

THE SLEEPING CHURCH

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God moves by certain principles. If we understand the principles of God, we can walk with God. But we cannot walk with God by our own principles, by our own plans. We must walk by His principles and by His plans. So then, God has brought us here. Whatever circumstances that you might think have brought you here, it is the hand of God; and God is still striving with us to bring us into conformity with His Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

The difference between the Christian and the sinner is that the Christian has the power to resist and overcome sin, and the sinner has no power against sin. Amen! The Christian has the power to resist sin and the sinner has no power, yet the Christian sometimes commits the same sins and sometimes might do the same things that the sinner does. At one time I was surprised, but I am no longer surprised at seeing Christians cursing and Christians doing wrong things, because I know that we have the power to do it. We have the power to do it, but you pay the consequence. Amen. God gives us power over the power of the devil, and some people want to have power so that they can heal the sick and so that they can speak the word out there and that this happens and that happens, and that they can do this and they can do that. But is the power of God “doing”? The power of God is to “be.” It is not power to “do,” but it is the power to “be.” Amen!

When you tell me that you have a sin in you, you are confessing that you reject Jesus Christ. (I am being hard, but it is true. I am just throwing out the truth as the Spirit of God gives it.) You cannot have a sin in you that continually bugs you unless you reject Jesus Christ. For the Holy Ghost will stop you from sinning and you have to overcome Him and put Him aside in order to sin. Amen! So, therefore, the sin that besets us, it is not because God is not God that we sin. It is because we reject God, why we sin. “For the Son of God (Jesus) was revealed so that we should not sin.” Amen! I am quoting now from 1 John,

“And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.”¹

If you sin, Jesus Christ is not revealed to you. Whatever sin we have, it is because we want it. Somebody goes crying, “Oh God! Take this away from me!” The Bible said that Esau sought repentance with tears, but that

¹ 1 John 3:5-6

repentance was elusive to him². Repentance was running away from him. Why? Because he was only sorry that he had lost the birthright and the blessing. He wanted them to consume them unto his lust. You take God's goods, God's goodies, and then you turn them into your lust. Amen! To make yourself great. God help us! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

There is a curse in the land. There is a curse in the land; and if I tell you what the curse is it is going to be very hard for you to swallow it. But it is the "religion" that we have in us. Amen! You were brought up in a Catholic home, and you say, "Oh, I am no more a Catholic! I am born again now, and I am filled with the Holy Ghost!" I would prefer it if you said that you were "baptized" instead of saying that you were "filled" with the Holy Ghost, because if you say that you are filled with the Holy Ghost you are involving God into something that is not godly. Are you with me? You were baptized in the Holy Ghost, but even though you had the change from being a Catholic, your mind still thinks the same way that Catholics think. And this is happening without your knowing it. Amen! You said you used to be this and that and that you were the other, but please look into those things that you once were, for some of those things you still are. It is still hanging on there, like a disease that did not come out at the first touch. Amen.

I want to talk to you about "The Sleeping Church." Turn your bibles with me around to Matthew, and I am reading from Matthew 25, beginning with Verse 1.

"Then shall the kingdom of heaven (the church) be likened unto ten virgins which took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom."

You talk to the people—everybody—and they all say, "We are waiting! Jesus will soon come! We are waiting for Jesus!" All the denominations are waiting for Jesus! But it is going to be "...weeping and gnashing of teeth!"³

It goes on in Verse 2 and says,

"And five of them were wise and five were foolish."

Now, spiritually, it is not saying that half of them were wise and half of them were foolish. If half of the church was wise and half was foolish, it would be a wonderful thing. But it is not even ten percent of the church that is wise. We do not have ten percent! So, therefore, we are dealing with all foolish people. Foolish ministries! Foolish congregations! Do you hear me?

Now let me explain to you what "*foolish*" means, because, you know, sometimes you have to say what the meaning of "is" is. The Bible (in Psalm 14:1) says,

"The fool hath said in his heart there is no God."

² Ref. Hebrews 12:16-17

³ Refs. Matthew 8:11, 24:51, 25:30

Come on now. It says that the fool has said in his heart that there is no God. But here am I (saved, sanctified, baptized in the Holy Ghost) and still I will hide and do sin. I still will tell a lie. When you do this, you are saying that there is no God. You are saying that there is no God, but God is standing up there looking at you while you are lying and thinking that you are hiding because the other person does not know about it. The people do not know and so you feel quite confident that you are hidden, and that your situation is hidden. You come to church, and you straighten up and you try to sing—but you do not fool the Holy Ghost! Amen!

Let me tell you, if we came in here and if our hearts were pure before God, when we would open our mouths to sing, this whole area would be shaken! Yes! I am telling you we have had prayer meetings where we would go through the whole night. And when you would get to like three o'clock in the morning, for some reason or the other the Spirit always falls; and people would come running out of their beds. They would come running out of their beds, running to the altar. They wanted Jesus, and the stories they tell is that they could not sleep. "I was tormented! I had to come!" So then, the glory of God and the power of God is getting into you and fastening right there, but it is not coming out. If the power of God was let loose in us here, this place could not hold the people. This whole town would be shaken! Sinners would be shaken! Sinners would die! Oh, yes!

Forgive me please to deviate, but I mean I have seen sorcerers.... Sorcerers! You don't believe in sorcery, of course. You don't believe in sorcery, but let me tell you something. If you do not believe that there is a living devil, you do not believe God; for God said that there is a living devil. If you do not believe in sorcery, then you do not believe God, for the Bible says that there is sorcery. Amen! In Ephesians it speaks of "...*spiritual wickedness in high places.*" What do you think He is talking about?

I have seen sorcerers oppress a whole church. Yes! They make the leaders of the church to get sick, and some to go crazy and to go out of their minds. Amen! The people are there praising God and clapping and singing and jumping and leaping, and yet they could not overcome the spirit of sorcery that was let loose upon them.

So I am saying to you that the church is SLEEPING, and there is a time to wake it. Now, you remember that "*virgins*" means "Christians," and so the *foolish virgins* in Matthew 25 are those who half-believe and half-don't believe. Amen? In other words, they believe, but with a doubt. If you believe God, then why don't you just believe Him? If you believe that God is God, why don't you serve Him? Serving God is not running up and down the streets, telling people and handing out tracts. To some people, that is serving God. That is part of it, but that is the least of it. The greater part of serving God is to ALLOW the power of God to come into you (into God's temple) to where you are a sanctified temple! When you allow God in, then God can do

what He wants to do. You do not have to go all around telling everybody about Jesus. You do not have to go, doing something. This Sister here, you went to China. The day is going to come when we will walk through China, saying nothing at all. Not a word! Breaking down the power of hell! Amen! Because the POWER of God is coming through you! Amen! Hallelujah!

You have read of Charles Finney and men like that. I mean, I am not talking about those who you know, but I am talking about what you have heard about. He went to a factory and as he walked through, people fell from their seats and accepted Jesus without him saying a word. Some people say, "Well, we hear Brother duCille talk about God, but we have not known Him for ourselves." But if you believe God He will manifest Himself to you also.

Now, let us get back to this thought, that the church is asleep, and "Are you a part of it?" Going back to Matthew 25, it says here in Verses 2-4,

"And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps."

Isn't that very simple, Brethren? To me that is a very, very simple statement that says that God has given you the cure. He has given you the cure for not being a foolish virgin, and the cure is that you must have oil in your *lamp* and oil in your *vessel*. You have long ago known that spiritually "oil" means the "Holy Spirit." Even in your dreams, oil means the Holy Spirit. You must have the Holy Spirit in your lamp and the Holy Spirit in your vessel (your soul). Well, what is my lamp? The Bible tells you what your lamp is. Isn't that right? The Bible tells you that the "*spirit of man*" is your lamp.

*"The spirit of man is the candle (lamp) of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly."*⁴

In other words, God gives you something inside you to light your lamp. When things get dull, there is a contact with heaven, and the Spirit that you have from God will light your lamp (which is your spirit) and if the vessel (which is your soul) does not have the Holy Spirit in that vessel, you will continuously fall into sin. I wonder if you understand me? The way to get the deliverance in your flesh is to OPEN up and allow the Spirit of God to pour into your flesh.

But somebody is talking about "emotionalism." Let me tell you something, you have not seen anything yet. Are the angels emotional? When they shout and praise before God, are the angels emotional? Well, let me tell you, I feel Jesus Christ move sometimes, in my hands and feet and head, and down to my toes! Amen! Some people say, "Oh, duCille teaches the people to shout." But did I teach *David* to shout? The David that is in the

⁴ Proverbs 20:27

Bible, did I teach him to shout? I heard that he shouted, and he lifted his feet so high that his under clothes showed.⁵ Right? He didn't care! How can you care, when you are in the Spirit? You are like a man possessed!

So when the Spirit of God shouts through you or moves through you, you should have no "method" of restricting it or holding it back. Amen! Yes! You should have NO method. You should not be so strong that you can stop God from moving through you. Amen. You need some weakness in certain sections, there. Amen! You should not be strong enough to be able to stop the Almighty God! Amen! To stop the JAHWEH! To stop the Elohim! To stop the anointing (the Christ) from moving through you involuntarily. Do you hear me, Sister? Where the Lord moves so strongly through you so that you are frightened because God moved through you. Amen! Hallelujah!

Foolish virgins! Foolish Christians! Foolish Christians!

"But the wise took oil...!" Amen. You ask me then, "Brother Ces, how do I take the oil?" I just told you how you take the oil. You just open up! Open up! Go before God! Some of you are too ashamed to talk before anybody of what you really are. I do not know of anybody who is going to talk what he really is before anybody. Amen! But when you get before God alone, you know that you cannot hide anything from Him. The lust that came into you this morning that nobody else knows about, you know that God knows it. You know that you want deliverance and you say to God, "God, set me free! Set me free! I will not live with this devil any longer! Set me free!" Hallelujah! Amen! God said to Pharaoh, "Let My People go. If you do not let them go, I am going to throw disease and death upon you." Amen! He said, "Israel is My firstborn, and you must let Israel go or I will DESTROY your firstborn!"⁶ Hallelujah! Yes, Jesus! So then God is in the business of destroying the things that the people love the most. Do you hear me?

You know, when I preach to some of us, we think of others. I am not talking about those other people out there. We are basically concerned with us. Do you know why? If we fail, the world fails! We are holding up the whole world. God said (in 2 Thessalonians 2:7),

"He that letteth will let, until out of the midst the devil comes forth!"

Oh, you did not know that this is what this scripture actually says? Look in the Greek and you will see that this is the proper translation.

"He (the Holy Ghost) that letteth will let, until out of the midst he (the antichrist)... is revealed!"

So it is the Holy Ghost that is holding us up, and we are holding up the whole world. Believe you me, Brethren, if we were not here, hell would have broken loose already. God said,

⁵ Ref. 1 Samuel 6

⁶ Ref. Exodus 4:22-23

“...lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.”⁷

Do you realize that the greatest blessing that God has given us is the Word of God? Yes! The greatest blessing on earth is the Word of God; and the Word of God was revealed by speech, by written word, by a man. Hallelujah! So that the “living *Word*” walked among us.⁸ Amen! And as you meditate on God and release yourself in the Spirit, that living *Word* walks in you. So that, God reveals Himself by His Word.

Now, if you were the devil, where would you hit? (This is warfare, now. Put yourself in the place of the devil... I hope you will never be....) Where would you attack first? The Word! Yes! You would attack the Word; and if God makes a Bible, you would make another bible. Amen! Some time ago, I was sitting down listening to a man just reading the Bible over the radio, and all of a sudden I realized that he had left out one whole big piece. Why? Because the devil hit the Word! He was reading from an alien translation!

Sooner or later there is going to be a head-on clash between the Word of God and the word of the devil. Are you with me? Now, if you become the word of God (if you become what God wants you to be), you become the walking, talking, living word of God. So what is going to happen then? The devil will have to attack you. The devil will have to attack you, and in past years and in past dispensations the brethren were murdered. And God allowed them to be killed. God allowed them to die. Yes! God allowed it to this point in time. He still allows it. The Psalmist said,

“Thou hast given us like sheep appointed for meat; and hast scattered us among the heathen. Thou sellest thy people for nought, and dost not increase thy wealth by their price... Thou makest us a byword among the heathen, a shaking of the head among the people. My confusion is continually before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me. For the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by reason of the enemy and avenger.”⁹

Amen! This has been happening in every dispensation coming down through time. But in every dispensation God taught us something. He taught us “Victory.” We had the first dispensation that we call “The dispensation of innocence,” where Adam began to teach his children what happened to him when he walked in the garden with God Almighty. Have you ever thought of it, the privilege of walking with the Living God? Adam had this experience, and he began to teach his children. He taught them hundreds of years, and then, after somewhere around nine hundred years, somebody got the message. One man! One man (*Enoch*) had the capacity and the

⁷ Malachi 4:6b

⁸ Ref. John 1:1-12

⁹ Psalm 44:11-12, 14-16

determination and the power of faith to break through into the presence of God and to COMMAND the deliverance! Yes! Do you hear me?

“And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.”¹⁰

Adam taught Enoch, and the Bible says here that it took 365 years. Now, that number 365, doesn't it look suspicious to you? 365 days make one solar year. Amen? So then, in 365 years one man got the message. God translated Enoch when he was 365 years old, and thereby by type showed us what is going to happen at the end of time when God will bring man into the fullness. Amen? And at the end of the Jewish year there is the *“feast of tabernacles,”* the third and final feast, which is a type of God tabernacling Himself within man (God and man becoming one).

“Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles...”¹¹

“...And Enoch walked with God....” Now, the first man that we read of that walked with God was Adam. It says that Adam walked with God. He taught Enoch, and Enoch learned to walk with God. And Enoch's wife said, “Enoch walked with God and is not for God took him.” For the Bible says that Enoch had sons and daughters.¹² That shows that the man was a natural, normal man who had a wife and children, and a home, and it says that he walked with God!

“And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.”¹³

Now, she didn't mourn. She wasn't crying and weeping that she lost him, because she didn't lose him. She gained him! Enoch *“walked with God,”* and she said, “Enoch is not.” That means to say that, “He is no longer here. He is no longer a natural, carnal, physical man. He has ASCENDED!” And the Bible tells us that he did it by faith!

“By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.”¹⁴

He walked with God by faith, and it said, *“And...God took him.”* What would make God want a man? You can imagine how much God must have loved that man? See him walking, walking like the perfect NEW CREATION MAN! God had a plan to make us into a new creation man, so when Adam

¹⁰ Genesis 5:34-35

¹¹ Deuteronomy 16:16

¹² Ref. Genesis 5:22

¹³ Genesis 5:24

¹⁴ Hebrews 11:5

fell it did not bother God. For this same Adam that fell, God saw him ahead at the end of the day, WALKING IN POWER AND GLORY! Amen!

So then, God said to Enoch, "Would you like to come with Me?" And Enoch said, "That is what I want." Amen! "Nothing else would satisfy me. The reason I live is to worship Thee!" Amen! Yes! "The reason I live is to worship Thee, God!"

"And Enoch... was not; for God took him."

This was absolutely amazing! I cannot imagine how it must have seemed. He just stepped from natural into supernatural. Enoch never died; and Enoch is alive this very day. He just went from natural into supernatural. Amen!

That then, was "the dispensation of innocence." I mean, we can call it by any name; we do not have to be theologically correct. Then there was another dispensation, "the dispensation of the law," and in that dispensation there was another man, Moses. I remember one time in my meditation that God showed me Moses. It is going to be something marvelous for us to see these men. Moses was a natural man, a man that had a bad temper, and yet he overcame. He overcame to the point where God said of the man, "On all of the earth, there is no man like this man."

"And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face."¹⁵

When God has a testimony for you, when God can trust you: it must be something marvelous! I see somebody kneeling down tonight and saying, "My God! I want to be like that." Amen! Yes! As I am talking to you, I see a sister kneeling down and saying, "God, I want to be like one of these men." But do you see that we have an inheritance that is above theirs. Did you know that? Let me explain it to you.

Here in the dispensation of the law, Moses towed the line of the law with God; and Moses discovered something. He would be a dunce if he didn't discover this. Some of us are dunces. Moses discovered that within every dispensation there was a hole, a place where you could escape through into God. In the previous dispensation, Enoch had found a hole and he escaped into immortality. Now Moses wanted to find that hole through the law, and it was very simple. Moses (who was a type of Christ) was the only other person apart from the high priest who could make a sacrifice. Now, what about the situation of one offering the sacrifice and then dying on the sacrifice? Because, remember that when you would offer the sacrifice, you were delivered from your sins by the type of the blood of Jesus Christ. So then, if you were smart you would make the sacrifice and then (although we do not control it) you would try to die right there. You would make the

¹⁵ Deuteronomy 34:10

sacrifice and die right there, so that you did not have the time to sin anymore; and so you would be sinless. You would go right up to God!

In the law, when the priest approaches God he had to have a sacrifice, and he could not approach God without blood.

“Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people.”¹⁶

So then, we read (in Deuteronomy 32) that God called Moses; and why do you think that God here at this time told Moses exactly when he was going to die? It was because Moses had asked God for that “hole” (for that place of escape), and God was not about to just hand it to him, but to make him find it. God did not tell him to do it. God just said, “Moses, you go up into the mountains, and there you will meet Me, and there you will die”

“And the LORD spake unto Moses that selfsame day, saying, Get thee up into this mountain Abarim, unto mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession: And die in the mount whither thou goest up, and be gathered unto thy people; as Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered unto his people.”¹⁷

Now Moses never went to meet God without a sacrifice. You do not go to God empty-handed. You go to God always with a sacrifice. The Scriptures tell you that every time you go into the house of the Lord you should have an offering, a sacrifice. Hallelujah! We should use this example and pray for the remission of our sins every time we go before the Lord. Now, some of us feel that if we bring a good offering and we offer God an offering that this satisfies God. Amen. But God wants your heart with the offering. Amen. He wants your heart along with it. So never you come and throw your collection or give your offering without offering your heart to God also at the same time. Amen!

So, Moses took the lamb under his arm and up he went into the mountain, and when he offered the sacrifice, he died right there on the sacrifice. And the Scriptures said that the angels came down and took his body.¹⁸ He escaped! He escaped the ritual of an earthly burial, and his eulogy was sung by angels. Moses therefore escaped through the law.

The next dispensation was “the dispensation of the prophets.” There was another way of escape. If you are a prophet, what happens to a prophet? Do you know really what happens to a prophet? Now, there are two

¹⁶ Hebrews 9:6-7

¹⁷ Deuteronomy 32:48-50

¹⁸ Ref. Jude 1:9

manifestations of the Spirit of God. One manifestation is without, and one is within. God said that the Spirit of God shall be with you and also in you.

“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.”¹⁹

Now that is the promise to us, but God never said that to Elijah, or Elisha, or any of the prophets. The Spirit of God would fall on them, but when the Spirit of God lifted from them they were just as natural as the day that they were born. Amen! Why do I say that? I will give you an example.

Do you remember King Saul? You know how bad he was. We see him (in 1 Samuel 19) going with murder in his heart and trying to kill David, but when he meets the prophet Samuel the Spirit falls upon him and he starts prophesying. So then we see here that he did not prophesy because he was good. He did not prophesy because he was a good fellow (He was a “demon on wheels”), but he prophesied because the Spirit of God fell on him and he could not help himself.

Now, when Elijah the prophet died, it was not because he was sick. Did you ever hear of Elijah’s sickness? No. I never heard of it either, because he was not sick. God just said, “You are going to die.” He didn’t even say “die,” He just said, “You will be taken away today,” meaning to say, “No longer do you have to depend on the earth to suffice your physical needs. No longer will you need to eat fruits and vegetables.” Somebody said that you must eat up your veggies, and all that sort of thing. No! God said we have come to the stage where we are not going to be wanting any more of these things, for the rich pure oxygen of God’s holy power will be flowing through our veins, and our mortal bodies will be immortalized by the power of God! And it is very simple, for we have a dual-purpose body. Amen? A dual-purpose body. This body must live by energy. Amen!

I was reading the other day that they have found a cure for cancer, and that they had it long ago but they refused to use it. The cure is oxygen in the blood. If they can get oxygen in your blood (to bring the pH up in your blood) then you have no cancer because cancer cannot live in an alkaline environment. It must have an acid environment to live. So it was so simple, but if they had given it out, then all these millions and billions of dollars that the doctors are getting, they would not be getting it anymore because these things (to eat vegetables, and so on) are very cheap. Amen!

So then, the dual-purpose body that you have, it can have both the Holy Ghost inside of you or the Holy Ghost outside of you. But God has curtailed the outside operation. God does not do much of the outside operation

¹⁹ John 14:16-17

because the devil can do it also, and if God trains you up to listen to Him with your natural ear, then you're going to hear a lot of other things with your natural ears, and confusion will set in.

So this dual-purpose body, if the Spirit of God floods into you, certain things will happen to you that are unnatural. Amen? Did you know that you can fly? All those who know you can fly, let me see your hand? Do you really know that? If the Spirit of God gets into you enough, the Spirit of God will cancel out gravity. I am not telling you anything that I have not seen done. I have seen it happen. The Spirit of God will cancel out the gravity that is so powerful and so natural for us. But it is not just gravity that the Spirit of God cancels out. It cancels out sin in you. It cancels out bad propensities that you have inculcated through your whole life, that you have taken from your parents. He cancels out the seat of iniquity within you. Do you know there might be a stool within you where some demon spirit sits down and feels comfortable? Yes! A rocking chair, inside of your soul! The Spirit of God cancels it out, smashes the chair, and drives the devil out. But the devil feels comfortable with some of us. Not just with some of us, but with all of us sometimes.

If you allow the devil, he will be in you, and then he is going to start manifesting as "God." Now, many of us think that to manifest in the gifts of the Spirit exalts your position in God. But the gifts of the Spirit, it is God working in man. It is far above the spiritual stature of the believer. Amen. You remember that I told you already of the bad man King Saul, and how he prophesied and yet it did not add to his spiritual stature. Because the Spirit of God in you wants to do one work in you more than any other work. He wants to take the devil out of you. The Bible says that we are *"the temple of the living God"*²⁰ and that we are looking for *"a new heaven and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness."*²¹ This is what God is creating: a new heaven and a new earth.

You are the temple of God, and we have allowed the enemy to come into the temple and we have allowed him to do many things in us. I do not excuse any Christian for having a temper. So when you go around talking about your having a temper, you had better realize that you are confessing to having a demon that God does not want in you. You MUST get rid of the temper!

I cannot agree with any Christian that says, "I have lust." Amen? Oh yes, I know what lust is. I know that it can be a haunting thing that haunts you through your whole life. "Put fire upon him! Burn him! BURN HIM OUT!" Tell God, "Take this lust, or kill me!" Amen! I remember the time when I went to God and I said, "Kill me! I do not want to live one more inch. I do not want to live one day more." I stopped eating and I said, "I will not eat until You

²⁰ Ref. 2 Corinthians 6:16

²¹ Ref. 2 Peter 2:13

deliver me from lust.” Amen! I stopped eating, and God challenged me. Oh yes, He challenged me! The same day, I was hit with pneumonia, and God said, “All right, I am going to see if you really mean it.” But of course God knew that I meant it. So I said, “All right, God. This is a good chance. No food. No water. Pneumonia! Vomiting blood! Now is the time—take me home!”

He would come to me every morning and show me my progress up the hill. Yes! There is a little song, a Negro spiritual, that says,

“I am climbing up, up, climbing up to Zion

I am climbing up to Zion to see my Lord”

Amen! “...up, up...!” Every morning He came and He showed me where I was that morning. Hallelujah! The month of April came, and it went into May, and at that time I could not even move off the bed. My eyes could not even remain open. My eyes sank down into a hole. I looked like a ghost! But, who cares? I would rather look like a ghost and get rid of that demon than look good and have the demon with me. Amen! **MEN AND WOMEN OF GOD RISE UP AND REJECT SATAN FROM THE TEMPLE OF THE LIVING GOD!** Amen!

Sleeping church!

Amen! So then, you know the story (in 2 Kings 2) when this man Elijah went across the Jordan. He smote the river and the river parted. He went over on dry land. Hallelujah! He went to meet God. Elisha was there with him, and I will not tell the whole story now, but that day the chariot of God and the whirlwind took Elijah into heaven. The chariot of God took him into heaven alive. Where do you think it took him? Did he go to Jupiter? Or Mars? Or maybe a little farther on in the Milky Way? As carnal people, these are the things we would think. But heaven is not a place in the natural sky. Heaven is a spiritual realm. Heaven is a place on a high frequency of power that we cannot attain unto in our physical form. Do you understand? So then God has to divide heaven so that where the terrible power is, we don't go there. Yet the promise of God is that “in Christ” we shall be sitting at the “right hand” of God. Amen?

So the man Elijah went to heaven. That means that he went into a higher frequency than where we human beings are, and into the high frequency where God is; and that frequency is everywhere. You ask, “Where is heaven?” It is everywhere! Elijah went into that frequency and he began to learn the things that he never learned as a prophet. But that was “The dispensation of the prophets,” and guess what? That dispensation passed. It passed and then there came a great distress in the world because the prophets were all gone. No more prophecy! No more prophets! Then one man (John the Baptist) came, and he started baptizing in the river Jordan. It was a new dispensation. Now if you were good in the previous dispensation,

in this dispensation you would be just a child. Isn't that what Jesus said? He said that the smallest child in this dispensation would be greater than the greatest prophet.

*"For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he."*²²

Now I wonder if you are really with me and that you are understanding what I am saying? So that dispensation (the dispensation of Christ) passed and we have been in a different dispensation (the dispensation of the fullness). You cannot look back and begin to live like those in that dispensation over there in the past. You have to be up to mark with the dispensation in which we now live. Now let me read the changing of the dispensation for you. Matthew 25, and Verse 6,

"And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him."

We are talking about this dispensation and then another dispensation coming in. Now, "the dispensation of Christ," when we look at what happened there, we saw great miracles and wonderful things happening. I mean, people being saved, being born-again, being delivered, and so and so and so; and you have seen what has happened in these past 2000 years. But we have now gone into another dispensation ("the dispensation of the fullness") and the age of the church is finished.

Wake up now. Wake up now. God said in His Word that you should not have a "hierarchical church." That means having a one-man ruler in the congregation (a big Christian and little Christians). You should not have laity and clergy. You know the Word of God. Amen. You should not have laity and clergy. The idea is alien to the true doctrine of Christ.

*"But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren. And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ. But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant."*²³

*"But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you..."*²⁴

But the whole system of the church today was built upon having laity and clergy, and that it is the clergy that must minister to (rule over) the people. One man even came up with a message that he said he got from God, that

²² Luke 7:28

²³ Matthew 23:8-11

²⁴ Matthew 20:25-26

we now have what we call a “husband ministry,” so that the ministers began to look at the church as their “wife”; and they were ministering “themselves” unto the church. Because when a man ministers to his wife, she brings forth a child that looks like him. Amen! So therefore, in this same church, God smote them with adultery. Are you with me? God allowed them to be smitten with adultery. In one little congregation there were fifteen people swapping wives and husbands! So then, because of the falseness of their doctrine they went wrong. Once you get the Word of God wrong, your life gets wrong. So God smote them with adultery, and eventually He smote them with death. They had several plane crashes in that little group of people, and many deaths.

Now, the dispensation of the church age has therefore already come to an end. If you doubt it, Sunday morning go into one of the churches, the one that you think is the best church around here, and you let God teach you. You will see that what is going on there has no place in a church. But, you see, God told us beforehand in Matthew 24. Let us look at it again. Matthew 24, and Verses 15-16,

“When ye therefore shall see the ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains”

Now, what is this saying? It is saying here that the “holy place” church is going to be destroyed. Now, I am not talking here about the “outer court” church. I am not talking about the denominational people. I am talking about those who have fled from the denominations and have begun to walk in the principles of God and have begun to have the manifestations of the Holy Ghost within their midst and within their souls and their lives. This scripture says that this is the church that is going to get the antichrist standing up in the midst.

When ye therefore shall see the ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)...”

Do you know, when a Jew reads this he understands more of what it is saying than you do, because he knows that in their synagogue, that whenever you take the book, everybody knows that you are going to read and everybody submits his or her mind to you. And the Bible says that this thing or person will be standing in the holy place church, proclaiming itself as “God.”²⁵ Are you with me? Have you seen it? The *antichrist*, that is written of in Daniel 11 (“*the abomination that maketh desolate*”) is standing in the church now and giving orders!

²⁵ Ref. 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4

So Jesus said here, "When you see him get up and stand in the holy place, FLEE!" "Run! Leave! Leave it! Leave the holy place now, because the holy place has become Babylon." Let me explain it to you. If you turn your bible around to Revelation now and look at that 18th Chapter you will see there what I am talking about. What I am preaching to you is the exact word that I am getting from the Lord? Verse 2,

"And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird."

Is God talking about birds? He is talking about the spirits that occupy the church and the people. It brings it into confusion! It causes "Babylon." Amen! The spirits of devils working in the midst of the church! I have been working in this church area for many, many years and I have seen all the demons and the devils that work within the churches and govern the people. The pastor must have a certain amount of psychology. Do you hear me? **BABYLON** must have a psychologist as a minister, and when you go to Bible School one of the chief subjects that you must learn is psychology, where you learn how to manage the crowd. You learn how to manage the sister that is "giving trouble." We always have it as a joke. We say, "Kick her upstairs!" Do you know what that means? A sister who belonged to a church came and she began to fellowship with us, and she was so blessed that she had to take it back to her pastor to show him all the goodies that we were giving, and the books and all like that. Immediately in her church, she was promoted to choir leader (musical director) so that now she was so pressed for time that she had no more time to come to our meeting. She had no more time to come to our meeting and she just got "absorbed" back into the system. This is what we mean by, "Kick her upstairs!" If a minister is giving trouble, then you would transfer him, "Give him a bigger church!" "Send him off to Bird Mountain!" (a nondescript place) And there are other things like that, and there is all this psychology that they use in these churches.

But then, we also have psychology amongst us. We are using psychology on one another. One bishop used to say, "It is wisdom!". When he would trick you or do you something bad, he would say that it was the wisdom of God. So can you understand then what is happening, and why we have to watch our own temple? Because we too are tempted to go the way of the "*abomination of desolation*" that is in the middle of the church.

But then, why would God allow the holy place to be destroyed? It is because we have come to a new dispensation, and He wants you to move on! Now is the time for you to get into the holy of holies! **NO MORE FOOLING AROUND!**

But, guess what? To get into the holy of holies, you have to die. Amen. You have to die. Now I am not talking about physical death, because if you

die physically you won't earn any more stars or crowns. It is down here that the battle is being fought. We are the church that is fighting, and when we get the devil out of us we are the ones who will be the overcomers. And the heavens will declare the joy of God that we have overcome.

Now, let us look at the dispensation that brings us out of Babylon. Let us read about that. Turn to Ephesians 1:9, and we see here that it says this of God,

"Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself (Christ Jesus)"

What is the will of God for you and for each person here? It is that we become exactly like Jesus Christ Himself. Romans 8, and Verse 29 says,

"For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren."

Now you do not have to worry how the caterpillar is going to become a butterfly. The caterpillar doesn't worry. He just keeps eating. Right? You do not have to worry how you are going to become like Jesus, because God said that it is His will. It is God's will that you be like Jesus Christ!

Going back to Ephesians 1,

"Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: That in the dispensation of the fulfulness of times..."

The dispensation of the "fulfulness of times" is the seventh millennium. We are now in the seventh millennium. It is in this millennium that the *fullness* of Christ must come forth! Amen! I was just encouraging a sister here. I said, "Do not go off to college and go into some long four, five, or six, or seven years program at this time, because it will not have any use to you in the kingdom. Your college degree will not have any use in the kingdom. It will be child's play, and as far as the kingdom goes, it will be petty knowledge, and some of it spurious and wrong knowledge." Amen!

Now, I am not going against education, but at this particular time, it is not time. Young people, it is not time! If you need to find something so that you can earn a living for the time being, then go get something that is quick. Amen! I said, "Go get an eighteen month course, or get a short course that can help you to earn some money and know something and do something at this time. But don't you go into any long program, because, for instance, after a person takes seven years to go into medicine to become a doctor, it is going to take you another twenty years before you justify your seven years labor. You do not have the time!" We don't have that time! We are through! Time has come to an end. Amen! We are through! Brethren, it is the end.

Many do not believe. Yes! But God said that those who do not believe will be in the darkness and will suffer the penalties of *Babylon*. The penalties

and the suffering that *Babylon* is going through, you are going to go through it. Amen. Hallelujah! Amen!

“And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.”²⁶

So come now again with me here in Ephesians, because this here is the meat of what we have been talking about.

“Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times (in the dispensation of the seventh millennium) he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him”²⁷

Do you understand what this is saying? It is speaking of every person who is in the body of Christ (every person who is under the head, Christ). I am not talking about what people call “the body of Christ.” I am talking about what Christ called “the body of Christ.” Christ calls you “*the body of Christ*” when you obey the head of Christ. If you are under the Head (Jesus Christ), then you are in the body of Christ. And then I have no problem with you. For if you say that you have to go to Timbuktu, then I say, “Let me help you! I do not care. It is the Head that said it, so let’s go!” Amen! **THOSE WHO ARE IN CHRIST ARE ONE!**

Somebody said that Christ told them that they must divorce their husband. They say that Christ told them this. They cannot stand their husband, and they say that he is this and he is that, and he is the other. The woman, the man—they say this, that, and the other. Brethren, listen! If you are in Christ, you are going to do what Christ said and not what you hear from all those demon spirits that are talking to the church. Do you hear me? There are tons of demon spirits just crowded around the church people, talking to them—Telling them lies! We must be delivered from that! **DO NOT LISTEN TO DEMONS!**

Again I say it, Brethren. I say it again and again and again and again. In every tape, you can hear me say, “If you have never heard the devil, you have never heard God!” Do you hear me? If you never heard the devil, how will you know that it is God talking to you when He talks to you? You have heard me often tell the story of the time when the devil came to me early one morning at my prayer time and how he began to talk to me; and how I did not know and I accepted it as the voice of God. Then when God rebuked him and God came to me, I said, “God, why did You do this to me? Why did You let this happen?” Do you know what He said? He said, “Why did you sit

²⁶ Revelation 18:4

²⁷ Ephesians 1:9-10

down for a half an hour talking to the devil and you did not know that it was the devil?" Right? "Why is it that you could sit down for half an hour and talk to the devil, and not know that it was the devil?"

Can you tell me why? It was because there was something of the devil in me. Yes! Because when the voice of God speaks to you, it is the voice of God within you. It is Christ to Christ! Amen! When Adam failed there was nothing for God to relate to anymore, and for God to walk in the evenings with him and to talk with him. There was nothing in him for God to relate to. Adam had fallen into a different realm.

When the devil speaks to you, you feel disturbed. The reason that there is a disturbance in you is because the Holy Ghost is in you. So if the devil is talking to someone who has the Holy Ghost, somebody must feel pretty bad. There must be some trembling. Some distress. Some trouble within! Amen! Then you know it is the devil. Hallelujah!

So we see here in Ephesians that the Word says that "*in the dispensation of the fullness of times*" (in this time, in the seventh millennium) that God is gathering together everything that is in Christ. But, there is something else here at the end of this verse. Let me read it.

"That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him"

Those who are who are in Christ in *heaven*, and those who are in Christ on *earth*, will come together in one. And the cloud of witnesses will be a part of us, when we become a part of the cloud. We are no longer "crowd." We are into the "cloud."²⁸ We are part of the *cloud*! The *cloud* will be part of us! Like the water in the bottle and the bottle in the water.

I expect to see Peter, Paul, James and John in our congregation, in our midst, giving us a word. But then they say, "Oh! Cecil is a spiritist! He is a spiritist because he is now dealing with the dead." But my God is not a God of the dead. He is a God of the living! Amen! Hallelujah! And when He sends living spirits to me, I feel one with them. Hallelujah! And God is saying that at this time He is bringing a body into a realm that is HIGHER than the church order realm. Now, if you remain in the realm where you are.... If you continue to think "church." Amen? Somebody thinks "church," and when they do they think "elders," and they think "Brother Ces." They think "Brother Campbell" and "Brother Burt." CHURCH! You begin to put us into the realm and thinking that is "church," and having it as something engraved in your mind. BREAK IT! STOP THINKING "CHURCH"! Do not think "church" anymore! Think, "*body of Christ.*"

²⁸ Ref. Hebrews 12:1

I am a part of the body. You are an eye, and I ask you, "Brother Jim, what have you seen?" Amen. Because you are an "eye." The other one is a "hand," and I say to him, "Help me to heal my wound. Massage my wound; minister to my wound." Amen! "You are a hand! Help me, here?" And I am yet another ministry. Maybe some of you are just a "nose." But the nose was made to "smell," and you know, the great thing about God's business and what God is saying to us, is that a nose cannot "see." It can only "smell"; and a smell is not something that you can see. So if I am in the room and I discern, I call out to Mavis, "Something is burning!" How did I know? My nose tells me that something is burning in the kitchen. Don't you hear me? This is the body of Christ! You are different parts of the body of Christ, made in order to function, and you will not function if you do not submit to the Head. Amen.

Some noses have a cold, and they cannot smell. Amen! To smell, you must be healed of the cold. So sometimes the hand has to take some smelling salts (or whatever heals colds) to give it to you to heal the cold, so that the nose might smell. So then, for God's sake, for Christ's sake, let the body function, IN YOU! Amen! Amen. Praise God!

So then, the thing is coming together. But, guess what? We have to rise up into the cloud. The more you submit your mind to Jesus, the more you will go up into the cloud and you will begin to see the will of God for your life. Don't you understand? Hallelujah! Let us rise up, by thinking on the Word of God! "By the Word of the Lord, we are made overcomers."

I wish that I could tell you all that is in my heart, but I think that this is a good sample. There is a quickening, and the quickening lifts the frequency of your mind, and your mind lifts the frequency of your soul (your feelings, your desires, your will). The more you think on the things of the Lord, the more the frequency lifts, and all of a sudden you find yourself in a heavenly place where you are seeing things of heaven. Paul said that he saw (in the heavenlies) things that could not be uttered.²⁹ Don't you understand?

Let me close with this. When it comes to your healing, you need to learn. We all need to learn how to submit to the Spirit of God so that He might flow through us. For I cannot see the Spirit of God flowing through a sick body without healing that body. Amen? The moment you submit it to God, He is going to heal the body of the sickness. Praise God! ...Hallelujah! Thank you, Jesus.

²⁹ Ref. 2 Corinthians 12:4

THE DISPENSATION OF THE FULNESS

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God made the earth in six days and He rested on the seventh day. God does not need rest, so therefore it must be a revelation of God when He said that He rested on the *seventh day*.¹ Peter said (in 1 Peter 3:8),

“But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years (one millennium), and a thousand years as one day.”

The revelation here is that God took six natural days and He rested on one natural day. How do we know it is a natural twenty-four hour day and not a spiritual day of some thousand years in length? Because in Genesis, Chapter 1, the Bible said that for each day, that the sun rose and the sun set. So we know that it is a natural twenty-four hour day. Now God rested on the seventh day, and as I said, it is a revelation; and the revelation means that even as God did on the seventh day, that in the seventh millennium all that God set out to do from Adam on will be finished.

We are now in the seventh millennium, and I do not have the revelation as to how far into the seventh millennium we are, but I know that we are farther into the seventh millennium than the calendar says. Amen? But because the calendar said so, God has manifested many things to us to show us that it is a change of time that we are now in. And because we are in a change of time, then things must change with the church. God never uses time like this—where one time ends and then the other time just starts. Never! Never! He dovetails it, and then one time begins and pulls away from the other time that is coming to an end. So that in the flood, when the first dispensation should change, it was 365 years before the end of the 2000 years that the flood came. Did you know that? But because Noah was of the old dispensation, God did not fully change everything until Noah died; and Noah died in 2004. Amen? So then, the new dispensation went on to Jesus Christ. And here Jesus Christ comes, but you notice—He is making the time of change shorter and shorter. The first two thousand years, it was 365 years for the change. The second time, now with Jesus, it was only thirty years. Jesus came thirty years before we went into the new dimension, and the Bible says that Jesus came “under the law.”

“But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.”²

¹ Ref. Genesis 2:2

He lived under the law for thirty years, and one day He rose up and said, "This is the new dispensation." Of course, He did not speak those words. His mother got a word from the Lord, and there is a peculiar thing. I wondered here if God told Jesus' mother before He told Him. I am speaking of the time (in John, Chapter 2) when His mother came to Him and said, "The wine is finished." Remember now, He is just about to take up His ministry, and she came to Him and said, "The wine is finished." He said, "What have I to do with that? My hour has not yet come!" But when He said that to her, she turned away and went to the men with the water pots and said, "Whatever He tells you to do, do it." Don't you see? She knew something that He did not know. So then, that night the dispensation of the law had fully pulled away from the dispensation of grace, and Jesus Christ turned the water into wine. Hallelujah! Amen!

"For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ."³

Well, He went on, and that dispensation lasted for another 2000 years; and it is marvelous that we are at the end of that 2000 years. We lived to see it and we lived to be going into the new dispensation. There have been three dispensations, and now the fourth dispensation (the dispensation of the fulness of times) has come to us. And what kind of people are we supposed to be? If we are the people who have seen the change of God's order, what kind of people are we to be?

Let us go back a little bit and see what happened when "law" changed to "grace." What happened is that all the students of the Bible.... Remember, over time there were men whose lives were given totally, absolutely to the study of the Word. (In 1 Chronicles 12:32) God said that the tribe of Issachar was the tribe who knew "the times."

"And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do."

They could tell you what is going to happen this time and what is going to happen that time, because that was their part in the body of Christ at that time, for what it was. They had this dispensational revelation, and so they knew that Jesus Christ should come. So then, the word went around Jerusalem and around Israel (I am going back now to the time of change from law to grace) that a king is to be born. Listen, Brother, if you are down here in the law, you cannot interpret what is happening up higher in grace. So the things of God that we are dealing with, we cannot fully appreciate what is happening unless we are on that level of the Spirit where it is revealed to us. So then, you had the different levels there, and when the people heard and when the students heard that this king should be born, they

² Galatians 4:4-5

³ John 1:17

knew who the king was. They called Him "*Messiah*" ("Hamashiach" in the Hebrew). They knew Hamashiach should come about that time. So, they were looking for Messiah, but because they were so involved politically—we have some people even here who are involved politically. Right? Who listen to Rush Limbaugh. (You see, if I didn't listen to him, I wouldn't know his name.) Who listen to Rush Limbaugh, so that you are politically aware of what is happening. But these people, they were so politicized that they thought that He was a king coming to overthrow the Roman Government and to give them their freedom. But as far as God is concerned, that would be no freedom. You see? But they believed that the Roman Government would be overthrown by Messiah. So they saw Him as a political leader, and then some of them went back to thinking of the Machabees, and they felt that He was going to be like the Machabees, to come and fight and set them free.

So when Jesus finally took up His ministry, they thought He was an earthly king who had come to overthrow the Roman Empire. I do not know if you understand what it is? Israel is a peculiar set of people. I remember when Menachem Begin overthrew the Arabs. This man Begin, if you remember, was the man who was the head of Israel. I do not remember, but it was the seven-day war or something like that; and he began to walk through the streets of Jerusalem. And the people took up palms and they shouted, "Son of David!" "Son of David!" I mean, it was electrifying! And you can imagine what happened with Jesus, in John 12, when He came into the city. For, remember now, it was the time when they were expecting the priest to go through the ritual of carrying the palm branches into Jerusalem. It was a ritual, you know, that they did every year! But instead of the priest coming, here comes Jesus on a donkey! The people began the shout, "Son of David!" "Son of David!" The priests could not stop them. The people threw down their clothes for Him to walk on, and they were sure now that Messiah had come.

A good number of the population were sure that Messiah had now come, and many times they tried to take Him. They said, "Let us capture Him, and take Him away somewhere where we can have Him get His army together." There were some there training to follow Him, and so they sent one of their leaders to Jesus, to become one of His disciples. And this leader was secretly plotting to be the "Prime Minister" or whatever. So he was there plotting and planning, while his army was waiting in the shadows. Oh yes! They had trained men, ready to fight whenever Jesus gave the word.

They were disappointed. They were disappointed and they themselves decided that they should kill Him, because He was not the Messiah that they were looking for. But then, the reason that I am spending a little time on that part of the word is that we are at this time in the same position. Amen! It was a change then from "law" to "grace," but now we are changing from "grace" to "fulness" and it is difficult for the church to see it. It is difficult for the church to understand that the church must die! The church must die so that the glory

of God might come forth in a temple. In a people! Yes! For He will no longer dwell in temples made with hands. Yes! But He wants the temple of your “body,” and the temple of your “soul.” Hallelujah!

I will go back here to Ezekiel’s temple. He wants to come through the “eastern gate.”⁴ The eastern gate is your “mind.” He wants your mind relieved, to be freed from all the things of the world that you are taking up in your mind right now. He wants your mind! God wants your mind! Hallelujah!

So now let me show you the picture of the church, which God showed. Turn to Revelation, Chapter 12, and let us read from the very first verse.

“And there appeared a great wonder in heaven...”

It says, *“And there appeared a great wonder in heaven,”* but let us translate *“in heaven”* as *“in the kingdom of God,”* or *“in the body of Christ,”* which is where we are.

And it says that there was a *“great wonder”* there,

“...a woman clothed with the sun.”

What? Can you imagine a woman clothed with the sun? Where you see a woman standing here, and a beam of sunlight is coming down upon her and it covers her as a garment, so that her garment is *“light.”* Right? Are you seeing the picture? Her garment is *“light,”* and it says,

“...a woman clothed with the sun and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.”

What better picture would you want? I mean the thing is so plain, it cannot be plainer. Here we find three churches in one. First, there is the “moon” church. Now, you know that the moon does not have any light of its own, but the moon must get its light from the sun, and the sun here is *Christ*. But here the moon is in darkness! The moon is in darkness because the sunlight that should have been shining on the moon, it is shining on the woman. The woman here is standing on the moon, so that means that the moon has become her “footstool.” Amen? I could go as far as to say that she “rose up” out of the moon. Amen! The moon has served its purpose. Amen!

So then, whereas man has worshipped God on a low level, God began the worship on a very high level. Adam, after he sinned, fell to a lower level, and although he still communicated with God, it was on a lower level. When God walked with Adam He laid the foundation of worship. God began worship on a very high level. And when he fell to a lower level, God through Moses brought man to worship God with natural things, as a type of the spiritual things. Now this was because the natural man does not understand the spiritual things. So they had to use a lamb. They had to slay the lamb

⁴ Ref. Ezekiel 44:1-3

and they had to have blood. All this was designed as a “schoolmaster” to bring us to Christ.⁵ They had to slay the lamb, they had to have everything in order, and they had to have an altar. These physical things are how man started to learn how to worship God. Man carried out these rituals for a long time, but when Jesus came He told the woman at the well, “Neither in Mount Gerizim neither in Jerusalem shall men worship God anymore, but men shall now worship *God in spirit and in truth.*”⁶ So He was bringing in a new dimension of worship. True worship comes only from the Spirit. Amen! So then, our body does not initiate the true worship of God. That means, the Spirit of God comes into your body and then your body will manifest God. The manifestation is not the true worship; the worship is inside. What we are seeing the body do is the manifestation of your worship of God.

So then, the woman now is “clothed with the sun.” But that is not the end of it. Something more glorious is to come, for she is now pregnant!

“And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.”

She is now pregnant! What made her pregnant? The *sun!* Come on? You know, in the Greek mythology and in all these mythologies and things like that, it is the story of God’s dealings with man that these men took and formed it into mythology. Oh yes! Men took it and formed it into mythology. Because God had revealed Himself to Adam from the very beginning. The revelation of God came in the Garden of Eden. Hallelujah!

So then, the woman is now pregnant with the sun, and the “sun” is a “son.” The “s-u-n” brought forth a “s-o-n,” and the “s-o-n” is the thing that God wants! From the beginning, when God saw Adam fail, God was encouraged and said, “A man child will come forth.”⁷ Amen! Jesus came forth! The people said, “This is the man child!” Amen. But Jesus came forth in order to bring forth the man child!

So then, the “woman” must fade away! Amen? She must fade away, because there is a “son” coming. So we have three churches in one (moon, woman, man child). That is what God is showing us here. Three churches in one. So we are in the dispensation of the change from “grace” to “fulness.” From “Christ” to a “multiple Christ,” a many-membered body. Don’t you understand that this is the “fulness” of what God wants! Amen! But we are still in low ground. We are still in low ground. We have got to climb “...up into Zion... to see my Lord.” The song says,

“Climbing up, up, up into Zion. Climbing up to see my Lord”

You have to climb the hill of Zion to see the Lord, and God is saying to us here, “I am giving this to you. This is the present that I have for the people of

⁵ Ref. Galatians 3:24

⁶ Ref. John 4:6-24

⁷ Ref. Genesis 3:15

the end of time!" Amen! You are in the woman church, and there must be a travail! There must be a travail; and blood is going to flow. It is not that the blood "is going to flow," but it is that the blood "is flowing." The blood of the saints is flowing, and it is going to be flowing, and it is going to flow until we get to that point where no man can touch us. Do you remember that in Scripture? Let me show it to you, because you do not know that I am repeating words from the Bible. Turn again to Revelation, Chapter 11, and Verses 4 and 5,

"These (the two witnesses) are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed."

This is speaking of a people rising up, that no longer will be persecuted unto death. They will not be able to touch you. Hallelujah! The power and the glory of God around you will be like a "fire"! Amen! Yes! And God reminds you through His Word, with its many different types, because He sets a precedent in the Word. He is saying (in 2 Kings 6) that sometimes we're like Elijah's servant and we cannot see.

"And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do? And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha."

It is because we are in this low, low, low area. We cannot see the words of God, but He set it in the Bible for us, to let it happen before so that we could see it. Here is Elisha (in 2 Kings 6:8-23) and the king of Syria called his counselors together and he said, "Which one of you is the fifth columnist? You are leaking everything that I speak in my bedroom! It is leaked out to Israel and they know exactly where my armies will move from where I won't move. Which one of you is the fifth columnist (the mole)?" One wise man got up and said, "King, don't hurt any of these fellows. None of them is the fifth columnist. There is a man in Israel. His name is Elisha and everything you speak in your bedroom, he hears it."

Now, even if you do not know that much about God you would begin to respect Him here, wouldn't you? The king should say, "Well, boy! I can't manage a man like this. But instead he sent all his great army down to get Elisha. Let us read about what happened when they came upon Elisha. It is in 2 Kings 6, and beginning with Verse 18,

"And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the LORD, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha. And Elisha said unto them, This is

not the way, neither is this the city: follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom ye seek. But he led them to Samaria. And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that Elisha said, LORD, open the eyes of these men, that they may see. And the LORD opened their eyes, and they saw; and, behold, they were in the midst of Samaria... And he prepared great provision for them: and when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. So the bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel."

Elisha here is a type of "Christ in the church." When the king of Syria sent his army to get Elisha, Elisha struck them with blindness and he led them to the camp of the King of Israel. He fed them and sent them back home and the Scriptures says they never came back. But it was different in the case with the prophet Elijah. When the king of Israel (in 1 Kings 1) sent those fifty men out to kill the prophet Elijah, Elijah burnt them up! Elijah here is a type of "Christ." He brought down fire from heaven and he burnt the men who had come to arrest him. The men came in, and they surrounded Elijah and the captain of these men said, "Elijah, thou man of God, come down here! Come to me." Elijah knew their hearts. Do you know that that was what killed them? It was their own wicked hearts. Oh yes! Elijah said, "If I am a man of God, then let fire come down from heaven and burn you." Can you imagine what God's fire is like? "POOF!" They were burned to ashes!

When the king heard, he said, "Call out fifty more powerful men! Send them out there!" And they were there "rubbing their beads" (an ancient practice that Rome later put into their worship), and you know what I mean. Working all their little sorceries. Some anointed themselves with oil for spiritual protection, a common practice of the occult, and they said, "We are going up against a spirit now, so we are getting ourselves prepared." Wretched fellows! They went out there, and they said the same thing; and the same thing happened to them as happened to the preceding fifty men!

God is showing you that He is making us to be "stones of fire."⁸ Do you understand what that means—to be "stones of fire"? No one can touch you!

"And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days clothed in sackcloth... And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed"⁹

Remember now, we know how they have killed all the prophets, and all along, like in China, the millions of people and the brethren the communists have killed and put in prison, and what not. And the brethren have not gotten the revelation that if they kneel down and pray together, and say, "God, stop that persecutor," he will freeze in his path or he will die in his cause! Oh yes!

⁸ Ref. Ezekiel 28:14

⁹ Revelation 11:3,5

We were in Jamaica. We had a brother that used to be in the Communist Party. He used to be their “exterminator.” Bad man! He got saved. Amen. A good friend of mine. They sent men from Kingston to kill him. He is on the road, his tire punctured. He was there fixing his tire, and here comes a car. He asks them for a lift with his tire to go get it fixed. When he got into the car, the guy said to him, “Ah, who are you?” He told them who he was, and they said, “You are the man we are coming for!” So the guy opened his glove compartment and pulled out his gun. The other fellow in the back said, “Let us go and finish our job first, and when we are coming back, we will get him.” The brother said, “Well, okay. When you come back, I will be right here. This is where I live. I will be right here waiting for you.” What do you think happened? They never came back. The car turned over down the road and killed them all.

You do not realize half of the power that you have. God is saying that He is molding us and making a church into “stones of fire”! Like the archangels Gabriel and Michael (“stones of fire”) who stand on the *mountain of God*.¹⁰ Hallelujah! And no man can touch you! Unless it is God’s time for you to go home to glory, and then you would go home to glory anyhow! But, you believe that, don’t you? You believe that, so then why would you be afraid and run and hide? Do you see what I am saying? You need to believe that! “...stones of fire”!

We were looking at the story of Elijah in 2 Kings 1. It says there that a third group of men were sent out. What a stupid king! Now, put yourself in the place of that king. Would you send another group of men? He sent a third group of men, and it so happened that the man who led them feared God and when he got before Elijah he knelt down and said, “Save the life of your servant.” Amen. And the Lord said to Elijah, “Go with him.” And Elijah was not afraid. The fifty men trembled at his presence.

I am trying to tell you that God has put a certain principle in the Bible that we need to understand and we need to follow. Coming out of the “woman” church, we are entering into the “man child” church. The man child church is a man of POWER! It is a church of power! No man will be able to touch them (Until they want you to touch them).

So the church I showed you there in Revelation 12:1, the woman church, that is where we are. The church is pregnant with the man child church. The peculiar thing is that God has to give us an analogy in the natural so that we can understand the spiritual. But when the woman goes into the wedding chamber, with Christ, it is a man child church that comes out. The man child church means that Christ is the head and we are the body. We are totally under the direction of the Lord. God says, “Turn right,” and you turn right! No more making mistakes. No more saying, “God said...” when God didn’t say.

¹⁰ Ref. Ezekiel 28:14

No more thinking the thoughts that God didn't think. You know what I am saying. God is perfecting a church! Out of imperfect people He is making a perfect church! That is, if you follow everything that the Holy Ghost says, you will act perfectly although you are still imperfect in the natural.

Do you see what I am talking about? The woman (imperfect) is pregnant with the man child church (which is perfect). But they are all in one. They are all in one. Now the woman goes into the wedding chamber, and let us just say that her name is "Sarah Jane." She comes out "Sarah Jane Jesus Christ"! There is a name change! A nature change. Jesus Christ said, "I give you a new name, and no man can decipher that new name."¹¹ You are coming out as a new person. In other words, when Jesus becomes the full Head of the church, the church will move like a well-oiled machine. Hallelujah! Moving hand and foot according to the principles of God, without missing a beat.

Now, we are back to Revelation 11. I want to show you here the three churches again. He said, beginning in Verse 1,

"And there was given me a reed like unto a rod unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise (Go) and measure the temple of God (the church), and the altar, and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple (the outer court) leave out..."

He said, "Leave it out! Measure it not!" Why?

"...for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months (three and a half years)."

I believe that these things are going to take place on all three dimensions and at the same time. While Israel (Jerusalem) on the natural level is out there fighting, this Jerusalem (the church, this church system) is here fighting their own battle; and everything that happens to Israel is going to happen to the church. And, eventually they are going to destroy Jerusalem. You know that, don't you? Eventually they are going to destroy Jerusalem. But God will save His people!

Now He said here in the verse we just read that the holy place church will be the only thing left here, but when we go back into Revelation we'll see that there's a time when the holy place church will also be taken. The holy place church will be taken by the antichrist.

"When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains."¹²

The church that speaks in tongues and believes in the baptism of the Holy Ghost is going to be taken by the antichrist. Do you know why? It is

¹¹ Ref. Revelation 2:17

¹² Matthew 24:15-16

because when God gave you the baptism of the Holy Ghost, He gave it to you for one reason, that it should make you like Jesus Christ! Now if you stop God from working (and some of us do stop God from working in our temple) then we stop God from working in our temple to bring us to be like Jesus Christ; and destruction will ensue. Destruction will ensue. Amen!

You know, we really do not have a choice. Our choice is to walk in God and to follow Jesus Christ. So then, the work of God has brought us to where the church has begun to travail. The church is going into deeper and deeper travail, and when darkness comes down and when it comes to the point where it seems hopeless and there is no more hope, then the "man child" church will come forth! Amen!

And I believe that all of us here want to be part of that man child church. I am sure that we do. We want to be part of that man child church, therefore God is speaking to us tonight and He is saying, "If you want to be what God wants you to be..." Did you hear that? "If you want to be what God wants you to be," what do you do? Just stop doing! Just let loose! Just give yourself to God! It sounds so easy, doesn't it? But give yourself to God and God will make you what He wants you to be! Amen?

You have to cleanse your mind! The mind is the problem. The mind is the thing that will destroy the rest of the soul. The mind is the gateway of the soul. The mind is God's gateway into the soul. You must begin to train your mind to think upon the things of the Lord. It is so very simple. If you do not know what to think about, begin to think about the stories in the Bible. Just begin to think about the things of the Lord and God will begin to move through it. Do you know that while you are thinking about the things of the Lord, there is no space for the devil to come in? There is no space for him to come in. He cannot find a way in. Amen!

So then, we are indeed coming into the dispensation of the fulness. Actually, the dispensation of the fulness has already begun. Timewise, it has already begun. But we are very slow to wake up out of our sleep. Do you know, the Bible said, "...*they all slumbered and slept.*"¹³

I am going to give you some good advice, Brethren. Whenever you have conventions, get a timekeeper. Get somebody who keeps the time so that nobody will run over and run one meeting too long and distress the brethren. Because half of you are asleep! Yes! I do not think that you can help it—you are tired! Going for over an hour or two hours for the song service and so and so, you wear out all the little strength that you have to hear the Word of God. Do you know you have to be strong to listen to the Word of God? Amen! Especially when the word is a little bit heavy. You have to listen. But you cannot keep awake and so, Brethren, you are sleeping. But that won't

¹³ Ref. Matthew 25:5

stop me! Amen! You know, even in your sleep, you are going to hear the Word. Amen! Praise be to God!

So we are in the church dispensation and we are coming into the new dispensation of the fullness; and the problem is that you cannot carry the old dispensation with you. You cannot carry the “church order” with you! Now, let us get back to it. In “church order” we have “elders.” Remember now, I am not in the “outer court” here, so I am not talking about bishops and cardinals and all like that. That is outside there. Amen! That is way out! I am talking about in here now. We have “elders,” and most of the elders are actually “acting-pastors”; and we are acting-pastors because we do not understand the full meaning of eldership. “Eldership” means that the Spirit of God is working in you in a more matured fashion than He is working in the little sister over there. So then, you will have eyes to look over her head, and if you see a demon fooling around her you can say, “Get out of here!” You become protectors of the body of Christ, for Christ’s sake! So you are like the guards in the temple. Amen? You are like the guards in the temple (Ezekiel’s temple) that guard the bride. You know, if you remember the story about Vashti and of Esther, they had Esther in there for twelve months treating her with “myrrh” and other things preparing her for the wedding.¹⁴ There were guards around, and anybody who tried to get into that place would be a dead duck! They would just kill you. Amen! They did not fool around in those days, you see. Treating the bride with myrrh speaks of the bitter travail of those who are called to be the bride of Christ. We are now at this stage of preparation before the appearing of Christ.

So you find that Jesus is saying to a people, “If you want to be part of this man child company, you must begin to drop off the Babylonish ways, the worldliness.” He described it as FLEEING out of Babylon: “Come out of her!”¹⁵ “Run for your life!” But some people do not know how to come out of Babylon, and they leave the church and they believe that “Because I left the church, I am out of Babylon!” Well, let me tell you something, Babylon is IN you! That is where Babylon is; and “Babylon” means a MIXTURE of the things of God with the things of the world, or the devil, or of self. It is the same thing! “World... Devil... Self—it is the same! That is what Babylon is. So if you have a mixture in you (in your thinking), where you feel that certain things must be done certain ways or else you just cannot be “spiritually correct,” then God says, “Get that thing out of your mind!” Begin to concentrate upon God and upon His Word, and God will bring it to pass that one day you will be loosed and freed from the “Babylon” that is within you! Amen!

I know some churches. You go in there and you MUST pray first, and some of them say that you have to pray for half an hour at least or that you

¹⁴ Ref. Esther 2:12

¹⁵ Ref. Revelation 18:4

have to pray for such and such a period of time. Others say, "Well, we don't believe in that, but we MUST start the service with a song service." Right? "We must start with a song service. It would be a crime, Brother, if you didn't start with a song service." (Laughter) Amen. Hallelujah!

I went to a church once, and you had to "jump" to get the glory, and, "Nobody jumps until the leader starts jumping." Did any of you know that church? It was somewhere down in Indiana. Amen. Well, he comes in and he starts jumping like a Zulu; and as he starts jumping, jumping! You would see all the men, everybody, just jumping straight up! Oh God! Amen!

That is worse than Jewish rituals! That is worse than Catholic rituals! We must realize that when we left the Catholic Church there is a spirit that came with us and that many of us still have a vestige of the Catholic spirit in us. Oh yes! That thing is the most awful thing that has ever happened to the church! Catholicism! Amen! Because the time was when they would KILL you if you did not pay homage to the pope. Amen? If you did not do certain things, you would be killed; and right now I am not so sure if you wouldn't be killed if you went up and said anything about the pope. Would any of you like to try it? Do you follow me?

So then, the Moslems come along, and they begin their ritual and they must pray, what is it? Five times a day! They must pray five times a day and they have to go down on their knees. Well, I do not know if many of them do not feel like me, for if I went down there I would not be able to get back up! I do not know how they do it, but I see them go down on their knees, and they all get back up; and they have to go down on their knees again. Brethren, "darkness" has covered the land, and "gross darkness the people," and God says that at that time He will arise upon His people as a "light."

*"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee."*¹⁶

So you see, the "light" is coming. It looks so far away now, to see a Moslem man bending down on his knees and getting back up, and saying that he is worshipping God. But the manifestation of that is that he says that His God said he must kill all the Christians and Jews! They say that the "Allah" of Islam is the same God as the God of the Christians, but is the God of the Christians going to tell him to kill Christians? Something is wrong! I do not know, but I thought that at least intellect and the ability to reason in human beings would help some of them from being so ignorant, but it doesn't. Can anybody tell me what is wrong, and why an intelligent person (a Doctor or whatever he is) still feels that he has to bend down and pray five times a day or else God would not hear him?

¹⁶ Isaiah 60:1-2

Brethren, let us leave the darkness behind us and let us come to the throne of God, with grace in our hearts KNOWING that God is going to make us what we ought to be! We cannot do it, you know. We cannot do it for ourselves! GOD is the one who is going to make us what we ought to be. And what we ought to be is like Jesus Christ, Himself. Amen! And the more you go towards that goal, the more separation you will find with your own people. People that you love. People that you fellowship with. You will find a separation coming between you and them. You love them, you do not hate them, but there is a distance between you because you are climbing up the hill of Zion. Amen.

I am saying, Brethren, that within a few years we will get to the point of NO turning back. This country has a war thrust upon it. We did not want it. America has been backing off from this war for years and years and years. When did the terrorists bomb our embassy in Nairobi? Brother, do you remember what year that was? 1998? All right. In 1998 we were in Kenya, and we saw the devastation and the wreckage that they brought upon the American embassy. And can you imagine? Twelve Americans were killed and America did nothing about it! The American government sent an old lazy rocket over into Afghanistan to get Ben Laden, and before the rocket got there somebody told Ben Laden to leave. So the rocket didn't get him. But that is all that they did and then they stopped. Then these people, they went and they bombed the ship, the USS Cole. They killed seventeen American sailors, and again America did nothing about it. So you can see that America was backing off from the war. That is, until they came in and wrecked the Towers, killing thousands. I do not believe they really know how many people were killed, because some were incinerated and they have not found any parts of them and they do not know where they are. But the point of what I am saying is that the war was thrust upon America, and when America begins to move now, is there anybody here who can tell me where it is going to end? I know where it is going to end, but I do not know if I should keep it as a secret or I should tell you. Do you want me to tell you where the war is going to end? It will end when Jesus comes! When Jesus, "*the prince of peace*"¹⁷ comes! That is the only end we are going to have. Let me show it to you in the Scriptures.

I was talking to God one day, and I said to God, "You know, Lord, man cannot destroy Your earth." But He said, "Yes! They could!" I said, "Lord, where is it in the Bible?" He told me to turn to Matthew 24, and to look at that twenty-second verse.

"And except those days should be shortened, there should NO flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened."

¹⁷ Ref. Isaiah 9:6

So what is going to stop the war? Come on, students? Don't you see it? He said, "...but for the *elect's* sake" the "days *WILL* be shortened." It means that it is only a matter of time. If you give them enough time, they are going to destroy the earth! To poison the atmosphere so that we cannot get any air to breathe—what a calamity that would be! Poison the atmosphere! God said here that it could happen, but because of the "*elect*" He is not going to let it happen.

Now, how close are we to that? Let me show you how close we are. For years and years, Ben Laden has been trying to get atomic bombs; and it is believed that he has gotten some bombs. But only one bomb is a calling card for destruction. So if he sets off one bomb, he is finished because once it is started being used, they are going to be used. But now, we came up to a point where the nations like Russia and the United States and the smaller nations that have had the atomic bomb—they were all holding on to it. They do not dare use it because they know if they use it, it is the end of them. You see? So it has caused a standoff.

But guess what? Here comes a people without a country. If Ben Laden bombed us with the atomic bomb, where would you bomb him back? They ran out of targets in Afghanistan, and Afghanistan was bombed because it didn't have the right sense. If they had just backed off from Ben Laden, they couldn't have bombed their country. Do you see what I am saying?

So now, Ben Laden has no country; and here is another stupid man named Hussein; and if he is stupid enough, he will let the United States start a fight with him. Because, once they start, he is finished. Amen! But, you see, how long is that condition going to continue?

Let me show you a little thing here. According to the Catholic Church doctrine, they are destined to rule the world. Are you with me? The Catholic Church doctrine is that they are going to rule the world. But according to the Koran, it is the Moslems who are going to rule the world. One Moslem man was preaching in London, and he said, "Right here! We will be in charge of London right here sometime soon in the time to come!" They believe that they are going to rule the world. They believe that they are going to rule Jerusalem. They believe they are going to take the whole world and that we will all be Moslem. That is two peoples now that believe they are going to rule the world. But then, what now? The Chinese believe that because they have so many soldiers (two hundred million men under arms) that they will be able to rule the world one day. So the Chinese also believe that they are going to rule the world! Right? Then there is the "*beast*"¹⁸ that is rising up in Europe, and they are sure that it is they who are going to rule the world. Do you follow me?

¹⁸ Ref. Revelation 13:1

So what is going to happen? God said, "...*BUT for the elect's sake.*" That means that He is going to let something happen to stop the war; and I asked Him what it is. I asked Him, I said, "God, what are You going to do? Tell me the secret?" Well, it is no secret now if I know it, because I talk out all the secrets, except a few. And He answered and said that He will bring forth "the elect."

*"And I will give power unto my TWO WITNESSES, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days clothed in sackcloth... And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will."*¹⁹

Now we see here that when the "elect" come forth they will speak the Word. The power of the spoken Word will come from them and it will do ANYTHING that they want to be done? STOP atom bombs! STOP war! SUBDUE men! SUBDUE kingdoms! Don't you understand? That is where God is training us to be. But some do not believe. And if you do not believe, He will still do it, but you will not be in it. Do you follow me? God can use just one person... two people. He knows His army, and He is going to use them.

I believe that it will happen within this decade, in my estimation. I have estimated wrong before. I have been wrong before. But I have never been wrong with the Word of God. For I know that God told me that there will be a great atomic war in the year 2008. By 2008, all these little countries will have their atom bombs and they will probably have China (who wants to rule the world) behind them. Amen! And they will be willing to risk it.

I want to remind you of the vision that Brother Gruver had. I want to remind you of the visions that I had pertaining to the United States of America. I want to remind you that we are coming closer up to the time. I did not know that the war was going to start so early. You notice how slowly it starts off, but guess what? It is picking up speed! Yes! The Spirit of God came to me and said, "Two hundred days after 'mascas,' there will be blood and fire on the face of the earth"; and we have finally calculated out what this word "mascas" means. Strangely enough, we found the word mascas on the computer, and it means an organization that the Government has to study atomic weaponry; and all the nations join together who have this atomic thing, and they call it "MASCAS." But He said that it would be "two hundred days after mascas," and I think that mascas was the day, September 11, 2001. For it was two hundred days to the dot (actually the first hour of the 200th day) that there was an explosion in Israel and I saw the blood and I saw the

¹⁹ Revelation 11:3,5-6

fire; and I know in my heart that that was the beginning of some sorrow, because that blood is going to continue to flow.

I also want to remind you again of the vision of Joel. He said,

*“And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh...”*²⁰

I want you to notice, it says here that He is going to pour out His Spirit upon all flesh; and He said,

“...and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

He said that your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your old men shall dream dreams and your young men will see visions. Well, this old man is seeing both visions and dreams. Amen! So I must be old and young at the same time. Amen!

And He said (in Verse 30),

“And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.”

“...blood and fire and pillars of smoke...” What kind of thing is that? Now you cannot have blood unless you have somebody dying. Right? But *“...blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.”* When Pentecost came, there were the *“tongues of fire”*²¹ on the heads of the brethren. And those tongues of fire were the fire of God that God had promised to send. Every time a temple was dedicated, fire came down. So at Pentecost, fire came down and Peter said, *“This is what Joel was saying!”*²² But do you know what happened? The fulfillment of the prophecy only went as far as the “fire.” For there was no blood and there were no pillars of smoke in Pentecost! Are you there? So then, “blood” and “pillars of smoke” is yet to come! Because the thing is being fulfilled on different levels and the fulness of that word has yet to come! Hallelujah!

“Pillars of smoke” means atomic bombs, where there is blasting smoke and this massive pillar. You know, that is what shocked me when I saw the first blast of the atomic bomb—this massive pillar of smoke and debris going up into the heavens. Hallelujah!

So then, Brethren, go home and tell God that you want to hear from Him. It is a church that has ears, you know. You understand? You want to hear from Him about what you can do, that you will be part of this man child company, or what you must not do because you want to be a part of this man child company. All the sufferings that you go through, God is only trying to

²⁰ Joel 2:28a

²¹ Ref. Acts 2:3

²² Ref. Acts 2:14-17

make you pure and holy! Hallelujah! He said, "I must have my church without spot, without blemish, without wrinkle or any such thing."²³ Hallelujah!
...God bless you, Brethren.

²³ Ref. Ephesians 5:17

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

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We apologize for being so late this morning, trying to pack and everything. We have still not had perfect control over our physical energy, so when you pray for us pray for our energy. I am one of those people who do not believe in old age. I do not believe that because I am 80 years of age, my blood shouldn't flow through my veins like Peter's. You know what I mean. I cannot see through it. I believe like *Caleb*, who said, "I am this day 85 years of age and my natural force is not abated, and I am ready to go and to take the land that God has given me."¹ I do not believe in feebleness. Praise God! I believe then that God keeps us according to our belief and according to our faith, and I do believe that I will die healthy, when I do die. Thank You, Jesus! Hallelujah!

Another point I want to touch you with is that I discovered a secret, that when you come into the house of God, or at home, or in the car, or daily walking around doing your business, if you keep the valve open for God to flow in, that the flowing of the Spirit heals the natural body. I was in Jamaica. I had a pain in my arm. I could not lift my hand above my head, and the brother began to preach and he said, "I want you all to lift up your hands." And he said, "If your hand is even paining you, lift it!" And I lifted my hands! I believe that the energy that went into my arm, that it came from the living Word that he gave, that I accepted. And it is so simple, and yet so profound that we do not... I do not know if we do not believe it or whatever, but we do not pay much attention to it, that the flowing of the energy of God in this place, that it not only heals the soul, but it heals the body! Amen. Because healing cannot come to the body unless it comes through the soul.

Praise God! We would like to take you into a spiritual realm a little above the normal. You must have heard that I have a name to be a sorcerer, right? Well, the reason is that from when I was a child I have had spiritual confrontations. As a child I discovered that you do not have to be in God to command the spirits to get away from you. I am saying this and I do not know why, but I know for one thing that God gave man a mandate. God gave us a mandate and that mandate was that Adam should rule everything that moves in this realm. We lost it to Satan, but any day you get up and lay hold of it, it is yours! Amen. I want you to understand that.

I am going to tell you a story, but let us turn to the Bible, first of all. Let us go to Ephesians 6. I just want you to be with me. You know, some people do

¹ Ref. Joshua 14:10-11

not have much tolerance for spiritual things. They cannot concentrate very much upon spiritual things, so whenever you find yourself slipping away, just say, "Hallelujah!" and we will pray with you. So if anybody feels yourself slipping away to think of other things, you just cry out, "Hallelujah!" and everybody will pray for you.

We come to Chapter 6 of Ephesians, and when we think of the apostle Paul, he must have been way, way, way ahead of the church and of the other apostles, and of anybody you know. Paul himself received these things from the Lord, but he could not have personally experienced everything he wrote about. If you watch his life as a Pharisee, and then when he came into God... he spent 14 years in the desert just fasting and praying and receiving from God. So these things he received from God, I doubt that he understood everything that he was saying, and he could not understand as we understand now. Do you know why? Because the revelation of Jesus Christ is progressive, and He progressed from the foundation of the apostles and prophets. He gave them the foundation and He progressed unto us; and today we have an authority that Paul did not have. I wonder if I can explain it to you? The authority that we have now is to kill the devil. We have the power now, because it is the end of time and God said that at the end of time He would bring forth a people who would be overcomers. Now, that word "overcomers," you had better watch it well, because sometimes it doesn't mean what we think it means. In other words, it is almost "limitless." Amen? We overcome one thing, and immediately we are faced with another. And the moment you overcome that, you qualify to overcome something else.

So some people get tired. Every day—battle, battle, battle! I love the battle! I love the battle, because it gives you an incentive. I do not know if it is because I used to love to fight so much as a young person. It is crazy, you know. I was a person who used to really love fighting, so that if you fight and you do not get hit, you would not be too much interested in that fighter. You wanted to fight somebody who would hit you hard. (Some say that it is masochism.) (Laughter) Anyhow, praise be to God!

We are supposed to be overcomers, and first of all, the first overcoming is in here, inside ourselves. If you do not overcome the man in you, you are not going to be an overcomer of anything else. I do not know if you understand. Last night we talked about the sexual urge and the things, the burdens, that God put upon us as natural men. It said that Elijah was a man, a natural man, as we are. Paul said, "I am natural, like any one of you. I could lead around a wife."² He had to tell them that, for some of the people were looking up to him as if he was not natural. But the natural man, you have to overcome the natural man!

² Ref. 1 Corinthians 9:5

How do you learn to overcome the natural man? I can only tell you how God taught me. As a young fellow, I received the Lord. When I say “young,” I mean in my 20’s. The Lord taught me to fast and pray. He taught me to have food to eat, and not eat. To be hungry! To love what I am looking at and smelling, and yet not eat. I think the worst thing for a hungry man is a smell. Oh, it just kills you! Amen! The hunger you have when you are hungry and you smell fresh food (especially things that you like)—it is like a kind of madness that takes you! God wants you to be able to have food and not eat it. Yes!

Some of the brothers feel that, “Boy, I need a wife! I need a wife so badly. Oh, you know, I need a wife!” Let me tell you something. The person who hasn’t got a wife has less problem of temptation than those who have a wife, for you have to lie down every night with a wife in the bed and you have to be spiritual. You have to control yourselves, and you have to put your desires and your wants away. So, therefore, you have to learn first by FASTING: To have food and not eat it—HUNGRY! To have water and not drink it—THIRSTY! Yes! I have gone through such thirst that my throat began to split and bleed. My lips bleed because I am thirsty, and there is water and I will not drink it because I am fasting a fast of THIRST!

Now, I am not telling you to do it. I am not telling you to do it. Your God must tell you what to do. As Doug shared with us here this morning, he said, “This is not my body. This is not my property.” His body is the temple of the living God. So if God tells you, “Do not drink water,” then you do not drink water. You see, when Jesus was in the wilderness for forty days, nobody can convince me that He carried a bottle of water with Him. Amen.

That was thirst; and thirst can become a kind of madness. When you are thirsty, you have hallucinations; but then that is where I was trained. Amen! I was trained at the point where we did not have breakfast, or lunch, or dinner, but we had to go to take the Word of God and we had to preach. Amen! And the children were hungry and they learned not to even say, “I am hungry.” They just played until they fell asleep. We learned how to control the body.

When we came into Miami with \$12 in our pocket, ready to do a missionary journey, we did not know anybody, any organization, or anything in America. Nothing! If we had gone to the Salvation Army, that would be a defeat of the faith that we had in God. So we stood and waited until God sent a raven.³ Oh, yes! But, you know, “Get away from me, you dirty raven! I do not want your bread!” Do you think that is what Elijah would have said? Well, a drunken woman came and fell on the shoulder of my wife (with all the liquor coming out of her breath) and hugged her and said, “Let’s go to Fort Lauderdale.” From a drunken woman, we heard the voice of God. “Get away from me, you drunkard!” No! But we heard the voice of God speaking

³ 1 Kings 17:1-6

through a drunken woman, and there our missionary journey started. We did not need a cent. Oh, praise God!

Ephesians 6, and Verse 12,

“FOR WE WRESTLE NOT AGAINST FLESH AND BLOOD, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.”

It is a deception when you believe that that man is against you. Look well, and you will see who is really against you. It is a spirit that is motivating the man, and the man is maybe one percent of what you are seeing. You see, most of the people that you see around you, I call them “artificial people.” You see a man coming along, strutting, swaggering—you do not really know what is in his mind. Maybe he is putting on that to deceive you, to make you see a bold, brave man when there is but a little whimpering kid inside. You see?

So we wrestle not against “*FLESH AND BLOOD.*” Take your eyes off the things that you can see. The Bible says Jesus did not go by the seeing of the eyes or by the hearing of His ears.⁴ He was looking at the real thing. Those of you here who believe that somebody is against you, it is the first error that you are making towards that person. You should go to that person and do everything possible to win the person. Humble yourself to win the person, because you know that though that person might kill you, but he is not against you. Your real enemy is the spirit that has the person in bondage, and he is his enemy and he is your enemy. We do not have human enemies! I mean, that sounds very peculiar compared to what is happening around now. You know, men are going around trying to kill, and these are men who are just murderers. They are not our enemies. The spirits that drive them are our enemies. And guess why God let them loose on you? Why would God let loose a spirit on you? It is because He has given you the power to CONTROL them!

Oh, yes! I was walking in Miami one day, and I walked into a wrong area, and somebody didn't like it. He brought out his dog, a Doberman Pinscher. He commanded the dog to attack me. The dog came bounding towards me. I looked at him and said, “I REBUKE you in the name of Jesus!” The dog pulled back, and that man was so shocked! He opened his eyes wide and looked. It was not the dog that was hit but it was the spirit that they had put in the dog to attack you!

So you must realize that we are living in a spiritual realm! Our realm here is the lowest. The one we are on, it is the lowest frequency. There is another frequency up here a little higher, where some other spirits are. Above them there are other spirits higher, and there are other spirits even higher above them! Amen!

⁴ Ref. Isaiah 11:3

So if you walk with the Lord, you will overcome in the area that God has given you. If you get out of your area you are in trouble, for you are going to meet spirits that are stronger. Now, I am jumping the gun here, but let us go on.

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities...”

All right. *“...but against principalities...”* Principalities. Now, what is a prince? Can you conjure up in your mind what a prince is? Yes, it is one who is supposed to inherit a kingdom or a throne. All right. Now, when God said here that there are principalities, it means that these spirits that fell (or deliberately threw themselves down from heaven⁵), that they were promised a kingdom. Did you hear me? They were promised by Satan a kingdom, but the problem with that promise is that it is the same kingdom that is promised to Jesus Christ. So Jesus says to us, “YOU are My kingdom,” and He says, “I will make you a kingdom of priests.”⁶ Now, what happened? Satan went out and he took it. He took it, because you remember now, you and I were out there in the kingdom of the enemy and we were all filled with devils. So Satan thought that he had won. But you see, time is only a little speck in the long thing that we call eternity. That is eternity here at the beginning, and then a time comes and it is an interruption in eternity; and then the eternity continues. So all Satan has is a little window of time in which to rule in a kingdom. So these princes feel that you belong to them. Yes! It was in Freeport that the devil came personally to Burt and told him, “These people are not yours. They are mine!” That same thing happened to us up in a place called Mona, wherein the devil came into the meeting and said, “I have my people here, also.” And when he said that, a little girl, 12 years of age, jumped up and said, “SATAN, TAKE YOUR PEOPLE AND GO!” It was the absolute Word of God! When she said that, three women jumped up and they sailed through the door, never to return.

You see, I want you to understand that Satan is going around claiming you as his kingdom, and so he has offered you to certain spirits that he calls “Princes.” So these spirits expect to inherit you, to have you. You know, it is like how you have a herd of cows, and you breed them and you feed them, and you kill them and you eat them, and you drink their milk and you keep them multiplying. That is the way Satan is looking at the people of the world. He sees them as his kingdom. So he offered it to his princes, and these princes are generally angels who have fallen from the second realm of heaven.

I do not know if you understand what I am talking about now. Here we are, there is the *heaven of heavens*, where God (Father, Son, and Holy Ghost) is. Then there is another realm under it where you have the angels

⁵ Ref. Jude 1:6

⁶ Refs. Exodus 19:6, Revelation 1:6

Michael, Gabriel, and Heylel. These are their names as given in the Bible, and you notice they all end in “el.” The “el” part of their names, in the Hebrew language, is “God.” You see? So the name Gabriel means “Messenger of God,” and Michael means “Like God.” They are the high spirits. (Note: *Heylel* is the name in the Hebrew of the angel spoken of in Isaiah 14:12 who fell and became Satan. The KJV translators called him by the name *Lucifer*, which is the name of the Morning Star god that was worshipped by the Saturnalians.) God never gives us any other names of angels in the Bible and any other names of angels that you have heard of, they are devil angels.

Now, these spirits have magnificent powers. I believe that it is from the third realm that they have gotten some of these princes, but these angels (*Michael, Gabriel*) are stronger, higher, and more powerful than the ordinary angels, and when the ordinary angels cannot get certain things done, they appeal to this higher realm. Do you remember the time (in Daniel 10) when Gabriel went with the message and he could not get through because he was facing another angel of the same magnitude as himself? He could not pass through with the message to the people of God because the people of God were serving the devil. Gabriel called back to heaven, and God sent Michael, and when Michael came, Michael showed the blood (forgiveness of sins). Forgiveness of sins! He said, “These people that you say are yours, WE COVER THEM WITH THE BLOOD OF JESUS!” The devil had to back off and the message went through to Daniel. Now, I want you therefore to understand where we are and what I am trying to show you today. It is something very profound that God has given me to give you. I hope you have the energy to accept it.

So if you look at your Bibles you will see the word “*principality*.”⁷ This word, it is two words that they put together: “princi,” which means “prince,” and “pality,” which means “kingdom.” So, the people who fight with a prince are his “pality” and the spirits that go along with him are his “pality.” So when a prince comes to you, he comes and behind him he has strength. He has his whole “pality” behind him! A rulership!

So then these princes are going to come against you, the church. And in this hour many princes are fighting against us. You can look at some churches and you see that they are taken over completely by a prince that rules them. Certain things rule in their midst. Amen! And you look at another church and you see another prince ruling. Amen! Some churches are ruled by a “*carnal*”⁸ spirit, and the carnal spirit just takes everybody. Once you become a member of that church, you come under the influence. Why? It is because when a person ministers to you, he ministers to you himself. He ministers to you what is of himself. The Spirit of God coming

⁷ Refs. Romans 8:38, Ephesians 6:12

⁸ Ref. 1 Corinthians 3:3

through him is like water pouring through a pipe that has some dye in it, and the water comes out colored with the dye. This is one of the reasons you should not give your children to the world to teach them, because every time your children go to a carnal teacher, the child receives not only mathematics, but also carnality. Whatever belongs to the person, whatever is wrong with the person, the child receives it. I have known homosexual teachers that have taught children, and the children come out to be homosexuals without the teacher telling them to be homosexuals—because it is a spirit! We are ministering on a different plane from the natural. Jesus said,

“...the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are LIFE” (John 6:63).

Some words that people speak, they are spirit and they are DEATH! I do not know if someone has ever spoken a word to you that strikes you so hard that it brings sadness, pain, or anger to you. Now you have to be able to resist that! Somebody should be able to tell you the worst thing in the world and it does not hit inside because you have a guard up in the spirit. Amen! If you knew why the person was coming against you, then you would say, “Oh, I know what it is! It is a spirit! I can see the spirit.” Look in his eyes while he is speaking, and you will see the spirit. Yes! Sometimes he tries to disguise it and cover up, but you look and you will see the spirit coming through him, at you!

That spirit wants to hurt you. Right? And you get hurt, and you say, “Oh boy, I will NEVER do that again! I will have nothing more to do with this fellow!” Guess what? That is what the spirit ministered to you! Amen! You are doing just what that spirit wants you to do.

Somebody comes and says, “Well, you are a dog!” You know that you are not a dog, therefore you should turn it back and say, “God, have mercy upon him. He called me a dog. That means he is speaking from another spirit.” Right? Yes!

Once I was in a service and a sister got up, and said, “Stand, Brother duCille!” I stood up there, and she said, “This man is living in adultery!” And I said, “Praise God! I am clean!” Amen! The idea is, I did not have it against the sister. I love her dearly. But another spirit had taken hold of her and God allowed her to come against me because God knew I could help her. And the moment I rebuked the spirit, she got a deliverance. But I did not get up and say, “Oh, you are a liar, you so and so!” That is stupid! That is exactly what the spirit wants you to do! The sister is not the liar. She is just weak and has been taken over by another spirit; and all you have to do is to quietly come against the spirit and save the person out of this principality.

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers...”

Now, we are against these princes and their palities, and these “powers.” Now this word “powers” here is “*exousias*” in the Greek, and it means “authorities.” That means that there are some spirits that get an authority to do so and so to you, and to do so and so to you. I do not know if any of you have had a spirit sent to you, sent directly against you, to do something to you. Amen. And when that spirit comes to you and you discern the spirit and reject it and turn back the spirit, it turns back to the one who sent him and does to him the same thing he was sent to do to you. Amen. We are talking about a spirit that comes at you directly directed. It says here “powers” (*exousias*; spirits with authority). Do you know that spirits are like dogs that will follow the scent of a person? Oh, yes. They will take your clothes and take it to a spirit. Just like the police who will take somebody’s clothes and take it to the dog and let him smell it, and the dog begins to follow that scent and follows it until he finds the person. (I am telling you tales out of school. Right?) But, therefore, ninety-five percent of the things that people do, it is spirit motivated. It is probably more like ninety-nine percent, but I will give you the benefit of the doubt. It is not the people!

Very often, the people, if they were left alone they would be pretty nice and they would love you. But there are spirits that are forcing people to do things! Amen! You marry a wife, and you know that when you married her she was such a sweet person. She made a covenant with you. You made a covenant with her. Your heart is with her. Her heart is with you. And one day she gets up and she slashes you with a word. It is not her! Immediately you should rise up in wisdom and begin to work against that spirit that has dared to come into your house and touch your wife. Amen! You see, it is because you are blind that you are believing that “This woman that I married, that God gave to me—she is coming against me!” It is because you are BLIND! If you were in the Spirit, if you were awake and ALIVE, you would realize that something has come upon her! Yes! Something has come upon her and she could not overcome it. Something stronger than her! And IMMEDIATELY you would say, “How dare you, Satan, to come in here and take charge of my wife! How dare you come in here and cause her to say so and so, or to do so and so! This woman is of the Lord! This woman has been given to me of God! This woman is an anointed son of God! I WILL NOT ACCEPT IT!” Amen! Hallelujah! “DO NOT ACCEPT IT!” Go against the devil! Enter into warfare for your household, because the Bible says that if a strong man keeps his house, it takes a stronger man to come into his house and to break up his house.⁹

Many years ago there was a meeting of witches and wizards, and whatever they are. They came to a conclusion that they must begin to come against the households of all the ministers. And I have seen the deterioration in the household of ministers from that day until this; and the ministry does

⁹ Ref. Luke 11:21-22

not understand. Many of them divorce and remarry, and divorce, and they have not realized that it has been a devil that is coming against their households. We are talking about the “*exousias*,” the spiritual “authorities.”

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers (“exousias”), against the rulers of the darkness of this world...”

The Greek word that Paul used here that means “the rulers of this world,” is “*kosmokratoras*.” “*kosmos*” is “world,” and “*krateo*” is “to rule.” “World rulers.” It says,

“...against the rulers of the darkness of this world...”

Now, we have some rulers of “darkness.” I do not know if you have met any of them. I have met some of them, and this particular man (this sorcerer) that I was telling you about, who just spoke the word and turned the car over; this man was very powerful. When people had their problems with other people, they would go to him and they would pay him to kill them or to do whatever is to be done. He was very boastful, and you would come to him and he would say, “You know, (so and so) did so and so to you. Do you want me to kill him?” There was a case where we had a little church up there and there was a man there who had his pimento. Now, pimento is a spice, a very strong spice. It is the thing that you call “allspice.” It is little grains like black pepper, and it is very valuable. A sack of pimento would value quite a lot of money because it is a rare spice. So he had his pimento, and it was dried and ready for market; and then it disappeared. So he ran down to this man to tell him, and the man said, “Do not tell me anything.” He said, “Be quiet.” He said, “Your name is (so and so). You are here because you lost your bag of pimento. You want to know who took it. It is your son who took it.” He said, “Do you want me to hurt him?” The man said, “No, do not hurt him! Just let me get it back.” He said, “Well, he has already used up part of it, but you can get what is left; about two thirds of it is still left.” He said, “All right.” The man pushed his hand in his pocket and said, “How much do I owe you?” He said, “No, do not pay me.” He said, “You go home now and look at the back of your house on the wall, and you will see your bag of pimento. Now when you go there, you take it and take it to the shop and sell it; and when you sell it, I want you to put £8 (8 pounds) on your table for me and I will take it.” It was in the days that they used pounds, British pounds.

Now we are talking about “powers.” The next thing that happened, the man came up to the church where he lived. He found his bag of pimento on the wall. Can any of you think of how that bag of pimento got on the wall? Can you think of it? His son stole it, yet it was there on the wall! Amen. Spirit work! He just sent his spirit and commanded the man (the son), “Either put it there, or you are dead!” The man put it on the wall, or it was the spirits themselves that took it and put it on the wall. Now, I am telling you of things,

that you do not understand what is going on around you! These powers are exercising powers around you!

Now, afterwards he took the pimento, he sold it, and he told us all (we were there) what was happening. He put the money on his table and he went to bed, and when he got up the money was gone. If he did not put that money there, he would be a goner. Yes!

These are the spirits that are working in our midst. Now this particular sorcerer, the spirits that he worked with, they had never been conquered, they had never been stopped. He did anything to anybody that he wanted. He was so boastful that he would come to the man's funeral and say, "Well, I killed him, but I am sorry. I didn't know he was such a good man," and things like that.

Well, one night I was in service. We were by the roadside preaching. I mean, the house was by the roadside, and the door was wide open and I was there preaching. A car drove up outside. Two men came out with a thing in their hands, like a sack. When they came in, they deposited it right before me while I was preaching. It was a sister! But she was tied up with rope from head to toe. So I said to the men, "Loose her." The men looked at me, and took off. So I bent down, pulled the rope, wound it around, took it off and threw it to the ground. I said, "In the name of Jesus, Sister, be healed!" And the sister, just like she woke up, looked around the congregation and said, "Thank you, Brother duCille," and she picked up her rope and went back home.

Many things like that happened. Five mad people, and the same kind of thing happened to each of them. Each person had a different set of circumstances. So one day the Lord said to me, "Go down to the stable." I left my office and I said, "I am taking a break." I walked down to the stable and I saw this man, and the man looked at me and he said, "HA! I SEE! I SEE!" and he started walking backwards. Anytime you see a person walking backwards, he is of the devil. If you dream that you see somebody walking backwards, he is a servant of the devil. They run backwards, they walk backwards. Now, I do not really know why they do that. But he started walking backwards, walking backwards, and he was there confessing what the Lord had done. He said, "I SEE, I SEE," and he said, "Everything that I put, you pull." I realized then, that in my working for God, I was pulling demons, driving back demons to him; and I didn't know. I was just rebuking the spirits that bound the people and I was setting them free.

So you have the power! Remember now,

*"All POWER is given unto me (you) in heaven and on earth."*¹⁰

¹⁰ Matthew 28:18

Amen! Why are we suffering like this? Why do we have our houses being broken up? Why are we being smashed to pieces? Amen! It is because God is ALLOWING it! Now why would my God allow that? God has given you a weapon, and if you do not use it, you are going to die.

I remember *David* moaning for *Abner*.¹¹ He said, "Abner, Oh Abner is a fool!" Amen. He said, "He died with his weapon in his sheath. He allowed the man to take him and kiss him, and plunge his sword into him and kill him when he had his sword in his sheath." David would have been pleased if he had died fighting instead. And this is the situation with the church!

Brethren! The Psalm that Brother Helgi read there for us this morning,

*"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."*¹²

"...shall!" Amen! There is NO excuse for failure! NO excuse! The first thing that happens to you, when something begins to happen to your life, the devil starts telling you, "Oh, it is natural. It is natural." IT IS NOT NATURAL! Sister, it is not natural for your husband to be taken away from you. It is not natural. Do not believe anything else but that God gave you that man! Do not believe that it is God's will for him to be away from his children. You have to believe the truth! Hallelujah! Begin to command it! You have a blood covenant with him! Yes! You have a blood covenant with him, and many times we do not exercise our blood covenant because we are afraid that God might kill him. Isn't that true? Yes! Many times we are afraid that he might die if God goes to arrest him, but that man is part of your blood and your body and you must command God to release him! But you see, because he might be held by a prince, it is necessary for you to rise up to the place where the power of the prince is, before you can overcome him. Amen

The church could do it. Now, what do I mean by that? I mean that God has given us power. I remember my brother, Frank. I have talked about this several times. He was a wild, wild, fun loving fellow! Oh, he would be just going, just going! When I would see the man, it would just grieve my soul. Amen! Do you know what I said? I put my life on the line and I said to God, "If that boy does not come to Jesus Christ, kill me! My life is not worth living if Your Word is not true to me! Kill me!" Amen!

Now, you cannot fool with God. You cannot say that if you do not mean it, and you cannot mean it unless you have the spiritual energy. Are you with me? There is one level of energy down here, and there is another level up here. If a prince up here holds your family, you have to get up there also, to knock him out. YOU CANNOT STAY DOWN HERE AND WIN UP THERE!

¹¹ Ref. 2 Samuel 3:33

¹² Psalm 91:1

Don't you understand? The frequency on which he operates is up there, and the powers that bind your person or your family are on a higher level. If you stay down here, the spirit does not even hear you. You rebuke him, and he does not even hear you. Amen!

I was in India, and I do not know, I provoked the angel of death. I did not willfully do it but I just started to study about the Hindu god Kali, and I went into a store with all these images and things. I said to the man, "I want to know something about this spirit called Kali." He looked at me. I said, "Yes, do you have any literature here, or anything?" He said, "Well, this is all I have," and he gave me a book and I paid him for it. And man alive! The man was a worshipper of Kali! Without knowing it, I had gone directly to this priest of Kali and had told him that I am against Kali. When I went home, the thing came in. It came in and attacked me. And I grappled with him and started to speak, "IN THE NAME OF JESUS! I COMMAND YOU TO LOOSE YOUR HOLD!" But it was ineffective. The spirit of God came to me and whispered in my right ear, and said, "The blood." And that is a different ball game! That is a higher level! You cannot talk to him with just the words that might be powerful to some spirits. YOU HAVE TO GET UP THERE WITH HIM!

Brethren, I say it every time I preach to you. Get yourself trained in commanding the blood of Jesus Christ. If you are not trained, then when you are in battle you will not be able to remember it. Somehow or the other, the power of the spirit that is before you prevents you from reaching out to the blood. That is, unless you are already in the blood, unless you are already moving with the blood!

You know, one time as a young man, God was teaching me the Gospel. I did not go to Bible school. I went to God school! And as He was teaching me the Gospel, one of the things He me taught was the crucifixion. He said, "Come with Me, and let Me show you the crucifixion." Have you ever taken your Bible and gone through the whole crucifixion and imagined what all happened there? He took me through the crucifixion and every step of the way I felt the pain, the suffering. I saw them dragging Jesus along. I saw Him with his hands tied and a man spit right in His face. And He carried me to the cross, and I saw the blood!

And do you know what happened, Brethren? In India, when the devil, this prince of devils, attacked me, I began to see the blood again! Yes! My mind went back to the blood of Jesus Christ, and when you do that you are LIFTED! Immediately you are lifted into another realm! Yes! I said, "SMITE HIM, Lord!" The blood smote him right in the middle of his head and he crumbled to the floor!

OH GOD, HELP US TO UNDERSTAND! HELP US, LORD, TO UNDERSTAND!

"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against... against the rulers of the DARKNESS of this world."

“the DARKNESS....” Do you know what darkness is? It is opposite to light; but the darkness cannot overcome the light.¹³ Light overcomes darkness! I want you to understand that. So any time the darkness comes upon you, **TURN ON THE LIGHT! TURN ON THE LIGHT!** Have you ever had a dream where you go to turn on the light, and the light won't come on? You turn on the bulb, and nothing happens? God wants you to begin to practice to turn on the light! Hallelujah!

Brother Mike, God is speaking to you. He is saying, “Turn on the light.” Amen. In other words, this is your eastern gate, your mind. This is the gate through which God comes. So many other things are crowding up in the gate, preventing God from coming through. Amen! Just begin to repeat the Word of God. Yes! “I am the Lord thy God, that brought thee out of the land of Egypt and out of the house of bondage.” Say, “I will have no other God beside You. You are my God. You are my savior.” “Deliver me now from this darkness that is coming down upon my soul!” Amen! Amen!

Begin to talk aloud! Begin to read the Bible. Sometimes your mind is so befuddled that you cannot remember words to say. Get the Bible! Read it!

Psalm 91, and Verses 5-8,

“Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.”

HALLELUJAH! WE NEED TO WALK IN THE POWER THAT WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN!

Dirty devils come to you. They say, “You are no good. You cursed yesterday, you have sinned since this morning. You are no good!” When he told me that, I said to him, “Look at YOU. Look at YOU! Who are you to tell me that I am no good? You were in heaven. You saw all the glory of God, and you left heaven to go to HELL! WHO ARE YOU TO TELL ME I AM NO GOOD?” Hallelujah!

Jesus said,

“He that the Son sets free is free indeed!”¹⁴

He said,

“Why call ye that which I have cleansed, common and unclean?”¹⁵

And God said,

¹³ Ref. John 1:5

¹⁴ Ref. John 8:36

¹⁵ Ref. Acts 15:10

“...And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.”¹⁶

He said that those who walk in Jesus, those who walk under the canopy of Jesus Christ, those who are part of the *body of Christ* because you obey Christ—You have no sin! Amen!

Remember now, even if you have just killed seven men, “I HAVE NO SIN BECAUSE JESUS HAS FORGIVEN ME! I have asked Him to forgive me, and He said that if any man sins, he has an advocate with the Father, even Jesus Christ the righteous.” “I ask You, Father, forgive me of my sins now!” “Now, Mr. Devil, you have nothing against me, for my sins are forgiven and they are under the blood of Jesus Christ.”

So we need weapon against weapon! Firepower against firepower! It is amazing, you know. In Iraq, when Hussein heard that the American army was coming, he moved his mighty brigades to meet them. Most of them never saw what hit them. The American army destroyed them from twenty miles away before they even got to them. They were being destroyed from twenty miles away! Some of them never got a chance to fire a shot. Amen! God is talking about “powers!” He has given us *power* over the power of the enemy.

“...against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.”

“...spiritual wickedness in high places.” What does that mean? That means that there is a wickedness that is higher than you. Amen! It is higher than you. You have to rise up to combat that wickedness, because it is higher than you are. God is speaking to a people that He has ordained to be overcomers, but æ I have said before, you cannot overcome unless you overcome here (in yourself). You have to overcome in your dining room. Some of us can not overcome there. We keep stuffing our mouths, and we lose the battle from before we start fighting. You have the temple of the living God and you are going to have to learn to put the temple of the living God in order!

Stop eating so much! Oh, yes! Listen, when I am talking about eating, I am talking about “appetite.” If you cannot control your natural appetite to eat, you won’t control yourself sexually, or any other way. Men have to learn to control themselves. Amen! If you have a wife, Paul said (in 1 Corinthians 7:29),

“But this I say, brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none”

“BE AS IF YOU HAD NONE!”

¹⁶ 1 John 2:1

I am walking along the street (I am speaking on a different level now) looking at the people, and you see in their minds, written across their minds, "SEX." They are walking and they are looking at you to make sure that you see them. The whole world is taken up by this! Why? It is because it is the best thing that the devil has going for him. He has caught many men of God on that score. Amen!

Do you know that after a while the Communists found out that if they tempted their captives they would get more out of them. They were going through all these kinds of things to put them into torture and all that sort of thing, to get the men to deny God? They found out that all they had to do was to get a naked woman and put her in the cell with them; and the only ones who survived were the overcomers. If they had not already learned to overcome, at that time it would be too late. Amen!

We then must begin to address these areas. We must begin to come face to face with this battle that is before us. If we do not, we cannot win! We cannot win! There are many losers in our midst and the losers are going to lose until they receive the power of God in the various chambers of their souls to give them the victory. Amen!

So concerning the powers that be, "...*spiritual wickedness in high places*," he said here, "Now, if you want to win, you must take unto yourself the *WHOLE armor of God*." What does that mean? It means that if you take only one piece of armor, you are still vulnerable in the other places. You put on the helmet and so your head is protected, but the rest of your body is exposed. You put on the breastplate of righteousness, but you also have to have your feet shod or else the enemy can just destroy you by making you to be not able to walk. So you have to put on the whole armor.

Let us look at what Paul here in Ephesians 6 states as the being the armor. Verse 14,

"Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth"

Come on, now. You CANNOT stand if you do not have the *truth* girding your loins. It is a simple thing! God has put a ministry in the earth, "*And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers.*"¹⁷ None of us will stand unless we believe in the body of Christ. Do you hear me? Amen.

My father died with diabetes. His sister, my aunt—they died with diabetes. Sister Ann, his next sister, died with diabetes. The third sister died with diabetes. Right? However, there was no diabetes on my mother's side. Okay. My brother came to me and said, "Ces, we are in trouble. We have to get to the doctor. We have to make sure that we get this diabetes thing under our feet." I said, "I rebuke the thought in the name of Jesus."

¹⁷ Ephesians 4:7

He was very unhappy. He thought I was rebuking him, but I wasn't really rebuking him. I was rebuking the spirit of diabetes that was coming at us. Well, he went to the doctor and tested, and sure enough, he had diabetes. He began to get treatment, insulin, and all that sort of thing. But I kept on my merry way. Now, remember, I am two years older than he was. So, one day Brother George called me and said, "I had a dream about you." He said, "I dreamt that you were sitting at the table eating, and you were eating and you had to go down into the basement to fight with a demon that was down there." He said, "And this demon was coming and you were preparing for this demon, but you were eating as if it was part of the preparation to fight this demon." And he said, "And lo and behold, we heard, "Boom, Boom, Boom!" The demon was coming up. He was coming up. And when the demon came forward, it was your brother."

I said, "Oh! It is nothing but the diabetes! That is what it is!" So I took heed and ran off to the doctor and got tested. Sure enough, I had a blood sugar level of 350. Amen! Hallelujah! So I went home. The doctor said, "Oh, you have to get injections." I said, "Not me, sir. I am going to deal with it in the way that God showed me." So I started eating better. I stopped taking sugar. Not eating the chocolates and anything, you know. When I went to Europe, I always came home with a lot of chocolate. Now I was not eating any sweets and so the blood sugar level went right down. And I keep watching it.

Now, what is that? Why am I telling you that? I am telling you that if I had not believed that Brother George had the gift, that particular gift of prophecy, to have dreams and visions—because the prophetic gift is in different ways, you know. Dreams and visions are one part of it. You remember Joseph in the Bible? He was a dreamer. So, George is a dreamer, and I took it! And "BAM!" I got deliverance! It is because I believe in the *body of Christ*. God said, "For this cause, some of you are weak and sickly and some sleep, because you do not discern the body of the Lord."¹⁸ Amen!

The world churches teach the rapture. The doctrine of the rapture started in 1830 with the man Irving in London, England. Actually he was in Scotland, but afterwards he moved his headquarters to London. Now, this doctrine was then taken by this theologian, Darby. These were not men of great spiritual repute. Amen. (That is a nice way of saying that I do not believe in what they did.) Then there was a man named Scofield, and Scofield took it and the Scofield Bible became so prevalent and so widespread that everybody wanted to have a Scofield Bible. I remember that as a young Christian I had to have a Scofield Bible. But when you look at the Scofield Bible, it is misleading. It is not the Gospel of Jesus Christ at all! Amen! But then, all

¹⁸ Ref. 1 Corinthians 11:29-30

the churches took from that and began to preach the “rapture.” They put it in the Bible schools. You had to believe the rapture! When I went to join the Church of God, I had to believe the rapture before I could be ordained in the Church of God; and you can see how important it is.

I was speaking to a man on the phone and he said, “What do you believe, Brother?” I said, “I believe the Word of God.” He said, “Do you believe in the rapture?” I said, “No.” He said, “Oh, I won’t even talk to you.” “Bam!” He dropped the phone.

So the church began to follow a wrong apostolic leading. Remember, God sends apostles to the church to be that bar in the tabernacle,¹⁹ that thirty cubits long bar to hold the church together, to hold them in line. Amen? God will reveal to certain people truths for their time. Amen? He called Martin Luther. He revealed certain truths to Martin Luther for his time. The Anabaptists came up with certain truths. Then the Methodists came up with the sanctification truth. That is all that they had, nothing more; and instead of going on they rejected every further move of God! They rejected the other moves. So then the very thing that God had put in the church to lead you and to guide you, you end up rejecting it. And so the thing that comes forward today is that none of these brethren are hearing from God. They teach the “rapture,” the teaching that we are going to fly off the earth and leave the earth and God is going to burn up the whole earth. No man who preaches the rapture is preaching the truth! He has not heard from God!

Now, the truth is, when I heard this first, I went to God. I said, “Now, God, tell me. I will not preach it until You tell me!” For if God does not tell me, how will I know which is true? So then I went into the Word of God, and I found out that “rapture” is not in the Word of God at all. I found that the all passages that they taught us to preach on the rapture, that it was not of God at all. Like in Matthew 24, in Verse 37 and coming down, he said,

“But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.”

It says that as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be in the time of the end. Listen now, what happened in the days of Noah? WHO was taken away? All the sinners were taken away out of the earth, and the Christians were left. The rapturists turn it upside down!

¹⁹ Ref. Exodus 26:28

So when my brother went and learned all this and came in with his doctorate, with Greek and Hebrew, I was very happy because I could talk to him now. So we spent a whole night. I said, "Now, Frank, "...two in the field, one is *taken* and the other *left*." Who was taken and who was left?"

He said, "Oh, sure! The Christians were taken up on top of the flood, and the sinners were left."

I said, "Okay. Let us read the Bible. The scripture said that '*the one shall be taken, and the other left*,' and the Greek word for '*taken*' here is "*paralambano*." The meaning of this word says that those here who were "*taken*," that they were not raptured but that they were "grabbed and arrested." So I showed him that, and, well, eventually he came to it.

But what am I talking about? The apostolic leading was wrong. The apostolic teaching that is showing the way to the people of God was wrong, leading them astray! So now they reject anything that is from God!

Then we have the prophetic ministry. We do not respect them. We do not respect them. Amen! If somebody prophetically comes and tells me something, if my wife tells me something, I say, "Now, where did you get it? Is it you or from the Lord?" She says, "Well, it just comes to me." I say, "Well, that is good enough for me." Amen! Because the prophetic ministry is not only speaking through the prophets, but it is speaking through the hearts of all the brethren, because the spirit of prophecy is the Spirit of Christ!²⁰ And when the prophetic ministry speaks—when he speaks, I have already had it in here inside. The Christ in me says, "Aha!" I am afraid! I am afraid to do anything against what is said by a prophetic ministry!

So Brother Campbell called me a few days ago and said to me, "I have a dream and I would like to tell you the dream." I noticed last night that he kind of cut out that little part. He still does not want you to be mad with him. But I wish, Brother Campbell, that you would not care, to be honest with you. I wish that you would not care who is mad with you from who is not mad with you. If God says so, and you feel it right to say it, say it! It is only when you have some little secret thing sometimes that must be told just to the individual; but what happened here the night before you came here, is that we were singing a song and it hit Charley and the very things that you told me you saw in the vision, in the dream, Charley came up here and confessed them. And Charley's father came up here and confirmed it. God told Brother Campbell that Charley would be up here. You told me some nights before that Charley was going to be the first one. Hallelujah! My God!

We have to begin to believe God now.

"And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists...."

²⁰ Ref. Revelation 19:10

Amen! Brother David is going out as an evangelist and I notice that when he goes, God makes it a point to give him some substance wherever he goes. Amen! I am not talking about people, whatever faults we have, but I am talking about “God in us.” I am talking about “*Christ in you, the hope of glory.*”²¹ Christ moving in you, and Christ moving in you! I have no business with your faults! God will take care of them! Amen! MOVE AS GOD WOULD HAVE YOU TO MOVE, AND STOP SUBMITTING TO THE SPIRITS OF UNBELIEF! Hallelujah! Amen.

Brother Rodriguez says surely it was Brother David that got in touch with him, and so and so and so, and we have seen many things like that. Amen! Instead of sitting back on your haunches and criticizing everything that everybody does, get up and do something! Amen! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Shepherds! We lack *shepherds*. Oh, we lack *shepherds*! There is nobody here who loves the people, who will lay down their lives for them, who will go and seek them out in the darkness, and who are looking after them. I think that the poverty of this specific group is the lack of shepherd ministry. Does anyone care? Amen! Do we really care? There is such and such a one and we have not seen him for a while; he has not come back to service. We do not know what is wrong with him, and then a little news might come around that he is out there eating dirt—and nobody goes after him! Nobody goes after him! How many of us have gone after Joe? How many of us have gone after him, physically? How many of us have gone after Rebekka? We cannot allow them to stay there! We will not allow them to stay there! Somebody should say, “Lord God, kill me unless Joe comes back,” or “Lord God, kill me unless Rebekka comes back.”

But you know what? If you just say it of yourself, you are a goner. You are going to die. That is, if you say it of yourself. You need to have the spiritual energy that comes from God, that gives you the real compassion for that person. Compassion that rises to a level that you put your own heart and life on the line! Amen! Do you understand?

Not one should die in our midst. Many are walking in the ways of death and hell. Amen! There is Joshua. Amen! Walking in the ways of hell. There is his wife, Jennifer. Have you ever reached out to them? Say, “Lord God, reach to Jennifer today.” Amen. “Just reach out to her, Lord, and bring her back.”

We pray, because these things are being done by spirits. Amen! They are being done by spirits, and the spirits are even going as far as dressing up the people like spirits. Have you ever looked at the costumes that the children wear at Halloween? These are the spirits that are reigning and ruling in the world around us, the powers of the world (the “*cosmokratoras*”) that are binding us, binding the church, and stopping the church from going. God

²¹ Ref. Colossians 1:27

Almighty is speaking a word to get the church loose. **THE CHURCH MUST MOVE OUT NOW AND BREAK THE POWER OF THE DEVIL IN OUR LIVES! Amen!**

If you find yourself cursing, you know that it is something that is wrong. As Charley said the other night, he found himself cursing, having profanity in his mind. He said that he would not talk it out and nobody would hear, but that he has it in his mind. Amen! That shows that there is a demon ministering death to his mind. And it is not Charley alone. He was only the mouthpiece to talk it out, of that which goes through the minds of some of the brethren. Hallelujah! Amen!

“For we wrestle not... Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth...”

If you do not have the *truth*, if your belt is not properly girded, then you have left a space for Satan to administer DEATH to you. Do you understand? You have left a space! The truth **MUST** be there! Question everything that you hear, and question it and question it and question it until it becomes LIFE to you! The clean animal chews his cud. **CHEW YOUR CUD!** All the things that I say to you today, I want you to go chew them, chew them, chew them. Eat them again, until you BELIEVE them! And if it is a lie, spit it out! Yes! If it is a lie, you spit it out.

We have realms of warfare. There are two basic areas that are our undoing. We are fighting spirits from without (that is, the spirits that the devil will send against us) and then we are fighting spirits from within (that which has been planted in us from our bloodline). As a duCille, or for you as a member of your family, you have a long line of wicked spirits that claim they are part of your being. There was a host of demons in your soul, and when you came to God, you first of all gave some of them a blow and they pulled away from you; and then they came back and they began to work on you. I remember what happened when I got saved. When I got saved, my sister got saved afterwards. In other words, she was the more vulnerable one. She got saved. After she got saved, her daughters got saved; and the family began to get saved. I said to God, “Why? Why did these people, who never knew about salvation, get saved after I got saved?” God said, “Well, the demons that had possessed you, they were hit and destroyed when you accepted Jesus and turned to God. And so, those demons cannot go to your family anymore.” Because, you know, some of them I put them in the abyss. Everyone that bothered me, I would put them in the abyss. Now, I did not see them going down, but I believed it; and I believed it when I saw the effect upon my family and how that the demons did not have the power over my family as they used to.

Moses was told of God to tell the priests to put on his right shoulder an onyx stone. And upon the onyx stone he would write six of the names of the six tribes of Israel on his right shoulder, and on his left shoulder he would

write the other six names of the six tribes of Israel.²² When he came and knelt before God, God accepted him as the priest of Israel, as all Israel. So when he said, "Lord, forgive the sins of Your people and my sins also," then the incense would go up and God would accept him, so that the sins of all Israel would be forgiven. But now, what do you think you are? What do you think you are before God? You are the priest of your family. I do not care how many dresses you wear or how many pants you wear. I am not talking about masculinity or femininity. I am talking about a divine principle, that when you kneel before God, in spirit and in truth, your **WHOLE** family is before God! Hallelujah!

You see, these are the terms of the blood covenant. I do not know if you understand. You had better study about blood covenant. If I have a blood covenant with you, and you are in blood covenant with that man, then that man has a blood covenant with me also! Do you understand? So the blood covenant that we have among us by the blood of Jesus Christ, it extends to your family and to everybody with whom you have a blood covenant. We have the same blood covenant! **THIS IS THE POWER OF THE CHURCH!** **WE NEED TO EXERCISE THIS POWER!** Do you understand?

In the third area of the machinations of hell, the workings of hell, there are the spirits of men who are in hell. Now, I ask you a question, "What is hell?" Have you ever thought of what hell is? Where is it? Where is hell? Let me tell you. Hell is a state of existence. Do you hear me? Hell is a state of existence that spirits live in, who are completely alienated from God.

Now when a man dies, his *body* goes to the grave. You know that? His *spirit* goes back to God.²³ You know that? But where does his *soul* go? Either to heaven to be with the Lord Jesus, or to hell. Now hell, therefore, is the spirits *Walking to and fro* through the earth, seeking rest and finding none.²⁴ Didn't Jesus say that? "*Walking to and fro* through the earth *seeking rest and finding none.*" So if your grandfather was against God and died a sinner, where is he? He is walking up and down through the earth, seeking rest and finding none!

Do you think he would walk back into your house sometimes? Do you think he would sometimes try to put his influence upon you sometimes? Do you think that hell would not use him to bring death and consternation to you?

Now, this is where they have said that I am a sorcerer. Amen! But I can tell you authoritatively that I not only see it in my Bible but I have met these spirits, and I have talked to them, and I have driven them back! Amen! Hallelujah!

²² Ref. Exodus 28:9-12

²³ Ref. Ecclesiastes 12:7

²⁴ Refs. Job 2:1, Luke 11:24

I never forgot, I was a little boy, and my grandfather, he was sitting at his desk working one night. And he heard a sound like someone dragging his feet (like “Clump, clump, clump, clump!”) coming up to his door. The thing comes up to the door and he knocks, “Bam! Bam! Bam!”

Now, I have asked God why spirits knock three times, and I have never found out. But every demon that I have known, every devil that I have met, when he comes and knocks, he knocks three times.

He knocked three times at his door. Now, listen, I am not telling you fairy tales! I am telling you something that happened. My grandfather threw the door open, and here stands a boy that had died a few days before. My grandfather got mad, “WHO SENT YOU HERE?” “It’s, Oh... Uh... It’s my papa. Papa sent me.” He said, “GO BACK TO YOUR PAPA!” (And he drew back) “GET BACK TO YOUR PAPA!” Right back he went.

Is that a fable? That is hell!

When you preach hell, remember to preach to the sinners and tell them, “This is where you are going to go! You will be walking to and fro through the earth, seeking rest and finding none! You will go to the bars to get a drink, and you will keep on putting the glass to your head and you won’t get any release. You will want water, and you won’t be able to drink it. You will have no body, so you will want to seek a body. You will want somebody else’s body to get into.” Amen!

This is hell! PREACH IT! That is hell! Nobody wants to preach the truth, but that is HELL! And let the sinners know that, “That is where you are going! You will be around here, walking to and fro until Jesus comes to judge *the quick and the dead*.²⁵ Then He will resurrect you to judge you again! You will pick up that rotten body and come before God, to be judged! THAT IS HELL!” Amen!

I have read books from these mighty men of the Gospel, these theologians, and they will tell you concerning these things, “Oh, it is just an impersonation of the devil. It is not the person, but it is the devil that is impersonating that person.” But let me tell you, I have met the person and it was the person. IT WAS NO IMPERSONATION!

When Moses died, why did the devil want his body? Why was the devil upset that God took away the body of Moses and buried him Himself?²⁶ Why? Why is it then that this same Moses appeared on the Mount of Transfiguration? Why did he appear in the Mount of Transfiguration in his body?²⁷ Because the devil didn’t have it!

²⁵ Refs. 2 Timothy 4:1, 1 Peter 4:5

²⁶ Ref. Jude 1:9

²⁷ Ref. Mark 9:4

Why did *the witch of Endor* have the power to resurrect Samuel and bring him up from the grave?²⁸ Why did she have that power over Samuel, and she could not have that power over Moses? Amen. Hallelujah! Oh, Jesus!

These are truths that the church is afraid to preach, and they make all kind of theories to give to you, to feed to you, so that you would not see the truth. Demons are real! Devils are real! Do you hear me?

On the other hand, God's angels are real! Amen! A son of God goes to heaven, and God says (I am quoting from Hebrews, Chapter 12) that "We are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, therefore let us be careful how we run the race!" Why? It is because they are taking the examples from us. God will not reveal the end time truths directly to the heavenlies. He is going to reveal it to the CHURCH!²⁹ Amen! The Scriptures (in 1 Peter 1:12) say that the angels desire to look into it! The angels want to learn! Heaven wanted to learn! They sent back Moses and Elias at the transfiguration to ask Jesus about His death, His burial, and His resurrection.³⁰ If they knew, why would they come to ask Him about His death, His burial, and His resurrection? It is because they did not know. It is the church that has the revelation of the Christ and the end time, but the angels have to learn from us! For we are the people who are under the temptation and the problems and troubles. God wants us now to rise up and to begin to speak to the spirits that bother us!

Brother Rodriguez, the spirits that touch your family. I want you to rise up and to begin to speak to the spirits that come into your family and that want to destroy you and your wife. Amen! I want you to rise up and to TELL them that they must go back to hell! Yes! "Go right back to hell!" Amen! "This is not your place! I am a son of God, bought and paid for by the blood of Jesus Christ!" If you did not have the blood of Jesus Christ, you could not come and sit here and listen to the word of God, and you would not come back, and keep coming back. God is with you, and He will deliver your household. He will deliver you. He will deliver your wife. He will deliver your household. You will shout, and be on top of all these devils! Amen! Amen! Amen! Yes! Thank You, Jesus! Hallelujah!

Ancestral devils will not have the power over us again, for every time you recognize a wrong thing in yourself, you will call upon the name of the Lord. Hallelujah! Amen? If a wrong word slips out of your mouth, if you rebuke somebody, if you hurt somebody, immediately call upon the name of the Lord and you will be set free.

Ancestral devils must not have any more powers over us. You know, if I were preaching to an African crowd, everybody would understand what I

²⁸ Ref. Luke 9:31

²⁹ Ref. Ephesians 3:10

³⁰ Ref. 1 Samuel 28

have been saying, because they actually worship these ancestral devils. Do you see what I mean? They would all understand; but now God has lifted your understanding to understand. YOU MUST BELIEVE!

I touched on it already and I am going to touch on it now before I close, that God has set in the world apostles, prophets, evangelists, shepherds, and teachers. While we move TOGETHER, we will conquer every force on earth, and the CHURCH will be brought to the place of ministry.³¹ In other words, the minister must be done away with, but the church is forever! Hallelujah! We are expendable! We will pass away, and our function will pass, but the people of God (You! The body of Christ), that is what God wants! "I AM," saith the lord! Hallelujah! Amen!

Jesus said, "*That they may all be one....*" Let me read this and close. Turn with me to John 17. Yes, turn with me to John 17. John, the beloved apostle. Remember now, God never had any title named, "apostle." Amen! He made us apostles, but it is not a title. You cannot be "Apostle So and So." Amen! He made us prophets, but we do not say, "Prophet Tom," or "Prophet Burt." No! He made us prophets. IT IS NOT A TITLE! Amen! It is a designation, a job designation! Right? It is a job! The name of the job is "apostle." The name of the job is "prophet." Amen! Amen!

Now, we turn to John 17, and Jesus said here in Verse 20,

"Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word"

Now, you can always remind the devil that Jesus prayed for you. "Jesus prayed for me, therefore you cannot tell me anything else! Jesus prayed for me!"

Verse 21,

"That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me"

In other words, God is going to use you to let the world know that God sent Jesus. Amen! Hallelujah!

Verse 22,

"And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:"

God wants us to be one, even as Christ and God the Father are one! Meaning to say, "I in you and you in me," and "we in Christ and Christ in GOD!" Amen! This is the function, this is the oneness. I do not care how weak you are. I do not care how wishy-washy you are. God has made you to be an overcomer, and that you must be! Amen!

³¹ Ref. Ephesians 4:11-14

Verse 23,

"I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me"

So then, in the name of Jesus and by the blood of Jesus, let us take this food. Let us feast upon it night and day until it becomes a part of us, and let us walk in truth.

If there is someone here who has a problem with anything I have said, speak now. I want you to tell me what the problem is. How are you relating? There might be something there that I probably should have given you a scripture for, and I did not give you the scripture. Let me hear you? Amen?

Question: Are you saying that demons and those who die and go to hell are the same?

Brother duCille: That is where demons come from! God never made any demons! Fallen angels are different from demons. You notice in the scriptures that the Scriptures never call a fallen angel a "demon." It calls it a "devil." So you have "devils" and you have "demons." Demons are human beings. Now, the Greeks knew that. Their gods were demons. So in the Greek language, they knew that demons were people who had died; and they worshipped the gods as demons.

Question: When you said that when a person gives the demon a right to take on their personality, in essence are you saying that it is a "demon possession" that takes place in the individual?

Brother duCille: Well, the problem is that a demon cannot possess a Christian. A demon can oppress a Christian. A demon can express himself through a Christian, but he cannot possess you because you belong to the Lord. So if you are really saved and have the blood of Jesus Christ, though they might occupy different compartments of the soul, they cannot take charge of you and just make you do things that they want you to do.

Question: You spoke in Ephesians about principalities and rulers, are these also fallen angels, or are these individuals that have died?

Brother duCille: The "princi" is the fallen angel, and the "palities" (or some of them) are men who died and the devil is using them. You see? It is the kingdom of the devil; and it speaks of "*powers*" (*exousias*, authorities) and "*rulers of the darkness of this world.*" These include both men and devils.

Question: You talked about how under certain circumstance we should move in such a manner so as to bring back brethren that we have lost, people who are no longer with us but who we wish were. But we do not do that just in our own power. It is not something you just do unless God tells

you to. Can you elaborate on the circumstances in which we should move in that area?

Brother duCille: The circumstance is that the gift of God in you keeps crying out for these people. There is a compassion, an unrest, a pain! Hallelujah! That is what God is using to tell you that you must pray for them! Hallelujah! Amen! There is an urge to pray for them, a desire to see them alive. You do not want to see them go to hell. That is the cry of your heart. So you do not need any more motivation besides the Spirit of God in you that is crying out for their deliverance.

Question: You were talking about ancestral spirits, and you were talking about them "...walking to and fro in the earth seeking rest and finding none" and maybe coming back into whomever they might choose. Maybe even their own relatives, family members; to attempt to find some solace or some comfort in maybe some sin that they had. When it comes to binding and loosing and dealing with these spirits, are we actually dealing with a principality or a devil spirit, or are we binding "Grandma" and sending her to the abyss? You know? And should that matter to us?

Brother duCille: I am glad you brought that up, Brother. It is not Grandma. It is a demon! When a person goes to hell, you have given up all human qualities. You do not have any more family. You are a devil. You are a demon; you are part of the satanic kingdom. You have a kinship to the devil now and not to "John Brown" or "Tom Stokes."

So this is what the devil uses against us, to make us believe that we are dealing with Grandma. It is not Grandma. She is dead! What is there is the demon that she has become. In other words... I will give you a good example.

In heaven, there was a mighty angel named, "Heylel." We read of him in Isaiah 14:12. His name in the Hebrew is "Heylel" (# 1966 in the Strong's Concordance) but in the KJV it is incorrectly translated as "*Lucifer*." Heylel would bring forth the glory of God that covers heaven. He was the "*covering cherub*,"³² that when he would minister life, the whole of heaven pulsated with the power of God! But when he (Heylel) created (became) "*Satan*," Heylel was no longer there! Amen! It was not God's creation anymore; it was something else that was created—a devil! And so, this is what we are talking about. It is no longer that we have a kinship with those in our family who have gone to hell. We have no kinship to those in hell. I hope you hear that, Brethren. You have no kinship to those in hell! You are not binding "Grandma." You are binding a devil, a demon—something that is alien to God! Something that God never made! But because we have the power to create, you can take your own self and create a demon out of you. Yes!

Question: Is that the same as a disembodied spirit?

³² Ref. Ezekiel 28:16

Brother duCille: That is where the scripture comes from, where Paul said, "...lest you *be found naked*."³³ The work "*naked*" in the Greek, it can be translated "disembodied spirit." So we are speaking about a spirit that had a body and lost it; and it is seeking rest, seeking a body; seeking other people's bodies.

Now, fallen angels do not seek people's bodies. No fallen angel wants to come into a house like that and get bound up—that somebody can rebuke him and cast him into the pit. He keeps away from that.

Question: Brother Cecil, there is something you had spoken about years ago, it really helped me. I wonder if you could share it. It was the story about a person that you knew that did some evil deed and he died. When he came to you, you asked him if he would repent. Do you remember what he said to you? Do you know what I am talking about? That if he had the chance to make things right and to be with the Lord, would he do that? Do you remember what I am talking about?

Brother duCille: Yes, I remember the story you want me to tell you, but not exactly that way. God taught me the Word of God by experiences and by visions and things like that. This is the story where it was a fallen angel. It was not a person.

My friend got to preaching ultimate reconciliation and he said, in his ultimate reconciliation, that everybody is going to be saved. I got really hurt with his preaching, and so I went to God in great distress, and I said, "But God, this brother says that You made people, and You could not send those people to hell, because You made them. That those people had no responsibility. You had the responsibility." I said, "My God, what is that?"

God just said, "All right," and immediately I went into a vision. Now, I do not know that I was in a vision. What I can tell you is the experience that happened to me. I am kneeling on my knees praying, and I looked and I saw the door start to open. I knew that a spirit was coming through the door, and that it was no ordinary spirit. A man came in, and this man—he was a prince, or a king or something like that. His bearing was confidence, and everything else. He walked into the room, and I, you know, said "Hi." And he said, "Well, let us cut out all the foolishness. You know why I am here, and I know why I am here. Get to it!"

I said, "Okay. God has promised me that anything I ask Him, He will do it. Now, if I ask God to put you into heaven, God is going to have to put you into heaven. But I cannot ask God to put you into heaven unless I know if you want to go back into heaven." I realized that I was dealing with a fallen angel. It was not a demon at all.

³³ Ref. 2 Corinthians 5:3

He got mad and in his rage he stomped his foot on the floor, and he cursed God! He cursed God! He said, "If He should put me back into heaven, I would go there for one reason—TO DESTROY IT!"

I said, "Boy! This is enough!"

So I understood where the ultimate reconciliation was, that it is not God that is keeping them in hell, but it is THEY who do not want heaven, and they hate God so much that they prefer to remain in hell. Now you and I cannot understand that, that a spirit would burn in hell for thousands of years, and yet he does not want heaven. He hates God!

So that is the story, and the rest of it is that I was going to rebuke him, but before I could he went through the door. You see, he was so powerful that he knew what I was going to do before I did it. In other words, our mind is very slow. But they are just so fast that we do not have any computers to compare with the mind of a prince of devils. He knew what I was going to do and all I saw was his hand closing the door behind him. So I rushed out after him, and I said, "I am going to rebuke him no matter what he does." When I went out there, he was playing with the children, and he had changed into like a nice friendly uncle, like your uncle playing ball with the children. And I said, "My God, what am I going to do? I cannot rebuke him before the children. It will hurt them all." God said, "Play ball!" He said, "Play ball!" That means to say that we have to go down to the level of the children, and we have to deal with them to get the devils from taking a hold of them.

God Bless you.