go to have a prayer meeting, you’d rather go shopping than to have a prayer meeting. No sacrifice, that’s the reason we don’t enjoy what we get.

102 I found out in my children. Billy Paul.... I was working for forty cents an hour, and I knew how I had to be treated when I was a boy: just pulled up, with nothing at all, not even clothes to wear to school or nothing. I said “If I have to work till I drop dead, I want him to have the best.”

103 I went down, I’d find him a little [unclear words]. I’d buy him little bows and arrows and everything that I couldn’t do when I . . . or, had when I was a child. You know what I found out one time after? Every week I’d try to save out a little money and buy him something.

104 First thing you know, I found him in the back yard--with all of his play things in the house--with a teaspoon digging in the yard. See, you got so much you don’t appreciate it. The rest of them, I had a better [unclear word] and hooted up the best they could. So that makes better. For it’s better.

105 Some of you have to sacrifice. But He’s never too tired. You know what I want to do? When I get to glory, I want to go over and find out how much pressure that legion’s testimony had on the hog raisers around Gadara when he got over.

106 I imagine he burnt that country up with them hog raisers, (Don’t you imagine so?), with his testimony, clothed and in his right mind, see.

107 I don’t mean to hurt you, sister; it’s you that strip off yourself out here in these little old clothes. You see, you ain’t got your right mind yet. If you ever meet the Lord Jesus, you’ll get in your right mind, and put on your clothes, and act like a lady. See, when you make changes, you put on your clothes, not take them off.

108 And, preacher, I hope that goes in below your heart so that you’ll know that that’s the truth. Why do you let your people do that? Tell them the truth about it. All right.

109 Now, here He is crossing the sea, and on the tossed banks of the sea. When He first hit the billows and begin to come back over to the

other side again. . . . Oh, great tired . . . how tired He was when He hit the bank. There was a little woman up there that had made up in her mind if she ever got close to Him that she was going to ask Him to give her of His grace.

110 But she found out she couldn't get close to Him. She had a blood issue. So, she just touched the border of His garment and was healed.

111 Now, there was a little man over there by the name of Jairus. I always kind of felt sorry for Jairus, 'cause I believe that he was a secret believer. And you know, there's a lot of them sitting under this tent tonight. That's right. Oh, if it wasn't for social prestige. That old dirty thing of social prestige. What is social prestige, anyhow? "Oh, it's culture. Our preachers has got culture. How they can present themselves." You know what I think culture is? Culture is this: a man that hasn't got nerve enough to kill a chicken, but can eat a bellyful of it when somebody else kills it. And that's my estimation of culture. Yes.

112 Oh, brother, what we need is Bible salvation—back to the old hewing line, back to the Bible. And here was little Jairus over them; it was around his heart. They'd had a ministerial meeting, and they had taken a vote whether they should let Jesus of Nazareth ever come over to their country.

113 "No! Have nothing to do with Him. And any man that professes faith in Him, he'll be excommunicated right away. Now, Jairus, do you understand?" And in the meeting, little Jairus couldn't even say, "Amen. I guess that's right," see. But in his heart he wanted to believe it all the time.

114 "So," they said, "Now, Jairus, you remember this. If anybody comes of your congregation and professes that any miracle has been done by Jesus of Nazareth, excommunicate him right away." Now, you know that was a Jewish order. "Yes sir. Take him out of the synagogue. You know the High Priest, the bishop and the district superintendent and all of them come from place to place, making a proclamation; and if anybody receives Jesus of Nazareth would be excommunicated right quick."

115 So, you know, when you're really a secret believer, way down in your heart you want to say, "I want that old time religion," but you

know, you just. . . . So many around that don't believe in it. God will make a way for you to get it. Yes, He will. He'll make a way.

116 So, He made a way for Jairus. And one day his little girl got sick. You know God can get right next to you with your children. And so his little girl got sick.

117 Well, the reasonable thing for anybody to do when a child gets sick or anybody, send for your doctor. The doctor come, and looked her over, and said, "Well, I'll give her my herb tonic, and I'll see what we can do."

118 The next day come back, she was getting, oh, my, sicker and sicker all the time, fever getting higher all the time. So when he come back the next day, and he listened to her heartbeat. He said, "Oh, my. Her heart's beating faster, Jairus. Now, Pastor Jairus, I'm sorry to tell you, but you know, I've tried about every remedy I can on that girl, and there's not a thing I can do for her. She's getting sicker all the time, and I'm afraid that you're going to have to give her up, Jairus."

He said, "Oh, doctor, you don't mean to tell me that I'm going to have to."

119 "Yeah, Jairus, I'm sorry, but my medical profession lets me know that there's nothing in the world that I can do in my line of medicine for her. The only thing I can say is, 'God, be merciful to her soul.'"

120 That doctor done all that he could do. He walked away from the house. I can see little Jairus walking up-and-down the floor. All the time in his heart, he was thinking, "If I only knew where Jesus was. If I only could find Jesus." All right. Walks back and forth. So he thinks, "*I believe I'll go over and see my district superintendent to see what he thinks about if I should send for Jesus of Nazareth.*"

121 Now, that was in his heart. He had faith that Jesus could do it. Have you? He had faith that He could do it. So, he thought he'd go over and see the district superintendent to find out if it would be all right to bring Jesus over.

122 So, he went to see the head man of the synagogues and so forth. They said, "Why, Jairus, why, it's ridiculous. Why, we're the disciples of Moses. We know Moses done miracles; but, Jairus, do you know that's been hundreds of years ago? The days of miracles

are past. So, there's no such thing as that in this day. The only thing you can do is, we come over and give her the last rites of the church, and let her die in peace. That's the only thing to do. That'd be the will of God. If your doctor can't help her, it's the will of God for her to die."

123 How wrong that is. But all the time while that was going on, Jesus had a tugging, 'cause the faith of Jairus has pulled Him over there. That's what you're here for.

124 All the time He felt like that He would cross the sea. And now we had a night or two ago that Jesus said in the Gospel, "I do nothing until the Father shows Me by a vision first." Is that right? Saint John 5:19: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing first." Jesus knowed just exactly what He was going for. Again a call of one soul, and He crosses the sea.

And so first thing you know, Jairus, he come back and he said... I can hear his wife say, "Where'd you go?"

"I was just over at the church saying a prayer for the girl."

"Well, she's already unconscious now."

125 "Oh, my." I can just imagine him saying, "If I could only find Jesus. If I only knew where He was, I believe that Prophet. I just believe Him. I seen Him do things. I've followed it up in the Scripture. This is my bread ticket. Here being pastor of this church, but if I could only find Him. If I could only find where He's at."

126 Well, the first thing you know, somebody come running up around the street and said, "Hey, you know what's happening, pastor?"

127 "What?" Why, all the people are around, of course, weeping and sympathizing with him, the good, honest people of the church. He's going to lose his daughter, and as one come by and said, "You know what? After all the trouble we got around here, this girl dying; and yet I understand that that fanatic prophet of Galilee has just hit the shore down here."

128 The hope begin to jump in little Jairus' chest right then. You know, faith cometh by hearing. Is that right? Somebody told him that

Jesus had come. Somebody says tonight that Jesus was raised from the dead. What a hope. Amen.

129 Old Jairus thought, *“If I could only see Him now. I’ll express my... Oh, oh, oh, oh. What’ll I do. I’ll lose my job. I’ll lose my congregation. What will I do? Well, maybe I’d better not go.”* Walked in and looked at the little girl. She’s almost gone. What had happened?

130 Right down in his heart, God begin to work. “Jairus, this is your time.” You know God give Christ a vision, and God works on both ends of the line, see.

131 And he begin to get in his heart. “Oh, I believe I’ll go see Him.” So, he calls Mrs. Jairus out, and he said, “You know, honey, I have been thinking of something.”

“Yes, dear, what is it?”

“Well, of course, you know I’m pastor here.”

“Yes, uh-huh. What of it? Who are we going to get to preach her funeral?”

132 “Well, I’m not thinking about her funeral, honey. You know what? Sometime ago, I was over the other side of the lake, and I seen this prophet of Galilee. And I seen Him do a miracle there one day that just startled me; and you know, I believe that He could help my daughter, our child. Don’t you believe so, honey?”

She said, “You know.... I want to tell you, sweetheart. I believe that same thing.”

“Why, honey, do you mean you’ve been believing all that?”

“Yes.”

“So have I.”

133 Oh, my. Peace is going to come to that home pretty soon. When father and mother can get right with God, something’s going to happen.

“Why,” he said, “Are you willing, if they excommunicate me, are you willing to stick by me?”

134 “Dear, I’ll stick by you through thick and thin. That’s my marriage vow. I’ll stick by you. If you want to go get Him, I’ll be

here on my knees praying till you come back. Let the congregation say anything they want to. We believe God.”

135 That’s it. Now you’re getting right. That’s it. That’s the vision. “We’ll believe God.” Amen. All right, let the rest of them. . . . David said, “As for me and my house, we’ll serve the Lord.” That’s right. No matter what the neighbors said, what anybody else said; serve the Lord.

136 So we find out then, little old Jairus, he thought. . . . He reached over, and he got his little priest hat and put it on like that. He started walking out. First thing you know, he met some of the congregation.

“Where are you going, Jairus?”

137 Oh, my. What am I going to do now? Show my colors? Am I going to have to be a traitor? I’m afraid if I deny it, then He won’t come with me. I’ve got to be a real soldier.

138 That’s the way. That’s it. “Well, congregation, I want to announce to you now. I’m going down by the lake. I just heard that Jesus is here. (Amen.) I just heard that Jesus has arrived.”

Oh, my. I feel very religious. “Jesus has arrived. I’m going down to get Him.”

139 “Why, the very audacity, pastor. Do you mean to tell me that you’re going to degrade yourself as a scholar as you are, with all the B.A.’s, the Bachelor of Art, and everything. Your new degree that was just give to you, the LL.D., and you mean to tell me that you’re going to mix yourself with that bunch of holy-rollers?”

140 What was it? He didn’t say, “Well, I’ll go like Nicodemus, by night.” Unh-uh. The need was right then. Brother, it couldn’t wait. And that’s what it is tonight. We can’t wait.

141 Did you hear the newscast tonight? Did you read your newspaper? The whole world is in a turmoil, on the Suez Canal; there’s a third world war coming up, an atomic war. And while she’s brewing, what could happen? It lays in who shoots the first atomic bomb.

142 Your paper said that this country here was way hotter than it’d ever been for this time of year. Many places, the hottest it’s ever been

in time. Why? That atomic bombs has already got this world moving from its orbit into the sun. It's like God said it would be.

143 The time is at hand. There's no time for waiting. Let's get to Jesus right quick. They say, "Well now, Brother Branham, do you have an education? Know what..."

144 I might not have an education, but I know what I'm talking about. I may not know the Book too well, but I know the writer ... the Author, real well. I know the time is at hand. We can't wait any longer. Let them that's filthy, be filthy still; and them that's holy, be holy still.

145 The hour of your decision is now. This may be the last night that you'll have the opportunity. We don't know. Then you got to stick your chest out, like Jairus did.

146 Said, "I don't care if you expel me, if you excommunicate me." Oh, he got some holy boldness in him. That's what everybody needs. Stand up for your rights. "But I'm going after Jesus of Nazareth."

147 And somebody slipped around and told the main superintendent and them, "Cut him off down on the side of the road. He's lost his mind. He's gone crazy. He's gone down there with that bunch of holy-rollers, just as sure as the world. He's gone down."

148 They wasn't? Sure, they was. Sure, that's what the world called them, and it's called heretics, crazy. So then the first thing you know down the road come all the chief executives, all the general council. All of them met him down at the corner of the road and said, "Looky here, fellow. Where you going?"

149 Oh, he done had something moving in his heart. If you ever get it moving in your heart, you won't care who tries to stop you. That's right. If God begins to tug at that heart, and you begin to move with that tug, there ain't nothing in the world that's in hell going to hold you back. You're going anyhow.

150 I can hear him give them a real good word. Saying, "Stand up. I'm on my way to see Jesus of Nazareth." Amen. Hallelujah. "I'm on my way. He's the only One that can provide help for me now; and I'm on my way, and I don't care what you do. If you want my preacher's license, you can have them. There they are. Take them. I'm on my way." Amen.

151 That's what the church ought to start tonight. That's what the people ought to start. Throw away that old dead, dry theology you've been worshipping for a long time and find the resurrected Lord Jesus, He that's the same yesterday, today, and forever, He that's omnipotent, all powerful, omnipresent. Same as His ... resurrection as He was the days He walked the banks of Galilee. "On my road..." When he sees Jesus....

152 That woman has just been healed. I can see Jesus standing there, saying, "Daughter, be of a good cheer. Thy faith has made thee whole."

Jairus said, "Oh, what's happened? What's He doing? What's He saying?"

153 I can see this little pale woman coming by, saying, "Oh, hallelujah. Glory to God. Praise the Lord." Here she comes, just a-shouting.

Jairus says, "Just a minute, madam. I want to talk to you just a little bit. What is it? What's happened?"

"Well, I had a blood issue."

"Are you associated with this gang?"

"Yes. Uh-huh. And I just got healed with a blood issue." Oh, how happy she was.

154 He starts walking on. He told Jesus, "Now, I want you to come and lay Your hands upon my little girl. She's laying at the point of death, and she'll be made well."

155 Now, look at Jairus. He said, "Come, lay Your hands on." That was his faith. That was a Jew. They were taught laying on of hands.

156 The Roman, he didn't want it. He said, "I'm not worthy You come under my roof. Just speak the word." He said, "I'm a man under authority. I'm a centurion, and I have a hundred men under me. And they have to do everything I tell them. If I tell one to go and another one to come, they do just as I tell them. I have my power and authority over them."



157 And what was he saying to Jesus? “I recognize You to be God in flesh.” Right. “I recognize that every disease and every sin is in Your power.” Hallelujah! “It’s under Your jurisdiction. You can speak to it. That’s all You have to do, and every devil will mind You.” Amen.

158 He turned around and said, “I’ve not seen that kind of faith in Israel.” But said, “Go your way; as you have believed, so be it unto you.” And the boy was healed.

159 Peter one night, he had to have the Word preached to him. He was out on the sea in a little old boat that was just about all ready to sink, and all hopes was gone. And the first thing you know, while they were screaming and going on, afraid they was going to die on the sea, well, Jesus come walking to them on the water. And they got scared of Him. The only thing that could help them; the only thing that could save them, and they was scared of it. They thought it was a spook. That’s what they thought He was, a ghost. And they were scared of it.

160 Now, that’s no worse than people in Shreveport. That’s right. The only thing that can help you, the only thing that can save you, the only thing that can heal you, the only thing that’ll ever liberate you from sin, the only thing that’ll ever take you to heaven is the baptism of the Holy Ghost; and you’re scared of it. That’s right.

161 In this perplexed of time. . . . Did you ever hear of the airplane wrecks, the ships running together, perplexed of times, distress of the nations, great sights, and sea roaring, tidal waves that’s never been knowed of? You’re at the end time.

162 Here’s the Holy Ghost here spreading forth its light just like it did back there in the days of the Jews. As it was back there, so is it now. They were eastern people. The sun rose on them and showed signs and wonders of the living Lord Jesus.

163 He promised in the last days it would be light in the evening, and here we are in the western world at the west coast. It’s all over, and the light is shining down, and Christ raised from the dead, proving Himself alive among us.

164 Simple, uneducated ministers speaking the truth, God confirming the Word. . . . Oh, we got a lot of quacks; I know that. We have to admit that. We got a lot of fanatics there's nothing to. That's right, but just remember, every time you see a bogus dollar, remember, there's a real one it was made off of. It only vindicates the truth. Right. Only shows that there's a real one right in this evening time.

165 Peter said, "Lord, I'm scared of You. I don't know what to think about it; but if it be You, let me see it in the Word. Bid me come to You on the water. Let me hear Your Word."

166 Now, if you're scared of this baptism of the Holy Ghost, let me show it to you in the Word. See if it's for you. When the Holy Ghost first fell on the day of Pentecost, they began to scream and act what you call . . . like what you call "holy-rollers" today. They were jumping, dancing, falling.

167 The Bible said they acted like they were drunk. Is that right? Well, Peter stood up on a little old stump there, soap box, or whatever he was standing on, said, "You men of Judea, you that dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known unto you and hearken unto my words: These are not drunk, like ye suppose, seeing it's the third hour of the day. But this is that which was spoke of by the prophet Joel: It'll come to pass in the last days, I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh." On he went, "And they shall prophesy, and all the signs," he said.

168 "And when they heard this, they were pricked in their hearts." They wasn't scared of the spook anymore. They said, "What can we do to be saved?"

169 Peter said, "Repent, every one of you, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to them that's far off." Them in Shreveport, Louisiana, if you want to say it that way, or the uttermost parts of the world. Wherever the Gospel is preached, and God is calling people, the Holy Ghost is still the same for them. That's the Word. "Even as many as the Lord our God shall call. . . ." That's the Word.

170 Then step out in the open and start walking. Amen. Step out of the little old theology you're wrapped around tonight and say, "God, I want the Holy Ghost. I don't care what anybody says."

Peter said, "Lord, if it's You. . . ."

You say, "I'm afraid I'll make a mistake."

171 Well, you're sure making a mistake sitting where you are. That's right. You'll. . . . I'll have Christ for men. I have a lot of respect for Peter when he stepped out of that boat, and he did make a mistake.

172 He started to look around and said, "See, I got it, boys, I got it." And he started sinking. It ain't nothing you have to go around bragging about. It's something you want to run along and testify about and tell the world that's Jesus Christ, not yourself. Amen.

173 Don't brag on yourself. Brag on Him. Put Deity to Him where it belongs. Put the power and the praise to Him, not on some preacher or upon anything else. Don't think that you're something great. It's God's mercy that called you to it. That's right.

174 Here he starts walking, walk on the waters, just as soon as he heard the Word. Faith cometh by hearing, hearing of the Word. See, Peter heard the Word. That's right.

175 Martha heard that Jesus was coming. She went to Him and got the resurrection of her brother, see. It's according to your faith. The priests that packed the ark. Faith for them was sticking their foot in the water; as soon as their foot hit the water, the sea . . . the Jordan opened up. Their faith was "touch the water."

176 A blind man one time, the Word told him to wash in the pool of Siloam, with spit over his eyes. Jesus spit in some ground and made a patty cake out of it, from spit.

177 What would the health authorities say about that in Shreveport today? Standing there talking to him, [Brother Branham makes spitting sound.] spit on the ground kept talking to him [Brother

Branham makes spitting sound] spit on the ground. Then when He got done, He rubbed it up in His hands like that and put plaster over his eyes and said, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam and come seeing.” Amen.

178 To find the pool of divine life. Hallelujah! To find the Holy Ghost is to find life, find healing, find joy, find peace, find Christ tonight. Amen.

179 Where your faith lays; whatever you believe. It’s according to your faith. Jairus’ was, “Come, lay Your hands on my girl. She’ll be all right if You just lay Your hands on her.” Here He come. They was going on a little drive till the heart got settled down. Walked along side of Jesus with his head up. “I’m so glad I made my decision, Lord.”

180 Don’t worry. Soon as you make your decision, the devil’s going to give you a shock. Don’t worry. He’s the biggest bluff I know of, but he’s only a bluff. Did you hear me? He’s a bluff. That’s all he is. He ain’t got one legal power; Jesus Christ stripped him of everything he had, on Calvary. The full sin penalty was paid at Calvary, and the devil has no legal rights at all. He’s just a big bluff.

181 You say, “Well, my mother would turn me down. My daddy would...” I don’t care what the devil tells you. Jesus will receive you. You’ll be happy and peaceful. He’s just a bluff.

182 So Jairus got to feeling pretty good after he’d met Jesus. Went walking along. Said, “I got a real hope now. My girl’s going to be all right. Yep. He’ll go in there, and He’ll minister in some way; and He’ll lay His hands on her, and first thing you know that girl will start getting better. She’ll get all right. Yes, sir.”

183 Make himself believe that, pushing right along with the crowd, feeling pretty good. “Who’s this coming?” Here comes a man. Usually a message of sorrow they had ashes on their head or dirt, and they come running. Here he had.... “Oh--oh--wonder what’s happened up the street? Wonder what’s taking place?” And here comes this runner.

Said, “Jairus, do you know me?”

“Yes.”

“Trouble not the Master anymore, Jairus.”

“Oh, why . . . oh, why, why? What’s happened?”

“Your daughter’s already dead. Don’t trouble Him.”

184 Oh, I can see him just go back down, but just as he starts to sink like Peter did in the boat, he turns his eyes to see what Jesus is going to say about it.

185 Why don’t you see what He says about it? If you say, “Well, the world turned me down.” See what He says about it. Doctor says, “I’m going to die.” See what He says about it. See what He says about it.

186 So, Jairus turned his little head to see what Jesus said about it. I can see those lovely eyes looked over to him, said, “Fear not. Only believe, and thou shalt see the glory of God.” Glory. That was the Word.

187 Jairus stuck his chest out, just as brave as he could be and walked over yonder. Here come some mourner, “Boo-hoo, she’s gone. Ooh, she’s gone.”

Jesus looked over at Jairus; he had his chest sticking out, going right on, paying no attention to it, walking right on down the road.

188 First thing you know, here stood Rabbi Levinski. Here stood all the rest of the rabbis around with their hands folded like *this*. “Aha, now you’re excommunicated and your girl’s done died. The doctor’s just left, the undertaker’s there now. Got her embalmed, laying, out there stretched out. You see what you got? Now you’re without a job.” Jairus just passed them on by just as if they didn’t even say a word, on by.

189 Here come all the church, “We’re ashamed of you, of our pastor.” Well, he had already heard the word of Jesus. He’d already come in contact with Him. He had an assurance. If Jesus said so, that’s right. That’s all that’s necessary.

190 Walks on up to the house. Them saying, “Oh, she’s gone. She’s gone. Poor little thing she died yesterday. . . .” [Blank spot on tape.] been embalmed, the blood out of her.

191 All of a sudden her lips begins to turn pink. The wrinkling in her forehead starts. Her big blue eyes open up. She said, “Daddy.” Looked around.

Jesus took her by the hand and said, “Give her something to eat now.” Glory. That’s the Lord Jesus. He’s the omnipotent.

192 “I am He that was dead and is alive again forevermore. I am raised from the dead.” And He’s the same yesterday, today, and forever. And nineteen hundred years has passed. That same Lord Jesus is down here at Shreveport, Louisiana, tonight, under this tent.

193 Without one fear to know that I’d have to answer at the day of judgment if I make that statement, because He’s here. I feel Him. I see the reaction of His Word to them that’s filled with the Spirit. They’re children that eat not by bread alone, but by the words that proceeds out of the mouth of God. And when the Word goes forth, the hungry children there, they say, “Thank You, Father. Thank You, Father. Oh, I love that, Father; I love that.”

194 Eating, not only biscuits and grits, brown gravy; they’re feeding on the eternal Word of God, filling their soul up with a spiritual atmosphere.

195 He’s here. Oh, it’s crazy to the world. Sure. Did in all ages and it will in this age; but just wait for that age that is to come. This is man’s day. The day of the Lord will come.

196 Let us serve Him so now, that in the day when He does come, we’ll be found faithful. Whether we live or whether we sleep; we’ll be wakened up at the sound of the trumpet and will rise in the beauty of His resurrection, and shall be partakers of His holiness, and of His power of His resurrection. We are now enjoying the earnest of our salvation. Amen. Amen.

197 Let us pray. While we have our heads bowed, every eye is closed, please, while Christians are praying, I wonder tonight upon the raw Gospel without gloves on, just pushed out the way the Holy Spirit would let us say it. . . . I wonder if tonight if there’d be one under the tent that would raise up your hands and say, “Lord Jesus, by this I want to say to You that I believe You and want to serve You, want to accept You as my Saviour tonight.” Is there one that would raise your hand?

198 God bless you, sir. God bless you. God bless you, sir. God bless you. God bless you, young man. God bless you, young lady. God bless you, mister. God bless you, sister. Oh, God bless you, lady. God bless you. That's fine. Over here. God bless you. That's right. Someone else? Raise your hand. Someone hasn't raised their hand?

199 "God be merciful to me, a sinner. I now want to accept Christ as my Saviour. I'm now ready to follow Him in everything. I'll go with Him to the garden. I'll go with Him to the river of death. I'll go with Him to the grave. I'll go with Him on the other side. I'll go with Him. Wherever He leads me, I'll go."

200 Will you say that from your heart and raise your hand to Him as a sign that you now accept Him as your Saviour? Someone else that hasn't raised their hand? God bless you. I see you, mister. I see you, lady. I see you, son. God bless you. God sees you too.

201 What happens when you raise your hand? Jesus said, "He that heareth My words (I've been preaching it) and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life and shall not come into judgment, but's passed from death to life."

202 Someone here that's been a backslider and would want to come back to Christ tonight. Saying, "Oh, Brother Branham, I tell you, I'm like Jairus. I've been a secret believer all my life. God's been dealing with me, and I made trials but I never did come. But tonight I think that this is the time. I think that I was led here in this little old tent tonight, that I might find the Lord Jesus, and before I see His manifestation and His power, like Thomas had to see to believe. . . ."

203 How much greater is their reward who's never seen and yet believed. "I want to raise my hand to Him and say, 'Accept me, Christ. Right now, I come home to You.'"

204 Is there another one that hasn't raised their hand? God bless you, lady. God bless you, lady. God bless you, sir. That's wonderful. Someone else? God bless you. That's right, young lady. That's fine.

205 Way over to my left over here, somebody in there wants to receive Christ, maybe they're a backslider? God bless you, little fellow. I see your hand. God bless you, little boy. I see you. God bless you, sister. I see you, honey. A whole group of . . . two little boys, two little girls and a boy. Just along teen-aged, raised their

hands just now to receive the Lord Jesus. Coming home to Him, they're convinced that it's right.

206 And if Jesus Christ doesn't appear here in all of His power, then I'm a false prophet. If He doesn't manifest Himself tonight, right here among us, as He did in the days gone by, then I'm a false prophet. I believe Him. I know He is.

207 Now before you see Him appear, will you accept Him as your Saviour, while He is standing here, His power, His moving of the Spirit. Some fifteen or twenty has raised their hands, of sinners wanting to come to Christ.

208 Someone else now just before closing? How many here is without the Holy Ghost and would want to be baptized? You've been believers, and you've got eternal life, because you believed on the Lord Jesus, but you want to now be baptized into the body of Christ by the Holy Ghost. Would you raise your hands while He's present? God bless you. Oh, multitudes. Great groups of people. God bless you all. Sure, that wants to be baptized in the Holy Ghost.

209 Now, you strangers, you Methodists, Baptists, Lutheran, Presbyterians, over in these Full Gospel realms, I come from where you are. I'm still there. We're all one. We're not divided. Not a bit. I'm just as much Lutheran as I am Pentecostal. I'm just as much Baptist as I was the day I was ordained in the Baptist church.

210 I've just found something better, something more. It's just more of what you got. It's the baptism of the Holy Ghost. You received Christ, sure, when you believed, but the Bible said, "Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed?"

With a bunch from Moody Bible Institute the other day. They said, "Brother Branham, would you quote that out of the Bible?"

211 I said, "Why, certainly. Acts, 19th chapter. Paul asked a Baptist ... the Baptist people, 'Have you received the Holy Ghost *since* you believed?' Why," I said, "I'm a Baptist. I know I was taught I received the Holy Ghost *when* I believed."

But the Bible said, "Have you received it since you believed?"



They said, “We know not whether there be any Holy Ghost.”

He said, “Then to how was you baptized?”

They said, “Unto John.”

212 Said, “John baptized unto repentance (not for remission of sin), unto repentance, saying you believe on Him that’s come.” When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And Paul laid his hands on them, and the Holy Ghost come on them, and they received the Holy Ghost, and spoke in tongues, and magnified God, and prophesied.

213 That’s what the Baptist church needs tonight. Amen. Sure. That’s what Dr. Reedhead said when he received it. That’s what Don Wells said when he received it. That’s what all these other great men said when they received it--Presbyterian, Lutheran, many of them.

214 The day is on; the hour is here. You want the Holy Ghost, it’s yours. You’ve been saved, then expect to get the Holy Ghost. God bless you, sir. That’s right. God bless you. That’s good. All right.

215 Our heavenly Father, I now bring each one ... the recording Angel standing here taking down every name that raised their hands tonight to receive eternal life and taken those names who are candidates for the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

The Word said, “Blessed are they that hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.”

216 Think what they’ll be five hundred years from tonight. Somewhere, somewhere, when the atomic bombs done blowed every mountain into powder. The howling hot scorching winds out of the atoms of the sun will be blazing this old earth. Their tombstones even as the dust, their bones are done turned to dust, but their soul will be somewhere enjoying the presence of God--that great peaceful heaven.

217 If they reject it, in hell they’ll be forever. Oh, God, what a time of decision. How You’ve made it for men to make their choice this night. And this little group that You’ve presented to me, I give them Your Gospel. Many of them, dozens of them, Father, has raised their

hands, You know. I pray as a minister could pray. I intercede for each soul from the least to the oldest, from the richest to the poorest.

218 I pray, God, that You'll give them the deep desires of their heart and fill their soul with the Holy Ghost, heal their sick bodies, and take them into Your kingdom at the end of this life. I ask in Christ's name. Amen.

219 How wonderful, how marvelous the Lord Jesus. I'm going to ask you something. Each one that raised your hand. . . . I promised to pray for the sick tonight. And each one that raised your hand, will you do me a favor? And you that thought you should've raised your hand, as soon as the healing service is over, will you walk up here and pray a little while around the altar here with the brothers? Will you do it? I want you to. You do that. That'll strengthen. . . . You got life. If you raised your hand and accepted Jesus, He promised to give you eternal life.

220 "He that heareth My words and believeth on Him that sent Me has everlasting life." That's right. Jesus said that, and I want you tonight to come up and to give your heart to Christ and meet me after the prayer service for the sick.

221 Now, how many in here has got prayer cards? Let's see your hands. How many cards did you give out? Hundred in what number? What's the letter? "R" A hundred. . . . This brother here while he stands here, he raised his hand awhile ago seeking God. Isn't that right, brother? God bless you. You want to be filled with the Holy Ghost. I'm going to pray for you, brother, and lay hands upon you; I want you to believe that you're going to receive the Holy Ghost. Now, I believe that God will fill you with the Holy Ghost tonight. Do you believe that? Let's bow our heads.

222 Heavenly Father, blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness. This man comes to receive the Holy Ghost. I lay my hands upon him in the name of Jesus Christ. May he now receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. May he never leave from under this tent until the Holy Ghost has taken over, full surrender to Him, and He has taken his life and has made Him a new creature in Christ Jesus. Grant it, Lord. This blessing I ask in Jesus Christ's name. Amen. God bless you, brother. Now, go rejoicing; go happy. God, give you the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

223 What is the Holy Ghost? What is the Holy Ghost? Love, joy, peace, longsuffering, goodness, meekness, gentleness, patience, faith. Is that right? That's the Holy Ghost. What's an apple tree; how do you know it's an apple tree? 'Cause it's got apples on it. How do you know you got the Holy Ghost? 'Cause you bear the fruits of the Spirit. Is that right? That's the Holy Ghost. All right.

224 How many believes that Jesus raised from the dead is here tonight to give every redemptive blessing? If He will come to this platform tonight and do exactly the way He did when He was here in a corporal body, using our flesh, through faith, through gifts, will you accept Him and believe Him? How many will do that? Raise your hands. All right. That's good.

225 (Stopped when it got wet. . . . And we got the . . . microphones is mixed up. Will this. . . . See if you cut through on this one here. All right. That's better.)

226 All right now. I want to ask you something. (Say, I want to hook one of these things on. I don't know whether I'm doing this right or not. That it? If I choke myself with it [unclear words]. Oh, thank you, brother. All right. All right.)

227 I'm here tonight to represent something. I'm here to tell you that Jesus has raised from the dead, that Jesus said when He was here on earth that in Himself He could do nothing. Did He say it?

228 He said, "I can do nothing in Myself. The Son can do nothing but what the Father shows Me to do, that I do." Is that right? Then a woman could touch His garment and could pull God through Christ. That was His flesh. That's the reason He got weak. God never got weak, but God in Christ went out of Him and made Him weak: virtue. Is that right? His strength from the Spirit went out of Him. That's how He got weak.

229 He sat down and talked to a woman at a well and told her where her secrets was. Is that right? All right. That was Jesus yesterday. That's Jesus today. Is that right?

230 A Jew come to Him, a staunch Jew, and another Jew had got saved and went and found him, about several miles around behind a mountain. Maybe took him a day's journey. When he come on him,

he said, "Come, see who we found, Jesus of Nazareth, Son of Joseph."

231 And that staunch Jew, real good, full ... I'd say, a evangelical brother. He said, "Now, could there be any good thing come out of Nazareth?"

He said, "Come, see." They went arm and arm, walked up where Jesus was standing.

232 Jesus looked at him. Said, "Behold an Israelite, in whom there's no guile." How did He know him? He might be a deceiver. Might've been anything else but an Israelite and no guile, honest and upright and it astonished him.

He said, "Rabbi, how did You know me?"

"Why," He said, "Before Philip called you, when you were under that tree, when he come up, I saw you."

What did he say? "Thou art the Son of God. Thou art the King of Israel."

Now, what did the self-starchy Pharisee say? They said, "He's a fortune-teller. He's Beelzebub, the chief of the devils."

233 And Jesus said, "You can say that about Me, and I'll forgive you, but down in Shreveport, Louisiana (in so many words, or anywhere in the world), when the Holy Ghost is come and does the same things that you speak against it, it'll never be forgiven you, in this world or the world to come." You be the choice, you make your choice. See?

234 Christ has raised from the dead and is doing the same tonight that He did then. He didn't heal everybody He come to. I ask you to show me in the Bible where He healed everybody.

235 I show you where He went through a pool where the most crippled up masses of people that you ever seen or heard of: lame, halt, blind, withered, twisted, and everything else a laying. And went to a man that had an infirmity thirty-eight years, TB or something. He could walk around. Said, "Wilt thou be made whole?" The Father showed Him to go there. He hunted in the crowd till He found him. Said, "There he is." Said, "Will you be made whole?"

236 Now, watch. Jesus knew he was there and knew how long he'd been sick. Is that right? Said, "Take up your bed and go to your house." Walked on away and multitudes, thousands times thousands of twisted, lame, halt, and blind. He did just as the Father showed Him.

237 And if that's what He did then, He'll do the same thing tonight. Do you believe it? Then did everybody that was healed by Jesus, did He know they was going to be healed? No, sir. Many of them was healed upon their own faith.

238 Blind men followed Him one day; two of them. Saying, "Have mercy on us, thou Son of David; have mercy, have mercy." He just went on down the street, no vision, went into the house. They brought the blind men in the house. Said, "Have mercy on us."

239 He turned around to them and touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith (Is that right?), be it unto you." They believed, and their eyes were open.

240 One woman couldn't even get to Him. She just touched the border of His garment. He didn't feel it, not by His physical feeling, but He turned and told her, and she was healed. Said her faith made her well.

241 Many places in the Bible, certainly. It's based upon your faith. When the blind... When the epileptic child come to the Lord Jesus, the father brought him, said, "I brought him to the disciples and they could do nothing. Can You have mercy on us?"

And He placed it right back on the man. He said, "I can if ye believe."

242 Responsibility on him, he said, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief." Is that right? Then Jesus cast the spirit out of the boy, see, Jesus worked as the Father showed Him. Saint John 5:19. May He do the same thing here tonight and prove to you that He's raised from the dead.

243 Now, He don't have to do this, and let everybody know that through this divine gift that the Lord has given; I do not do this for a show-off. God knows that. God don't do it to show you He's God. He does it that the Word might be fulfilled. The Bible said that He took their infirmities, and done these things, and healed the sick, that it might be fulfilled (Is that right?) which was spoken by the law and the prophets.

244 And He's doing it tonight, that this might be fulfilled, that people will be without an excuse in the day of the judgment. If you want to shut up your compassions like a turtle in its shell, that's up to you, see.

245 If you will believe, you'll see great things. So just believe. Have faith and believe God. For what? "All things are possible to them that believe." Is that right? All right.

246 Now, heavenly Father, I commit myself unto Thee with this audience of people, praying that the great Holy Spirit will come tonight, and through this.... Nothing that I ever deserved; gifts and calling are without repentance. Born in a cradle, Lord, You was there. The great pillar of fire has followed all down along through my age. Nothing in my.... I'm worse than the least in Your kingdom, not worthy to be called Your servant.

247 Not praying this prayer that this audience would hear it, Lord; we're not trying to be humble. Thou knowest my heart. I'd be a hypocrite, but, Lord, I pray this that You know my heart, and I only yield myself to You, that You'll work through my mind, and through my heart, and through my body, and all of my innermost being and my outward being, that it might manifest Your lovely Son, the Lord Jesus

Christ to fulfill the Word He said, "These things that I do, shall you also." Now, Father, this we ask in Jesus Christ's name. Amen.

248 Now, was that Q, or what was it? R's, prayer card R's. We've been calling all around. Remember last night I called different places; 1 to 20 and what ... 40 to 50 or...? And all around. So tonight let's call where? Let's say.... Let's take 85 to 100.

249 Who has.... Did you say a hundred? Did you give out a hundred? Is there prayer card 85 here? Let's see. Prayer card R, big "R" on it, with 85. Is that person here? Right there. All right. That's okay. We'll call from there then.

250 All right. 85, 86. R-86, who has R-86? Would you raise your hand? 86? All right, lady. 87? Now, if your number's called and you're in a chair and can't get up, just raise your hands; we'll come get you, see. Somebody'll get you.

251 What was it? All right, 85, 86, 87, somebody with prayer card R-87? Here's a lady. Right there, lady. All right. 87, 88, who has prayer card R-88? Would you raise your hand? 88, all right, sir. 89, raise your hand? 89, all right. 90?

252 Now, the prayer cards are give out at six o'clock in the afternoon to whosoever wants them. Just as.... Billy says there's hardly anybody here. Can't give them all out. There's nobody here to get them. My, there used to be a rally for prayer cards get in the line, but he said he has an awful time trying to get enough people to give them to.

253 Let's see, 89. Who has 89? 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. Let them line up. We'll see how many we've got. Prayer line goes good, then we'll start after this group is formed, if we get to go a little farther, the Lord will bless us, give us a lot of good faith....

254 Let's start then. We'll start back fifteen ahead of that and come down. So, look at your person's card, and find out. Sometimes we got as many as fifty through a line: visions; of course, they pack me out afterward, but.... If we get fifty through, be fine. All right.

255 We don't want to stand too many at a time, because you just come as your number's called. 'Cause we might not get but two or three. We don't know just where it'll be. But now, we're calling for prayer card 85 to a 100 up. 85 to a 100. That's right. 85 to a 100. All right.

256 Now, let's all bow our heads real sweetly and quickly to the Lord, and then just say so many words, "Lord Jesus, I am bowing to Thee. I bow to Thee, my Lord. I'm going to believe Thee tonight. I'm sick and needy. I don't even have a prayer card, but Lord Jesus, You speak to Your servant, and let him speak to me, and it'll increase my faith to believe in You. And I'll do all that's within me to serve You the rest of my days.

257 Heavenly Father, I pray Thee that through Christ's name that You'll give us a marvelous service now. Now, Lord, here stands people in this prayer line under this tent that I've never seen in my life. I don't know them, and here I stand, a boy with a seventh grade education. O God, what a . . . I'm just helpless without You, Lord.

258 These people, many of them know me for years and years. Brother Moore, Your servant, Brother Brown, and others that's followed me across the world in meetings to people I couldn't even speak their language, hear the Holy Spirit come right down, tell them all about them. And, Father, it's for Your glory.

259 Tens of thousands times thousands has come to worship the Lord Jesus through it. And in this I humbly thank Thee that You gave me the privilege of having a part in serving You; and let me come into this world to show my appreciations of my Saviour that You let me serve Your people while I'm serving You.

260 Now, help me again tonight, won't You, Lord, as a vindication of Your presence, and Thou knowest my heart that all praise and all glory and all honor goes to Thee. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

261 [Brother Branham speaks to someone away from microphone.] Brother just asked me, what about praying for these handkerchiefs. I have to make some handkerchiefs. Just send up home, Jeffersonville, Indiana, I'll send you one. And we have great success in praying for the sick that way. But I'd rather feel the anointing of the Spirit of God that, then I feel more like sending it to you.

262 Now, I want to look along the prayer line. I want all you prayer line look this way to me, you that's in the prayer line. I suppose . . . Is brother [unclear words.] All right. I don't think there's a person there that I know. Are you all strangers to me? Raise your hands, I don't know you. There you are.



263 How many out there you know that I don't know you? Raise your hands, I don't know you. Now, if there's unbelievers here, look at that. Now, watch the Holy Spirit.... If He does come.... Now, Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Now keep this down.

264 I've just been announced by my boy that tomorrow night is the last of the healing services for me. So, you get your sick out tomorrow night.

265 Look. Now, look, friends. I want you to look this way and believe with all your heart. If Jesus Christ died at Calvary and there He settled to God the full penalty for sin and sickness, then it's all settled. Is that right? It's all settled.

266 Then there's not a person in the world that could do anything towards healing you. It's already been done. No one could save you. It's already been done.

267 The only thing that you have to do is confess your faith in it. Is that right? How many knows the work is finished? When Jesus died and said, "It's finished," it was finished forever. That's right.

268 Then as far as any man coming through saying, "I have power to heal you," he's telling you something wrong. "I got something here I can put on you to heal you." That's wrong. Only thing that could ever be done to heal you was done there at Calvary. He was wounded for your transgressions; by His stripes you were healed. You were healed.

269 Now, the only thing, you were saved. Many here got saved awhile ago, raised up their hands. They were saved nineteen hundred years ago. They just accepted it now. Fountain was opened, whosoever will. There's where it was paid for. You just now accepted it.

270 Now, the only thing that a man could do towards healing would be to preach to you the Bible. Some of the elders and pastors anoint you with oil. That's their ministry. Others lay hands on you. That's their ministry, and my humble ministry that the Lord has given me since birth is this: to see visions, foresee things before they happen, and see things that's already happened.

271 And by that, it brings the people to a realization.... Now, preaching the Gospel; that's the Holy Spirit does that. Teaching the

Bible; that's the Holy Spirit does that. Foreseeing things and foretelling things; that's the Holy Spirit.

272 It's all God. It's gifts in the church. It's a shame they cut so many of them out, valuable gifts. There's gifts of speaking in tongues; there's gifts of interpretation of tongues. It's been misused, certainly, but that don't take it out of the church. It's there anyhow.

273 There's gifts of prophecy; there's prophets and gifts of prophecy. Now, there's gifts of prophecy; that's just in the church. But a prophet is born a prophet. Every prophet that was ever in the world was born a prophet. Gifts and calling are without repentance. That's the five major gifts of the body: apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors, evangelists. God puts them in the church Himself, see.

274 We got a lot of make-believe preachers, and a lot of make-believe prophets, but God puts them in, Himself. And He speaks of His gifts. He testifies of them.

275 Now, looky here. Here's a bunch of people standing in this line, fifteen or twenty or what was called. There's people sitting out there that I know nothing about, and if the Holy Spirit will come down and anoint me, and if they don't believe me, it won't happen anyhow.

276 It's not me; it's you. You're the one. It wasn't Jesus to heal the woman. It was the woman got healing herself by believing Him, see.

277 She touched Him. Now, He's a High Priest tonight that can be touched by the feeling of our infirmities. You can touch Him if you're sick. Say, "Lord, touch me. I'm touching You." Watch Him turn around and speak to me.

278 Now, if He will do that, and these people here that I know nothing about, if He will do the same things that He did when He was here on earth, every person that raised their hand that you believe on Him and worship Him, is that right? The Lord bless you.

279 I have to talk to you just a minute, lady, if you'll come. Give the ushers or some of them your prayer card before to come up and come close. Now, I just want you to stand here, lady, and I'm waiting.

280 Now, I'm going to ask the audience.... Now, it's raining outside. I want you to be just as quiet as you can for just a few moments. Just a little bit and see what the Holy Spirit will do.

281 Now, everyone be expecting. Just don't say, "Oh, oh, oh." Don't do that. Just sit quiet. Say, "Dear God, with all my heart, I come to You. I come believing." Watch Him turn and call you, see. Watch Him in the prayer line. If you come in the prayer line critically, watch Him tell your conditions.

282 And I'd be afraid to tell you what would happen. 'Cause many sitting here have seen what happened. Preacher come to the platform is paralyzed yet tonight. A man come in the meeting, and sat back over in the crowd before thousands of people, to hypnotize me. And was there he'd make. . . . Go in the army camps and make boys bark like dogs and hypnotize them, and they, a bunch of fanatics, brought him up there to hypnotize me in the meeting.

283 The Holy Spirit turned around and said, "You child of the devil." And rebuked him, and they packed him out of the building. He's still that way.

284 Another man come, when an epileptic spell, he had his church, they was unbelievers. That happened up here at Jonesboro, Arkansas. Sat in the church there with a big bunch of his people. I said, "Duck your head down."

He said, "I don't have to." Epileptic spell kind of wouldn't go off the child.

285 I said, "Lord, You see his critical condition. Don't let this child suffer for him," and I said, "Satan, leave the boy." And twenty-eight received epilepsy in the room.

286 Phoenix, Arizona: the official of the city sitting there, wouldn't put his head, and got arrogant, just real hostile about it. Brother Moore remembers the night; Brother Brown. Went about two months after that, they pulled me over, his wife and her hanging on to my trouser legs like that through the mud over in California there and had him sitting back there, going, "Aah, aah, aah." The whiskers hanging over his face, completely insane.

287 We're not playing church, friends. This is the Holy Spirit. Not me; it's Him. So be careful what you do. Come reverent. Come expecting. Stand still now. God does something, you want to worship Him. That's wonderful, but now be real reverent.

288 Now, this lady, standing here. I suppose, sister, you and I are strangers (Did you raise your hand?) to one another? I don't know

you. You don't me, and here we are meeting the first time. Is that right? That's the first time.

289 Now, the lady, now would you just raise up your hand so the people can see this our first time meeting in life? All right. I know nothing of her. She knows nothing of me.

Now, what if she's sick. What if there's something else wrong. I couldn't tell you. I don't know.

290 But here is a very similar picture of what happened up at Samaria one day. The Lord Jesus, a man in flesh, and a Samaritan woman, and they met and began to talk to one another. And Jesus carried a conversation with her. He said, "Bring Me a drink."

She said, "It's not customary for Jews to have anything to do with Samaritans." Did you ever read that? You know the story.

291 And He said, "But if you know who you were talking to, you'd ask Me for a drink." Well, the conversation went on, went at length. After while, Jesus looked right at her and said, "Go get your husband." He found her trouble, wasn't it? He said go get.... That's what was the matter with her. Is that right? Is that what was the matter with her, friends? All right, said, "Go, get your husband."

She said, "I don't have any."

He said, "That's right. You got five."

292 She said, "Sir, I perceive that You are a Prophet." She said, "Now, we know that when the Messiah cometh...." (Do you believe Jesus was the Messiah?) Said, "When Messiah cometh, He will tell us these things... tell us all things, but who are You?"

He said, "I'm He," see.

293 Now, if that was the sign of the Messiah (the Messiah is the anointed of God), if that was the sign of the Messiah in Galilee nineteen hundred years ago, and if He's the same yesterday, today,

and forever, it's a sign of the Messiah tonight after nineteen hundred years. Is that right?

294 Now, the unbelievers never will believe, but the believers will believe. Now, I'm just talking to you in this same manner, knowing that I'm just a man standing here talking to you and don't know you. But I perceive that you are a believer. You're a Christian. If it's a sinner or a critic, seems like there's something cold about them. The Spirit is on me now, and I'm waiting for it to move to you so I can see what's happened.

295 Now, if the Lord Jesus, sister, will let me know what you're standing there for, knowing that I don't know, and He will let me know, will you believe that He's going to give you what you'd ask Him for? You will? All right. May He grant it is my sincere prayer.

296 For I know that every person has things they need; sometimes it's health; sometimes it's domestic troubles; and sometimes it's like the woman had; and sometimes it's financial troubles. And He helps us in finances, and feeds me and my family, and feeds us all like He does His birds. And if we're sick, He knows what's wrong with us.

297 He knowed the man that had that infirmity for thirty-eight years. He knew about it. Turned around and asked him what was the reason, in their mind about those things. He knows all things, doesn't He?

298 Now, I'm just as Jesus talking to the woman was contacting her spirit. All He was doing. Father told Him to go up there. That's all. He just went up there and that settled it. 'Cause here's where the woman come out, but for you. . . . Now, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I take every spirit in here under control of the Holy Spirit, and may they act as I see.

299 The lady's extremely nervous. She's suffering from a nervous condition. I can see her walking in the house, nervous, holding her hands, putting her fingers up when she sits down, moving her hands like that when she sits.

300 There's something or other . . . she's looking to her doctor or something. It's on her shoulders--back like. And let's see. I didn't hear just what he said. It's a little place. It's a little. . . . He called it a cyst. That's what he did, and I see you. . . . You got a kind of a rectal trouble. Now, I see you at either at a clinic or a hospital or something. It was an operation of some sort. Oh, it was a fistula

operation, and that's been some time ago, and it hasn't healed up yet. That's right. "Thus saith the Holy Spirit." That's true, isn't it?

301 Do you believe that this now is on, not your brother, but "On Me"? Jesus said, "These signs shall follow them that believe. If they lay their hands on the sick, they will get well." You believe it?

302 Heavenly Father, I curse the disease of her body and lay hands upon her in Christ's name that she will be made well. Amen. God bless you, my sister. Just go and have faith in God.

303 Do you believe? Do you really have His faith? How do you do, lady? You and I are strange to each other. I do not know you. That's right. But He does know you. You just.... Somebody give you a prayer card, and your number just happened to be called. That's the only thing there is.

304 Now, if that's right, raise your hand that we're total strangers. But Jesus knows you from the foundation of the world. And He knew me from the foundation of the world. And when we come on earth, we come only by His will. His sovereign grace brought us here. He's fed us, He's brought us to this time.

305 He give me His grace to become a Christian. He give you His grace to become a Christian, a believer, for you are a believer. All right. Then He give me a gift to speak to you about Him, and that's the only thing I can do, isn't it?

306 And you're suffering with an extremely nervous condition, very nervous. So much of that.... So much that you get trembling. You want to drop things all the time. That's right.

307 Then you got a lot of fluid in your body, excess fluid. Say, you've had an operation too, sometime ago. That operation was the cause of that fluid. They done the wrong thing (That's right.), and that's why fluid has gathered ever since. And now do you believe that God is here to take that away from you?

308 Dear God, if You're so present to know the human lives, how present are you, Lord? As close as our hearts is to us. And now in behalf of my sister, I pray the prayer of intercession and ask You, Lord God, to rebuke this devil that's tormented this woman, and let her be made well in Christ's name. Amen.

309 Now, lady, I tell you what I want you to do, that you know that is leaving you. Tonight when you go home, I want you to take a string, put it around you, measure how big the string is. Then tomorrow night before coming, measure yourself again and cut off of that string, how much you shrunk between this and tomorrow night, lay it up here on the desk. Will you do it for me? [Unclear words], lady. Have faith in God. Don't doubt.

Are you believing? That's what Jesus said for you to do. All things are possible to them that believe. Amen. Praise the Lord.

310 Do you believe God heals you of that back trouble, lady? Do you believe He'd make you well? You do? All right. You can have your healing then. Your faith makes you whole. Amen. Praise the Lord. If thou canst believe, all things are possible.

311 I don't know you; only God knows you. Before a Bible.... But we're strangers to one another, are we? I don't know you. You look healthy enough to me; a bit pale, but you look healthy enough. But God does know your condition. God knows what you're here for; I don't. But if He will reveal to me what you're here for, will you believe?

312 There's something about the woman's strength. Yes, sir. But you're here for somebody else, and that somebody else is a relative to your husband and that is his, I believe, grandmother. That's right. Isn't that right? That's right. She's dying with cancer. That is right. To those who might know: that smoking stuff, if you would just throw them old cigarettes down. That's right, isn't it? That's a pack in your pocket now; and just throw the things out [unclear words]. Not reading your mind, not at all, but Jesus Christ is standing here. You're aware of that, lady. Yes, you are in need too. Yes, you are in need.

313 You're an extremely nervous woman, and another thing: you have a condition of your blood. It's a low blood pressure. You've tried and tried and tried to gain weight, and you can't do it. That's right. Isn't that right? That's "thus saith the Lord," see.

314 Now, do you believe you're in His presence? Do you accept Him now for everything you've asked for? Then, heavenly Father, I lay hands upon this woman and condemn the devil that has been

tormenting, and ask that Jesus Christ take over. In Christ's name I ask it. Amen.

315 How could you disbelieve? Well, what more can He do? If thou canst believe, all things are possible, if thou canst believe. Amen. But you got to believe. Jesus said, "If you can believe, then all things are possible." Praise the Lord.

316 How wonderful. Have faith. Something happened. I couldn't see where it was at. Somebody got healed in the audience just then. It's right through here somewhere. Start praying. Don't let the devil get that by me.

317 Bladder trouble, lady; you, sitting right back there. You believe the Lord Jesus makes you well? Then you can have your healing. God bless you.

318 You sit behind that little girl, was sitting up behind you there. I see the Angel of the Lord standing above you, but I couldn't tell where it was at. The little girl sitting out there, I couldn't tell where it was at. You were praying. You were praying that God would speak to me to speak to you. If that's right, raise up your hand. All right, there you are. Hallelujah.

319 We worship Thee, Lord Jesus. We give Thee praise and glory. Thou art the rose of Sharon, the lily of the valley, the morning star. Amen. How wonderful He is.

320 All right, little lady, you sitting just below her there a bit, got hay fever haven't you? You believe the Lord Jesus will make you well? If you can believe it, you can receive it. God bless you. All right. [Unclear words] talking with the lady said just got healed a few minutes ago. Put your hands up. Be sure it's the right. . . . No, the little lady behind you, sister. Right behind with black hair. There, you turned around just then, lady. It's you the one He's over. Yes. Amen. It's gone. It isn't a disease. It's a condition in the nose, see. The thin skin. I don't believe you'll ever be bothered with it again. God can grow a new layer of skin on there. He's a creator. Amen. Hallelujah.

321 How do you do, sir? Oh, I'm tired now, but I believe the Lord Jesus Christ is here, and I'm helping . . . hoping that He will help somebody, every one of you to be well. You're a fine man. I like you. Thank you. But God can heal you of your rupture, hernia and make



you well. You believe that? I tell you one thing that you do. You got a habit you'd like to give away: smoking cigarettes. Then the other thing is you ought to give your heart to Christ right now, 'cause you're not a Christian and you wanted to give your heart to Christ. You come up here with that intention, didn't you? Raise your hand if that's right. Your sins are forgiven.

322 Heavenly Father, in the name of Jesus Christ, Thou has said, "He that heareth My words and believeth on Him that sent Me has everlasting life." Our brother has gone from death unto life. O God, fill him with the Holy Ghost [unclear words] of the power in Christ's name. Amen. God bless you, sir.

323 Now, you're my brother, not a sinner, but my brother. God bless you. Go on your road rejoicing and be made happy. Praise the Lord. Pour out exceedingly abundantly. Oh, how wonderful. He's wonderful.

324 Do you believe the Lord Jesus heal of that bladder trouble, sitting back there, lady? If you believe with all your heart, you may receive it. Just as you speak it, the lady right over here got high blood pressure.... Sitting there about two from the end; and you believe that the Lord Jesus Christ will make a way for you, lady? You do? With the striped looking dress on, do you believe with all your heart? Lift up your hand if you believe. Raise up your.... Sure, right there you are. All right. The Lord bless you. You receive it. Hallelujah. I challenge you in Christ's name to believe it. Amen. Oh, my. All right. [Unclear words] over the same here, and heal every person. Now, be reverent and watch and believe. Look and live.

325 Here's a lady is a total stranger. Never seen her in my life. God knows her. I don't. If God will reveal the secret of this woman's heart, or something another that she knows that I know nothing about.... I never seen her in my life. She's a stranger, but if God will reveal, how many in here will accept Christ right now as your healer, Saviour, coming King [unclear words]. I just feel that the Holy Spirit is fixing to do something. Did you ever have that sort of feeling? I just got it in my heart. I just feel that [unclear words] pray for the [unclear words] the whole evening. I just believe it. May He grant it to this poor woman.

326 Lady, look at me. Every time Moses met people, he didn't have to declare to them that he was sent of God by doing his sign. He done

it once. I kind of believe this audience is ready to receive it. I believe this is the best they've had since I've been in Shreveport.

327 Now, God loves you, and you love Him. I don't know you. He does know you, but now the woman is going from me. She has something wrong with her throat. It's a throat disease. Not exactly a throat. . . . You're a preacher. You're a preacher, a woman preacher, and when you speak, it's a . . . After I see you, maybe you hold a few nights or something like that, then you have trouble with your throat. And you're a broken-hearted woman preacher. You got a burden on your heart, and you've come to me as your brother to intercede with you to Christ for a child, a son, that drinks. And you're so broken hearted, knowing that you're a woman minister and your son drinking; and you come for me to ask Christ with you to throw a block in that boy's way somewhere to stop him. Isn't that true? That's true, raise your hand.

328 Do you believe Him? Do you want to receive Him? Do you believe me to be His servant? How many of you really want to be healed? I want to know, from the bottom of your heart. I'm going to ask you to do something.

329 I've sat here for hours. I want this altar call to come up. I've got a little strength left. It's true, but I want to see this altar call, and I want to see everyone of you healed. I want to see every one. And listen God has proved to you that I'm not a false prophet. I am His servant, and He's declaring Himself by a divine gift. I'll say to you that every person in here, if you'll look to Christ right now, you'll be healed. Now, you believe it?

330 Now, put your hands over on one another, no matter who you're sitting by. Put your hands on one another. "The prayer of faith shall save the sick, and God shall raise them up." [Unclear words]. In Jesus Christ's name. I cast out the devil. Satan, [unclear words] in Christ's name, every one [unclear words].