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Excerpt:

So it is really something here as you see Jesus knowing that church had to be a trained church. And if they have to deal with demons, then you are dealing with something outside the physical realm; you are dealing in the realms of spirit now. But since the physical man could only contact physical things, that means it could not be anything coming from an external part of the man, it had to be something coming from internal – the part of the man that was made up to contact that spirit world; the part of the man that was made up to be linked with God, (see?) that when he stands there he knows where he's standing.

Oh, it is a beautiful thing to be a Christian, you know, in the real sense, in the value, in the fullness, in the completeness of what a Bible Christian is. And that is what this Message has done for us – It brings full Bible Christianity back to us in this Hour. And so the Prophet said, "When you come down to spirits dealing with them face to face," he said, "it is really something else." *[Page 24]*

FOREWORD

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[#475 - Songs That Live -Ed.]
There is a place of perfect rest
Behind the Inner Veil.
So rest, little Bride rest,
For all is well.
Amen. Let's sing it once more.
All is well, all is well,
Hallelujah!
We have heard the Message, Shalom!
All is well.
Thank You, Jesus.
There is a place of perfect rest
Behind the Inner Veil.
So rest, little Bride rest,
For all is well.

Oh, what a confession of faith, tonight. That's the confession the Shunammite woman had when she said, "All is well." Her baby had died but her faith had a channel to operate in. God is still the same God. The same Spirit of Elijah is still here, tonight. The same kind of faith moving among the same kind of people will always bring the same kind of results tonight. Praise His wonderful Name.

We would like to pray and we have a request here for our Bro. John Blackman who is suffering from pneumonia. I wonder if he can come forward; we will lay our hands and pray for him. Amen. Bro. Mervyn could come with him. Praise His wonderful Name.

You know we always like to do that. That woman

approached God's gift with a certain attitude. She came with a certain motive and a certain objective. And sometimes you know a request is just something that is written, but when you see the faith of the people approaching God, when you see the confession of their faith that is the Bible all over again, then God can just move right inside of there and show that He's the same yesterday and today and forever.

And as we bow our heads and close our eyes, how many have an unspoken request here tonight? While vou stand there, the Bible says, He's the High Priest Who can be touched by the feeling of your infirmities. Just believe Him with all your heart: "I believe." Faith can contact Him tonight. Your faith can touch Him. The Bible says when Jesus looked and saw their faith, He said, "Thy sins which are many are forgiven thee. Go and sin no more." It was finished, friends. He said, "Which is easier to say: take up your bed and walk or thy sins are forgiven?" He saw their faith. May He see our faith, tonight! May every heart and every mind be centered upon Him! Not a struggle but just yielding and saying, "Father, I thank You. I believe You, Lord. know Your promise is true." Amen. I believe God will do this for us.

Almighty God, we stand in Your Presence tonight, Father. We are so grateful that You are here tonight in our midst. It gives courage to our hearts to believe You, to look to You and expect to receive as we pray. And Father, we remember You taught us, when we stand praying, "Whatsoever you ask the Father in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, you shall have it. And whatsoever you ask believing that you have received what you ask for, you shall have them." God, how we have confidence in You and the promises that You have made. Like Abraham, how we believe that You are able to perform that which You have spoken. So, dear God, tonight, we confess that You are more than able to perform that which You've spoken.

Lord, laying our hands upon Bro. John here tonight, knowing that the doctors would call it TB Lord, or pneumonia or different things, and it has been reported Lord, that they have diagnosed this to be pneumonia, but Lord, if You were here standing in Your corporal body, You'd rebuke that devil Father, because that is what it is. You wouldn't even think about the medical name that scientists gave to it because sickness is of the devil.

And dear God, as we lay our hands upon him, didn't You say, "They shall lay their hands on the sick and they shall recover? In My Name you shall cast out devils." That devil cannot stand, tonight. Father You said, "If two shall agree as upon touching anything it shall be done." Oh God, here two of us, your servants are laying our hands upon him and the rest of the congregation are believing together with us; we come against that devil, tonight. In the Name of Jesus Christ, Satan, we command you to leave this brother. Almighty God, may the Power of the Living God so quicken our Bro. John and may he be made well Father, for Your glory. May the Spirit of God strengthen Him Lord, and may he be restored to his health, in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Dear God, while Your holy Presence is here, may Your children believing, oh God, (so many hands have been raised tonight,) believing oh God, that the need that they are holding in their hearts, You would grant it unto them tonight. In the Name of Jesus Christ, let the Holy Spirit, Lord, just drop faith into every heart, tonight. And may dear God, there not be one tonight, that is standing in Your Divine Presence but is believing with that simple childlike faith that they have what they ask for, they would go with it, dear God. Bless them, Father.

Bless our gathering, tonight. We ask for Your leadership, we ask for Your guidance in the paths of service. We ask that the Spirit of the Living God would so quicken the Word, inspire It and send It forth. May

You just continue to build us up in faith, dear God, that every request that we have asked and is believing for tonight, by the time we go back out through those doors Father, there will be praise in every heart, dear God, giving glory and honor unto You for the great things that You will do for us this night. We thank You in advance for it.

We give glory and honor to Your Name, Lord. We thank You for the privilege of assembling ourselves here together, tonight. We thank You for every brother and sister in Your Divine Presence, tonight. Receive all praise and thanks, for we humbly ask it in the Almighty Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, amen.

God richly bless you saints. We certainly thank God for your unity and the prayer of faith tonight. Amen. I'd like to invite your attention to 2nd Chronicles. I'd like to speak a little bit before we change the order of the service. I have one or two things I'd like to speak. I know myself by now. Once I get to speaking on something, I don't get into anything else after. So, I just want to take the little time here that I could just speak from the Word a little bit and help build your faith a little bit, tonight.

You're certainly growing to be a fine church and we certainly appreciate all the efforts that has been made and all the sacrifice to create this lovely atmosphere that we feel here tonight; songs very appropriate and very meaningful – redeem the time. While we have the privilege, let's do something that will last for Eternity tonight. Amen. Precious is the time that we have today. "Scriptures are being fulfilled with such rapidity," the Prophet says, "only the born again can keep up with it."

How we want to discern the time and the signs of this time. Sirs, is this the sign of the end? Could it be my brethren? Is this when time shall be no more and he that is filthy will be filthy still? Is that what this Message is, the opening of the Seven Seals showing that the Lord has already descended from Heaven with a

Shout, friends? We believe that we have been in these things for all these years but now it's dawning upon us. Amen. It is nearer than when we first believed.

Let's just begin reading from about verse 14. I took this portion of Scripture I believe when I was here preaching some time on *Discernment Of Spirit*, so we don't have to get the whole background, we could just catch from about verse 14, and I believe it will help us there. It was the time with Jehoshaphat and Ahab and Micaiah and those four hundred prophets and they were prophesying, "Go on up. The Lord will give you the land and you will have victory in the battle" and so on.

And Jehoshaphat, he couldn't just get settled in his spirit so he asked for another prophet. So God allowed Micaiah to come up there and speak yet it still didn't turn them around. Sometimes people ask for things and they get it and they still don't give heed to it. Verse 14, 2nd Chronicles 18.

¹⁴ And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And he said, Go ye up, and prosper, and they shall be delivered into your hand.

¹⁵ And the king said to him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou say nothing but the truth to me in the name of the LORD?

See? Ahab knew that he really didn't mean that. He knew Ahab wanted to hear that so he just kind of mocked him a little bit like Elijah did to those four hundred of Baal's prophets. But now he begins to express his true revelation, his true vision.

¹⁶ Then he said, I did see all Israel scattered upon the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no master; let them return therefore every man to his house in peace.

17 And the king of Israel said to

Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee that he would not prophesy good unto me, but evil?

¹⁸ Again he said, Therefore hear the word of the LORD; I saw the LORD sitting upon his throne, and all the host of heaven standing on his right hand and on his left.

¹⁹ And the LORD said, Who shall entice Ahab king of Israel, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one spake saying after this manner, and another saying after that manner.

²⁰ Then there came out a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will entice him. And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? (or by what means?)

²¹ And he said, I will go out, and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And the Lord said, Thou shalt entice him, and thou shalt also prevail: go out, and do even so.

I'm speaking on **"DEMONOLOGY"** tonight, and I want you to catch something right here. Look at the confidence this demon had and look at the intelligence of the demon.

God said, "How are we going to entice Ahab that he's going to fall in this battle?"

All the great counsel in Heaven, one was saying this, one was saying this; one was saying this.

The Bible says a spirit came up and said, "I could get them to do it. I have the plan. I know just the way. I am going to do something there, I'll get every one of them in that battle and make them fall."

God said, "Let me hear how you are going to do it." He said, "I'll be a lying spirit; I'll get in their mouth."

And God was so impressed He said, "You will prevail." He said, "You really, really will prevail. Go and do it."

Watch that. That demon could go before God. That demon could give out his plan so that God's prophet's

Word that was still a prophecy could come to past. Look how God is permitting the agency of demon power to come in and take over and inhabit the bodies of people that the Word spoken by the mouth of His vindicated prophet would be fulfilled.

Now remember, all Scripture is given by inspiration and is profitable for Doctrine; not a story. It is put there to teach Doctrine that we might be established in Truth.

Verse 22:

²² Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil against thee.

And you know what happened – how they went up in the battle, (I left that out to save a little time,) how Ahab went up there and died and everything else.

Let's just drop to another Scripture to Luke chapter 8 verse 26. This Scripture, this account is also written in Matthew chapter 8 and also in Mark 5, and each place brings out certain details, but for what we would like to emphasize, I'm reading this particular account. I would have liked to read all three accounts but I cannot do that, to save time, so you can read them when you go home knowing that they all speak of the same account – Jesus and Legion. Verse 26:

²⁶ And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is (opposite) over against Galilee.

²⁷ And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils [for a] long time, and ware no clothes,

So one of the things that these devils made this man do was to strip himself naked which is a sign of demon power also.

...neither abode in any house, but in the tombs.

See?

²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God most high? I beseech thee, torment me not.

So it tells us something too, that devils will recognize authority when they see it. Jesus didn't say, "Good afternoon, young man. I see that you're very ill. My Name is Jesus of Nazareth. I'm a Servant of God." Jesus didn't say that. It was a Man Who came off a boat, land on the shore, walked into the city and this man came out there and said, "Jesus, Thou Holy One," (you see?) "You've come to torment us." See? And watch, verse 29:

²⁹ (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man.

He didn't ask him. He didn't beg him. He didn't negotiate with him. He didn't settle for a compromise with him; He commanded him. See?

...For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)

And this demon would always carry this man among the tombs out in the wilderness and have him strip naked. Whenever they came upon him, he would become so fierce, his power would increase so many times that they would put bands and fetters upon him. Yet the man with that supernatural strength plucked that thing asunder many times until nobody wanted to tamper with this man.

³⁰ And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him.

And that 'legion' just like Jesus said, "I could call for legions of angels right now." A legion is between two thousand to six thousands soldiers in an army. In the Book of Mark, It tells you they had two thousand

hogs/swine there, and when these demons left this man, they went into all two thousand hogs. The Prophet says, "Look, it was two thousand demons in one man."

I hope that our minds could start to comprehend some things here tonight. Jesus cast seven devils out of Mary Magdalene. I could tell you some of them tonight. One was pride. Do you have pride? One was vulgarity. Do you get battles with vulgarity? All of that is demon possession, you know. But we are trying to bring a thought here so let's just stay away from that kind of preaching. [Bro. Vin chuckles –Ed.] Amen.

Verse 30:

³⁰ And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him.

And watch it now. Look at the knowledge that demons possess.

³¹ And they be sought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep.

And that 'deep' wasn't meaning the sea there. That 'deep' is the abyss. In the Greek there, that 'deep'—in other words, those demons knew of a prison where He could have imprisoned them. Do you remember in Revelation 9, It says two hundred million was loosed from that prison? Well He could have put them in that prison right there if He wanted. He had control over them. But in Mark tells you they were saying, "Don't even send us out of the country." In other words, "We like this part of the country. We are striving well around here." Because demons, there are all kinds of demons and some could prosper with their activity in a certain type of realm. You see? There are all kind of demons. So these here, they were begging Him, "Don't cast us into the deep."

³² And there was there an herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they besought him that he would (allow, permit them) suffer them to enter into them. And he

suffered them.

So right here we learn another thing about demons now. They know that they are helpless without a body. And if they have to be cast out of one house, right away they have their mind on another house to go into. Alright? That's one of the things we want to establish in reading these Scriptures. That's why I'm reading them this way. Because in 2nd Chronicles 18, we saw demons going into people. Here we see demons being cast out of people and then we are going to find them where they are when they are outside of people. So we are going to pick up the whole line of them and see what they do. Because if we have to stand against them, we must know something about them.

...And he suffered them.

He permitted them.

³³ Then went the devils out of the man, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently...

See? The same fit [seizure] and the same condition the demons had the man in, when it went into the swine, it put the swine in the same condition. They had the same fit that the man had. And instead of they behaved themselves, they ran violently straight down into the sea. Remember when the man had the epileptic demon? It would throw him sometimes in the fire, it would throw him sometimes in the water. See? Watch.

So if you have to deal with them and you could spot them, you could identify them when you see them because the Bible is revealing things about them to you, you could know the kind that you're up against. But Jesus said there are certain kinds that could only come out by prayer and fasting too. You have to know which kind could come out one way and which kind could come out the other way. See?

Okay. Well, you know what happened afterwards. The people didn't want Jesus in that place. I'll take Matthew 12 here now and I would have you to sit after

this. Matthew 12, verse 24:

²⁴ But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, This fellow doth not cast out devils, but by Beelzebub the prince of the devils.

²⁵ And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:

²⁶ And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?

²⁷ And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast them out? therefore they shall be your judges.

²⁸ But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

²⁹ Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods...

Like you see Jesus just did to Legion.

...except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house.

³⁰ He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

And drop down to verse 43:

⁴³ When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.

So now you could see what the devils were doing after the swine drowned. If you want to know where they went, you only have to read this to know where they went. See?

⁴⁴ Then he saith, I will return into my house...

Now get the thought here again: they hunt a body. They are powerless. In other words, that demon would

have just been a demon there in 2nd Chronicles 18 and he wouldn't have been able to do anything hardly, but if he could have gotten in those prophets and brought that prophesy and brought that sensation and 'whoo up' the whole army, then he would have had everybody going in the battle and then he could have really done some damage. See?

And here in Legion, they couldn't even tame that man. And then here now, watch when that devil is cast out of that house, what is he doing? He is thinking about going back to that house when he can't find any rest. He's not just wandering like a wandering spirit. He knows, "I used to operate inside of there. I used to be in that person. I used to be in those people. I used to be in that family. I used to be in that church. I used to be in that village. I used to be in that city." Watch it and see. This is not imagination; we're on the Scriptures here now.

⁴⁴ Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished.

The sanctified state of the man. While the devil was in him, let us say it was an alcoholic demon or a smoking demon or something, or an adultery demon, boy, he was just having a good time in the world defiling himself. Then he started to come to church, then he's singing hymns; then he's going through the motions of church services. Then he clean up, puts on a tie or she puts on a nice, long dress, combs up the hair differently and everything else; gets some markers and starts to underline some Scriptures in the Bible, take notes and everything in a book and so on and go along like that.

While they are doing that, the demon is seeking rest. Then one day they are at home and they start to go through the same fight and torment of the thing they used to be battling before and was under the dominion of before. And they want to know, "Why is all this old

desire, why are all these old thoughts, why is all this old pressure coming back on me to get me back into what I used to do before?" Do you understand what I'm saying? If they are not spiritual, they could think, "Well, it is just a little mind battle. Maybe I'm not consecrated enough or something." But that demon, when he finds the house swept and garnished—because it has been cleaned up a little bit since but it isn't filled yet. You see?

⁴⁵ Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself...

So he knows where to find them too, okay? And he knows how wicked he is and he knows who is more wicked than him. Don't you sit here and admire people's life and wish you had faith like some people here, and you wish you could pray like some and you wish you could love like some, and you're longing to see yourself grow up and become like some. And even physically, some man sees another man who is strong and he could fight or something and you say, "Boy, I just feel so weak. I don't feel I could beat that man, you know." But then you say, "I wish I was strong like that person." You see? Well, the same way in that realm they know too. They know who is more wicked than who.

...and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.

Jesus took the principle of a man and then applied it to a whole generation. Is that right? Okay. Let's pray.

Almighty God, help us Father. Even though we don't go to the full extent with these things tonight but just a few thoughts that might edify and enlighten the hearts of Your children that we might be better versed in the Word and have a better understanding of the enemy that we are up against, that we might be able to wage a

more effective warfare and not have to be backed and intimidated and be bound up and be stumbling along not recognizing the enemy, not knowing his tactics, not knowing how he operates, but Lord, we would have discernment of spirit Lord, that even as we would see that we need the whole armor of God and why we need the whole armor of God, and why we need to be so filled with Your Spirit and anointed, Lord, if we have to overcome these supernatural devils.

Your Prophet says there are two hundred million supernatural devils loosed. So then Father, it is going take Supernatural faith to overcome those supernatural devils, and that could only come by a Supernatural Gospel being preached. Dear God, how we pray that that Supernatural Gospel—Your Prophet says the Church cannot thrive until the Supernatural is made known among the people; something that they could see and they can talk back to and it could talk back to them Father, to bring the Word into reality, then the Church could thrive; then we can see something happening. Oh God, bring us into the channel of the Spirit and the Word where we can really thrive, Lord. For You said You built Your Church upon the Rock of the revelation of who Jesus Christ is and the gates of hell shall not prevail against the Church of the Living God, so then Father, we come and submit to Your Word. Teach us Lord, and help us that we might be what You ordained Your Church to be. We pray and we ask it tonight in Jesus' precious Name, amen.

God bless you. You may have your seats. These are some very interesting Scriptures we have read there. And I know I will not be able to cover some material here because when I struck *Discerning Of Spirits*, I knew I must bring demonology in because in discernment of spirits, you have to discern God's Spirit and the enemy's spirit. Did the Prophet say in the Church Ages book, "If you can discern the two spirits in the framework of the Christian church and by God's Spirit you discern and

withstand the antichrist spirit, then Satan will be powerless before you"?

So then it means to say, the Church must come to a place where it is going to have discernment because It says, "Try every spirit by the Word." And then Paul says, "So many minds are being corrupted from the simplicity because Satan transformed his angels as ministers of righteousness (is that right?) perverting the Gospel and corrupting the minds. As the Serpent beguiled Eve, so do these corrupt the minds of the people from the simplicity that is in Christ."

So if we are talking about a relationship with God and the type of Age that we are living in, we can only base that on the revelation of the Word. And if we have a discernment of who God is, we will have a discernment of who and what God is not. Does that make sense? Sure. God is identified by His characteristics. So if you are looking for God, you have to look for God's characteristics in order to make a positive identification of who God is.

What about if you see me in a crowd and you see I am between four or five people that resemble me, and they put me in an identification parade and something happened and you have to come and identify me? Well then, you better know me to identify me.

You know in the law when somebody commits a crime and the police have suspects, then they take the suspects and they put them there and they parade on a platform and they have their people behind who might identify the person guilty of the crime. And they look at them through some one-way glass and they say, "That is the man there." And they identify them to be the person.

And then they say, "Are you sure?"

And then they bring out another man looking just like the person, dressed the same way and now they get confused. And they realize that they can't build this case on this person's testimony because it is going to be

torn down in the witness box under cross-examination because this person seems like they are unsure. Because when a person asks them, "How tall do you think this man is? How many pounds do you think this man weighs?" And now they begin to give all kind of strange descriptions: "Two hundred pounds" and the man only weighs one hundred and fifty pounds, or "Five feet, eight inches" when the man is six feet, two inches. They say, "Lady, you are not sure of what you are talking about."

Now if we have to identify God now—Then remember, in the last days the two spirits would be so close, if it were possible even the Elect was going to be deceived. Then to identify it now, you have to know positively what makes the difference between the two. Does that make sense? You don't look for all the similarities, you have to look now for what makes the difference – the realm where the impersonator can't come to. And then when you can identify these things then you could stand with confidence. You know where you stand and you know what you are basing your faith on.

And as we look at demonology here a little bit, you know Jesus taught His church about demonology. I mean just from the Scriptures we read here, we realize that Jesus taught them about demonology. One time when they said, "Lord, why couldn't we cast out the devil?" He had given them power to cast out devils and they came back, they were rejoicing, "Hallelujah! Praise God! I tell you, man." He said, "I had a demon running for his life. Doomed devils on the run."

Another one said, "I tell you, from the time that devil saw me, that devil started to cringe with fear. From the time I open my mouth and said get out, I tell you the man just fell flat and he was delivered."

They were having a great time and testifying and Jesus said, "Don't rejoice that the devil is subject to you. Rejoice that your names are in the Lamb's Book—it is written in Heaven."

Right! Then one time again they came and said, "Lord, why couldn't we cast out this demon over here? Surely we have power. Just last week devils were scattering left and right and we were rejoicing that they were being cast out but now we couldn't cast out this one."

He said, "Well, this kind goeth out only by fasting and praying, and also because of your own unbelief, too."

Then another time He was telling them, "Now, when a devil leaves a person, don't just think that person is saved because they are cleaned up now." He said, "That is only a sanctified life. The house is only swept and garnished." See? He said, "The thing is, let Me tell you what that devil is doing."

And Jesus lived in both worlds. Do you believe that? Remember He told Nicodemus, "The Son of Man Who is in Heaven right now" and He was talking to him on the rooftop? And He began to say, "What about if you see the Son of Man ascend into Heaven from whence He came?"

He said, "How do You say 'Ascend into Heaven from whence You came.' You are Joseph and Mary's son."

And they got confused. But He lived in both realms because remember, in Matthew 4 after He was baptized and Luke 4 as well, He was driven—He was led by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness to be what? Tempted of the devil. And He met the devil. And a lot of people in their mind they get battles and they want to know "How did He meet the devil? I wonder if that was a mind battle? I wonder if it was a man He met out there or something?" It was the devil. The devil is a supernatural being.

The same way the Angel used to come and the Prophet used to talk to that Angel so Jesus could talk to the devil. Because the Angel is an Angel Who kept its first estate, the devil is an angel that did not keep its first estate so he became a fallen angel. Amen. He didn't stop being an angel because Satan transformed

his angels to be ministers of unrighteousness. Amen.

So then when you look and you see, Jesus knew if the commission was, "Go and cast out devils," then you have to know what you are casting out. Because if you can't identify the devil, you could be struggling all day trying to cast out the Holy Ghost in somebody. Is that right? Sure. You can't tell the difference. You could get your mind full of rubbish. I mean it would be really ridiculous, wouldn't it, if you saw somebody doing something like that?

Remember the sons of Sceva, I mean, they wanted to cast out devils but they were not anointed and were not commissioned and the devils didn't recognize their authority. Because Jesus knew demons will have to recognize authority because that is what the Romans centurion told Jesus. He said, "I am a man of authority."

In other words, he was expressing the knowledge of himself from a positional perspective. He wasn't talking about himself... In other words, "I was born so and so. My father is so and so. And I grew up in school and I went to military academy." He wasn't talking that. He was talking about himself from the perspective of a man placed by the Roman government in a position of authority that made him a centurion where he had authority over a hundred men. And the men in his unit knew the commander of the unit. They knew that this man didn't just come here and got voted in this place; the Roman government put this man here and when this man stand and speak in that office of centurion...

They were not centurions and had equal status with the man. Some might have been an ordinary foot soldier, some might have been a horse soldier, some might have been, you know, a man doing the work of the baker in the unit or whatever it is; he's in the army force and he might be doing medical aid or something but they are all under this man's jurisdiction. And when he tells this man, "Look, go and patch up this man

quickly; I need these men back on the battlefront. They got slight wounds; make them back in a fighting condition. I can't fight this battle with less men." Well, that doctor had to obey that order and go quickly.

When he talks to the baker, he says, "Look, my men need some food right here. We have to be marching and we have to march fifty miles tomorrow to get to the battlefront. Come on, get up early in the morning, have three meals for the day prepared and get things fixed."

He can't say, "Well look boss, I came out here to cook but really I find that you're putting pressure on me."

He had to obey the order or he could be executed in front of a firing squad. In the army, they understand that.

So this man understood himself positionally, his authority, and he saw Jesus wasn't negotiating with demons. He didn't see Jesus exorcising demons. Now 'exorcising' is a different thing to 'casting out', you know. The Bible said, "These vagabonds," which are wanderers like evangelist really, wandering from place to place, the sons of Sceva, they were exorcists. And they saw Paul casting out evil spirits. See?

Like Simon, the sorcerer: he light a candle, make an incantation, do this, offer a sacrifice and he was bewitching people. But he saw Philip came speaking the Word, casting devils out and they were going screaming. He saw how Peter was laying hands on people and they were getting the Holy Ghost. Well he said, "These fellows, it's like they have something instant here. I have to spend two days, kill the goat, do this, take the skin, bury this under a tree; do this. Put a lock in the crapo's [crapaud - local name for frog or toad - Ed.] mouth, put something inside here, light a candle, even before I could do my thing. These people are just saying, 'In the Name of Jesus Christ, leave' and the demons are screaming." So he became a believer too because he never saw that kind of thing.

Alright. So Jesus was teaching them. And when that

man observed that, he said, "I'm a man also of authority. I notice You don't have to come under my roof because what I heard about You and what I've witnessed of You in another meeting, I realize I could just tell You to speak the Word from here, it has to happen."

Now that man understood something – that this Man had authority that gave Him jurisdiction over these beings that were really lesser beings than this Man. And that was the channel through which he approached and that is why Jesus, the Bible says, marveled. Because look at that spiritual thing that man picked up that all the Jewish scholars who knew the Bible and was casting out devils too... Because Jesus said, "If I cast out devils by Beelzebub, who do your children cast it out by?" Right.

But this man picked up something without any learning. You are a Gentile, you are a pagan and he picked up that revelation of his own work. But how spiritual that was. It showed that the man had an understanding of how the Kingdom of God was operating. So Jesus marveled and said, "I haven't found such a great faith, no, not in all Israel."

Was Jesus qualified to speak on faith? Jesus said, "If you say to this mountain and don't doubt in your heart, it shall be removed out into yonder sea." Is that right? He walked on the water, He spoke to the storm and even the winds obeyed Him. He was qualified to speak about faith. So He could qualify real faith and disqualify what looked like faith but it is not faith; what is a make-belief faith or a boast in the senses or something. So Jesus stood there and when He stood there He could say that. And when He qualified that man's faith, He said, "I haven't found this quality." Because Jairus said, "Come and lay hands on my daughter." This man said, "You just speak the Word." He said: Jairus came with automobile faith but this man had astronaut faith.

And that is the kind of Gospel given to Gentiles,

friend. And that's why the Holy Ghost fell in Cornelius' house without hands being laid while Peter yet spake. That's why the Syrophenician woman, a Gentile, she said, "Even the dog eat the crumbs." He said, "For this saying, go." He didn't pray. He didn't pray. He said, "For this saying, go thy way." Her faith had hit the spot already; He didn't have to pray anymore. See?

So He was teaching them because part of the commission was to go and cast out devils. Because Jesus knew the battle was not a flesh and blood battle. That's why when He came and He said, "In Moses' law you hear an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth, but I say forgive," He was taking the church in that hour in another realm. They had only known it in the 'Moses' realm but He was bringing it up another level higher. Why? It was changing from animal sacrifice to the Real Sacrifice. It was coming from animal life to the Holy Ghost that's going to come back in the people. So He was planting Seed for that kind of church.

The reason the Sadducees and they never got off the ground—Sadducees, Pharisees, all of them were earthbound because they were dealing with the physical commandment; they were dealing with the physical plane. Moses' message just held them in the natural realm to show them what sin was, but Jesus was bringing it up to another level now. See?

Now that is what this Message does from organization. The organization Age was like the law too. But when it came in this Day, it came by the Word now, by the revelation of the Word; by the Holy Spirit coming back into the Church in the fullness like it was on the Day of Pentecost. And that is why the same seeds had to be sown again that the people would catch and see the principles that govern both worlds: seen and unseen.

Now Bro. Branham made a statement here on a message called *At Thy Word Lord*. [1951-0928, para. E-2 – Ed.]

He says: Many people speak of God. And what's an amazing thing to me, friends, that many times people speaking of God knows so little about Him. See? They speak of it... They know it as a joy, and they know they're saved; they are. But when it comes to dealing with spiritual things ... that's altogether a different phase. It has nothing to do with that joy that comes from God. [He says:] The joy, [well that is] just like ... I would say, the bubbles on top of the water. You see? ... That's wonderful; it's good to bubble dance, as we would call it, to rejoice and the blessings fall upon you. But when you come down face to face with spirits, why, it's so much different; you'd be surprised. That's right.

When you get in the realm of spirit now, now it is not going to be how much you are anointed with oil, how hard you shout; it is not going to be how much emotion you make, it is going to be whether the devil recognize authority that he needs to be submitted to.

If a man is going down the road and there is the Commissioner of Police standing up there, you know, and he's telling a man, "Pull aside your car here and stop." He says, "Do you think you could fool me with that police thing you are trying to play? Do you think it is carnival? If you are a real police, you should have on a gray shirt and a blue pants." See? And you stand up there and you are seeing the man in uniform. The man is a Commissioner; he's so far above the gray shirt and blue pants. You'd say, "Wait, this fellow is either drunk or loco or he's not from here; he doesn't understand the system in this country. He's sure to get locked up." You might start to pray for the man one time, hoping that the man would be dealt with leniently. See? You see, because the man doesn't recognize authority, the man is going down for sure.

Well that is what happens, friends. You see, when it's coming to spirit now, that devil, if he knows he has a legal right to stay there because of unconfessed sin, because of something wrong, he says "You could do

what you want! You could fast for forty days and forty nights, you could cry from now until you get hoarse, you could pour a gallon of oil but that devil will stand up there and not move." Because the devil knows when he has to move and when he doesn't have to move. And he's doing that by knowledge of your condition and whether the Blood is applied to you, and whether true confession is made to put that in the Blood, so it could be divorced from you and you can stand justified, acquitted from guilt by the Judge and he has orders from the Enforcer to evacuate the premises.

He knows because everything is governed by a system. It is not anybody doing what they want. God's thing is set up a certain way. That's why to receive authority, you have to be commissioned, you have to be anointed; you have to be prepared and then sent. God doesn't even send you unless He prepares you. And when He prepares you and send you, He sends you in your vocation. Not to go and do anything that looks good in your eyes but He sends you to abide in your calling. Even though you get a true revelation, you have to bring it back to the channel it is supposed to come back to if it is not for you. God's thing is so set up.

Now watch! That is why when the believer understands their legal rights that has been restored to them... This opening of the Seventh Seal Book—the Seventh Seal Book is really a Title Deed, you know. It is like a deed to an inheritance. That is something being done legally. It is a transaction being made. It was the Blood of the Lamb. That's is why only the Lamb, the Mediator could have taken the Book, the One Who was Intercessor. Now, He's coming to make redemption claims.

That's why when they called, "Who shall take the Book?" Nobody was worthy because you have to be born a certain way. A kinsman redeemer had to be born of a woman, had to be kinfolk, had to be rich and able to do the work of redemption. All these things had to

go before a man could even qualify for that.

That's why Jesus had to come by virgin birth, had to be born, you know, be a Son of Man all these things before redemption could take place. He even had to be examined; they had to find no fault in Him. He couldn't die by old age or a chariot running over Him; He had to die by being slain just like the lamb and everything else. It had to be in the time of Jubilee when the acceptable year would come for all these things to come back. See!

And that's why when the Church knows its grounds, it doesn't have to fuss – when the church knows its grounds. The man who is wearing the uniform, that uniform is to tell the public that he is authorized by the government to charge people or not to charge people. But the man himself, whether he is in plain clothes, he knows that he is precepted. He knows he is ordained to be that. He knows he's qualified. He could have the identification still. They might not recognize it because they could only know it by the uniform; that is to help the public. See.

So it is really something here as you see Jesus knowing that church had to be a trained church. And if they have to deal with demons, then you are dealing with something outside the physical realm; you are dealing in the realms of spirit now. But since the physical man could only contact physical things, that means it could not be anything coming from an external part of the man, it had to be something coming from internal – the part of the man that was made up to contact that spirit world; the part of the man that was made up to be linked with God, (see?) that when he stands there he knows where he's standing.

Oh, it is a beautiful thing to be a Christian, you know, in the real sense, in the value, in the fullness, in the completeness of what a Bible Christian is. And that is what this Message has done for us – It brings full Bible Christianity back to us in this Hour. And so the Prophet said, "When you come down to spirits dealing with them

face to face," he said, "it is really something else."

And then here on a message called *Early Spiritual Experiences*, [1952-0713a, para. 7 -Ed.] he said: [Now], *if we had time this afternoon, just to dwell right in there, and show you what the workings of demons are.*

...I want to speak myself ... on what demonology. People speaks of demons and don't know what they are. When you're out, just having some kind of a thought, "Well demons are this or that." But when you meet face to face and converse with them, and they try to move you in some other way... And I will say this, friends, my Bible open before me this afternoon... [He says:] When demons has met me, and I've spoke to them, not just some mythical, makeup, or think, or feel their power, I mean talk face-to-face, as I did with you. [See? He said:] And I've tried this to be sure. I've had them to stand there, and look. And I'd say, now, I don't mean ... some person that's possessed with a demon, I mean, the form, [the] outline of a demon standing there like a dark shadow, speaking. And it threaten at me, and I'd say, "You're wrong. And you know you're wrong. For it's written in the Scripture..."

He said, "I would stand up there and speak to them." Remember one time he said he got up, (As I Was With Moses, I think you will find it there,) he looked over in the corner and he saw that hideous demon standing there. He went to wake up his wife. He said, "If I only show her that, she will faint for sure." And he said, "Satan, you are an offence to me." See? Now, the same way he would see the Angel too and talk to the Angel. Exactly right.

That's why Jesus met that devil, Lucifer. He wasn't yet incarnate because when he got incarnate, he was incarnate in Judas. Is that right? Sure he was. Then when Jesus met Judas there in Gethsemane and said, "Friend," it was God in flesh and the devil in flesh conversing there now. Because after He gave him the sop, the Bible says Satan entered his heart and He said,

"Do what you must do quickly." See? So watch something.

So he says here, "People talk about God and know so little about it but when it comes to dealing with the spirit," and he says, "people talk about demons and know so little about it." Why? Because both the realm of God and the realm of demons are both realities, but they are unseen realities. Is that right?

Now we can see how they influence people. You can see God influencing people. You might sit and say, "Boy, the Word is really coming out there. You know, it is making sense to me, tonight." Well you might see God influencing me to preach this message here tonight, (see?) and then you could walk outside there and see some man going in some act of adultery or fornication or something out there, and right there you see that spirit of the devil moving right there influencing people. Exactly right! You could see the influence in this physical realm how they influence people in this realm of human beings.

But get this now. All Satan's works is only a perversion and when we come down to dealing with Satan's kingdom—Satan's kingdom when Paul was speaking about it, because Paul wrote a lot about demon power. He said, "We are not ignorant of Satan's devices. Satan transformed himself as an angel of light." Then in another place he said, "We wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities and powers and spiritual wickedness." He said, "The weapons of our warfare are not carnal." And you know, he said, "Satan hindered me in many places." He said, "I've fought with beasts at Ephesus." In so many different spheres Paul was saying-He said, "Even a messenger of the devil was sent to buffet me" (is that right?) "that I might be humble and not exalt myself with the abundance of revelation God gave me."

Now look at all those things he had, yet Paul had an Angel coming to him on the boat too. Is that right? Now

today people get confused when they hear about angels but let me tell you, an Angel came to Mary, an Angel came to Zacharias, an Angel came to Joseph, an Angel came to Cornelius, an Angel came to Peter, an Angel came to Philip; an Angel came to Paul. They all had the Holy Ghost but there was an Angel there with them. Friend, that was the Alpha Church.

When we see where this Message is bringing us—and do you know what the Prophet says? If God can just bring our faith and our consecration to a place, then they could materialize to us. See? But for them to come to us, we can't have sin in our lives and live halfway and out in disorder. No! But nevertheless they encamp round about us. They would not come maybe for communication but we would be under their influence. Because are they not all ministering spirits sent forth from the Presence of God to minister unto them who are the heirs of salvation? If you go to dash your foot against a stone, you have protection, guidance; whatever it is. Sure, they are there! But why don't we live with the consciousness that they are around us? Do you believe that they are here tonight? Exactly right. Now watch. Let us see a real apostolic church begin to rise with apostolic faith here.

Now look. There are all kinds of categories of demons. Why did the Prophet preach demonology in this Message? Because the Age has become so scientific, Satan in a very subtle form, made people think that a demon was a thought. And they made all sicknesses something else by giving it new names; it was no longer called a devil. The cancer was no longer the devil, the cancer became the growth. The TB became the virus. The pneumonia became the virus.

It was no longer a devil, until they did it so shrewdly that we ourselves, when the Message came to change back our language, that indoctrination from this civilization is so strong that even though we know the Message language, we speak it in a weak way and we

express this language that they gave us in a strong way and say, "My child have the virus, you know."

We say, "She's going for an operation for the cancer, you know."

And we say, "Yeah boy, I hope the operation is successful for the cancer."

What we are doing there, we are denying the Gospel and the revelation that has come to us that all these things are devils and no operation could cut out a cancer. A cancer is a demon. The doctor is trying to deal with the growth, what his machine is going to pick up, but his machine cannot pick up the devil. And then many times the person get back under the control of the devil because they don't even understand the principle of Divine healing because their faith is not built up to the place. They are not understanding what happens when the spirit leaves them and the condition that they are going to go through and experience when things begin to happen to them contrary to their expectation, then they come right back and say, "I thought I got healed but I'm not healed." And that unbelief brings that devil right back there. And that is why you find people struggling, struggling, struggling with things. Why? They believe it is somewhere out there but they are not zeroed.

Now let me say this: you have to become zeroed in your faith. You have to become concentrated in your prayer. As Bro. Branham said, "Father, this prayer of faith is zeroed to that devil that is hiding there." See? You have to get focused and when you pray, you are praying right through that channel, concentrated, because you know you are not dealing with the physical, you are dealing with the demon that has interrupted the course of nature, affected this man's health, breaking it down. It's a law.

Like Lazarus, first he was sick, then he died, then he corrupted. Is that right? They said, "By this time he stinketh." But look at the law of resurrection: Where he

began to be decomposed, he was being re-composed. See? Then God is making him well. God brought the life back in the body, then God raised him back up and presented him well before them. God just reversed everything stage by stage (see?) until he stood back there. What was interrupted was reversed.

Now when you understand the principles of God dealing with these things—that's why all these things are secured; they are sure. It is not a hit and miss. God doesn't operate on a hit and miss business. God's thing is perfect. But the thing is, we have to learn how to get zeroed and co-operate with the Word and then know it is not on our personal strength, it is by the authority that has been given to the Church and the basis of the finished work, it being so complete that we have these things when we ask for it. The Holy Spirit is there to keep that Word. But if we are not zeroed, then we are wavering there because our faith can't seem to grasp it, that it is an invisible power, a supernatural being that our contention is with. Our contention is not with some growth or something, our contention is with the demon. Alright.

Now Jesus had His church well taught. He taught them about the ministry of angels. He said, "Your angel beholds the Father's face." He had angels ministering to Him in Gethsemane, angels ministering to Him after He was tempted of the devil for forty days. Is that right? Sure! He said, "Right here I can call for legions of angels. Jesus' church understood about dimensions. He talks about the rich man in hell, in torment still conscious saying, "I'm tormented in this place. Let Lazarus come." He talked about—they understood Lazarus was in another dimension. Is that right? Sure.

Jesus taught His church about somebody working God's gift and God working His Own gift. When the woman touched Him He said, "I perceive virtue went out of Me," but when He raised Lazarus from the grave, which was a far greater miracle, He never said virtue

went out of Him.

So Peter and all of them, when He took them in the room and He shut the people out, they said, "Lord, why didn't You bring in the next nine? Aren't they Your apostles too?"

He said, "They don't have the revelation yet. They will come in here, they would gaze on this, they would gaze on that and they would throw off the atmosphere." He said, "That's why I put all the unbelief outside too."

Look when Peter went to Dorcus' house; all of them were believers but they couldn't keep their spirit in the channel. Their emotion had taken them over and they were crying and weeping, "Oh God, she's dead. She's dead. Look at that dress she sewed for me." See? And Peter now, remembering by the Holy Spirit when Jairus' daughter was raised, Jesus put all of that outside the house. They saw Jesus take a man outside the city and carried him away.

And they understood how to relate to these things to operate in the supernatural. They were learning that. They were understanding about prayer. They were understanding about giving. When He taught them all those principles—Because the realm that the Church was called to operate in and the way it was called to function, it was necessary that Jesus plant those Seeds because when the Rain fell at Pentecost, It had to bring up that kind of life.

They could only bring forth what was planted in them. And Jesus knew what it was going to take to reproduce His Life in them so He had to put the right kind of Seed in the field in that Former Rain, in that Teaching Rain that when the Rain fell on planted Word, the people took note that they had been with Jesus. Because everything that they did, it was like Jesus in multiplied form. But that is what He taught: "If a corn of wheat doesn't fall on the ground and die, it abides alone, but if it falls and die, it will bring forth itself in a multiplied form." Amen.

So look at the apostles when Peter was standing there. When we look at Paul, Paul was going back in the Old Testament. They were taking handkerchiefs and aprons from his body and evil spirits were leaving people. Why? The Prophet said—look at the Prophet under discernment. He said "I'll tell you where Paul got that from." He said, "When Elijah gave the staff to the servant to go and lay that staff because the servant knew what he touched was blessed." See?

They were taught in the Word friend, that when they were dealing with the supernatural realm, they were conscious of the approach. They were conscious of the principles in dealing with those things. It was not by might nor by power, it was by faith. It was by His Spirit, God's Spirit working in them making the Word manifest. They were so linked up, they were so in tune with God.

Wouldn't you like to see that kind of church? Oh my! That is where we want to walk! Why do you think all it did was explain in this Day? Why do you think it came and repeated over again? Why do you think one had to experience it and go into it and do it and show us why it was being done? He said, "Forget those little—don't let anybody tell you to touch a radio and touch a post; that has no virtue in it." He said, "It is a finished work." He said, "This gift doesn't even heal you itself; it only helps to build your faith to receive what was done." See? He said, "Everybody when they are impersonating, they have healing in their hand. They have no healing in their hand! Healing is in the finished work." He said, "Any gift that doesn't point you to Calvary."

So, then look how it was coming. And Jesus planted for that. He taught them about wisdom, knowledge, discernment, faith, gifts of healing, miracles; all these things. He showed them many ways that these things operated. They saw Him do it in many different fashions.

Now I'll just take something and close it off because

we have some things to discuss. Let me share one or two things with you here because... Now, the Prophet may not be here tonight to tell us all that we need to know, because it was God in him speaking it. By even His foreknowledge, He knew exactly how the Church would have to come, and everything is in tape and book form that we have need of.

Then Jesus says I have many things to tell you but you can't take it now. Howbeit when the Spirit of Truth is come, He is going to bring back what I say to your remembrance. He is going to take of what I said and shall show it unto you. Is that right? Oh my! Then you can see the Holy Spirit back in the Church with the very Word doing what? Bringing a church to readiness, bringing a church that they can operate in the Supernatural where the very Word would be living Itself out – all these things in the Bible that was put here for example that is given by inspiration that we can draw faith from. Is that right? Oh my!

That's why I say, you know, it's like many times somebody is at home and they send a prayer request, well, we can stand up here and get together and pray. And I always say that is good if you are operating by vision, then you can look right there in the home and see that person by their bedside praying, "Oh yes Lord, I know they are in service this morning..."

But sometimes we stand here and the person may be out somewhere doing something different and the church is trying to pray here that the person...because we are just dealing with the piece of paper. And that is why it is always better you get two men to walk inside that room. You see? When the prayer request comes, you get two men to go inside that room, take some oil with you because the Prophet says if you are not gifted in a certain way to deal with these things, then use the oil because the oil stands as a symbol of the Holy Spirit and that stands between you and the demon so you don't take the demon on you. See?

Because as I'm trying to explain to you, when an evil spirit is cast out from somebody, it goes directly looking for a body. And I want to read something here for you to see what happens to people. And then when he talks about reverence in the house of God, order in the house of God, you understand now why all these things are so necessary. Like he said many times, he said, "Bow your heads." He said, "When you are dealing with those epileptic demons, you mothers, take those children and hold them close to you."

It is a great truth in that right there. The Bible talks about the Elect Lady and Her children. He said, "You mothers take those children..." Why? She's a mother. She give birth to that child. She's responsible for that child and she's obeying God in an office coming through a vindicated ministry, the voice of a Prophet there.

That is why Bro. Branham in every service before it started, he said, "I take every spirit here under my control." He said, "Now, if you don't obey me when I speak now, when these demons leave these people they are going to hunt a body and if you are disobedient to the Word, then in your disobedience you will not be covered by what is here." He said, "And if that devil goes there and possess you, then I have nothing to do with that." He said, "But if you obey me and something happens to you, God will take that away from you."

Friend, I tell you, there are some things it makes you marvel. When you think that we are just in church and we come along and we sit and we are hearing this and we are hearing that, spirits go from one to the other. And I'm just taking it in a juvenile form here on an individual level because I don't have time to really expand it out tonight, but when you see the principle, I could bring the principle clear to you.

When God deals with one person and then God deals with a family, and then God deals with a group and then God is dealing with a whole church, then God deals with a village, then God deals with a city, then God deals with

a nation, then God deals with the world, it is the same principle and the demons are going to operate in the same realm too. See?

And when that person is coming to be delivered and that devil in that person recognizes authority like Legion, they know they have to move. That's why he said, "I know Jesus, I know Paul but I don't know you. When Paul walked up, I could see those armors gleaming and colors streaming." From the time the man walked there, from the time that man stood there and said, "I met that Light that spoke to me," and so and so and he went back to the Bible, that man knew that man isn't coming with any old wives fable. This man is talking the Word. This man went into the Pillar of Fire and came back out with the blessing. This man is handling the Word, showing that, brother, it is the Holy Spirit in the man to handle the Word like that. Exactly!

He said, "A devil knows that. But these men, the devil saw—from the time he heard that approach in the Name of Jesus Who Paul preach,' he said, "Forget it, partner." They jumped on them. They went straight on them and they became possessed with the devil that was in the person.

Now look quickly. On a message called *The Testimony Of Jesus Christ*, [1953-0829, para. 69-70 –Ed.] he says: *Now, everyone please be just as reverent as you can be. Because, see, spirits scream and cry for mercy.* [He said:] *I want you to understand that. They cry for mercy.*

I don't have time to go into it but if you take Acts 8, Acts 19, he said, "And evil spirits screamed coming out of them." Listen!

One will call to the other one. ... It's just like Christians... [He's explaining. He said:] It's just like Christians, when we pray, that gathers up a ... barricade like. When you're praying and believing me...

Remember I preached for you here some time ago Believe On Whom God Have Sent, how you approach God's gift? That's God's way to bring it. You have to

have faith in the gift in your midst. Now watch. Then now...He says, "So when you agree with me, if two shall agree, what we bind is going to be bound; what we loose is going to be loosed when there is real agreement there." He said, "But watch something." He said, "Now the same way the devil, one will call on the other one for help; they sympathize with each other.

He said: Jesus could do no mighty works in His own town because the people didn't believe. And the only way I can help you, Bro. Osborne, or anybody, is when you have faith in us, as ministers of the Word of God. You've got to believe us.

And when them demons... They're calling for one another, like that. And they scream and pull. Pray out there and find out if it's not right.

In other words to show you, he said, "You pray out there and I'll pray in here and watch if God doesn't manifest that Word." Well, then you disbelieve out there and I'll disbelieve here and see what is going to happen too. Do you understand what I mean? He's showing, they do it the same way.

Then on a message called *Healing And What Cancer Is*, [1953-0904, para. 37 -Ed.] he said: *If you understand, demons scream to one another. They're trying to have help one from another.*

[1953-0904, para. 55 –Ed.]

He said: You believe with all your heart?

He's in the prayer line here.

He said: Be reverent. Now, remember, friends, when evil spirits are leaving these people, and they're loosed in the building, if you come up in a few days showing some kind of a sickness, remember it's not my fault. For you're supposed to do [what] I tell you here. Every spirit in the building is subject right now. And demons as soon as they come out they'll find some place to go.

Now he quotes the Scripture.

Remember, they wanted to go in some hogs one time. So be reverent. Now, if I didn't know what I was

speaking of, you'd take my word. See? Those feelings, I feel them as they're still pressing, moving in the building like that... [He's talking about those demon spirits] ... all at once they're closed, they're gone. I don't know where they went. I don't know. If you're an unbeliever and are disobedient, you're very much receptacle to them. That's right.

Now Jesus permitted them to go into the swine but He also permit them to go in people too. Because watch! [Healing Line - 1953-0907e, para. 13 –Ed.]

And now, if you believe that He is here, [and] His Presence is here... You believe that He is here? It's a cancerous condition. [He's under discernment.] And that man setting right there has the same thing.

He's in the prayer line here, to one man he said, "It's a cancerous condition. He turns now and he says: ...that man setting right there has the same thing. Them demons are screaming one to another (You see?) for pity, mercy. They're calling, and so's the Angels of God calling. [He says:] The battle is here. Now, your faith will determine which way it goes.

[Healing Line - 1953-0907e, para. 17 –Ed.] Now, don't move, friends, because these demons that leave people, go one from another.

Now that is what happens in services right here, you know. When that Word is being preached sometimes, somebody is coming in with a demon, some demon of lust. They might not be possessed but they might be obsessed or they might have a sickness there, and that is a devil.

And then the Word is going forth and their faith is being built, and their faith comes up under the Word the same way. Just like the Prophet used to be telling them their name and so on! While they are hearing that Word and the Scriptures are piling in and they are being anointed and the praise in the service and the atmosphere and their faith rise, boom! and they feel delivered. Well then, you have a demon at large

somewhere. And he's not being told to go down Embarcadere [Place in south Trinidad, locally pronounced backadey: means loading dock, shipping pier, jetty, wharf -Ed.] and stay down there and walk in the tomb. He is not being told that. From the time he comes out here, he is looking for another body right here.

Listen to this! He says: [and so] *The battle is here.* [Para. 13 -Ed.]

[Para. 17 -Ed.] Now, don't move, friends, because these demons that leave the people, go from one to another. [He says:] Any Bible student knows that. And you're subject to them. And if you're a critic, I would certainly be in prayer. Because if you only knew how many... [Get it now.] ...if you only knew how many times that hundreds of people set right [there] in the meeting, take epilepsy, cancer, setting there critical. You see? When the evil spirits leaves a believer, it'll hunt a body somewhere, it's got to [have] it. So be reverent now, and love the Lord with all your heart.

He said: If you have a prayer line here, five hundred gets healed this night and go home rejoicing, but where did those five hundred demons go? He said: In the next meeting you will have about five hundred people sitting there with the same sickness the people had in the prayer line because they were irreverent in the meetings. Think of it.

Look at the demon in 2nd Chronicles 18, it was powerless until it got in those prophets. It had such confidence, it said, "I know what they like. When I finish with that man he will have two horns; he will build his own little horns. I will even give him a certain dance to do and he will do that dance so well, it will have everybody jumping, that everybody will be doing that dance and want to build a small horn too by the time I'm done with all of them." Exactly right! Watch! Brother! You see? He said: It's not joy now, it's getting down to spirit now; knowing what we're dealing with, now. See? Knowing what we're dealing with, now.

A message called *A Greater Witness Than John*. [1953-1107 - How The Angel Came To Me, para. 53 –Ed.]

He said: And I want everybody [to] be just real reverent. ... You know how I believe in the old fashion religion. I believe in praising the Lord and shouting the praises of God. But now, when we're standing like this, I tell you what it does. When you move ... If there's a bank of faith around, and you'll feel demons will pull one from another. ... If there's something wrong with a certain person... Like a certain person in the building, there's something wrong with them, well then, when there's something wrong with a patient here, that's sympathetic-sympathizing demon, they'll pull back and forth one to another. And the same thing will be ... when you got faith. If you get a wall of faith...

That is why sometimes in the service, you feel the charge, like you are praising God tonight. You feel the waves all through here. You could sense the Presence of God. See? But then after we start to preach the Word now, and somebody starts to get sleepy and then you start to feel the fight sometimes because minds are just going this way and minds are on a pillow, and somebody comes up eating a hot dog in Pizza Hut somewhere, and then somebody is in a taxi going home, and then somebody is out over here. What is happening right there? You realize what is happening.

And the Prophet said, "Many times when that happens in a meeting like that, I have to turn around and say, 'The Pillar of Fire is over that lady over there so and so,' and when I do two or three things like that, take them off the platform here and start to deal with them out there, then faith starts to rise again." But they don't know why he's doing that. Because he feels their faith is going in all kinds of different directions and this person is going to walk off here with this sickness and not be delivered because their minds are not focused, united in faith; creating a wall of faith around this person to bring their deliverance.

Friends, let me tell you, when you are dealing with spirits, you better be sensitive. When you are preaching the Gospel... That is why I was saying the other night, when you have a church and the Minister is preaching, he wants to see everybody he is preaching to because that is where he can really help the people. That is where he can deal with them by the Word. That is where you can watch the Holy Spirit and know what it takes because it takes a pull of faith: "And Paul perceiving the man had faith" and "Peter said look on us." Exactly! You want that eye contact with the people.

That is why sometimes I would talk with you to get your response, because when you sit there and you listen to me I would invite your response; because I don't want you to sit there and then your mind go drifting and I'm trying to keep you right here. That is what I am doing while I'm preaching to you. Why? To help get your faith to the place that God can bring it to you while you sit in your seat right there; the Holy Ghost can give it to you.

But you see, that is where you need a trained congregation now. That is where you need a trained congregation to the realm of the Spirit now. That is where you need people now in the order of a spiritual service to understand, to look beyond their physical realm here and break into the realm of the Word with faith and know what really happens when believers gather together in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, there I will be in their midst. See? And then it gets to that place.

Do you see how some of you got back alert now, who was sleeping? Just that word 'sleep' shook some of you all and you straightened up. You got right there. See? Just that word there! Why? The Word identifies the very thing the devil was using to break it down. If I had said something else, it would not have made any difference, but when I said, 'sleep', "Yeah, that is me here." Your spirit jolted and came right there quickly,

came back to life. Sure!

You see it's really something friends, and that is why I'm longing to get there by God's grace, too. I'm longing to see it rise to a place (amen) where the Presence of God breaks out (amen) and when the Spirit hits people, brother, they are under the control of the Word. Amen! Hallelujah! You're seeing perfect manifestations of God everywhere glorifying God; a real apostolic church. Amen.

I'm just putting Seeds inside of you here, (see?) and trying to open up certain areas that a person says, "Hey, that is making me a little more sensitive now. I need to be a little more focused here now. I need to be a little more conscious here now. I need to be a little more prayerful in this channel now." See? It widens your scope and when it widens your scope, it builds your faith because you are seeing more of it. You see? Amen.

So he says now: "When you're shouting the praise of God, I'll tell you what happens." You see that's why he always says, "Now preaching gets you happy. That is one anointing while you're preaching. When we go to praying for the sick now," he said, "I want you reverent." He said, "And don't do anything now." It comes like Joshua and they now, "Don't shout until I tell you to shout." It comes a certain hour.

Why? Because preaching, oh, he's bringing the Word and he's bringing a revelation; he's just pouring the Word down into the hearts of the people he's dealing with the people there, but now he's coming to deal with devils that have the people bound in certain areas of their life now and he's coming to take that chain off of them. See? And now he needs the people under his control, under the control of the Holy Spirit that is anointing him to bring their deliverance; and he knows what is important is their faith – their faith, their approach, their attitude, as they sit under the Word there.

Let me finish up quickly here. So he says: Remember

Jesus putting them all out of the building [one time] and things like that, and then praying for the sick... Remember that? ...taking [someone] who really believed, and those who were really up with God.

He was speaking of how He took the man out of the city. He said, "Remember Jesus doing that in the Bible? Remember He said in Nazareth He couldn't do any miracles, in Mark chapter 6; He had to just leave and go? Why? He could have only laid hands on one or two and there was one or two little healings because the people, that wall of unbelief, He couldn't break through it. See? When you go to Acts 8 now, you see how a whole city of Samaria was bewitched, the Bible says. The Bible says the whole city was bewitched by Simon the sorcerer, who gave himself out as such a great man and he had everybody bewitched.

Now when It says he bewitched them with his sorceries. Then I had a Scripture here, Revelation 18:23 and 24 speaking about mystery Babylon. It says, "By her sorceries she has deceived all nations." So back there it was on a city level. In this Age it's on a global level. It's a bewitching far greater than what Simon the sorcerer had. Jezebel had bewitched the whole nation of Israel and had them there under that spell; killed out the prophets. Why? So she could control with her pagan religion! See?

And friends, when you see how the devil builds up a chain of unbelief, that is why the Gospel comes. And that is why sometimes if you don't understand how the Word works and operates... See, if a Minister comes into a church, or goes into a home or deals with an individual, if he's anointed and he has discernment he could walk in there and as he began to speak quickly being led by the Holy Spirit what to say, what to ask, what areas to touch. It's like how God told Bro. Branham, "Say these kind of words now" which is passing your hand against the fur now to bring out a certain kind of reaction from the people. Alright.

Now when that happens, right away he can find what kind of chain has that home bound, what kind of chain has that person bound; where the power is that is retarding and paralyzing the progress of those people. He could put his finger on it right away and then the Gospel comes to break that thing (see?) and bring deliverance. Whether God is doing it on a city level—like I told you, if you have an apostle, he goes right into a city. He's not just going to deal with a congregation, he could deal with a whole city. He's anointed for that.

Like a prophet, he comes to an Age. He dealt with the world in this Day. See? Like Bro. Branham, going from Chicago, going into New York, going into another place, he was going to preach to millions of people, hundreds, thousands of churches, and here he walked in there: "I have the Word and I've come for the sheep," and he stood there. Why? He knew he was anointed and commissioned. See? He knew when he stood there, he spoke as God's representative to that whole place.

Then you get a Pastor who comes into a church, he comes into a local assembly like an elder here now. He comes and he takes the Word and he walks in here and when he walks in here, brother, he could see just like that woman was shadowed to death, he could see a dark cloud over that church the same way. Then he could see that dark shadow move and Light comes. Is that right? Sure! And he could say, "You're healed, you're well. You're on your road to recovery. Rejoice, praise God; that devil is gone. Get filled up because he's going to come right back. See? And when it comes back, let it find some resistance – the strong man at the door, saying, "Get out of here," amen; faith to keep him away. Glory!

And that's what we want to see. That is what we want to see by God's grace. You see a spirit of joy and blessing begin to flow among the people, begins to anchor them in the Word. You begin to see the revelation begin to open up and inspire faith. Let me

tell you, do you know what is going to happen? Men right here in the church are going to catch it for their own family. And they're going to go in their own home and start to apply the Token with confidence in their own home as the priest for their own home. Sure.

And then you see what is happening here on a united level broken up like the Pillar of Fire into little tongues in every little home, and when they come back, It reassembles Itself again. Sure! And that is how it is. When you see it is going and the men are not getting it, you know something is wrong because the men there are supposed to get it; ordained to get it. Amen.

Let me stop there. If I go there, I'm going to really overwork you tonight. I could always pick that up when I come some other time. But it is interesting, right? You see what we are talking about. You see? Open up your eyes a little bit and see, friends. Because on the message, *The Contest* [1962-1231, para. 12-14 -Ed.] the Prophet says, "You better train to know your enemy. Train for the knockout punch; not to play around with the enemy because the great strength of Satan is trying to pull the Church of God in the fire. See? But the great strength of God in the Church is to pull the devil into his own fires; to stand here where the gates of hell shall not prevail against the Church of the Living God. Amen. Praise His wonderful Name. Hallelujah.

I'm going to make a switch here and get a little pastoral, a little local here. Well you know we have been speaking to you a little bit about... [Blank spot on tape – Ed.] ...we had a little auditing to take place on the books and the different things that was there and it really became a matter of concern, and grave concern, and I for one kind of really wanted some clarification.

And we had another meeting after the books were audited and we got the brothers who were holding office, on the last night of office, in a meeting yesterday, and we went in these things and we were really, really impressed and really appreciative of the discussions

that we had, the clarification and everything else. And they are not what you will call accountants as such and in trying to do what they did, they certainly did a good job even though they didn't have certain principles to function with, which I want... Just be relaxed because I'm trying to tell you that everything is really, really clear by God's grace. Everything is clear.

I know during the disruption of the church in times past especially when the church was going through great turmoil and then being broken up at one stage, it came to a place where rumors can quickly spread and feelings can be harbored and minds get into places and they wanted to know what was happening. Well, as I told you and mentioned before in different times preaching that when we came here, we just came and took the preaching part over and left the running of everything by the brothers themselves. And when the financial year that they would normally arrive to under the old system, you find that it was necessary for them to make up the report and hand it in, and that is when we decided to have the first meeting, get it, and look at the books.

I took all the books, I sat down with one of the brothers who is an accountant and we went through a full professional analysis of everything. And when we were going through it, we really began to get a little concerned because of the way certain things were kind of laid out. But in coming to the meeting and getting it clarified, we are satisfied and thoroughly satisfied. And I say this here before God and before you that you may not have known; you may not have known maybe, since the beginning of the church how the finances went. When the church broke up and many people left and went to Canada, I guess maybe you had to start over and there was nothing to indicate how things went. And then when you came under the next administration and it had to be broken up afterwards, maybe you still didn't know how things went.

I'm saying this to you that if there—the reason I want to be kind of explicit and say it the way I am saying it, is that if there are some people who might have had a suspicion or had harbored a doubt or had heard a rumor or something, you can know definitely that we've checked these things with a fine tooth comb. I even had the accountant with me last night there to go through it and go through all the books and everything together and we are satisfied that the brothers, financially, they have done their best.

And it is worthy of the compliment that you can know that the extent they went to record certain things and keep details of what they did and was able to get everything clarified under questioning and everything else, and it has come up without any blemishes. And I trust that you would feel comfortable with that and you would respect and appreciate it because when we came into the church, what happened, I was informed and I knew they had about thirty-nine thousand dollars and some other things roughly inside of there, and that is what these brothers have amassed over those years and were able to have that.

And I know even maybe for them, it might have been a grave concern themselves of even I coming in and then—you don't want a preacher to come in the church and just take over what people do. Do you understand what I am saying? No! So I appreciated that kind of stand. Let me tell you, you see how I preach and you see my attitude in preaching too, I don't believe in any pushover, walkover, kind of business; and they certainly didn't let us walk over them, I tell you. They didn't let us walk over them at all. But, you know, God gave us grace and favor in each other's sight to be able to make friends in the places where we can do things diplomatically and not butt heads.

So, I must say I told them... after I went through it, I told them last night, I said I know that the church will never know these things because basically sheep isn't

going to a church and in their mind they are keeping continuity of financial records and keeping these notes; because it's not the Christian way. You have people there, they prove themselves trustworthy, they are honest and of good report, you are in contact with them, you know them, you see their life and everything, their integrity, you know them and you feel safe with them.

And I told them I wanted to... when I get before the church to impress that on the church because I said you all deserve that. You all deserve that the people know—I am talking financial wise, right? I can't defend them in the other areas if people have their thing. That has to be solved between—we've talked about dropping that already. But financially is what I checked, and combed through and went back and forth. And so I say that too because I want to be clear, that Bro. Vin isn't... If you are accustomed to covering up with some plasters, this is not one of that. This is an x-ray.

So I told them, "Look, I want to do it." They didn't too care whether I would do it. They didn't prompt for me to do it. But I told them it's on their integrity because of hearing little things sometimes among the people and you know little grouches and so on. I said, "I want to do it because the people would never know this and you all will never get the credit for what you all did even as unprofessional people in this area but was able to do something like that."

Though you might have had to step on some people, walk on some, push some, shove some, get some...beat some into subjection sometimes to run things the way it needs to be run sometimes but you do it in the interest of the people. And the flesh has no sense and the devil has no conscience, so sometimes you have to really keep the flesh under your feet sometimes if you want to get God's job done otherwise the flesh will always jump up and get in your way. You know that! I mean you are spiritual, you are around the Word long enough and we're dealing with demonology here

tonight, so you know these things.

But to the brothers' credit, they did a very outstanding, outstanding job. Could we say thank you to them? Amen. [Congregation applauds -Ed.] Amen. Amen. We don't do that hypocritically, we do that before the Lord. We do that in sincerity. See? We do that in sincerity. And they deserve, I guess, much more than that and as we go along we really would try to do our best to compensate them.

We came to a situation. One of the situations we came to is that, I cannot personally take jurisdiction for that finance that was there, what they through working and serving in their office was able to manage for the church and had there in an account. So that is why that has to be brought to you. See, I cannot just come and take things and then they cannot take it legally as theirs; so that is there. It came down less because during this year in disbursing loans and needs and assistances and charity and goods and services and different things, it came down less than that.

But the thing is, we feel it is proper to inform you of these things because that decision lies within your power to make, and you would make that decision. And if it is to come in the present administration, or my suggestion was to put it like on a fixed deposit or something that in the event we have to move from here, and we have to build a building, we have to acquire a piece of land or so with it, then that would go directly to that and nobody would have any jurisdiction over it.

So, it's going to be left to you and you would get more detailed facts so you can make a decision based on facts. Because up until now, we are still trying to... they had to serve this last night still to officially close off at the end of this month. So before they could hand over, they have to make up everything and hand it over and then we would be able to give you more detailed fact to say, "Okay, the sum is this." And then by me informing you, you could have it in your heart, you could pray

about it and when the time comes, we'll make a decision based on good faith for the advancement of the work of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen?

So that was one of the main things and I'm going to close with this. In the meeting, while we were there in the meeting, we kind of felt it would have been more suitable or proper for—because we felt that there could have been some form of ignorance I should say, in the minds of people or they could be kept in ignorance, is what I should really say.

In the light of the confession that Bro. Michael made the other night, you know, when he said that he took full responsibility for what happened and it's just a matter of...it's not that he... As he disclosed, he didn't want to make it known, but seeing that it might have kept people in a little ignorance still and then that just strengthens people who have a grouse, it holds it right there still because, you know, somebody got an attitude.

Well, the problem is not to keep anything. He's willing to, what I should say, bring to light a little more that the church can actually feel his spirit in his attitude to what he feels for the work, what he felt that he may have not handled right in the past and what he felt the church should be more correctly informed in a way that the matter can be put to rest once and for all without anything, and all these things can be behind our backs. So if he feels up to it tonight, which I think you would want to get it off quickly, you could just maybe make mention of it or... Let us leave it for maybe Friday night in prayer service. We have some strangers here so I don't want to do this in a way that it could be wrong.

Let's just sing a little song. Where are the musicians? You all feel happy? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.] Amen. Praise His wonderful Name. Oh my! It's getting better and better and better as we walk closer to the Lord, and we just desire to serve Him.

Let's just sing this song, Lord, how I long. Take me

separate me. Number 56—no, 58, I think. Is it? Number 58 if you have this book here. Oh Lord, how I long to be lost in Your precious arms, and feel contentment sweep over my soul; to hear You speak peace to the waters of my troubled mind, I would rest in the strength there I find. Amen. Praise His wonderful Name. Thank You, Jesus.

[#303 - Songs That Live –Ed.]

Lord, how I long to be lost in Your precious arms,

Oh, and feel contentment...

And feel contentment...

Oh, sweep over my soul;

...my soul;

Oh, to hear You speak peace...

To hear You speak peace to the waters of my troubled mind,

Oh, I would rest...

I would rest in the strength there I find.

Oh, just yield, surrender; worship Him tonight: Take me Lord, no reservation.

CHORUS:

Take me, separate me

From the things of this life,

Oh, where I only...

Where I only see heartache and strife;

Oh, hide me...

I want to be hidden in His Presence. Thank You, Jesus. Under Your wings Lord.

Hide me, uphold me on eagles' wings, I know You'll never ever let me go.

Oh, down on the inside now, down deep in my soul.

Down deep in my soul,

Oh, there's a calling... Deep calleth unto Deep.

...a longing for home,

'Cause I'm so tired of this world below;

I know that somewhere...

I know that somewhere,
Oh, beyond the curtain...

Beyond the curtain of time,
Oh, lies a body, a new body...

Lies a body, a new body that's

mine.

Oh, everyone sing it now; mean it from your heart: Take me, Lord.

Take me, separate me
From the things of this life,
Where I only see heartache (hallelujah)
and strife;
Oh, get in the cleft of the Rock.
Hide me, uphold me on eagles' wings,
I know You'll never....
Oh, we praise You, Father.
...ever let me go.

Oh, that is what we desire tonight – He would take us, separate us from all unbelief; totally separated. Oh, He would so cleanse us, He would fill us; He would dwell in us and walk in us – that is our heart's desire, tonight. And we could have what we desire tonight. Because when we know we are asking according to His will, we have the petition that we desire from Him. We are not asking amiss to ask these things, tonight. We are asking right in line with God's purpose. Faith has a channel to operate through. Your motive and your objective for asking it is that He might be glorified; His Word for this Hour might be fulfilled. Oh my! God will not let a prayer like that fall to the ground, tonight. Blessed be His wonderful Name.

Let's bow our heads and close our eyes. I want to invite Bro. Wesley Furlonge here to come and pray and ask God's blessings and dismissal tonight. Thank You, Jesus. Oh, we just got so locked in tonight, everyone so united in prayer; everyone so under the quietness of the Holy Spirit with such a grateful heart, tonight. Thank

You, Lord.

[Bro. Wesley Furlonge prays -Ed.]

Amen. Could we just lift our hands and give the Lord thanks? Thank You, Jesus. Praise Your wonderful Name. Oh God, we thank You for Your Presence. We thank You Lord for Your grace. We thank You for Your love, dear God. We thank You Father, for Your abiding Presence, giving comfort and peace, giving security to the hearts of Your children Lord, the love Lord driving away all evil thoughts, all doubts, all fears, dear God, causing us to walk in faith and in harmony. Oh wonderful Jesus, praise be unto Your matchless Name. Thank You, Lord. Hallelujah, hallelujah. Thank You Lord, God. Blessed be Your Name. Amen.

I love You Lord and I lift my voice to worship You. God bless you. May your prayer service on Friday night—Remember Friday night is just like Sunday morning. Amen? And Wednesday night—Tuesday night is just like Sunday morning. Let's make every service a Sunday service. Let's not just respect days and this, let's respect the Presence; to gather; when we come together what God does in our midst. And God bless you, keep each and every one of you in His Presence; supply your every need.

And, you know, I know there might be one or two who have little thoughts as to where their situation may fall if they were receiving assistance from the church, or if they were employed or so. We will see you all and we would sit and talk with you all and have a good understanding that everything that can be done according to the Word to help everyone. Most of all, we all want to be in one mind and one accord that God's holy Presence can lead us in all things. So God bless you. I love You Lord.

[#286 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

I love You Lord, and I lift my voice,

