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TITUS 2:4-5

That they may teach the young women

to be sober,

to love their husbands,

to love their children,

To be discreet,

chaste,

keepers at home,

good,

obedient to their own husbands,

that the word of God be not blasphemed.



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TO BE SOBER

C H A P T E R O N E

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. PHILIPPIANS 4:8

> But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. ^{1 PETER 4:7}

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

1 PETER 5:8



MEDITATING ON HIM

But while they were thinking on Him, He appeared to them. And that's the way He usually comes to us. When you usually find your greatest blessing; you housewives, when the children is all gone to school and you're out by yourself washing the dishes, or something. When you're running the sweeper on the floor, or something. When do you men? When you're setting, eating your lunch, maybe by yourself, and reading the Bible on the side, somewhere where you're on your road going home, in the car, and you are meditating on Him.

If we would let the thoughts of our heart, and the meditations of our mind be upon Him, He would appear

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often to us. But the trouble, we're thinking about where we're going to make the next dollar, and what we're going to do here, and how this is going to be. Jesus said, "All these things will be taken care of, but seek ye first the Kingdom of God."

56-0401M - THE MIGHTY CONQUEROR

EVERY THOUGHT

Jesus Christ is here, present. If we could be conscious of that! And, remember, not only here, but when you're walking down the street, wherever you are, you that profess to be believers and fear the Lord, remember, the Angels of God are moving with you wherever you are. They watch everything you do, every thought that goes through your mind, and They know all about you. Therefore, we must be conscious of that.

63-0803E - INFLUENCE

YOUR SOUL FEEDS ON SOMETHING

Show me your company, I'll tell you who you are. Let me walk into your house. Let me see what's laying over on the table. Let me see how that Bible's marked up. Let me see where it's all "True Stories." Let me listen to what kind of music you're playing on your radio. Let me see what kind of pictures you got in your house. I'll tell you what you're made out of. Yes, sir. That's what your soul's a feeding on. Regardless of what your testimony is, your fruits prove what you are. That's right. Oh, it's the truth. Your soul feeds on something. And whatever the characteristic of your soul is, that's what it'll—it'll show forth. That's the reason Jesus said, "By their fruit you shall know them." 56-0728 - MAKING THE VALLEY FULL OF DITCHES

WHAT YOU READ MOLDS THE CHARACTER YOU ARE

But I might pass this on to the young people. Do you know Abraham Lincoln never owned a book in his life, until he was after twenty-one years old, but the Bible and the Foxe's book of the martyrs? See, what you read molds the character that you are. No wonder we got a bunch of neurotics today; little old fiction magazines, and vulgar and nonsense, is placed upon our newsstands. He owned the Bible and the Foxe's book of the martyrs. Look what it made him! 59-0510 - MOTHER'S DAY

THE THINGS THAT YOU THINK ON

Don't fuss. When the family gets in a fuss, don't fuss with them.

Your mother said, "I ain't having you go up there, that old church, anymore. Well, you, all you think about now, you're letting your hair grow out. You look like some old grandma." Don't fuss with her. Say, "Okay, mother. It's all right. I love you, just the same. And I'll be praying for you as long as I live." See? Now, don't fuss. See? Temper breeds temper. First thing you know, you grieve the Holy Spirit away from you, you'll be fussing back. Then the Holy Spirit takes Its flight. Temper breeds temper. And love breeds love. Be full of love. Jesus said, "This will all men know you're My disciples, when you have love, one for another." That's the fruit of the Holy Spirit, love.

And did you know, you are a little creator, yourself? You know that? Certainly. You've seen people that you just love to be around. You don't know why. Just that loving type of person. Have you seen that? Just as kind, there, you like to be around them. That's...They create that atmosphere, by the life they live, the way they talk, their conversation.

Then, you've seen those that, every time, you—you shun them. All time, they want to talk about something evil, and talk about somebody. Say, "Oh, my! There they come. They're going to criticize somebody there. He's in here now, he's going to talk about this man. All they're going to do is tell dirty jokes, or something about women, or something like that." You just hate to get around them. See? They create. Seemingly, pretty nice people, but they create that atmosphere. And the things that you think on, the things that you do, the actions, the things you talk about, creates an atmosphere.

63-0630E - IS YOUR LIFE WORTHY OF THE GOSPEL?

NEVER PERMIT A NEGATIVE THOUGHT

Now, it's a strange thing that this is so much thought of people; they say, "Well, I'm weak; my faith is not very much; I'm not a very good Christian." That's just what the devil wants you to say. You're just talking his language right then. See? You mustn't never say that. Don't never let your testimony be negative; let it be positive all the time. "I am saved. I have God in my heart. I believe Him with all my heart." Do you believe in Divine healing? "With all of my heart." Let your—your testimony always and your thoughts, everything... Never permit a negative thought to come in your mind if you can help it. When it starts that, don't entertain it.

Well, you say, "I can't help the thoughts from coming." Well, that'll be like the farmer that said he couldn't stop he couldn't stop the birds from flying over his place, but he could sure stop them from roosting." So that's a—that's a good thing. You see? You can't help the thoughts when they come, but don't—don't entertain them; just pass it on. "No, sir. Jesus Christ is my Saviour; all things are mine by God. And I—I'm going to keep them. I'm going to testify of them." And God can only bless you as you confess that He has done it for you.

55-0115 - LAW

DON'T THINK ABOUT THE WRONG THING

And you let one member of the family get nervous, it goes to the next member, and the next member, and the first thing you're all fussing and going on. And one member of the family gets kind of upset about something, it upsets the other, and the other, and the other, the first thing you know the whole family's upset. It's Satan. Then if one member of the family rejoices, let the rest of them rejoice with it. So every one of the family try to do that. Try, each one of you children, to help your papa, mama. Mama, you...Papa, you try to help the children.

Don't let that gloomy, unbelieving spirit get around you. You are Christians. You are borned of the Spirit of God. You're the salt of the earth. You have God-given rights. And the Bible said, "If there be any praise, if there be any virtue, think on these things." Don't think about the wrong thing. 64-0823 QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #2

IF YOU'RE DOUBTING HIM

He'll every time come to where He's wanted, but never come where He's doubted. So if you're doubting Him, just remember, He'll never be at your door. See? But if you love Him and want Him, He'll come anytime you call for Him. He's ready to come.

54-0331 - THE RESURRECTION OF JAIRUS' DAUGHTER

NERVOUSNESS

Nervousness is a horrible thing, keeps you tore up all the time. 'Course you was born nervous. All your life, you've been nervous. I see you even as a school girl, nervous. Nothing can help it. Everybody says, "Get next to yourself." But that don't do no good. Can't help it, sister. There's something that frights you, but Jesus Christ is here to take it from you. Do you believe it? God, as I lay my hand upon this young lady here just in the prime of life, I curse this affliction on her body. She wants to serve You, Lord, and serve You in freedom. And I take it away from her in the Name of Jesus Christ. May it go and never return again, for God's glory. Amen.

Now, don't fear, young lady. Look. Will you do as I tell you, now? You feel all right at this time (See?), because it's gone. When you come up here, there was a dark shadow around you. It's gone now. It scared you. You can't help it; it comes to you. But look, now the unclean spirit's gone from you. He walks in dry places. He will try to return again, but you just take my word, as God's prophet; don't you never have a frown on your face. Sing all day long and praise God, no matter how you feel, or what takes place. It'll leave you and won't come no more. Now, go do that. You believe with all your heart. That's right. How would I know that, except God told me that?

56-0406 - THE INFALLIBLE WORD OF GOD

BE SOBER, READY

What kind of people would—should—should we be then? We should be sober, ready, always looking and waiting for the leading of the Holy Spirit. Christians is the salt of the earth. And salt will save if it contacts. You have a barrel of meat here and a barrel of salt here; it'll never save. The salt will never save the meat till it contacts it. And we've got to be salty and then contact the world. That's the savour. And salty makes... Salt creates thirst. And when the Christian people, who call themselves Christians, will be so salty that the world will desire to be like you, you're making a contact then. Have you seen Christians... You'd say, "Oh, I'd just love to be like that woman. I'd just love to be like that man. If there ever was a Christian, there he is." That's salty. You just be the salt; God will create the thirst. But you be salty. 57-0105 - HEAR YE HIM

SHE IS NOT DEFEATED

That's the purpose of the Holy Ghost. That's what God sent the Holy Ghost for. The Holy Ghost come to give you Power. I got some more Scriptures here, just a minute. The Holy Ghost come to give you Power. I—I ain't...You can find this; I'm just too much of away, tonight. Give you Power, Power in prayer! You take a person that's lived a good life, but they're always defeated. "Oh, I tell you..." Good person, "Oh, sure, I love the Lord, Brother Branham." Always defeated, they never get a prayer answered. You fill that little woman with the Holy Ghost one time, watch what takes place. When she goes before God, she is not defeated. She comes boldly to the Throne of God, believing. She has a right because she's a daughter of God, by a Birth. 59-1217 - WHAT WAS THE HOLY GHOST GIVEN FOR?

THERE IS SOMETHING THAT STABILIZES A MAN'S THINKING

When a man once catches that vision of the invisible God, and know that He's always present, there is something that stabilizes that man's thinking. It stabilizes his actions. And in the time of distress and trouble, it'll still make him look upward and above the things that are happening around him, because he's looking at the Unseen, yet, by promise. 58-1003 - LOOKING AT THE UNSEEN

TO STAY IN FELLOWSHIP WITH THE SPIRIT

Just previous of this chapter, we find one place there, where the Son of God spent so much time in prayer. And if Jesus had to spend much time in prayer to stay in fellowship with the Spirit that was in Him, how much more do you and I have to spend in prayer? Much time in prayer. If you only knew what time in prayer meant.

55-0227E - THE HEALING OF JAIRUS' DAUGHTER

WATCH UNTO PRAYER, BE STEADFAST

Oh elect of God, beware. Study closely. Be careful. Work out your salvation with fear and trembling. Rely upon God and be strong in His might. Your adversary, the devil, is even now going about like a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour. Watch unto prayer and be steadfast. This is the end time.

AN EXPOSITION OF THE SEVEN CHURCH AGES - THE LAODICEAN CHURCH AGE

DOES HE LOVE US?

The cloudy skies and storms of life are no signs of God's disapproval. Neither are bright skies and still waters signs of His love and approval. His approval of any of us is only IN THE BELOVED. His love is elective which He had for us before the foundation of the world. Does He love us? Ah yes. But how shall we know? We shall know because He SAID SO, and manifested that He did love us for He brought us to Himself and gave us of His Spirit, placing us as sons. And how shall I prove my love to Him? By believing what He said, and by conducting myself with joy amidst the trials that He in His wisdom allows to come to pass.

AN EXPOSITION OF THE SEVEN CHURCH AGES- THE SMYRNAEAN CHURCH AGE

KEEP CHRIST BEFORE YOU

Christians talk about everything but Christ in these days. Go out, they always got a bunch of nonsense and everything they want to talk about or something, but never talking about Christ. Talk about Him; sing about Him. Love Him; keep Him on your heart and mind all the day and night. David said about the...he'd bind the laws upon his fingers and the bedpost, and so He'd be before him all the time. That's the way: keep Him before you in memory, thought, praise, speech. All that you do keep Christ before you. That's the way to keep Him near you. 55-0302 - THE RESURRECTED LORD JESUS

WE KNOW OUR ENEMY BY HIS ATTACKS

Now, we find that this great enemy of God thought, "Now, as long as they will believe that Word I can never get to them. As long as that little family in Eden keeps behind that Word I can never touch them." Neither can he today. Amen. He's still blocked off. That's right. "But if I can use some real good a strategy and just reason out... I give some human reasonings, because she's human. And if I can just give human reasonings, then we'll—we'll—we'll win the battle," Satan and his Angels. But then Eve gave a way.

So therefore we know our enemy by his attacks. Maybe you didn't get it just right, the way I said it. We know our enemy: when anyone, any spirit, any person tries to disagree with God's Word, remember, that's your enemy.

That's your enemy. We know his old attack. That's the one he broke the human race down, and that's the way he breaks them down yet today. And that's the way he gets you away from God, is to disbelieve His Word.

And the only way that you can ever stay in fellowship with God, and talk to Him in the cool of the evening, is stay fortified in the Word on both sides. Let the curtain of God's Word drop all around you, and you be a drop right in the middle of it. That's right. Then you're fortified. 62-0607 - PUTTING ON THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD

WE SHOULD JUST SET QUIET

That's the way He does; just about the time it gets the very darkest of hour, then Jesus comes along. We fret and worry, we Christians. And the baby gets sick, or something happens, or somebody don't show up, we're just so nervous and upset. We should just set quiet. He's the One Who commanded it. We're living under His dispensation, living under His grace. Just set still. He'll be along after while. Don't worry.

54-0331 - THE RESURRECTION OF JAIRUS' DAUGHTER



TO LOVE THEIR Husbands

C H A P T E R T W O

...but she that is married careth for the things of the world, how she may please her husband I Corinthians 7:34

...and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

Ephesians 5:33

And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.

Genesis 2:18

For what knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt save *thy* husband? 1 Corinthians 7:16

SHE IS A BLESSED THING TO A MAN

Now, there is a true woman, a true woman, virgin, that marries her husband, and lives, and she is a blessed thing to the man. If God could have give His son any better thing than a wife, He would have give that to him. 65-0221M - MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

A LOVELY WIFE TO MEET HIM AT THE DOOR

Now, in closing, I thought this: "What is any sweeter in a man's life? What is any sweeter than to come home, when he's tired and weary, with his little bucket in his hand, from working all day, or plowing, or whatever he might be, to walk in and have a lovely wife to meet him at the door? Sit down on his lap a minute, and brush his brow a little, and kiss him on the cheek, and put her arms around him, and say, 'Dear, I—I know you're tired, you've worked so hard.' Give him consolation."

How that he knows that that arm, is around him, is absolutely his. It's his. Never is it around any other man or any other desire. The kiss that's on his cheek is from real, pure, holy heart that just loves him, and him alone. How it makes you...I know, makes you stick your chest out, say, "Oh, I'm not so tired, after all." See? That's it. It does something to you.

57-0414 - CORINTHIANS, BOOK OF CORRECTION

STICK TOGETHER

So if we love one another, we stick together and pull the load, together. 57-0908E - HEBREWS, CHAPTER SIX #2

SWEETER THAN A WIFE

There's nothing that God could have give a man any sweeter than a wife, a real wife. But when she gets anything beyond that, she's—she's out. That's exactly right. 60-1211M - THE TEN VIRGINS, AND THE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND JEWS

AS YOU SERVE YOUR HUSBAND, YOU SERVE GOD

I said, "Lord, she didn't mean what she did that morning. She didn't mean that." I said, "Lord, not one time has she ever said one word about me going in the meetings, staying months, or whatever it was. Not one time has she ever opened her mouth about it. She has always sent my clothes to the cleaners, and washed my shirts, and had everything ready to go in the meeting. Then, she wonders how she can serve God." You women, as you serve your husband, you serve God, of course.

63-1229E - LOOK AWAY TO JESUS

PERFECT ONENESS

And God goes over in the heart of Adam, this rib, right out from under his heart, and takes a rib and makes a wife. And the very part of Adam's spirit was in the woman, and they two are one; soul, body, spirit, they are one. They are perfect oneness. A real woman...And a real husband, a real wife, they are one, together.

57-0414 - CORINTHIANS, BOOK OF CORRECTION

A FEW LITTLE PATS FROM THE WIFE MEAN SO MUCH

God gave man a wife, to comfort him, to touch him. And any man knows, that's got a good wife, there's something about a good wife that can. A man be upset in his business or—or his walks of life, and can come home; no matter, there's no one, no doctor...

It is that way with me. When I come from overseas or somewhere, and I am so nervous and upset, and loss of sleep. And—and hear the cry, and seeing the little hungry children on the street, and, oh, crying and going on, it just kills me. Then when I come home, if wife will sit down on the arm of the chair, put her arm around me, and say, "Oh, Bill, I—I understand it, you know."

And just a few little pats from the wife mean so much; same thing, a husband to a wife. That's the way God want it to be. And when we substitute something for that, and you'll get some other woman to try to take that place, or some other man, you see what you do.

Now, why, He give us friends. He loves...We, we should be friends. We should be brothers. And how that it's good to go to a good friend, in time of trouble, and say, "Oh, friend of mine, certain-certain things has happened." And a good, trusted friend to sit down and talk with you, that's wonderful. That's of God. Just like your wife is of God, your husband, when you're true.

60-0301 - HE CARETH FOR YOU

WOMAN WAS MADE FOR MAN

Notice, there is nothing that God could give a man, outside of salvation, better than a nice wife. There is no man can console, no—no person can console a person when they're tired, they won't confide in anyone like they do their own wife. And what a fortunate thing you brothers are when you've got a nice little wife that's clean and upright, and moral, and you can come in when you're tired and weary, and set down and she can talk to you. She can do more with you than anybody else. That's right. She is a jewel. She is a queen. But remember, "Woman was made for man; not man for woman."

63-0623E - THE FLASHING RED LIGHT OF THE SIGN OF HIS COMING

A REAL HOMEMAKER

For me, I'd take not that pretty thing up on top the hill. I'd take this character down here, as a real homemaker, somebody that loved me and stayed with me, somebody tried to make a home; and not bleeding you for everything, for fineries; and somebody that was with you, part of you. 65-0429E - THE CHOOSING OF A BRIDE

TELL HIM YOU LOVE HIM

I said, "Go home. Straighten up your house; cook your husband a nice, big, apple pie, about that thick. When he comes in tonight, throw both arms around him, kiss him, set down, and get on his lap, and tell him you love him, and live like a lady ought to." That's exactly. That's all there is. 55-0224 - WATER FROM THE ROCK

A TRUE WIFE

Could you imagine coming in at nighttime, tired, weary, worn? If you're a farmer, mechanic, preacher, whatever you are, come in, when you go into your little home, you're longing till you can get there. You open the door and a sweet little wife stands there, she greets you. She's all prettied and cleaned up. She walks over and kisses you on the cheek, she said, "Dad, you're tired." She sets you down in a chair, she sets herself down on your lap, she puts her arms around you and she pats you. It just seems like then that you're not tired, something picks you up. It's something that God gave you for that purpose. It's a part of you, now, if she's a true wife.

57-0417 - THE SECOND COMING OF THE LORD

THE NEGLECT OF LOVE

The world's a looking for something today. When your little wife told you she'd be your sweetheart and wife, she was looking for somebody to love her. And when you promised your husband, he was looking for somebody when he come in tired and weary from working all day, some little wife to put her arms around him and kindy brush his hair back, and tell him how much she loved him. That's what causes separation in families, is the neglect of love. That's what causes the separation in churches: neglect of love. We've got to have love.

57-0310E - HEAR YE HIM

HIM ALONE DOES SHE LOVE

This is Sunday school, and, remember, that's a lesson to you. Be, in your heart, let Christ have first place, like the real woman would to her husband. No other arms could touch her, nowhere. No other kiss, no matter how charming it looks, and she'd turn her head. She has got one set love, and that's for her husband. That's right. No matter how handsome the man might be, and how polished and slick his hair might look, and how he might hold hisself correct. No, sir. Not one thing. She loves that husband, and that's him alone does she love. She forfeits all of her virtues and all of her kisses. All of her lovings and everything is to her husband, and him alone.

57-0414 - CORINTHIANS, BOOK OF CORRECTION

HE MADE YOU IN A VARIETY

I believe that God is a God of variety. The world proves that. He's got big mountains and little mountains. He's got plains. He's got deserts. He's got different things, because He made it the way He wanted it. And He made the seasons; summer, winter, spring, autumn. He made the seasons. It shows He's a God of variety. He made you in a variety. Some men are real blusterous; and some are real dogmatic; and others are fine; others are kind. And you just find all different kinds of people, and in His Kingdom. See? Look at Saint Peter, and judge him by Andrew. See? Andrew is that prayer warrior, just stayed on his knees all the time. And the apostle Peter was one of those firebrands that preached, and—and so forth. And Paul was more scholarly-like, more of the...like the prophet, or something, and set back.

65-1205 - THINGS THAT ARE TO BE

PRAY FOR YOUR HUSBANDS

That's what we ought to do. You women pray for your husbands like that.

61-0311 - BE NOT AFRAID



WHEN LOVE IS TESTED

BE GENTLE LIKE A DOVE

Now, I pray now that You will sanctify their thoughts, Lord, sanctify their hearts, make them gentle and peaceful. May they rise from this altar now, after they have repented, giving their lives over to You, go back to their home. No matter whatever takes place, if husband gets all upset, or wife gets upset, or the neighbor is upset, or somebody that you're working with or associating with, "I'll just be gentle like a dove."

56-0805 - THE CHURCH AND ITS CONDITION

DOESN'T TREAT ME RIGHT

Say, "God, I don't want that thing no more. I'm sick and tired of it. I'm ready today to discard it. I'm coming now, Lord, and I want to get away from all my selfishness. If my brother doesn't treat me right, I'll pray for him anyhow. If my daddy doesn't treat me right, I'll love him anyhow. If my wife doesn't treat me right, or my husband, I'll go about, humble, before God. Lord, I look only to Your Kingdom. I want my mind straight. I want my heart full of joy. I want to go about, when trouble is really buzzing around me, I still want to stay with my hands up and my heart pure before You, Lord, knowing this, that someday I'll meet You. I want that kind of experience. Lord, make me that, from this day."

55-0724 - ENTICING SPIRITS

OVERLOOK YOUR BROTHER'S MISTAKES

Then love produces a fellowship. Now, when God said back there... The day that sin had separated that Divine love, God told Adam and Eve not to eat these certain fruits, and they did, and sin brought separation. And sin by separation brought hatred, malice, strife, envy. Is that right? What happened? They separated from Divine love. And when you separate from Divine love, then you can't overlook your brother's mistakes no more. You got to bawl him out for it. That's right. You can't overlook sister's mistakes no more. Because you've got away from that Divine part, that love part. But if you really love the Lord Jesus, if sister or brother, does something to you, "Oh, well, that's all right, they didn't mean to do it." That's the kind of love that Christ had, "Father, forgive them; they don't know what they're doing." What if He'd held my sins against me? What an awful person I was, but He loved me so well that He forgave me for them. When I was undone, He forgave me. He loved me, a pure love.

55-1009 - THE WAY TO HAVE FELLOWSHIP

ARE YOU WILLING TO FORFEIT YOUR RIGHTS?

Now, another thing the lamb is, the lamb is willing to submit its rights. Now, God wants us to be lambs, but there's so many times that we don't want to submit our rights, forfeit our rights. So many of you say, "Well, I've got rights, Brother Branham." That's true, but are you willing to forfeit your rights? Are you willing to give your rights, that God could lead you? That's what's the matter with our churches today, in the great majority, that the gentleness of the Lamb of God...We are supposed to be lambs, we have become everything else but lambs. And that's the reason, as soon as we get that attitude, the Dove of the Holy Spirit takes Her flight and leaves.

56-0805 - THE CHURCH AND ITS CONDITION

IF THE HUSBAND GETS ANGRY

Wherever you go, place God. If a man gets angry and cusses you, place God between you and him. If a guy calls you a holy-roller, place God between you and him. If the wife gets angry with you, place God. If the husband gets angry, place God. If the children aggravate you, place God. See? Whatever you do, place God. If papa and mama gives you a little spanking and corrects you, place God, remember what God said about that. "Bring up a child in the way it should go." See? Always remember, place God. Put God before you, and you'll have reverence for God and respects for Him. That's right.

62-1013 - THE INFLUENCE OF ANOTHER

RETURN GOOD FOR EVIL

Power is overcoming, returning good for evil, that's real power. That can love your enemy, do good to those that do evil to you. That's real power; that's God power. Yes. Maniacs can break chains. But it takes a real man to return good for evil, from his heart, not because of religious duty, but from his heart.

61-0520 - FROM THAT TIME

AND EVERYTHING GOES WRONG

We have families. Every family in here is custom to that. Sometimes everything will run fine for you, for years. Then, all at once, you'll hit a spell where, we say it many times in the South here, "When it rains, it pours," and everything goes wrong. You're going through a nighttime.

Then there's a daybreak, then a nighttime. Everything runs in continuity.

65-1125 - THE INVISIBLE UNION OF THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

GRACE IS...

So whatever you do, you lay aside everything else until you are just so filled with the love of God till you can love those who hate you. I'm just as I said this morning, I was made, my whole make-up is grace.

A lot of people say, "Now, you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours. Yeah, you do something for me and I'll do something for you." That's not grace. Grace is, if your back is itching, I'll scratch it anyhow, whether you scratch mine or not; you slap me on the face, and say "my back needs itching, or, needs scratching," I'll scratch it. See? That's it, do something.

I don't believe in works. I believe that works is love. Works is—works is the manifestation that grace has taken place. I don't live true to my wife because I believe she'd divorce me if I didn't, I live true to her because I love her. 60-0522E - ADOPTION #4

FORGIVE THEM; THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING

Wouldn't you like to be like that? Where your words were so seasoned, it just took a hold of the people's hearts, and gripped them like that. Now, you can be like Him; just get Him in here. Is that right? He'll make you humble. And when someone smites you on one side of the face, you say, "God bless you, brother. I know you don't mean it." When they pierced His hands and His side, so forth, He said, "Father, forgive them; they don't know what they're doing." That was it. Forgiving, humble spirit, that's the way we ought to be. That's the way we got to be, if we ever make the rapture. Now, when you get like that, I'll just say you're coming nigh unto the Holy Spirit.

54-0516 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS (LAW HAVING A SHADOW)

WHEN HIS WIFE WILL PRAY

My, how God can move on a man when his wife will pray for him, or vice versa. He may be a big shot in the city, but God knows how to make him a little shot. Prayer does it. 58-0517B - ZACCHAEUS



LOVING THE UNBELIEVING Husband

KEEP PRAYING AND BELIEVING

Now, if you want God to save your husband or your wife, just keep praying for them, just keep praying. That's all you have to do. Just keep praying and believing. If there's any spark of life there at all, God will put something across the path that they'll see it. Then if they reject it, then that's up to them.

62-0720 - A TESTIMONY ON THE SEA

JUST BE REAL SWEET... HE KNOWS ALL ABOUT IT

One time this little woman had—had received the Holy Ghost. She was a very sweet little person. They...She said...Well, she'd had a hard life, and her husband was an alcoholic. And so, she just kept on; she bore with him. He says, "You want to go to church, Honey, take off!" But now, he went down to the saloon, down at the old Brown Derby, down here. Going on. So they hung out down there all the time, used to be Bonifers. Many of you old-timers here remember when Bonifer had there on the corner of...It's called Brown Derby now, I believe it is.

So, hanging around down there, and the first thing you know, one night come up a question about church and about Christians. One of the old drunks setting there said, "There ain't no such a thing as Christians anymore. And there is no such a thing. All this bunch of hypocrites," said, "you see them out here smoking, drinking, doing the same thing that we do, and," said, "call themselves Christians. There is no such." This one drunk raised up and said, "Just a minute! There's one that I know about." Said. "Who is it?" Said, "It's my wife." See? She'd become salty. He was catching it all the time. He said, "I bet if she was put to a squeeze..." He said, "No, she's still a Christian; I'll prove it to you." Said, "I tell you what let's do; let's go up home, and I'll show you whether she's a Christian or not." Said, "Let's go up home, and now, let's really be drunk. We're going to act like we're really drunk."

Knocked at the door, come in staggering over everything and—and..."Why the chair setting around this way?" and everything. And she set them all a chair and (his guests, you know)—and tried to make them just as welcome as could be. Said, "I want you to fix us some supper." And so they...She went out and fixed some. Said, "We want ham and eggs." He knowed they had it, so they fixed the ham and eggs.

When he got there at the table, he looked at them like that, picked up his plate, and slammed the stuff on the floor, said, "You know, I don't like my eggs like that. Come on boys let's get out of here anyhow," like that—like that. They went out and set down like that, you know. And she come out; she said, "Dear, I'm—I'm sorry I didn't get them fixed; I'll fix some more for you." "Oh, nonsense, you knowed I didn't want them that way in the first place," just carrying on like that. They went out there, and set down, and act like they was drunk.

They heard her in there kind of snubbing to herself, singing real low voice: Must Jesus bear the cross alone, And all the world go free? There's a cross for every one, And there's a cross for me. This consecrated cross I'll bear, Till death shall set me free. One drunk looked at the other one, said, "She's a Christian; she's got it!" And that little woman led her husband, plus these others to Christ that night. See? Why? See? Just be real sweet. Just remember, He knows all about it. 64-0830M - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #3

SANCTIFIED TO THE LORD BY THE BELIEVING WIFE

Will my husband hear the Word, and what am I to do?" As I said this morning, just be salty: "Ye are the salt of the earth." Your husband will watch your chaste life, and the husband that's a unbeliever will be sanctified to the Lord by the believing wife. Just seek the Lord, stay humble, and pray all the time, giving God praise, and being kind to your husband as long as he's willing to live with you that way. 64-0823E - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #2

OFFER UP OUR LOVED ONES TO GOD

Oh, you say, "Now, Brother Branham, now wait a minute. I don't believe that the influence of the father... I believe it's an individual affair." True. But we are commissioned to pray for one another (That's right.), and to offer up our loved ones to God, that He will save them. Now, notice. In all of this Job kept his mind on God in offering the sin offerings, that if they did sin, maybe the approach... You say, "Well, was that in the New Testament too?" Yes. Certainly does. Well, he said, "If I get saved in my house, should I leave my house?"

Not unless you have to. I'd stay right there. For Paul told the Philippian jailer, said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thy and thy household shall be saved." That's right. The sanctified wife sanctifies the husband. Live like a Christian. Be like a Christian. Pray all the time. Believe that God is there, and is going to answer your prayer. Offer it through the provided approach.

55-0123A - THE APPROACH TO GOD

GOD WILL MAKE A WAY SOMEWHERE

See, prayer changes things. If you lay your husband, or your unsaved one, before God, and then pray, God will make a way somewhere, 'cause He promised to. 64-0321B HE WAS TO PASS THIS WAY

LOVE IS WHAT DOES IT

Brother Branham, I have accepted God's Message of today, and also our son. And we both have been baptized in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. My husband—my husband hasn't accepted the Message and is fighting this Message. And he has influenced our son and is taking him to a Methodist church. He wants me to go with him to church when we are not in service here at the tabernacle. Would it be right for me to go with him or would it be better to stay out of that denomination?

Well now, dear Sister...She never signed no name, but perhaps you're listening to your question; if you don't, you'll hear it on tape. Go with your husband, but don't be partakers of—of what they're doing. See, you're supposed to love your husband, and love is what does it. You just be real salty; he'll get thirsty if there's anything in him. Don't join their denomination. He said, "Stay away from that denomination." Don't join it; go to it. If you can't get a whole loaf, get a half; can't get a half, just get a slice. See, see? But that's the way you'll win your husband, by doing that. Don't be arrogant, then he'll know he's got just as much as you have. See? But when you can show something that you have that he don't have, that'll make him thirsty to be like you. The sanctified wife sanctifies the husband. 64-0823M - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #1

KEEP HOLDING ON

And Rebekah, after praying through the night, and seeing he was very restless... And listen, Rebekah, when you see your Zacchaeus getting kind of restless, just remember, God is answering prayer, you see. That's the way it happens. When you see him getting so he can't give you a good word, just remember, keep holding on. It isn't long till God is going to pass him by that way. ⁶³⁻⁰¹²¹ - ZACCHAEUS, THE BUSINESSMAN

A GOOD PRAYING WIFE

But you know, Rebekah knowed better then that. She had been a believer on the Lord Jesus, and she'd been praying for her husband, a businessman of the city, to become a follower of the Lord Jesus. And you know, conviction can make you very restless; it does that. And so, a good praying wife or mother, can do more for the Kingdom of God on her knees at home, than sometimes the preacher can do on the platform. 57-0727 - HE WAS TO PASS THAT WAY

BY THE SWEETNESS OF YOUR LIFE

And in that, you just show by the sweetness of your life and your consideration for others...And if you haven't got it, Sister dear, pray till it comes to you, that you won't have to put on anything artificially, 'cause when you do that, it's not real. Your husband can tell that. But you, when you really have prayed to a place till your life is full of salt of the Saviour, it'll make a contact. "If I be lifted up, I'll draw all man to Me."

64-0823M - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #1





TO LOVE THEIR Children

C H A P T E R T H R E E

Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward.

PSALM 127:3

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. DEUTERONOMY 6:7

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. PROVERBS 22:6

LOVING BABIES

MOTHER HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY, FROM GOD

Mother is so great. You know, the first one that receives you, in this life, is your mother. No one can touch you, because you're conceived, and she bears you under her heart. And she is the first to know you, and the first to, in this life, to—to hold you. Then, when you're born, she is one of the first hands that touch you and wipes back the tears out of your eyes. She is the first one to pat you and to love you, and to coo over you, in this life, is your mother. Now, I think that there is not enough honor that we could give to a mother.

Mother is first with the child, and she is a great responsibility of what that child will be, will be based upon the way that mother starts that child on the path that it must travel. Mother has the responsibility, from God, to place that child on the right road. And I think that's why mothers has a special little touch.

59-0510M - MOTHER'S DAY

THE GREATEST HONOR

But today it's a dishonor, almost, to see a big family any more. Yes, sir. They'd rather pay a hundred dollars for a little snotty nosed dog and pack it around, and give it the love of a mother, and practice birth control, than to have children. Think that was something old, going... hang around to the barrooms, and drink, and play cards, and run around all afternoon in your husband's car. Why, it's a disgrace. That's right. The greatest honor a woman can do, outside of coming to Christ, and being loyal to her husband is have a baby. Amen. You might be nursing a little preacher, how do you know? Hallelujah. I know that's old fashion, corn bread type, but brother it'll stick to your ribs. It'll do when you're dying. It sure will.

55-0612 - THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD JESUS

LET THAT MOTHER'S HAND JUST TOUCH THAT BABY

What mother here doesn't know what laying on of hands mean? When a little baby's fretting and crying and everything, let that mother's hand just touch that baby; that settles it. The little fellow starts—stops crying, huddles up to its mother. See? It's laying your hand. It's mother; it's a contact.

53-1212 - THE INSIDE MAN

TO BRING FORTH CHILDREN

Today we think if a woman—some woman look at a woman that can't go out to the card parties and things because she's supposed to stay home and take care of her baby, why, they think that she is deprived something. Brother, she's done the duty that God told her to do. Oh, they'll... These American people will practice birth control, and give a hundred dollars for a little old snotty-nosed dog, and pack it around, and give it the love of a baby. It's a disgrace. Excuse that expression. But that's right. Yes, it is. You know that's the truth. Will lead him down the street with a little jacket on him, when he is nothing but a dog. That's right. But you wouldn't have the baby. Because you're afraid you would deprive yourself of something.

God commissioned women to bring forth children. That's exactly right. It used to be it was a wonderful thing. Nowadays, it's a disgrace. Too much time. That's right. You have to have time for your social life, you've got to go out to gatherings. You've got to do this, got to go at the card party. What the trouble of it is today, we need some old fashion mothers like we used to have.

54-1204 - GOD PERFECTING HIS CHURCH

SOMETHING REAL SWEET ABOUT A LITTLE OLD BABY

Don't you think there is something real sweet about a little old baby? A little fellow, them little, bright eyes looking at me. And there is something about them that's real, real sweet. And they're just innocent little fellows, know nothing about the things of the world. God has given. And, you know, there is something about a child, in a home, that binds a home together. There is a binding, about a child. Now, I wish we had more time to speak on—on those things, about the little ones, and about different things. 56-0115 - THE JUNCTION OF TIME

THAT BABY NEEDS LOVE

Oh, it's a disgrace that our American woman ever put on a pair of overalls and went into a war plant to work. I don't

care how much that hurts, but it's a disgrace. It's a breaking the backbone of this nation. That little baby of yours needs you. God gave you that baby to raise yourself, not some babysitter. That's right.

Here not long ago, they had some of these doctors that said, "Let the baby lay and cry." You nurse it at a certain time: you don't pick it up. If it cries, let it cry it out. They did that twenty-five years ago. That was a great belief amongst the doctors. Come to find out, it hatched out a bunch of neurotics. Let nature have its way. God knows what's best. That baby needs love. If you take love away from it, you'll make a—a brute out of it. That baby's got to have love. You've got to take care of it.

 $_{\rm 54}\mbox{-}0718A$ - The great coming revival and the outpouring of the holy spirit

GOD GAVE YOU THAT BABY TO LOVE

What brought on juvenile delinquency was parent delinquency, the parent failing to take care of the children. You remember a few years ago, when my boy was born; that has been about, I think he's about nineteen now. I remember the doctor told my wife, said, "Just let that kid squall." Said, "It ain't going to hurt him. And if grandma comes along to pick him up," said, "take her-keep her hands off of him." Said, "He ought to be crib broke at six months old." Now, you know better than that. Sounds like a talking of a witch doctor instead of a real doctor. And then you know what it hatched out? It hatched out a bunch of neurotics and a bunch of gangsters. Listen. God gave you that baby to love. I don't care how bad you spoil it; love it anyhow. That's right. Love it. If you don't love it now, it'll grow up in a cold home and indifferent, and it'll seek love somewhere, or something. It'll make an out-light for somewhere. Mother, take that baby and give it fellowship and love now. Make it a part of you, which it is, and act like it, and hug it, and kiss it, and—and love it. Don't be too cold with the things of the world. God gave you that as a treasure; raise it right. Amen. Notice, that's what's the matter; we got away from the things of God. You get away from nature, and then you're out of the will of God. 55-1009 - THE WAY TO HAVE FELLOWSHIP

A GOD-SENT MOTHER

You know, a man like Moses, he...If I could credit anything to his character, it was because he had a God-sent mother. You know it was she that had prayed, Jochebed, and had longed for this baby. And when he was born, she was the one who cooed him, and cuddled him and built the ark and placed him in the bulrushes, when her poor heart breaking. Her only little baby, and it was the—the most outstanding little chump that was in all the world. And how a mother likes any baby! But to see this special little fellow.

And then, in her heart, she knew that he was born for a purpose, and then to take him and place him into the very den of crocodiles, out into the river. By faith she did that, knowing that God was able to take care of him; and to summarize the love of a mother, and the action of the character of her faith. For faith does not place itself upon the shifting sands of what it can see; faith rests solemnly upon the unmovable rock of God's Eternal Word. "For by faith," says the Scripture, "she did this." 59-0510M - MOTHER'S DAY

SHE MUST MOTHER SOMETHING

For, behold, the day—days are coming,...that they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the womb that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. Think, today, a disgrace for her to have a child. See? Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and hi-...and the hills, Cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall they do in a dry?

Speaking of the day that when women wouldn't no more want children. They want a dog or a cat, or something like that, but she don't want children anymore. Why? She is "Old Mother Hubbard" if she has a child. See? She don't want. That's the—that's the remarks of Hollywood. It don't want his woman to be an "Old Mother Hubbard." So she'll, he'll have some operation performed to himself or her, one, that'll keep them from having children. They don't want no children.

Jesus spoke of it. And what did He say? "At that time they'll begin to cry for the rocks and the mountains to 'Fall on us."

She'll practice birth control, so she can go to parties. She can't be bothered with a baby nursing her. "It'll disform her. When she's pregnated, it'll be, it disform her. She won't look like she used to." And her husband, ignorant enough to let her go that way. She won't give him a child. Jesus spoke of it. And He said, that—that, when they were doing this, at that time they'll go to crying then for the rocks to fall on them. It's Coming of the Lord.

They pay great sums of money for cats, dogs, to mother. That's right. She must mother something, because it's a God-given nature to her.

65-1125 - THE INVISIBLE UNION OF THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

A WOMAN THAT REFUSES TO BE A WIFE

And any woman that refuses a man his child, has no right to be a wife to him. Amen. You remember, in the Bible, when the king married Esther? Because the queen refused, he just got him another one. And when the...What happened when she refused to come out with the king and obey him? The same thing it is with a woman that refuses to be wife to her husband.

65-0221M - MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE



LOVING CHILDREN

SACRED LITTLE GEMS

God, grant this morning, that mothers, women, who are wandered away from God, that they will come to theirselves, this morning, and will recognize that what the word mother means, "one who has begotten." May she realize that the offsprings, from her union with her husband, has been sacred little gems that God has placed under her care. Then, God will hold her responsible for the rearing of those children. And as the Scripture says, that, "The good woman, and the mother, what she is, that her children will call her blessed."

59-0510M - MOTHER'S DAY

BECAUSE OF A GODLY MOTHER

But in the face of all that, one day he made a statement like this. He said, "If there could be any good thing found in me, it's because of a godly mother," that reared him to serve the Lord. You see, a child listens to its mother; some little touch about that mother, that a child will listen to. When it's hurt, it'll go to the mother for consolation before it'll go to the father. Because, she was first with it, you know. And there's some gift that God gives a mother, to be that way; I mean a real mother. Now, I believe that mothers are honorable and godly.

59-0510M - MOTHER'S DAY

EVERY MOTHER IS A PREACHER

And every evening when I'm home, after we...everything's cleaned out, I take my little girls and give them a Bible study: put them in the car, so nobody interrupts us, and ride around, wife and baby. And I give them questions like, "Who was Elijah? What was he?" And right quick, them little old six-year-old and eight-year-old girls say, "Tishbite." See, right quick. And I'd say, "How do you know that he was a...How could you tell if you'd meet him today, what kind of a man was he?" "Oh, he was a hairy man and had leather around his loins." Little Rebekah or Sarah, one, will holler out. See? Just keep drilling that into their minds, drilling it, constantly. That's what you do to your children,

mother. Quit running around over the city and gadding about; give your children Bible lectures and things. That's—that's the thing to do.

All these here societies and posts, although it's in the church, the church is so societied up, till there's no time to raise the children. And I believe you've heard my expression of women preachers. Now, I might have to crawl back on that. But let me tell you: every mother is a preacher. Sure. And God gives her a little congregation at home to preach to. So, now, just keep it going. That's good. You get it first. So then, go right with your children. 56-1002E - ELISHA THE PROPHET

ESTABLISH THE OLD FAMILY ALTAR

You fathers, you mothers, are you ready to establish an altar in your house, and take that television out? Are you ready to take that deck of cards off the table? Them comic books that your children's reading, preparing their little minds for a blast that the devil's going to give them. Are you ready to establish the old family altar again? Or do you just want to continue on the way you are? You want to continue on, you're not in condition of coming yet; but I

pray that you're like Samson, you see the price and you're ready, "Lord, let me die with them." 63-0120E - JUST ONE MORE TIME, LORD

TO RAISE A FAMILY OF CHILDREN

And if each one of you in here now has not been positionally placed! You might not be nothing but a housewife. Well, you say, "Brother Branham, I never done a thing in my life. I'm not a preacher." Well, maybe God brought you here to raise a family of children, out of that family of children may come another family of children that'll be a preacher that'll send a million souls to Christ. You had to be here. You're here for a purpose. Did you know that?

60-0522E - ADOPTION #4

LIKE A ROARING LION

What is it? It's the devil. It's the devil, the invasion. He swept into this nation, like a roaring lion. He set himself down here in the best place they had, in Hollywood. He said, "I can get the movies here until the television comes on, then I'll get them." And he sit down there. And the

church people, instead of shutting down the shows and not letting their children go, they give them ten cents on a Sunday afternoon and send them down there, so they could have a little social card party, be out to theirself and ride around. Oh, what a disgrace. Now they just turn the television on and watch all the dirty, rotten tommyrot there is in the world, on it. That's right.

I ain't got nothing against the movie. I ain't got nothing against television. It's the rotten stuff that's on it. That's what it is. If you'd have kept it moral, it'd have had to stay moral.

54-0509 - THE INVASION OF THE UNITED STATES

READ HIM A BIBLE STORY

John might have said something like this. He said, "You know, when I was a little boy, we lived down by Jericho. I remember my Jewish mother used to rock me to sleep in the afternoon; take my afternoon nap. I used to look up in her eyes, and she would tell me Bible stories." And, you know, that's a good thing for any mother to do to her child. "Bring up a child in the way it should go." It would be better than turning on the television and watch some of

these here things that goes on on the television. You'd be better off if you read him a Bible story, 'cause it's impressing his little mind.

64-0319 - CALLING JESUS ON THE SCENE

TO SET AN INFLUENCE UPON THEIR CHILDREN

One of the great lackings of our day today, in America and the rest of the world, is godly parent, to set an influence upon their children. The parents of this day got away from the principles of the Scripture. They went more to the fashions of the world. And the churches did the same thing. In doing that, we let it loose, and brought the world into the church.

63-1130B - INFLUENCE

YOUR CHILDREN MEAN SOMETHING TO YOU

He made man to be happy, to have satisfaction, to be comforted. Man...God doesn't want His children to be uncomfortable. You would not... Why, you mothers would get up in the middle of the night, if you were ever so sick; if junior had the cover kicked off of him, and you know that the little fellow might take a cold, you'd struggle some way to get to the bedside, to make him comfortable. If one of your loved ones was laying sick with a fever, and you could stay there with a rag and bathe their face in cool water, to make them comfortable; you would do it, one of your children. You would sit there, though you were sick and you needed to be in bed yourself, you'd still sit there, because your children mean something to you. They're a part of you, they're your life. And the Church is the Life of God, on earth, and He wants to comfort His Church.

And how it would be, if you knowed that wiping the fevered brow of your child would comfort it. And it would refuse, and spit in your face, and reach and get a bottle of whiskey or something to take, instead, instead of the touch of the mother's hand or something.

That's what we do when we turn to other remedies. There is many remedies, but one Cure. Christ is the cure, and the only cure in this. He cares for us. He loves us, and He wants us to come to Him. God made us that way, that holy thing in us that wants to be comforted.

60-0301 - HE CARETH FOR YOU

BE CAREFUL

Listen. Oil and water don't mix. And many time, a many a good life has been completely wrecked by your associates. Show me your company, I'll tell you who you are. See? That's right. It's an old proverb, but it's the truth. Associate with people who believe God. Don't let your children...If he runs across the street to little Oswald over here, he's a nice little boy; but be careful who little Oswald is. Find out what his daddy is, what his mama is. They may be a hater of the Gospel. They may have everything projected into little Oswald. And you let your little boy or girl associate like that, and the first thing you know, he will come up and be like little Oswald. Now, you know that's right.

GOD MADE YOU A TEACHER OF YOUR CHILDREN

Maybe you're a housewife. If you are, God made you a teacher of your children. Do a good job out of it. Regardless of what you have to do, do it well.

56-0923 - SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

A GODLY MOTHER

A-m-a-z-i-a-h, Amaziah, after he died, being a righteous man, and had turned from the Lord and was slain by his own people, Uzziah taken his, or Uzziah, rather, taken his place as king. And he was set on the throne and anointed, at the age of sixteen years old, just a boy. But he was in line to be king, yet being just a lad. And he did well. The Bible tells us that he had a godly father and a godly mother. And he could be nothing else, hardly, with such influence, as to be a godly boy, because that had been what had been placed before him at all time.

You know what I think? Everybody has their own opinion. But one of the greatest, and to my opinion, the greatest president that we ever had in this nation, was Abraham Lincoln. Now, not because he was a Republican, but because he was what he was, a godly man. And he was raised, and he...to serve God. And he said, "If there is anything that I want to give praise to," he said, "or my life was influenced by, was a godly mother who taught me to pray and to know Jesus as my Saviour."

Oh! Your family is what you are. You raise your child in a certain environment; it's got a ninety-eight percent better

chance to go right than it has if you bring it up in the wrong way.

"Bring up a child in the way that it should go, and when it's old, will not depart from it." Be brought up right. Teach your children to do right, to be honest, to be square and fair, even when they're in school.

62-1013 - THE INFLUENCE OF ANOTHER

WE NEED MORE MOTHERS AND FATHERS LIKE THAT

It must have been Simon Peter about that time said, "That's a good testimony, John. May I give my testimony now? You know, brethren, that I was a fisherman. My father before me was a fisherman. And my father was a godly old Pharisee. And do you remember he stayed in the church great deal of the time, and we fished on the river here on the lake. And my mother, and how I would see her, and dad take Andrew and I of a morning, when we went to get the fish, and kneel down around the side of the table. And how I'd see dad look up and say, 'Jehovah, I need fish today for the market to feed my little children. Will You help me catch a good catch today?"

"How that when we'd catch the fish and come into the shore, how that Andrew, and I, and dad, would kneel down by the side of the boat and thank God for the fishes before we took them to the market." Oh, we need more fathers and mothers like that. "Bring up a child in the way that it should go." "One day I remember," he might've said, this way that, "we'd had a great catch that day, oh, a tremendous catch. And we pulled our little boat into the shore, and I jumped ashore and tied the—up the boat. And was helping the fish out into the baskets."

And after we'd prayed, I can see my dad brush back the gray hairs from his face, put his arm around me, and set me up on the boat, said, 'Simon, my little boy, I've raised you to serve God the best of my knowledge.' And he said, 'Simon, I like all true believers, have looked forward for the day that when the Messiah would come. I thought I would see Him in my day. But, Simon, I'm getting old now. And my days are numbered; my steps are getting shorter. I, perhaps, won't see Him, but Simon my son, you are the younger, so perhaps you will see the Messiah that we've looked for for all these years: the hope of Israel. 61-0517 - IT IS I

BRING YOUR CHILDREN UP RIGHT

Now, to you mothers that's mothers, just a word to you before going. God bless you. You bring your children up right.

54-0509 - THE INVASION OF THE UNITED STATES

GATHERED ROUND FOR FAMILY PRAYER

You ought to put that child that's in need down there and read the Bible. Lay your hands over on their head, call out to God. "God, be merciful. Spare my daughter, my son." Yes.

I love to do it, take them little girls of mine, yeah, set them down there, and they set, their little eyes listening, or—or, their ears listening, and their eyes looking on, I'll tell them about, all about Jesus, and how He loves them, and things. They'll kneel right around the chairs and pray just like the rest of us. That's the way we want to do it, isn't it? That's the way many of you do it. That's what you should do. I went into a many a home, and the children are all gathered round for family prayer always. God, bless that family. That's the tie that binds.

55-0501A - FELLOWSHIP

THE OLD-FASHION CHRISTIAN HOME

I have to get this Scripture reading, because I want to read a Scripture every night, because I hope that you in your home, will read at least one chapter in the Bible every day and pray. See? Always do that. That's the old-fashion Christian home, and God knows that we need more of that, more than we need atomic bombs, in America. That would be the best thing that we could have, was a fortress of God's love and power around us. It'd beat all atomic powers, don't you think so?

52-0713E - GOD TESTIFYING OF HIS GIFTS

THE DEVIL'S A SMART MAN

Many of you people wouldn't let your children go to picture shows and see such stuff. The devil's a smart man; he brings it right in on television, so you'd be sure to get it. 58-0510 - HAVE FAITH IN GOD

EVERY MOTHER IS A PREACHER

You know, when I see little fellows like that, it always takes me back when I was a little boy. And now the old saying is, you know, "They tramp on your feet now, and your heart later," but I don't believe it'll be so when we dedicate them to the Lord. We have a responsibility here, and God placed this in your hand. He made a preacher out of you. I always said about women preachers, you know, but every mother is a preacher; here is her congregation, see, to raise these little fellows right, while dad is working. And you've got a responsibility.

63-0901M - TOKEN

YOU'RE THE BEST EXAMPLE THEY HAVE

And then there was a...Oh, he got a...Now remember, he had a temper, too. And some children begin to make fun of him because he was baldheaded. And he cursed those children, and that wasn't so much for the children's sake; it was for the parents that didn't raise up their children to respect God. That's what it was. The parents lost their children because two she-bears killed forty-two of them; must have been a hundred or more running after Elijah. And going right down through Samaria where they'd had the Word preached so long, and the prophet...But do you see something there? It was the people's attitude towards God's messenger. Never in the world was God's messenger ever received by the ecclesiastics. Show me in the Word where it ever was. Never. The church, so-called, since the very beginning of time has rejected the true Message of God every time. And you can't expect it to do any less today. When Jesus come, He was rejected. And He said, "Which one of your...of—of you, or, your fathers didn't stone the prophets? Which one didn't reject the prophets?"

Now, look at this little story right here. Read between the lines (I love it, don't you?), between the lines. Why, look at these little children going out and making fun of this preacher that was baldheaded. Look what they said to him: "Go up, thou bald head, like Elijah, won't you?" They didn't believe that Elijah went up, they doubted it. Their priests and them had told them, perhaps, "Oh, he didn't go up. It's just some fanaticism. And that guy's supposed to be anointed with the same anointing that he was anointed. Oh, it's nonsense. Tell him to go up." And here went the little kids. "Bring up a child in the way that it should go." And here they went down because the parents didn't believe it. And how can you expect your children to go to Sunday school and serve the Lord, when you, yourself, don't even go? How can you expect your children to be something when you're nothing? That's a little sassy, but I don't mean it that way; but He had me to say it, so I...This is not premeditated. All right. But that's...I didn't mean you wasn't nothing, but I mean when you know that you make no profession. How can you expect your children to be righteous when you're putting such an example before them? How can you do it? You're the best example that they have. They're going to look to you when they look...won't look for no one else, because your nature is in them.

56-1002E - ELISHA THE PROPHET

HIS MOTHER USED TO DRILL INTO HIM TO ALWAYS LOVE AND RESPECT JEHOVAH

And it's usually when we are right at the end of our senses that God usually steps in, right at the end of our abilities. And as we see him sitting there in the warm sunshine, his mind goes back many, many years to when a little Jewish boy on the Palestinian hills was frolicking and running and the shock of black hair around his head. He could look up and see the stars at night and could see the pretty flowers blooming along the Jordan. And to see the beautiful blue skies in the daytime... And one of his greatest thoughts was of a sweet, old mother that he used to have, that had passed on many years before. And how she used to take him in the afternoon out on the porch that faced over towards the Jordan, and when she would rock him and talk to him and tell him the Bible stories, as it used to be a custom of Jewish mothers to always drill in their child the Bible.

It's too bad that we Gentiles don't do the same. But we turn our children to a Sunday school teacher, twenty minutes on Sunday morning and let them lick the streets with the world the rest of the week. But what we need is to bring up the child in the way that it should go and when it gets old, it'll not depart from Him. And how his mother used to drill into him to always love and respect Jehovah. And how he loved to hear the story of how that his people was brought out of Egypt, how a great Light followed. They followed this Light and brought them out of Egypt to the promised land, where they then dwelt. How that they opened up the Red Sea, God did to let the children pass through. The brazen serpent and the many stories that was told him... 57-0301 - BLIND BARTIMAEUS

CLAIM THAT CHILD'S SOUL FOR GOD

Notice! I can start in the morning, and say I'm going, the Lord lead me to go to a certain place for a meeting, well, brother, you just watch everything take place. Or you let me get at my home, and some long distance call comes in. Now, I got to pray for the sick. Little Joseph will climb right up on top of my neck. Sarah will want to ask me a question. Becky will start on the piano. I say, "Sh, sh, sh!" Put my hand over, "Hey, sh, sh, sh, I'm going to—Daddy's going to pray for the sick." "Well, Daddy, look; Joe done this..." You see? Just let it start. And as soon as the prayer is over, they got their toys and just as sweet and playing. It's the devil. Certainly it is.

And then I'll come around and say, "Joseph, you shouldn't do a certain thing." And you know, the first thing you know, he's got in a habit. And you'll find in your children, they'll lie to you. Well, that's a lying spirit on that baby. There's only one remedy for it. The gun stick ain't my idea, you know, the ramrod we used to get the beating with, Brother Jess. When we got—got—got into trouble we used to get the ramrod out of the old guns, the hickory stick, you know, old muzzle loaders. That isn't the idea. But prayer, cast that evil devil away from that child. That's right. Prayer does it.

If little Martha starts stomping her little foot, and running out, and turning up her little nose, you could beat her till she didn't have any clothes on her; she'd do it anyhow. But you just lay before God and claim that child's soul for God. Just stay right there with it. I believe it's the best thing that I know of. Yes, sir! That's the best remedy I know of, is prayer.

59-1223 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

ALWAYS HAVE THE RIGHT THING BEFORE YOUR CHILDREN

And here some time ago, I was reading an article where there was a home, and five boys was borned in this home. And as soon as the oldest one got old enough to go to the Navy, off to the Navy he went. The second one followed, the next one, until all the whole five went away to the Navy. And there was no Marines or Navy men in their family.

The mother and father couldn't understand just why these people, these boys, every one wanted to go to the Navy. There was a—a real fine-combing investigation made of this. And come to find out, in the bedroom where these boys all was brought up, in this bedroom, there's a beautiful big picture hanging there of a big ship sailing on a quiet, calm sea. And it so impressed the boys as they went to bed at night, looking at this picture. It was on their mind to sail that quiet, soothing sea. And on the morning when they arose, the first thing they could look at was that ship making her way through the quiet, calm sea. And it impressed the boys so, that each one become a sailor.

Now, if the picture of a ship will impress boys to become Navy men, sailors of the sea, what ought the picture of the Lord Jesus Christ do? See? Always have the right thing before your children. "Bring up a child in the way that it should go." See? Bring it up and teach it right. It'll certainly, won't depart from it. 56-1002E - ELISHA THE PROPHET

LITTLE ONES ... ARE WATCHING THE LIVES OF THEIR FATHER AND MOTHER

Dear Jesus, one day, in Your pilgrimage here on earth, they brought to You such little fellows as I have been speaking to this afternoon. And the disciples said, "The Master is too tired. He preached this morning. He preached, this and that, and He is too tired. Don't trouble Him." But, Jesus, You said, "Suffer the little children to come to Me, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

Lord God, today receive these little boys and girls here, in this school of righteousness, here where our brother has come apart into the side of the wilderness here, to bring out the families that desire to separate themselves from the things of the world, to sojourn only for You. And now their little ones are here, watching the lives of their father and mother, as we—we are examples in all that we do. O Dear God, Creator of Heavens and earth, guide our feet, Lord, that we'll not do nothing before these little ones, that would put a stumbling block in their way. For it is said, it would be better that we have a millstone tied at our neck, and be cast into the sea, than to offend one of these little ones. You said, "Their Angels always behold My Father's face which is in Heaven," the great Angel, and guardian Angel, over each of these little souls.

65-1031A - LEADERSHIP

MOLD THE CHARACTER

And faith can take its stand on the rock, that the waves are beating the foundations out, and look straight into the face of death and know that it'll be just in a little bit, but faith can look across the sea to Him that said, "I am the resurrection and Life," and fail to even hear the waves a dashing. That's the kind of faith that Moses' mother had. She taught him and she reared him in the palace of Pharaoh, teaching him that he was born for a purpose, that Jehovah had answered her prayer. And, she…he could not have had a better teacher. That's what help mold the character that Moses was.

59-0510M - MOTHER'S DAY

SHE'LL PUT THEM IN HER LAP AND TEACH THEM ABOUT JESUS

He stayed right in Pharaoh's palace, which was a heathen; but his mother taught him. That's a real mother. She taught him the precepts of the Lord. She told him how he must be holy. She told him how and what he must live, and how, what God must do, would do for him. And it stuck with Moses all the days of his life.

And any good, true, loyal mother that'll take her little babies, instead of send them to picture shows and dances, and so forth like that, and she'll put them on her lap and teach them about the Lord Jesus Christ. 54-0509 - THE INVASION OF THE UNITED STATES

KEEP THE BIBLE LAYING CLOSE

Let me see what you read. Let me go in your office, in your house, and see what you read, I will about tell you what you are. That's right. See, everything to its nature. And you keep the Bible laying close for your children, read It yourself, be an example. That's what I didn't have in my younger life. But by God's grace, I want to put that before my children. And if there is another generation, may they put It before theirs.

52-0720A - LIFE STORY

BECAUSE THAT MOTHER HAS FAITH

I believe there's times when you have faith, the person, you'd walk right out and lay hands on a little kid that's got a cancer, when fifty preachers had prayed for it, and it'd be healed because that mother has faith for that child. God has give it to her, she's a member of the Body of Christ. 60-0522E - ADOPTION #4

WHEN JESUS GOES AWAY

When Jesus went away from that home, sickness and sorrow come in, and when Jesus goes away from your home, sickness and sorrow will come in. Yes, sir. Watch. If you turn Jesus down at your home, quit having family prayer, quit having Bible readings, and so forth in your home, look for trouble to come in. That's right. It's on its road right then.

53-0906A - BELIEVEST THOU THIS?

IF YOU SPARE THE ROD

I went into the house here not long ago to visit a person that was sick. And in come little junior, little Oswald. And he walked in; he said, "Mammy, ain't you got my dinner ready yet?" She said, "Sonny, I been so sick." Said, "This is Brother Branham." Said, "Well, why ain't you got some dinner ready for me?" She said, "I been real sick." Said, "That's no excuse." She said, "I been real sick." Said, "That's no excuse." She said, "There's an orange." He took it, looked at it, said, "That's all you can do, blankityblank..." and threw it against the wall, and the juice run all over the place. Said, "Junior, behave yourself." And he kicked over something and walked out.

I looked down at the mother. I thought, "Lady, you just give me the privilege for a few minutes. I'll make him think different from that the next time he come in the house." Oh, how we let down. You're kind of... You're too good to kids nowadays. That's right. You baby them. You can't go beyond the Bible. The Bible says, "If you spare the rod, you spoil the child." And that's right.

56-0728 - MAKING THE VALLEY FULL OF DITCHES

HER ENTIRE FAMILY TO THEE

Gracious Father, we approach Thee now, in that allsufficient Name of Thy dear loving Son, the Lord Jesus. We thank Thee for every soul that was saved during the time of this revival. And maybe out of that, may come ministers and missionaries that'll help take the Word to the foreign fields across the world before the coming of the Lord. Maybe it's some little housewife that will lead her entire family to Thee, or some husband that might lead every man that he works with in his factory, to Thee. We don't know, Father, but all that's been accomplished, we praise Thee for it.

58-0302 - DOOR TO THE HEART



LOVING TEENAGERS

THAT LITTLE FRANTIC AGE

They have the change from a boy to a—a man; from a woman...from a girl to a woman. About sixteen, seventeen years old, they get like a bunch of just fly-by-nights. And— and if you can just suffer with them during that age. I got a daughter in that age right now, Rebekah. Pray for her. And Billy, oh, every one of us, we come through that little frantic age. And—and so we must suffer with them, realizing it's something that—that they—they have to go through.

63-0707M - THE INDICTMENT

RAISING THEM UP IN A BUNCH OF WORLDLINESS

And then when Lot looked up, begin to look over towards the Jordan plains, he seen they were well watered. There was a big city there: Sodom, Gomorrah, many of the cities, plenty grass, a possibility of making him a few dollars. He chose that. That's a way a many Lot did: a few dollars. When he was looking at the well watered plains, he didn't see his wife turning to a pillar of salt. He didn't see the fire that was going to destroy the city and part of his children. He didn't see the disgrace that his daughters was going to do because raising them up in a bunch of worldliness like they were raised in. That's what you look at today, friends. It depends on what you're looking at as I taught the other night.

We look at the unseen; we look at God's promise and call anything contrary to it as though it was not. That's Abraham's seed.

59-0415E - THE FAITH OF ABRAHAM

EVERY NIGHT AT THE THRONE OF GRACE

Oh, if we had more fathers and mothers tonight so interested in their children, that would offer the shed Blood of the Lamb for their child every night at the throne of grace, we wouldn't have so much carrying on as we have amongst young folks. So he said, "Peradventure they might've sinned. I don't know they have, but to make sure..." Mothers, you know, it's a shame today, and fathers, to how uninterested we are in children, and the little juveniles. You let the kids go out, and just do as they please, running out all night long, and everything, and come in, and seem to be so unconcerned about it. Let your girls go out with boys that smoke and drink, and go to gambling devices, and dance all night, and come in. Then you say you're Christians and permit such stuff as that? That's not right. We should take them to the Lord.

Be waiting up for her to come in, put your arms around her, and say, "Now, sweetheart, come here, let's kneel down and pray. Mother don't know just where you've been, trusting that you've been a good girl tonight, but peradventure that you haven't, let's offer the sacrifice of praise to God, and give Him thanks."

55-0223 - JOB

THE RIGHT KIND OF CHILD TRAINING

I think that's what's the matter with a bunch of our little Elvises and Rickys today. They didn't have the right kind of child training. Papa used to take me to the woodshed, and I got a good education of how to behave myself. He had a hickory limb with all the ten commandments on the end of it. It certainly brought discipline to me.

It's too bad we don't have fathers and mothers, more of them today that would do the same thing, instead of hotrodding, and out all night, and their daughters twisted up in some...

62-1124B - INVESTMENTS

YOU STILL GOT PADDLES

And you that let your children, your young girls, get out with these boys, us getting out here in these modern rockand-roll carry-on's. Shame on you, mother and dad! You say, "Well, they just do as they want to." You still got paddles.

58-0309M - THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL

TEACHINGS THAT YOU GET AT HOME, THAT'S USUALLY WHAT YOU ARE

Little Jezebel, when she was a little girl hopping along around home, skipping, playing, jumping the rope, or whatever little girls did. Little did they ever know that she'd turn out that way. But then what made her what she was was the kind of teaching she got at home. And she was a pagan. And what teachings that you get at home, that's what usually you are, is what kind of a teachings you listen to. She was taught to hate God, Jehovah, because she... her God was Baal. And she was taught to hate God and hate God's people. And that hatred for that in her heart, it made her what she was.

56-1003 - PAINTED-FACE JEZEBEL

THAT'S WHAT SPOILS CHILDREN

That's what breaks up homes; that's what spoils children; that's what makes neurotics; that's what makes teen-age delinquency is when motherhood and fatherhood is broke. 60-0304 - THIRSTING FOR LIFE

GO IN THERE AND PRAY FOR YOUR CHILDREN

You come first to the kitchen. The kitchen's where you eat. After you come and eat, like the church, you set on the bench and hear the Word. "Faith cometh by hearing, hearing of the Word." Then after you have eaten the Word, then you come into the living room, which is into fellowship with the rest of the church. Then after that, the secret place is the bedroom, where you go in and kneel down, where you a bunch of you mammies used to, a long time ago, go in there and pray for your children when they was out at night.

That's what's the matter with the world today, instead of them old fashion mammies back yonder a long time ago, that prayed for their kiddies and things, they're out with their kiddies tonight smoking, drinking, carrying on like they are. That's the reason we got juvenile delinquency. They talk that we're more civilized than they were. I doubt it. Uh-huh. Then we sure don't act like it. That's one thing true. I like that old fashion type.

55-0606 - THE WATERS OF SEPARATION

THE DEVIL KNOWS HOW TO GET HIS PROGRAM

IN They're—they're to be entertained, a pleasure-mad people. They just want comfort, and luxury, and things like that, and don't know that judgment's slipping right up on them all the time. They fail to see that, but they don't want it.

Oh, they like philosophy and somebody who can get on the radio and crack a few jokes, smutty, and something like that, and they'll turn on a radio, and get their televisions, and set home, and let the church set empty. That's what's in their heart. That's what makes—that's what does it. The devil knows how to get his program in. He taught all you holiness people, "Well, you shouldn't go to picture shows." You taught your children out here not long ago, but the devil put one over on you. He just brought the picture show in your house. That's right. That's right. Said, "Oh, that's all right." See he has...

You know they used to say that the devil went out of fashion, but he didn't go out of business. That's right. He's still in business, and he's just so much shrewder now than he used to be; in the ways that people get shrewd he does too; and he just slips it right in. See? 53-1130 - HAS THE LORD SPOKEN ONLY TO MOSES?

CLAIMED THEM, EVERY ONE, FOR JESUS

And don't forget, pray for me and pray for my wife, the sweetest woman in all the world, and—and for my children. And now I've claimed them, every one, for the Lord Jesus.

Now, Becky is just at the age of little "ricketta," you know, and just a—a little "teen-annie," as we used to call it. And then she's just at that age. But, now, she's a very sweet girl, and I—I thank the Lord for that; no smoking, no drinking, no running around, nothing. But she's just at that age, she—she is carefree. She don't want to go to church, and, if she does, she set back there and chew chewing gum, get up and walk out. That, see. I want to see her filled with the Holy Ghost.

63-0901E - DESPERATIONS

IF WE MADE A HOME MORE LOVELY

And, oh, to a home, if we made a home more lovely, children wouldn't want to run away. Make things more for them, where they feel welcome and nice and comfortable at home; where, home, they can't hardly wait till they get there. And that's the way home should be.

63-1114 - INFLUENCE

YOU PRAY AND COMMIT YOUR CHILDREN TO GOD

He said, "Rise and be baptized, calling upon...on the Name of the Lord, and thou and thy house shall be saved." See? In other words, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, thou and thy house shall be saved."

Now, how? If your house believes in the same way that you believe. See? You pray and commit your children to God and hold onto God, believing that they will be saved.

I've just went through the experience with my Rebekah. See? Just commit it to God. When she got to be a little "teen-annie," and she was going with some girl when we first went out there, going...run over some girl's house taking music lessons...And this girl...I come by one day, and here this girl was setting at the piano playing rock-and-roll. Well, that was just enough for me! So I told her stay away from over there. See? And then she said, "Well, it's the only place I got to go to take music." (You know how "teenannies" get.) And I said...Every kid has to go through that. Practically everyone goes through that age. You did; I did. And we got to think their thoughts.

So then, a few days after that her mother got after her for something, and she sassed her. Now, that's not Rebekah at all. Took off and slammed the door, and almost knocked the things off the wall, went to school.

Now, I ought to have, seemingly, just taken my belt off, and followed her out there in the yard, and brought her back with warps around her. See? But I thought, "Wait a minute, I got to think eighteen-year-old thoughts." See? "Now," I said, "Mother, I know that..." She started crying, Meda. I said, "I know you done all you can do; I done all I can do. Now, if it's out of our hands, we have to take the next step." As some lady sweetly wrote the other day (it's in one of these questions here), said, "Brother Branham, you're not the Messiah, are you?" I said, "No, ma'am." She said, "We believe you to be our shepherd, but you're always pointing us to the Great Shepherd." I said, "That's right; that's right." See? I said, "Well look, Honey, now, you've got to listen to me. It's hard for you to do this; I'm your husband. But people drive across the nations and around for just a few words of advice. Now, if you...I talked to her the other day, and she just walked away from me."

Now, Becky never did do that to me. See? And when her mother said something about it, she slammed the door and say, "You expect me to set here and be a wallflower all my life?" And blammy! She slammed the door and went out. That was the devil.

I remember, the first two years of her life she cried. We go into a restaurant and eat; I'd walk her on the street while Meda eat, and then she'd walk her while I eat. Just cried and cried. And one day up here in Canada, cried all night, and I couldn't rest and everything; me standing there...Now. And Something said to me, "It's the devil getting at your ministry."

I said, "Hand me that baby." I said, "Satan, in the Name of Jesus Christ, you take your hands off of her." She stopped right then and never cried no more. She's the quietest kid I got. From that very hour it was gone. You have to get that...You have to have that in you though, before you can do it! And then when she...and then that...she started that. And I took Meda about a hour. I said, "Meda, take your hands off." "Me? That's my kid!"

I said, "Isn't it mine too?" All right. I said, "If she was dying this morning, you'd have to commit her to God for her eternal destination. Why can't we commit her to God now for her earthly journey?" And she said, "Well, that's my kid!" I said, "It's mine too." I said, "Now, can you take your..." "Me not say nothing to her

I said, "I never said that. We'll quit scolding her, just advise her. She needs a buddy, and you're the one to be her buddy, you and I. We're her parents."

These kids today needs a buddy. If they had a mother and father would stay home and take care of them, instead of out here in a barroom running around all night and things like that, wouldn't have—wouldn't have a juvenile delinquency. See?

They got away from the Bible; they all went to church and made bunco games and things like that and...See? You're trying to polish up like Satan's ground out Hollywood's. You could never bring Hollywood into the church, you've got to...I mean bring the church into Hollywood, you've got to bring Hollywood to your grounds. See? Not go on their grounds, let them come over here. We got something they know nothing about.

So we there got down on our knees and committed it to God. I said, "I know she's eighteen years old, will be in a few days, and she...and a girl that age will think about boyfriends, and we've kept her in." I said, "I—I never wanted to see her get married. I want to put her in the office here, do the work. I want to see her filled with the Spirit and—and—and live like that." And she...Well, we all wanted that. She said, "Well, we can't do that." Said, "She just won't listen to it."

I said, "Wait a minute! We've raised her all we can, now put her in the hands of God, commit her." And I said, "Then when she does anything say, 'Becky, darling, mother don't want you to do that, but I'm your pal; I'll stick by you.' See? Let her know that you love her. She's going to get somebody to love her, and it might be the wrong woman." See? I said, "You be the woman does the loving." I said, "Honey, that sounds kind of crude, but people come everywhere, and set on personal interviews, and things." I said, "I'm so common; we're common to one another, because we're husband and wife, but we never let that happen. You must remember, this is the Name of the Lord!" So she said, "All right." We got down and committed it to God. Said we'd take our hands off it. That afternoon she come in; she said, "Well, I guess you're still saying I ain't going over there!"

Meda said, "No, I never said nothing about it." Said, "You know, Mother don't want you to do that; and you know that it liked to killed your daddy when he heard you up there playing that boogie-woogie music, ever what it was, with that girl." Said, "Now, he didn't want you to do that, and we don't want you to do that, Becky, but we just committed it to the Lord. I want you to know we love you. Whatever you do, we still love you." She hollared, said, "I'm going anyhow!" Said, "All right, Dear." So went ahead. Said, "All right, I'll have supper ready when you get back." She never did go! No, she's never went since. See?

Not long after that she met George; George is a Christian. That—that settled it then. She was trying to tell Mrs. Wood about it the other day. She said, "Oh, I got awful wild." Said, "Daddy and Mother committed me to the Lord." Said, "Awful wild." But that—that was wild to us; we don't want to get any wilder than that. See? Just let it go like that. All right.

64-0823M - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #1

YOU HAVE TO CORRECT THEM

Yes, I'm certainly against them little old skintight dresses that look like...I constantly fuss at my kids, Becky and Sarah. I don't care how little they are, I...that...I just fuss at them all the time. I think they even wear their dresses...Meda takes Becky apart every day about it. See? Dresses plumb up...Cause kids, you can expect that in kids, and you have to correct them; but when it comes to a woman, there's something wrong there. See? 64-0823M - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #1

THEY'RE AT THE CROSSROADS

They're at the crossroads. They are victim of circumstances. What? Do you realize, old men, when we were boys, our boys has got ten times the temptation that we had? Sister, do you realize that your daughter has ten times the temptation you had when you was a girl? What will her daughter have? Look at the things, the pictures the devil is a painting. Oh, how we need to pray! Now we'll go back to you again. Brother, do you realize we don't pray half as much as our fathers did? Pastor, do you know we don't put as much time on our knees as the pastors before us did? Women, do you realize you don't instruct your daughter, and pray with her at night, like your mother did you? Then, what about it, who is guilty? We are guilty. There is no way around it. We are guilty.

56-1125E - A BLUSHING PROPHET



LOVING THE PRODIGAL

IN HIS HEART SINCE HE WAS A LITTLE BOY

Bartimaeus... Those great Scriptures that he'd had in his mind and in his heart since he was a little boy, every one of them seemed to press right up then. Oh, when a man's in need. If you feeled your need of Christ tonight, everything you've ever heard about Him will come right forward. 57-0301 - BLIND BARTIMAEUS

HER HEART'S ALWAYS READY TO FORGIVE

How many of you here have an old-fashion mother like that? Let's see your hand. Oh, aren't they lovely and sweet? "Take care of my boy. He's gone out with the world, and I don't know what will happen to him; only take care of him, Father." Praying.

Did you ever have your mother pray for you? Oh, when my little old mother... I've seen her go back in the room to herself when we would be without food, and kneel down on her knees, and cry out to God. God give us some more oldfashion, praying mothers like that. That's the backbone of our nation (That's right.): good God-saved mothers. I can see her crying out to God, "God, take care of my boy." No matter what you ever do, she's forgiving. Her heart's always ready to forgive, come back.

50-0827A - PRODIGAL

NO MATTER WHETHER HE'S WRONG OR RIGHT, I LOVE HIM

Here the other day, I was talking to a mother on the telephone. And the mother said, "Oh, Brother Billy," she said, "my poor boy is in trouble." Said, "Oh, what a trouble he's in."

I said, "Yes, I know about it, sister, dear." And she said, "He may be wrong. I don't know." Said, "One says this and one says that. I don't know. But," said, "no matter whether he's wrong or right, I love him." There you are, "I love him." He said to his mother, said, "I've been so deceived by this and that." Said, "Mother, I believe you're about the only sweetheart I really have; a woman that's true to me, and sticks to me." That's mother's love. That's a real mother

that'll put her arms around her baby. Regardless whether he's right or wrong, she goes right on through. And if God...If a mother can think that of her baby, how much more will God think that of His. You see? You stay right with Him. Go right.

54-0509 - THE INVASION OF THE UNITED STATES

BUT IT WON'T DEPART FROM THEM

"Bring up a child in the way that it should go, and when he gets old it'll not depart." And that's true. There may be sometimes that he may depart from it, but it won't depart from him. See? It'll—it'll always stay with him. That early training and whatever he's been brought up to do, it'll—it'll certainly stay with him.

58-0927 - WHY ARE WE NOT A DENOMINATION?

BRING UP A CHILD IN THE WAY...

A chaplain told me sometime ago in the army, that he was called into a tent one night. And a great officer had been machine-gunned across the—the gut—bullets had cut him through. And he was dying. And someone had told him to go over there. And he said to the man, he said, "Sir, are you a Christian?" He said, "I once was." He said, "How long have you been backslidden?" Said, "Well, I don't know." He said, "You once knew Christ?" He said, "Yes, sir." Said, "Where did you leave him?" He was struggling and the blood filling up in his lungs. And he said, "You had better think fast." He said, "What can I do?" He said, "Go right back to where you left Him and begin right there. There's where you'll find Him, is where you left Him."

And he laid there a moment as he was struggling and a smile come across his face. He said, "Now, I remember." He said, "Start from right there, sir." He said, "Now, I lay me down to sleep; I pray the Lord my soul to keep. If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord my soul to take." And when he said that, he lifted his hands and smiled and went out to meet God. Bring up a child in the way that it should go.

57-0301 - BLIND BARTIMAEUS

A MOTHER WILL NEVER FORGET

And wanted to see how she prayed. And oh, you talk about a prayer; you ought to have heard that old saint call out to God. Said, "I cried like a baby." I said, "Mother..." And I stood crying as she said, "Lord, surely, You haven't...?... Hear me, Lord." Said, "Here is Parson Branham standing here this morning...?... Holy Spirit, He told me to go stand at the gate. Lord, here he is...?... my Father." She'd been crying like that. When she raised up, and he was going, "Umm." And she took her apron and wrapped—wiped the tears out of her eyes. She said, "Honey child, don't you know mammy...?..." I said... No matter how old he was, he was still mama's baby. A mother will never forget, a real mother. She patted him like that on the cheek.

50-0810 - EXPECTATIONS

I'LL LOSE NOTHING

Mother would not be complete There without her family. Cause, the greatest time of all of her life is to see the children around the table, and all of them healthy and happy; and—and—and to see her pour the coffee, or whatever she does, and fixes supper, and her and dad sit down. Why, that's the happiest time in mama's life, see her kiddies all at home. Now, don't miss, don't be missing that Day. Let the great chain of your family be hooked together, link by link. Let every spoke be in the wheel. Then when we sit down with our families and groups, across the canopies of Eternity, what a Day that will be! Then we'll understand. It was Him who promised this, in Revelations 1, where It said, that, "A sharp two-edged sword went out of His mouth." "He was called the Word of God." And it was from that same lips, that said, "I am He that is alive, that was dead; and I'm alive for evermore." From those same lips, in Saint John 6, thirty-...it says this, that, "I'll lose nothing, but I'll raise it up again at the last days." Was Him that made the promise; those same precious lips. He's the One Who saves us, Who heals us, Who redeemed us, and Who will raise us up at the last day.

If you are that little weak link that has separated this great family reunion at that Day, may the God of Heaven, this morning, somehow in a mysterious way, unravel those little knots that's tied in your mind, and reveal to you the love that He has for you, and may you come sweetly to serve Him. 59-0510M - MOTHER'S DAY

WHEN YOU GOT A WAYWARD BOY OR GIRL

When you got a wayward boy or wayward girl and you can pray to a place, till you bring God on the scene, where He will meet you there in the bedroom, out there in the shed, down in the barnyard, wherever it is... When you have that conference with God, you're changed. Something happens, and people who have those conferences with God and meet them—meets God, they act silly to the world after that. 60-1125 - CONFERENCE

ALL THEIR OFFSPRINGS WITH THEM

Now, but, it was such a great thing that the inheritance, how it was that an inheritance in the land that no one else but a close kinsman could redeem that inheritance. Now, let me just drop on a little token here that I touched on the other night, to you mothers. How many here has prayed for your loved ones, lost? All right. There you are again, see, "Your inheritance." See?

Paul told the Roman, said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou and thy house shall be saved." If you've got faith enough for your ownself to be saved, have faith enough, no matter how wayward that boy is, or that girl is, they'll be saved anyhow. God, somehow! If He has to lay them on their back, laying there in a hospital, dying, they'll be saved. God promised it. The inheritance! Oh! "And they shall be there," said Isaiah, "and all their offsprings with them. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, saith the Lord."

60-0518 - ADOPTION #2

IT'S YOUR DUTY TO TALK TO THEM

You that's got sickness in your home, you that's got a wayward boy, have you—have you talked to him? a girl that doesn't obey God, have you talked to them, put your arms around them, have you just neglected it expecting the Sunday school teacher to do it? God gave the child to you. It's your duty to talk to them. If there is, won't you put up your hands just now, say, "Lord, remember me. I'm now thinking on my ways, and I'm turning my feet to Thy testimonies. I'm coming back."

59-0706 - THINKING ON OUR WAY

TO ANSWER THAT MOTHER'S PRAYER

Our heavenly Father, Thou doest see the hands up. And, Lord, at the close of this healing service, may every one of them come forward, Lord, stand around an old fashion altar here and pray. Many of them boys and girls out there, that's raised their hand. Maybe an old mother and dad's done gone on years ago. Their prayers are still on the altar of God, and the Angels of God are gathered tonight here to answer that mother's prayer. God, grant that they'll receive Jesus tonight as Saviour.

55-0612 - THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD JESUS

THAT OLD MOTHER PRAYED AND BELIEVED

But we have to have faith in that offering that Christ made, that He made us this kind of a—a promise, that "Whatever you ask the Father in My Name, that I'll do. When thou prayest, believe that you receive what you've asked for and you shall have it."

Now, if I am praying that God will save these teen-age children, and I believe with all my heart He will do it, see that's the same way Job stood. Say, "Oh, look at this kid,

how he's doing." I don't care what he's doing or what she's doing. I still have put that child in the hand of Almighty God and my—me and my house shall be saved. See? Because I... Even though I may pass on before they do, but somehow before they leave here, God will twist them right down on the trail. I—I believe that... Somehow or another. He will make it so miserable for them, till they will have to do it. See? And that's the way I believe, it's, "Thou and thy house shall be saved."

I've seen a many that... I've watched that come into my meetings. Many time, an old boy will come up there that's been rough all of his life. He fall down on his knees and go to crying, and get up, say, "Well, I had a dear old mother. Oh, if she's in heaven tonight, I know she's looking down and she is glad to see me at this altar."

See? What it is, that old mother prayed and believed. See, she's gone on long ago, but here's them prayers. Because the righteousness... See, thy and thy house shall be saved. God knows how to work. He knows how to do. He knows how to do everything just right. 61-0808 - THY HOUSE

I'M COMING AFTER THEM

Satan captures your health, you've got a right to go to—to Satan, say, "Give it back! Hand it over! I come in the Name of the Lord, the Possessor of Heavens and earth, and I'm His heir. Give it back! You took my child, you got her mixed up with the wrong boy. You took my boy and mixed up with the wrong girl. I claim them! That's right. I claim my children, I claim my brother, I claim my sister. Yes, Satan, you've took them from God's house, coaxed them out there, but I'm coming after them. I claim them." "Well, how you know?"

"I'm an heir of all things. Amen. It's given to me. I'm an heir, I can claim everything that God promised me." Amen. There you are. "It's mine." How do you get it, something you done? No, sir. It's the unmerited gift that God gave us, and it's ours, it belongs to us. Satan cannot hold it if you go to him in the—the Scriptural authoritative Word, with faith, to say, "It's mine! Lay it down." Amen. Glory! I like that. "Satan, you lay it down. You took it from me. You give it back, because I'm serving notice on you. I've got the notice written right here on the Word, 'Heavens and earth will pass away, but this notice shall not.' So I come with this notice, to serve on you, that Jesus Christ said whatsoever I ask the Father in His Name He'll give it to me. If I say to this mountain, 'be moved,' and don't doubt in my heart, but believe that what I've said shall come to pass, I can have what I said. Lay it down!" That gets him started. Don't get him started, gets him running. "Lay it down, because I have come with the Scriptural authority. I am a believer."

62-0506 - POSSESSING ALL THINGS

ALL OF HER FAMILY WITH HER

It gives us the promise that someday that these old, weakening, feebled, gray-headed, broke-down mothers will be changed. Not only will mother sit there, by herself, but all of her family with her. And what a day that will be! What a time it will be, when we look upon the faces of those who we have loved so well! What a difference on that morning, when we shall see our loved ones, and—and to watch what they'll be then! All the afflictions will be taken away. All the mars of suffering will be done. No more pale cheeks of death. No more tears from the eyes. The resurrection promises all of this

59-0510M - MOTHER'S DAY

THE SHEPHERD CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE ONE SHEEP

Now, another thing you notice about sheep and the shepherd. You know it's a disgrace for the shepherd to lose one sheep. Did you know that? It's a reproach on the shepherd. Now, I'm going... Now, hold wide now. Oh, my, yes, sir. If the shepherd loses one sheep it is a disgrace on him. "All the Father has given Me will come, and none's lost." See, that's... "All that comes to Me..."

All right, the shepherd can't afford to lose the sheep. That's the reason, you backslider tonight, He's still honking haunt—hanging around your heart, trying to draw you back to the fold, because He once kissed you, and you kissed Him and told Him that you loved Him and raised your hands and praised Him, and you backslid and went out there, and got all butchered up and wounded up in your spirit. But He still holds around you all the time, "Come on back, wandering sheep. I just can't afford to let you be lost." Maybe the little sheep that He had to go way out on the mountain to find, all through the place, maybe you're that sheep tonight, laying out there wounded somewhere. But the shepherd can't afford to lose one sheep.

56-0403 - SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEPFOLD





TO BE DISCREET

C H A P T E R F O U R

Whose adorning ... let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

1 Peter 3: 3a & 4

She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue *is* the law of kindness. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Proverbs 31: 26-27 And withal they learn *to be* idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not. I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully. 1 Timothy 5:13-14



NOT BIG AND CARRYING ON

Therefore when a woman tries to act like a man, dress like a man, and talk like a man, she's out of her place. A woman is feminish, sweet, loving, not big and carrying on and acting like a man. Well, she's not supposed to be. And when she does that, her life is perverted. She's sweet, loving, kind, where Adam is more the burly type, for he was the man, the masculine type. The woman was feminish, but it's the same spirit, for He took her from Adam. 58-0619B - YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN

I CAN TELL WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF

Let me go into your home. Let me see what you read, listen to what kind of music you listen to; I can tell you what you're made of, what's on the inside of you. That'll come out.

58-0520 - THE SIGN OF THE TIME

A CHANNEL THAT HE CAN COME TO

There's righteous people walking in all the Light of the Lord; that's the kind of a home that God can get into. Now, if you're serving all kinds of—of parties, and beer, and everything in your house, God will never visit you there. That's right. But if you've got a home that's cleaned up and living for God, with prayer and the Bible open, and a few tear stains on it, God can visit you. That's right. 'Cause you've opened up a channel that He can come to. And there is where it was.

52-0810A - I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE

HOLY, DISCREET, HONORABLE

Now let us all, tonight, check our desires, and then you can see what kind of a filter you've been drawing through. Let's check, each one of us, here and out across the nation. Check your desires, what you want really in life. Check what you're fighting for. Check what you're here for. Check what you go to church for. What makes you...It's good to go to church, but just don't go to church only; that won't save you. See? Just check just a few minutes, say, "Is my objective...What-what kind of a filter am I drawing through, anyhow?" And if you won't cope with the Word of God, and your soul don't do it, then there's something wrong; for it shows up your taste, that the life...what kind of a life is in you. If it's a holy, discreet, honorable, it'll come out that way. If it isn't, you've got another taste in you you're drawing from. That's exactly right. And if the taste is the Word of God and the will of God, then you know what's in you, what's drawing the taste. Shows you are a part of that Word. That Word is in you, drawing from the Word.

65-0822E - A THINKING MAN'S FILTER

TENDER, LITTLE, DELICATE, FEMINISH SPIRIT

And then God taken from his side a piece of him, a rib, and made a woman. Now, where did He get the spirit, woman? See? When He...Genesis 1:26, He said, "Let us make man in Our Own image, after Our Own—Own likeness, created He them (man) male and female." He made the burly spirit for the man; He made the tender, little, delicate, feminish spirit for the woman.

And when you see a woman acting like a man, she's got out of her place, you see, in the beginning. See? All right. She's supposed...I think it's a shame that women has lost their dainty, feminish place. It's a disgrace. I tell you, it is. It's...You know, I'm going to say this. Now, I'm not talking about you women here. But, course, if it hurts, it just does. But, look, let me ask you something. It used to be that women was so feminish till a man would go to talking to them and they'd blush. Huh! What is blushing, anyhow? I haven't seen it in so long I wouldn't even know what it was if some woman blushed. They haven't got any of that dignity anymore, all that there fine feminish spirit. They're just...They can...They'll wear clothes like a man, cut their hair like a man, smoke like a man, drink like a man, cuss like a man, vote like a man, work like a man, so, become rough, burly. Oh, my! That shows where you've got to. That's exactly.

That little lady-like, you don't see her much more, she's a hard person to find. Isn't that right? Yes, that's the truth. So a woman is not supposed to stand up and act like a man, big and burly, because she's dainty. God made her that way. I can prove that by the Scriptures.

53-0729 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON GENESIS

ADORN THEMSELVES IN A PEACEFUL, QUIET SPIRIT

And the same thing applies by women. You take one of them painted-faced and starey-eyes, look like some kind of an animal, trying to disfigure herself from a human being, she'll never make anything. She'll run all the time. And Christianity is not beauty on the outside, it's on the inside: of peace, quiet, adorn themselves in a peaceful, quiet spirit, which is a great price before the Lord. That's what we want to look for on women, and on man, and whoever it is. 64-0823E - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #2

TO BE DAINTY AND SWEET

But this Angel that stayed with the church elected, Abraham and his group, set with His back turned to the tent. And Sarah... She was a little different from some of our modern sisters today. You know... Don't it make you feel kind of bad when, you know, men start talking, and women come out and butt right in, oh, it's kind of rude? You know, when God made a woman, He gave her the feminish spirit to be dainty and sweet, like the real Christian sisters are.

But these women with overalls on, and a cigarette in their mouth, and stomp right out and cuss, and sing, "God bless America." See? And that, it just don't seem—seems rude. It just don't... There's something that's wrong...?... That's right. And... But little Sarah was a little Pentecostal sister that stayed back to take care of her business. She was back in there cooking some dinner.

62-0611 - IT IS I, BE NOT AFRAID

HOW SHE HOLDS HERSELF

And I watch His little billboards, as I see them go down the street, watch them out here in the hospital, watch them in the hour of their death, watch them out here when they're at a showdown, watch that little lady, how she holds herself there as a real, genuine saint.

61-0903 - LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN

THEY WALK GRACEFULLY

And remember the vision of last week, that when the Bride came to be...preview of it. There came up the little Bride, lovely, in the vision. And I, not thinking about it; just setting there watching outside. And there come the Bride. I heard a Voice by the side of me, said, "Here is a preview of the Bride." And She came by. I noticed Her, the way She was, very lovely, pretty, young. She was walking just the step as She could, not a march; just in the stride of a—a woman, how they walk gracefully, ladylike. That's the way She was walking, coming to my left on this side, and She went out of my sight.

64-0726M - RECOGNIZING YOUR DAY AND ITS MESSAGE

GENTLE AND HUMBLE

By His grace, you'll just let all your differences be done, from today on. You want to be gentle and quiet. You want to be humble and go where He leads you. When people say something, no matter how right it looks, you're going to forfeit your rights to talk about your neighbor. You're going to talk, you're going to talk about Jesus. You're just going to do the thing that's right. You ain't going out like a murderer. You ain't going out to jump on the innocent. But you see that gallant play of heroism of real Christians, and you want to be like them. You won't have to tell anybody you're a Christian, if you are one, they just see it and know it as you talk. You're sealed inside and out.

56-0805 - THE CHURCH AND ITS CONDITION

MAY SHE BE SO LADYLIKE

Make the little housewife so sweet and humble, that she'll be able to lead others to You. The Gift that You give her, that feminish little ladylike, may she be so ladylike till the neighbors will see her and—and want to be like her. 63-1222 - GOD'S GIFTS ALWAYS FIND THEIR PLACES

QUIT TALKING ABOUT OUR NEIGHBOURS

And here He was. They were talking about Him when He appeared. If we would quit talking about our neighbors,

and quit talking about the hypocrites in the church, and talk more about Jesus, we'd have more appearing of Jesus; talking about the faults of the preacher, talking about the faults of something else. And just talk about Jesus, there would be more things happen. Now, and when they were talking, He appeared.

And then, notice, when He appears, He don't begin to take sides with you. "Oh, that's right. This one ought to be put out. And this ought to have a new pastor. Or, this neighbor done you wrong."

See, as soon as He appeared, He begin to preach the Word. A real servant of God always goes to the Word. 58-0406E - THE EVIDENCE OF THE RESURRECTION

WALK MEEKLY, QUIETLY, HUMBLY, GENTLY

Come back to a lamb, come back to be gentle, come back to know nothing, come back to just submit yourself to Christ. Don't try, don't try to know nothing. Just walk meekly, quietly, humbly, gently, and the Dove will lead you. But whenever you see...go to listening to that gossip, whenever you go to getting that temper up, whenever you go to thinking you got a right to do this and do that, the Dove just takes Her flight and goes on away. Then you don't have It anymore. Now, she's not very far from you this morning, church. She's sitting right out there on the limb of peace, waiting for your nature to be changed. Amen.

What you need today is to submit all your rights, is to let God lay you down and shave all your rights off of you. 56-0805 - THE CHURCH AND ITS CONDITION

TO LIVE A LIFE ABOVE REPROACH

He wants somebody to minister to Him, somebody that'll live the life, somebody to testify of having the Holy Ghost, to live a life above reproach (That's right.), somebody to live the life that can produce. And they talk about Jesus, then produce Jesus.

61-0429B - ONE OF THE MEANEST MEN IN TOWN

LONG SKIRTS DON'T TAKE YOU TO HEAVEN

This same person had in his church a lady who had long hair and wore long dresses, and had a temper enough to fight a buzz saw, and just as mean as she could be. Now, long hair and long skirts don't take you to Heaven. No, sir! It's the Spirit that's in you takes you to Heaven. 61-0723E - GOD BEING MISUNDERSTOOD

BE REMELTED AGAIN

When arguments come up, or do you jump right in and partake of them? When quarrels come up, when indifference, when differences in the church comes, do you take sides with cults and cliques, and so forth like that? Do you listen to gossip on the streets and around the places? If you're guilty of that, you've been blowed through by the devil's blows, let's go back to the furnace, tonight, and be remelted again, and come out without them in us. Let God thread us down and get us ready for this great Bridge to take Its Rapture.

57-0818 - TIME-TESTED MEMORIALS OF GOD

SAY GOOD THINGS

The Syrophoenician woman, Greek actually what she was, when she—when Jesus said to her, said, "It's not meet for Me to take the children's bread and give it to the dogs." She said, "That's true, Lord; but the dogs under the table eats the children's crumbs." He said, "For this saying, the devil's left your daughter." Say good things then. Say something good about somebody. Talk about Jesus. Say something loyal, something real. That's the way to get rid of devils. He never said—He never prayed for the girl. He never said one thing about her being healed; He just said, "For this saying, for this saying..."

59-1219 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE HOLY GHOST





CHASTE

C H A P T E R F I V E

In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; 1 Timothy 2:9a

The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her Proverbs 31:11a

> Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Matthew 5:8

AS A CHASTE VIRGIN

And whatever that we have need of, give it to us, Lord, whatever is good for us, Lord; not what's good in our sight, but what's good in Your sight. We want to stand as a chaste virgin that's been chastened, rebuked of God, that we might be purged from our sins.

64-0705 - THE MASTERPIECE

DRESS DECENTLY

How many remembers a long time ago when the old women used to dress decently, and wear clothes that looked natural, and looked like ladies. You remember that? You can't tell them apart now.

53-1130 - HAS THE LORD SPOKEN ONLY TO MOSES?

YOU DON'T PAINT YOURSELF TO SEE GOD

And she said... Just so, that like, just dressed like a man and you know the Bible says, "that a woman that'll put on a garment that looks like a man's is an abomination to God." You know the Scripture says that. It's the truth. And look, young ladies, if you'll just leave all that there stuff off, you'll look a lot prettier. That's right. Just take a little James 5:14, mix with a little John 3:16, and add it all together and stir it up; that's the best make-up you'll ever have. Is that right? It's true. Let me tell you something, young ladies, as you're coming up. If your mother does it, shame her. But look. There was only one woman in the whole Bible that ever painted herself. And you don't paint yourself to see God. You paint yourself to come before men.

I can prove by the Bible that any woman that'll bob her hair has a legal right in the sight of God for her husband to divorce her. Hair... That's the Scripture. Now, if you don't believe it, lay the question up here tomorrow night, and I'll show you. That's right. That's right, but what do we do? The Bible says it's a common, sinful thing for a woman pray with her hair cut short. That's right. And yet we... You put all this make-up on, but what does it do, friend? There's only one woman done that, and you know what God did to her? He fed her to the dogs. So if you see a woman wearing that, say, "Howdy do, Miss Dog-meat." That's exactly what she was. God fed her to the dogs: Jezebel. You know you don't want to be of her daughters, but I don't blame it on you. It's because it's tradition. It's handed right down, and it's a disgrace.

53-1130 - HAS THE LORD SPOKEN ONLY TO MOSES?

DRESS AND ACT LIKE LADIES

We ought to conduct ourselves like sons and daughters of God, because God is our King. Women ought to dress and act like ladies.

60-0806 - HEAR YE HIM

YOU PARALYZE YOUR FAITH

How oft' today, today, Christians rely on their senses, and of what they can see, or what they can understand, instead of their faith, to rely on what you see with your eye and the glamour. Like you women, I'm always calling to you, about you must let your hair grow out, you mustn't wear makeup, you must act like ladies and Christians. You look out upon the street and see the women today dressed immorally. Well, you think, "Well, she belongs to the church, why can't I do that?" See? "And she cuts her hair, why—why can't I do that? Well, she seems to be just as sweet and as much intellectual, and a personality that I haven't even got. Well, why can't I do that? I ought to do it." When you do that, you paralyze your faith. See? You don't give your faith a chance to grow. Start on that, as I have said. 63-0714M - WHY CRY? SPEAK!

THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG

May these women here tonight, Lord, that's had such a hard time to keep from coping with the world; let their hair grow, and dress ladylike, and take off this makeup and stuff, this artificial, that shows...it—it kind of identifies them that they're not healthy, they...there—there's something wrong.

63-1222 - GOD'S GIFTS ALWAYS FIND THEIR PLACES

WHEN YOU SEE IT'S GETTING A HOLD OF YOU

Well, Sister, I know this means a lot to you, and it means a lot for me for you to place your confidence I'd tell you the truth. Now remember, the Bible said, "When you adorn, do not adorn with—with costly jewels, and pearls, and all kinds of wearing of jewelry, but let that be the adorning of a peace, and quiet, and meek spirit (which I just quoted), which is a great price before the Lord." Now, I don't mean by that, Sister, that if you had a pin...Now, this is me not the Lord. If you had a pin that you wanted to wear, or a little necklace your husband give you, or maybe your...something like that that you wore, now, to me, I don't think that's bad. Now, that's just me. Now remember, I make myself clear; that's my opinion. But I think it's the approach to it; it's the way you do it. See? It's the motive behind it. And when you see it's getting ahold of you, then leave the thing alone. But I think if you wore your wedding ring...

64-0823E - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #2

LIVE LIKE A LADY

When Isaiah 5, he talked about how the immorals of the women would get in the last days, and how they'd be: so much clothes they had to have, and how they'd have to have their hair set, and everything like that. The Bible speaks that, Isaiah 5. "How she'd walk with high-heeled shoes on, tinkling her feet as she went along. And she would roll down her stockings, and the things she would do; and many changeable set, apparel, and stuff like that." And said, "All that will be taken away from her, and she

shall sit and stink, from immoral." And said, even, "Seven women will grab one man, and said, 'We'll do our own work. Let us just take your name, to take away our reproach."

But he said, "How glorious will that little branch that escapes all these things! It'll be 'HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD' in that day," when real genuine born-again women know their place, though they be laughed at, and called silly and old-fashion, everything. But, act like a woman, like a lady! Stand like a woman! Dress like a woman! Talk like a woman! Live like a lady.

63-0623E - THE FLASHING RED LIGHT OF THE SIGN OF HIS COMING

A FALSE CONCEPTION

Beauty is of the devil, always. That's exactly right. And we might get to that, a little later on, so then find out. We see what Cain offered, and see what it was in Heaven, and find out what this world, vain beauty is, and what. Hollywood has took over, today, even the church. Yes, sir. It's a false conception, of the devil.

Amidst the beauty of the Lord, in holiness and Power; not in paint, and powder, and shorts, and everything else that they're trying to wear and do it. It's in beauty of the holiness and righteousness.

We are not of this world. We're from a kingdom that's Above, where dwelleth righteousness within. Yes. 64-0401 - THE IDENTIFIED CHRIST OF ALL AGES

MAKING IT A LITTLE PRIDE

If women want to dress and—and make themselves look decent, clean, ladylike, why, I think there's not a thing to that, to me. But when you get to going to put that thing into making it a little pride, then you're wrong. It's your attitude.

64-0823E - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #2

SHE TOOK HER CHOICE

But Sarah was the most beautiful woman in all the world, and she took her choice with her husband and lived out there on the poor of the land, so she could serve God and be heir of the promise. What a difference.

61-0208 - SIRS, WE WOULD SEE JESUS

LOOKING HER BEST

And her hair was cut off and painted; she had it... I don't blame a woman from looking her best, but don't look like the devil while you're trying to look your best. Look like a lady, like God made you.

59-0419E - SHOW US THE FATHER AND IT WILL SATISFY US

YOU'LL ANSWER AT THE DAY OF JUDGMENT

You might be pure and clean as you can be. You may be just the loveliest type of a woman, but if you dress yourself like that and man lusts for you, and you presented yourself to men like that, and they do, you'll answer at the day of judgment as an adulterer. That's exactly right. The Bible said so.

56-1003 - PAINTED-FACE JEZEBEL

SHE WILL STAND TRUE

He went about at the task. Every true servant of God will do the same. If it's no more than a little dishwasher in the kitchen by a housewife (Amen.), she will stand true when she really sees the revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ. No matter what the neighbors say about her 'cause she lets her hair grow out and wears her clothes decent... The neighbors will say she's gone old fashion. 55-0604 - JAIRUS, A SECRET BELIEVER

BLINDED BY THE GOD OF THIS WORLD OF FASHION

Notice here, "Thou art naked." Let that soak real deep. I know I may have much disagreement on this thought, but it's got to a place that a Christian can hardly walk out of his house and not be brought in the presence of this evil age, by unsufficient dressed women.

Women, I'm going to say this, and I want you to listen. And, men and women, you might disagree with this, but I feel led to say it. Did you know, any woman that undresses herself like that is not in her right mind? Do you know, she is, whether she believes it or not, or thinks not, she is a prostitute? Though the woman might stand with her hand before God and swear that she's never been touched by any other man but her husband, and that might be the honest truth, but still she is a prostitute. Jesus said, "Whosoever looketh upon a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her already." And the woman may be...

See, she is "naked," the Bible said, "and don't know it." The spirit that's anointing her to do such things is a evil, prostitute spirit. Her outward being, her physical body, her flesh, she might be clean. She might not commit any adultery, and could swear to God and be the truth, that she never, but her spirit is a prostitute spirit. She has been so blinded by the god of this world of fashion; she dressed herself sexy and got out there.

The other day, Brother Wood and I were putting our boat in the river. I was to get away from the house for a few minutes, to go up on the river. And wherever you went, women with these little bunches of...called 'kinis or something, around them. That is a disgrace. A woman can't be in her right mind and put on anything like that. She is possessed with a prostitute spirit. Now, you settle that with God, lady, 'cause you'll find out someday that that is the Truth.

How could you, a lady, knowing how sacred your body is, and expose it out there to these lustful, sinful devils that walk the street of this day? If sons of God was all still sons of God, your husband was a son of God, he would either make you put on clothes or leave you. If a boy was a son of God, he would never marry such a thing. See? 65-0801M - THE GOD OF THIS EVIL AGE

HER OWN FRUITS PROVE WHAT SHE IS

How? Notice what she loves. Watch her lover, you want to see who she is in love with. The Word says This, but she said, "My church says this." Then who she in love with? Who is her husband? Her own fruits prove what she is. Exactly right, shows what she is. Notice. She was born, first, to Adam, 'cause that's her natural birth. See? And she never left that. That's a lover of the world. She claims that she is born the second time, to Christ. But her lover, notice, is Adam, yet, because she loves the world.

And another—another thing, notice what kind of children she is bearing. That tells what their papa is, whether it's the first Adam or Second Adam. If the Church brings forth a child of the Second Adam, he acts the Second Adam's way of acting, like they did on Day of Pentecost. That's the really true Second Adam's children. See? Right. Their nature is like his and hers. Yes, sir. Her daughters, paintedface, bobbed-haired, wearing men's clothes, trousers. The Bible said for her "not to do it." She cuts her hair. "It's a shame to her."

65-1125 - THE INVISIBLE UNION OF THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

THAN TO ENJOY THE RICHES

So, Sarah, the most beautiful woman in the land, she sat up there on the hillside with her husband like she should have done. She plain, well, might have wore plain calico dresses, or ever what you want to call it.

While, Mrs. Lot dressed up like a millionaire. And her husband was the mayor of the city. He was a judge that set in the gate. She had everything; attended all the sewing circles and card parties that there was went on in Sodom and Gomorrah. But Sarah was more pleased to live with her husband on meager fare, and know that she was in the will of God, than to enjoy the riches of, or, the pleasure of riches for a season. That's right. That's when God visit. 57-0915E - HEBREWS, CHAPTER SEVEN #1

INNOCENT, SOFT AND SWEET

And it must've been that time that Mary's heart was strangely warned. Isn't it strange how God does things? Scripture's made manifest. She said, "Joseph." And he looked at her, and perhaps he always thought she was the most beautiful woman he had ever saw. But then there was a certain look in her face that charmed him more than ever. While her pretty eyes looked at him like that of the dove, soft, innocent, I think that's the way a woman should look, innocent, soft, and sweet. She said, "Joseph, what was the prophet speaking of when he said, 'Unto us a Child is born, and unto us a Son is given.' Who is this Son and this Child that he was speaking of?"

60-0311 - MARY'S BELIEF

SHE WAS HOLDING TO HIM THAT HAD THE PROMISE

Way down in the city down there, I imagine Mrs. Lot was wearing all the new style dresses they had down there. And she was doing all the hairdos and everything they had. She was just living luxurious, and had all of her daughters just the same way. Just the same way old mother harlot's done today, and made all of her daughters do the same thing. Now, but Sarah, yet the most beautiful woman in all the land, set on the barren land, because she was holding to him that had the promise.

62-0706 - JEHOVAH-JIREH #2

ENOUGH MODESTY TO BLUSH

As this our precious Brother Arganbright and I came down the road early this morning, was talking about the subject, it's hard to find a girl with enough modesty to blush. They've heard so many dirty jokes and filth, and, why, you couldn't say nothing to make them blush. When, a few years ago, no more than when I was a boy, a little thing wrong, their face would color up, a little thing pass by, and another little girl's little underneath skirt would show in school, and I was standing, talk, and when she looked over and seen this little girl's underneath skirt showing, her little face turned red, and she walked away from me, a sixteen year old girl. Why, what a... that's the God-given quality to safeguard our morals.

62-1216 - THE FALLING APART OF THE WORLD



KEEPERS AT Home

C H A P T E R S I X

...and she that tarried at home divided the spoil. Psalm 68:12b

And they said unto him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.

Genesis 18:9



THE FEMALE IS THE HOME BIRD

There's a little bird in Africa, and she's a little pick bird. Now, usually, the female is always the ugliest of the two. The male's always the most beautiful, the male deer, the male elk, the male pheasant, the—the male chicken, and always is the most...Because, the female is the home bird. She sets on the nest, she raises her little ones. She's disguised from the hawk, the snake, the coyote, whatever more, see, to raise her little ones.

57-1006 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON HEBREWS #3

AT HOME WITH HER CHILDREN

A woman's place is at home with her children. And when she... Now if her husband's sick and she has to work, that's different. But woman's place is at home in the kitchen, and when she leaves that she's out of her place. Exactly right. 57-0727 - HE WAS TO PASS THAT WAY

WHERE SHE BELONGS

Put the woman back in the kitchen where she belongs, then everything will be all right. 57-1006 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON HEBREWS #3

IN THE HOUSE

What does your wife do? She serves you in the house. You sit down, she gives you your food, she fixes the clothing. See, she serves you day and night in the house.

60-1211M - THE TEN VIRGINS, AND THE HUNDRED AND FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND JEWS

OF GADDING ABOUT

That's the trouble. You ought to spend more time every day, instead of gadding about, and running around, you ought to be out to be out somewhere praying and seeking God. Amen.

55-0611 - WHAT IS THAT IN THY HAND?

IF WE HAD A MOTHER STAY HOME...

That's what breaks the back of every nation, is it's womanhood, always has been. I like real women, real mothers. God gives us more real, old time mothers, that we wouldn't have as much juvenile delinquency if we had a mother stay home and take care of her kids, instead of out somewhere with a cocktail party, and these little babysitters trying to take care of it somewhere. That's right. That's what poisons the mind of the children. 60-0803 - ABRAHAM

GOD MADE YOU FOR ONE PLACE

Now, when you leave the church tonight, you say, "You know, I kinda believe Brother Branham's right. Yeah, now, that is the truth." But tomorrow you go right back into the office when you oughtn't to go. If your husband's sick, you need to do it. But if it isn't, listen, sister dear, God made you for one place, the kitchen. When you get out of there, you're out of His will. Remember that. Women was made to be a helpmate at the house. She never was made for office work. And it's caused more disgrace and divorces and things.

56-1003 - PAINTED-FACE JEZEBEL

THEY'RE JUST NOT SATISFIED

And also we find that, homes, which is the backbone of the nation and—and of the church, we find homes broke up, and divorce courts just overrun with divorces. Juvenile delinquency, of—of mothers leaving their little children with babysitters and—and taking off, out to work and somewhere, when their husbands got good jobs, but they're just not satisfied to be a mother and stay at home. 59-1220E - IDENTIFIED WITH CHRIST

THEIR LITTLE CASTLE

I don't say all women shouldn't sometime have to work; maybe they got a sick husband or something, and they have to work. But if they don't have to, they shouldn't do it. Their place is at home, their little castle, that's exactly where they should be.

57-1006 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON HEBREWS #3

INTERESTED IN HER HOUSEHOLD

So that's what Rebekah, being a stanch believer and a follower of the Lord Jesus, and a very fine sweet person she must have been, and she had...interested in her household. And I think that that reflects again, that if—if a person ever meets Jesus and finds Him really in your heart, you're interested not only in your own household, but the household of God, everywhere. You're interested, that they know Him.

64-0321B - HE WAS TO PASS THIS WAY

INSTEAD OF RUNNING OUT AND RUNNING AROUND

If you people around this area here want an old fashion pouring down rain, you just get down on your knees, and all of you around here start calling out to God with a sincere heart. Burn up everything in your house, take that beer bottles out of the icebox, throw that deck of cards away. Take the children and take off to Sunday school next... And stay in prayer instead of running out and running around, and gadding about the way you do. Get on your knees and start praying, God will send you a rain. That's right, make preparation.

53-1018 - ELIJAH

COME OUT FROM AMONG SUCH STUFF

Now, I'm certainly against women working in these offices where all these business men...They carry on, tell them dirty jokes. And a nice, clean woman setting there, and all these smutty dirty things told around like that, I—I'm against that. I think you ought to come out from among such stuff as that. But now, if a woman can hold herself as a—as a real lady and trying to help her husband do something to meet some clothes for the kids to go to school, or—or pay off a bill, or something like that, and she wants to work till that's over...Now, this not the Lord, 'cause I don't have no Scripture for this. I'm just saying that'd be my opinion; but otherwise, I wouldn't think just 'cause she wants to work just to run around and have, or, more money to spend, run around, and run to barrooms, or drink, smoke, and carry on; I don't think she should do it. I think she should stay home, try to be a lady, and take care of her house.

64-0823E - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #2

YOU JUST CONTINUE TO BE THAT

If you're a good housewife, if God has blessed you as a housewife and made you loyal and true, sister, you just continue to be that. Don't get thinking, you, God called you to be a preacher, or—or a deacon, or something else. 64-0315 - INFLUENCE

THAT'S WHAT HAPPINESS MEANS

Mondays usually at my house when my wife washes. It's always a hard day. We used to have to pack the water and boil it in an old tub behind the house, and... You know what I mean, and wash. And I'd help wash too. Old cedar tub, how... Good times, though. As long as you love the Lord, what difference does it make? Happiness does not consist of how much of this world's goods you own, it's how contented you are with the portion's allotted to you. That's what happiness means. Find Christ and you got happiness. You have. That's true.

50-0716 - BELIEVEST THOU THIS?

A LITTLE HOUSEWIFE

If a person isn't no more than a little housewife, she's just as much in the Kingdom of God as the apostle or prophet or whatever he is. She's God's child. And there's no difference in us. God put some to do one thing, and some another. That don't make us above anyone. That just God chose us.

57-0613E - THIRSTING FOR LIFE

GOD GAVE YOU A JOB

Many of you has wanted to do something for God. And you've neglected it for the washtub, for a job out yonder in a factory somewhere. Some of you women that ought to be home with your kids, reading the Bible to them. You got a job out yonder to make a extra dollar. Shame on you. God gave you a job; that's raise them children. Teach them the things of God. It's the truth. Think on your ways, woman. What will them dollars do? They'll ring like Judas Iscariot's did. Think on your ways and turn your foot to His testimonies, unto His Blood, unto His grace, unto His offer. 59-0814 - AS I THOUGHT ON MY WAYS

SHE'LL RUN ALL THE TIME

He said, "Look, Billy, there's one thing you do not understand in cattle buying." Said, "I think you ought to hold to your road preaching." But said, "You don't understand cattle." He said, "Now, look at that calf down there." We walked down there. Said, "See that wild stare in her eyes?" I said, "Yeah." Said, "Her children, and her grandchildren, and her great, great, grandchildren will still have that wild stare." And said, "They'll run theirself poor. They'll never be a mother to their calves." And said, "You never could fatten them; they'll never make beef." He said, "Look at this little calf here that's sold. Look how gentle she looks. Look at that peaceful look in her face, that kind look, no stare in her eyes." Said, "She'll be a real mammy to her calf; and her calf's calf, and calf's calf will continue to be that way." And said, "They'll all of them be mammys, if they can get the right kind of a breeder bull to that calf (see?), that'll make their children. But that starey look in the face will always make a poor herd of cattle, if a man's trying to buy cattle." I said, "Yes, sir! Thank you."

And the same thing applies by women. You take one of them painted-faced and starey-eyes, look like some kind of an animal, trying to disfigure herself from a human being, she'll never make anything. She'll run all the time. And Christianity is not beauty on the outside, it's on the inside: of peace, quiet, adorn themselves in a peaceful, quiet spirit, which is a great price before the Lord. That's what we want to look for on women, and on man, and whoever it is. 64-0823E - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #2

STAY RIGHT THERE

As I said the other night, the little bitty hairspring in this watch is just as important as the mainspring, 'cause it takes

it all together to make time. And that... When we realize our position in Christ and then abide in that, if it's just a little housewife, stay right there. That's what God wants you to do. See? Just be what you are.

61-0413 - WHY?

IF WE JUST QUIETEN OURSELF

And no matter how bad the times may be, how much your church may teach against it, Jesus Christ is still willing to speak that still small Voice to anybody that will listen for Him. He is still ready to do it, if we just quieten ourself.₅8-1005M - HEAR HIS VOICE

WE'RE SO BUSY SKIPPING ABOUT

God likes to fellowship with His people. But we won't stand still long enough for Him to fellowship with us. We're so busy skipping about, from place to place, and so much. "Set still, Elijah." He wanted three years and six months of fellowship. We can't give Him three minutes, hardly. Three years and six months of constant fellowship. Oh, I love that! Said, "Don't worry about the cooking; we'll have that already fixed up. The crows is going to feed you. And everything is going to be all right. I just want some fellowship."

57-0825M - HEBREWS, CHAPTER TWO #1

IF THE BARREL GOES EMPTY

See? It's by faith we do everything. Believe on the Lord. Believe on the Lord for a job. Believe on the Lord to hunt the... give you the wife that you should have. Believe on the Lord to give you the husband you should marry. Believe on the Lord to send you some new furniture. Or, if the—if the barrel goes empty and the cruse gets dry, and there's no food, and the children are hungry, believe on the Lord. Believe on the Lord for anything. See? As long as it's right, just believe on the Lord and "thou shall." See? It shall come. I've never seen it fail in all my life.

61-0808 - THY HOUSE





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For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto *good* works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10

> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. Galatians 5:22-23

... that they do good, that they be rich in good works... 1 Tim 6:17

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. James 3:17

Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the *peaceable fruit* of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. Hebrews 12:11

... but (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works. 1 Timothy 2:10

UNTO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS

Encourage one another unto love and to good works. If you see a brother in the church, that's got something against the other brother, don't say something to stir that thing up, but say something that'll bring them together. "Provoke one another unto good works and to love," is what we must do. What is that? That's a man that's born again.

If you, my brother, tonight, don't feel that way when you see your brothers falling out, and sharp words between one another, if you don't feel like bringing them together, it's your time to go to the altar. That's right. There is something happened in your life. There is something you've been deceived in. You haven't the experience that God wants you to have.

For, Jesus, when He was reviled, He reviled not again. And was spoken evil of, He spoke not back again. And when He...When they done evil to Him, He turned and did good to them. When they persecuted Him and nailed Him to the cross, He looked down and said, "Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they're doing." If that kind of Spirit is not in you, the Holy Ghost has never entered you yet, for that was the same Spirit was on Christ Jesus. The Bible said, "Let It be in you." Christ is in His Church. 54-1024 - THE UNPARDONABLE SIN

BE GOOD TO THEM ANYHOW

It's your—it's your attitude towards things. Don't condemn others. If they do wrong, be good to them anyhow. Just look over those things. Because God's had to look over a whole lot for you and I. That's right. God help us to have that attitude always in our hearts.

53-0902 - TESTIMONY

THEY'RE KIND HEARTED AND LIKE TO HELP PEOPLE

She must have been a follower of Jesus, because the followers of Jesus is always considerate, and they're kind hearted and like to help people, like to do something to help somebody. All followers of Jesus act that way. Whether they're old people trying to cross the street, a follower of Jesus just doesn't go on by and let them stand there to get run over. He stops and helps them across the street. And if you see some poor old person with a big bunch of groceries, a follower of Jesus helps them pack them home. And—and if they see somebody in need, they go help them. That's what followers of Jesus does. They're always kind, tender-hearted, showing compassion, doing things for somebody.

60-0713 - BLIND BARTIMAEUS

KEEP IT ALL COVERED UP WITH GODLY LOVE

Try to do something good and just keep being good; hold no malice, no grudges, don't let any bitterness. No matter how bad the person is and how bad they talk about you, don't you never think evil in your heart against them; 'cause right there the devil will set right in, work up something right there. Just keep it all covered up with godly love, confession, and making right, and do good to those who do evil to you. "If you only do good to those who do good to you, why," Jesus said, "don't the publicans the same?" See? The sinners, anybody can be good to those that's good to them. But be good to those who are not good to you, do something for those that would not do nothing for you. Speak a good word for the man that would speak evil against you, and that way you keep all the bitterness out of your heart; and you're always in love with everybody then, as long as you stay in love. 60-1207 - THE PERGAMEAN CHURCH AGE

AS YOU DO TO OTHERS, YOU DO TO CHRIST

Learn this, learn this, that, as you do to others, you do to Christ. When you be good to somebody else, you're being good to Christ. If you mistreat somebody else, you're mistreating Christ. Oh, my! 59-0301M - STRAIT IS THE GATE

BE GOOD TO ONE ANOTHER

I wouldn't care what you call me, but don't talk about my children. Don't be good to me, be good to them. And God feels the same way. These are His children. We've got to be good to one another.

55-1111 - WHERE I THINK PENTECOST FAILED

DOWN ALL WALLS OF PARTITION

Even in everything, it will grow on you. Try to be good to one another. Try to shake hands and be friendly and nice. Tear down all the walls of partition around you, that's malice, and different, ungodly, tear it down. Keep doing good to one another.

Every time you meet one another, make yourself be good to one another. And the first thing you know, it'll grow around you, till a bundle of love will wrap you up. Hallelujah. That's the marking of God. 55-0311 - THE SEAL OF THE ANTICHRIST

THE LITTLE HOUSEWIFE TO HARVEST THE NEIGHBORS

Lord, I pray that You'll sanctify their souls, and fill them with the Spirit, until they'll be chosen vessels of Yours: maybe the little housewife to harvest the neighbors... 59-1129 - LET US SEE GOD

WITH THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

I hope that God never lets Satan crown me as an old crabbed, indifferent man, and my wife an old nagging woman, or your wife, or you that way. I pray, brother, that our lives will be crowned with the fruits of the Spirit; love, joy, longsuffering, gentleness, patience, Truth, faith, in the Holy Spirit.

63-0623E - THE FLASHING RED LIGHT OF THE SIGN OF HIS COMING

YOU DO THAT THE VERY BEST YOU KNOW HOW

And then if our life is on the—the earth here, then we should go to the One Who put us here, and, "Lord, what would You have me do? What—what—what must I do? Why am I here?" If it's to be a housewife, dishwasher, if it's to be...Whatever God wants you to do, then you do that the very best that you know how to do it. No matter how little, no matter how little it is, you must do it.

63-0724 - GOD DOESN'T CALL MAN TO JUDGMENT WITHOUT FIRST WARNING HIM

ALWAYS BE WILLING TO LEND A HAND

You know, as a servant of God, you ought to watch what you're doing, because you're written epistles, read of all men. You Christians, always be willing to lend a hand or to do something to help somebody make life a little pl—more pleasant for them as they're... You say, "Well, I—I don't have any gift of healing." You don't have to have. At least offer something. Offer a prayer. Do something. Make them feel... Do the best you can by them, anyhow. Never turn a shoulder, a cold shoulder, to anyone, no matter what it is, even if they've mistreated you. Do it anyhow. If you can't do it from your heart, then you ought to come to the altar and stay till that spirit comes in you that from your heart, you can love those who doesn't love you.

60-0330 - BLIND BARTIMAEUS

DO EVERYTHING YOU CAN FOR THE KINGDOM

Women, housewife, no matter if you're the maid in somebody's house, testify. Do everything you can for the Kingdom, but don't never inject your own ideas. Just say what the Message says, and keep going on, see, and then maybe you have some influence.

62-1013 - THE INFLUENCE OF ANOTHER

LOVE THE BITTEREST ENEMY

Say, "God, I ain't got very much. I'm just a little housewife. I can't do very much, Lord, but I—I can read Your Bible, I can pray every day. I can throw out all the trash that's in my mind. I can throw all that stuff out. I'm guilty of a lot of

things that preacher said this morning, so I—I'm dumping it out today. I don't want it. God, fill me with love. Fill me with the thing that make me love the bitterest enemy I got. I really want it, Lord."

55-0724 - ENTICING SPIRITS

A SIGNBOARD THAT WILL REFLECT JESUS CHRIST

How did Stephen do it? He never performed any miracles, although he knowed that Christ was a miracle performer. He knowed all these powers and things. But what did he do? He just presented his life in such a way that they seen that it was the power of Christ. Amen. You may never see a vision. You may never put your hands on a sick person, and feel the charge of Almighty God make a skeleton of a man turn back to life again. You may never see Him standing yonder in three or four rainbows. You may never see His image. You may never hear His voice. But still you can be a signboard that will reflect Jesus Christ, by a life that's been so pure and unadulterated from the world. Not cluttered up with dirty things around your life; but a pure thing, that it'll cause the hungry heart to hunger and thirst to be like you. Amen.

You're the salt of the earth. "If the salt has lost its savor, wherewith shall it be salted?" That's right. Hungering and thirsting! "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, see what you do, and glorify the Father what's in Heaven."

61-0903 - LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN

WITH JESUS UNTIL ... HIS LIFE BE REFLECTED

You can just live with somebody so long, and around them, until you take up their ways. And it's good for us not to run off and live with the world. But stay with Jesus until we can reflect, His Life be reflected in our life.

And that's the way those disciples were. They, they knew that they had been around Jesus, because they talked like Him, acted like Him, and healed like Him, and every answer was like Him. They was inspired like Him, and they knowed that He was living in them. That's what we should be all the time, as believers. They acting like Him, 'cause, if you associate with someone so long.

63-1112 - SIR, WE WOULD SEE JESUS

FULL OF LOVE AND HUMILITY

No matter what outward demonstration you give, as long as the inward, here, is the Holy Spirit, it'll be the fruits of the Spirit, longsuffering, goodness, meekness, patience, gentleness, faith, temperance. Satan can copy any kind of a gift, any kind of a manifestation, but he can't love. God is love. that's right. See? Satan can't love. You see a man humble, and loving, and good to his neighbors, and a good citizen, a good fellow, and a good man, and a Christian man, full of love and humility; you watch that man. See? That's right. He's good charitable, longsuffering, you can talk about him, it's a—all right, he forgives you, don't make any difference to him. There, that's the real man; keep your eye on him. See? That man bears, he's an example.

51-0508 - FAITH IS THE SUBSTANCE

LIVE A DIFFERENT LIFE

If we're doing wrong, we're not living up to this Word, we're chastened of the Lord. And when the Lord chastens us, that means corrects us, that we should not be condemned with the world. We are not of the world. We are different from the world, live a different life, a separated life. We're never to live the life of the world and be a Christian. We're to live a—a outstanding life, a different life. Not I don't mean in such social ranks, but I mean we're to live a life of genuine holiness that the fruits of the Spirit might be seen in us: of meekness, and gentleness, and patience, longsuffering, faith: the fruit of the Spirit. ^{63-0707E - COMMUNION}

LET THAT BE THE FIRST THING

But, one soul saved, you'll see your name wrapped into it, as long as the morning star shall glitter in the sky. So, let's save souls, brethren. Each one, you housewives, you don't have to be a preacher; you do something for the glory of God. Remember, Eternal things is what lasts forever, and, that's, getting souls saved. Let that be the first thing, of all your work and all your ideas and all your motives. 56-0603 - THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE

DRINK FROM THE INEXHAUSTIBLE FOUNTAIN

Just like the life that's in the tree. You don't have to pour the apples in the tree, to make it bear apples. It's just planted in the ground, and it drinks and pushes out. Well, that's the way you do the Holy Spirit. It's on the inside of you. You just drink from the inexhaustible fountain of Jesus Christ, and It pushes out the fruits of the Spirit. 64-0122 - LOOKING UNTO JESUS

CONDUCT YOURSELF AS A CHRISTIAN

You know, God hasn't promised a flower bed of ease, but He's promised a lot of mountains, but He's promised grace to go over every one of them. I like Job speaking. Watch. After Job went through his trials and testings, as they come upon every child of God, first has to be tried, tested. In other words, they have to be trained like child training, take some whippings, straighten up. You know how to act then, how to conduct yourself as a Christian. God gives you a little bit of whipping once in a while, turns you around a few times; you know what it's all about, lays you on your back, so you can look up. Sure.

55-1119 - REDEEMER, REDEMPTION

PEACEABLE FRUITS

Every time that a man really steps out to serve God, he goes through testings. God gives you a little training, child training. It is not very pleasant the Bible said, for a while, but it yieldeth forth peaceful fruits.

56-0613 - JEHOVAH-JIREH





OBEDIENT TO Their own Husbands

C H A P T E R E I G H T

For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands: Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement. 1 Peter 3:5-6 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Ephesians 5:22-23



TRYING TO BOSS HIM AROUND

If our sisters hasn't had the grace before, may it be granted now, Lord. If our brothers hasn't had the grace, may it be granted now. And may, in humility, mother with her children, instead of being arrogant. She knows she is setting...She is a preacher to them little children. Her life is an example.

Dad is an example to mother, for he is the head of the house. The mother has been trying to boss him around;

she'll never do it no more. If he's been using her for a floor mat, it'll never be done no more. She's a helpmate. Grant it, Lord. May all these things that hinder us, Lord, be taken away.

63-0825M - HOW CAN I OVERCOME?

AN IRON DISPOSITION

Now a woman is not meant to have an iron disposition. She is, according to the Holy Scripture, to be submissive to the male. That is commanded of her. Woman who is truly female, all female, will be of that disposition. Not a door mat. No real male makes a female a door mat. But she will want to be under authority and not rule over the male, for he is the head of the house. If she breaks that image that God made for her, she is perverted.

AN EXPOSITION OF THE SEVEN CHURCH AGES - THE THYATIREAN CHURCH AGE

SUBJECT TO HER HUSBAND

Now, now, I think that would get that, man and woman. Now, a woman is...Let me get this in right good now, so you can see it, see. Woman is subject to her husband. And the Bible said that "A man should rule over his wife." But how they've changed that! The woman rules over the man, "Now, you stay home, John! You're not going!" And that settles it, "Yes, my dear." See?

But let me tell you something, mister. You are going to have to answer for your wife, but your wife is never going to have to answer for you. You are the head of the woman, and God is the head of man. Therefore He said, "Let the man cut his hair because of Christ. And let the woman have her hair, for if she cuts her hair she dishonors her husband." See? You see what I mean by what the Scripture says?

53-0729 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON GENESIS

IF YOU DON'T OBEY YOUR HUSBAND...

Women ought to look to Jesus Christ. You ought to look to Sarah and them of the Old Testament.

Now, they got so that...I was preaching the other night, somewhere, about women to obey their husband. Obey? Yeah. That went out of the marriage ritual, a long time ago. But they ain't going to do that. No, sir. They live in America, and they let you know so. They're not going to obey. But, as long as you don't do it, don't never try to call yourself a Christian, 'cause you're not. I don't care how much you dance and speak with tongues, if you don't obey your husband, you're out of the will of God. 63-0630E - IS YOUR LIFE WORTHY OF THE GOSPEL?

A HELPMATE, NOT A DOORMAT

What should you do? Now, listen, you're supposed to obey your husband; that's the Word. Now, if he tells you and refuses you to read the Bible, go to church, or something like that, you don't have to obey that, because, "He that will—won't forsake his father, mother, husband, wife, or whatever it is and follow Me, is not worthy of Mine." Is that right?

No, don't...The men are suppose...you're not...A man's not supposed to use that authority over a woman just because he's her ruler. God is her ruler above you, brother. See? And if your wife is doing something wrong, then don't...then you got a right to tell her, and she's supposed to listen to you. But you haven't got no right to beat her, or drag her around, or—or do those things. No! She...

God made men a helpmate, not a doormat. Remember, she's...She was your sweetheart; she should always be that. 64-0830E - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS #4

THE GREATEST CURSE IN THE WORLD

Now a dominating female is the greatest curse in the world. The wisest man the world ever saw was Solomon, and he said, "I applied my heart to know, and to search, and to seek out wisdom, and the reason of things, and to know the wickedness of folly, even of foolishness and madness: and I find more BITTER THAN DEATH THE WOMAN, whose heart is snares and nets, and her hands as bands: whoso pleaseth God shall escape from her; but the SINNER shall be taken by her. Behold, this have I found, saith the preacher, counting one by one, to find out the account: which yet my soul seeketh, but I find not: one man amongst a thousand have I found; but a woman among all those have I not found." Ecclesiastes 7:25-28. Paul said, "I suffer not a woman to teach or to USURP authority." From

the Garden of Eden onward, woman has constantly and successfully tried to take control over the man, and right today it is a woman's world with the goddess of America being a naked female.

AN EXPOSITION OF THE SEVEN CHURCH AGES - 6 - THE THYATIREAN CHURCH AGE

A COMPLETE YIELDING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

That's what we have to do today. That's what I need. That's what every man needs, is a loss of himself, loss of his ability, loss of what he is, that he might have a complete yielding to the Holy Spirit. The housewife needs that. The schoolboy needs that. We take... even our little children. 61-1119 - PERFECT STRENGTH BY PERFECT WEAKNESS

TO SUBMIT TO A MAN

Just like, why does a woman every time she gets married, put a veil over her face? She's coming to her husband, the head, just like Rebekah did. She put a veil over her face to meet Isaac. She has no more head; Isaac's her head. And the church ought to be so submissive to the Word of God, that it veils its own face. It has no head. It's... The nature of a woman is to submit to a man. And that's what the church ought to be doing, submitting to Christ, to His Word, to His doctrine, to His principles. She takes no thought for Herself. She has no head. Christ is Her Head, not some ecclesiastical bunch. But Christ is Her Head, the Word. 62-0712 - WE WOULD SEE JESUS

SARAH WAS IN THE TENT

And Abraham said, "She's in the tent behind You." What a real lady! Today, women is so brassy! Every...Their husband can't even talk. They got to stick right out there, a cigarette in their hand, a pair of shorts on, doing all the talking. How a perverted race of people, she's got to be chief cook and bottle washer, everything else! When she leaves the kitchen, she leaves her place of duty, right, as a mother. Now we find out, women then stayed back and behaved theirself, acted like ladies, their head was the one who did the decisions and things.

And you try to let some man tell his wife; she say, "I'll give you to understand right now!" Phew! Phew! Blowing that smoke out of her mouth, looking such, how the hideous looks. I never seen such! And you can imagine out there, and stand there watch that person, discern that spirit in there, and them things; and maybe singing in a choir in some church. Oh, such a day that we're living! No wonder we're at that day! I—I hope you can catch through the lines what I'm meaning.

Notice, there it was. Sarah was in the tent, she stayed in there and behaved herself. Abraham was doing the entertaining of these Angels. Now, and He said, "I'm going to visit you."

62-0706 - JEHOVAH-JIREH #2

LETS THE WIFE RUN THE HOUSE

It was during the time of the reign of Ahab, Israel's most wicked king. He had married a sinner, Jezebel, a beautiful modern movie star, very indifferent towards the Kingdom of God. And he, being one of these kind of husbands that lets the wife run the house, and run his business, showed that he was backslid. Then, being an Israelite, he give in to her idolatry. And between them, they had brought all the nation to idolatry. And when you start on the wrong road, you'll never be able to be reconciled, till you come right back to the place where you left God. 59-0708E - BE CERTAIN OF GOD

TRYING TO TAKE A MAN'S PLACE

When God gave a man a wife, He gave him the best thing He could give him, outside of salvation. But when one goes to trying to take a man's place, then she's about the worse thing that he could get a hold of. Now, that's right. See? 65-0429E - THE CHOOSING OF A BRIDE

THE MAN IS THE RULER

Listen here, the man is the ruler. Don't you think you'll rule the house. You're not the ruler of the house. You're absolutely...You're not a slave now, but you're a helpmate. And Adam...The man has the rule over his wife, and he's responsible solely for his wife. God makes the man answer for his wife.

57-1006 - QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON HEBREWS #3

SHE CALLED HER OWN HUSBAND LORD

Here Abraham, he wasn't down in Sodom seeing how much he could get. He was up there in fields in obedience to God. Probably Sarah didn't have the new dresses that Mrs. Lot had and didn't keep up with all the fashions. Yet they said there wasn't a woman in the land as fair as she was.

She was a mother, and she also loved her husband so well that she didn't tighten up her dresses, and get out on the street, and carry on the way modern Mrs. Lot does, and things like that. She called her own husband lord. And the Bible said, "Whose daughters you are, as long as you obey the Word." That's right.

61-0211 - ABRAHAM





THAT THE Word of God Be Not Blasphemed

C H A P T E R N I N E

Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife. Revelations 12:9

For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing. Ephesians 5:23-24 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. Ephesians 5:31-32



TYPED TO A WOMAN

Church, in the Bible, is typed to woman 65-0120 - LEAN NOT UNTO THY OWN UNDERSTANDING

WATCH THE WAY WOMEN ARE ACTING

Notice, take our women. Now, if you want to see what condition the church is in, watch the way women are acting. She always represents the church.

65-0829 - Satan's Eden

SUBMISSIVE TO GOD

And in this Thyatirean Church age she is a DOMINATING FEMALE. She is Mystery Babylon. She is the great whore. She is Jezebel the false prophetess. WHY? Because the true female is submissive to God. Christ is her head. She has no word but His, no thoughts but His, no leadership but His. AN EXPOSITION OF THE SEVEN CHURCH AGES - 6 - THE THYATIREAN CHURCH AGE

A WOMAN HAS A SACRED RESPONSIBILITY

What a sacred trust! What a responsibility to a woman! Now see why she's a type of the Church, which has the same responsibility. As a woman has a sacred responsibility to her motherhood, to her virtues, to her husband, the Church has a sacred responsibility to prayer and to the Word, and to Christ, just the same as the woman has. 65-1125 - THE INVISIBLE UNION OF THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

STAY VIRGIN TO THE WORD

She's a type. She has the same precious virtues by Spirit, given to Her, to preserve the Spirit and the Word, and never commit adultery with anything of the world or anything. Stay virgin to the Word, as a woman is to stay virtuous to her husband. It's a sacred trust, to honor Her Lord's Word above every man-made creed, wisdom, denomination there is. The Church is given that trust. 65-1125 - THE INVISIBLE UNION OF THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

WAITING IN LOVE

But, in obedience, this little faith Woman, that lives by faith, the Bride; the person here, there; here, off somewhere else, some other church, some other denomination, whatever it is, in some not...Believes the Word of God, obedient, waiting in love, for the promise of the age to be confirmed. She is watching for it. She is part of that Word, and She is watching for Her life to manifest that Word. 65-0801M - THE GOD OF THIS EVIL AGE

EYES OF HEAVEN AND EARTH IS CAST ON YOU

When you take on that name of Christian, you represent Christ and His Church. You should live like that. You should live like gentlemen, like ladies. Don't never do things of the world, because the whole eyes of Heaven and earth is cast on you, to represent that one thing. No matter how weak you are, how little you are, hold your head right, 'cause you are a Christian.

60-1002 - THE KINSMAN REDEEMER

