## **God's Word Came To The Prophet**

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## "Enticing Spirits Versing The Word Of God"

111 Don't condemn the sinner. Have mercy on him. Let him go ahead and smoke his pipe, let him drink His liquor, let him have his card party. That's his everything tired and worn out, he wants some pleasure. The thing for you to do is live such a godly life that you can prove to him that the Gospel holds ten thousand times more than that fun. And if he dies in that state he'll go to Hell, on his liquor. That's the Devil intoxication. If he dies, going out here, dancing, and running around with immoral clothes on, God's their Judge.

But there's one thing, if you die under the anointing Power of the Holy Ghost, like Stephen did when he looked upon the face of God, said "I see Heaven's open, and Jesus standing at the right hand," you're Heaven bound, like a martin to its box. Amen.

Enticing spirits versing the Word of God! Let loose, let go. "How you do it, Brother Branham?" Just let go. That's all you have to do Take's God's Word. Don't try to work up nothing. Don't get down at the altar, beat at it, holler. "Lord, give me the Holy Ghost! Lord, give me the Holy Ghost!" He ain't coming to you, beating that altar. That don't do no good. No. That ain't the way it comes. It's, taking him at his word!

Look at Peter. Peter was in a terrible, looked like he was going to die. And he seen the Lord come walking on the water. And he said, "Lord, if that be You, bid me come."

The Lord said, "Come on."

Now Peter said, "Now wait a minute, Lord, let me go on a forty-day fast, to see if I can walk on that water, or not. O Lord, let me get enough spirit on me, that I can dance in the Spirit and speak in tongues, in this boat, then I can step out?" No, Sir He took God at his Word, let loose and let go. God took him through.

What if God met Moses, and He said, "Moses, go down there into Egypt, and tell Pharoah, 'Let My people go'?" What if Moses said, "Let me go on a forty-day fast, first, and see if I got faith enough to obey You, God. Give me something, something another Lord. Let me tell You something, let me see if I get in the Spirit, first"? Moses never asked no questions, he just took God at His Word, and took off. That's the way you have to do it, take God at his word. Then you'll know you'll be able to do it. He didn't wait till something else take place, he Just went ahead and done it.

What about Elijah, when he come down off of Mount Carmel, been up there for a long time. And he meet a poor old widow woman, she was a – she was an alien, a Gentile.

And when he met her down there she was picking up some sticks, in the yard. And God told him, "Go down to that widow's house." What a place for the preacher to go! Here he goes down there to the widow's house. And when she did, she had two sticks. Said "What are you doing?" Said "Picking up some sticks. I got just enough meal to make a couple of corn cakes. That's all I got left. It's three years since we had any rain." And said, "I'm going to make these corn cakes. "And me and my boy is going to eat them and die."

He said, "Make me one, first!" Hallelujah! Oh, I-I know I'm a little bit crazy, but I'm on the Lord's side, anyhow said, "make me one first. For, THUS SAITH THE LORD!" There you are. What is it? "Seek yea first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, not the Kingdom of God and "a little noise." Not the Kingdom of God and "a little emotion." Not the Kingdom of God and "a little this and that." but, "God, in His righteousness and all these other things will be added to you!" Put first.

Now then we have heard that. Faith cometh by hearing, hearing the Word. She said, "that's the word of the Lord, for that's a holy man of God. That's *God's* prophet, and I know that's the truth, and that's the word of God." Now, she didn't run across to ask the neighbors how to do it. She didn't want to go and share her...and tell the neighbors, say, "now, what do you think?" The preachers over my house saying this "Susie what do you think about this."

She went in, begin to dump out. She let go. She let go of what she had, that she might get more.

That's what the world needs today, is a good old-fashion letting-go of what you got. Hallelujah! She dumped out, so she could be filled up. She dumped all the oil she had, and all the oil she had, and all the meal she had, to the preacher, to the Kingdom of God. And when she dumped it all in there, God come down, filled up the meal barrel, filled up the oil jug. She dumped it again in the Preacher's plate, and he come down, filled it up again. He dumped in. Every time she dumped, he filled.

I'll say today, if man will dump out all of this nonsense of carrying on and impersonating Christianity, and let the Holy Ghost take It's place there will be a revival start on 8th and Penn Street that will sweep the whole country. Quit the nonsense, get back to the Word of God. Dump out, that you might fill up. You let go, and God will let come. You dump out, God will fill in. All the petty things, "You got to do *this* and you got to do *that*, you ought to do *this* and got to do *that*." Forget it! Dump it out of your soul!

Say, "God, let me from this wholly... this day, be wholly Thine. Lord, I come with a broken heart. I come with a contrite spirit. I love You and You know I love you. And I want to forget all this **foolishness** of all these forty-day fasts and see if I can get closer to God, and all of *this that* and the *other*, all this nonsense."

Stop it! There's nothing in the Word tells you to have a forty-day fast. Not a thing. There's nothing in the world telling you to fast, 'less God would

tell you. Then if you fast, you ain't going to get hungry, and go all these things. As you are fasting, brother, you'll be joy and happy all the time. Said, "Don't appear before man like hypocrites do, with a long, sad face. I'm on a forty-day fast, my plates won't fit me anymore. I've lost thirty pounds, and they told me I look better after this is over."

Oh nonsense! It's enticing spirits of the Devil."

Get up the altar, and say "glory, glory, glory" till you can't hardly say anything else, and say, "You got to speak in tongues before you get the Holy Ghost." Nonsense! Dump it out!

112 Get that out of your system and come on the Word of God! He said, Repent, every one of you and be baptized in the Name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." If God don't keep his word He's not God. Amen Dump out! Get filled up! Amen.

Whew! I love that, That's his word. God said so. That's right. And when God said it, God will take care of it. All right. All the preparation you make,

All the going to church you can do....

- 113 Its just like down here at the car works where they build a big bunch of passenger cars. I used to work there. And they take and build their big coaches and everything, and put hard wood, inlaid mahogany all around, and everything so beautiful, set it out there on the track, and it was as dead as a doornail. There set the engine, no steam in it, she just set there.
- What it needs today is some fire in the boiler. What it needs today is some steam. What it needs today, the church, to boil.... The hottest boiling thing there is to boil sin out of your life, is love. And if you can't love one another, how you going to love God Who you haven't seen? Love hides a multitude of sin. Get in love with God, then you'll love one another, then you'll love the church, you will love the Cause, you'll love everything that's godly, and you will keep away from the things of the world.
- 115 Enticing spirits going around telling people this, that or the other,
- "They've got to do this, they've got to do that." It's because that denominations has raised up, and they got a little revelation that they say "Well, now, I believe that a man.. . I believe in such a thing as shouting, in the Bible," That's right, that's the truth. They made a denomination out of it,
- "When you shout, you've got It." But you haven't.
- 116 The next one raised up, said, "Speaking in tongues." That's right. That's in the Bible. "But when you speak in tongues you got it." But a lot of them spoke in tongues and didn't have it. See? That's not It. No, sir. A lot of them said, "Well, we got to prophesy."
- 117 Look at these prophets here with horns on their head, jumping up and down and prophesying. And Micaiah said, "You're, every one, lying." Amen. Right. God don't like that. God comes to the sincere heart that comes with a contrite, broken spirit. "He that goeth forth sowing in tears will doubtless return in rejoicing, bringing with him precious sheaves." Amen. Get that right, friend.

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