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Excerpt:

Do you want to be what you were really born to be? Know ye know not that you are the temple of the Living God; that you are His tabernacle, friend; that that Logos, that Pillar of Fire wants to be veiled behind your flesh, in that inside of the inside, in that most Holy Place, to come on the throne of your heart, where He will speak from above the Mercy Seat that is sprinkled, and the Word will go forth through your lips; Deity speaking? The Word on the lips of a Spirit-filled man is Deity speaking. What is the Holy Ghost? Tabernacling Deity.

In that day you will know. You will know it because I will show you, when I brought you through the door and you heard of My saving grace, how you came at that altar; when I brought you to the waters and your sins were washed away, all your defilement, purging the filth of the flesh away; how I brought you and you began to walk in the Light in a fellowship, taught you how to pray: "Our Father, which art in Heaven." And you began to realize, you were caused to approach Him; you were chosen. Because you knew of that Place, you want Him to hide you in the secret of His Presence.

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God bless you tonight. Turn with me in your Bibles to the Book of Exodus. Let's try to make the best use of the time that we have. How many have enjoyed the meetings thus far? I believe it's been a special time, and a special visitation from the Presence of Almighty God. Amen?

What can we say this morning? I believe God just lifted us up to a little, higher level, put us in the cleft of the Rock and just passed by that we could see Him. Amen. I firmly believe that God spoke through His servant this morning. You know sometimes we could sit, and see, and say, "Well maybe that brother, he speaks the Word nice, and he has a good revelation." But can we see that it is God in Bride form, amen; the Spirit speaking through the Bride?

The Prophet said, the same things that the Spirit is speaking through the Bride, He has already spoken through the Prophet, and what He spoke through the Prophet, was already laying in the Word.

Exodus 24, we're going to begin reading from verse 12:

- ¹² And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.
- ¹³ And Moses rose up, and his [servant] Joshua: and Moses went up into the mount of God.

- ¹⁴ And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come unto them.
- ¹⁵ And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount.
- ¹⁶ And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.
- ¹⁷ And the sight of the glory of the LORD was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.
- ¹⁸ And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

Let's just drop down to verse 8, chapter 25. And God was speaking to Moses here:

- ⁸ And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.
- ⁹ According to all that I shew thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the [furnishings] thereof, even so shall ye make it.

To save a little time, let's go to verse 16. From verses 10 to 15, He was giving them the dimensions of the ark. And God started with the ark, as the first piece of furniture to be put into the tabernacle, and He ended up with the brass altar, the last piece; starting from the inside of the holy of holies and coming all the way to the outside.

- 16 And thou shalt put into the ark the testimony which I shall give thee.
- ¹⁷ And thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half shall be

the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

¹⁸ And thou shalt make two cherubims of gold, of beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat.

¹⁹ And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: even of the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof.

²⁰ And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces shall look one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be.

God is very specific. He was emphasizing these things.

²¹ And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee.

²² And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.

Let's turn to chapter 37. God is being so specific and giving them everything in detail. And emphasized to him, "See that thou make it after the pattern, which was shown to thee on the mount." Why? "That I may dwell among them, and there I will meet with you, and there I will commune with you."

That would be the greatest thing for us tonight – a place where we can meet with Him, where He will meet with us, where we can have communion, fellowship again; where He can dwell amongst us.

Chapter 37, verse 6. Over here now, is where they actually had constructed according to the pattern, of which God had given unto Moses on the mountain.

- ⁶ And he made the mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half was the length thereof, and one cubit and a half the breadth thereof.
- ⁷ And he made two cherubims of gold, beaten out of one piece...

Notice that!

- ...out of one piece made he them, on the two ends of the mercy seat;
- ⁸ One cherub on the end on this side, and another cherub on the other end on that side: out of the mercy seat made he the cherubims on the two ends thereof.

So it was two cherubims of gold, and the mercy seat was of gold, and they came out of the mercy seat, on the two ends, and their faces were to look towards each other, and they were to look upon that mercy seat. And right between their wings there, was the place where God was going to meet – the only place in the entire Bible where God was showing in the Old Testament there, He was going to meet with them.

⁹ And the cherubims spread out their wings on high, and covered with their wings over the mercy seat, with their faces one to another; even to the mercy seatward were the faces of the cherubims.

One more Scripture, Numbers chapter 7. I have quite a few to read, but we are going to read—I will let you sit, and then we will read some after. Numbers chapter 7, verse 89. We look at this picture of God unfolding His great mystery, that He wanted to come and dwell with them. And He was revealing to them the place where He's going to meet with them. And here we see God actually keeping His promise, exactly how He spoke it. Because God keeps His Word,

especially if we carry out His Word just the way He has given It unto us.

Numbers chapter 7, verse 89:

⁸⁹ And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with him, then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him...

Look at that: God was speaking to His prophet. ...from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of testimony, from between the two cherubims: and he spake unto him.

Look where God, before the tabernacle was constructed, before all of this was set up, God had told them, "I will meet with you in a certain place." And here we find Moses going right into that place and we find God exactly between the wings of the cherubims, above the mercy seat. He was speaking to him; having communion with him.

Let us pray.

Heaven and earth will pass away, Father, but not one jot or one tittle of Your Word shall in any wise fail. That still remains the same today, for Your first thought was Your best thought, Lord; You cannot improve on Your knowledge. You never learnt anything yet, because You are the infinite, omniscient God.

We believe you are still that today, even now as we stand here in this pulpit, and believing, dear God, that these natural things had a spiritual representation in another realm. And how that was confirmed to us by the magnetic eye of the camera, when It was photographed, and You showed in that picture, Your Prophet standing there, and all that Fire all around him and, Lord, those cherubims all around him, and the Glory of God. And how he went back to the Bible and identified these things, to show that You are still the same God; the same God in Moses' time is the very same God here today.

Lord, as we stand here, may our hearts catch that today, as You will speak to us in this last service. You have spoken to us all along the way. Tonight, at the end of this service, we will all be making preparations to go our different directions. But may tonight, Lord, the very purpose that You have gathered us here for, and the work that You have been able to work and achieve in our hearts and lives through the Word which has been ministered and our gathering together in this place, may it come, Lord, to its fullness tonight, in such a way, that when we leave, truly Lord, we could have said, Your purpose was fulfilled for bringing us here.

Direct us in the things that we should say, in the way that we should go. So many things could be said, Lord, as we stand before Your people, but we want Your Divine leadership tonight. May the Holy Spirit speak, and may You put the correct emphasis in the places where it is so necessary for us, that the way might be made clear that we could walk in a plain path. As David said, "Lead me in a plain path." Grant it, Lord. We ask these things sincerely, in Jesus' wonderful and precious Name, amen.

God bless you. You may have your seats.

Just hold your Bibles and let me read a couple more Scriptures quickly, so we can get it out of the way. I was just reading those things to show how God is dwelling with us, because I want to take that for a little title tonight, "THAT I MAY DWELL AMONG YOU".

God is desiring to dwell with His people. Sin had separated man from God, but sin upon man had never removed the desire from God's heart to have fellowship with man. Because God was so determined to have that fellowship, and man was so helpless to find a way to come back into God's Presence, God was determined to make a way to bring the man back.

So many times we come in God's Presence, and we think of what we have need of. We think of what we want and what we desire to pull from God. But there is something in God's heart that needs satisfaction also, and the only thing to really satisfy that part of God's heart is us. And there is something that aches within Him if He cannot have it. And if we could only see who He is, what He is, His love for us, the place that He has given unto us, the love He has demonstrated to us...

As the Bible says, "Herein is the love of God, not that we loved God." [1st John 4:10 -Ed.] We think we love God. We try to say, "Lord, we love You." The Bible says, "The Love of God is not that we love God, it is that He loved us first and gave His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. And we love Him because He first loved us." That needs to be revealed to us, and we'll see it. That Love brings a surrender. And if that Love is not bringing a surrender, it means there is something wrong in your heart; it means there is something lacking inside of there. Because that Love and the revelation of that Love is ordained, and it is the thing that God ordained to bring the surrender.

When you see what He has done... The Bible says, "Faith works by love." [Galatians 5:6 -Ed.] It was Love that drew salvation's plan. It was grace that brought it down to man; the mighty gulf that God did span at Calvary. [#192 - Songs That Live -Ed.] When the Seven Seals were opened, it just showed us what the Blood purchased and brought the Book back into our hands, (amen) and showed that that chasm was bridged that we can come back and stand and have perfect fellowship with God again.

The Holy Spirit is still here ministering and ministering all these years since the Book has been opened, that God, foreseeing the hour and foreseeing the need, predestinated gifts that will find their places; predestinated gifts that will show the purpose of who He is and why He came, and what He accomplished. And though those men of themselves wanted to go and

do different things in different directions, God was protecting those gifts, and God brought those gifts to the Word to reveal the Word. Why? Because what God had spoken will be accomplished.

God is the One. Salvation is entirely of the Lord. The just shall live by faith', is the basic Truth of the entire Gospel, (amen,) to show it's not him that willeth or him that runneth, but God that showeth mercy. Amen.

So when we look and we see that God has placed these things here, and the Holy Spirit is ministering these things to us, that Word is ordained to remove our amnesia. That is the Medication. That is the very thing to bring us back to a revelation of our true identity. It's only that Word because that Word holds the mystery of our life.

That is why when the Prophet was there as a good man living a good life, not drinking or smoking, not doing any of these things, but from the time he was being criticized, from the time he was being opposed, from the time he had these hindrances, he was unable to break through it.

He said, "But when that Angel came, He took the Scriptures and showed me my strange life and removed the fears from me." The Angel took the Word and drove the fear out of him, and the Angel showed him his identity in the Bible. And when he saw his place in the Scriptures, he said, "I could have faced the world with a seventh-grade education."

God has not changed His Mind. When God does something one way, He can never find a better way to do it. Amen. That settled it right there. Hallelujah. What he thought was problems, the Angel was showing him, that was not strange: "Didn't they criticize your Lord?" as we heard this morning. "Didn't they do this? Didn't they call the works, the Devil?"

He saw that they were ordained to do that. He saw that *that* was part of the environment. The things that

he thought were mistakes, the things that he thought were oppositions, turned around to be a confirmation. Hallelujah. When he saw it the right way, it turned around to be a confirmation to reveal to him: "You don't have to be bothered about this."

Didn't Jesus do the same thing with the men on the road to Emmaus? They were confused, and Jesus came and took the Scriptures and took the same things that were making them scared and cry, and sorry and heartbroken and frustrated, and felt disappointed and going away, He took the same things and showed it to them from a certain angle. And the perspective that He presented it from and they saw it from, it broke everything upon them.

Look at Paul, he said, "Oh God, take away this thing; it's frustrating me! I could serve You better, Lord, if You remove this thorn in my flesh. Move this thing and help me; I want to do so much for You."

The Lord said, "Don't speak to Me about that, "My grace is sufficient for you."

Amen. He came back again, said, "Lord, take it away."

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Let us turn to another Scripture quickly. Psalm 65. I just want to read a couple of things in the Psalms because we were looking at God wanting to dwell with man there; God coming down to dwell with man.

Now what about the desire in our hearts? If we can see the desire in His heart, we will realize it's not that we are trying now to behave a certain way, to influence God to react to us. No. God cannot change. God is not beginning to love us now, because we've begun to start to behave good. His ways are immutable. God always loved you.

The enmity was never on God's part. Nowhere in the Bible it says that God is reconciled to man. It always says, "Man is being reconciled to God," because the enmity was not on God's part. It's God Who sent His Son to be the propitiation; God Who sent what was needed to remove the barrier, because God wanted to bring you back. It's not you wanting to come back; it's God Who was bringing you back.

We look at our own little struggles, our own little works and try to make it like: "That's a great effort I'm making, and it's like people don't want to make an effort; it's like people are backslidden," because we glory now, in our own struggles and our own struggles is contrary to the plan of God. Many times we blind ourselves with our good works and we block up the channel.

If we can see, it was God Who wanted that. Jesus said, "You have not chosen Me, I have chosen you. I have ordained you that you should bring forth fruit, and I said your fruit will remain. No palmerworm, no cankerworm, no caterpillar because I am the Husbandman; I am standing there with the spray gun to spray anything that comes around it." Hallelujah! "Because when you bear much fruit, in this I am glorified." Amen. Is that the Word? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.]

Let us look away from ourselves. Let us get aligned with God's thoughts. Let us get aligned with the Word. Let us try to see where we are making our efforts and begin to remove those things and begin to surrender in those places. Let us look in the places where we think we are strong and begin to learn submission. It takes confidence to be submissive. It takes love to bring submission.

If a woman thinks her husband is going to dominate her and trample her, she's not going to submit. And that is why there is a lack of submission, because there is fear that the person is going to dominate them and use them, and take away from them. But if a person could only know that if they could really submit... You see, if they have a revelation first, (see?) then they could submit; if they see, husbands love their wives as Christ loved the church, and wives be in submission to your husband who is the head, as the Church is in submission to Christ. If the woman could see the love that the husband has for her, if he reflects that love... He has chosen his own wife. Amen. He knows it is the best thing God has given him, apart from his salvation.

When that is not so, then there's always something to guard and protect and there's a fear and afraid to let go. And right there the channel is being blocked up, because what we are desiring from God, has to come through that very channel. But we are blocking up the channel because there's a fear. See? God doesn't work in fear. That is the greatest plague in the church. Fear is a lack of faith; a lack of assurance.

Psalm 65. Look at David. David was such a wonderful saint of God. Psalm 65 verses 1 to 4, David here.

- ¹ Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.
- ² O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.
- ³ Iniquities prevail against me: as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.
- ⁴ Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts...

The man whom God chooses, the man whom God gives the revelation how to come back into His Presence, that he may dwell in God's courts.

...we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

Amen. Let's turn to Psalm 91 also. Look at David there. David now is talking about, 'that he may dwell

in God's courts'. We were looking at God coming to dwell with man, now look at the desire in man's heart, wanting to dwell with God – Deep calling unto Deep. Psalm 91, David again; looking at this great revelation in his heart. He knew of a place where God and man met. He knew of a secret place where God would come down and speak and commune and have fellowship with man. And that is the place he desired to dwell – in the courts there.

- ¹ He [who] dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
- ² I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.
- ³ Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

Surely! Amen.

⁴ He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust...

That is where He is going to meet them – right under the wings of those cherubims, in the secret place of the Most High, when He comes there to speak and commune with you.

...his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Look at that place. His mind was occupied, his mind was filled with that place where God and man met because in the Garden of Eden, God and man used to dwell together in fellowship. It was broken. But here, God, by Moses, was giving forth to the people the revelation, that God still had the desire. Because that was the first place in the Bible, Exodus 25, where it was spoken since Genesis, that God was desiring to dwell with man again. And that unfolded down through the Bible until we come to Revelation 22 where It says, "And the tabernacle of God is among them," until it's really and completely fulfilled.

As it unfolds here, we can see what is in God's Mind. And what we know of Him is that He does not change. He keeps all of His Words. If we know that of Him then we may think, "It's a long time." We'll say, "Well, that was about six thousand years ago; four thousand years ago. I wonder if God is still keeping that Word?" That is about just four days to God. Amen.

I have been away from home for about a month and a day, and I am sure my family is expecting to see me back. They don't think I have forgotten them, and I have not forgotten them. I think about them every day. Every moment I get by myself, I begin to think of home. I'm longing to go back home to unite with them again. Amen. Then how much more God (amen) is thinking about us.

When God was giving that little shadow back in the wilderness with that tabernacle and those twelve tribes, three on each side gathered there, (there's a beautiful picture of it in one of the offices here, of that tabernacle,) that was fore-showing the New City. That was His Kingdom right there in shadow – how they will have twelve gates and twelve foundations, and how the Lamb, the Tabernacle of God, will be among them.

So quite there, God was looking for that day to hasten, when that reality would come. But He was giving it in a shadow; He was getting their minds occupied with it. He was bringing it to them. Then later on it comes down to the Person of the Lord Jesus, a Greater Tabernacle, the One that was in Heaven, the One that the shadow was typing; (hallelujah!) the Place where God and man were united together. Because God and man met in Christ. Deity and humanity met in Jesus Christ.

Friends, when He came through the Prophet in this Day and opened the Seven Seals to begin to gather us, when He began to speak about the *Future Home* [1964-0802-Ed.], *Things That Are To Be* [1965-1205-Ed.], that wasn't just some knowledge and information; that was the

same God back there all along. He came back in the same form; He tabernacled Himself. Deity and humanity met in the Prophet. And he said, "This is the Super Sign in the last days – God and man united together." It was the same God bringing it back to us.

Oh, that God will lift us up to a spot where we can see! He is determined. Like Naomi told Ruth, "This man will redeem you completely this day. You rest Ruth." Hallelujah! Glory! "He has come for that" – from the time this Day broke and He stepped forward among the elders, and took His place by the gate to give a testimony.

What do you think is happening? Do you think that it's a struggle; that we're trying to make it? That is an old denominational mentality. His Intelligence is here. He is leading us. No man has to beat and pull and choke his wife to go somewhere with him, where she, by predestination, has the same desire he has.

He didn't choose a Wife to try to conform to His standard, you know; He chose a Wife, who is part of Him; who came out of Him. When He slipped that Wedding Band on Her finger, He told Her what that was. He said, "Unmerited, predestinated grace." When He put that Marriage Certificate, He told Her what that was. He said, "That is your name in the Book." When He put the Gown upon Her, he said, "That is the beautiful Gown of His promised Word." Amen. When He gave Her the Name, (hallelujah) He gave Her part of His Own Name.

All She does is take Her veil off and put it upon His shoulder. Hallelujah! Then He becomes responsible for everything. And the reason She did that is because She understood the ceremony, She understood the Union, She understood what was happening because She was predestinated to that place. That is why She is a misfit in the world, but that is why this is Her most glorious Hour.

If that sounds true to you in your ears and you still might be living below your God-given privileges, then right there it becomes visible to you, how the powers of the enemy are trying to influence you away and put barriers and obstacles in your path, to keep you away from what is rightfully yours.

The Devil is booing you, booing you, and you are getting smaller and smaller. Well, you have got to rise up and start to boo him back and say, "Boo, Devil!" Amen. "Boo, boo, boo!" Seven 'boos', will boo him out of existence. Amen. One of these days he will stand powerless before this Bride.

Why? Because the Holy Spirit is here, bringing Her to know who She is. Any true, ordained ministry is ordained to let Her know who She is. They are sent into the earth – ministering spirits sent forth from the Presence of God, to minister unto the heirs of salvation. Amen. Glory.

Psalm 31. Look at David, still desiring: "Blessed is the man whom Thou chooseth, whom You cause to approach Your courts, to dwell in that place, below the shadow of the Almighty where we are covered with Your wings." His mind was so filled with it. Psalm 31, verses 19 and 20.

¹⁹ Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for [those who] fear thee; which thou hast wrought for [those who] trust in thee before the sons of men!

Bearing a reproach for His Word in this Hour, before the sons of men. Ridiculed and laughed at and mocked at, but they are going to hold their testimony true. They are going to keep their garments unspotted by the flesh.

²⁰ Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.

He will hide them. Like He told Elijah, "Go by the brook Cherith and hide yourself." Then God said, "Go and show yourself." Then He came back again and He said, "Go and hide yourself again." Amen! He takes you away in secret, trains you, reveals Himself to you in His power, before He sends you forth in public. If a man comes forth and he doesn't have that hidden life with Christ, hidden away somewhere in His Presence, when he comes, he will be powerless, he will be unfruitful; he will be confused. But look at Elijah, every time he came out from that hiding place, where he was hidden away in secret.

David is speaking about that most Holy Place, in the secret of His Presence where we could get in and abide under the shadow of the Almighty. But to get in there, he knew God had to choose a man because the priesthood came by sonship. It was a special tribe that was elected, and those who were born out of that tribe, were the ones chosen to go inside of there.

So he began to see that for a man to get into God's Presence, as God was unfolding it back there in shadow, it would have to be God's election in his life. He comes up at some time in his life and he begins to catch this. He begins to call for it. It begins to come looking for him. He wasn't looking for God.

Mama eagle knew it was time that those baby eagles had to be hatched out. She knew those eggs were inside of her. She went flying looking for them. Why? Because the hour had come, she was going to reveal herself to them, to bring them into the realm where she was.

Let's read a couple of more verses again. Psalm 27. I just want to use this to establish to you, the desire that man has in his heart to dwell in God's Presence, the same way God is desiring to dwell with man. Because that is why in John 14:20, Jesus said, "In that day, you will know as I was in the Father and the Father in Me, so I in you and you in Me." We in Him

and He in us – together. Amen. God, the Holy Spirit, expressing down through the Age, this great desire.

Look at Psalm 27. We know this is the Rapture right here. When the Prophet took the Scripture, he said, "I have a strange way of setting my text." He was going to preach *The Rapture* [1965-1204 -Ed.], the Second Coming, and went into Psalm 27 and began to take this out. Now look at this, verse 4:

⁴ One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life...

How many have that desire tonight? How many can identify with that desire? Amen. Glory.

...to behold the beauty of the LORD...

Not just to behold it, but the Bible says, "And we, beholding the Glory of the Lord, are changed. [2nd Corinthians 3:18 -Ed.] Amen. The Word was made flesh and we beheld the Glory of the Father. We have to behold it first, before we could be transformed into it. If we don't hold it, we could get deformed into all kinds of different things. But when we behold the true Glory, the original Glory, we can be changed back (amen) to that Glory. Amen.

He said:

...[and] behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.

⁵ For in the time of trouble...

That is this Hour: nations are breaking, the whole world is falling apart, troublous times, financial troubles, domestic troubles, religious troubles; everywhere. See? Ecological troubles.

...he shall hide me [where?] in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.

David is saying, "God, You will hide them away in the secret of Your Presence." He said, "He will hide me in the secret of His tabernacle. He will hide me in His pavilion. He will put me under His wings. He will bring me into a place where I don't have to have any fear, because He is my Refuge." Amen! Hallelujah! I believe he was more influenced by what was in God's heart for him, than what he was trying to do for God.

We learn to secretly admire ourselves and esteem ourselves more highly, as we keep looking at ourselves. We end up struggling and trying and making vain efforts when we look at ourselves. But when we see what God wants for us, then if we could only let go, if we could only move out of the way, (amen! Hallelujah) if we could see what is in His heart, what He wants to accomplish, what He is desirous of doing, that He wants to give it to us more than we want it... He has made every provision to secure it for us. He has put it in such a position, it cannot be altered; it cannot be lost.

That is why when we resist His will, it shows how stubborn, and rebellious, how selfish and self-centered we are. Because if God loves us so much and has gone through so much to give it to us, and we are so undeserving of it to begin with, and we are going to hold on to some temporal thing before Him, it shows how uplifted we are, it shows how rebellious we are, how unthankful and ungrateful we are; it shows how we are thinking of ourselves more highly than we ought to think of ourselves. It's there we see our folly because we can agree that He has done these things for us; He has made this available.

It was grace providing a prophet. It was grace providing an atonement. It was grace providing a Pillar of Fire. Is that right? It was grace providing a Brass Serpent. Glory! He knew what they had need of. He wanted to be the center of their lives. He wanted to be everything to them, and yet they would keep Him out because they wanted their own way. It

shows how strong self-will is. It shows the power of self-will. Amen.

Sometimes we think it's big demons outside there, but if we see how rotten this flesh is. Job said, "I abhor myself. I am dust and ashes; no good in God's sight. [Job 42:6 -Ed.] See? If we could look and see, we wouldn't try to polish-up the human nature; we wouldn't try to educate ourselves in the Message and appear to be revelated and qualify ourselves after we examine ourselves by our own standards or the standard of someone that we think we are better than.

If we could take a true inventory and look and see what He is, what we are, and see if we deserve that to begin with, and then to realize it is given to us freely... No wonder Elisha was willing to tear up that old mantle fast, to take the real one. He didn't try to patch that on to this. No, sir! He tore it up, because he saw the power; he felt the blessing of it. Amen. Glory.

So look at this. Now David is desiring, he said, "Blessed is the man whom God causes to come." So we see then, God wants to dwell with man; we see man has a desire too, to dwell with God; they are going to meet somewhere. [Bro. Vin claps his hands once -Ed.] Amen. But there's an approach to come into God's Presence. There's a provided way. And David said, "Blessed is the man whom You choose and You cause to know how to approach You." Amen! Glory.

Notice when Jesus came, He said, "I am the Way, I am the Truth; I am the Life." He knew He was that. "No man comes to the Father, but by Me." [St. John 14:6-Ed.] Without the Way there is no going. Without the Truth, there is no knowing. Without the Life, there is no living. And the Way is seven steps back to God, the Truth is Seven Voices, and the Life is those Seven Spirits, those Seven Virtues. The Way is the water, the Truth is the Blood, and the Life is the Holy Spirit. The entire plan of Redemption laid in Jesus. Do you

believe that? Sure! He was the fullness of the Word coming into existence.

That same Word, that same Ministry, that same Son of Man was promised to come back and be revealed again in the last days, that we might come away from the way that seemeth right unto a man, (hallelujah!) so we wouldn't bring a Baptist way, a Methodist way, a Pentecostal way, a Seventh-Day Adventist way, because at the end of those ways is death. That's the broad way that leadeth to destruction.

When the Son of Man was revealed, there is only one provided Place of worship. Hallelujah! There is only one Way being revealed through this Message. Hallelujah! When it's being unveiled to us, we will see the true Way, the only Way. It's a straight and narrow Way and few in this Age, very, very few, will enter into it to come back into oneness with God.

Many with their gifts and this and that, will say, "But Lord, we prophesied in Your Name. We did this in Your Name." He'll say, "Depart from Me, you workers of iniquity, I never even knew you." They went the broad way. They went in the way of Balaam. They went in the way of Cain. It was a way that seemed right but in the end, it was death.

Blessed is the man that You choose. Election first: has to have the bedding ground for faith to fall into; has to have the capacity to receive revelation; to hear the Voice of God. Amen! Then the Word is quickened when the Way is being made known to you, amen; caused to know the Way. Amen. Glory.

It was a wonderful thing because back in the beginning, God and man, when they had fellowship together and God would come down and walk with them and talk with them... And we see that in the Garden of Eden.

God had promised from the time He showed forth that lamb that He slew and He covered them with blood when they fell, and He spoke the promise... The first Message was a Message of grace and redemption, over blood. The Voice was speaking over the blood. And the blood was shed as an atonement for them and the Message came forth: "The woman's Seed shall bruise the Serpent's head," showing that the Promiser Himself was the Promise, and one day the Promiser will come as the Promise. Amen. He Himself would be the Promise. The Word would be made flesh; come back. The Way would be opened up to bring back that union; to bring back that fellowship.

Bro. Branham speaking here in the message Oneness [1962-0211 - para. 12 -Ed.], he said: "The word oneness means "to be one with." Oneness, "united."

Now, the first man and first woman in the garden of Eden was in perfect harmony with God, so much that God could come down at any time He desired and talk lip-to-ear with [them]. Now, that is perfect oneness, God and His creation, God speaking lip-to-ear with Adam and Eve. And they were so perfect in harmony with God till they were one with God. God and His family was one.

He said: That's God's purpose. And His purpose as Father, supreme, was to be one with His family, earthly family, Adam and Eve. And the only way that they could be one with the family, or with God, was because God's nature was in them.

That was proven beyond a shadow of a doubt, and is showing us this morning: And the only way that they could be one with the family, or with God, was because God's nature was in them. So that made them with God's nature in them, then with each other and God, they become all one. Isn't that a beautiful picture, God in His family, Father over all, supreme!

Now that's the Seventh Seal right there. That's the Seventh Seal right there. That was what was in the beginning. The whole plan of Redemption was to bring that back. So if we look and we see what was there, we know what was lost; we know the void that existed

in God's heart. And we know, as long as that went on, God would not be Himself. God would not be able to be content. He would not be able to be completely satisfied because there is no replacement, there is no substitute for that.

God shows how strong His election is. He said, "When God elected Moses and Moses ran, God ran after Moses and got Moses back. When God chose Jonah, and Jonah ran away, God went after Jonah and brought him back." Though Abraham made all kinds of mistakes, it never took him out of the promise. God kept on giving him specific experiences that would open up to him the love that God had for him, to take the fear out of his heart, so he wouldn't have to try to do it on his own, but he learnt to rest and depend upon God. And the same way He dealt with Abraham, He deals with Abraham's Seed after him. Do you believe that? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.]

How many could say they see that in their own lives? Amen. They know it is the same God. Amen. They found that Rest. They are not trying to use mind over matter. They are not trying to use psychology on themselves. Amen. In situations when they just hate themselves and wish they could die and God could speak them out of existence, the grace of God comes and picks them back up; sets them on their way. They realize that God wants to give it to them more than they want it. Amen. What does that do? It brings them into obedience. "If you love Me, you will obey My commandments." Not, "If you fear Me"; "If you love Me." Glory. That makes the difference. Amen.

Now watch: What a picture! ... And therefore, what they did, they followed just in line with God, and God with them made them one.

St. John 17:11. Look at this Prophet in the End Time opening up this great thing, because he lived in the Day. He was at the end of the Age. He knew by the way that God was fulfilling His Word, identifying

what time it was, revealing who He was, showing that God was God again. He knew the program. He saw the Hour he had come to. He knew what the promise was. And God was the One giving him the inspiration to bring it to the Church, that the Church will not be left without understanding, that the Church will be posted, that the Church will know the Hour; that the Church will understand what the Holy Ghost is working to achieve.

God opened up the Church Ages to identify the junctions how He came, so they will know what to expect. Once they knew their Age, what time they were living in, they could see what God promised for that Age. Once they knew what God promised for that Age, they knew what they were supposed to expect and make ready to receive. They could know what the Holy Spirit was working to do. Once God proved to them that they were elected, that He had called them according to His purpose, they could recognize how in their own individual lives, He was bringing that purpose to pass.

It took them in a realm beyond going to church. It took them in a realm beyond running from group to group. It took them in a realm beyond rallying around the personalities of men. It took them into a realm where they were hidden away. God was hiding them away in the secret of His Presence. God was hiding them in the secret of His tabernacle, in His pavilion, in this time of trouble, when the whole world will be deceived. He hid them in a place where there's no way the Devil could get in there. For him to get in there, he has to come through water, blood and get the Holy Ghost in order to touch them. By the time he comes in there, he is their brother. Amen! Glory! Those cherubims are here, running them back to the Tree of Life. Hallelujah! Amen.

What a union, a oneness that would be, to see God in His Church till every member is just perfectly in harmony with each other... [1962-0211 - para. 17 -Ed.]

Love one another. No wonder John, and they were preaching, "Little children, love one another. Forgive one another their trespasses." Why? Because they knew that is what God wanted – to bring back to the family.

God gave us families. God gave our children different natures, so they'll clash and they'll fight, so that we could grow in knowledge, that we could be developed and be mature, that we could be able to deal with them, amen; to understand, that's the great God over His family. Amen. Sometimes they fight, sometimes they do different things, but they are all one; they come from the same loins. Amen. Glory. He cannot deny any of them. He knows how to work and bring them into union.

God gave us our own little environment with our predestinated experiences, which sometimes we overlook and think that it is too simple. We don't see how Supernatural it is. We don't see the Divine Intelligence that ordained these things. We fail to see it. Why? We are looking out there for a Ball of Fire, we are looking out there for a Cloud in the sky, we are looking out there for some great manifestation or some sick comes down from a bed, and we are stumbling over daily, of the things in our lives that is opening up the way, (hallelujah!) bringing us into this inside Life. We fail to see it and we stumble over the simplicity because our minds are geared to religion; some powerful man, some powerful ministry, some great religious move or something, and it's right in our own lives.

You are a father. Abraham was a father of nations. God was the Father, Elohim, over all. God gave Abraham part of His Name. Amen. Hallelujah. Abraham came and got a bride for his own son. That

was like God. Amen. See? Abraham took his son to sacrifice him on the mountain. That was God in Abraham. In his ordinary life, the mystery of God's great Secret in the back-part of God's Mind, was being reflected down through Abraham's life and became a channel of inspiration for us to even fellowship with what God was thinking, that we can see, there is something unique.

God came in the Book of Revelation, took pastors and churches and made them, to show that they had the characteristics to represent Ages in the future. They were local churches, to show the principle right there in the local church. Why? But we think it is too ordinary because religion has deformed our thinking and focused us away from the Supernatural, and that is why there is no identification of Christ in your own life; you only identify Him by a manifestation.

In Satan's Eden [1965-0829 - para. 19 -Ed.], he said, "It is not so much the manifestation of the Holy Ghost, it is the action of the Holy Ghost. It is not just that a sick gets healed or somebody speaks in tongues, but how you react to rejection, how you react to being humiliated, how you react to oppositions, how you react when people slap you on the cheek. Real power (amen) is bringing yourself under control of the Word. A man fully surrendered to God is omnipotent.

The Prophet said, "Look how Joshua stopped the sun." He said, "Who wants to stop the sun today? Surely if God has to stop the sun, we'll stop the sun." He said, "Look at blind Bartimaeus, a few yards away from the same place where Joshua spoke to the sun and stopped the sun. He was blind. And Jesus the S-O-N was passing by (hallelujah!) with the burden of the world upon Him, going towards Jerusalem to pay the price for sin. And blind Bartimaeus heard the Son was passing by, and he reached out with faith and said, 'Jesus! Jesus, Thou Son of David!" He said, "And Jesus stood still." He said, "Which is greater – to

stop the S-U-N or to stop the S-O-N? It's greater to stop God, the Creator, than to stop the creation." Amen. It's greater to stop the Creator, than to stop the creation. Amen.

How many times... Last night the brother was singing: *Pass me not, oh gentle Saviour*, exactly where Fanny Crosby caught the inspiration of blind Bartimaeus. Amen! But some of us, we want to stop the solar sun and it was greater—we could have done something greater than what Joshua did, right here last night, (hallelujah!) as He passed through Vancouver; as He passed through Surrey here. Amen. Glory.

Why? Because our minds, by denominational ideas, have focused us to look for something out there. It's just a trick of the Devil. Your whole life is supernatural. If your life is the Word, he said, "As the Seed grows and matures, it reveals itself." And God regulates nature with the growth of the seed. Is that right?

He said, "If the sun is so hot in July, and then if God brings that hot sun in March, the little blade coming up out of the ground, the little blade of wheat with little leaves coming up there, that hot sun will burn it up and kill it. But as the wheat matures and when it's coming to the grain, the sun is getting hotter all the time." So are the conditions in your life.

God told Israel when they were going into the land... He told them the whole land was theirs: "But I will not give you the whole thing at one time. As you grow, as you increase, I will give to you."

He told the Prophet, "I will give you the first pull and if you be sincere, you will get more. If you be sincere again, I will give you more. I will increase it." And He knew how to train him. He set traps for him too. He let men set traps for him. He put him in places where he could display himself as a powerful man of God before a congregation, when he had those two people

there, and the Holy Spirit said, "If you say, 'death,' they will pack them out." He said, "I forgive you." Amen!

He was thinking more about the people's condition, than how he wanted to be seen in the eyes of people. It showed the realm where he lived. It showed why God could have used him, the way God was using him. It showed where his ambitions were. It showed his thinking was filtered. It showed he had a holy man's taste down in his soul. He was hidden away in God's Presence.

Where do you want to live tonight? What kind of fellowship... When you say 'union', what do you mean? What quality of life and spirit do you have in your mind when you say, 'union'? What quality of atmosphere are you talking about when you say, 'fellowship'? When you say, 'supernatural', just exactly what do you mean? Amen. Let's filter our thinking. Let's get a real holy man's taste. He said, "A holy man's taste, is to see the promised Word for this Age be confirmed in your life." Amen. Hallelujah.

... What a union, a oneness that would be, to see God in His Church till every member is just perfectly in harmony with each other and God. That's the Church that Jesus is coming for.

Jesus is not coming for a church that is not one with Him. [Blank spot on tape -Ed.]

... And it is the only grounds of fellowship that God has ever laid down for Himself and His Church, is the oneness of Himself in the people. [1962-0211 - para. 18 -Ed.]

Where is it going to be? In the people! Where are you going to look for it? In Oral Roberts, in Billy Graham, somewhere out there? You are going to say, "We are going in the Rapture just now, because California may sink, the eclipse took place in the sky," or "look at the Gulf crisis going on. We are going in the Rapture just now." And you are looking at physical events out there, to say that you are going in

the Rapture just now. That may say we are in the last days, that may say political disturbance is in the earth; that may say wars and rumors of wars. God sends wars as judgments. But what it's going to tell you, you are the part of the Bride He's coming for. You will be in oneness with Him. You will see the oneness in your own life. Amen! You will see it in your own life!

... And the only way that you can have those grounds is by a union, to be united with Him forever. Just like when you unite with your husband, the woman to unite with her husband, it is a vow until death.

Amen. He is your Soulmate. Your soul is Eternal and He is Eternal. It is the Eternal and the Eternal united together. Amen. There is no death there. You cannot separate; no separation there. You've already separated from that old husband to come into Union that can never be broken. [Blank spot on tape -Ed.] "...Eternally united with the Eternal," he said, "for all Eternity"; great uniting time and sign; Invisible Union.

This is what I am trying to get to you. Look at what the oneness was. Look at what the fellowship was. Look what the atmosphere was. It was broken but God never lost the desire. He said, "I am going to come and dwell with man." But it was not the time and season yet. It was not the way that God intended yet. So He told Moses, "I am going to give you a little preview of it. Build it exactly according to the pattern because in this pattern, it is going to reveal the way to approach Me; the way that I am going to bring them to come back into union with Me."

Then when the time came, the real tabernacle came that the Lord pitched, not man; the Eternal One from the Heavens, when that One came on the earth and that Way is revealed through the Word being spoken. And God was bringing the soul of man through the different junctions and stages, bringing him back to God through different processes of Redemption, until

the man can see the oneness in his own life, see him dwelling with God and God dwelling with Him; together.

If we truly understand the Message of this Hour, when he said, "Invisible Union," when he said, "Christ, the Mystery of God revealed," he was identifying that this is that Day. This is the Day that Jesus prayed, "Father, I pray that they will be one as I and You are one." "In that day you will know I in you and you in Me."

One man was able to break the sound barrier of all those denominational voices because he was chosen; he was caused to know the approach. He came through different stages and he reached a junction in his life and God showed him a little, square, wooden room. He said, "I will meet you in there." He saw the Shekinah Glory going in there. He went back in the Bible, he said, "Sure, God only has one place to meet with man." He said, "Watch when that Angel speaks, it is always with the Scriptures."

On that Seventh Seal... [1963-0324e -Ed.] All those Six Seals he opened, he didn't speak anything of it. On that Seventh Seal, he put that tent vision inside of there. And many of you who read the Seventh Seal book, you notice that there's a part of it where it says, "And April the 10th 1966, the Board of trustees, so and so and so, decided to release this portion of the tape because the part previously released was this part." And if you are a close observer, you will see that the part that was kept back and the part that was released, is in perfect continuity to the part of the message that was before. Read them both ways, they slide both because he wrote out one part to say it a certain way, and purposely left out certain things. On April the 11th they put him in the grave. He would go into the grave with those Secrets in his heart. And here it was out laying in the Message, right there in

the Message, that one day when we have reason to see, it will be made plain.

How did God seal this Bible? By the way He spoke It through the prophets. How did God open the Bible? It was not straps that He broke off of It but by the way He spoke through a Prophet. God gave them verbal inspiration to speak Things and seal it. Then that same God came back and gave the language to speak it a certain way and open it up. Exactly!

That's why He told them, "Nothing could be added to the Bible; it is hidden in the Book." And when he began to preach, he was not adding anything to the Book, but It was always the same Bible Luther read, same Bible Wesley read; same Bible they all read. What was happening? The God Who was speaking through those prophets, was now speaking through another Prophet, revealing what they spoke. That is exactly what He did with the Message.

On that Seventh Seal he said, "You are not supposed to get it. Don't try to put any interpretation to it. Don't even try to study it; you are not supposed to get it and you will not get it. You will only get further away from it. Leave it alone; it will make a cycle and come back around." How many of us stumbled around in darkness for a while, and we hit a certain season and revelation started and the Message became a new Message to us, like the Bible became a new Book to him?

When the Book was sealed until the time It was supposed to be opened, men went probing, probing, probing, and they produced nine hundred and sixty-nine different interpretations. And the same way, men went probing, probing, probing until that cycle came back around, and they've produced about the same amount of interpretations of the Message too. Exactly right.

Where did the brother get those things from this morning? It was hidden in the message. It was the

same message everybody read. Is that right? Why? It's the same God speaking back His Word. Can we see, can we recognize God speaking?

You see, we get fear and it challenges us sometimes to recognize it is the same God speaking His Word. Believers know the Word when they hear the Word because they are part of the Word. Amen. We try to say, "Somebody studied the message," or "Somebody studied this." No. God has a five-fold ministry (amen) that is speaking now. And why is it bringing a certain quality among a certain group of people? He said, "This thing will be made known to a certain qualified group in a certain way. They will know the Word a certain way."

He said, "Satan knew the Bible as good as Jesus, but It couldn't work for him. But Jesus had faith in the knowledge that He was the Word. He saw His life in the Word. He knew He was the Word." He said, "And so is every born-again believer – they are the interpretation of the Word promised for their Day."

That soul is the Word. That was God's thought, His attribute that He spoke and His thought became the Word. That is why that is the real Word, and this Bible is only a record of that Gene. But as that grows and matures, it is going to reveal this Word and unfold this record, which is a mystery of prophecy lying in the Bible that man cannot seem to break into. But the people who are that Word, when they begin to speak that Word, It sounds different, It produces different; It becomes alive.

He said, "She under Her Messenger, will become the final Voice to the final Age in this final quickening unto the Rapture, when there is an unrighteous partaking of spiritual blessings and manifesting of the Holy Ghost." Say, "Holy Spirit is pouring out," yes, as the Word was showing this morning. Many of us want It to be poured out upon that old spirit and become a false anointed one. We are trying to run into the Holy

Spirit and get the Holy Spirit before we see the Lamb that was slain, and become identified with the Lamb and die to ourselves with the Lamb, and be crucified there and deny self.

A true identification – He is obligated; He gives It to them that obey Him. When He recognizes your faith, He gives you the Sign of circumcision (amen!) when He sees you believing the Word; not if you try to jump in a service and roll on the floor and cry to get Him to come down! That was an Age before the Word came. That was when man didn't know the approach to dwell inside of there; to come back into oneness; to come back into Union. Amen. But blessed is the man, (hallelujah) that Thou causeth to approach, because no man can come except the Father draws Him. He causes you to approach. You are blessed, so blessed.

He said in Why Cry? Speak, he said, "Father, let me speak the Word and make It so plain, (amen) that the way will be made clear for those who come behind." David in the Psalms says, "Lead me in a plain path. When Thou saidst, 'Seek ye My face,' my heart said unto Thee, Thy face, oh Lord, will I seek." What is in that Cloud up there? His Face. Amen. Glory.

... And the only way that you can have those grounds is by a union, to be united with Him forever. Just like when you unite with your husband... [see?] So, to be united with Him in the Spirit of His power, is Eternal Life, you're Eternally united with [Him]. [1962-0211 - para. 18 -Ed.]

Let me skip some of that and move on quickly here.

Oneness [1962-0211 - para. 143 -Ed.], talking about Jesus: The expressed image come, Jesus, the immaculate One, the lovely One, the fairest of ten thousands, the Lily of the Valley, the Rose of Sharon, oh, the Morning Star." What was He? What did He come for? [He said:] Listen close now.

What was He, friends? We are closing out this meeting here.

What did He come for?

God has spoken to us; washed our hands and feet. He breathed upon us. God came and showed us where we need to be standing, in that Holy place. A man under the Blood is greater than Moses and Joshua who stopped the sun and spoke flies into existence.

He said, "Why should it stumble them, when I am testifying that I saw squirrels appear six different times?" He said, "Why should It stumble them, if they claim to be believers in the Bible? "If you say to this mountain..." He said, "I couldn't understand it but then Jesus showed me it was in the atonement. And I said, Father, is this that thing you showed me in the vision, that I will be in a little, square, wooden room?"

Read it on the 'tent' vision – a little, square, wooden room. Read what the Holy of Holies was – a little, square, wooden room. Read, what is the only place in the Bible that God said He will meet with man. He said, "When that Angel speaks, it is always the Scripture." He came and He took the Scripture and proved it: "There is only one Place provided."

He said, "Remember that time you were in the woods and you were dreaming that Name?"

He said, "Yes."

He said, "I will meet you in there."

That 'Name' and that 'little room'. See what the temple was – the place where He chose to put His Name. Amen. See, that Jesus Himself was that Tabernacle. He was where God and man met. He was that Mercy Seat. Is that right? He was that propitiation. He is the Surety of a better Testament. He is the Mediator of a better covenant established upon better promises. He is the Advocate. He is the Forerunner Who entered in the veil and opened a way for us to come in afterwards.

We have not seen anything different in this Day. When the Seven Seals opened up, it was to show us what was lost, to bring it back to us – another one like Paul, who met the Pillar of Fire. Today the Book of Hebrews is still confusing. They said, "The unknown writer"; they don't know who it is. The Prophet said, "Anybody who reads that Book, will know that is the spirit of a prophet." Because he met the Pillar of Fire too, and he had to separate law from grace in this Day too. He had to bring it back to one Lord, one faith; one baptism. He was caught up into Heaven too, to see the theophanies and came back and revealed it from the Word. Amen?

And right inside of there, he was picking up those things: the Voice of the Blood that speaketh better things. And how the Bride has become the Blood by the Holy Ghost. She has become the Blood. And the Holy Ghost in Her is the Voice of that Blood, and that Voice is speaking through Her. See?

We are afraid sometimes to say that this is the form, this is the way, this is the manner; these are the Scriptures that He promised to reveal Himself in this Hour, between the Gentile Prophet and the Jewish prophets. There is a Word in the Bible laying there and we have to recognize what part of the Word we are, not somebody else's part. Real faith is when you see that Word made alive, become personalized to you, then you speak. If you believe with your heart, you confess it with your mouth and you shall never be ashamed. It is not faith to say, "Bro. Branham was a great man." That is not faith. What do you say? What is your confession? Amen. Amen. Glory.

What was He? What did He come for? Listen close now. To re-establish oneness between God and man.

What did Jesus come for? To re-establish oneness between God and man.

He said: [Notice] *To re-establish oneness between God and man.*

... He paid the debt of sin. Now, in order to get oneness between God and man, Jesus could not do it as long as He was here in a body of flesh. So He had to become the complete sin offering to take away the guilt of the believer, see, take it away so that the Holy Ghost could come into man... [1962-0211 - para. 149 -Ed.]

He didn't go into all the words and break it down, what it meant to us; he just stated it plainly because he knew what it meant. The propitiation is to remove the barrier, so what God always wanted to give to us and always had for us, and would never take back from us, could now be let loose because there was nothing there to hinder Him from giving it to us now! The holy demands of a righteous God were satisfied because He met every requirement of that law, and proved to be the propitiation, that which could loose us from our sins and let the power of God be loose upon us again.

Friends, if we have recognized, that has come to us in the form of this revealed Word, manifesting and showing forth the results of this Union. The Prophet showed us the results of that Union. He didn't just preach that Union, he showed the results of it; that this is the Hour it is here. He said, "The Word was there, the fruit was there; the signs and wonders were there." He said, "Watch those three things: the Word, the fruit and the signs and wonders." Amen. My!

Then he made the church speak it and repeat it after him. He said: This is God's oneness...the spirit that you got agrees with this Word, and manifests this Word and makes this Word power to act the same way It did there.

He said: Let's say it together. Oneness with God is to have God's Spirit in you agreeing with the Word, all the Word, the whole Word, and to make It manifested in power. [1962-0211 - paras. 214-215 -Ed.]

He made them say it. He made them confess it because they were witnesses of it; demonstrated it before them right there. Amen. Glory. My.

Quickly, let's try to move on. We want to make as much use of this time as we could. *Influence*. [1963-1130b -Ed.] I want to show you... He said, "What did Jesus come for? To re-establish the oneness." Has it come back? Is the oneness here? Is it in another Age? Do we have to go through more stages before we come to that Age or are we in the Age where this is happening, and maybe we are living with our expectations below the God-given standard for the Age?

We need to be correctly focused to what the achievement of this Age is; what the mark of identification of a true believer is. We'll come like the Prophet when he got two squirrels and wanted to run out of the woods and God said, "Where are you going? Come back here! You said three." You want to go before you get the full blessing. Let's enter in, to the fullness. Let's go right in, into all that He has spoken.

He said, "I fear there's a promise left us of entering into His rest and some of you have come short of it." Because you've lowered your standard. You've come far enough; you are not going all the way into the promise. You just accept a good life. You just thought maybe dressing good is enough. You thought maybe when you came to the brass altar and you said, "Hallelujah, I put my hand on the Lamb. The Lamb was slain. I accept Him as my personal Saviour. I came to the laver; I have been washed. Praise God," and you are just walking around the courtyard.

You didn't see the table of shewbread yet. You didn't even eat a piece off of there yet. Amen. You haven't even learned to pray at the altar of incense yet. You haven't entered into real worship yet. You haven't even seen the light of the candlestick, to get light for service, spiritual service; light that shines on the altar and reveals the mystery of prayer, that altar of incense; light that shines upon the shewbread and reveals the mystery of the Word, so you could feed your soul and grow in knowledge and grace, knowing

that you still have not reached your mark, there is still further to go, there are glories beyond the veil, (hallelujah!); there's a great hidden Secret still sealed up.

One day, He had an appointed time, He will tear that veil; He will take the veil off of Himself. Hallelujah! He will be able to give us access, we could come into the Word. What was behind that veil? The Word, the Logos. The Word was behind the veil. All in those seven candlesticks, those Reformer Ages back there, they didn't know what was behind the veil. Only the high priest could get in there. At an appointed time, a God-given appointed time, he will have access. When he goes in there, he will come back out with a Message of grace, (amen) "Your sins are forgiven." Hallelujah!

Look at Paul in that Age: he saw when they pierced Jesus on the Cross and they rent the veil of the Temple, the Greater Tabernacle, and God simultaneously ripped the veil of the natural temple, and Paul caught it. He was the only one out of all of them, who spoke of it. Matthew just said, "And the veil of the temple was rent." Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, they all said, "And the veil of the temple was rent."

Paul said, "But in the Old Testament, it was not yet made manifest, that the way into the Holies, but by a new and living way, that is to say, the veil, His flesh, (amen!) we could come into the Holiest where the Blood speaketh; where the spirits of just men are made perfect." Hallelujah! Glory. He said, "Let us labor to enter in." Something was there, friends.

When Paul saw Him, he began to preach a New Age. He began to preach a new dispensation. He said, "Our High Priest has passed into the heavens." He said, "He was a Lamb here, but now He is a High Priest over Here. And He has gone in There; He is sprinkling that mercy seat." He said, "And He will appear again the

second time, without sin, unto salvation. One day He will come back out, (amen); the work will be over."

A Prophet in this generation said, "Look to the Unseen." He said, "What is it? We have seen His appearing. He has come back out. This same Jesus has appeared again in like manner." Amen. Because the congregation was waiting in expectation: "Is the priest dead? Has God accepted us? Are we forgiven?" Amen. And when He was appearing, when He came back out, oh, they went up in praise. They said, "We love His appearing! We see what it is!"

No wonder when He came back out, He had to come and speak *Invisible Union* [1965-1125 -Ed.] and say, "You are the sinless, spotless, virtuous Bride." If He comes back out there, He must come back out with a Message. He must come back out and pronounce them because they had a Lamb, a propitiation inside of there; they could come boldly before the Throne of grace.

He took the veil off of the Word for every believer in this Age to go right into the same Word. Amen! It is no longer a hidden secret; it is revealed now (amen, hallelujah!) that we could come boldly before the Throne of grace and find mercy, grace, to help in a time of need; seasonable help.

It was something inside of there to give access, a way to open up. He said, "Job had access to God by revelation. He had a channel open where he and God would commune. The Word of God would come to him by revelation, and he found grace." He said, "Joshua found grace to help in a time of need. He needed light and he had a channel open under that blood." He said, "Look, Abraham needed a ram and he had a channel open, and grace came down and provided what he had need of."

Then God came to him and said, "You need squirrels like Abraham needed a ram," sovereign grace to help

in a time of need. My God, supplying all my needs, according to His riches, unsearchable riches. Amen.

Here when those things began to be opened up, he said, "That woman saw the need." What is it? It is God seeing the need, friends. He is watching over you. He knows what you have need of. He is the Provider. He is the Supplier. He is unfolding it down to us to bring us, causing us to approach. Not just approach; one day we will dwell. Then you will dwell with Him, then you will abide under the shadow. "If you abide in Me and My Word abides in you, ask what you will." David said, "Lord, You are my Hiding Place." Amen.

Here Bro. Branham, he knew he had come back. God had brought him right back into that Secret Place, in the secret of His Presence now. And God was revealing to him, "You are coming, My son, into the secret of My Presence. No one else could come here. You had to be elected. Those Pentecostals, they can't follow this one. Jannes and Jambres, they can't come in here. This will not be impersonated; not this." Amen. "And this is the thing that will start the Rapturing Faith to the going away. So it's only people who are ordained to come in here, will have this. That little group of the true Seed, who the Seven Thunders uttered their voices to, (amen,) they will take the Word and hand It there."

They would not just holler, they will get something because they are bearing His Name. They have the Wedding Band, they have the Marriage Certificate, they have the Name; they have the ring; they have the Robe. They know He has dealt with them in a special manner, to let them see they are a chosen people, that they are a peculiar people, a royal priesthood, a chosen generation; called out of darkness to walk in His marvellous Light, that they could show forth His praises because He ordained them to bring forth that fruit.

He said [1963-1130b - para. 114 -Ed.]: ... "But to know Him is Life," [this is in Influence, Shreveport] know Him as the Person, Christ in you, the Word made flesh in you. That's knowing Him.

What is it?

... to know Him is Life," [to] know Him as the Person, Christ in you, the Word made flesh in you.

Not in your Pastor, not in your aunty, not in your uncle, not in your mammy or your daddy; in you!

... like I said last night in The Super Sign. He has got to come in you. ... God and man must come one.

[1963-0728 - paras. 474-477 -Ed.]

This is God's great mystery of love expressed...

I know this building is hot, but let us forget the heat. Let us come tonight to a place, that if we see where we are and we realize, He wants to bring us a little closer. The veil is taken off of the Word. This morning what did you see? You saw one who had gone into the Word, and came back out with the blessings that are in the Word. It is for all who He has given access, all who He has chosen; all who He has caused to approach.

This is God's great mystery of love expressed...

Oh, this is my most favourite quote, I think. I just love that one: *Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed*.

This is God's great mystery of love expressed, that God and man became one. ... The whole thing is God and man, one. God and man was one, there; and God and man is one, here. ... What is it? Being filled with His Spirit, Him having the preeminences. That was God's achievement...

What did Jesus come for? To re-establish the oneness. Why am I reading this for? To show you, the oneness was re-established and the Prophet was confessing it. When he was preaching *Invisible Union*, *Oneness*, *Uniting Time* [1963-0818 -Ed.], he was confessing the oneness. He said, "Sure we see businesses uniting, sure we see the churches uniting, sure we see

this uniting, sure we see all the nations, sure we see the Western world and the Eastern world uniting, sure we see that uniting," he said, "but I want to point you to a greater uniting." Amen! "The Bride and the Word are becoming one."

How did he know it? It was happening inside of him. Why did he have faith in it? It was God's promise. Why could nobody move him away from it? He saw it was an achievement. That was his Godgiven privilege and nothing was going to make him live below that God-given privilege.

Then he saw something wrong in the churches because the church didn't have the experience that he had. God by an audible Voice told him, "That is in the Atonement." The church didn't have that because God was not going to give that to everybody in the church. He was the one to reveal the Word and bring the Word to us, to show us, it is a promise in the Word.

So what happened? He came and he took the Scripture, he said, "Look Moses; look Joshua. Look Abraham with the ram there. Look, Joshua stopped the sun. Look Moses with the flies and the frogs and these things." He said, "That's under the blood of bulls and goats." He said, "Look, the squirrels over here. Look, the storm in Colorado. Look, this happened over here." He said, "This is under the Blood of Jesus Christ." He said, "In that day, you will be one." He said, "Look, the promise is here."

We saw it in the Word. It is greater if we see it in the Word, than if we hear a voice telling that to us. Amen! We may want that experience – to hear a voice. How did he know that was God's Voice? Well, after he saw the squirrels created, sure. But then it took him back to the Scripture and he saw it in the Scripture.

He went beyond the curtain of time and he saw those people, and he came back. He said, "Look at Moses and Elijah alive in the mountain here. Look Samuel came up. He was still a prophet; he prophesied to Saul over here." He said, "Their nature didn't change." He said, "Look Jesus said, 'In the Resurrection they will be like angels."

He said, "When I went There, they had no sex glands. They had no sensations." He said, "Look Abraham and Jacob, God said, 'You are gathered to your people." He said, "When I went There, He said, 'These are your people." It was all the Scriptures. He said, "Look, Paul said, 'If this earthly tabernacle be dissolved, there is another one." He went right back to the Word, to show that *that* was so.

Then we understood the Word. We saw it in the Word. We knew the promise. Amen? So we are not following cunningly devised fables. It is a more sure Word of prophecy. It is here, laid out for us in this Hour. And if he didn't announce this, we wouldn't know the Hour; we didn't know the achievement was here.

He might have felt embarrassed or he knew people were going to reject it and laugh at him. But he knew there was a people with a Deep, lying there to catch that. He had to say it regardless if they called him a fanatic. He said, "Many of my friends will leave me now. They will say, what am I trying to make myself?" But he had to say it anyhow. He knew it was ordained to bring a people. Because God was not interested in his complex, his personality and what people thought about him. God was getting that Word to the Bride, who was ordained to come to Life by that Word. He was interested in you. Amen.

The whole thing is God and man, one. See? ... Being filled with His Spirit, Him having the preeminences. That was God's achievement, that's God purpose to do that: that He might be in Christ; and Christ in us; and all of us together, one. The Holy Spirit...

Then he talked about the squirrels and the frogs and so on, typing himself with Moses.

He said: ... and God's Own Word revealing It. Shows that man cannot create; God is the Creator. And it ain't man no more; it's God the Creator, in man, which is His Church now.

Who is God's church today?

He said: ... ever. God expresses Eternal love to the Church.

What was Eternal Love to the Church? "Look, I've brought you back. Look, that is what I am doing in this Hour, Church. Look why I have come down here; I am your Headship." Amen. "I came down to bring back perfect fellowship again. I am opening up to you. I am taking the veil off of Myself; you can come in here now. I am causing you to approach Me. I have chosen you." Amen. "I've shown you your name in the Book and I am bringing you back into union to dwell here." Would you refuse that Church? [Congregation says, "No." -Ed.] He is bringing you there.

Invisible Union [1965-1125 - para. 268 -Ed.], hear him: Oh, that spiritual union of Christ and His Church now, when the flesh is becoming Word, and the Word is becoming flesh...

... God the Creator, in man, which is His Church now. [1963-0728 - para. 476 -Ed.]

[1965-1125 - para. 268 -Ed.]: Oh, that spiritual union of Christ and His Church now...

Amen. Let's move on quickly. Now watch. So, just about a few minutes more and I'm closing. I know it's hot and I am just trying to wind it up. The part I really want to get to is where—I have not just come there, so I laid a little background there to bring some personalized things now that will cause us to take inventory; not to un-Christianize us. I am not here to un-Christianize you; I am here to encourage you. I am here, like with a goose-necked hoe. You are ordained to grow in a straight path, and we have a responsibility to the Father, to weed out all the creepers, that you can grow straight.

There is Transforming Power in the Seed inside of you, to transform you into the species that you are ordained to be. And you are ordained to be amateur gods, a Super Race because that is the potential of the Seed laying inside of you. And He has ordained your life and the circumstances in your life, to grow and develop that seed in you to bring it to full fruition; to bring it to a ripened faith, but it's just that some of us need to understand.

Like he was talking about the baby eagle, when Mama Eagle shook her off, she felt she was backsliding; she was falling. But He's only training her to fly. And He could fly faster than she could fall. But then He comes and He picks her back up again and shakes her off again. She says, "Oh, He is not trying to scare me, He is trying to teach me how to fly!" She starts to catch the thought; now she could relate to it correctly. Instead of screaming, she starts to use the wings now. "If you make a mistake, it is okay; Mama is going to come down and pick you back up again."

Making a mistake... It's not who makes the most mistakes or who makes the least mistakes. Before the children had done either good or evil, He said, "Jacob have I loved." It is not the children that came predestinated; it is the Seed, that Word, that comes predestinated from God. It has nothing to do with the most mistakes or the least mistakes. It's not you trying to out-do somebody by making less mistakes and you get confident. No! That is a false confidence when you feel you are living more moral or better than somebody else. That is not the identification. No, sir!

That is why that faith doesn't hold out in the time of crisis. But real faith will hold out all the time. In the good times, praise His Name; in the bad times, do the same. In everything, give the King of Kings all the thanks. Amen. Hallelujah. Though He slays me, yet I'll trust Him. The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh

away. Blessed be the Name of the Lord. Amen. Hallelujah! Amen.

Now watch. There were seven pieces of furniture. This tabernacle that God told Moses to build, it was something so tremendous. Because God told him, He said, "I am going to show you something in Heaven, Moses." The children of Israel, they were in bondage, (is that right?) and God had called them out. And it was after the children of Israel had been called out of Egypt in the Exodus... God sent a prophet; He saw His children in bondage. Amen.

Let me preach a little bit here now. [Bro. Vin chuckles -Ed.] See, sometimes when you are trying to break down things and then you get everybody just staring at you. Let us do something a little different.

See, they were down in Egypt in bondage; born in bondage, born in captivity, like we are to the beggarly elements, to the old nature inside of us, in the world like they were in Egypt. But they were elected of God, and God had appointed a prophet to that very generation. And all the time, God was preparing His prophet to send him forth with a message of deliverance. But He gave him signs to attract the people's attention, to let them know it was the hour of their deliverance, so the prophet could identify himself as God's messenger to the people.

So here were the people now, maybe some of them didn't know the prophet was on the scene. But they were going to come into a meeting, they were going to hear about it; they were going to see it. They were going to see the sign of the rod turning into a snake and the hand turned into leprosy. But the signs couldn't bring any deliverance, it could only attract their attention. But the prophet had a voice of the sign. He had a message to reveal the Scripture, amen: "In the fourth generation, I will bring you out with a mighty hand." Amen.

They didn't get confused among all the impersonators and these things. But God would have to call them out first. He had a plan for them. And it was after they were called out, separated, 2nd Corinthians 6, it says, "Be you separate, touch not the unclean thing and I will receive you, and I will dwell in you and I will walk in you, saith the Almighty. And I will be your God and you shall be My people."

Here God now, by the mouth of His prophet, He began to unfold to them that Hour. He took them out and that prophet went up on that mountain and that Glory of God, that Supernatural Cloud, came on the mountain. What a beautiful picture.

Here was that prophet, he was instructed by God: "Come up into the mountain, Moses" – the Exodus prophet with the Pillar of Fire. Amen. And he was going up on that mountain and he climbed and climbed high. Look at that Eagle on the mountain. Amen. And he was going way up into the Cloud now. Not one of those vapor clouds out there, those thunderheads, but it was a Cloud of Glory. Amen. This is the Shekinah Glory.

That Eagle began to go straight up into that Cloud and inside of there, a Heavenly vision began to unfold. A secret that God had in the back-part of His Mind, He began to unfold it to His prophet. It contained the hidden secrets of Redemption. Amen. What was it? God was interested in becoming skin; putting on skin. God was interested in condescending and coming down a little lower. Amen. God was interested in dwelling among the people.

The people didn't know about it. Their minds were taken up with: they are not getting this to eat, and they are not getting this to wear, and they are insecure over here. And God was talking to His prophet, "I want to dwell with them, Moses. By and through the members of the Bride I will finish the work. She is going to wind up the great Commission." They were

not thinking about it; their minds were on all kinds of different things.

Then God was coming down now. And the prophet... Think of it. Think of that message Moses had, when he was coming to that called-out people that morning, when he was going to walk before them and gather them together and begin to speak and say, "I am not disobedient to the Heavenly vision." He said, "You all saw the Cloud on the mountain." Amen. One of the little boys may have said, "Bro. Moses, I knew it was you talking to God up there." Amen! Hallelujah. He went up in that Fire and he came back out with the Word. All the time he had followed the Pillar of Fire, but now he went *into* the Pillar of Fire. Hallelujah!

What does a man do when he comes back out of the Pillar of Fire? He comes back out with the Word. He comes back out with the revelation of God and man to be united together; that God wants to dwell among man. Amen! Hallelujah.

Here was the prophet, he was not coming to bring those sensations now; he was not coming to excite them now. Here was the prophet now, coming to bring to them what God told him, that God wants to dwell among them; how they must worship Him, how they are going to have access to Him, how they will commune with Him; how they will serve Him. Amen!

I would have liked to follow a prophet like that if I was living back there. Amen. I would have left those nations, those denominations. Amen. Because that was a prophet talking to God! That was a prophet who could reveal what was in God's heart; could bring the Word so close to the people. The Word was nigh thee, even in the mouth of the prophet. They didn't have to go up in the Cloud to bring God down, they didn't have to go somewhere in the deep to bring God up; the Word was coming through the mouth of the prophet. Hallelujah!

He was telling them, "Children, God Almighty, Who created this heaven and this earth, is going to dwell among you. He revealed that to me." He said, "That is what He told me up there when I spoke to Him. Get ready for it." He said, "Now we will not be like the other nations. We are not going to worship the way they worship." He said, "We will have to have some church order here. We will have to start to do things differently." Amen.

They were listening because God had spoken to His prophet and he was delivering the burden of the Word to that generation that God had called out; that nation He had called out of that nation. Amen. And here he was saying now, he said, "But we just can't go into His Presence anyhow. He revealed to me that He is a Holy God, and that we just cannot come into His Presence like that. But He wants us to have union with Him, so He unfolded it to me, there are certain things I must make to represent what is in Heaven. It is kind of strange," he said, "but don't think of me to be a fanatic because you know when I speak, He always vindicates it." Amen.

He said, "I must have a brass altar there first." He said, "And then He told me, I must put a brass laver there." He said, "Then I must have a holy place." He said, "Inside of there He told me, I must put seven candlesticks to the North, a table of shewbread to the South, and right in the middle, close to the veil of the most Holy Place, I must put there a golden altar." He said, "Now you may think that because we have two altars, we could put blood here." He said, "No. That one is a brass altar for blood and this one is a golden altar for incense."

He said, "And then He wants a veil there." He said, "I didn't dare question, because I know if God said He wants a veil there, by revelation, I knew it represented our sin. We just can't come into God's Presence like that. There is a barrier between man and God. Man

stops when they reach there; they can't come into that place without blood." Amen. He said, "But do you know something? Inside of there He wants something called an ark, and He wants something called a mercy seat." He said, "Now these are some strange things but you know the Supernatural, He always dwells in unusual things."

He said, "And I must make two cherubims." said, "And remember in Eden, when they fell back in Eden?" He said, "I was telling you there, when He gave me the vision the other day, and I saw it happen in the Garden, and I saw those cherubims stand there and they were guarding everywhere. And I told you there were four of them because there are only four ways." He said, "And I told you there was an altar back there because it had a Glory. That Flaming Sword was really the Pillar of Fire, was really God there in the midst of the cherubims, because wherever the cherubims are, the Mercy Seat is. Wherever the cherubims are, God's Throne is because God dwells in the midst of those cherubims always. They guard every way." Hallelujah.

He said, "But now since that time when all those things have been removed, he said, "God has not changed His Mind about His Word, children, so He wants us to come this way." He said, "I think I am seeing it but maybe only in part right now. One of these days this thing will be revealed in reality form because I know the real thing is up There. The real thing is up There. It is going to be made manifested in God's appointed time. There will be another prophet maybe like me, who will come and meet the Pillar of Fire in the same way. He might go up into the Third Heaven. He will see these things and come back and preach it and reveal what it means when the real Tabernacle comes." Amen.

So here Moses was laying it out for the people. Oh, it was tremendous. That prophet went up in that

Pillar of Fire and came back out with a tent vision. Amen. And in that tent vision, God was going to meet with man in a little, square, wooden room (hallelujah) in the third court. Hallelujah! Inside of there is where God and man become one; where man comes back into perfect fellowship with God again. Glory. Amen.

He said, "I found it strange but I began to understand something; I looked at my own life." See? He said, "Why was God not going to dwell in the first court, the outer court, why He was not going to dwell in the second court, but why is He dwelling inside of there?" See? So here it was, that prophet came and he began to unfold that revelation of how to build God's dwelling place.

What did our Prophet say, a Prophet like unto Moses? He said, "Today I have come to take the Word and show you how to build the living tabernacle of the Living God." Hallelujah! A living tabernacle where Deity and humanity will meet; the Super Sign in the last days, where God and man will be united again.

That prophet had that revelation that God wanted to dwell with man. I could imagine that church there. Amen. They didn't fully understand yet. It was strange to them. It was different from Egypt. It was so Supernatural for them, that God wanted to be veiled in skin. And he said, "Children, don't think it strange but He told me, He wanted to be veiled in skin. We cannot put up a brick wall there. We cannot put up a stone wall there. Amen. It must have some skin there." Hallelujah! Glory. Amen.

The Word, the Logos, the Pillar of Fire, wanted a tabernacle! What a message! Amen. Brother, how it excited their hearts in that hour. How it thrilled the hearts of those who heard it in this Hour, when the Prophet came again, that God wanted to become one with man again; that the Word, the Logos, the Pillar of Fire, wanted to be veiled in skin again – men whom He has chosen to cause them to know the approach, to

come in and dwell, to come back to perfect fellowship; to come back into oneness.

There was an ordained path to get inside of there. There were seven pieces of furniture: a brass altar, a brass laver, then the holy place had three pieces. Inside of there you had the table of shewbread, the altar of incense and the seven golden candlesticks. And then inside the most holy place, you had the ark and you had the mercy seat. They had to construct seven. And then God said, "I will give you two tables of stone – the testimony; you will put it in the ark and you will cover it with the lid." Amen. He said, "And I will come and meet with you right there."

Now friend, if God said He is going to do that, God will never change that. That has a spiritual representation. That has a spiritual representation! But God was revealing the place, He was revealing His intent, His desire to commune.

Here Moses began to unfold to the called-out, the plan of how God will tabernacle Himself in a tent of skin. And right there we began to see this great shadow of that Perfect Man, that Perfect Tabernacle of Whom God said, "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am pleased to dwell in," where the Logos, the Word... Because It says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." And the Word was made flesh, and 'tabernacled' (is what it says in the original Greek), 'tabernacled' among us, and we beheld his glory." [St. John 1 -Ed.] He said, "All Israel, by faith, knew that all the Glory that God was, laid behind that skin right there." Amen?

Now watch. So Deity was being tabernacled amongst them. That Word, that Pillar of Fire was veiled in skin amongst them. And Israel knew, "This is not a strange, mystic temple in the wilderness somewhere out here. This is actually the dwelling place of God." They understood that right there in that desert, that mystic tent that was set up, was filled

with God's Glory. Amen. The Pillar of Fire was now so much closer to them. Wherever they moved, It moved with them, veiled in skin.

He went to Shreveport with them. He went to New York with them. He went to Dallas with them. He went to Tampa with them. Amen! And by faith (glory!) some knew it was Jehovah in a tent of skin, in the wilderness of this Laodicean Age, (amen) coming down. His mystery was unfolding. He was coming closer. He began to unfold the Way.

Now watch. I want to show that those seven pieces of furniture... I will bring it to a close. This is the place I wanted to get to. Those seven pieces of furniture represent different stages in the walk of the believer, who is identified with Him and accepted Him as their Lord and Saviour, on that brass altar, who dies there, who really dies there with their Lamb; who really comes into a real, true identification with their Lamb.

This meeting is going to be finished in a little while. We are going to realize we were not so tired after all. We are going to still be looking for a place to go and eat or something outside. We will still be hanging around on the corridors fellowshipping. By tomorrow, many of us will be many, many miles from here. But before we close off, let's just for these last few moments, just get right in that place and come to a self-examination; take an inventory.

Many of us spent a lot of money to get here. Many of us have absented ourselves from our families. Our children are home crying, "Mommy, where is daddy? When is daddy coming back, mommy?" Loved ones back home. And when you think that you may be just a few miles from your home, ten minutes, fifteen minutes in your car. Some of us are thousands and thousands of miles away from ours, in a foreign land, have to sleep in another strange bed another night; have to be in somebody's way sometimes, putting up

with us. So let us make use of the time. Let us capitalize upon it.

If it is nonsense are speaking, we denominational idea, forget it. You have a right to go. But if it is God's Word, if it is something that pertains to Eternal Life, if it is something that is going to help us to the very thing that we desire and long and crave for; if some of us down through these days of meetings have been waiting here, "Lord, speak to me; Lord, speak to me," and we felt we haven't hit that spot, maybe tonight It could uncover something in your life, just the last thing to fix, that the Holy Spirit could just come right down; that maybe while you are driving your car, going back home, thinking about the Word, the Angel of the Lord will sweep right through the car.

We heard the testimony last night, how the Angel dropped in the car right there. He doesn't have to come to service, He comes in the car while you are driving. You get it on the road going home. Amen. See? But these few moments could make all the difference. So let us just shut out every oppressing force, every tired spirit and gather up all our energy and resources and bring it to the place to say, "Lord, let me look, and give me the sincerity as I look face to face in Your Word."

That brass altar... Seven pieces of furniture, it meant seven steps, because they had to be related in some way to each piece of that furniture. Because that tabernacle represented the Lord Jesus, the Place where God meets with man; also represented the believer; also represents God's plan of Redemption, how He brings the believer from flesh back to the Word, back into union with God; where he identifies with the Lamb here at the Cross, at Calvary. When he hears the Word preached, "He that enters in, the same shall be saved. I am the Door; if any man comes by Me, he shall be saved." [St. John 10:9 -Ed.] And you come through that Door.

That tabernacle was built in such a way, from the time you come through that first door, you have come face to face. God said, "Moses, build it this way and put that piece of furniture right in front of this door like that," whap! When you come through that door, you come on that brass altar.

What does it mean? If you are a Christian tonight, if you are looking for this oneness, if you are looking for this Union with God, if you are looking to be part of His Bride, if you are looking for His Glory to be veiled behind your skin, and you don't have some place in your life where you could say, "I have been to that brass altar," then you can't be sure of what you are claiming tonight.

Let us see. Many of us could be at different stages. There are no shortcuts. If His Presence moves here tonight, It may just convict some to see the Lamb or see the Door. Another one may get a refilling; another one may get sanctified. See? Another may sit down there and a demon could come upon them because they might be irreverent. If He is going to come just like to fill all of us, it wouldn't be like that. Wherever you're at, you walk right there in faith. Keep walking. Make the next step. "He who started the work will perform it even until that day." [Philippians 1:6 -Ed.] He wouldn't take you through any shortcuts; He is going to bring you step by step. When the Holy Spirit said, "Can any man forbid water?" come right back through there.

Now as long as you stay outside that tabernacle, all it looked like was a bunch of skins and linens. It had no beauty that you should desire it; had no form nor comeliness. And if you step in, from the time you step in, all you see is a brass altar and a brass laver, and it might still be strange. You might hear somebody speaking of, "Whoo! Look at this great thing I just saw by this golden altar!" And you say, "I don't see a golden altar, I only see a brass altar. Where are they

getting this 'golden altar' thing from?" Because they might be in another realm in the Holy Place and you are now coming at the brass altar. You don't have to get frustrated and figure, you know, you are not a child of God. Just keep walking; one day you'll hit that spot too.

What about when the Prophet came and said, "I have seen squirrels appear six different times." He was in that little room. And some of us, hearing that, and we are only at the brass altar: "What, are we not children of God?" Some of us are maybe now tasting the Shewbread, and he is talking about, "This Manna in the Golden Pot, I tell you, some new things; hidden Manna again." And you say, "Well, how can't I see that?" Just keep walking. Amen! Don't be frustrated.

When that ark stood in Jordan and that water walled up there and Joshua said, "Behold the ark of the covenant is in the midst of Jordan. Hereby you shall know the Lord God will drive out every enemy from before you." And the Bible said, "And they stood there until every man crossed over." Amen! If you are elected, we are going to stay here. When the power of this church rises, it will pull its brethren. When the power of that church rises, it will pull its brethren. Amen. When it started with one who went in that atmosphere, it started to spread through, (amen,) and faith will connect with faith; life will connect with life. There are no shortcuts. Every man must come that route.

If we are Christians here tonight, if we are looking for the Holy Ghost, there is no record anywhere that anybody had the Holy Ghost without knowing about that Lamb; without being identified with that Lamb. There is no way. Because your identification with the Lamb is what brings the Life back on you. You have to know the Lamb. You have to see the Lamb. You have to know the Lamb took your place. You have to know, it takes your identification with the Lamb for your sins

to be transmitted to the Lamb, for the Lamb's righteousness to come back upon you.

You have to believe that the Lamb was provided by grace for that purpose, otherwise you don't have real faith; you are hoping you get something, you are trying to press yourself into something; you are trying to use emotion to get into something. The Prophet said, "We come in sanely, intelligently and right in the Word." Jesus said, "I am the Way." There is a Way. "I am the Truth." There is a Truth. "I am the Life." There is a Life. He said, "No man comes to the Father but by Me." We must come through that Brass Altar.

That Brass Altar spoke of the slaughter place – Bulawayo – the slaughter place, where they slaughtered the animal, the sacrifice; where it was sprinkled with blood. You had to be identified with it, because 'brass' speaks of 'judgment', where He was judged for our sins right there; where the price for our sins was paid right there.

Friend, you are not accepting He died for you; you have to die there with Him. "I am crucified with Christ." You have to die there too with Him. So that is the place of your self-denial, your self-surrender. How many want to deny themselves tonight? Jesus said, "Deny yourself. Take up your cross and follow Me." Start there!

Every young man, young woman, knows that Lamb—God has a provided Lamb. But you have to identify with It. His Lamb is the Word. It is being revealed to you, He is still the same. He's always the Word. He is the propitiation for your sins. Don't ever try to get in there without God's provided Lamb. Come into identification. Confess your sins. Place your hands on the Lamb.

That laver spoke of, as the Word showed us, defilement of sins committed by the believer after regeneration. There the priests would wash their hands and wash their feet, then they would sprinkle

their ear, sprinkle their tongue and sprinkle their toe – the walk, the conduct; the service. Hands – they serve one another; they minister to one another; your works. Ear – to hear the Word; to hear His Voice: "He that heareth My Word and believeth on Him that sent Me"; to understand, to know his place in this Hour; coming in, walking.

That laver, do you know what it was made from, in the Bible in Exodus chapter 38, verse 8? That laver was made from the mirrors of the women. That is what it was made from. Do you know what the mirror is? That mirror is a symbol of human vanity and pride. You watch the women, they travel in the car, they pull out their little mirror there and they kind of paint up their lips and put the thing on their face. And they slip into the powder room and they come back out. They always have their little mirror around, a little vanity mirror or something. They admire themselves. They want to see how their image looks, (see?) so that they could just keep that image there to present that image to the world.

Those looking glasses were for the glorification of the flesh. But these women offered it up. They surrendered it. Because you see, back then they didn't have glass mirrors like we have. They polished the brass, and they shined it until they could see their reflection inside of it. So they offered it up to make that laver, and the laver was where they got cleansed from their defilement. So it speaks of a separation from the flesh and from the world; from the old nature with all its pride and its lusts and all these things.

Would you offer up your brass mirror tonight? Jesus, He wanted Peter and they to offer up their brass mirrors, so do you know what He told them? "Isn't the body more than the raiment and the life more than the body?" In other words, "Set your priorities right." Because they were anxious about what they were going to eat and what they were going

to wear. He said, "But the body is more than the raiment."

Today, they want this vitamin, they want this vitamin, they want this here, they want to go and jog here, they want to eat this; it doesn't have cholesterol; they want to have this here, they want so much sugar; they have their special sweetener in their pockets and they squeeze it, and then they go and they drink down all kinds of creeds and dogmas, being preached to their soul. They have their priorities wrong.

If we could get our priorities right, if we could offer up our polished mirrors, where we admire ourselves, where we just get... I think in the Greek mythology they have a man called Narcissus. He drowned in a pool of water, admiring his own image. And that is a perfect reflection of this Laodicea Age which is rich and increased with goods, where they are just drowning in self-admiration, you know, and everything is to kind of promote 'self'.

Let us offer up all our polished mirrors tonight. Let us make that laver. Let us have a real experience. Because the laver spoke of cleansing and separation, where they were washed with the washing of the water of the Word; where they were washed from defilement. The defilement came because the tabernacle had no floor. So while they kept walking up and down on the sand, they were getting defiled all the time. So every time they approached that brass altar or approached the holy place, they had to go to that laver and wash. God told Moses, "Put the laver between the brass altar and the door of the holy place." Every day! Bro. Branham said, "What is it?" He said, "Paul said, 'I die daily." Amen.

Have you been to the Laver my friend? Have you really been to the Laver? How could we be in the holy place and we have not really had a real experience at the Laver? How could we be at the Laver and we

haven't even seen the Lamb or been identified with the Lamb at the Brass Altar?

Then God told Moses, He said, "Now this room is going to have three things: a table of shewbread on the South; on the North, the lampstand, burning and giving its light from the continual olive oil, and then the altar of incense in gold." It was only gold: a golden table, a golden lampstand; a golden altar. Inside of there, gold speaks of what? On, *God's Gifts Always Find Their Places* [1963-1222 -Ed.], he said, "Gold speaks of God – Deity." Inside of there they were getting this great revelation of who He is. He is the Almighty God. He is Alpha and Omega; He is the Beginning and the End. He is the Almighty.

That table speaks of fellowship, like you break your bread. That is the place the priests would meet and eat. The altar was where the priests would offer incense, the prayers going up before God; made intercession for the people. And the lamp was the only light it had there, and that light would shine on the altar and that light would shine on the bread. It was light for service. The only light for service came from the lamp.

Many of us run and do all kinds of service, and the light never shone on the Word, to show you how to do it. It never had prayer to find God's will. You see so many prayerless lives, yet, "We are in the most holy place," and "it's time for the Super Church and the Spoken Word," and it doesn't even have prayer. Do you have a tabernacle and it doesn't have an altar of incense? Are you in union with God and you don't know anything about a prayer life? That is where man finds power with God – in prayer. "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." [James 5:16-Ed.]

Look at Jonah in the belly of the whale; he had been to the altar. He knew of the altar of incense. He said, "Father, I lift my eyes to Your holy temple." And he knew what the Word said. Look at Elijah, he told the servant, "Go up seven times." He prayed (amen) until God answered. Look at Moses interceding for the people – a nation. Abraham interceding for his family – Lot. Look at Abigail, interceding for her husband. Look at Bro. Branham, a man interceding for his wife. Whether it's for your husband, your wife, a nation, your family, here it was that Altar.

The Prophet said, "Oh God, You know my wife, Father, she didn't mean that. She is going through a nervous time of life." [1964-0120 - para. 128 -Ed.] As a high priest in his house, he knew of that Altar of Incense. At one time before he even saw the golden cross—that brass cross rather... It had to be a brass cross; maybe it looked like gold when it glittered there. See? And do you know what happened? He couldn't even pray yet. But then that same man who couldn't even pray, look at him at that Altar of Incense there now, interceding on behalf of his family.

Look at Congressman Upshaw. Look at the woman in Memphis. The Prophet said, "When she prayed, you knew she had talked to God before." Amen! Hallelujah! She had been in that Holy Place. He said he came in and he met the little, old Bible on the table. The Shewbread was on the table. Amen! Glory. He said, "I have been to kings' palaces, but I was never so honored to walk in that little home." Amen.

She stood there all morning, waiting since 4 o'clock, wet with the dew. She said, "I am like the Shunammite woman." She already knew about seeing herself in the Scriptures. She had a channel opened up in her own life and personal experience. And that is the kind of faith coming through that channel, that could ground a plane and hold it for two hours, and pull a Prophet there on the scene.

Have we been in the Holy Place? Have we been at the Altar of Incense? Could you be in the Holy Place and don't know about that Altar of Incense there? What does it mean, friend? Our lives, our experiences are predestinated to us. God has a purpose. In those experiences, they are ordained to bring you to a true revelation of Him, that will bring you into a true relationship with Him, that will finally make you and Him one.

Those seven articles, those seven stages of your experience, those experiences in your life are ordained to open up the way through each of those articles, because that is the way to bring you back into oneness with God. Sometimes He causes things to happen in the home to send you to pray. He causes things to happen for you to go on the Table of Shewbread and begin to eat the Word, and get in fellowship with other believers, who are around that table, who could break Bread, and He could be made known in the breaking of the Bread. He said, "I am the Bread of Life. He said, "I am the Light of the world. No man lights a lamp and puts it under a bushel." Walk in the Light as He is in the Light. Amen. Glory.

What was it? You are the light of the world. If you have been there and that Light is shining forth, (amen) you serve in that Light. It is the Light of the Word. The Word is a Lamp unto your feet and a Light unto your pathway. You are doing Him the service. That is where they served and ministered – in the holy place.

Friends, it's a lack of personal experience. It's a lack of looking in our own lives. So many times we overlook the simplicity of those things.

Then when you went into that veil, the ark was there. The Bible talks about three arks: Noah's ark, the ark with Moses, and the third ark was that Ark of the Covenant. In Noah's ark when there were the great storms and judgments, those who were in the ark were safe. When the judgment of Pharaoh was going through the land, Moses, because he was in that ark, he was safe. He had a Refuge, a Hiding Place. Thou art my Refuge; thou art my Hiding Place. God

brings storms in your life to reveal the Ark to you, a place of Shelter, a place of Security, that He could reveal Himself to you.

Like He told Abraham, "I am your Shield. I am your exceedingly great Reward. They have to come through Me to get to you; don't be afraid." God was driving the fear out. He said, "Fear not Abraham, I called you for this. You are walking with Me." See? "No weapon formed against you will prosper. I will make the barren desert fruitful for you. I will open up ways in the desert for you. I will beautify you with salvation. You are my witnesses. I have formed you in My Own image," He said. "The former things are come to pass; behold, I do a new thing." You know that is Isaiah 42 and 43.

Why? He is bringing us by a way. He is bringing us into a place, because He spoke this Word, and He is obligated to bring His Spoken Word to pass. And His Word, which we are the manifestation of, will not return unto Him void. We will accomplish the purpose that we were sent for.

When God started to unfold that mystery of the tabernacle, He started from the inside coming out, but when a man approached it, man started from the outside, going in. Then God and man meet in a certain place.

That mercy seat (I am just trying to cut it short) was a golden lid for those cherubims. It was a great thing on that cherubims. Because in the last days when those Seven Seals were being opened to reveal the way back to Eden, back to the Tree of Life, those cherubims were there making the announcement that the Seals were breaking. And a man on earth was catching the Mystery. And when he began to preach that Mystery, it was calling the names of the Elect. And those cherubims were anointing them.

You watch and see... "Those cherubims there," he said, "they were the guards of the Throne." He said,

"Where is the Throne, tonight? In the Bride." Exactly! What it is friends, it is God coming in, coming in, to a place. And where you, in your experience, the conditions in your life... It took conditions to bring us to the Brass Altar. It took conditions to reveal that Laver. It took conditions for us to see the need for that Table of Shewbread. It took conditions to bring us to that Altar of Incense.

We need that Light inside of there because there is no other Light. We were not supposed to walk in there by any natural light from the outside; it was to be light that was coming forth from that olive oil, pure olive oil, a type of the Holy Spirit, revealing the Word, giving us Light to serve Him. Because how could you get in that Inner Veil, if you don't come through that Golden Altar? He was placed right there, where the Veil was going to rent, to come right through it.

That is why when you come, you can come boldly and you can come with confidence, because you are coming in God's provided way. He said, "That is what they had to find in every Age – the way God was doing it." That is why Luther could bring the water, that is why Wesley could bring the Blood; they were finding the way.

You take that tabernacle, out there at the brass altar, He was the Prophet, in the Holy place He was the Priest, inside there He was the King, the Blessed and only Potentate dwelling in Light, which no man can approach unto.

We have time; I just want to throw it out.

Inside of there, there were four major colors: the purple, showing Matthew's gospel; He was the King. Because in those curtains had the Cherubims weaved into it. Then in Mark's gospel it had red inside of there, showing the sacrifice, the atonement color; Mark, the Ox. Then they had the white, showing His righteousness, God in a man, the humanity, that perfect Man of God, right there in Luke's gospel – the

Son of Man. And then John, that blue, that Heavenly color showing the incarnate Word that came from Above, the Son of God – Heaven born. All these things inside of there, could not be revealed from the outside.

The light there was illuminating and shining and revealing these things. What for? Preparing a life that was growing in grace, a life that had already been at the altar, not yet into Union with God, not yet where they and God had perfect fellowship in oneness, where they united back to the sonship, but growing, coming to that place.

Then one day the Prophet saw he was moving into that little, square, wooden room. That is where God and man are going to be one again. He stood in there and he began to bring these things out; began to speak it out. Why? The Word was incarnate again.

Friends, and God, He became the Way. He and His Message were one. That became the Truth, that became the Life, to show us how to come back to the Father, because he was united with God back there, to reveal the Son of Man again. And for these past twenty-five years, from 1966 to 1991, God has been bringing people through those stages; bringing them. And all these things we've come through in our lives, these different junctions and experiences, it's because you are predestinated to be conformed into His image.

I am going to close with those things.

That mercy seat, (I was mentioning it the other night,) what was it? When they sprinkled that blood on it, then when God came down... You see, that was a judgment throne. That represented God's Throne, and that law judged the man. That law had no salvation, that law only had condemnation. That law couldn't save anybody. That law was never given to save anybody. That law was given to reveal sin and to show man, he needed a Saviour. That was only to reveal man's need, so God could come and provide it because man couldn't provide it for himself. And when

that blood was sprinkled, then God didn't see the law, God saw the blood.

Remember the time, in the Book of Samuel, when the Philistines stole the ark and it came back up after a few years on a new cart, do you know what happened? They wanted to know... They tampered with it. And man ran in there and opened up the lid and looked inside of there, and he looked on that law without blood, and God had a great slaughter and slaughtered many of them. Amen.

Tonight, these things that we are talking about, that Bro. Branham identified, he said, "They are no longer twain, they are one. God, the Creator in man, which is His Church now; this great Third Pull; this great Seventh Seal. What was the Seal? He said, "That Seal was that Veil that God put on the Word." God veiled Himself. And He took the veil off, so man could have access to come into the Word. What was hidden behind the Veil? God. Who is God? The Word, the Logos, the Pillar of Fire, that we have free access to come into it.

The Holy Spirit... He said, "That Dove has led me into a faith I have never known. He brought me up those Seven Steps." He said, "When I got up there, you know all who God is, His nature, how He works and all these things; my Guide, bringing us back." Amen.

So many people are trying to get in there, and they try to get in there in an uninspired way. Aaron's two sons, they tried to get in there and do you know what happened to them? God smote them dead, showing, you must come God's provided way. David was bringing the right ark in the wrong channel and it killed a man right there. Everybody was having a good time praising God, shouting, everything, but God killed a man dead, because they were not looking at the Word, whether It was in the channel or not. They were

looking at the enthusiasm of the people, and not the channel that the Word was in.

Let me close with this. Stature Of A Perfect Man [1962-1014m - paras. 139-140 -Ed.]: ... so many of us try to do the works of Christ before the reflection of Christ is in us. Now there's the trouble. We find those things happening. You know it. I know it. We see these, stumbles along the road. We find the scrap heap of ministers, of Christians, piled along the road, is because they didn't go into it right.

And that's why I'm here [he says,] ... is to try to teach this little church, and myself, how that we can become the dwelling place of the living God. How many like to be that? The dwelling place of the living God!

There is only one way provided by God for everything. Also, he spoke and said, "There is only one way provided by God for everything."

Trying To Do God A Service. [1965-0718m para. 35-54 -Ed.] He said: Well, then, in them days, they had only one meeting place where they could meet God, and that was at the ark, under the blood. That's the only meeting place yet, under the Blood. Mercy seat was sprinkled, to give mercy to the worshipper, or the asker, when he come to ask the petition of God. And God had a special routine...

Maybe the musicians could come at this time.

...the way you had to go, too, about that, and He wouldn't accept anything else. He wouldn't accept any other provision; just the way He fixed it.

... There's only one meeting place that God meets man, and that's when he's in Jesus Christ, [the] only place. And all these old things back here under the Old Testament, typed that. [He said:] I want you to clearly understand it. ... I thought that this would help you to understand, as all the old things happen for examples to us.

Do you understand why you need that Brass Altar? It is not until you got in there, you saw the value of

that Blood because you saw how that Blood, It removed all that guilt. It so satisfied the demands of a righteous God, that God came back and that throne of judgment became a Throne of grace.

He said, "How they must have envied Aaron going in there; dressed right, walking right, anointed right, chosen and was caused to approach that place, where he could go right in and God could come down in the place He specified through the mouth of His prophet that He was going to meet with them, and then he could come back out and bring a blessing to the people, that they were forgiven."

Do you see why God put that bread there? Why did Jesus reveal Himself as the Bread of Life? Why did He reveal Himself as the Light of the world? Why did He say, "Father, I pray," as His intercession in St. John 17, "that they will be one as I and You are one"?

Look at the Prophet, he came through those very stages. He had to separate from everything. He said, "A total separation from all unbelief." He had to come and walk in that Light, stay at that table of Shewbread until finally, God brought him into that place, where every one of us... If you have just been walking around the courtyard and you just can't seem to grasp and feed on the Word, you are feeding on entertainment; your appetite is for things out there, worldly pleasure... You see?

He said, "If that man is getting his light from that Throne..." I don't have time to read it. "If he gets his Light from that Throne, it's reflecting out here, right into that candlestick, into that laver; into the congregation."

If his light is coming from some seminary, some man's idea, then what is going to happen? That church inside of there, if they don't have an Altar of Incense, the sick will come sick and go back home sick. Crisis will come, they can't pray their way through. Come to a prayer meeting, they'll fall asleep.

If something happens in the home, they don't know how to apply the Word. When Satan bursts up the family, sends the children in every direction, they don't know how to take the Word, stand believing on their prayer, believe the things that they said, because they have never come to that Altar of Incense. That lamp burned and went out and got smokey and dark.

Like in the days of Eli, when the priest was getting blind, his eyes were going dim, his children were living in filth, and the lamp was going out, and they thought they had the ark but they had no Presence because they were not coming God's provided way. Then you had those who were trying to go into it, and going into it the wrong way.

David, he said: Now his intention was good. His motive was good. His objective was good, and to bring a revival in the city, bring the people back to God. But he never consulted the way God told him to do it.

... Even all the people agreed, and the priests, and that the king was right, "They needed the ark back in the city. Now, they needed the Presence of God. They needed a revival." But God had not promised to reveal His Word, in Its season, to the peoples. He never promised to reveal It to the king, in the season. God doesn't change, a bit. He didn't promise to do that.

No matter how sincere, and what good motives, and what good objectives, and how people want those things and see the need of it, there is a will of God to be carried out in these things.

He said, "If the Word of God is not put in the right place, in the right channel, then it's not the will of God. They had the right ark, but they had it in the wrong channel; it brought death." God was showing all down through the Old Testament, we will not be able to come into it any other way. There is a way that seems right but the end is death, always.

When Jesus came, and He died there, Paul opened it up, he said, "That's a new and living way now." Oh,

friends. What are the Seven Seals? It's the way. He said, "There is a way back to Eden. The way has been revealed.

Where are we at in our walk? And could you be sensitive tonight to your very present experiences in relation to what stage you are at, to see if it is God Who wants to give you fellowship, to show you your need to feed on the Word, you need to be at the Altar and come into real prayer, or you need to be washed at the Laver and come to real separation of all these vanity and all these things, or we need to find that Refuge, that Hiding place, that Abiding Place, that Place of Rest and peace at the Mercy Seat, where we find grace to help in a time of need; where perfect fellowship is restored again?

Is that far away from us? Does that sound like the Message to you? Does that sound like it is something we are supposed to be experiencing now in this Hour; that if we are looking for things, we are trying to anoint things and pull things, we are basing it on something; we see where somebody did it that way before, we see where they got that result and we approach it on the same basis and know God is obligated to do the same for us because we approach Him with the same condition? Isn't that the way?

It would never be by excitement, friend. Because what is the Holy Ghost going to do coming in a life there, that doesn't know about Him, that doesn't know His will; that doesn't know what He wants to do? But tonight, if you see you have been stagnated and you say, "I didn't even know that my prayer was so important. I didn't know that I had to feed on this Word and read this Word. I have my books up there, all the Shewbread; I don't even touch It. But I see tonight, I see the Seals have been opened. I see what it means now. I see the access that we have to go into His Presence. We can come boldly now, and the fears have been taken away: That I may dwell among you."

Let us stand to our feet.

I may have kept you long. I am sorry if I kept you long, if you are tired. I don't think it is too late. It's now twenty-five to ten, about 9:30. You have been a good audience, been really patient. It takes God's grace to hold our minds after so many consecutive days and services. But the message I had, as I told you, in two parts, I wanted to bring something in your personal life and your personal experience, that you could know your God.

Like God told Jacob, "I am the God of Bethel." When He met him first, He said, "I am the God of Abraham and Isaac." But when He met him afterwards, He said, "I am the God of Bethel." In other words, "I am your God now. I was your father's God; I was your prophet's God, but now I am your God."

Let Him be your God now friend, see Him doing in your own life, as a sign that you are truly identified, as a sign that you are truly called. You are called according to His purpose. He said, "We are conformed into His image in our very own walk." Don't overlook your experiences. It may look normal and every day but when conditions come upon you, it may be to bring you to a greater fellowship. You may be in trial...

Look what the altar of incense took Jonah out of. Look what the altar of incense, with Abraham, did for Lot. Look what the altar of incense, with Abigail, did when she stopped David from coming in judgment there. Look what the Altar of Incense did for Sis. Meda.

Wouldn't we want to find that Place where we could get Power in prayer? Would we fellowship with that Place a little more? Would we offer up our incense, our worship, where we have the Oil bringing forth the Light, we have the Word in Spirit and Truth; we could worship at the Altar of Incense? Why? Because in there, we are getting Light on how to worship; Light on how to pray. We could pray right; we could ask according to His will. This is the confidence that we have the petition that we desire because we are asking according to His will; according to His already expressed desire.

How many things we could receive right there, if we know where we are standing, if we have come through that separation; if we have come into that Holy Place. And how much greater it is to make another step and come all the way inside.

For I was born to be Thy dwelling place, a home for the Presence of the Lord, so let my life now be separated unto Thee, so I can be what I was born to be. [#688 - Songs That Live -Ed.] Amen.

Do you want to be what you were really born to be? Know ye know not that you are the temple of the Living God; that you are His tabernacle, friend; that that Logos, that Pillar of Fire wants to be veiled behind your flesh, in that inside of the inside, in that most Holy Place, to come on the throne of your heart, where He will speak from above the Mercy Seat that is sprinkled, and the Word will go forth through your lips; Deity speaking? The Word on the lips of a Spirit-filled man is Deity speaking. What is the Holy Ghost? Tabernacling Deity.

In that day you will know. You will know it because I will show you, when I brought you through the door and you heard of My saving grace, how you came at that altar; when I brought you to the waters and your sins were washed away, all your defilement, purging the filth of the flesh away; how I brought you and you began to walk in the Light in a fellowship, taught you how to pray: "Our Father, which art in Heaven." And you began to realize, you were caused to approach Him; you were chosen. Because you knew of that Place, you want Him to hide you in the secret of His Presence.

Do you sing this song here in the church: In times of trouble and inward struggle, when it seems the end of the way, seeking His direction; I am longing for perfection? We sing it back home. I don't know... I know it was written by Sis. Marilyn. But in the Secret of His Presence, beholding Your beauty, oh Lord. [#363 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

How many want a real consecration tonight, that when you leave, you'll say, "Lord, I realize tonight and all through these services, from the beginning to the end, these services started with the approach unto God, we ended up with that approach tonight"? That we could come the right way, friend. God keeps all of His promises. He is a covenant-keeping God. It is impossible for God to lie. And because it is impossible for Him to lie, nothing shall be impossible for you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, the people have shown such patience tonight, sitting here attentively because You have been speaking to them through Your Word. Thou alone knowest how You directed Your Word to the hearts and to the needs, and to the situations, things that might have been frustrating us because we are relating to it the wrong way; things that the Light came and shone upon to remove all the tensions and the frustrations, to bring peace and assurance, to give confidence, to show up ourselves and our ambitions and our vanity, that we could take our eyes off of ourselves and put our eyes on Thee, and see the Love that You loved us with, Father; to realize, Lord, we would be fools to throw away such a grand opportunity to walk with You because of some temporal or worldly thing that will soon pass away.

Gracious God, I know that there is a deep longing; Your Word has dealt with the people through these services in such a way. All of us, Father, we desire such a consecration, that we will be prepared servants. As Isaiah in that temple, he said, "Woe is me; I am a man of unclean lips." He made his confession, then he got a cleansing. You were showing him that seraphim in Your Presence, how He had two wings over his face, two wings over his feet, and he flew with two wings. You showed him how a prepared servant knows how to behave himself in the Presence of God, how to stay in his place, because God orders man to his place; to be in action with reverence and humility.

We don't want to try to fly with six wings; to play some superstar, Lord. We don't just want to put the emphasis on action and then forget reverence and humility. We don't just want to talk about reverence, Lord, and then leave out the action. But when we hear it and recognize it to be the Truth, we want to act upon it.

Precious Lord, as You search our hearts tonight, as You filter our thinking, Lord, as You deal with us, stimulate a desire down within our hearts, that we could truly have a holy man's taste, a holy woman's taste in this Hour. Our taste and our crave could be in line with Your perfect will and Your very desire that You have for us, that we could truly walk in harmony and in unity and we could relate correctly Lord, to the very things that You are working to achieve in our lives. Help us to realize that we must have these stages of our Christian experience identified in our lives, as the flesh becomes the Word again, and brings us back in that holy Union, where God, the Creator in man, stands in His Church now.

We are needy people, Father, but You, You are so great, so Almighty, and You said we will receive grace, if we come boldly before Your Throne of grace, to help us in a time of need. May we receive this help tonight. Grant it, Father. Wouldn't You do that for us, Lord?

How we want to leave this place different. We don't want to be stirred, we want to be changed. We are tired of being stirred and not being changed, Lord –

something real, something lasting, something that could go beyond when the music stops. Sometimes we don't just want to praise you in church when somebody says, "Lift your hands and praise God," but in the home, in the kitchen, driving the car, wherever we are going, Lord, making a melody, creating an atmosphere, singing spiritual hymns; (hallelujah!) oh God, a real experience, a real relationship, whereby man becomes a new creation in Christ; old things are passed away and all things become new. Grant it, Father. We ask it in Jesus' Name, amen.

Will you come and lead the song for me: In times of trouble.

[Congregation sings song #363 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

Oh, let us have a real consecration in His Presence. Just worship Him. Let it come as a sweet-smelling savor unto Him tonight. Hide me in Your pavilion tonight, Father.

