Toxine Of Pentecost

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1 ... or is there no physician there, and then why is the daughter of my people's health not recovered? And I thought of that. Is there no balm in Gilead? We have plenty of balm. We have physicians, that's true.

And usually, when we're hunting a toxine.... There was a time when there was no toxine for smallpox, there was no toxine for the polio. But we have those toxines now, and they're great. We appreciate them. And then I thought, "How do you find a toxine? The way you find a toxine--doctors, usually, and scientists in research--they find some kind of a chemical and then try it on a guinea pig and see if the guinea pig can survive it. Then they give it to you. And sometimes those toxines are ... they don't work on all people, because all people maybe not be the same kind of condition of the body that that guinea pig is, so it wouldn't work right.

2 But you know God has a toxine. And He never tried it on a guinea pig; He put it on his Son and it held. It held in the hours of temptation, it held at Calvary, and it proved to be right on Easter morning.

3 There was a hundred and twenty people desired that toxine. So they went up to the day of Pentecost, up in the upper room, and they were every one inoculated with that toxine. And so then when the sick people begin to ask, "Is there any...? What must we do?" Peter wrote them a prescription. And that prescription is an eternal prescription, he said, because this prescription will last for you and to your children and your children's children and them that's far off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

4 Well, now, if a doctor writes a prescription (now, the way I understand) there's enough poison in there to poison the germ that's in the body. And he has to diagnose how strong that body is before he can give them ... fix his prescription. Well, now, if you take too much of that toxine and not enough antidote to upset it, it'll kill the patient. And then if you put too much of the antidote in and not enough toxine, it don't do the patient any good.

And I think that's what's been the matter around until this little group here raised up. We had denomination barriers. We could just get over just so far as our Baptist or Presbyterian denominations would let us go. But in this we went right back to the original prescription, got the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and just spread the [unclear word] everywhere, you see.

5 And there's plenty of toxine left, and it's diagnosed out just exactly the way Doctor Simon Peter said diagnose it out. And if we'll just take it according to the prescription (Repentance; not shaking hands. Repentance first, you see, getting right with God.), it will take the same effect upon us that it did upon them. It'll bring forth the same kind of a ministry. It proved it to this young fellow just testified here, that.... This is the message of the hour, I believe—the Pentecostal message, Pentecostal grace. And why would we fool with anything else when the skies are full of the real, see? So we could take the real thing, get the real Pentecostal blessing. And I think that's what the world is hungering for.

A few days ago we.... I'm not Democrat nor Republican (I'm a Christian), so I don't mention these things. But I picked up an old book there that the Lord had gave me a vision in 1933 when I just first become a minister, going down to the Baptist Tabernacle. And He gave me a vision that morning and I seen the first one I remember of an international affair. And I seen that President Roosevelt that was in then, and seen that we'd go to a world war. Then I seen also that (that was eleven years before the Maginot line was built), I seen Germany fortify themselves in this big concrete place. I also seen they permitted women to vote, which was wrong. And said they would some day elect the wrong man; they just did it. And then....

⁷ So then I seen the time of the end coming, and five things that the Lord let.... Seven things I saw, five of them has already come to pass. I seen a powerful woman stand up in the United States. You can write this down if you do so--it's going to happen. I don't know ... she's on her road now. Exactly. And she took over. And then I seen the United States just like something had burnt it over, hit it, just something, blowed up rocks and things.

And then I seen the time there'd be an increase in science. I noticed there'd be an automobile.... I had it wrote down there. I got it right with me now, old yellow paper, that there'd be a machine, automobile, perfected, looked like an egg, would be glass over it. And there was a man and woman, the family, sitting there with their backs turned to one another, playing cards, and the machine traveling itself. Something on the bumpers that would ... it couldn't hit the others, going down. And I seen that on television a few nights ago. They got that thing perfected right now.

9 See, all those things that the Lord spoke is true. And we just got two more things left of that to be fulfilled, and that's the end time. And if there ever was a time that we ought to be trying to get people to God, it's now.

And I think testimonies like the young man here and Brother Serell and.... Obey Him, no matter if some people say, "Well, the spirit didn't feel right." That don't make any difference. It'll feel right if you'll take your place. Maybe you was supposed to raise it up to that place, see. He obeyed God, praised God, and then when the man come in, he gave him the testimony that really done the work. And I'm so glad, today, to be among you. And as I see my years fading out, and seeing young fellows like that coming on, if there is a tomorrow they'll take the gospel tomorrow.

11 I'll be seeing you tomorrow afternoon, two o'clock, the Lord willing. The Lord bless you. I didn't mean to take so much time, Brother Shakarian. Thank you.

[Brother Branham is called to the pulpit a second time.]

12 ... saints. It may be in our worship, as sincere as we are, yet sometimes we fail to see the real power of God as great as it is among us. Now, when this vision came, which.... Many of you-perhaps all here--has been in the meetings, and see visions to see what takes place. And the reason I made that remark, to say here this morning, is just ... if you could just know the presence of the Lord. They've taken a picture of it many times, that light. That is God, friends, because it brings forth the same nature. 13 Just like if a tree.... I was here in Arizona some time ago and found a citrus fruit tree that I think had several different kinds of fruit on it. Maybe it was an orange tree, and had, maybe, say, a lemon and grapefruit growing on it. It'll grow in that tree. But Jesus said in St. John 5 ... 15, I believe, "I am the vine, ye are the branches." Well, now, if that branch brought forth ... vine brought forth its first branch, and they wrote a book of Acts behind that branch, if that true vine brings forth another branch, it'll write another book of Acts behind it, see. Because, now, there's a grafted ... you can graft these other citrus fruit and it'll live off the life of that tree.

14 And I think today that many times in our ... not belittling our organizations now, but we end it with a period. See, "We believe this, and that's all." If we'll end it with a comma, "We believe this, plus what God will show us," see, it'll be different, your organization. But when you end it with a comma, there's nothing else to be added. And as the tree is growing on, I think that the church, really, any church organization, thrives off the life of Christ. I believe that.

15 It's something that's been grafted, or added in there. It's taken the power out of the laity and putting it upon a minister, or a bishop, or whatever it might be. Like in Revelation, said, "The deeds of the Nicolaitanes—Nico, to overcome, and laity. I think in a meeting like this it gives God a chance to work through laity, see, the power of God work through the laity.

16 Now this was in 1933. I was still a Missionary Baptist minister. And I'm fifty-one years old now and I've seen thousands of those visions, and many of you here has been in the meetings. Now I'm just calling, wanted to ask if one ever failed. It's never failed. It can't fail. It's Him. Now, we find out that's new to the church today, and like the power of the Holy Spirit is new in the church the way we see it here. (I hear Baptists, and my brethren, and so forth, testifying.) We find that this is new to the church. But what it is, it's another branch come forth out of that vine. And if you'll watch it, it acts just like it did in Acts, how the Holy Spirit will rise up among the people and speak different things. 17 This morning I was going down to my church. I didn't know what to call a vision. But I saw these things. That was many years before the world went to war. And said, "There's a dictator now by the name of Mussolini. And his first invasion will be at Ethiopia and he'll overcome Ethiopia, but he'll come to a disgrace. And everything that it spoke of, seven outstanding things--maybe tomorrow I might just bring that old piece of paper and let you look at it. And show that how it come to pass--five things perfectly and the seventh was predicted. Now it spoke in there that when they give to the women rights to vote, that in.... So I have nothing against ... I've been called.... [blank spot on tape]

18 Over the nation it looked just like where rocks was blowed out and stumps was smoldering, and so forth. And immediately after that, Mr. Roosevelt--truly in the time of his administration here--the world went to war. And Mussolini did just exactly, and Maginot line, and everything that He spoke of. And the electing, it was women, we know, that elected our president now.

I'm ... just like it is in the Southland, being a Southerner, they ask me, "What about segregation and so forth?" I just ... the office says. As an American, I believe in the office. Whatever they say, all right. So now, you see, our president, we have to respect it. Now, a few days ago something came to me and I wrote it down. And someone said (I think it was a gentleman sat here, had dark glasses, this morning. I think it was he.), "He'll make a real president for the first four years." Exactly right.

But you just watch. We've sinned away our day of grace. It's later than you think, see. The hour is getting close. And remember, it will be the flatteries that it's taken. And we're near the end time now. I'm positive of that. I'm just as positive.... You all, many of you, has said nice compliments about the ministry, and so forth. Let that be what it may be. But if you believe that we're speaking in the name of the Lord, America is finished. That's right. And if there's ever any time to work, we're going to have to do it now, right now. And "all that the Father has given me will come." And we've got to start seining real hard and fast.

And I appreciate ... and I say this morning, to finish out--not taking somebody else's time, the second time up here.... Forgive

me for it? I think tomorrow afternoon I'm supposed to speak, and wish you would come. I want to speak on "We've been on this mountain forty years."

21 So I believe, though, that as many chapters as our Lord has used me in helping to organize, and everywhere in my ministry ... I've never tried to make ... let my ministry become a show. There's one thing Jesus Christ lacked--it was showmanship. Someone said not long ago, said, "Brother Branham, you ought to get with the big So-and-Sos," as the brothers that's been speaking. Now, as my position in the body of Christ is watch the spiritual ends and see where they're at, that's what I'm ordained for. That's my purpose of being here--Christ put me here--is to watch the spiritual part. As these, what we call big shots.... See, that man (ever who it was speaking, I believe the brother was sitting here) ... you can't be a big shot and be a Christian. The way up is down. He that humbles himself shall be exalted.

And many have said.... Someone called me not long ago--very outstanding man of a great organization--said, "Brother Branham, we'll do so-and-so and so-and-so if you'll just quit saying this and that." Quit saying this and that? That's my ministry, that's my life, that's what I thrive on is that. Never could I compromise on the Word of God for something. I must stand exactly. We are.... Said, "Well, if you'll hit.... Thing is, you've been fooling around with a bunch of just a ... oh, some of the smaller people, the little groups, and so forth like that. Come out." See, the man not knowing what he was saying.

If he only knew, that's the same thing was said to the master of our life, Jesus Christ. His own brethren said, "Why don't you come on up to Caiaphas, go up here and make a big show and something, hit the big nerve centers."

Said, "Your hour is always; mine's not yet." He dealt with fishermen and illiterate and men who could not read or write. See, what the world calls good, God calls foolish.

25 Wonder what some kind of interpretation they gave to the scripture of Isaiah 40, the clergymen of that day? Perhaps God

would open up the heavens and send down the corridors, and John the Baptist would come marching down with an angelic band. What was it when all the high places was made low and the low places made high, the mountains skipped like little rams, and the leaves all clapped their hands? An old (Excuse this expression. I don't mean it like this, but just to make a point.), an old fuzzy-looking fellow come out of the wilderness, standing in mud probably ankle deep, and maybe a bath every three or four months, a piece of sheepskin wrapped around him. That's when the high places was made low, the low places was made high.

Not some great big fellow with some big flowery something behind him. That's a stuffed shirt. God wants men. That's right. Be humble. And, brethren, I like that in these people. As the man made the statement a while ago, that these business men like this.... Why, sometimes there are ditch diggers wouldn't make himself known in a crowd like this. But these men who've got (the business men here) the faith and things like that, it shows me humility; that'll come right down and confess this Pentecostal blessing, and what God has done through them. They are great men in the world, but if you'll notice it, they pay their own expenses and go everywhere across the world just to try to do something to help some other brethren get into this group, let light shine.

And I think this morning, of all the meetings that I've ever been in, this has been my vision. I've had people ... hear them shout and praise the Lord, and I like that too. But I've seen people shout and praise the Lord, and not enough faith to heal a toothache, see. That's some of the blessings of God, but when it comes to the power of God is when they settle down, the Holy Spirit.... Watch in the meetings when the discernment comes. Everything's quiet, reverently approaching God with sacredness, and the fear of God moving, and watching real conviction change the expressions of faces and things, like I've been watching this morning over the building.

To me this is the greatest breakfast I've ever eat anywhere in the Christian Businessmen's group since I've been with them. They're the only group that I belong to—right here. I don't even belong to an organization, but this is the only one I belong to. I appreciate this group of people because, one thing, it's the thing I'm standing for. In here sits the Assemblies, the Church of God, Foursquare, Baptist, Presbyterian, Oneness, Twoness, Threeness, oh....

I have spoke of it as the well that Jacob dug. I don't think I express this just right, or call the right words but I'll say it so that you'll understand. He dug one well and the Philistines run away from him ... run him away from it. And he called it "malice." He dug another one. He called it "strife." Then he dug the next well, said, "There's room for us all." So I think that's what it is--there's room for us all, yes, sir, where we can come together and sit together in heavenly places. No denominational barriers bother us, we're just one group in Christ.

If I could see all the great churches, spiritual churches, that's striving, the real true vine that's coming out of Christ Jesus, the groups of Pentecost alone, could come together and be brothers.... I don't care about their organizations. They can keep them if they wish to. That's all right. But don't just end that with a period. Put a hand out and get the other fellow, see. Let's all come together. If I could see that happen (I say this as reverently as I know how), if I could see it happen this morning, I'd be willing to say, like Simeon of old, "Lord, let thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word, for mine eyes have seen thy salvation." And the time will have to come soon, brethren, because we're going to be forced together. You just remember that. God bless you.