

Hear Ye Him

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1 [Brother introduces Brother Branham.] Thank you, Brother Ruple. Thank you, very much. So glad to be here in the service of the Lord to serve Him. Trusting it will be a great blessing to all, as it is to me always to come before Him.

2 Now, seeing that there's many of you standing, we'll make the service just as short as possible so that you won't have to stand too long. And just be in prayer, believing, for all things are possible to them that believe.

3 Now, we're very happy to have this time here in Parkersburg. We've been visiting around your city a little today, looking around, find some very fine people here, your merchants, and so forth. And maybe someday, the Lord willing, and if you all would want me to, I'd like to come back here some time for a big union meeting somewhere where we could set up for some time, get everybody together. All the churches, get them together, and let's have fellowship with each other and just break down the walls and start loving each other; and then the Lord will love us, when we can love one another. And so, we trust it'll be so.

4 And now, just before turning to the Word just for a few moments, I'd like to say this: tomorrow morning I believe, that the pastor wanted me to have his Bible class or something, tomorrow morning. Will that be here, pastor? Just here. All right, sir. Tomorrow morning here, a Bible class. I don't think it's a healing service; it's just evangelistic Bible teaching.

5 So, if you have no church to go to . . . if you have your own church, then it's your post of duty, see. That's your business to be at your church when it has church. But if you have no church to go to, we invite you out. And so then tomorrow night (closing service) a prayer for the sick, tomorrow night. Then I go to Florida from here.

So, now let's bow our heads just a moment before we open the Word, and speak to the Author.

6 Our kind Heavenly Father, it's with grateful hearts that we approach Thee tonight in the name of the Lord Jesus, to thank Thee for this great privilege that we have of coming to Thee and calling You our Father, and You call us Your children, "My beloved children."

7 And how that through the one offering He has perfected forever those that are sanctified, that are called, foreordained, chosen in God before the foundation of the world. And now some glorious day He shall come the second time in glory to bring us from the graves, and then we will be like unto His own glorious body. We shall see Him as He is. No more prayer for the sick then, it's all finished.

8 We long with anxious hearts, thinking of the great time when we'll have the Lord's supper together, drink the vine ... the fruit of the vine and eat anew of the food in the kingdom of God; and see that great table spread out for thousands of miles. All the redeemed of all ages gathered around the table, as we look across at each other and shake each others hands, a little teardrop run down our cheek. Then the King in His beauty shall come out in His white robe, walk down along the table and wipe all tears from our eyes and say, "Don't cry, children, it's all over. Enter into the joys of the Lord, which is prepared for you since the foundation of the world."

9 Father God, we pray that every person here in divine presence tonight will answer the roll call there and have the privilege of hearing those words said, "It was well done, my good and faithful servant." If there be some here tonight, Lord, who doesn't know You, their sins are not under the blood, may this be the hour that their final decision will be made and their names recorded in glory.

10 Heal the sick and afflicted, Lord, as they're laying here, masses waiting; some standing, sick; mothers working with their little babies; O God, send the Holy Ghost with great power and move with compassion and heal the sick and afflicted. Help us as we open the Word, and let us fellowship now, around the Word, for we ask it in the name of Thy beloved Son, the Lord Jesus. Amen.

11 Over in the book of Saint Matthew. I wish to talk just a little tonight from the Scriptures, and I trust that God will bless the reading of the Word.

12 [A brother speaks to Brother Branham.] Oh, yes. I was wondering last night; I was twisting down here about... Thank you, Brother Ruple. That's mighty fine. Thank you very much. I'm not too big, and I haven't got too much voice, so this thing has to be voice for me. But did you notice, here's a sermon in itself. That thing is a mute, it cannot speak unless there's something behind it to speak in it, see. You know what I'm talking about. There's nothing to us, it's something behind us.

13 Now, in the book of the 17th chapter of Saint Matthew we read this just for a way of Scripture reading to get a little context to base our thoughts. And quickly, we are watching the clock there, and I want the prayer line started by nine or before, so you can get out and go to church tomorrow and serve the Lord.

... After six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother; and brought them up into an high mountain apart,

And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment ... white as the light.

And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias speaking unto him.

Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make thee three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

14 And for a text, as we would call it, I want to take the text of, *Hear Ye Him*. After all, He's the voice of authority. God Himself witnessed so at this time, "Hear ye him." Many voices in the world today; there's many things going on, many doctrines, many *isms*. But hear ye Him; He's the voice of final authority. He's the One that'll speak. He's the One that said, "The heavens and earth will

pass away, but my Word shall never fail.” So, hear ye Him. He’s the one to listen to.

15 Now, Christ meets with men in different councils. Sometimes He meets with men in great numbers. Sometimes He meets with men in small numbers. The numbers doesn’t mean whether Christ is there or not; it’s the attitude of the people that’s in the number what determines it.

16 You could take an egg that a hen is supposed to sit on to hatch it, and you put the egg in a incubator where it’s just warm light, that incubator will hatch the egg just the same as the chick . . . or, the hen will itself. Because it’s the atmosphere that does the hatching.

17 And it’s the same thing in a meeting of this type. It could be possible tonight, and also probable it will be, that there could be an hour, this next hour on that clock, that there wouldn’t be one sinner or backslider left in here, without being right with God. It could be that every sick and afflicted person could be made well and go out of here glorifying God. This could break into a repeat of Pentecost if the atmosphere gets right, see. The atmosphere to bring such results would be the Holy Spirit. If He can get every heart in one accord, then He could just move masses and heal the people, save the people, or whatever. He has died to redeem them, and every redemptive blessing belongs to the individual. I want you to believe that, Christian.

18 When you got saved, God gave you a checkbook, as it were, and at the bottom of every check it’s got Jesus’ name signed in it. And everything that Jesus died for becomes your personal property. It’s yours, it’s already paid for. There’s nothing you have to do to get it. Just don’t be afraid of the endorsement.

19 If Christ. . . . When He died at Calvary, He finished everything that was in the redemptive plan. Everything was completed. When He died at Calvary, He raised His hands which was tacked to the cross, and said, “It’s finished.” What’s finished? All has been finished. Everything that Satan done to the human race, the price was paid for and we are completely redeemed tonight in Christ from all of our . . . ever what happened.

20 And no one can preach salvation without preaching divine healing, see. You can't preach redemption of the soul without preaching redemption of the body. See, you can't deal with sin in any measure, unless you deal with sickness and every attribute. Sickness is the result of sin. Sickness is an attribute of sin.

21 I was preaching here not long ago in a Methodist church, and I was saying, "Smoking cigarettes is not a sin. Committing adultery is not a sin. Getting drunk is not a sin. Taking the Lord's name is not in sin." Some blessed little old saint sitting in front, with one of these high-collared dresses on, she just forgot where she was at, it got her so bad, because she just had one school of thought. She said, "Then pray, tell me what sin is."

22 I said, "Sin is unbelief." You know, smoking's not a sin. Committing adultery's not a sin. That's because you're not a believer is the reason you do that. It's the results from unbelief. "He that heareth my words, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall never come into condemnation; but is passed from death to life."

23 "He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquity: chastisement of our peace was upon him; with his stripes we were healed." Everything's in past tense. There's no negative at all in Christianity; it's all positive, done paid for. It's finished. Amen. That would make Methodists almost shout again, wouldn't it? Think of it. It's all completed, all finished. Only thought is not in anything. . . . God cannot do nothing else, it's already completed.

If Christ stood here tonight, you'd say, "Christ, heal me."

He'd say, "I've already done it."

Say, "Save me, Lord Jesus."

"I've already done it."

24 When He died at Calvary, every sin that was ever committed or ever would be committed was forgiven right there on the basis of the shed blood. But it'll never do you no good till you accept it. It's got to be your personal property, and that's your personal faith in a finished work that Christ has already done for you.

25 So salvation isn't doing a lot of good works. Grace is what brings us to God, God saves us by grace, and no man never sought God at any time. The Bible says he didn't.

26 You say, "Why, I sought God all night." No, you never. God sought you. Man's very nature in the garden of Eden proved it. Instead of Adam running up-and-down the garden saying, "O Father, where art thou," it was God hunting Adam saying, "Adam, where art thou?" See, we turn the picture around.

27 Here, this will settle it for you if there's a question in your mind. Jesus said, "No man can come to me, except my Father draws him first." That settles it if He said it. All right. We're not on that subject; we're just backgrounding a little.

28 Get the fear away. Don't be scared that God's not going to answer prayer. God always answers prayer. The work's already finished. He's obligated, He must do it, He's got to do it to keep His Word. Notice. Now, it's a finished work.

29 And now, if you're dealing with sin.... Now, maybe you never sinned, but there might be a sin that your father did, your grandfather did. He said He'd visit the iniquity of the parents upon the third and fourth generation. And each generation gets weaker and wiser, as the Bible said. But it's all started from sin. Before sin ever came into the world there was no sickness in the world. And sickness came through the fall, and the fall was sin, and sin is unbelief.

30 "He that believeth not is condemned already." Before you even get started you're condemned. You're born in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world speaking lies.

31 No matter how much you was dedicated on the altar, how many times you were sprinkled, baptized, poured, whatever it is, you're still a sinner, that's all, until you repent and God recognizes and seals that promise with the Holy Spirit. Right then you're born again. Then you're a son and daughter of God. It's a regeneration, a new creation. Then your attributes, your thoughts are not like they

were, your life is not like it was. You become a complete surrendered vessel to God, and He speaks and uses you and you're not your own no more. But you're bought with a price. That's the price of the precious blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. Think of it.

32 Now, for instance, they're trying to cut divine healing off from salvation. And they say, "Oh, I believe Christ saves the soul, but don't heal the body." Well, that's just... The devil just took and turned the picture around. In the early days they said He can heal, but He makes Himself God to forgive people, see. Just the devil just vice-versa'd the picture. If He's Almighty God, He can do all things. And if He can't do all things, He isn't Almighty God. Certainly not. And if He is, He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. You see it?

33 Now, for instance, of healing... Say there's a great big serpent here: dragon. And he had his paw in my side, cut me with his paw. Well, now, I don't have to cut his paw off to get rid of it; just knock him in the head. It kills the whole serpent. And when you deal with sin, you deal with sickness and everything it caused. You have to. That's just his foot, but it was all governed by his head. So, sin was the head of it and the whole thing fell.

34 And Christ promised that He would meet on the earth wherever two or three were gathered together. He promised it. Now, sometimes He meets and counsels with ... one time with five hundred. Another time after His resurrection, He met with seventy. Another time with twelve. Another time with three. Another time with one. Wherever men are gathered together, Christ promised to meet with them. He's omnipresent, everywhere, covers all space. He's omnipresent, omniscient, and He's omnipotent, all wisdom, all power, all places, everywhere. And He's infinite.

35 He knowed the very end from the beginning. He knowed every flea, every louse, every fly, every person, everything that ever happened; at the very beginning, He knew it all. If He wasn't, He wasn't God. So therefore, He can foreordinate things to work to His pleasure.

36 That's the reason He said He hated Esau and loved Jacob before either boy was ever born, because He knew that Esau was a shyster to begin with, see. So, He knew it by foreknowledge.

37 What is the Bible? The Bible is the very thoughts that God had before the foundation of the world, expressed them in Word and dropped them down to prophets and they wrote them. That's the only thing it is. Just has to unfold. God knows all things; and by a Spirit of knowledge, why God drops it to His prophets and eagles who sail up in the air and sees things to happen before it gets there, you see.

38 Now, in this state, many times.... Jesus never gathers with people just to be gathering. Christ never did anything loosely. And I think that's the trouble with the church today. We take too many of the things of God loosely. And now I perceive that this is a Pentecostal gathering; and listen, you're my brethren and sisters. But the Pentecostal people are too loosely with the gifts that's in the church, and that's the reason God can't respect them, see. You just let them go any old way. They should be governed and put in order.

39 And we find people interrupting the meeting by speaking with tongues and so forth, when "The spirits of the prophets is subject to the prophet." I'm not saying they don't have a gift, but they misuse it and it throws a damper. If the Holy Spirit's speaking at one place, He'll speak there until He's finished, see. And we so misuse these things. Just letting it go, freelance. That's just as good as the devil would want too. That's right. If more gifts had been set in order, and put in its place, there'd have been a revival sweeping this land today that's never been exceeded. We don't lack power; we lack knowledge. We lack faith. You've got power. Any man that's born again has ... the whole heavens is open to him.

40 I was talking to a doctor not long ago. He said, "I studied to be a preacher one time." Said, "I got to that virgin birth. I read in India where they've had virgin births, and virgin births." And said, "I just forgot the whole thing."

I said, "Doctor, you're trying to compare the ridiculous with the sublime. You can't do it."

41 There's not a one of them can prove their virgin births. There's not a one of them can prove their gods to be so. Christianity is the only one, only founder that ever said, "I have power to lay my life down and take it up again. Because I live, you live also and I will be with you, in you, to the end of the world. And the things that I do you'll do just exactly like I do, 'cause it'll be not you, but me in you." That settles it.

42 Mohammed couldn't make that promise. Buddha couldn't make that promise, or no other founder could make that promise. Christ alone could do it. That's the reason God said, "Hear ye him." He's the final authority.

43 Now, notice, how beautiful, how the Scripture so gives us these wonderful promises. And every promise in the Book belongs to the believer, see.

44 You people here in this country is apple raisers, as I understand. You have a lot of agriculture, raising fruit. You know when that little apple tree is just about one-half of an inch high, that every bushel of apples that'll ever come off of that tree is in it right then? You know every hundred pounds of leaves that'll ever fall off of that tree is in it right then? Every blossom is in it right then? Every branch is in it right then? If it isn't, tell me where it comes from. Where is it at? Where does it come from?

45 What do you do? You take the seed and you plant it. The little tree comes up, and it's planted, you have to keep watering it. It has to drink more than it's portion. It has to drink, and drink, drink so much till it pushes out. And it'll push out limbs, it'll push out leaves, it'll push out apples. It's in it, but it has to keep drinking.

46 And every word of God is a seed. And if that seed can be planted by the inexhaustible fountain of life, which is Christ, the believer has to drink beyond his imagination, drink and push out. Push out everything you have need of, 'cause it's in you when you receive Christ. And we are planted together in Christ. And He is the inexhaustible fountain of life.

47 Don't never be afraid to ask big things. God wants you to ask big things. He don't want you to be little petty and juvenile. He wants you to ask big things that your joys may be full.

48 Could you imagine a little fish about that big, way out yonder in the Atlantic Ocean, say, “I’d better drink just a little bit of this water, I might run out.” Nonsense. Could you imagine a little mouse about that big down there in the great garner of Egypt saying, “I just better eat two grains a day, ‘cause I might run out before summertime again.” Well, that’s nonsense. If they had ten hundred thousand rats that size, they’d never eat it up. And they had billions times billions of tons of them fish, they’d never drink the water up.

49 And how many times could we multiply... You can never exhaust God in His powers and His mercies to His children. He’s the inexhaustible fountain of life. Just drink, and drink, and drink, and drink.

50 I was game warden in the state of Indiana for seven years. I love outdoors. There’s where I first met God, in nature. I remember I used to come to an old spring, and that was the happiest spring I ever seen. It was always a bubbling, jumping. I’d go by, and maybe I’d be all down, tired, and walk down, sit down and drink, look at it. And I thought, “*What makes you happy? What you bubbling so?*” I thought, “*I wish I could be happy like that. Just bubble, bubble, bubble, day and night.*” I got to talking to it one day.

51 You know, you have to talk to nature. You have to talk to God. When Moses took off his shoes and walked up to the tree ... the burning bush, he sat down and talked to it. That’s the only way you’re going to do. Now, He didn’t say, “I’m going to pick off some of the leaves and run down, and Doctor Jones, why these don’t burn. I’m going to the laboratory and have an analysis made and find out what kind of chemicals this tree’s been sprayed with, the reason these limbs don’t burn.” She’d have never talked back to Him. But he sat down and talked to it. Just talk to God like that one time. Lay your problem out before Him, in the face of His Word.

I said to that spring, I said, “Maybe you’re so happy because once in awhile an animal comes by and drinks out of you.”

Said, “No.”

“Maybe once in a while a deer drinks from you.”

“Nope, that ain’t what makes me jump and bubble.”

I said, “Well, maybe it’s because I drink from you.”

“Nope, that ain’t why.”

I say, “Well, what makes you bubble?”

52 He said, “You understand,” if he could’ve talked, he’d say, “You understand, it’s not me bubbling, it’s something behind me pushing me and making me bubble.”

53 That’s the way it is, by the Holy Spirit. There’s something bubbling in you, pushing you up to speak, to make you climb to reach the sky. Bubble, bubble, bubble, bubble, bubble, bubble: it’s an everlasting bubbling up. You see it? It’s Christ in you. “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.” The Holy Spirit feasts on the Word.

54 Christ calling His disciples up to the ... three of them. He’d taken Peter, James, and John: Faith, hope, and charity. He brought them up to the Mount Transfiguration.

55 A few days before that there’d been a horrible thing happen ... or, just after it, rather. Jesus had given His church, in Matthew the 10th chapter, power against unclean spirits. He sent them out to cast out devils, to heal the sick, raise the dead. “As freely as you receive, freely give.”

56 And we find them right away absolutely defeated on an epileptic case. They couldn’t understand. They had a boy down there, and they was probably screaming and crying and shaking him, and jumping around trying to cast the devil out of him. Jesus came to where they were, and the father of the child run to Him and said, “Lord, have mercy on my son; he’s variously vexed with a devil. And so, I brought him to your disciples and they couldn’t do nothing for him.”

He said, “Oh, faithless generation how long will I suffer you? Bring him here to me.”

57 See, He lived on a different height. When that demon saw Jesus, he threw that boy into a spell like he never had before: fell on the ground and frothed and kicked his feet and straightened out. And they said, “He’s dead,” see. That’s the way the devil does. Jesus picked him up, said, “He’s all right. Just take him on.”

Notice. Then the disciples come and said, “Why couldn’t we cast him out?”

58 Now, He never said, “Because you haven’t got the power.” Now, you unbelievers in divine healing, I can show you in the Bible, chapter and verse, where God gave His power to the church to remain throughout the age. I want you to show me where He took it back away from the church. It’s not in there. You might find it in the almanac, but you don’t find it here. This is God’s Word, see.

Now, I want you to watch a minute. And this demon... The disciples said, “Why couldn’t we cast him out?”

59 He said, “Not because you don’t have power, but because of your unbelief.” The church today, the professors, the believers, the born-again, has the power to do these things, but they haven’t got faith enough to put it in action. Right.

60 I want you to notice, some of our big churches that don’t want to believe in divine healing, it’s nothing in the world but juvenile, petty jealousy. That’s exactly. Look, it was the same thing in the Bible. When those disciples a few days after that, they seen a man getting the job done. He was casting out devils, he was really doing it. They said, “Will you come join our denomination now? You come over and join our church.”

He said, “Now, just go on, boys; I’m working for the Lord,” see.

61 “Well,” they said, “Don’t you try to cast out any more devils then, if you won’t hook up with us.” No, sir. “Don’t you do that any more.” They told Jesus about it. What was it?

62 Jesus said, "Let him alone. No man can do a miracle in my name can straightway speak evil of me. He's not with us, scatters abroad," see.

63 This man wasn't chose as one of the disciples, but he stood on the sideline and seen the ... heard the commission and said, "That means me too." And away he went and done it. He didn't have to join their association; he was just doing the job. And they were jealous. That's correct.

64 That's still in the world today. Certainly is. "Oh," they say, "them people, there's not much to them kind of people." Just pure jealousy. When it's on record: Great men, King George of England, Congressman Upshaw of the United States; great men throughout the world miraculously healed by the power of God. Thousands of testimonies on record.

65 Congressman Upshaw come to the meeting out there in California. You heard the testimony. Never heard of him in my life. He's one of your Georgia men down here. And standing where there was thousands times thousands of people, just saw a little boy playing on a haystack, and begin to say what I saw. There he was sitting in a wheelchair back there. I guess there was hundred and fifty, two hundred wheelchairs sitting there. I never heard of the man.

66 After while we run an extension mike back there. The manager come to him, said, "That's Congressman Upshaw." He'd been crippled for sixty-six years in his wheelchair. Told all about where he started, how he fell, hurt his back, and an old doc with the white mustache, low-hanging glasses, tried to operate. How they bored holes in the floor and set the bed down. Just a vision, kept going. He said, "Son, how did you know me?"

I said, "I don't know you."

Said, "How... Will I ever get well?"

67 I said, "I can't tell you, sir. I don't know that." Watch in a meeting, always when you hear Him speak, it's "Thus saith the Lord," you see. When you hear that, that's what's going to happen. The other is just a straight vision. And when he said... I said, "I couldn't tell you."

68 “Well,” he said, “I’ve been.... I was a Vice President of the Southern Baptist Convention.” And said, “You know who sent me here?”

I said, “I have no idea.”

69 Said, “The same man that ordained you in the Baptist church, Doctor Roy Davis. And he said, ‘Come over here.’” And he just got off and they pushed him in on the grounds.

I said, “Sir, I can only say what I see, I don’t know.”

70 I called for the prayer line. I looked out here, I seen a little doctor with tortoiseshell glasses on, little white thing around his ... up here, little jacket. He’s shaking his head like this, standing right out in front of me. I looked down and he’d operated on a little colored girl about five or six years old and it paralyzed her, and she was paralyzed.

And I said, I called, I said, “I see a little doctor that’s operated on a colored child.”

71 Way down, way, way down, I heard an old typical Aunt Jemima raise up down there, let out a big scream and she grabbed the stretcher. Here she come, knocking ushers right and left, pulling that little child, said, “Lordy mercy, that was my child.” Said, “Here she is, and that’s exactly the kind of man that operated.”

72 Well, a big bunch caught her ‘cause she didn’t have a prayer card and couldn’t come to the platform. I said, “Now, Auntie, just be reverent.”

73 Her screaming, the tears coming off those big black cheeks, you know. She said, “Oh, Lordy, parson, that was my child, here it is.”

I said, “That’s right, Auntie.”

Said, “Will my baby get well?”

I said, “I can’t tell you, I don’t know. I can only say what I see.”

And I started to call the person in the prayer line. I said, “Just keep praying. God knows you, I don’t.”

74 Just then, looked like a black streak coming right across. I looked going on down through, looked like an alley or something, here went this little girl with a doll on her arms, rocking it, going down the alley. Oh brother, all devils of hell couldn't stop it then. God had already said it, that's it. That's right.

75 I said, "Auntie, the Lord Jesus has healed your child. Your prayer, not mine, you're the one's praying. I never even offered prayer for the child, but God has heard your prayer. I see a vision, the child."

She said, "Parson, do you mean to tell me that my baby will walk?"

I said, "It's healed now."

76 Little baby said, "Looky here, mother." Jumped up, and begin to run around, and women fainting and everything. The mother took the baby by the hand. We poured out the great audiences of thousands of people, and there went the mother and child down through the audience, giving praise to God, and people screaming.

77 I happened to look, coming along in the vision, here went that old congressman, eighty something years old, bound sixty-six years in a wheelchair. He was going along with a brown pinstriped suit on, tipping his hat like this, to people, in the vision. It was over. God had said so. God had said so.

78 Jesus said, "I do nothing till the Father shows me." Remember last night? Saint John. How many read it when they got home? Saint John 5:19. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing in Himself, but what he sees the Father doing, that doeth the Son." Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. "The things that I do shall you also, for I go unto my Father; more than this will you do." See it? Not man; Christ, living. We're the branches, He's the vine. He just sends forth the energy and we yield ourself and He works the works of God through you. You get it?

79 And I said, "Congressman, though for all these years.... You was seventeen when you fell. It seemingly, that God would've healed you then when your bones were soft and nimble, but here you are eighty-six and your bones are old and brittle. But God has now chose to heal you. And you're healed, 'Thus saith the Lord.'

80 His wife begin praying. She reminds me so much of the lady sitting right here with the black hat on. His wife come around, said, "Willie, did you hear what the man said?"

He said, "Sir, do you mean that I am now well?"

I said, "That's 'Thus saith the Lord.'"

81 Out of the wheelchair he come, run to the platform, reached down and touched his toes. Has crossed the United States, Great Britain and everywhere, testifying to the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Billy Graham's meeting, stood on the porch at Washington, DC, and sang to the congressmen "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms." Seventeen years a congressman. Brother, you're too late with your unbelief, see. Christ has raised from the dead. He meets with men. He counsels with them. He's the same.

82 He brought them up here to the mountain, brought three with Him. I want you to notice, as three earthly men was represented here--"At the mouth of two or three witness let every word be established," as three witness here--three came down from heaven. Three earthly beings, three heavenly beings. Here stood heaven giving a witness, here stood earth giving a witness. And they seen Moses (been dead eight hundred years), Elijah (translated). Moses and Elijah and God was represented. Three of the heaven, three in the earth.

83 Watch. These things... We could take many, many views of this. The Scripture is so inspired, that two thousand years, ministers, through the ages, who's in glory tonight waiting the glorious second coming of the Lord, has preached this text ten thousands of times. And if this world would stand a hundred billion years through the eons of time, that Word would still be just as inspiring as it was the hour it was said, because it's God's Word. It has no end at all.

84 Radium, they claim, has no end. I seen some time ago where some girls was painting these hands with radium, with a brush, and she forgot and stuck it in her mouth, and it killed her. And years later, analysis was taken of her skull. They could put the stereoscope on her skull, they could hear that radium still going "whir, whir" in the skull. It has no end.

85 God's inspired Word is Himself. You're no better than your word. If I can't take your word, you don't have to sign no papers. If I can't take your word, I can't do business with you. That's the way with God: I take His Word. God said so, and it's eternal. And it's inspired. And every age it's new, and new, and new, and new, it has no old. And we're just going to take one view tonight for a few moments. That was done, to my opinion, for this we might look at.

86 God was adopting His own Son. Now, in the Old Testament, many people know, and you who read the Bible, know that in the Old Testament there was a father who would have a child in his family. If it was a boy, well, that child as soon as it was born was a son. Now, I think there's where the people has made a great mistake in saying, "Well, we received the Holy Spirit, we're sons and daughters of God. That settles it." No, it doesn't. Not if you know the Bible, see.

87 No, this boy, as soon as he was born a tiny baby, he was a son. But he had a tutor over him. And this tutor educated him and raised him. You know in the Bible in Ephesians and different places, and Galatians, how Paul speaks of it. Now, this tutor kept word to the father how the son was progressing. And that's what the Holy Spirit's doing today in the church. That's why the church should be in order. The Holy Spirit's taking word back and forth. He's the raiser, or the tutor, of the church, the child or the individual, when it's born in the kingdom of God.

88 Then if this tutor, in the Old Testament, told the father when that child was born, if he got to a place he was reckless and careless, and run around, and didn't care for the father's business--he was always a son, that's true--but he never did fall heir to the fellowship and to the powers of his father. But if the tutor said, "That's a good boy, and he's zealous, and he's got wisdom, and he's trying to do the best that he can to keep things running good." You follow me?

89 The Holy Spirit bringing word to heaven, how that you're progressing in your growth. If you go back out into the world, then God can't put much confidence in you. If you're up-and-down ... this one say something, "Yeah, uh-huh, that's it." You form little cliques in the church; you're fussing, fighting, tattling, backbiting. How can the church ever go on? Now, I love you, but I've got to answer with you that day, see.

Notice, there's where the trouble is. There's why we can't have spontaneous healings.

90 Why, I stood at Durban, South Africa, and saw something happen here on the platform, and twenty-five thousand people got healed at one time. They took seven car loads ... truck loads, cattle trucks, of crutches, wheelchairs, and everything off the ground.

91 And thirty thousand raw heathens come to Christ at one altar call right then. They wasn't indoctrinated. Well, they didn't go there and say, "Well now, Dr. Jones said that was mental telepathy. Well, Dr. Henry said that that was fortunetelling." They had no Dr. Henrys or Dr. Joneses, they just come with simple child-like faith and believed it. Right.

92 But oh, we Americans, my, we're so scholarly, and so untouchable, you know. We know all about it. That's the reason God can't get in. You won't listen. That's the reason the church is not progressing. The light fell on the western country, that's right. But what a scrupled-up bunch it's got to be. Now, you know that's truth. Why, this church should be a light here, brother, that the world would be flocking to it, (Sure), where the very Holy Spirit Itself going forth with power and manifestations. And people won't walk across the street to hear nothing about it, see.

93 Now, He keeps bringing word. But what if he says, "This is a wonderful child. Oh, he's zealous, he's trying hard. He's doing everything that he can do to see that everything's progressing right." Then what happened? At a certain age....

94 Now, you Pentecostal people's not too old, you know, in your ways. Lutherans are old, Methodists are old, Baptists are old. You Pentecostals are a young church. But just as sure as anything, you got yourself so tightly organized, and fussing among one another, God's going to put you on a shelf with the rest of them denominations, just exactly. You just drew barriers and little *isms*, and so forth, you cut off the fellowship. God can't work with you. I see it.

95 Why, one meeting in Africa would bring forth.... Well, just what little time I made is better than a million converts in the European tour. How long you think it'd take that in America? They don't ... they're not.... They haven't got the ecclesiastical

embalming fluid in them. See what I mean? Notice. I'm not saying that for a joke. This is no place to joke. This is a pulpit, see. I'm saying it because it's a place to push a truth out that you can see it; and put it in such child way that you can understand it. You see what I mean?

96 Notice. Now, when this child become at a certain age, if it'd have been a correct child, had been zealous of the father's works, had been stable, always abounding in the works of the Lord, not tossed about with every wind and care. Not one day a Presbyterian, the next day a Methodist, and the next day a Nazarene, the next day a Pilgrim Holiness, tossed about like a leaf on a troubled sea. If it was stable: It's mind, no matter where it was at, set on Christ; his affections, looking with one single heart; zealous of getting souls saved and not the church's fusses.

97 Then in the Old Testament, there come a day that this father brought his son out into the public as a witness, put a robe on him, and set him up upon a great place where all the city could see him. And they had the law of adoption. This father to his own son, who had been born in his own family, and now was of age, and was a child worthy to take his place, he adopted, or placed his own son into position. Any Bible reader knows that: the placing of a son.

98 Then after that ceremony, that son had a right. His name was just as good on the check as his father's was. There's where the church should be today. "The things that I do shall you also; more than this shall you do; for I go to my Father."

99 Then God always followed up every shadow and type with the antetype. Notice, He took His own Son before three witnesses: Peter, James and John--hope, faith, and charity. Took them before the translated, the resurrected, and God Himself, and there overshadowed Him. And the Bible said that His clothes glistened like the sun in its strength. And then God said, "This is my beloved Son; hear ye Him."

100 Peter wanted to build three tabernacles. He wanted all the Sabbatarians and law keepers to have theirs. He wanted all the rest

of them to have theirs. He wanted to break it up in denominations, but God shut it off. Said, “This is my beloved Son; hear ye him.” And when they looked, they saw Jesus only. Laws and everything had passed away. Let’s look into it just a moment.

101 Let’s look at Moses. Moses represented the law. No man can keep the law. And no flesh is justified by the law. I’m glad that it’s not good works that we have done, but it’s by His grace, by His mercy, by His foreknowledge, that He foreknew us before the foundation of the world. Amen.

102 And then, I couldn’t be saved by law. You can’t be saved by law. So if the law was weak and could not do, God in due time sent His Son made after the likeness of sinful . . . by a woman born under the law, that He might redeem us from the curse of the law. So Moses: God shut him off.

103 There stood Elijah. What did Elijah stand for? Elijah was the lion of God’s justice. Elijah was a stern prophet. Set upon the hill, under the will of God, and they sent fifty men to him, the captain of fifty. Elijah stood up and said, “If I be a man of God, let fire fall from heaven, and consume you.” Away they went. The king sent another fifty. Elijah said, “If I be a man of God, let fire fall from heaven.” And away went another fifty. He was the lion of God’s justice. Brother, I never want justice, I never want judgment; I want mercy. God’s justice would kill us everyone tonight. He would demand it and we’d die of the shadow.

104 But now as we see the law pass away, and we see the justice of God pass away, the sternness of His judgment pass away, then let’s look over here. “This is my beloved Son; hear ye him.” What was it? God’s love. God’s love stood there represented in Christ. “We’ve all sinned and come short of the glory.” But God’s love is represented in His Son. Said, “Hear ye him.” No matter what the law says, and what this other says, and what *this* says, and what the church says, “Hear ye him.” All other things will pass away. They’re all works and carnal. Man can’t save himself no more than

a leopard could lick his spots off. No, sir. He can't do it. God has to do it.

105 And it's the works of God by grace, through foreknowledge that ordains you to eternal life and puts your name on the Lamb's book of life at the beginning. "No man can come except my Father draws him. All that comes to me I give him everlasting life, raise him up at the last day. Those who he has foreknew, he has called: those who he has called, he has justified: those who he has justified, he hath (past tense) already glorified," in glory. What you scared about? God calls you, your heart loves Him. "As the hart panteth for the water brook, so my soul thirsts after thee, O God." There it is.

Well say, "Brother Branham, that makes it kind of loose then. As long as I believe I'm a Christian, I can do anything I want to."

106 I always do what I want to, always. And if I want to do wrong, I know God's not in there, see. You can't get bitter and sweet water from the same fountain. That's right. You love the Lord, you'll do right. Yes, sir. If you love Him, you don't have to worry; if you love Him, just do what you want to. You'll always ... crying to do something for Him. Crying, you love Him day and night. If something would happen, you'd be trapped into something, the bitter tears would run down your cheeks all night. You couldn't have no rest for the soles of your feet till you come back to the ark again, see. As long as you're a Christian.

107 The grand old story (just before closing) was told... I just left Switzerland last year. I was in Switzerland five nights, we had ten thousand converts each night. Fifty thousand come to the Lord in five nights. Went up to Karlsruhe, Germany, another fifty thousand in five nights. Of those swift hungry-hearted Germans, tore up, and cast about everywhere; mother up in one side, dad down the other, and children some other place, and can't get to each other. They're tore up. They wasted all their loyalty on Hitler.

I said, "Now, if you try to come back, put that loyalty on Christ. He won't leave you, neither will He forsake you."

108 And those Germans.... The head of the Anglican ... or, the Lutheran church come down and took some pictures, he said, "Brother Branham, already we see it." Said, "You tell a German two times two equals four and prove it to him, that settles it." There he said, "Only thing I'd like to do," said, "I'd like to come to the breakfast tomorrow morning and perhaps, maybe, if the anointing comes down, I'd like to take a picture and see if our camera in Germany would catch the Angel of the Lord."

I said, "You're welcome to try it."

109 The next morning, where hundreds of men were sitting together there, setting at the table, the Holy Spirit begin to move. I said, "Just a moment." They turned this big camera around, where they was shooting a picture, then turn it with their hand, like that. They began snapping pictures swiftly.

110 I said, "He's descending from heaven." I said, "This man sitting here acts like he's a priest with his collar turned around. He is not a priest, neither is he a German." I said, "He's an Italian, been a leader of better than six thousand communists."

111 The man fainted right over on the table. And I said, "But he's become a Christian. Someone give him a Testament. He used to be Catholic, and he become a... And he's got a bunch of children in an orphanage, hid out up into the mountains, of Sicily. And there he's a pastor, he heard about these meetings, he come down. And the reason he didn't eat his breakfast this morning, because he's got an ulcer in his stomach." And he fell across the table. I said, "But 'Thus saith the Lord,' rise and eat your breakfast, brother, Jesus has healed you."

112 And that German camera was taking them pictures. And when they got through and developed it, here was a picture of the Angel of the Lord coming down, ascending down, and going back, like that again. Germany had it. It's a great story.

113 There's a great story that we used to know, you boys, girls, when I was boy and girl. Back in our ages. I meant to say, when I was a boy, back in your ages, and you girls when you were at my age. I like to say this to you. Many of you remember the old story of Arnold Von Winkelried, of Switzerland. How you used to read it in your story books in school. How that one day when Switzerland,

a peace loving people, backed up into the mountains there, and made them a little home. And they were in a ... had theirself a little country there and they loved it.

114 One day a great marching army come into their lands, all with great armors and helmets, spears, thick big shields, marching on into Switzerland to take their land. What happened? The Swiss got some pitchforks, and hay hooks, and whatever they could, and got out there to defend their land. What happened? They couldn't come against those forces.

115 There was that great marching army, just set like bricks in a wall. And they were moving on, *tromp, tromp*, moving on, coming right on. They had the Swiss backed up into a corner, right out in a field, at the foot of the mountain. There was nothing could be done. All hopes was lost. Switzerland was gone. Their wives would be drug through the streets; their children would be killed. What could they do?

116 Finally, one man screamed and jumped out; it was Arnold Von Winkelried. He said, "Men of Switzerland, this day I'll give my life for Switzerland."

They said, "Arnold Von Winkelried, what will you do?"

117 He said, "Just over the mountain yonder is a lovely little white home. There's a wife and two babies looking for me to come back, but I'll never see them again." He said, "This day I'll give my life for Switzerland." Said, "Take care of my widow and my babies."

They said, "What will you do?"

118 He said, "Follow me and fight with whatever you've got." And he threw down what he had in his hands, he looked over the army, he found the very deepest of the spears and he raised up his hands and screamed, "Make way for liberty! Make way for liberty!" And he run towards that marching army.

119 And every one of them stopped, and every spear, hundreds of them, turned to catch him, and his long, flat, with his hands in the air, screaming, "Make way for liberty!" And when he got right to the end of those great big fifteen, twenty-foot spears, he grabbed a whole armful of them and threwed them into his bosom and plunged himself to death right there.

120 It was such a play of heroism, do you know what happened? It routed that army. And those others, them brothers seen what he had done, they grabbed their pitch forks and whatever they had in their hand, and they fought as they could and they drove the enemy plumb out of the land. They've never had a war from that day to this, see.

121 Oh, up in the Swiss mountains just name Arnold Von Winkelried, watch them little old fat cheeks turn red and the tears run down their cheeks. It's their hero. His dying meant peace in the land. Hundreds of years peace, peace, because of the heroism. What a wonderful character. Hardly ever compared with and never exceeded on earth.

122 But that was just a little thing. I want to tell you something. One day when Adam's race had been backed into a corner. The law had failed, the justice had failed, the prophets had failed, the judges had failed, and everything that God sent to the earth had failed, and Adam's race stood defeated. Sickness among them, death among them, everything, the death horrors at every place, nothing could be done. But in heaven there was One stepped out: The Son of God, said, "This day I will give My life for Adam's race."

"What will You do?" cried the angels. "What will You do?"

123 He came to the earth. He looked upon that bunch of men and women that wanted to serve the Lord. They couldn't, there was so much temptation, so much sin, so much sickness, so much troubles from every hand. They couldn't; everything had failed. And He looked till He found the darkest spot of man's fear. That was death. It's always been. And He ran right to Calvary and got the thickest of the spears and threw them into His heart, and cried back, "Take what I leave you, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and fight as you can."

124 Brother, I mean, if there ever was a time when those disciples picked up that baptism of the Holy Ghost, one of the mightiest weapons that's ever been given to the hands of men. And they've cut a hole today through sin, and they've defeated the devil, and running him back with his sickness and all of his things. Men want to see heroism. Men are waiting for a gallant stand. The world's waiting to find a man who can step out.

125 Here not long ago when they said ... when divine healing... Ten years ago when I started out on the field, they said, "You can't do it, Brother Branham. Science is against you, doctors against you, modernism is against you."

I said, "But Christ is for us." That's right.

126 Now, others has seen it. They've cut holes through everything, Till now there's big revival fires kindled on every hill in the world. Every nation under heaven nearly, is having a healing revival going on. What is it? They're waiting to see that gallant display. Your neighbor's wanting to see it with you.

127 Some time ago... I'm a hunter, you know that. I've hunted practically all over the world, big game. My mother's a half Indian, and I just love it enough till I just can't stay out of the fields hardly. My conversion never even took it out of me. And I used to go up here into the mountains, in the Green Mountains, in above the Adirondacks. And I used to hunt with a man up there, and he was the most cruel-heartedest fellow, and he would just want to act smart. He knew I was a minister. And he would shoot fawns. It was lawful to shoot one fawn, but he would just shoot them just for the fun of it.

128 Now, if you wanted to kill a fawn, that's up to you. If the law says so, go ahead. Abraham killed a calf and God ate it. That's right; in the Bible. With some corn cakes and milk from the cow and butter too. That's right. God Almighty Himself eat it. The Bible said He did. It's exactly right.

129 And then disappeared, and could tell Sarah laughed when it was behind Him. That's the mental telepathy for you, isn't it? That's right. God always works in those ways. But all... Is that right? Said, "Why did Sarah laugh?" And the Bible said that He had His back turned to her. He knows what's going on at all places. So when you see the Spirit of God knowing those things, don't be alarmed, it's just God.

130 So notice, this fellow, he just wanted to be smart. And every time he'd see a little fawn he'd shoot it. And I said, "You cruel-hearted man."

And he said, “Ah, you chickenhearted preacher,” see. He said, “That’s the way with you fellows; you’re a little sissy.”

131 I said, “No, Burt, that’s not it. There’s such a thing. . . . Man is not measured by how much muscle he’s got; that’s beast. I’ve seen men that weighed two hundred pounds and didn’t have an ounce of man in him: throw a baby out of a mother’s arms and ravish her. That’s not a man, that’s a brute. Man’s measured by character. There never was a man like Christ Jesus, never was a character like that. Man’s measured by his character.

132 And I said, “Man’s not measured by his big arms, but by the bags of the knees in his pants, whether he’s been praying or not.” Right.

And he said, “Ah, you preachers, you’ll get next to yourself.”

133 And next year, when I come up, he had him a little old whistle. And he had done it just for meanness. And he’d blow that whistle and it sounded just like a little fawn crying. He said, “Watch me get them this year, preacher.”

134 And I thought, “*God, be merciful to that poor fellow.*” Well, I liked him as a man. I deal with all kinds of men. That’s the way to win them to Christ. So I went out hunting with him and we was up in the woods and he thought he’d have a little fun out of me. Got to an open space up there. He took this little old whistle and he blowed it and it sounded just like a little fawn crying for its mother. And I looked across, and a great big mother doe raised up and those great big ears, those big brown eyes, her graceful looking figure, she walked out there, listening; heard that baby’s cry.

135 Burt slipped a shell in his rifle, raised it up and put the cross hairs across her heart, and as he was making a noise, the doe looked and she saw him. She looked right in the barrel of that rifle, but what was it? The baby was in trouble. She didn’t care if it was life or what it taken, that baby was in trouble. And that mother’s love was so great, no matter what the rifle looked like, or whether death was right in the road, that bullet fixing to clean through her heart, she was looking for that baby. There was a cry, there was a need, and she was a mother, and she was looking for that baby.

136 And as Burt, standing there, and I had my head bowed. I thought, “*God, how can he do it?*” And as he was standing there, I

happened to look around, I thought, something strange, the rifle never fired. I looked back and the barrel was shaking. He set the barrel down . . . the gun down, dropped the barrel on the ground, run around, he grabbed me in his arms and said, “Billy, I’ve had enough of it. I can’t stand it no more.”

137 What was it? When he seen that display of real mother’s love heroism, looking death right in the face without one stare, it captured that cruel heart of his.

138 Brother, if you could only find out what the love of God is. “A mother may forget her suckling babe but never will I forget you. Your names are engraved upon the palms of my hand.”

139 Christ is looking for men and women tonight who will stand out with the love of God, regardless. The world’s looking tonight for someone to display the real genuine faith of God, no matter what people say, what circumstance in, how I feel, what it looks like, how I heard the call of God. He’s my Father, and I stand to accept His Word, regardless. May God help us tonight to see that as we bow our heads just a moment. And if the organist will, Sister, just a chord of some altar call if you will.

140 With your heads bowed, I want to ask you something. Have you been aiming your sights the wrong way, children? Have you been wasting your living, the wrong things? You know good and well you got to die one of these days. You’re going to be hauled up here in the graveyard, if Jesus tarries. They may seine you out of the river, pick up pieces of your body on the highway somewhere. Maybe those great atomic bombs . . . there may not even be a dust left of you. But you got a soul that’s got to answer in the presence of God. What will you give then for your soul? You got an opportunity tonight, and the Holy Spirit is here to display His love to you, to come from glory to speak to your heart.

141 Now, I wonder why. . . . We don’t have room here to make an altar call. But I wonder tonight if someone would say, “Brother Branham, by this. . . .” Or, not Brother Branham; let’s leave me out of the picture. Say, “God, I know I’ve done wrong, I--I know I’ve sinned. I--I--I’ve shunned You. I’ve kept quiet when I ought to’ve spoke. I’ve spoke when I ought to’ve been quiet. I’ve neglected to pray, although I go to church.”

142 Or maybe you don't go to church, but you know you're wrong, and the love of God has never taken the sin away from your heart, you've just been a actor. And that word *Pharisee* means "actor." And I wonder if you'd like for God to remember you tonight as a sinner, and you'd like to confess your sins and say, "God, by Your grace tonight I hear Your voice, that call, that little something that's beyond a mother's call. Something calling in my soul, and I now raise my hand to You, just ask You to be merciful to me."

143 Let's see you raise your hand to God. Now, no one look, just let God and I to do the looking. God bless you, son. God bless you, lady. God bless you. God bless you, son. God bless you, son. God bless you back there, sister. God bless you, brother. God bless you, sister. That's right, be honest.

144 "God, be merciful to me, here's my hand. Lord, I hear Your call. It's some faint little call down in my heart, saying, 'Child of mine, you might have wandered far away, but tonight I want you to come back.'" Will you raise your hand? Someone else now, who hasn't raised their hand. Some ten, fifteen, has raised their hand.

145 Is there some more just before we pray, say, "Brother Branham, remember me in prayer now as I raise my hand." God bless you, honey. God bless you, sir. God bless you, lady. God bless you, son. God bless you. Someone... God bless you, sir. God bless you, you, and you, lady. That's right, that's right. All right. God bless you, sir. God bless you. God bless you, sir. See your hand, yes. All right. Just waiting a moment, you see.

146 The Bible said that... "Brother Branham, what do I have to do to be saved?" Well, we're always telling people what not to do, but the thing of it is, let's tell them what to do: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ."

147 I think, while you're praying, Saint John 5:24, Jesus speaking. Think of a handful and two dozen eggs. Saint John 5:24, Jesus said these words, "He that heareth my words, (you have tonight) and believeth on him that sent me, hath (present tense) everlasting life, and shall never come into the judgment; but has passed from death unto life."

148 That's what you have to do: believe on the Lord Jesus Christ with all your heart. You've lifted your hand, saying, "Lord, now, I believe. I now believe." Is there another one, just before prayer? God bless you. Yes, lady. One that hasn't raised their hands again, would you raise your hand? All right, let's pray.

149 Now, Lord, realizing that standing near, there's perhaps many, many angels, because there's believers here and the Bible says, "The angels of God are encamped (not going back and forth,) but they're encamped about those who fear Him." Many more are being called from glory tonight to encamp around those who've raised their hands, to teach them the way of life, how they should live. They've raised their hands to Thee, Father, recognizing that they're not in fellowship with Thee. They've been out of fellowship and they so desire tonight for fellowship.

150 And I pray, Father, that in Christ's name, that You'll receive each one tonight into Your own beloved kingdom. Woo them by the Holy Spirit, and fill them with the Holy Ghost, and give them eternal, everlasting life.

151 Call them out, set them in a ministry and give them special jobs in the great vineyard of God. If it's a little housewife, Thou knowest where to put her. If it's a man in the office, or in the plant, You know just where to put him to do the best work. Man on the street, out on the farm, You know just where to put him. Thou knowest all things, and to place positionally, where to place them. So, Father, we pray that by the works of the Holy Spirit this night, that You will place them into Your kingdom, many that raised their hands.

152 I do not know them, Thou does, but I trust that, if not in this life, that in the world to come, I'll meet them there by the evergreen tree where the fountain of water flows free, by the crystal white throne of God, shake their hands and say, "Brother Branham, you don't know me just now, but down in Parkersburg that night when you said, 'Would you raise your hand,' I did. And I found my name on the book when I got here. I'm so glad that you come. I'm so glad that I raised my hand, so glad you made that altar call that night." Grant it, Father.

153 Now, will You appear with us here, let these new babies see that their faith is not in vain, that it was You who said so? It was You who took them, it was You. . . . “No man can come to me, except my Father draws him. And all that comes to me, I’ll give him everlasting life, and raise him up at the last day.” You promised it, God; it’s Your promise. Now, manifest Yourself to them. For we ask it in Christ’s name. Amen.

154 Oh, don’t you love Him? Isn’t He wonderful? What if you give us a little chord? How many likes good old Gospel singing? How many feels real scoured out after the Word gets a hold of you? You feel real good? Oh my! I feel religious tonight somehow. I really do.

155 Let’s see, “Down at the cross,” can you give us the chord of it? “Down at the cross where my Saviour died, down where for cleansing from sin I cried; there to my heart was the blood applied; glory to His name!” You know it? How many knows it? Let’s see your hand. All together now, come on.

Down at the cross where my Saviour died,
Down where for cleansing from sin I cried;
There to my heart was the blood applied;
Glory to His name!

Glory to His name!
Glory to His name!
There to my heart was the blood applied;
Glory to His name!

156 I want to ask you something now. I don’t know who you was that raised your hands; many did. And I don’t know, probably the ones next to you don’t know. But I want you to do this, be real honest with me now.

157 How many Methodists is here? raise your hand. Come on Methodists, put your hands up. All right, that’s fine. How many Baptists? raise your hands. Put your hand. . . . That’s good. Presbyterians, raise your hands. Nazarenes, raise your hand. Pilgrim Holiness, raise your hand. Lutherans, raise your hand. Is there Catholic? raise your hand. That’s good, all right. How many Pentecost? raise your hand. All right. How many Presbyterians? raise your hand. That’s fine.

Now, we're all one in Christ Jesus. We're sitting together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

158 Not long ago down at Robinson Memorial Auditorium at Little Rock, I was having a meeting, and they'd stopped all the buses; about five thousand or more couldn't get into the auditorium, was out in the street. And there'd been a Nazarene brother, who'd had crutches for years, and he had got healed the night before. And he'd went through the city the next day with a sign hanging on him saying, "These old buddies I don't use no more."

159 And he was up in the second balcony, and while I was preaching, he raised up, and he said, "Wait a minute, Brother Branham." He was so happy. It was all right, I don't think he was too much out of order. He said, "Brother Branham, I want to ask you something." Said, "Excuse me," he said, "but you know when I first heard you preaching, I was sure you was a Nazarene." He said, "Then I seen all the Pentecostals, and I thought, well you must be Pentecostal. And somebody told me you was a Baptist." Said, "I don't understand that."

I said, "That's easy. I'm a Pentecostal Nazarene Baptist." So that's the way we all are, glory to His name!

160 All right, all together now. And let's give the Lord a big old handshake. Reach over and shake hands with somebody. All right.

Glory to His name! (That's right,
turn right around. Methodist, Baptist.)

Glory to His name!
There to my heart was the blood applied;
Glory to His name!

Listen to this now. All together now.

I am so wondrously (Are you? Raise
your hand to Him.) saved from sin,
Jesus so sweetly abides within,
There at the cross where He took me in;
Glory to His name!

Glory to His name!
Glory to His name!

There to my heart was the blood applied;
Glory to His name!

161 Now, everybody, let's just bow our heads. Real quietly, and in the depths of our heart, let's hum it and raise our hands. Real softly now. I'll try to sing it while you hum it. Now, come on.

[Congregation hums.] (Spiritual feast.)
There to my heart was the blood applied;
Glory to His name!

Won't you come to this fountain so rich
and sweet;
Cast thy poor soul at the Savior's feet;
Plunge in today and be made complete;
Glory to His name!
Glory to His.....

162 Our Heavenly Father, as they're humming this song, move upon us with Thy Holy Spirit. Search out the hearts of the people, heal the sick. We're so thankful that these came to You tonight. There at the fountain, just plunged in, come out, new fellowship now. Get glory out of the service. God, we commit all things to Thee in Christ's name. Amen.

163 Now, according to the Scriptures, Jesus suffered once for sin, putting away all sin, sickness, and death, under the curse. He taken the curse upon Him and was made a curse for us. "He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we were healed."

164 He was here on earth. He lived thirty three and a half years among men. He did not claim to be a healer. He said, "It's not me that doeth the works, it's my Father that dwelleth in me."

165 He was questioned one day when He passed through a great bunch of people and did not heal them. Healed a man laying on a pallet. And He was questioned, He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing in Himself but what He sees the Father

doing, that doeth the Son likewise.” He said, “A little while and the world ... the world will see me no more.” That’s the unbeliever. The world from this till He comes “will see me no more.”

166 They say, “Days of miracles is past. He died, rose, went into heaven, that settles it.” But He didn’t say that. He did ascend to the Father and returned back. One man saw Him after He had returned back. You know who it was? Paul. What did He look like? A Light. Is that right? On his road to Damascus. He was a Light that even struck Paul down, blinded his eyes.

167 The Bible said that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Jesus said the works that He did would continue on in the church until He come again. Does the Bible say that? It does.

168 “The works that I do shall ye also; more than this shall you do; (more places) for I go unto my Father. I go to my Father and come again. I came from God,” the pillar of fire that led the children of Israel. “I came into the world,” and the Son called the flesh, or the Son, the flesh called the Son. “I return to God,” back to the light again, and appeared over here to Paul and down in... “Doing the same work,” God in His church. “That day you’ll know that I’m in the Father, the Father in me, I in you, and you in me.” It’s God in you, the hope of glory.

169 Now, if Christ has risen from the dead, which we know He has, then He’s got to do the same kind of works that He did before He went away, or He is not risen from the dead. If He’s the same, He’s got to be the same in principle, the same in power, the same in attitude, the same in all. That’s right. Well, let’s watch just a moment. Is there any here that never was in a meeting before? let’s see your hands, some strangers. Never was in a meeting, one of my meetings before, let’s see your hands: many.

170 Now, I want to say to you, last night we took... Tonight was evangelistic call. Friends, divine healing is just a minor. And you can never major on a minor, as I said. Salvation of the soul is much greater than divine healing. Divine healing was included in the new atonement, because the old atonement had healing in it and the new

one's much better, see, than the old. If the old one could furnish healing, what about the new one?

171 But divine healing is not on the same basis as salvation. When you're born again you get an immortal spirit that cannot die. But when you're healed, by divine healing, you will get sick and die again. Lazarus did and all the rest of them, He even raised from the dead. But it's the attribute of His resurrection, and it's the earnest of our resurrection that we will see. God said so. Now, it's in the Bible.

172 Now, we took last night what Jesus did when he was here on earth. Not one time did He ever say He healed anybody. He wasn't a healer. He couldn't. Here's one Scripture to settle it. He said, "It's not me that doeth the works, it's my Father that dwelleth in me." He said, "The Son can do nothing in Himself, but what He sees the Father doing." Is that right?

173 Let's follow him just a moment, let's take one of the Scriptures we used: Saint John the 1st chapter. When Peter came to Him, He knew Peter's name, knew who his daddy was. Is that right? "Thou art Simon, the son of Jonas. But I'll call you Peter from hereafter." Which means "little stone," see.

174 And when Philip got saved, he went to find somebody else: a good sign he got saved. So he went to find his buddy, way around behind the mountains--they claim about thirty miles. And when he found his buddy, a real churchgoer, real good man, his name.... Can somebody tell me what his name was? Nathanael is right. And he found him under a tree praying. And Philip run up to him and said, "Come, see who we found, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

And when this man got through praying, he raised up, said, "Now, could there be any good thing come out of Nazareth?"

He said, "Come and see." That's the best thing. You come and see, you judge for yourself then.

175 On the road around the next day when they appeared, Jesus was standing praying for the sick, or whatever He was doing. And when Nathanael come up, when Jesus looked at him His first time, He said, “Behold, an Israelite in whom there’s no guile.”

176 Kind of startled him. How did He know but what he was an infidel? What if He knowed he was something else besides an Israelite? Greeks, Jews, all look the same. Them long beards and garments and so forth.

He said, “Rabbi, when did You know me?”

“Why,” He said, “before Philip called you, when you was under the tree, I saw you.”

177 “Saw me through that mountain thirty miles over yonder?” He said, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel.” Is that what he said? That’s what the Jews said, that was the sign of the Messiah.

Jesus said, “Because I told you that, you believe that I am?”

“Yes, I do.”

He said, “Then you’ll see greater than this.”

178 But what did the church people do, orthodox church, the big high class church? They stood with their hands behind them, said, “You know what? He’s a fortuneteller. He’s a devil, Beelzebub.”

179 And Jesus turned to them, and said, “I’ll forgive you. You speak that against the Son of man, I’ll forgive you. But when the Holy Ghost is come, to do the same thing, you speak one word against it, it’ll never be forgiven you in this world, or the world to come.” How many knows the Bible said that? Because they called

the Spirit of God working in Him, a devil. We better be careful on those things, see.

180 Jesus claimed He did nothing except the Father showed Him. Is that right? Saint John 5:19 He said, "I can do nothing till I see the Father doing it first." He showed Him by vision. If that was Jesus yesterday, and He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, and find me a place in the Bible where it doesn't dovetail with that. If it does the Bible contradicts itself, see. Every word of God has to be exactly the same, set together, see. That's right. Just take the one, don't take somebody's theology; just take the Bible and read it.

181 Someone said to me, "Well, Elijah, when he went out there and laid them stones on the ... up on there and called fire down out of heaven ... all, and you mean God didn't show him?"

182 "No, sir." I said, "And you're a teacher of theology in the seminary?" I said, "I'm ashamed of you." Elijah himself said, "I've done all of this at your command." Sure. No man can do it in his own will. It's the Father that shows these things, see. It's an act of God and not of man.

183 Now, if Messiah will return to this building tonight, come in here and manifest Himself in among the people.... Now, no matter how much you'd come here to me, if you don't believe it, it'll never work. When Jesus came to His own country, they said, "We heard he done this things over here, we heard he done it over in Capernaum, but let me see him do it here."

184 And the Bible said, "Many mighty works he could not do because of their unbelief." Is that right? It's up to you. God is here. And one thing that we can rest assure on, to you newborn babies that just come into the kingdom awhile ago....

185 After this service is over, I want you to do me a favor. Not only myself, but I want it for your benefit. I want you to come stand around the rail here, and pray and thank God for saving you. You say, "Did I get saved?" Well, if you believed, you did. Jesus said....

186 Listen, friends, it's not no great something that you're looking way out here to have to do a certain thing. Jesus said, Jesus said, not the preacher, Jesus said, "He that heareth my words, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life." What kind of life is that? Any Scripture reader knows that that word comes from *Zoe*. *Zoe* is the Greek word which means "God's own life in you." "And shall never come into the judgment, or condemnation; but is already passed from death unto life." Because you believed on Him. That's how it means.

187 Did you mean it when you raised your hand? If you did, God meant it too. If you didn't, your life will prove that you didn't. If you did, your life will prove that you did. So come up to the altar after the service and thank the Lord for saving you. Now, may He add His blessing.

188 Now, I believe.... Who give out cards? You, or did Billy? Where's Billy at? Billy, how many? Hundred. Same thing, P? Was it P last night? All right. P like for Parkersburg. You got a little card, it's a little bitty thing, there's.... It's just a little bitty card, got my picture on one side of it. On the other side you'll find a letter and a number.

189 And there's.... We gave out, some last night and some tonight. Is the whole hundred out? 'Course we started from the first ones last night, didn't we? Didn't I start from number one last night? [Brother says, "Yes."] All right. How many did I call up? About 15 or 20, wasn't it something like that? 15? Well, let's call the last 15 then tonight. Say from 85 to 100, that would break it up.

190 [Blank spot on tape.] ... pray that Your mercy will be granted tonight. And now, as we humble ourselves under the hand and the moving of the mighty living God, I pray, Lord, that You will prove to the people that Thou art the great Jehovah, the great God of heaven, that you'll show Your power to save, to heal, to manifest, to perform miracles, to do that which is unknown to man. For we ask it in Christ's name. Amen.

191 [Sister says, "Brother Branham?"] Yes. ["I'm the last one on the list and my mother needs prayer more than I do. Could I let her have my prayer card?"] That's all right. I'll maybe catch her the same time, see.

192 Now, let's be real reverent and pray, if you will. Now, I want to ask you something, all of you together now. How many believes that Jesus has risen from the dead? How many believes the Bible teaches in Heb....

193 [Blank spot on tape.]... I'm a stranger to you, prayer line and all, raise your hands, I don't know you.

194 How many doesn't have a prayer card and you want God to heal you? raise your hand. There you are. Several were. Then you look this way and forget about William Branham, see. You believe Jesus died and raised again, rose again and is here tonight, that I am just His servant sent here....

195 It's not my voice. No more.... This thing, I said awhile ago, takes the voice away from me. It's a mute. It can't speak. It has to have a voice in it speaking, or it can't speak. I'm just a man, I don't know you. But if Christ will come and take my vocals and use them and speak His own words to you, it wouldn't be me speaking then; it would be Him speaking through.... Now, I can't say, "Look what a great microphone this is. Look at my voice back there." It isn't the microphone, it's my voice. Microphone couldn't do nothing, if it wasn't for my voice. Is that right?

196 I can't do nothing except He comes and anoints. And if He comes and anoints me, I still can't do it unless you believe it, to make a contact to the Spirit. That's right. So all of us together working with Him, with our gifts and faith together, can manifest Jesus Christ. So you look this way and believe that He's raised from the dead, and I'll believe He'll do the same things that He always did do. May the Lord bless you.

197 Now, if there's an unbeliever has slipped in somewhere, I have to say this now 'cause they could get me in trouble with it. And all of you hear me say this, as you witness my voice: If there is a skeptic or an unbeliever, you must leave the building now, see. Don't stay around here now, if you're a skeptic or an unbeliever. 'Cause remember, unclean spirits come from one and go to another. How many knows the Bible says that? How many of them's in conditions tonight? You've heard of it. The newspapers packed it. Insane, crippled, paralyzed, and everything else sitting right in the meeting. It goes from one to another.

198 So this is not for unbelievers, it's to them that believe. I'll be responsible for you if you're a believer. 'Cause by being a believer I could make it leave you by prayer and your faith in the presence of God. But now as an unbeliever, I have no powers to do nothing to an unbeliever. It accord . . . it's your own faith. Not mine, it's your faith. Your faith. Some blind men come to Jesus, he didn't have any vision. They followed Him in the house, said, "Lord, have mercy on us."

199 He said, "I can if you believe." He touched their eyes, said, "According to your faith be it unto you." Is that right? No vision. Father hadn't showed Him nothing. So they believed and they got their sight and went along rejoicing. They truly believed.

200 Now, who's the first one in the line? Now, who's operating this machine, this here? I don't know how. . . . Now, all, be real reverent. Don't move around just for a few moments. They won't let me stand but just a few minutes, the boys, because it just makes me real weak, every time. If one person drew virtue from the Lord Jesus, what about me a sinner saved by grace. Maybe tomorrow morning I'll take up some of that teaching on that so you can see. In the Bible, every time the same, exactly. It takes something from. . . . Preaching you build yourself up. But these visions just takes it right from you. And so. . . .

201 If this one woman. . . . Here's a reacting here tonight. It happens to be the first in the line is a woman. Now, this lady and I, as far as I know, are total strangers to each other. Are we, lady? I just want to talk to.

202 Now, you all has noticed that picture, I supposingly, the artist who painted that, was supposed to be Jesus, the woman at the well. Looks like the well behind. Not exactly the scene there, but it's to represent it. Now, let's just take a little drama here for a moment. Now, listen real close. For one move out of Jesus Christ will be more than I could stand here and preach a hundred years, one word from Him. That's right, see. Now, one word of His resurrection, of Him being present, that settles it.

203 Now, Jesus was going from Jerusalem to Jericho. And the Bible said He had need to go up to Samaria. Is that right? About noontime He sent the disciples away for victuals down in Samaria, and He sat down against the well. It's a little arch like this, and some vines growing over it.

204 He just sat back there, a middle-aged man, in His thirties. He looked older than that. The Bible said He looked to be over fifty. Said, "You're yet not much over fifty years old and you say you seen Abraham." But His work had drawn Him down. He was a young man but He looked old.

205 And He was sitting up against the wall, and this Samaritan woman come out, a ill . . . woman of ill fame, a prostitute. She came out to get some water. So she drew the water out and started to go back into the city, and Jesus said, "Woman, bring me a drink." She turned. . . . And there was a law of segregation in them days.

She said, "It's not customary for you Jews to ask Samaritans such. We have no dealings with each other."

206 He said, "That's right. But if you knew who you were talking to, you'd ask me for a drink. And I'd bring you water you didn't come here to get."

"Why," she said, "the well's deep, and you have nothing to draw with."

207 On went the conversation about worship in this mountain at Jerusalem. What was Jesus doing? What was He doing? Contacting her spirit.

208 And when He found what was wrong with her, where her trouble was, her trouble was. . . . How many knows what her trouble was? She was a prostitute. He said, "Go get your husband." That was her trouble, is that right?

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

Said, "That's right. You've had five. Lived with five men; you're living with one now, he's not even your husband."

209 Look, now listen. What was she? A Jew? No. What did the Jew say when Jesus performed that sign? He said, "That's the sign of the Messiah. That's Him. I believe that you're the Son of God by this." Now, watch. Listen.

[Blank spot on tape.] ... about you, nothing. If that's right raise up your hand. All right.

210 Now, just as soon as it starts. How many seen the picture now, in the book here, the picture of the Angel of the Lord? Have you seen it? Here it is. Taken by George J. Lacy. Hangs over here in Washington DC--copyrighted--only supernatural being. That Angel of the Lord isn't two foot from where I'm standing right now. That's right.

211 The lady's conscious that something's just taken place. Aren't you? If that's right, raise up your hand, see. Between she and I, just as I can feel moving, there's a light between us. I believe it's in this book, lady. I'll show y/ou what that is, that you're feeling. There it is right there, see. That's just what is between us now. See, I see you fade away and then coming back, fading away and coming back. See, she's conscious. Now, it's hard because there's people are all around me. Jesus took the....

212 [Blank spot on tape.] ... that I don't know you. But if the Lord Jesus will tell me what's in your heart, what your desire is with Him. ... I know you're a Christian, because I feel your spirit. If you was a critic, I'd know it. But you're a Christian, a born ... not a hitchhiker, a Christian, see, see. You're a real Christian, 'cause you have a very fine spirit moving.

213 Now, if He will let me know what you, His daughter, let I, His child, His son, know what His daughter wants, then I being a man and you a woman, there has to be something between us here.... It has to be God using us as branches, He being the vine, energizing

your heart to believe and mine to yield. Then He does the speaking and makes known to you. If it's sickness, if you'd say....

214 If He was standing here with this suit that He gave me, if He had it on standing here, you'd say, "Lord, will You heal me?" He'd say, "I did it, child of mine, at Calvary. Don't you believe it?" He couldn't do it the second time. God even told us not to use vain repetition, see. So He couldn't repeat the thing over. He could do something maybe to.... He'd know you. If the Father would reveal it. Is that right?

215 If He'll tell me what you're here for, what you want out of Him, what your desire is, will you accept it as being from Him? Will the audience accept it then? Does anybody here know the woman? Raise your hand, anybody know her? Yes, there's many here that knows her. Now, may the Lord grant it.

216 Now, the lady, seemingly, if the people can still hear me.... My lips are numb, and it's His Spirit moving. She's going away from me. I see her at a door of a place; she's going in, and it's a lady's trouble, a female trouble that's bothering her. That's exactly right. No one could see that. It's a back ... you and God alone. That's true, isn't it? That's.... How many believes now?

217 Now, the more I would speak to her, more He would say. Would you like for me to speak to her just a little more? Would it encourage you more? All right. Let's see if the Lord would say one....

218 Now, I could stand with her hours ... or, not that long, they couldn't let me stand, maybe fifteen minutes. Maybe just take your whole life then, see, if He would reveal it. But being that you are a Christian.... I can't do this myself, I can't make it happen. It has to happen. Now, what He told you, I don't know, but He does. The tape recorders has got it. Now, I'm just asking, He may not tell me nothing else. If He does, I can tell you. If He doesn't, I can't.

219 But as I see the woman leaving from me again, I believe that He shall speak again. I see the lady praying. And in her prayers she's asking for somebody else. It's a person that's got arthritis. It's a woman. And she calls her Auntie. It's your Aunt that you're praying for that has arthritis. That's right, isn't it? Do you now

believe? [“Yes.”] Do you believe that He gives you what you ask for? [“Yes, sir.”] Just come here just a moment.

220 Now, the Bible said.... There’s something, sister, that’s between us. Now, I said, “Well, what you judge it to be.... If you believe it’s Christ trying to get to you, then you’ll get what you ask.” It’s up to you now. The Bible said, “These signs shall follow them that believe; if they lay their hands on the sick, they shall recover.”

Now, Heavenly Father, in Thy great presence, this ... [Blank spot on tape.]

221 Perhaps she doesn’t know me. We’re strangers to each other, are we, lady? We are. Then if anything would be known, it’d have to come through God alone. Is that right? Now, if I could.... If you were sick and I could heal you and wouldn’t do it, I’d be an unworthy brute. If I could do something for you and wouldn’t do it, lady, what kind of a person would I be? But I can’t do nothing for you, no more than what He’d let me do. He might tell me something. He might do something to bring your faith in a finished work. He can’t do nothing for you until you believe. Do you know that? Look, He is sitting at the right hand of the majesty of God on high.

222 [Blank spot on tape.].... before me is suffering with a complete nervous condition. She’s very nervous. She’s been that way for some time. And the lady also is going blind. Her eyes are going bad. That’s caused from a nerve condition, hardening of the nerves, shutting off the vision. Simply a blind spirit. The lady also has a rupture that she suffers with. That’s right. And I see you moving in somewhere with a cloth over you. You come out, one, two, three.... It’s operations. You’ve had a lot of trouble, haven’t you? That’s right. You believe that you’re in His presence? With all your heart you believe in it? All right, come here just a moment.

223 [Blank spot on tape.] It’s gone, sister, sitting right here. Amen. You kept appearing here. I believe it’s over now. Would you do me a favor? Maybe the Angel of the Lord ... the lady next to you with that diabetes and suffering bad. Do you believe that she would be made well too? Do you believe too, sister, that God would heal you? [“Amen.”] You believe it? Raise up your hand. You were praying

for that, wasn't you? All right. I seen your blood, look like sugar dropping through it like that. That's right. Have faith.

224 What did they do? She touched the border of His garment. She believed, see. She had faith. Is the Scriptures fulfilled? He's a High Priest. When? Now. That can ought be touched.

225 [Blank spot on tape.] ... is diabetes sitting right there, the lady. You believe that Jesus Christ the Son of God shall make this person well? If you can believe what you ask for, you can have for what you ask. "If thou canst believe," said the Bible, "you can have what you ask for."

226 The blessing went to a man. When you're spoke to, answer quick. The man sitting there with your hand up, with the heart trouble, hand up like this, little red tie on, do you believe me to be God's prophet ... or, His servant? That's your wife sitting next to you, isn't it? Female trouble, isn't it? Put your hands on each other. [Blank spot on tape.] In Jesus' name, come out.

227 [Blank spot on tape.]... over the lady, but there's a lady sitting next to her there, yes, wiping your nose. Putting her hand up like this. You believe God'll heal you of that stomach trouble and make you well? Do you believe it with all your heart? You was praying for it, wasn't you? All right, receive your healing. You're nervous, gives you an ulcer.

228 That lady sitting right next to her there, there's the Angel of the Lord standing by her. She's got a throat trouble. That's right, isn't it, lady? Raise your hand. One right next to you, the last one on the end of the row there, that little lady's got a nervous condition. She's... Is that right, lady? There He is. See there, a whole row of them. Hallelujah! Christ raised from the dead. He's alive. "If thou canst believe, all things are possible."

229 [Blank spot on tape.] ... following you. You're scared of something. It's in your throat. You're afraid it's cancer there. And you're a preacher. That's right. I see you standing in a pulpit. And you're not from this city. You're from a city where there's a big... It's Columbus, Ohio. That's right. Your name is [unclear words]

isn't it? Right. Go home and be healed. You haven't got no cancer. "If thou canst believe."

230 [Blank spot on tape.] ... believe that sinus would leave you too. Believe with all your heart, God make you well [unclear words].

I'm getting terribly weak. It's pulling from everywhere, people are believing.

231 If it's revealed to me what you're here for... You'll have to know whether... If I come say, "Well, you're sick, you're going to get well," you'd have a right to doubt that. That's no miracle, see. But the miracle, you look like a healthy woman. Just tell you what's wrong. If I'd say...

232 [Blank spot on tape.] ... pulpit, it must be somebody--or was somebody just healed from the pulpit, or something? Keeps appearing before me. It must have been the shock of it. Is that the man that just... Was there a man just now prayed for? Something that just don't leave in front of me; there's something maybe I... Well, anyhow...

233 [Blank spot on tape.] ... never seen you, but Christ knows all about you, doesn't He? Do you believe He could heal you? Said He will [unclear words]. That's right. Lady's trouble and so forth, female disorders that's bothering you. Been for some time too. One of it's an abscess, has a drainage, you see, which makes it...

234 That's true, you know nobody knows that but you and God alone. I'm not reading your mind. You're a stranger here in this city. You come across the river too. You're from a place in Ohio, Jacksonville. That's right. Betty Campbell, and you could go home and be made well if you'd believe it. Is that right? Believe with all your heart.

O God...

235 [Blank spot on tape.] You look strange, but you're standing here for somebody else. That's a sister. That's right. Arthritis; that is true. Then you've got a trouble too, that should be healed. That's in your kidneys, it's a kidney trouble. That's "Thus saith the Lord."

236 Do you believe me to be His prophet ... or, His servant? You believe it's Him and not me? You believe you're in His presence and

that's what's making you feel that way? Something vibrating over your spirit that you know, being a Christian, it has to be the Holy Ghost. Oh, if this audience would only believe like you just now, lady.

237 If this whole audience would believe for one moment, you'd see one of the greatest things happen. There'd be a spontaneous wave of power hit this building here. I speak in the name of Jesus Christ. Let us pray.

Father God, in Christ's name, I pray that You would heal. . . .

238 [Break in tape] . . . kidneys. For the Lord Jesus is a healer of all diseases. Do you believe that, lady? You believe standing in His presence, that He can heal you now and make you well? Come here just a minute.

239 Father God, who created heavens and earth, made all things to praise You, I pray that You'll heal this poor mortal and let her faith look to Thee and touch this redemptive blessing just now. In Christ's name. Amen.

240 We're strangers to one another. But you have a very strange nature. That is a deep thinker, always crossing bridges before you get to it. It's always a bad thing, never happens the way you plan it to happen. And by that it's developed a peptic condition of the stomach, giving you stomach trouble. That's right, isn't that, sir? If that is right, raise your hand. Which it is right, couldn't be nothing else. God Almighty knows it. Do you now throw aside every negative thought and will go home and eat your supper and praise God and give Him praise for it?

241 Look at me. I mean by that, not look. . . . I hope you understand. Peter and John passed through the gate called Beautiful, said, "Look on us." That is just merely to. . . . I hope people understand it, see.

242 Elijah one time when they got him all stirred up, when Ahab's son was there and his mother Jezebel, idol worshippers, who had caused a lot of trouble. He said, "If I didn't respect the presence of Jehoshaphat, I wouldn't even look at thee." But said, "Bring me a minstrel." When the minstrel begin to play, the Spirit come on the

prophet. You hear them play “Only Believe,” those things, then the Spirit comes down. Hymns brings Him down. Then a gift of God goes to work.

243 All that coughing, laying up at night, with that asthmatic condition. Coughing head off nearly. That’s right. Dry throat. My, what restless hours. But you believe that He’s here to take it away, sister? Let me just lay my hands on you.

244 Heavenly Father, I lay my hands upon this woman in obedience to the blessed Word of God which said, “These signs shall follow them that believe; if they lay their hands on the sick, they shall recover.” This I ask in Christ’s name. Amen.

245 I know I’ve got it probably as far as they’re going to let me go. They’re touching my sides and I know that’s for me to leave. I want you to do something. I want you to close your eyes. I want you to pray this prayer behind me. I’ll just repeat it, you pray it.

246 [Congregation repeats after Brother Branham]: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Almighty God, Creator of heavens and earth, author of everlasting life, and giver of every good gift, I, Your servant, stand in need. I need Thee, Lord. Thou knowest my need. I’m aware that Jesus has raised from the dead and He’s here in this building tonight, to give to me, by His suffering, and His presence, everything that I have need of. Thou God, knows what I have need of, and I now claim it as my personal property. In Jesus’ name I will confess it, I will believe it from henceforth, in Christ’s name.

247 That’s your prayer. Now, keep your heads bowed. Keep closed in. Quietly. The organist: “Only Believe.” Quietly. Close your eyes. Who would you think that is standing by you? Who is that who knows you? Yes, the little lady there with the TB, it’s over, sister. Your faith makes you well.

248 That man sitting there, getting up at nights with that prostate trouble, sitting there, sir, with white shirt on, yes. It’s over, sir. See you walking back and forth to the bathroom. Go home tonight and rest in peace.

249 Keep shut in with God. He's there. See, touching my side, saying I must go now. That's your prayer. Now, I'm going to pray for you. This is my prayer. You believe.

250 O God, what an evil thing Satan is. He binds the helpless. He comes in by force. He puts the children of God into corners. But tonight He's exposed. Tonight we realize that he's just a bluff. He has no legal rights. Christ stripped him of everything he had, at Calvary. Everything, even fear. Everything was paid for at Calvary. And Satan, you don't have any legal rights over God's children. They're God's heritage. You can't hold them any longer. Come out of here. I adjure thee by Jesus Christ, God's own Son, Come out. Amen. In the name of Jesus, God's Son leave this [unclear words].