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Excerpt:

The Bride is elected, foreknown, predestinated to that place; not the flesh but the soul, the Word, the attribute of God! In other words, they have transforming Power so that they will never be the same again. Moses, at that Light in that burning bush, all the qualities he was born with and was laying inside of him came to life when he came in that Presence at the burning bush. Something happened and the great faith that was in him started to come out. **[Page 20]**

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FOREWORD

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[Song #851 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

I stand, I stand in awe of You;

Holy God to Whom all praise is due,

I stand in awe of You.

Let's bow our heads for prayer.

Our gracious heavenly Father, how grateful we are this evening, dear God, to come into Your house, to enter Your courts with praise and come into Your gates with thanksgiving, remembering You said, dear God, we should not forsake the assembling of ourselves much more as we see the day approaching. Surely, dear God, You have shown to us that we are living in that Day. You have identified and proven to us that this is that Day when You were going to descend from Heaven; Lord, the one was going to be taken and the other will remain.

This is the time that You'll separate Your people and take them out in this great Exodus. Lord, we realize tonight, that even while we stand here, we are in the process of the fulfilling of Your Word. Truly, dear God, we draw near to You, Lord, coming with anticipation, coming Lord with sincerity, coming, Lord, desiring to truly break through every hindrance that we can come right into Your Presence, come right beyond the veil, where the veil could drop round about us as it were that we could be so shut in, sealed in Your Divine Presence tonight.

We confess our sins. We confess our shortcomings. God, we pray that Your precious Blood will be applied to our confession tonight, knowing that we have the blessed privilege that while we are in Your Presence Lord to ask, to ask with faith believing and to know You stand here willing more abundantly to show unto the heirs of promise the immutability of Your counsel, to make Your promises sure to all the seed, to show to us that Your promises are 'yea' and 'amen'; that we can leave this place, Lord, with whatsoever we have need of tonight.

Stimulate that kind of faith within us. Strip away all the veils that will try to blind us and make us insensitive to this great reality Father, knowing that You, the Mighty Conqueror, has taken the Seals off Yourself. You have exposed Yourself to us. You've made Yourself accessible to us. Truly, oh God, we have seen Your great, mighty hand time after time confirming that Word and proving It among us, making It manifest.

I pray tonight that if there be those that would stand here with special needs in their hearts that God, Your great Quickening Power can lift them up into that spot where the faith in their hearts would be released that they would take such a grip upon the things that You have blessed us with in heavenly places in Christ Jesus, knowing that we have been blessed with all spiritual blessings.

May there not be one in our midst, Father, whether it's healing, deliverance, another touch from You, oh God, whatsoever we have need of tonight; crying out for more of Your Holy Spirit. God remembering that parable You told of when that voice cried out, announcing the coming of the Bridegroom, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh," how those wise virgins rose up and they trimmed their lamps; they had that extra Oil, dear God. We see it is such a rare thing today, Father. We see, dear God, that so many are discovering, as the crisis comes, as the pressure comes upon them, that Lord what they have is not sufficient.

May You have Your way among us tonight! Speak to us Lord, out of Your Word. Anoint our eyes with eyesalve that we will see Lord, that we will understand; that the eyes of our understanding will be enlightened, that truly we will know and understand the hope of our calling and the exceeding greatness of Your riches towards us who believe and the exceeding greatness of Your Power and the inheritance of saints in Light, that truly, oh God, we can see what we have been called unto in this Hour. May You grant it, Father!

Remember those out in the islands. Lord, we ask that You would be with them, seeing oh God, that many of them tonight are gathered in different places: out in Tobago and Grenada, in Dominica, Lord. Speaking with the brothers yesterday and Lord, those out in St. Kitts, even those out in the islands, Father, Lord, in St. Lucia and Barbados where You have had us to scatter Seed. God, how we desire to be amongst them. How we desire, oh God, to use the influence that You have given unto us; to know that You have given to us so much more privilege than them, Father.

Yet, oh God, many of them though they struggle out there, out in Grenada and Carriacou, Lord, how they gather faithfully day after day, Lord to fellowship around the precious Bread of Life that You have broken among us revealing Yourself in It. May It feed their hungry souls, dear God. May the Spirit of God be richly felt in their midst as they would gather tonight! May the Holy Spirit, Lord, that Presence of the Living God be shed abroad in their hearts that Lord they can be comforted. Where they don't have a shepherd standing there, You are the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls. You are the One that we look to tonight, Father.

Even here, dear God, knowing that without You Lord, what we would do would just be in vain. It will just be a struggle in the human energies of the flesh, for You said it's not him that willeth or him that runneth; it's not by might nor by power but it is by Your Spirit saith

the Lord. Let that Holy Spirit move in our hearts, Lord. Teach us to live and to rely and depend upon You.

Bring us to the place where we become conscious Lord, where there could be truly death, self-crucifixion in our own lives; that we wouldn't find ourselves disappointed, when we see how vain it is to trust and put confidence in the flesh. But God, our confidence could grow in Your faithfulness, in that You Who has given the promise, You stand here ready and willing and able to bring it to pass in the lives of Your believing children.

We commit this service into Your hands. Lead and direct us in all that is to be said and done. May You get honor and glory in our midst tonight! May Your Presence, Lord, move in Your Word and may You touch every heart tonight Father. In the Name of Jesus Christ we pray and we ask these mercies, amen.

Praise His wonderful Name. I'd like to invite your attention tonight to St. John, chapter 14. I would also like to read out of Exodus chapter 23 which I'll read first. Exodus 23 we'll read from verse 20:

²⁰ Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.

[Bro. Vin repeats:]

- ²⁰ Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.
- ²¹ Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions: for my name is in him.

And we know that, that was none other than the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, the Angel of the covenant.

²² But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies and an adversary unto thine adversaries.

²³ For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will cut them off.

Also St. John chapter 14, reading from verse 1:

- ¹ Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.
- ² In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
- ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.
- ⁴ And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.
- ⁵ Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?
- ⁶ Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- ⁷ If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth you know him, and have seen him.

May the Lord bless the reading of His Word! You may have your seat. Keep your Bibles open because I would like to refer to what we read.

I would like to speak something that I was speaking on in Tobago on Sunday and I would like to call it, **"FROM THE EARTHLY HOUSE TO MY FATHER'S HOUSE"**. "FROM THE EARTHLY HOUSE TO MY FATHER'S HOUSE". Because Jesus in St. John 14 is speaking here of, "In My Father's house are many mansions."

We have spoken on this many times before and it just seems so appropriate, especially after my message on Old Year's night, keeping in line with those things that I started to speak at the beginning of this year on *Keeping Your Eyes Fixed On The Prize* [2003-1231 -Ed.] which I testified to you when I spoke it, how I received the inspiration to speak that little message.

You know, sometimes as a church we can become so complacent and get into routine and just go along serving God in a way that it could get very formal; it could become very ritualistic. But I believe that when we would be walking with God and we have that personal walk with God, not just coming to church but when you know God have called you, when you live for Him; when, because of what He's doing in your life, it makes you want to get to know Him better.

And I trust that I am speaking to people who has that kind of desire inside of them. You know, the more you look at people, they would get excited when there is a planned program. If you go to plan a little event or you go to plan a program, it stirs up the minds of the people and it's something they can relate to. "Oh, we are going to have special meetings." "We are going to have a convention." "Oh, we have a visitor coming." "Oh, this weekend we want to do something," or the church wants to go out somewhere. And you find that the fleshly believer is very easily aroused when man can come together and plan something. It seems that people, they look for these kinds of things.

But when you walk with God, you find that it is a little different because you have to follow what is going on in your heart. You have to follow the way He is affecting you. And there must be some evidence of something that God is ministering to you, speaking to you about, communicating to you or trying to get you to separate from or something to understand or something that will help you to grasp a little better what is His will for your life.

I am a close observer of myself and also a very close observer of people and I believe that anybody who is a

Christian, (I'm not speaking of fundamental Christians,) anybody that has the Spirit of God in their life, they can't help but be an observant person. They watch things. They watch simple things because they know that the great things of God are always revealed in simplicity. And if they have any experience with God, when they look at it, no matter how startling it might be and what influence it might have upon them, they still have to believe it by faith, because five minutes after when all of that leaves you, you have to hold on to what was communicated to you out of the experience.

I think of the Prophet when he spoke the squirrels into existence; standing there and speaking – the creative Power of God. It never happened since God said, "Let there be light" in Genesis where something came out of nothing. And he was going to walk away and say, "Well, at least two out of three is good." He had asked God for three squirrels but here he was and God had to stop him and say, "But didn't you say three?"

Then at one time he talked about when he spoke to the mosquitoes, millions of mosquitoes were around him and he said, "Not one will bite me anymore." And he sat down there a little while and he heard a truck going down the road and the noise of the truck [Bro. Vin demonstrates -Ed.] whooooo, going in the distance and he thought well, maybe it was a mosquito.

Now, the point I'm making is, how could a man who is so anointed of God speak something, the Spoken Word and five minutes after, the same man, without that anointing, there in his own mind trying to figure it out. With the squirrels he said, "I waited there for hours and there was not another one in the woods," because still in his mind Satan was telling him, "The woods are filled with squirrels."

To me, when you see that type of thing, it makes you realize if people don't really have faith or understand what is happening in their life, they can't stay in the

Spirit for too long if they don't believe the things where they go back to it and refer back to it and remind themselves that, "God met me there and God spoke to me about that," they will not refer back to those things. And things that were designed to give them faith, bring them into a place, where they have a tie post; where they could say, "God met me here. God dealt with me here. I'll die believing that!"

You find the same people who claim and would testify that God met them, you don't hear them maybe in two months or three months after, referring back to those things because it's like if it is a million miles from them or they don't have faith in it or momentarily it was something that enthused them. But since that original feeling is no longer there then their faith can't tie to that because they didn't know that was something in the Word that had taken place; that was the Scripture being interpreted to them.

I mean, you see the disciples, after they saw all that they saw: they saw Lazarus, a man dead and rotting came back out of the grave. They were in the boat, dying that night, perishing and they woke Him up and He spoke to the storm. They saw Him another time walking on the water coming to them and yet they said, "I go fishing; I'll go back fishing. The Man died; it has nothing to this." They followed Him for so long and then they said, "Lord, show us the Father, that it sufficeth us."

You see how personal revelation in your life is so important. But how does a person get into those places? Because if people can't move in the place where—they can't even get anointed when things happen and God quickened the Word and made It real. And now the Sword is in their hands, now they can fight the devil; now when the enemy comes they don't have to run and cringe in a corner because God has made His Word real to them. If they can't go back to those places, how could they come into a Rapturing faith?

How could a people who every day you have to kind of pick up off the floor and kind of shake and kind of raise up and try to get anointed and try to get believing the Word, how could they come into Rapturing faith?

And the Bible says, "By faith Enoch walked with God and was not." When he was sixty-five years old the Bible said he had a son and he named him Methuselah which means 'when he is dead the flood will be sent'. Showing, that at sixty-five years old, revelation came to the man of the judgment of God, he named his son according to the experience and he began to walk with God in a separated life; because two can't walk together except they agree. He had to separate from the world to come into union with God, to walk with God.

And whatever effect and whatever grew inside of him from walking and associating with God, because remember, he was walking with God just like you and me. He was not seeing God's hair, he was not seeing His face; he was not relating to a physical God because he was a type of this Church going up. If he had it like that, then we would have had to have it like that to go up. Do you get what I am saying? But he was believing the things that were being revealed to him, and the revelation gave him power to separate and walk with God.

I believe when we associate here, we associate with people that are contending for this faith. I believe that the people, when they come through these doors, they come in expecting, knowing that we are called and separated, and being prepared and made ready for the Rapture.

Sometimes you look at people and it's like, they're dragging coming in, there's no purpose, there's no objective, they look scared, looking around and you know, that's not faith; that not faith in operation because faith inspires, faith influences, faith moves people. Then when you see a person about the Father's business, a person focused, a person steadfast, brother,

their very body language tells you something. Is that right?

Then some people slip away from that and slip right down to Trinidad and you want to know how a life flies from here to down here so often and so quickly. There is an element where it seems as though—revelation means a grip on God. The Prophet said Job had a grip on God by revelation. Revelation brings you into contact with God. You get a hold of God. You can draw from God; you become influenced. That's why revelation is faith. Something is inspired to you.

Then that should be the experience of every person that says they are a believer because the believer is that faith that moves in you. You say, "I am a believer because I am believing." What is making you believe? "Faith is making me believe. Where did I get it from? God revealed something to me. He didn't tell me it's going to happen, He told me I'm called for it!" Abraham's faith wasn't that God told him a man will have a baby. God said, "You, your seed, so shall it be!" God was telling him something about himself, not a general thing.

You know today, we are contented to make the Rapture theology. We are contented to say, "There's going to be a Rapture," and we are contented to say, "This is the Hour of the Rapture." We are contented to say that the Rapture is a revelation, and every bit of information we could get on it, but we're not really coming to say, "I am walking with God and daily I'm seeing this Rapturing faith growing inside of me."

When your heart can't move there and that is where you can't bring your heart there, God brings your heart there. But because you know that's the plan of God and that's what God is doing for His children, and that is why He is calling them by the Message—That's why Martha told Mary, "The Master is come and He called for you, Mary." He didn't call for the Pharisees; He called for you! So when you know He has come and has

called in these last days and He's called for you, and that's why you are here – the one shall be taken the other shall remain. Where Lord? Where the Carcass is.

I separated from a lot of people when I came in the Message. I wasn't in the Message and walking around without friends, and didn't know anybody in the world or they had influence; they wanted to carry me somewhere. Things that I was in and part of and going along with, when the Message struck me, I left that. I never looked back at it. Then I came in the Message and I saw certain things and when I saw certain things, even with Message people, I separated from those things to keep... Why? Because I didn't come to join a society. What called me didn't tell me, "Settle down here." What called me told me, "Keep walking! Keep walking! Don't you stop; keep going forward!" And it hasn't been easy. He has been making demands more and more and more. But I found out that whenever He tells you to do something, He makes a way for that to be done. And in these things I've learnt to trust this One.

He said, "I will send My Angel to keep you in the way." You have to be conscious that you are being kept in the way. "And to bring you into the place I have prepared for you." That is a way leading into a prepared place. And as you come into that prepared place, if you watch their experience, they journeyed for years without even seeing that land; without even confident knowing that that land was there. Then one day they began to see the evidence of the land. Men had crossed over into that land and came back and started to display something that they never saw in the wilderness and they never knew in Egypt.

Friends, I've seen and tasted things that it takes God to take a man over in that land and bring him back and feed on those things; things that you never knew in the world, things that you didn't know while you were coming through a certain stage of your journey. But you came to a certain hour, you came to a certain stage

of experience, you came to a place until you know that what God has called you unto, He is keeping that Word!

Then if it is a bunch of people not just listening to that like a lecture, but having that same experience, wouldn't there be fellowship? Do you mean to say that you're getting that experience, a next man is getting that same experience and there is no fellowship? Do you mean that when those two omnipotents come together, that doesn't create a certain atmosphere? Do you mean to say when that is happening, other people who drop in under the influence of those people, doesn't get delivered? It can't be!

People fail to realize Laodicea is a lukewarm Age. People fail to realize what the pressures of this Age are. People fail to realize the deceitfulness of sin, how it hardens them and makes them insensitive to spiritual things. People fail to realize that to talk with God and to stay in God's Presence, it's a fight; it's a battle because there is an enemy and with every obstacle he is trying to keep you from entering into that place. And unless you are not determined to press to enter in-And that's why God gives you a taste many times because that taste it's like an incentive to stimulate you, to tell you, "Look what is here. Come in here; here is your place to live. If you are going to overcome in this Age, you have to come in here. If you are going to have victory, you have to come in here. If you want to be an instrument in My hands and see Me work in and through you, you have to come in here otherwise settle for a church life out there." That's right.

What did God say with Caleb? Things that were there in that hour to stimulate the faith of the people, their faith didn't catch that. Their spirit caught all the things that looked like problems: "Look at giants. What will happen to our children? Look at so and so." Yet the evidence of the land was to stimulate their faith. Caleb and Joshua came back with such a faith in the camp, they said, "They shall be as bread. Let us go up at once;

God is here to bring the thing to pass." It stimulated them. Why? They were living in a channel that their faith could catch the slightest sign of the Word of God coming to pass.

Didn't it do the same for Elijah? He saw a cloud the size of a man's hand, a little cloud like that and his faith caught that. Why? He was looking for a sign of the sound of the abundance of rain to see the blessing come back!

But believers don't expect, they don't expect from God. They are serving God with a kind of attitude, "Well, if God wants to give me." Then they become good Calvinists, "Well, if it's for me I'll get it; if it isn't for me I won't get it." It is for you to get it, but you have to fight for it still because it's not to have it put on your lap for you. It is for you knowing, "This is what God called me for. He didn't teach me to swim to let me drown. He didn't bring me this far to leave me. He didn't give me a house for me to move away somewhere. No, He did that so in this Hour here I could see how to use what He has done effectively to my benefit, and my advancement and my victory.

But again, you have to want to be around God. And then you have to know the value of having God around you. He knows we will find ourselves in places, circumstances, in different environments, whether it's through work, through family, through conditions you would have to face in your neighborhood, in your school, where you work, where you live, what you go through, with family, with friends, with neighbors; He knows. But He promised, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." He promised, "Lo, I am with you always." And He promised us that if we let Him lead us, we could have the victory over all these things. It doesn't have to become excuses. Am I getting to you?

When you are walking with God and you see your life wants to drop down to a Sunday Christian life, you'll catch that so fast. Do you know why? Because if to

begin with, you know what it is to walk with Him and you've experienced the benefits of walking with Him and you can retain God in your knowledge, you'll remember Seven Angels came, you'll remember Seven Seals were opened; you'll remember what that was to do. You'll remember what God identified those things in the Word to mean when the Angel lifted His hand and say, "And time shall be no more." You'll remember when a Prophet stood there trembling and saying, "I call you no more church, I call you Bride." Because he knew if these things are being opened, the Church Ages are finished. We're on the outside and God is calling people out. That whole thing is going to go into gross darkness.

Then tell me if we can see and we can understand what we are in. It's nice to know we are in the greatest Age but the greatest Age has the hardest trials. God doesn't give you the greatest Word not to use It but just to sit down and talk about It. God gave the greatest Word... You know, you always hear people talk like, "Boy, we have the revelation in this Age like no other Age had." Brother, the way some of us are living it kind of testifies like God made a mistake by putting us in this Age. It would have been better if He had put us in Luther's Age or something, where you could have still drank a beer, smoke a cigarette and go along serving God and make it. Because some people, if you give them a chance, they would like to live close to the world like that to make it, yet at the same time we are glad that we are in this Age.

But when you see the Age that we have come to, you know God did these things because He wants to show His victory. He wants His Name to be glorified and be admired in them that believe. When He can have a church that won't go through the grave, that will bypass the grave, (and that is this Hour,) like Enoch, like Elijah went up without seeing death. God put that in the Bible in the Old Testament, and in the New Testament, He said, "We who are alive and remain unto the coming of

the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep; and we shall not all sleep." God confirmed that in the New Testament and in the Old Testament that there are a people who are not going by the way of the grave.

Now, one of the things is, the Word that God has given, these Seven Thunders will show us how to prepare for Rapturing faith. If that is the Message friends and if Rapturing faith lays in the Message, why do I want to be in the Message with a Message that has Rapturing faith and can't even live with faith for a headache? Do you get what I am saying? If I'm in the Message and I have that and that's a Title Deed, and that has Rapturing faith and that's a revelation of me: who I am, what I am, my position; God's plan for me. I know my past. Nobody has to tell me my past; I came through my past. I walk in my present and I want more Light to shine in places, to help me understand my present so that I can walk in my present more consciously than I walked in my past and I want my future to be clear, that Lord, lead me in a plain path. The Holy Ghost would show you things to come, so I could walk under the leadership. As many as are led by the Spirit of God they are the sons of God.

The same way Jesus walked right in to Calvary and the resurrection and His ascension and He knew every junction; it was so clear and He could identify when the time came and He could speak exactly what was there. If that same Life in Him is in His Church and She is Him revealed and the Holy Ghost – God above us and with us has to be the same Holy Ghost in us, I don't want to just go along in the Message in ritual unless I'm in the Message and have not grasped what we are called unto.

Sometimes, maybe as ministers, we take it for granted that you understand these things. Because sometimes, how things have been labored on and brought down and made clear and emphasized and brought in so many different ways that you think that

that will stimulate the Elect. Somebody says, "Wow! I've been longing for that."

Brother, because in the world, when we were in the world, we met people in the world, man doesn't know his right hand from his left hand, today when you look at him through the Light of the Word, but if he had a little more truth than us, brother, we would leave everything and follow that man; leave home, father, mother, everything, sleeping under trees, sleeping under people's houses, everything.

Do you know what I would have done to hear the things I hear? The things that are being communicated so often, do you know what that would have been to me that somebody could have put me to sit down back out there and instruct me in those things? Do you know what it is to know that the Book is opened? Do you understand what that means? That means you don't have to guess anything anymore. We have the Road Map. The Guide is here. We know the journey. We know the junctions. It is God's symphony. We see the changing of the beats. We know what is to come. We know what has taken place already. We know what is happening. We know what is yet to take place. We are born into the rhythm.

Then it's like—You see sometimes, people like they can't keep focused. And when the Holy Spirit came in such a profound way: "Keep your eyes fixed on the Prize. This is an incorruptible Prize. This is a Prize of immortality. This is a Prize that when you see Elijah revealing the Son of Man, when you see the Son of Man discerning the heart of the elected Church that is called outside of Sodom, that means you are getting ready for a change. You have to be expecting a change.

I guarantee you Abraham did not forget in that twenty-eight days that Sarah was going to conceive; that, "I'll come according to the time of life." I could imagine God gave her strength to conceive seed. She knew this was different. "Something happened, Abraham. I just know it." That's right!

And if that was so and we have seen that same sign, same everything, done those same things, opened up the same Word, "Shall I hide these things from My Church in the last days?" Then tell me, can we honestly, by what the Scripture has identified, where it has placed us positionally, what God has done by manifestation around the world, where it was identified in the Bible, tell me as the Elect, could we be the Elect and forget these things?

When that happened to Abraham, Abraham said, "How does this Man know my name? This Man called me Abraham and He asked me where is my wife Sarah." He said, "This has to be that same Man Who came back around." And when He had opened those things to Abraham, it had an effect upon him. Next thing you know Abraham was pleading; next thing you know he was pleading: "Lord, will Thou destroy the righteous with the wicked?"

Why? His understanding began to get enlightened: "Something was happening. This is an investigation judgment. Something is happening even though I don't feel it. I was just preparing food a little while ago. I wanted to extend my hospitality but now I'm aware, listening to what is coming out of the Man's mouth, where I'm being placed, the condition there, the sign that He showed, the name that He called, what He said about the next twenty-eight days. I was waiting in the tent door because He told me this time next year, a year ago, and here I checked the time and here these three men came and there was something about that One."

You tell me, how could he forget all of that? From that time to the promised son, tell me how could he forget all of that? That Man said, "Yes, you did laugh," and said, "Is anything too hard for the Lord?" His Presence was recognized among them and they knew, "We have been are looking for something for years. We

were called out and separated from our country and we journeyed by faith. Yes, we made mistakes; yes, we had an Ishmael; yes, we wiggled off the road; yes, He said walk before Me and be perfect, but now we know He is moving us up into the promise!" They knew it!

What, don't you fellowship with that? Don't you sit down and remind yourself? When you go to pray, don't you address God in the things that He made known to you? What do you talk about, a truck and car and house and land and people and brothers and this, and what you see, and your pressure and.... So what did God reveal that to you for, not to be used? God talks to you on the things that He wants to have fellowship on. God can't fellowship with you on all that. God has to fellowship with you on the things that He is telling you. Right!

You watch when He came to Noah and He told him about how rain was going to come and "Start to build the Ark," until the rain came God never spoke of anything else. You watch and see when God promised Abraham the son, when he came out: "I'll make of you a great nation," every time God and Abraham met and talked, they never talked anything else other than that same promise, because that is where the man's life fit in the plan of God. That is what God wanted to do through the man's life.

Don't you realize God hasn't called us for our looks? God didn't call us for our family. God didn't call us for our education. God didn't call us for our money. God called us because in His foreknowledge, He foreknew us and those He foreknew He predestinated, and those He predestinated it is them He called; and you are called according to His purpose.

And every time Abraham came with God, he had more revelation on that same promise. And as the days advanced, it came faster. It came faster! In one visit, he knew who the child was coming through, he knew when the child was coming, he knew it was a boy; he knew his name. Things he didn't know for twenty-four years, he knew in one visit.

I mean how you would see that and know we are called to walk in the steps of the same faith of our father Abraham? Aren't we? Do you mean your mind can get so dead that you can open the Bible and don't know where to read sometimes? Do you mean the devil lies to you and tells you, "Well you know that already; find something else."

Do you mean you don't come to a place where you say, "Lord, this is me. This is my name. This my life. This is the mystery of this Age. This is why You came in human flesh, in a man like a Prophet who discerned the heart. This is why You designed that kind of ministry to influence this Age. This is why the man's name has seven letters ending with H-A-M just like Abraham. You did all that so that we would not lose sight of where we are fixed in the plan of God."

And until you are not changed and until you have not seen the promised Son, are you not to keep walking right in there? Because if He called you out and you were justified and then He sanctified you and then He came and gave you the New Birth, hasn't He been bringing the Church through Luther – justification; Wesley – sanctification; the Pentecostals – the Holy Ghost; El Shaddai in these last days – God in a man like a Prophet at the end of the Pentecostal Age? Didn't God bring the Age the same way? Didn't God promise to bring the individual the same way? Then where are we going to stop?

Abraham knew he had to be changed. To receive that promised son, he knew he had to be changed. He could perceive that! Let me ask you a question. Could you go in the Rapture without being changed? You hear a lot of things about, "We are going in the Rapture. We are going in the Rapture." You mean you have not perceived that you have to have faith to change this body to go in the Rapture? Some people

can't even change their clothes much more change their body. Do you get what I'm saying?

Do you know if you are really called of God, you could walk under the old name for a season under justification and sanctification, still walking with the old name? Do you know it takes a Birth to come into the new name and you know the promise can't come in your life until you get the new name? It tells me that people, somewhere they got lost in the group. Do you mean, you have been living the Christian life and not guarding against getting lost in the group? Do you mean somewhere along the line you get so close with people, get under their influence, do what they want to do, compromise with them, back them up, support sin; all kinds of different things and you can't get to a place to know, "No, God called me."

I met them around in the Message, praise the Lord, but I'm not going to get drunk over that. I know when I was walking in the cane field there, God called me. While I'm here, I do my best, I try to serve God, I try to represent Him before people but that's it. You have to know because you can't carry a brother and a brother can't carry you! You can't carry a sister and a sister can't carry you. Or could you? Could you? That's not talking the Word.

The Bride is elected, foreknown, predestinated to that place; not the flesh but the soul, the Word, the attribute of God! In other words, they have transforming Power so that they will never be the same again. Moses, at that Light in that burning bush, all the qualities he was born with and was laying inside of him came to life when he came in that Presence at the burning bush. Something happened and the great faith that was in him started to come out.

You be honest with yourself. I won't say put up your hand because all the hands would go up tonight when it is a bunch of liars half of the time. Have you reached the place where you have started to see the great faith, the faith of Jesus Christ that you were born with as an Elect in this Age? Can you look back at a place and say, "It struck me there"?

I'm not speaking of a night you got goosebumps; we are not talking goosebumps talk now. I'm talking about the faith started to come out, what you were born for on the earth. "The call of God in my life. No man brought me, not even my father, not my mother. Sure, they raised me in church, sure they carried me here; sure, they tried to instruct me right, but God did something that I found out my real father wasn't Charles and my mother wasn't Ella. Something happened there where I came back to the Logos; I got in contact with a reality. I knew I saw Melchisedec. I heard from my theophany!

That is the identification, you know. Junior was an eagle from the egg but something came out. He started to believe, "I believe I can fly. When I heard mama sound and I saw the moves and how she operated those wings, I knew I wasn't born to be earthbound, and from today I don't want to be earthbound, amen; and don't talk earthbound talk to me anymore!"

Something in you starts to come out. You must know that place. When you are at that place, nobody has to wind you and chain you and pump you, friends, because Something keeps holding me. Amen! Sure, I like to have friends around sometimes. A two-fold cord is good and a three-fold cord is not easily broken. It is good to have a brother or a sister or two around you but then, every man has to go through his Gethsemane alone. Every man has to tread the winepress alone. Every man has to be like Jacob alone with God because God said, "I called Abraham alone."

I guarantee you if you are really called of God in this Message, when He called you, He called you by yourself. For you to make progress God had to call you. If friends brought you, they would bring you as far as church because friends can't take you in the Spirit where you need to go; and it is a Spirit walk. It is to walk up seven

steps to perfection; it is to walk up Jacob's ladder. Amen! No friend could bring you up there. It takes the Seed in you growing and maturing, unfolding that very mystery out of you.

Friends, now isn't the time to beg Christians to serve God. It kills me to walk in a church, especially a church where you preach, especially a church where you were a young boy, where you started as a young boy and when you look at your best years of your life, that is where it went. You didn't come to the Lord beat up where you couldn't serve God; you came to God a young man. And when you see, the things God did and when you see the things God showed, then you know, "No! This is part of the gathering of the Bride."

These are things you have to know in your mind, friends. You see, when you don't know it, it takes those things to tune your ears because your ears can't get tuned in if you don't feel you are part of the Bride and what you are in is Bride activity. Do you get what I'm saying? You don't understand? Then go in the Catholic Church and pray and wait under expectation for God to give you the spiritual Food in due season to grow you into the Word body. Do you get what I'm saying? Go in a Pentecostal church under a woman preacher and pray to get it. What will God say? God will say, "Get out of here! You're wasting time. Can't you see what is around you?" Because what really tunes you in is when you recognize that you are in the setting of the Word.

Bartimaeus recognized that he was sitting down on those stones by the walls of Jericho. Do you get that? Zacchaeus knew where He was passing and he knew, "For me to see Him, I have to get in position to see Him, because where He is going and the hour it is, I can't see Him down here. There are too many obstructions and too many obstacles. I'll have to climb up a little higher. I have to get a vantage point. I have to see Him from a certain angle, from a certain position, so I could understand the direction He is moving in, to see where

He is going and what He is going to achieve, so that I could be part of the move." That's why the Prophet said it was on Amen Corner, Glory Avenue where Halleluiah Street meets, he climbed up in the tree. Why? He wanted to see Him.

Don't you want to see Him? How are you seeing Him? If you want to see cricket in South Africa, would you go in the Oval and sit down to see it or would you go down somewhere in Penal [local places in Trinidad –Ed.] on one of those cricket grounds down there to see it, then say, "I'm vex because I didn't see Lara come out to bat"?

A man says, "Are you stupid or what? Do you think this is South Africa? Don't you know your geography? Don't you understand where you are? You are in Penal."

See? You have to be in the position to see certain things. That's why He carried them up on the mountain to see Moses and Elijah. He carries you to certain places to see certain things. That's why He asked those people, "What did you all go out to see, a man in fine raiment?" He said, "A man in king's palaces?" He said, "A reed shaken by the wind? Is that what you went to see?" He said, "That is why none of you all could have recognized Elijah because you are going out with that kind of concept, looking to see how the man is dressed, how he would talk, what kind of terminology he uses, to see if he is eloquent or see if he is not eloquent. How do you expect to see? You can't see Scripture being fulfilled." They started to ask Him all kinds of foolish questions. He said, "I'm the voice of one crying in the wilderness. See that Scripture being fulfilled."

When Jesus identified Himself in the Scripture, they said, "But isn't this Joseph and Mary's son and His brothers and they are here with us?" They still couldn't see Him. To see Him, you have to be in a certain position. You can come to church here over and over and over and still be hearing with the natural ears and trying to see with the natural eyes and you are getting

trouble because you can't understand: "I'm not seeing what is going on. I'm not understanding what is going on." Why? You are sitting down in the wrong channel. You have to be in the same channel where the Word is being transmitted. You have to be in the same wavelength, in the same frequency to receive the same things otherwise it would be impossible to hear it even though you are right there. You must know the channel! You must have faith to put you in the channel.

That is why Elisha said, "Lord, open the boy's eyes. What is the matter with this boy? He's talking all kind of nonsense, 'Run for your life.' Look, he almost fell and bounced his head and all kinds of different things. Open the boy's eyes and let him see where we are standing. Let him see what he is around. It's time he understands what he is around." No wonder he ran afterwards for Naaman's money and clothes and all kinds of things. He said, "What happened, didn't my Spirit go with you? Do you know what you are around?" People are around things but they don't know what they are around. That is what tunes you in.

They walked with Him on the road to Emmaus, they looked at Him and they asked, "Haven't You heard?" They were trying to convince Him about Scriptures. "Haven't You heard?" And they were trying to come with some past Word He had already fulfilled and they didn't know it was Him. You have to know. You have to be in the right channel.

See, this is not a flesh Hour. This Message is not about helping you through your trial and... This Message is not that, you know. All the reformers preached all of that already. This Message is Seven Thunders opened the Bible to call out a Church and show Her how to prepare for Rapturing faith; to bring a people back to the Garden of Eden. That's what this Message is friends.

That's why it's an Eagle anointing. This is not the Ox Age to go and labor and labor and kill yourself. No! This is for a prophetic people ready to fly friends, fly in the things of God because they were born different. They were born to fit the Age that God put them in. It's stones cut out for a certain part of the building. These are things you have to know! Do not settle! I'm saying all of that to say, how could you settle down for a church life? How could you go along and just come down and your attitude towards service... Service starts at seven o'clock and people come in quarter past seven and the song leader is waiting and there are two people here. How?

We went to a wedding in Tobago and the bridegroom came about half past two for a one o'clock wedding in somebody else's church. We borrowed the use of the church. On Sunday morning we saw up there, we didn't see half of the people who went to Tobago in the service. Why? Because whoever stirred them up and where they stirred them and what they whipped them up into, was to go to the wedding. We were trying to help two poor, lukewarm, backslidden saints to give them a little incentive, to encourage them to get involved in the work. I did the family a favor who are loyal and faithful here but they tried to make it the thing of the year, the moment of the year.

On Sunday when those people had to be in church, they were not in church. Do you know why? All kind of little cliques forms inside the church when the church is to be kept spiritual and the church is to be kept focused, and the church is to know their priorities, and the church is to know the objectives, and the church is to know what is to be honored: this is the Day of the Lord, where we are supposed to be; what that little work in Tobago is all about. It makes you wonder sometimes. Because it is like, the cooks and the servers have to go. It doesn't have anybody going in the Rapture as a cook, you know, because we don't eat cooked food in Heaven. There isn't any cooked food in Heaven.

I need to say this here and I need to upset a few people too, and I don't mind if they get upset because it is either they are right and I am wrong or I am right and they are wrong. And I have no doubt who is right and who is wrong.

I know you as believers, we all will chip in and we all will help and we all will... When somebody says, "Well the head-cook says the cooks have to do this so we are following the head-cook," remember God didn't call you under a ministry of a head-cook. Remember a head-cook doesn't have to answer to God for you, whether you put leaven in your flour or not because that looks like a lot of those cooks don't have the right recipe and they have all kinds of leaven in their flour.

When we have to do something, we have to remember this is an Assembly. This is an Assembly, it is a Body of believers and the Body of believers has an administration of the Word that governs the Body. And there are channels of officers, of ministers, of different ones, areas of responsibility in the Body, that if something is to be done or decisions are to be made, there is nothing like a head-cook, or a head-waiter or a head thing making decisions for people. This is people's lives. When we gather here I could take the Scripture and show that, you know. When we are going to cook some food somewhere out there outside the plan of God, you can't show me that in the Bible, you know.

Half of the time we have to know what our leadership is because in the end you'll end up stumbling more people than you think you are going and trying to help and bless. Some people never even went to Tobago to be around the work, to give support to the work, to see how the saints are going, to see where their presence could be there to encourage the believers or anything. Brother, we showed up in one situation and then the day for the service a lot of the people were not there. When you realize, there are so many people with no discernment; so many people are insensitive.

And then you find out it's the cooks and the servers. What is this? Now that might be a little responsibility shared up around the church to keep the Body in harmony to do things and we appreciate that, and would to God that every person becomes a cook and every person becomes a server. But when we start to get the cooks looking to the head-cook for leadership and the bakers looking to the head-baker and the dishwashers looking to the head-dishwasher... Do you see how quiet you got now? A little buckle gets everything quiet. It doesn't kill anybody; it just drives the foolishness away from people; that's all it does.

Priority. A simple thing called priority – what is important; what is important; to know the difference. You have the Word. When the Word is in you, you check things by the Word. When you see you have ten, fifteen, twenty people and nobody has anything to come out and check a situation, where is the Word? "Oh my, I did that. I didn't know…" Where is the Word? In the Book?

Let me say saints, you have to get in the Word; you have to get in the Word. You have to get in.... Do you think you are going to get these things without being in the Word? Do you think you'll go on somebody's explanation of it? Don't you know the Word is speaking here, there are things that you in your channel and you in your place and in your experience, you will get ten percent. But like Ruth, you have to take those few little sheaves and go home and grind it, and knead it, and bake it and make a loaf of bread with it. You have to take it and go and start to work on it. The man who got a talent had to go and develop it so with one he could bring five, and the man who had five could bring ten.

But when you look for people and you fail to see, the people can't seem to work with what they have. After a while, they lose all consciousness of the importance of why you try to come early to create a certain atmosphere for a service. When you can't maintain that revelation,

tell me how you are going to have a spiritual life because that is to keep the service spiritual, that by the time the song leader comes to take the desk and he begins to sing the songs to lead the people in worship, they have already entered into the Spirit of worship.

Now sure a person can reach late now and again, no problem with that, there are always circumstances; it would always have that until the Rapture. But when there is like no real thing as to how the service goes and people have lost all sense of duty and all sense of responsibility, what do you want to come? Do you want an angel to come in here and preach and preach you happy? It shows you, you are unconscious of how spiritual things work too.

And when you want to do all your hard work on Wednesday and Friday, no wonder when Wednesday and Friday evenings come, you are tired and you are getting your biggest battle to come to church and Tuesday you're fresh and Thursday you're fresh as ever. Because if you don't have the simple wisdom to do your work on Tuesday and Thursday and leave Wednesday and Friday free and you can't plan that so you could be in the house of God fresh, so as a church we can...

Remember, we are all spirit and when we come as spirit, if our spirits can't blend and get into harmony and our thinking can't come into one mind and one accord and we can't have one focus where our faith is united, drawing in a certain channel—don't you know that is the mechanics and the dynamics of how spiritual things operate? Do you know if two shall agree as on touching anything, it shall be done? Do you know, "Bring me a minstrel," so it begins to create an atmosphere? Do you know a Supernatural atmosphere, it is the faith in you that creates the atmosphere around you? Do you know that there are sixteen messages on that? Do you know?

Wake up, man. We are in the year 2004! See what is going on in the world. See how long you are serving

God and what God promised. See if whether we could come up in that kind of expectation, whether we could hold things to tell if we have been matured; if we are maturing or if we are plenty green still. And if we are plenty green after twenty, fifteen years, twenty years, twenty-five years, then start to search our experiences and see if we are called of God or if we have grown over the years. This is how it ought to be.

Remember, I am not a trained clergyman, you know. I don't know how to congregate people, you know. I don't know how to set programs and these things. When I come, church for me is, you come sincere, you drop off every load, you get in God's Presence, you make God the main objective, you surrender your life to God and brother, you have nothing to look back to. Either God could do it or God can't do it. I am not a God-plus man, you know.

I understand what the Scripture says: "Except you fall to the ground and die, you abide alone." I understand that there are things – death. You know in Bible times the things people had to die to were the things that people were trying to get. Life is strange, isn't it? Life is strange. And when you watched the church back there, they were so thinking that the Lord could come at any time. Do you know we are in the Day when we are sure He has already shown His appearance; the thing has already started?

Don't you realize in the unseen realm all hell is against this Message? Don't you realize Satan knows where God's children are? Don't you know that Satan knows that where the Truth is people can be made free? Don't you know he is going to try to kill the effect? If he can't stop you and get you to put leaven in the Word, he is going to try to confuse you, break your unity, make you fight among yourself, all kinds of different things to hinder you and distract you and detour you. And so what you have, it ends up not being the kind of benefit it was intended and could have been to you.

I mean to say, Abraham when he was called out, the demands were: "Leave your country; separate from your father." Then the next thing was, "Separate from Lot." Then the next thing was, "Put away Ishmael." Then the next thing was, "Give up Isaac." It wasn't letting down, you know.

When you see we are on a journey and we are traveling on a certain road, you come to a certain junction, you want to know, "Lord, how am I using what You have done for me? How am I living my life? Am I satisfied with the way I'm living my life?" You want to search yourself daily. Especially when it comes to the things of God, you want to see, "I put so much of time and effort and energy and planning into things that are temporal. What kind of sacrifice am I willing to make for the things of God? How is it every time it comes to the things of God, I'm tired, I'm weary, I'm discouraged, I don't have the zeal; I can't make it. And how is it when it comes to things that are not for God and it is for the flesh, we are excited." You're enthused, you're stimulated, they can't stop you; you're in overdrive. Where is the little measure of self-consciousness to say, "Wait, wait, wait. What is going on?"

Because Jesus saw them doing that and He said, "Be not anxious for anything." He said, "Calm down. Slow down! What is wrong with you?" He said, "You don't get those things like that. Your Father adds that to you. Start seeking the Kingdom." He said, "You are spending all this time on your flesh. Don't you know that the life in you is more important than your flesh? He said, "You're going on about your clothes, your clothes, but don't you know that your body is more than your clothes?"

Jesus didn't just talk big spiritual things, you know. Even with those little things He was showing them how it was tangling them up. All of that was to try to free them so that they could get in the Spirit because He wanted to teach them about demonology, about the New

Birth, about angels, about theophanies, about dimensions, about healing, about faith, about resurrection; about doing the works that He did.

He was trying to teach them that and they were anxious about what they were going to eat and what they were going to wear. He said, "The birds neither sow nor gather in barns. A little contentment stabilizes you. Satan is putting fire under you that you want this, you want that, you want this, you want this, and you want this! You have to put on blinders." Have you ever seen the horse race? They put on the blinders. When race day comes nobody is going with a horse without blinders, you know.

Get your spirit quiet before God. Learn to lock away. Learn to shut in with God in a secret place. When you find your spirit is restless and you can't sit down for two minutes, start to tell yourself honestly and correctively; correct your own self and say, "I need discipline in this life. Look at me, I haven't sat for two minutes inside here, I want to go outside, I want to go by the road; I want..." There is nothing. Get quiet before God. Pick up a book and read.

The Angel came to Daniel because he was reading! There were many things in Babylon to see, but he understood the time and he knew, "Now, I've seen plenty since I'm in Babylon. It is the same lust of the eyes, lust of the flesh and pride of life. That's the world. I see it. There are all forms and fashions but it's still the same thing!"

If God gives you a little extra money in your pocket, it sends you wild. Thank God, and when you have need to use it, you would use it wisely and be a steward over the things God gave you. Do you get what I'm saying? This is an Hour to get the things we need to get. That's why the Prophet said, "Abraham left his cattle, he left his farming, Sarah was quarrelling, the herdsmen were fighting but he knew God said 'This time next year." He checked the time and he said, "Do you see that? That

could wait! Let cattle die if it has to die. I can't afford to miss this visitation." He sat down in the tent door. He was waiting. He was under expectation. He saw three men coming and he said, "That's it."

Put some priority. How do you expect to get it? Do you know why you won't get it like that? God gave you too much already to teach you about Himself. You are not like an ignorant person coming from the world. God said, "I have you sitting down under the Word for so many years already; you ought to know these things by now. And if you understand the time you are living in, you ought to know that you need to get before God and say, "Father, I need direction. I need to know such and such. Do I really need that? Do I really have to do that? Is the pull I feel coming from You? Is that Your leadership, Lord?"

This is the way you want to be. You don't let the devil—because Satan could get you busy and wear you out, you know! When you come to church you are sleeping. When you come to church, you are tired. When you come to church, you don't have any zeal to praise God. After a while to lift your hands comes like, "I don't have to do that. God knows my heart." And for God, every little thing gets hard after a while because it takes zeal, it takes enthusiasm, it takes joy; it takes being in God's Presence to keep you that way.

In *How Can I Overcome*, [1963-0825m-Ed.] do you know what the Prophet said? He said, "Do you know what the battle is? To keep life in you." He said, "You are right in the water. The thing is designed..." Like the log, he saw this log over a little creek and the log looked so strong. He stepped on the log and the whole log was hollow on the inside and it caved in. God gave him a message: he came and he preached *How Can I Overcome*. He said, "This is the Age you have to learn to keep life in you." He said, "The water is a thing designed to give life. Water is a life-giving thing but the thing was rotting in the place where there is a life-giving

source. Outside it was looking okay but the inside was hollow; it couldn't take the pressure and the weight.

You have to watch and see how you are reacting under conditions. Sitting down here, the Light comes and things are flashing in your mind and you're seeing things and it is either two things: you can get really condemned; you can feel like the Minister is beating you up in church or you could feel like "I didn't enjoy that service at all." These things, with believers, you don't have to tell them that, you know. The Holy Ghost tells you this when the Holy Ghost is in your life. All these things here, you say, "The Holy Ghost showed me that last week. The Holy Ghost told me that yesterday. Yes, yes, I already did that because the Holy Ghost showed me that already because God have me searching my own life too."

When somebody has to come and tell you those kinds of little bitty things, those juvenile things that are for little children, it just shows, "Wait, that's where I am? Is that the level of my spiritual life?" What if the neighbor runs over by you and there is a piece of chaos there and they say, "I realize you all are Christians, you are a man of God, a woman of God, I see that you all go to church; we need some help, we are in a situation here, we want to really serve God," what would you do? Would you be able to stand up, take the situation under control and represent Jesus Christ?

This is how you know you are maturing and when you know that you're maturing then you know that God could start to trust you. Our whole thing is that we are trying to trust God, we are trying to trust God! What if God wants to trust us? Nobody is interested whether God can trust us? Say, "Father, can You trust me? I see that I'm not being used at all. Is it that You don't have any work for me to do? Is it that I'm on spiritual vacation? What is it?" You have to know.

If we have to go forward, we have to change this attitude towards service. That has to change! That has

to change. Sometimes some people hear it's prayer meeting on Wednesday and they say, "I'm not interested in going to prayer meeting; I can stay at home and pray. If there is preaching I'll go." So they evaluate, "I could hear preaching but I don't really want to go and pray." Could you tell me if that is a Christian life in this Word, rooted; if that is a believer with a sense of responsibility who understands the Hour and knows the value of prayer?

We need to get a little sensitive. Sometimes we are doing things that are not right, it's wrong and we have to wait for people to come and say.... Some of us are hiding. We want to keep on doing it hoping nobody would see us. The Spirit is convicting you, you know, but when you start to get the conviction, instead of you stop, it brings a fear so you want to hide now and do it because you don't want anybody to see you. And you do not realize, "That is something getting a grip on me that is deforming me now. I have to be getting deformed to start to think in that kind of way." You can't be serious.

How could these people gather together to approach God on behalf of a cancer case? What if they come to church and say, "Saints, it is reported that God sent a man in here tonight. The man is about to die. The Holy Spirit has led him like the opossum straight to the place here and God wants us to minister to this man." How many of you are sensitive to recognize God would like to do that among His people? And if God wants people to be assisted He has to send them where His people are gathered in His Name because that is where He will be. Do you get what I'm saying?

And in your own personal life, don't you want something more? Don't you find that when the enemy rushes into you sometimes and you don't have your cutting edge and you don't have your alertness and you are not ready to stand up and put up a real piece of resistance, you find, "I didn't handle that well, boy, I

didn't handle that well at all. They called me to pray and I find I went up there and fumbled to pray. They called me to witness and instruct this person and my mind went blank; I couldn't even get a word. I couldn't remember what part of the Bible that is." Do you want to get in those kinds of conditions?

Then we have to understand, what is a Spirit-filled life then? "Am I Spirit filled? Am I living a Spirit life and is the Spirit becoming stronger in me, maturing me, ripening me, quickening me or do I believe I have the Spirit because after all I'm not drinking and smoking? But really and truly I can't say God... What was God showing me again? What was God showing me? What is the last book I read again? What were they preaching last week?" When you are getting in that state you're coming to church, for what? For what? You have to know these things.

Look tonight I started to preach **From The Earthly House To The Father's House**. Do you know why? The Spirit can't come to the flesh. The Spirit can't come to the flesh! People want a preaching machine. Put on the preaching machine and preach them happy. How about coming and doing your part? Sure. How about seeing the things, sometimes pondering the things that God spoke to us: Refuse to be compromised. Refuse to be compromised; let us rise up and finish the job. The opposition is getting stronger. Let us not faint, let us not waver, let us not be deterred; let us rise up and finish what we have started even though we have to go toe to toe with the devil.

"I'm not feeling that." Well I don't expect to feel it if I have an enemy who's trying for me not to feel it. I have to break through the hindrances of the enemy. When I can put him down flat—that is why he said, "Train for the knockout punch." When you can put him down flat, you can break into something. And you have to know what you want; you have to be hungering for what you

want. You have to prepare and make ready for what you need, friends.

We can't go along this way. Our attitude to service has to change; we just can't walk through the door like that. We can't come in the house of God like that. We can't come to worship God in a spirit that could hardly reach to church. We can't worship God like that because when you come, you have to worship Him with all your heart, all your mind, all your soul and all your strength. You have to worship the Lord. You have to praise God with a loud voice. You have to get in the Spirit of God.

We can't come to a place that when the music stops we can't worship God. We can't worship God, but because the song has a nice beat, we could worship God. We have to worship God because we have a melody inside our heart, we have a joy inside of here; we have a revelation that gives us stimulation inside of here. We have to do better than that. After the things, look where we are.

And then when you try to slip out sometimes and go out somewhere, you come back and meet half of the people are not in the church. Then what is this? Then what is this? Then aren't we mature enough to know we have a post of duty? You mean, we don't have a post of duty anymore. Are we not governed by those things? Is that too rigid for us? Then is our faith to create the promise? Are we to fight for every inch of ground? Are these things real? Does it have any meaning? Or if God doesn't drop it in our lap, well, that's it. We just don't have the will to fight for it. Are we quitters? Isn't it at the end of the race, when you are on the homestretch that you put in everything? Has the race now started or are we coming down to the end? Which part of the race are we at? Are you hearing the things that the Spirit spoke to us this last year that went? It can't be. It can't be.

Let's stand to our feet. The hour is too late friends, to come and cater to people's flesh. Do you know why? There are people out in Dominica there, they are so glad for when somebody comes around to hear the Word. People outside there, year in, year out, going through, putting on a monitor because that is service for them. They have no musicians or no special singer. A sister would get up and maybe say a little poem or something but they gather there. About two people in the church have motorcars. Out in Carriacou, brothers take the ferry and go over, sisters and they sit in their living room, a couple of families and a couple of visitors and they put on the monitor and they sit down there, faithful as ever.

We have to be an example in order to have the right influence upon these people because what they are seeing is you. You see when that camera turns, it is you they are seeing. They are seeing their standard right there. They are seeing the people who are coming to them, who they are submitting to. They see your level of expectation.

And that is why I was telling some of them there, I said, "Don't you ever look to this church as any really big example you know, because many of you all here have more revelation than many of the people in church at home." I said, "And to prove that is true, you don't have to be in the tabernacle otherwise we can't have the revelation like people who sat down in Branham Tabernacle. That's a right principle." I said, "Yet we have it more and so much more than people who lived around the tabernacle and went to the tabernacle everyday, because it's not going in the tabernacle. you have a cup and you dip it in a bucket, in a barrel or in the sea, it won't come up more than a cupful. makes no difference whether you put the cup in the sea or in the bucket, it could only bring up a cupful anyhow. That's the capacity of the cup."

I said, "We have never seen the Prophet, we never went to Jeffersonville, we will take up the same book and read but like Daniel, He comes. He comes and gives you skill and understanding. He opens the Word. So with that, you don't have to have a complex." There is no pastor or deacons there in Grenada but the church is growing and the brothers are going out in the highways and byways after service on Sundays. And some are going over to Carriacou to encourage the little group across there, where they are sitting down in the house.

And we, the church here, as the work is getting greater and the time is becoming shorter and we ought to be mature to take the responsibility, people are coming through the door... Seven o'clock the song leader stands up here, there are three people. Yet they are cooking up left and right, cooking and serving, and all kinds of things are wrong. Not for me, friends. You all can keep Abel country. You all can keep Abel country. Faith relates to pull.

I had to do the same thing in Tobago on Sunday. When we went there, brothers were there at eleven o'clock trying to put up a monitor. Five brothers were there and one was trying to make a decision as to how to put up the monitor. One of the officers came in late because he went to carry crab for the sisters (all who were not coming to the service) for them to cook this crab because they were over there and they wanted crab and dumpling. They didn't going to church. Instead of coming to church, he was running up there and eleven o'clock he's not in the church.

I don't want that kind of Christianity, not me. Not me. I can't stay around that. Will I stay around that and get like that? I value what I have. I always say I could serve God by myself. I value what I have. The Hour is too late, friends. I can't play Carnival Christianity. Carnival season is coming and everybody is getting the Carnival mentality.

I believe that you can't get more out of it than what you intend to put into it. How much you put into it is how much you'll get out of it. And you tell me what you want to get out of it when you are coming through that door after seven and there is nobody inside of here? Tell me, what are you putting into it? You are not putting anything into it. As a matter of fact, you are dishonoring God. You are dishonoring the Message. And when people can dishonor God and dishonor the Message and their conscience doesn't bother them, it's frightening.

Because remember, as we go along and the pressure gets more intense those who can't find their refuge to let out the pressure will blow up, you know. Remember the pressure is going to blow up a lot of people. Only the real ones will make it, you know. All make-believers will blow up because they are not ordained to carry this load. It takes a genuine conversion; it takes God in a life to carry this load.

Friends, be a little more hungry. Ask God to make you a little more hungry. Let the things that are displeasing to God bother you. When you get so spiritual, when you get so knowledgeable that these things doesn't bother you anymore, something is wrong. It means that your conscience is getting seared because any man with the Holy Ghost becomes sensitive.

When you have the Holy Spirit in your life you become sensitive. If you say something wrong, you'll catch it. If you ask something wrong, if you offend somebody you'll say, "I don't want to hurt your feelings. I'm sorry about that." We can't be loose; we can't be this. This is Third Exodus Assembly. I have a pride in knowing what Third Exodus Assembly is about, what we labor for down through the years and try to hold as a standard and what we try to exhibit and the way your attitude in carrying out the service of God.

When you see something is upsetting me, you have to get really sensitive because I don't squeak just like that.

You don't hear me squeaking. And when you hear me get upset, I'm not getting upset for foolishness, you know. I'm getting upset when I see where we need to rise up and things want to ground me down. When we need to take the initiative and break through the enemy's forces and then you can't find soldiers – soldiers are without armor and without sword. That is what upsets me. Because when you walk in here, it has to be spirits of just men made perfect. It has to be an innumerable company of saints. It has to be where the Voice of the Blood speaks better things.

That's why I always say people come to Longdenville; they come to Longdenville. You always hear me say that. I say it's not Third Exodus Assembly; you are coming to Longdenville, not that you know. People feel offended when you talk that way sometimes but it's not that, friends.

We have to love the Lord Jesus Christ to give our best. My best can't be for me and my best can't be for some fleshly thing. My best has to be for the Lord. I have to honor Him with my life, the way I do something, because I won't be a Christian if I can't do that. I'll be a Christian out of focus. I need to know what I'm doing.

We have to change our attitude towards service. I can't tell you that you have to be here and put a gun to your head and bring you. But I'm saying, if the love for being in the house of God and the enthusiasm is not there, then how can we say, "I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord?" We can quote the memory verse, but if the joy to go up into the house of the Lord, if the expectation for the things of God, if we don't go up and say, "Don't forsake the assembling of ourselves," if we say God is going to meet with us, if we understand the spiritual principles of getting ready for His Presence among us; if we understand even the needs and be sensitive to how much is lacking in our very midst, areas and places where people need help, we can't approach service like

that. That kind of service for a King? For a King; for *the* King? We can't do it like that.

I think by God's grace.... Let's just try this little song, "Draw me nearer, nearer blessed Lord. I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice, and it told Thy love to me; but I long, I long to rise in the arms of faith." Without faith it is impossible to please God, friends. Think of what pleases God. Don't try to please me, please God. Don't try to please God.

[Song #53 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice,

And it told Thy love to me;

Oh, but I long to rise...

But I long to rise in the arms of faith,

And be closer drawn to Thee

Oh, draw me nearer, tonight.

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,

To the Cross where Thou has died;

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,

To Thy precious, bleeding side.

Oh, consecrate me now,

Consecrate me now...

We always have to come back for a consecration. We always have to come back to the laver and wash. Wash away all defilement. Every time the priest would have to go back in – he goes in and comes out, the laver is standing there.

Let my soul look up...

...with a steadfast hope,

...with a steadfast hope,

And my will...

That's the problem friends, that's the problem right there.

...be lost in Thine.

...be lost in Thine.

Oh ask Him, He is a prayer-answering God, tonight. Have the right attitude of approach. Ask in faith with sincerity.

... nearer, blessed Lord,

Through confession and faith we are subject to all the powers of God. We see defilement, we wash it away. That's why He put that laver with water – that we could be kept clean. Anything to hinder our fellowship, our approach to Him can be removed in that laver.

...nearer, blessed Lord, To Thy precious bleeding side.

Oh, the pure delight of a single hour, That before Thy Throne I spend, When I kneel in prayer and with Thee, my God I commune...

That's what our soul craves – sweet communion; to commune with Him, to talk to Him, to hear His sweet tender voice talk back to us.

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, To the Cross where Thou has died; Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, To Thy precious, bleeding side. Let's bow our hearts before Him.

Gracious Father, God as we stand in Your Presence tonight realizing, dear God, that You've been so gracious unto us. You've come down so close. You've whispered Your deep Secret things in our hearts. You've let us know in so many ways what You desire to do in and through us. You've made us responsible for so many, dear God. You showed us, dear God, what could be achieved when we would harness our resources and utilize our potential. And when Lord, we could let You have Your rightful place in and among us, we see paradoxes performed.

As a church how we should be so energized, so influenced because we look around and realize that we are privileged. Oh God, to whom much is given much is required. How sometimes, Lord, these things can cause us to be lackadaisical, to become complacent. Lord, if it is truly grasped and understood in the right

way it would have been an incentive for us, Lord to become more yielded, to make ourselves more available, to take greater pride and carry out Your work and Your service in a manner befitting those, dear God, that You've given Your favor.

Let us not take these things lightly, Father. We've seen a deterioration in so many aspects of our own Christian lives. We've seen, dear God, when the enemy is moving in like a roaring lion, building up his forces and the flood is coming with greater intensity, how the Church ought to rise and become a standard! You always meet the challenge of the enemy. Oh God, when Satan is anointing his people, You always raise a standard to combat and check the power of the enemy. You reveal those things that could release that Anointing upon Your Church.

We realize, oh God, that is why we have been attacked in the way we have been. We would truly have to be juvenile and inexperienced, we truly would have to be insensitive, Lord, not to know that we would have been attacked especially going in these islands and breaking the grip of the enemy around the lives of the people and establishing Your Truth in and amongst them.

How, dear God, he has targeted us. He has sent in his troops, multiplying them. It makes us think of the time when all those kings and they gathered, dear God, to come against the children of Israel after they had crossed over into that land and taken Jericho and Ai, the Gibeonites surrendered. Fear struck them that they united themselves and they came in a great force.

Oh God, in this Hour when it calls for us to be so focused as You even took the metaphor of the race and opened it up to us to show us concentration of effort and singleness of purpose and the intensity that the race speaks of, to be focused with our eyes fixed on the prize. Then strive lawfully, not to fight as one that beateth the air but to understand our course and know

how to run our race; to know the training rules, dear God.

God how it seems that we could be in the service and get under the impact of the service but not to take the Word and translate It into action, to take It and make It manifest; to take It and to cause ourselves to rise up higher! It seems that we ought to be so locked in the realm of revelation but we are struggling in the humanistic realm.

We pray tonight Lord, even as our consciences have been pricked and we have been reminded and we have found ourselves in such a poor response coming, Lord, and the attitude towards Your service, letting it just fall anyhow and dishonoring the service of the Lord, it shows our minds, the enemy, Lord, is robbing us and blinding us of so much. May tonight Lord, Your Holy Spirit that checks us when we are going wrong and convicts us of sin and reproves us of righteousness and brings us to judgment so that we can judge ourselves.

Oh God, it makes us feel so embarrassed and ashamed to think oh God, that we call ourselves the Bride of Jesus Christ. We talk about a Super Church and a Super Race, we talk about a Book of Acts and going into a Golden Age yet it seems the hands are becoming feeble and hanging down; disease is striking the feet and making it lame and turning it out of the path. Seeing then, oh God, just a couple weeks ago we were standing right here having communion and rededicating our lives for Your service this year, and seeing how quickly, Lord, these things can become formality and tradition.

God, we don't want to serve You like that. We don't want to go on this way, Father. Forgive us of our slothfulness and all our wrong tonight. Forgive us of our halfway, lukewarm, Lord, insensitive type of Christianity. Your Prophet said grace is what You have done for us and works is what we do in appreciation for Your grace. God, let us walk close where we could be

sensitive to how You feel, Father. How can we go on just grieving Your Spirit and not even be conscious, oh God. The Prophet said like fools walking with hobnailed shoes where angels fear to tread – trampling the things of God and almost desecrating holy, sacred things.

God, when we know the way that we approach things, and the attitude of our approach, it will determine what results we would get from it. Remind us of the principles of Your Word. Remind us of the standard. Remind us, oh God, of how it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Help us that we could retain these things in our knowledge, dear God, that Lord we could leave the right kind of footprints for others who are coming behind. That they could be influenced and be inspired by the way that we would conduct ourselves and our attitude and our approach.

Truly, oh God, we have been weighed and found wanting. But God, we ask tonight that You would forgive us and blot out all our transgressions, Father. God realizing where we need to rise up, to rise up to another level, dear God. Plant our feet on higher ground. Let us mount up with eagle's wings. Let us come out of this low life and this low condition knowing that greater is He that is in us than he that is in the world; that we can do all things through You Who strengtheneth us.

How can we make excuses, Lord? Lord, we don't try to make any excuse. We humble ourselves under Your mighty hand. We ask, dear God, that things that we are failing to see, Lord, You'll help us to see it the right way – that the way we see it we could be influenced by it. It could affect our lives in such a way to show, dear God, that it has been revealed to us and it has taken root inside of us, that it influences and governs and controls us that we could become a very reflection of that very Word, written epistles read of all men. May You grant it, Father.

As we leave this place tonight to go to our homes, God, knowing, that when we come back in the next time, we don't want to come back in this way, we don't want to come back in, in this condition; we don't want to come back in this attitude. God, we don't want to come into Your Presence with that kind of sacrifice. May You break every hold of the enemy, tonight. May You quicken and cause Your children to become more sensitive, (every one of us Lord, even including me, Father,) sensitive to Your Presence; sensitive recognize the enemy at his tricks. Because when these things are happening to us and we are growing in it, Lord it shows that we are not recognizing the tricks of the enemy. He is shaving off what we have. Delilah, he is drunkening us, blinding us and then shaving us. Oh God, we could rise up and see that the Philistines are upon us. Help us that we could endure hardness and war the right kind of warfare. Let us not fight as one that beateth the air, dear God, but let us be strong.

Let us, dear God, when we come we could be so unified. We could be in one mind and one accord. We could come and create the atmosphere here. We could come under expectations. God, we could come knowing we are coming into Your Presence. We could come with the attitude knowing that we are coming to hear from You. We are coming, Lord, knowing we are going to entertain You, Father. We are going to entertain the presence of angels; a people that are getting ready to leave this dimension; a people like Enoch that's walking with You. God, bring us in that kind of consciousness, dear God.

Have Your blessed way. Take us safely to our homes. Watch over us, dear God. Bring us back at our next appointed time. Remember those who couldn't be here tonight. God, if it is for some other reason that is not a real reason, God may You prick their hearts and their conscience. How, dear God, we want to rise up.

The last one You took from among us went so suddenly. Lord, he walked right in the door that night not knowing that he was going to go the next day. His wife, a registered nurse didn't even know he was going, then the family is in grief. God help us to learn from the things that happen in our midst, in our environment, that we could take these things under consideration and understand what we can learn, what we can draw from all these things: every event, every form of activity; even the kind of influence that rally people and stir people in the Assembly to carry them in different directions. God, let people know what they ought to follow. Let their ear be tuned in to a scriptural voice. Let people not become under the influence of another that in the end, God, it becomes stumblingblock; it becomes something that You are not glorified by.

Make us sensitive, dear God. Let us not go on this way, Father. We ask of You, we beg of You tonight, in the Name of Jesus Christ, Lord we pray and ask these mercies, knowing that You hear us Lord, knowing that You are a God of compassion, You're longsuffering, yet Lord, we know to them that knoweth and doeth not, there is chastisement because there is a responsibility when You reveal something to us. You expect us Lord, to live by Your Word.

Strengthen the weak ones tonight. Unify the church, dear God. Strengthen the officers, Father; mothers and fathers, families that are hurting, dear God. So many, oh God, being bombarded, battles; yet sometimes God when the church needs to get together and know these requests and pray objectively, the church is not in condition where people can take these things and approach it reverently.

People don't even have confidence sometimes to let out personal things, God, for fear that things that are confidential would just be blown to the wind because of the carnality of people many times. Let us be a church that could be serious, that could be focused; a church, dear God, that could be mature, responsible. Grant it, Jesus! Grant it tonight.

We humble ourselves under Your mighty hand. Let us not think of ourselves more highly than we ought to think of ourselves. Let us not just be frivolous and get carried away, Lord, in some wild-goose chase and all the time thinking that the Lord is with us, when You are not with us. God, no man has a franchise on You. You would stay with us as long as we obey You and follow You and Lord when we want to choose our own way and go after our own desire You will forsake us because we will grieve You away from of us.

Let our hearts always be tender before You. Let us not become callous and hard. Let us not become highminded, but let us be a people that would humble ourselves before You, Lord. Those that humble themselves before You, You will exalt in due time. Draw us Lord, draw us close. Draw us close tonight and let our hearts be sprinkled. Let our minds and our souls be purged. Let Your Divine Presence robe us and overshadow us, Lord. Grant it Jesus. Grant it we ask, tonight. As we go, go with each and every one of us we pray, amen.

"Give thanks with a grateful heart." Let us just sing that little chorus. Let the weak say I'm strong, let the poor say I'm rich, because of what the Lord has done for us. [Song #54 - Songs That Live -Ed.] Amen. Let's be thankful tonight, friends. Let's be sensitive. Let's not be insensitive. Let's not treat the Lord and the Lord's house and the service of the Lord in the manner in which it is becoming customary to do. Let us not just become Sunday Christians.

Let's realize that this is the time if we have to press, we need to press more than ever. If we have to be desperate, we need to be more desperate than ever. Because I don't know one person here that is too filled, that they don't need any more of God. I do not know

such a person inside of here. As Paul said, "Not that I have attained, but I reach forth that I may apprehend that which I am apprehended for." [Philippians 3:12 -Ed.] He said, "Let those who think they are perfect be thus minded." Because there are some who walk around saying that they are perfect and they are mature and they can't even make the first step straight.

But judge yourself, search your own self and see what we can be, what we are called to be, what He has made available for us to be what we ought to be and let's see if we are using to the full benefit, what He has given us.

Amen. *Give thanks with a grateful heart*. God bless you. See you on Friday, the Lord's willing.

