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#### **FOREWORD**

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I would like to greet you this morning in the precious Name of the Lord Jesus. I feel that this morning is a special morning because I feel the grace of God here amongst us. I would like you to have faith and believe God today; believe Him for something special in your life. I would like to speak to you this morning and I pray that the Holy Spirit would take the words and impress it deeply upon you that we can recognize what is taking place in the day that we are living in; what is promised in the Bible for this day and then to recognize what is happening among you.

God is doing a great work among you but sometimes when that work is in operation; when that work is taking place, unless we don't understand what is happening, we cannot really follow with real faith. Many of you are being attracted to something new and maybe you are right now just looking at it and trying to understand it and maybe you want to be convinced that this is from the Lord.

In the Bible one time the prophet Moses was out in the wilderness. He was occupied with his daily activity. He was a shepherd taking care of sheep and the Bible says in the Book of Exodus that Moses saw a bush being burned but not being consumed. It attracted his attention. How could this bush be on fire and not be consumed? But it was God creating the attraction. It was God trying to get the attention of Moses.

Why would God need Moses' attention? Because God had something he wanted to speak to Moses! God

wanted to reveal to Moses his life and God's purpose for his life in the day that Moses was living in. God didn't just want to tell Moses about Noah and Abraham or he didn't just want to tell him about what was going to happen at the end of the world. But God wanted to get Moses to see his place in God's program. So God knew He had to get his attention.

If God would want to give you a revelation of your place in His program today, He would have to attract your attention. He would have to get you to look in His direction and He would perform some sign. It could come in any form. It was not so much the sign... The sign got Moses' attention but the sign didn't give him any understanding; but there was a Voice behind the sign and that Voice was calling his name and said, "Moses! Moses! I've heard the cries of My people and I've come down to see what is taking place."

And God began to reveal to Moses that, "I am going to send you Moses to deliver My people from bondage." Oh what an experience it was. In a few minutes in the Presence of God, it completely changed the life of Moses. He began to see in reality that now was the time; that this was the day the Word of God was spoken to his heart. His fears were removed; his faith was anointed; he could make himself available to the service of God; he was ready to obey and carry out the Word of God.

And I trust that God would get our attention and He will speak to us today. To some of us right now maybe business and making money has our attention; to some of us maybe we have the pleasures of this life has our attention; for some of us maybe to try to get a new car has our attention. But how much greater it would be if God would get our attention that God can speak to us by His Word; that God could reveal to us His purpose for our lives? How much different it would be for us today to know that God has a place for us in His program. We are not just to live and go through hardships in this life for nothing but whatever God has

in our life is for a purpose. And if we can see the working of the Holy Spirit working out His purpose, it would be great for us.

So it appears to be strange to many of you—it appears to be strange that we should leave our denominations. Things that we have been in for many, many years, it might be strange to leave those systems and follow a Prophet, but that is what God was doing in the Book of Exodus. The word *exodus* means *going out*. What is the program of God today? We are going out of this world. Where are we going? We are going into the Wedding Supper of the Lamb. Amen. And so it's a wonderful time.

And how did the children of Israel go out of Egypt? God sent them a prophet. But how many years were they in Egypt? Four hundred years and yet they had to leave everything and follow this message, a prophet with a Pillar of Fire; a prophet performing signs and wonders; a prophet bringing a message to tell them, "Come out of the system, follow this message and let us go to the Promised Land."

If that was God's program yesterday and He is the same yesterday and today and forever and God put that example in the Bible that we can follow His pattern; that we can understand the same God works in the same way with the same kind of people. Amen. We are the same kind of people. It's the same kind of God. It's the same Word. It's the same thing happening all over again. That is why we are not confused. That is why we should have confidence. And what is happening right now is going to get greater. God has many more people to bring out. The Message is now beginning to move in your country and you must recognize it. Some of you are the firstfruits. You are coming back to the original apostles' doctrine. You are being brought back to the original faith. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Jesus said, "Upon this Rock I will build My church." [Matthew 16:18-Ed.] My Church! Not the Baptist church; not the Methodist church; not the Pentecostal church; not some Seventh Day Adventist church! Upon this Rock I will build My Church." His Church is His Body and by one Spirit we are all baptized into one Body; and that Spirit is the Holy Spirit; and the Holy Spirit is the One Who wrote the Word and the Holy Spirit will not deny the Word which the Holy Spirit has written.

If somebody says they have the Holy Spirit, they would believe the Word in the Bible. If they see that they are baptized wrong and they see the correct way to baptize, they will come back to the Word. If they believe in three gods and they see the Bible says, "There is one Lord," they will come back to one Lord. If they see the Bible says, "Denominations are of man but the Word is of God," they will leave the denomination and come to the Word. Amen. Let every man's word be a lie but let God's Word be the Truth. Amen.

And so we want the Word. We must live by every Word. And so have confidence it is not some fable that you are believing; some strange story. It is the vindicated Word. There are believers like you around the world. I came from the world in 1973; came out and began to testify after I saw the Message. A few of my friends in the world came out together with me. It was about ten of us. Today we have a church of six hundred people and God has helped me to travel around the world preaching this Message. And there are churches around the world, thousands and thousands of believers just like you coming out, at first not fully understanding but believing.

When God told Abraham, "Get thee out of thy country, out of thy people and follow Me and I will take you into a land." God has spoken to you, "Come out of the Baptist country; come out of that Pentecostal country into a land; into a Message that I will show you.

I'll make of you a great nation. I'll make of you a powerful church." Hallelujah!

God always calls His people to separation; separation from the world; separation from the systems of the world so that we can come into union with Him. This is a uniting time, uniting with the Word; that the Bridegroom and the Bride will become one. The Bridegroom is the Word, the Word is the Lord Jesus and we are the Bride who is to be married to Him. This is the time He's coming to take a bride. He is coming to take a people who are true to Him; who are true to His Word. Oh it's wonderful!

Many of you had cried in your heart for a reality. Many of you sat down in cold denominations for years. Many of you wanted a real experience. Some of you tried to get emotional, thinking emotion can bring an experience, but it couldn't last; it couldn't endure. It might be good for a moment but it doesn't give you power against sin. It doesn't give you power to live the Word. You feel good while you roll on the floor a little bit; it made you feel good when you felt a chill run down your back or your hair stood up on your head but that doesn't give you power to hold your flesh in subjection to the Word.

That is why Jesus never promised us a lot of emotions but He built His Church upon the revelation of the Word. The gates of hell shall not prevail against the church that is built upon the revelation of the Word. Amen! So we need the revelation of the Word. Jesus overcame the devil without one sign, one wonder or one miracle. He overcame the devil by the Word. It is written. It is also written. He showed us how to fight the devil. We don't have to get and plead and beg and cry or go and try to dream a dream or hope we see a vision. Faith will take the Word and apply the Word, hallelujah, and drive the enemy back. Amen. That is how Jesus fought the enemy.

How did Adam and Eve fall in the Garden of Eden? They got away from the Word. That is why we have to come back to the Word. Amen. And that is what God is doing. He is trying to bring you and line you up with the Word. So let our hearts be opened to the Word. Let us love that Word. Let us pray God gives us the revelation of that Word.

Faith comes by dreaming. Does the Bible say that? Faith comes by speaking in tongues. Did the Bible say that? "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word. [Romans 10:17 -Ed.] And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." [1st John 5:4 -Ed.] Amen. And the Word comes to the prophet and the Prophet brought the Word and the Word is to restore the faith. Hallelujah! As long as we stay with the Word, It will lead us on from victory to victory. So recognize my friends that the Holy Spirit has attracted your attention; is speaking to you by the voice of His Word. He is revealing to you His plan for this Age and He is taking the Word and showing you your place in that plan so you will know how to serve Him; you will know how you should walk.

And as we would look into the Word this morning, I want to speak a little message on, "EXPECTATIONS." When somebody promises you something, you expect it. Amen. The brothers were in the airport to meet me when I arrived. They knew of my coming. They knew the date of my arrival. They knew the airport I was going to come into. They expected to see me. And because they believed that I was coming they went down to the airport and they were waiting; and they were waiting. And then I came off the plane and then they recognized me. Amen.

Their expectations were confirmed but they couldn't have expectations if they didn't receive the knowledge that I was coming; if they didn't receive some communication; if they didn't know what time I was going to arrive. They might have just known I am

coming but they don't know when; what day. Even though they knew what day I was coming, they didn't know what hour I was coming and they still didn't know where I was coming. But they knew where I was coming. They knew what day I was coming. They knew what time I was coming. So their expectation was great. It wasn't well maybe he might come or maybe it might be here or maybe it might be over there. They knew exactly in their heart. Amen. Hallelujah. It was not a rumor. It was a reality. Why? It was communicated to them. All the details of our arrival were communicated to them.

And so the Lord has communicated to the Bride in this Hour all the details of His coming. It was a great mystery in the Bible. I will come like a thief in the night. Hallelujah! He says, "If the goodman had known what hour the thief would come his house would not be broken into." [Matthew 24:43, Luke 12:39 –Ed.] Amen. So there are parables about His coming in the Bible. He told a parable about the ten virgins and at midnight there was a voice saying, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh." [Matthew 25:6 –Ed.] And so the wise virgins had their lamps trimmed and filled with oil. They knew that voice was going to speak and when that voice spoke and said, "The Bridegroom is coming," they were ready to go in with the Bridegroom.

God gives us expectations. We must have expectations for when the promise is going to be fulfilled. The person who is not expecting anything is not going to look for it. The reason they are not making ready and making preparations for it is because they don't know about it or either they have not believed what was spoken to them. But when God told Moses, "Go and deliver the people, I will be with you Moses," he was expecting God to be with him and to see the people delivered. So when God promised Noah that rain was going to fall, "Prepare the ark Noah." After he prepared

the ark, God put him into the ark and God shut the door, he was expecting the rain to fall. Amen.

So we want to speak about "EXPECTATIONS." God's revealing the Word to us; letting us know the time; what Hour we are living in so we can expect the things that God has promised for this Hour because you get what you expect. Amen. So may we have faith to expect God to fulfill His Word in our lives! Somebody is sick and need healing, may they expect to be healed. Somebody is in captivity and needs deliverance, may they expect that deliverance. Amen. Somebody needs a clearer understanding of the Word, may they expect to receive it while they hear the Word. Somebody desires the baptism of the Holy Spirit, may they expect to receive It while the Word is being spoken, amen, like it was in the house of Cornelius. While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon them. [Acts 10:44 -Ed.] Amen. May we expect to receive because we get what we expect!

We came here expecting to have a meeting. If when you arrive here, everybody was given some food to go and feed the chickens, and then we go and pick some potatoes and then we say, "Okay bye, bye everybody." We say, "I thought we were going to have a service." You see! "We came expecting a service." So when we see the table set and the benches set, it confirmed our expectations. Amen. And so God prepares us to receive what He is going to do. So I would like to read a little portion of the Scriptures as we stand to our feet. It is written in the Book of Luke chapter 2 verse 25.

<sup>25</sup> And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was [righteous] and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.

<sup>26</sup> And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

- <sup>27</sup> And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,
- <sup>28</sup> Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said,
- <sup>29</sup> Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word:
  - <sup>30</sup> For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
- <sup>31</sup> Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
- <sup>32</sup> A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.
- <sup>33</sup> And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him.
- <sup>34</sup> And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against;
- <sup>35</sup> (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.

May the Lord bless the reading of His Word! You may have your seats. I know the sun might be directly in some of your eyes but I'm going to try to get through as best as I can. I don't want to it say quickly but I'm going to be mindful of you sitting in the sun; but we want to grasp the Word; we want to get into the atmosphere of it where we can hear it right; where we can receive something from it.

It's a beautiful story here. Many of us may have read it before about this man Simeon. The Bible said, "He was a very righteous man and he was waiting for the Consolation of Israel." And the Bible says, "And the Holy Ghost was upon Him and the Holy Spirit gave him a revelation that he will not die until he sees the Saviour of the world." It was promised for four thousand years

since the Garden of Eden where God said, "The woman shall receive a Seed and the woman's Seed will bruise the serpent's head." And in every generation they looked for that promise to come to pass and so many people died not seeing that great Saviour Who was going to come.

And this man named Simeon lived faithful and served the Lord all his life and one day God spoke to his heart and said, "Simeon, you will not die." Maybe he was sick many times and he said, "Oh I'm going to die." And he said, "I don't think I could live much longer." And God said, "No Simeon. You will not die. You will live until you see the Saviour of the world." What a revelation for an old man. Maybe many times after that he was sick and he thought, "Well here I am going to go today. Maybe it wasn't the Lord after all. It could have been my imagination."

But something down in his heart would keep him believing. Every time he grew a little weak, it seemed like a fresh anointing would come to strengthen him in his belief. And the Bible says this particular day... He didn't even know about the star that appeared in the sky. He didn't know about the shepherds finding the Messiah. He didn't know about the angels that came down and sang at the birth of the Saviour. He didn't know of the hardship that Joseph and Mary had to face to travel to Bethlehem. He didn't know that when they went to the hotel there was no room for them so they ended up in the stable.

But in the week before this experience all these things were taking place. And so they were leaving Bethlehem to travel to Jerusalem because the baby was born in Bethlehem but He was dedicated in Jerusalem. And while they were traveling that morning coming up to Jerusalem, the moments were becoming closer and closer. Maybe Simeon was now brushing his teeth; then he took his breakfast; then he put on his clothes and he is going up to the

temple for service that was the very morning Mary was coming with Jesus. The bride was coming with the Word. Hallelujah! And she is coming with the Word and Simeon, the old man with the Holy Ghost is coming into the service. What a beautiful experience.

And as we think about it; as we try to enter into the scene and let the Scripture become real because something like that is happening again today. Mary was called all kinds of evil names because she and Joseph were not even married when she became pregnant and everybody was saying that she committed fornication yet it had nothing to do with fornication. It was a Mighty Angel Who came down from Heaven with a message like in Revelation 10. A Mighty Angel came down with a message. She saw the Angel. The Angel spoke to her; showed her herself in the Bible. Her experience was the Scriptures.

But all those denominations were saying, "It's of the devil." Amen. But yet she held that baby with reverence. She embraced that Word because that Word was the Saviour. That Word was the Messiah. And she had nothing nice to dress Him up in. He was just wrapped in swaddling clothes. And she came with Him and as she walked up the steps of the temple, I can see her walking up the steps right now. And she is going with her little turtledoves. She is going to present Him according to the Word.

And at that very moment Simeon's in some room in the temple, that same Spirit Who had given Him a revelation, "One day Simeon, you will see the Word born into manifestation; you will see the Word that the prophets talked about; you will see the Word Isaiah prophesied about; you will see the Word Jeremiah wrote about; you will see the Word the prophet Moses spoke about; you would see the One Who all the types and shadows were about," Simeon felt that Spirit and in his heart and he began to remember, "God spoke to me. I believe something is happening. This is the day. I don't

know why but something tells me something is going to happen to me." He was expecting it. And the Bible says, "He was led by the Holy Spirit." And as he came out he saw that virgin, an ordinary little girl but there was something in her face. She looked so sincere. There was a purity about her, an innocence and the baby she had in her arms there was a magnetic pull in Simeon's heart. Amen.

Here was the very Word. The Word was made flesh, hallelujah, and the bride was embracing that Word. And Simeon began to get focused upon that Word. There were many other women with their babies. The Baptist had her baby; the Methodist had her baby; the Pentecostal had her baby but the little virgin bride, her Baby was the Messiah. Her Baby was the fulfillment of the Word. Her Baby was the manifestation of the Word spoken by the Angel. Amen.

And looked awav Simeon from all those denominational babies. He had dedicated thousands and thousands of them but he never dedicated one like this. This was the climax of his ministry. Amen. And so when she placed that baby in Simeon's arms but he had come from a revelation to the manifestation. The revelation was the Word in his heart which God spoke to him. But now he was touching the Word; now he was handling the Word, amen; now his eyes were looking upon the fulfillment of the promise.

When we look at this Message, what do we see? Do we see the fulfillment of the Bible? Do we see what was spoken by the prophets and the apostles; what was spoken in the Old Testament; what was spoken in the New Testament that in the last days there will come forth the Word in its fullness; in its completeness?

Simeon was expecting to see it. First he received a revelation, "You will not die until you see the Lord's Christ." That revelation gave him expectations and he kept looking every day, "Could this be the day?" He went from day to week to month

to year but the day had arrived. The promise was to be fulfilled. It was no longer going to be a revelation. It was now a manifestation, amen, that he could touch and handle. "This is the Word. This is what was revealed to me. This is the thing my heart longed for. This is the reality," amen, "that God was speaking about."

And he lifted that baby up as we lift up this Message, "Oh Lord, mine eyes have seen Thy salvation because that Baptist message couldn't save us. That Pentecostal message couldn't save us. It couldn't bring us to perfection. It couldn't give us rapturing faith. But my eyes have seen a message that is revealed in perfection; that is going to give me rapturing faith; faith to be changed; where this mortal will put on immortality." Amen. This is what we are seeing, the very Word that was promised for this Age. And when Simeon saw it, he was so happy.

When God gives a promise, He has a definite time and season to fulfill that promise. And whenever God promises something He has a predestinated people in whom He will fulfill that promise. In the days of Noah, God promised rain and He was going to save the world by the ministry of the prophet. And there was a time that the rain was going to fall. There was a sign of an ark that was to be built and that ark was the sign of coming judgment that rain was going to fall one day.

And the Word that was in the mouth of that prophet was calling the people out of the world so they could escape the judgment that was to come. And God being merciful to the people, had a way of escape from the judgment that those who would accept His Word; those who would obey that prophet's message, would come into the ark because that ark represented Christ. They had to obey the prophet's message and come into Christ to escape the judgment that was coming on the world. So God gave a promise. He had a definite time to fulfill that promise and He had a predestinated people, Noah

and his family. They entered into the ark and God fulfilled what He said.

In the days of Moses, God said, "I will deliver My people with a mighty hand. I will take them out of Egypt into the promised land." Pharaoh said, "I will not let them go." Amen. So it was Pharaoh's word against God's Word. It was a battle between God and Satan. Moses was God's mouthpiece and Pharaoh was Satan's mouthpiece. Amen. It was a great contest, battle, amen, whether God would fulfill His Word or whether Satan would prove he is stronger than God. What did Pharaoh do? He oppressed the people even greater!

What does denomination do today when God is calling His people out of denomination? Denomination made the burden stronger. They oppress the people more. They put fear upon them because the devil works with fear but God works with love and love casts out fear. Hallelujah! The devil tries to frighten you but God said, "Don't be afraid. The Lord is your light and your salvation, whom shall you fear? The Lord is the strength of your life of whom shall you be afraid? Though a host of denomination encamps round about you in this you will be confident," Psalms 27. Amen.

You don't have to be afraid of the devil. Just look at that prophet with the Pillar of Fire. And so the children of Israel they looked at Moses with that Pillar of Fire and the Word that was coming from that prophet's mouth and their faith was anointed. "This is the day of deliverance. We are going out. It's an exodus. God is going to bring to pass His Word." Amen.

It brought new hope to them. It brought new faith to them. Amen. God was fulfilling His promise in the time and the season He said He will do it because God had told Abraham in Genesis chapter 15, "Your people will sojourn in a strange land for four hundred years. They will be treated evil and they will be in much bondage but in the fourth generation I will bring them here again."

And so the church that started on the Day of Pentecost fell in the Dark Ages; went into denominational bondage but God promised in the last days, "I will restore." Hallelujah! I'll bring them back to the true faith. Behold I will send you Elijah, the prophet, hallelujah, and he will restore all things. Amen. He will turn the hearts of the children back to the faith of the fathers. Amen.

And so that prophet came with that Pillar of Fire and he began to speak that Word. He began to show them signs in Egypt and God called His people out. God gave His promise in the time and the season when it was promised; God came down and fulfilled it and God had a predestinated people. He called Israel out of Egypt. He called a nation out of a nation.

Today He is calling the Bride out from the denomination. Hallelujah! He is taking us to the promise. And the Bible said, "When the time of promise drew nigh..." They knew it was going to be four hundred years and they were checking the time. And when was about two more years there was an anointing. The people began to hunger. They began to get anxious. They began to expect it. Anytime now it's going to happen. They were looking everywhere to see God rise on the scene because they know that God keeps His Word.

And in that Hour Amram and Jochebed, the parents of Moses, they... When Moses was born the Bible said, "The parents of Moses saw he was a proper child." Something about this baby! At that time Pharaoh was killing out all the babies and something happened in the hearts of the parents of Moses. This is a proper child. There is something about this. This looks like the deliverance that God promised. This looks like the prophet of the Hour. This looks like the message of the Hour." And every man's heart was full of fear. And all afraid mothers were that the commandment, Pharaoh would kill them. But the Bible

said, "The parents of Moses didn't fear the wrath of the king."

And if you recognize the Message of the Hour you wouldn't fear the wrath of those denominational kings; all those Pharaohs that's trying to hold you in those denominations. But when Amram and Jochebed saw that baby, they hid it. Amen. The devil was not going to destroy that. They were determined to hide it from the enemy. They knew that they could be killed for what they were doing but they believed that this was the deliverance. When you believe the Message; when you recognize it; when you see the promise being fulfilled, you are willing to put your life behind it.

Look at the Queen of the South. She heard about the Wisdom of Solomon and she came. She travelled from far to come and hear of the Wisdom of Solomon. And when she saw and heard the Wisdom of Solomon, all that she had she put behind it. She was convinced, "This was it." She said, "I've heard about it but the half has not been told." Amen. It was more marvelous than she ever dreamed of. Oh, in this Message is such richness. It's so much that is promised us. It's so much that is taking place. May we recognize like the parents of Moses this is a proper Message! This is a proper child. This is the deliverance. May we put our lives behind it! May we have expectations!

Look at Daniel. Let me give you another example of expectations. When God reveals to you the time that you are living in; when you know what God promised to do in that time; and when you see that God has a predestinated people; when He is bringing to pass His Word... If we don't know what time of the day it is and we have an important appointment in that day, we might miss that appointment. We might be late for the appointment; we might have a watch on our hands but if that watch is not telling the correct time then we could have a lot of problems. It might be an appointment at 8 o'clock in the morning and our watch is now saying 5

o'clock. So we are all relaxed; we are not thinking about anything; we think we have a lot of time still and then somebody tells you, "Your watch has stopped."

And you say, "Oh my! I have an important appointment." And you say, "What time it is?"

They say, "Five to eight." They say, "Where is that

appointment?"

"That's two hundred kilometers away." You say, "Oh God, help me. I have a problem." Time is important.

When the Bridegroom came, the foolish virgins were not ready to go in with the Bridegroom. When the Messiah came, the Jews never recognized Him. He said, "If only you knew the day of your visitation." It's a great thing when we know the time; what time it is, amen, because it's a great time for you in this country. It's a great time for you in this region and you have to recognize your Hour. You have to catch the move of the Holy Spirit. You have to hear God's voice and recognize it's the Word and you have to move into it.

Jesus told the disciples one time, "Jerusalem will be compassed with armies. Let not your flight be in winter, neither on the Sabbath day." They had to be watching. They had to be looking for the sign of the gathering of those armies and they had to know when to move so they will not be caught in the trap of the enemy. And that's why it is important—so when the Word is speaking God is expressing His thoughts. He is giving us understanding. "The entrance of His Word giveth Light. His Word is a Lamp unto our feet and a Light unto our pathway." He sent the Word for us that we'll know how to walk in this Hour.

And so Daniel, Daniel was reading the writings of Jeremiah the prophet. Oh, it's wonderful to have the words of the prophet that you can read it because Jeremiah was the prophet in the time when Daniel was a little boy. And Jeremiah had prophesied Israel was going to be taken to captivity in Babylon for seventy years. And so when Israel was taken into captivity, one

day the Holy Spirit came upon Daniel and led him to consecrate himself. And Daniel began to read the word of the prophet. And he was studying the Books of Jeremiah and he came across a prophecy that you will be in Babylon for seventy years and then I'll bring you back to your land.

And Daniel began to count the time that he was in Babylon and he realized that when he came into Babylon as a little boy until that present time, sixty-eight years had already passed. And so he realized in two years time God will fulfill His promise and he became desperate. He realized it was urgent. He began to lay before God and pray. He began to confess his sin. He began to rehearse the promises before God, "Lord, You spoke to Your prophet Jeremiah. He spoke, "Thus SAITH THE LORD." According to this word, sixty-eight years have passed and You said in the seventieth year deliverance will come." He recognized the Hour he was living in. He recognized what promise was going to be fulfilled at that Hour. And because he understood what time it was and what was fixing to happen; he had the right expectations, then he knew what to prepare for.

Time is very important. In the beginning of creation when God created the sun the moon and the stars, it was to tell time. The sun was a great light for the day time and the moon was to rule the night and the stars were for signs and for seasons. And that was a great clock in the sky. And man would count time by sunrises and full moons. They would tell time by the position of the stars. But after a while they realized they needed to have more accurate—a better understanding of time so they would be able to plan things better; to plan their lives better. So they invented the calendar and they broke down the—in the calendar they began to tell time by years and months. And they broke down a year in so many months and they broke down the months in so many days. So now they can give a more

accurate description of time. They can say in a certain day on a certain month in a certain year.

And we find that after a while man realized they need to have even a more precise and accurate description of time. So from the calendar they invented the clock and the clock broke down the day to hours and minutes. And they found that was not sufficient so they put a second hand on the clock and that second hand broke down the minute to seconds. And in this great Age that we live in they realized that they still need to be a little more precise so they came to digital watches to break down seconds to milliseconds so they could tell you the fraction of a second. What time are we living in? God in His Word can so identify to us the very season, the very time, when His Word is coming to pass that we can walk with Him. Let me bring it to a close. I want to bring it to a close.

When Jesus came on the earth, He knew He was going to preach for just so many years. He was going to preach for three and a half years and then the Messiah was going to die on the Cross according to Daniel's seventy weeks. So Jesus knowing exactly where He was He went and He began to preach throughout the country. And when three and a half years was up Jesus said, "Now is My hour come. The Son of Man will go into Jerusalem. He will be delivered in the hands of sinful men."

A few days before He died, He so knew the time He was living in, He told them, "Go into the city, you will see a man with a pitcher on his shoulder. Follow that man and go into the house where he is going. And when you go into the house tell the master of the house that the Lord is going to have the Supper in His house." They walked out in the street, stood by the corner and after a few minutes a man came walking with a pitcher of water exactly like Jesus told them. They followed the man. The man went straight into a house. They looked

in a room and there was a table ready for the Supper. Oh my! What a faith!

Jesus was sitting in the house and a woman came in with a box of alabaster ointment and she began to anoint Him. And the Bible says when Jesus understood it, He said, "This is unto My burial." He was right in time with the Word; so precise. He sat at the table and as He broke the bread, He said, "He that eateth bread with Me will lift up his heel against Me." [John 13:18 –Ed.] Amen. He knew exactly what was going to happen. He was right in time with the Word.

We can be in time with the Word like that in this day. That is what serving God really is. That is what serving God is really all about. Amen. When we walk in the Spirit; when we have a true revelation of the Word, not just going back and forth to some denomination; not giving out books and tracts and church activity; you, the predestinated, recognizing in your life the Word for this Hour coming to pass in your life, you know you are the fulfillment of the Word. Amen.

And so many times we see how people misunderstood what God is doing. We traveled from Vilnius to come here. There were many exits along the way; many roads that could take you into different places. There were sharp curves along the way but the brothers who were driving the cars, they knew where they were going. They knew where to turn off. They could read the signs along the road because the road builder who built the road, put signs along the road that the traveler on that road would be able to locate and identify his destination. If the road had no signs, no directions, you wouldn't know where you're at; you wouldn't know how far again you have to go; you wouldn't know where you need to stop and get gasoline. But all these signs are along the road.

And so we are traveling on the road to Heaven. We are in a journey and the Bible is God's road map and God gave us signs along the way. Hallelujah! And God has given us a great sign. Look at Abraham. God called

him out of his country into another country and he was following the Lord and God is giving him signs along the way. One day he will come back young. One day his wife was going to bring forth the promised son. And just before they brought forth that son; just before they became young again, God appeared on the scene to Abraham, turned His back to them and discerned the thoughts in Sarah's heart.

God gave a sign in the Book of Genesis so they could know the time of the promise is near. They could know the Hour had come. He said, "I will return according to the time of life and Sarah will have that son." Oh my! It was the last sign before the body was changed. And as we look at God's road map and we see the junctions along the way, we know we're at the last junction. The world is going to fall apart. The Kingdom of God will come into existence just like Daniel saw a great Rock cut out without hands coming to smite the image in the feet and grow up into a great mountain. Amen.

Here we are in this Hour when these things are fixing to come to pass. And a prophet is always a sign of coming judgment. In the days of Noah before God destroyed the world, God sent a prophet. In the days before Israel was destroyed by Titus, the Roman general, and scattered into all the nations of the world, God sent John and Jesus. In the days of Moses before God destroyed Egypt, God sent Moses. A prophet is a sign of coming judgment. And He will send Elijah before the great and dreadful Day of the Lord. And we have recognized the fulfillment of that coming of that Prophet. That is why this means so much to us that God appeared in this day. He is calling out His people. He is calling us back to the Word. We are recognizing the time. We are recognizing the sign that identifies the time. Like Simeon, our eyes have seen the Salvation. Like the parents of Moses, we recognize this is the deliverer.

Look at Jesus. He knew it was a few days before the Holy Spirit would come and before He ascended into Heaven He told the apostles, "Go into Jerusalem and don't depart from there because not many days from now the Holy Ghost shall come upon you." Joel's promise was going to be fulfilled. And they recognized that it was time for the promise and they moved into that place and they were under expectations to receive the manifestation.

That is why this Message is different because in a denomination, you just go through form and ritual. You don't know the day you are living in; you don't know what is promised; you don't know what God is doing at present; you cannot find it in the Bible. But this Message has opened the Scriptures; has shown us how God works in every Age; shows us what Age we are living in; shows us God's plan for this Age; shows us how to prepare and make ready; shows us how to recognize the move of God today; shows us the Scriptures where these promises were given. Amen. And that is why we could preach it out of the Bible.

Like yesterday I was telling you about Mary, how she saw her name in the Bible; I was telling you about Elijah and Elisha; I'm telling you about Simeon and Daniel and them today and you can see all these things fit in your life. What does it do for you? It gives you faith. It makes you recognize your position. It makes the Scripture alive to you. It makes it relevant for today; applicable. It's not just history. It's something in the present tense. It gives you expectations. That is what the true Word always does.

That is why we know the Message is right. Walk in it; believe it; take it into your heart, amen; apply it in your life. Amen. Because Jesus said, "My sheep will hear My voice." It's God's grace to you. It's God's blessing. Like Simeon, God has preserved your life that you can see His Word coming to pass. Now you could

understand the reality and then God brings it to you. God remembered you. God was thinking about you.

We traveled tens of thousands of miles to get here. We came from a little third world country. It is so small that you might look on a map of the world and don't even find it. But yet we could be here and it doesn't matter where I came from but when you hear the Word you know that's God's Word. Something in your hearts tells you there is a reality because it's not my flesh and your flesh. It is my soul, which is part of God; and your soul which is part of God; and this Word which is God's Word, which is sent to quicken that soul that we could recognize the Word for our Age. Let's stand to our feet.

You have been wonderful audience and God's Presence is here. This is the moment when you hear the Word; when something tells you, "That's the Word." The Bible says, "Today, while it is called today," not yesterday; not tomorrow; "Today, if you would hear His voice, harden not your heart." [Hebrews 3:15 -Ed.] David said, "Thy Word oh Lord have I hid in my heart that I will not sin against Thee." [Psalms 119:11-Ed.] Take His Word into your heart and watch what He will do in your life. No matter what your condition is God spoke His Word and this earth that was dark and without form and void; in such a chaotic condition and God just began to speak His Word and God transformed that dark earth into a glorious, beautiful Eden. It said, "The Spirit of God moved." And when God moved He began to speak His Word.

How do you know a true move of God? Because somebody is dreaming; because somebody is speaking in tongues or because God is speaking His Word! The first time God ever moved in the Bible; the first move of the Spirit of God is in Genesis 1. His earth needed deliverance from the darkness. And how God delivered the earth? He spoke His Word. He said, "Let there be light," and the light drove the darkness back. And the

Spirit of God transformed the earth into a paradise that God came down in that earth and walked in that earth.

And if God moves upon your life; speaks His Word over you; separate the darkness from you and transforms you; makes you a new creation that God will dwell in you and walk in you, He is still the same God. You could receive it. Take it into your heart. Young and old receive it today. I know that God's Spirit is here. I know God's Presence is here. It is His inspiration. It is His revelation. It is His Word giving us faith, giving us expectations because He has called you. He wants to begin a marvelous work that He can work in you and through you and by you bring others, amen, because there are others yet to come. But you must be ready; you must be surrendered to the Word and you must have a heart to walk in that Word. Amen.

Let us pray. And I'm going to pray and where you stand right there in your heart, not just in your mind but in your heart, unite with me in prayer. As we pray to the Lord Jesus believe for deliverance; believe for a true revelation; believe for a change.

Almighty God this is Your people. You have spoken to them today. You gathered them for this purpose. You anointed Your Word. We could not have this experience if Your Presence did not come and anoint Your Word. But You anointed It; You inspired It to us; You gave us faith; You lifted our expectations and there are many who are needy right now. I pray dear God that Your Holy Spirit would move over this audience of people and may You touch them Lord and may You bring a change. These whom You are calling out; calling them out of the world; calling them from the denominations; calling them to a separation that they might come into union with You that You might lead them; that You might work in them; that You will do Your work through them; that You will fulfill Your promise for this Hour. May You grant it this day, Father

You know everyone by name and You know the need in every life. As the Holy Ghost overshadowed Mary overshadow these Lord and let the Word be pregnated in them that they can bring forth this Christ, this great salvation that You have prepared. It will be evil spoken against but may they be willing to bear the reproach for the Word. Give them courage and strength. Raise up amongst them the ones that are necessary to lead and guide; to take positions where the work can grow and develop and become a living body of believers; become Your church in this region. Hallelujah! God may You grant it this day and may You add to the church such as should be saved. May You grant it Father! We commit them unto You in the precious Name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Those who need to be baptized, may they repent and be baptized, correctly baptized in the only way that they were ever baptized in the Bible that is in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ and may they follow on in all of the Word. Those who need the true baptism of the Holy Spirit, not just some little sensation but a true experience where the old things pass away and all things become new, Lord may You grant it.

Those who are sick may they be healed. Those who have fear may they be delivered from that fear. May the love of God come into their hearts and take away the torment and give courage and faith. Grant it Lord. Those who are confused take away their confusion. Give them understanding in the Name of Jesus Christ. We thank You for it Father for we pray and believe. We receive it in the Name of Jesus Christ, amen.

God bless you.

[There was a short break then the meeting continues. -Ed.]

Well we are happy to continue again with these questions and answers. And there has just been a few questions and very simple but nevertheless we would try to express them to the best of our ability for God's glory. And I would try my best to give you a Scripture reference for your answer because our whole objective is to show you that we must live by the Word of God. If we ask a Bible question, there is a Bible answer. It is not my idea or your idea. The Bible says, "We must cast down all reasonings and imaginations." We must live by the Word of God.

Sometimes we might have an idea that sounds very good or sometimes we may have a reasoning that seems very reasonable but that is what caused all the problem in the beginning in the Garden of Eden. We are not to reason with the Word. We are not to put our ideas into the Word. We are to receive the Word that is already expressed in the Bible. Amen. Anytime we receive a revelation that does not compare with this revelation, this Bible, the Word of God, then that's a wrong revelation because the Bible says, "Try every spirit and see whether it is of the Word." There are many spirits but there is one Word and the Holy Spirit will always speak in accordance with the Word that the Holy Spirit wrote.

In the Old Testament they had a Urim and Thummim. The priest would wear something call a Urim and Thummim and when somebody receives a dream or a vision they couldn't just go and spread it out among the people. They had to come before the priest and speak that dream or that vision. And if that Urim and Thummim didn't light up, it was not of God.

And so we realize we could receive a dream; we could receive a vision but it must be in accordance with the Word. If it is contrary with the Word, then we should lay it aside. Today God's Urim and Thummim is His Word. The Bible said, "To add one word to this Bible all the plagues in this Book will be added to you and to take away one word your name will be taken out of the Book."

So I realize it is a great responsibility upon me to answer your question that if I would answer my own thoughts or what I think I am treading on dangerous ground. But if I would answer your question I would try to answer it by the Bible because I want to be sincere first before the Lord and then to you, the Lord's people and I would like to speak it for your edification.

If we have a different idea and we have a Scripture for our idea and that idea is right according to the Word, I would like to submit myself for correction. But I will also like you, if you have an idea that is contrary to the Bible, that if I give you the Scripture and you realize you had a different interpretation, I will also like you to submit yourself to the Word because we both must live by the Word. Our purpose here today is not to show how much we know or who knows more than whom. Our purpose here is to assist God's people in walking closer to Him.

So we have had some questions and you who wrote out your questions, when I call the list of subjects, then if you didn't hear something you were asking a question about, you can put up your hand because we went through the questions and I listed them and I'm just going to deal with the subjects.

A question was of laying on of hands; one was on the outward appearance of Christians; one was about tithings. There was a question about the gift of the Holy Spirit; about what is the evidence and so on. Someone was interested in knowing where to fellowship; where to worship the Lord. There was a question on women commission and covering of heads and there was a question on birth control. Did anybody fail to hear their question? Okay. And we had a prayer request. Amen.

# Questions and Answer 1:

So we're going to begin with laying on of hands. Laying on of hands it comes out of the Scriptures in 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy chapter 4, verse 14. Paul was speaking to Timothy and in verse 14 he says:

<sup>14</sup> Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

And in 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy chapter 1, verse 6, He says:

<sup>6</sup> Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

We must not think for one moment that laying your hands upon somebody puts a gift inside of them. It doesn't say that. What was being expressed here, laying on of hands was a sign when a gift was recognized in a person. In the Old Testament, God had different methods like when they would ordain somebody in a particular office. In some places they poured a horn of oil upon them as a sign of anointing that person for the office or they would take the mantle, the coat and put it upon the person. And in the New Testament they laid hands on them as a sign that this person had a calling in their life because gifts and calling are without repentance.

And so we realize... Because God told Jeremiah, "Before thou was even formed in thy mother's womb I ordained you to be a prophet." So we realize people are born into the earth what they are. This was predestinated before the foundation of the world. But many people can claim to have many things. And so laying on of hands was a sign where the elders recognized a gift in a person and they were giving witness before the people that such a gift has been recognized in a particular person. There was also laying on of hands for the sick but the question here on laying on of hands were relating to a person being recognized that they had a gift. I trust that, that would be sufficient for the person or if there is something further they will have the opportunity to ask after. Amen.

### Questions and Answers 2:

Then outward appearance of Christians! The Bible says in Romans chapter 12 verse 1 and 2:

- <sup>1</sup> I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
- <sup>2</sup> And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

I would like to read a couple more. 1st John chapter 2, verses 15 and 16 and 17!

<sup>15</sup> Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

<sup>16</sup> For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

<sup>17</sup> And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Now 1st Timothy chapter 2 verse 9 and 10:

<sup>9</sup> In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with [Godly fear] and sobriety; not with [plaited] hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;

<sup>10</sup> But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

1st Peter chapter 3, verse 1-4,

- <sup>1</sup> [In like manner,] ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the [behavior] of the wives;
- <sup>2</sup> While they behold your chaste [conduct] coupled with fear.
- <sup>3</sup> Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

<sup>4</sup> But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.

So we see from these Scriptures which we have read our outward appearance should not be like the fashions of the world. We should not be conformed to the image of the world. The world is projecting their image. You see it in the magazines; you see it on the television; you see it plastered up everywhere in the stores. They put it out there to seduce us. It looks pleasant to the eyes, because Satan is featured in worldly beauty; outward beauty. But the Bible is saying that will pass away and the lust of it will pass away.

God has called us out of the world. He has called us to separation from the world. And the Bible says women should be dress modestly. We should carry about ourselves decently. It should not just be an outward adorning of wearing of gold and necklaces and all these things. It should be the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit.

Satan has designed what he has called the modern woman. She is the woman that is going to step out into the man's world and compete with the man. She cuts of her hair; she smokes; she steps into man's clothing and she becomes perverted. But Satan has presented it through Hollywood to be attractive. He makes it look successful but it's a deception. He has taken the man and made them grow long hair. He dresses them in little shorts and he puts them out there in a perverted condition. He has perverted the man and he has perverted the woman and they call it fashionable. He has stripped the women naked and put them out in the street.

The only time somebody was naked in the Bible was when they were demon possessed but when the demons were cast off of them they put on clothes. And so we see that in the Bible when Nebuchadnezzar was insane and he was like an animal living out in the grass, all his fingernails grew long like claws. And the only woman who ever painted herself was Jezebel in the Bible and she became dog meat. The judgment of God fed her to the dogs. But today what do we see? Naked women, long nails, all painted up and it's called fashion. But we look in the Bible it was demon possession. And it was the effects of an insane condition and the judgment of God. But Satan has deformed the world. God has sent His Light to us. He opened our understanding. We see the evil and He has separated us from it. We have a new image, the image of the Lord Jesus; not the physical body but the Life of Jesus Christ and we want to become like that Life. We want to be like Him.

So our outward appearance should be decent because we are an example to the world; we are an example to our children; we are an example to each believer. We have to walk with that kind of consideration. We want to project the right kind of influence because we are influencing somebody. If we dress worldly, our children will want to pattern themselves like us. We will confuse the unbeliever. They will see no difference between themselves and us. God says His people are a peculiar people. We must be separated. We must dress properly.

Satan invented miniskirts to cause men to lust. A woman's body is holy. She must keep herself covered. The Bible says, "If a man looks upon a woman to lust, he has committed adultery with her already." [Matthew 5:28 -Ed.] He doesn't have to commit the act. He just has to look upon the woman to lust and she will be guilty of adultery because she has presented herself in that manner. Satan talks about the sexy woman but God will not take a daughter of God and put her to tempt a son of God. To be a Christian is a very responsible calling.

We are the light of the world. We are the salt of the earth. We are God's standard and we must reflect the

Word in our dressing, in our conversation, in our behavior; in our attitude. Amen. So it is very important how we dress ourselves. "Modestly," the Bible says; our body properly covered. We should have clothes that are comfortable when we're seated. We don't have to be fighting to pull down our clothes. Our clothes so tight upon us that every time we walk our under clothes are showing. We must be decent. We must dress with modesty. We must not take the fashions of the world. Those clothes designers, people feel that when they wear a certain brand of clothes it makes them a better person. New clothes don't make a new man. It's still the old man dressed up in new fashions.

Long ago they had the vodka and it was in an old bottle. Today they dress up the bottle real nice; put a nice advertisement; put some young lady and young man drinking this vodka and all they do is entice more people; make it beautiful to entice people. It is sin dressed up in modern clothing. So God doesn't want us to be like that. Our outward appearance must reflect true Christianity.

## **Questions and Answers 3:**

The next question was on women commission. If women in the Bible had been given a special commission that commission is to bear children and raise them up in the way of the Lord. Theology, false theology has tried to give the woman a different place. But as we read the Bible in 1st Timothy chapter 2, verse 11, it says,

- <sup>11</sup> Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.
- <sup>12</sup> But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.
  - <sup>13</sup> For Adam was first formed; then Eve.
- <sup>14</sup> And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.

<sup>15</sup> Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and [love] and holiness with sobriety.

Notice what Paul is saying. Paul says, "If an Angel comes down from Heaven and preaches something different to what was already preached let it be a curse." Today you have people who wants to change what is written in the Bible because they want to have some authority. They want to draw some attention to themselves and they don't realize how fearful it is because the Bible says, "If an Angel comes down from Heaven." I guess many people would feel very blessed that if an Angel came down from Heaven and talked to them. But what is the Angel saying? If that Angel is not speaking according to the Bible, you better let that Angel be a curse. Amen. But people don't realize the importance of the Word. Paul gives his reason why a woman must learn in silence with all subjection. He is giving his reason. He says,

<sup>13</sup> For Adam was first formed; then Eve.

<sup>14</sup> And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression

And Paul goes back to Genesis in the Garden of Eden when Eve was deceived by the serpent. He goes back into Genesis in the order of creation, "Adam was first formed, then Eve." And there was something that happened there that disqualified the woman from taking authority over the man from quite back in the Garden of Eden. And look at 1st Corinthians 14! The Bible says, "Let everything to be established to be the truth in the mouth of two or three witnesses." [2nd Corinthians 13:1 -Ed.] 1st Corinthians 11 sorry. 1st Corinthians 11, we are going to read from verse 3. 1st Corinthians 11 verse 3:

<sup>3</sup> But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head

of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

As Paul is getting ready to introduce the order of God in the church, he lays a foundation – the Head of every man is Christ; the head of the woman is the man and the Head of Christ is God. So we have the order: God, man, woman.

This Book of Corinthians is a Book of correction. Paul was the one who established the Corinthian church. While they were heathens and sinners, Paul met the Pillar of Fire and was given the commission to bring the revelation of God for that Age. And he went into the city of Corinth and he began to preach the Gospel in Acts 16 and a group of believers came out and they were established in the Word. And when Paul went away people in the church began to rise up with their own ideas. They began to have all kinds of disorder in the church. So Paul wrote this letter to correct the church and to establish the true order of God. And he says,

<sup>4</sup> Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head.

Why does a man praying with his head covered dishonoreth his head? I'm asking a question. Verse 4 says,

<sup>4</sup> Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head.

Why does he dishonor his head? In verse 3 it tells us, "Christ is the Head of the man and God is the Head of Christ." So after he gives us the order he begins with the man. After Paul established the order of God is the Head of Christ; Christ is the Head of the man and the man is the head of the woman, he says, "If the man prays with his head covered, he dishonoreth his Head." Who is the man's Head? Christ!

<sup>5</sup> But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven.

He is dealing with the woman's head now. Who is the woman's head? The man! And when she prays with her head uncovered she dishonoreth her head. How does she dishonor her husband? What is so dishonorable? We must first know what the covering is because Paul says she has a covering. But if she uncovers her head it is better she was shaved; take a razor and completely shave it off clean.

What are women doing today? They're trimming their hair. They are cutting it into different styles. They are not shaving it completely but they are altering their covering. They are changing it to the modern fashion from the way that it was given to them by God. He says, "It's best they shave their head completely because when they begin to trim that hair there are uncovering their head." I know some of you wear a little handkerchief or something on your head but that is really a Catholic tradition. As I read the Scriptures in 1st Corinthians 11, as I said, "Let every man's word be a lie but let God's Word be the Truth." Not what I think; not what you think; what God's Word says. Let's keep on reading.

<sup>6</sup> For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.

<sup>7</sup> For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man.

He goes back to the original order again. He gives us the reason. He's explaining something to the church. He is correcting the church. He's establishing the true order of God and he's giving his reason as he makes his point. He says, "The man is the image and glory of God but the woman is the glory of the man."

<sup>8</sup> For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man.

Adam was first formed then Eve because God is a man, God is not a woman. Amen, because God made man...

- <sup>8</sup> [But] the man is not of the woman; (verse 8 again) but the woman of the man.
- <sup>9</sup> Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.

What does that have to do with covering? You say it has nothing to do with covering. Then why is Paul using those examples? Why he is pointing them back to creation? It has to do everything with covering. Verse 10:

<sup>10</sup> For this cause ought the woman to have [authority] on her head because of the angels.

He's not talking about Angels in Heaven. Angels are messengers; messengers that bring the Word. Paul is saying when a man comes in the church with the Word and he sees women with their heads all chopped up; cut in the fashions of the world and they don't realize when they do that they dishonor their head who is their husband. That man who has the Word would correct that thing because a woman must understand her place in the economy of God; because a woman is a type of the Church. Christ and the Church are like a husband and a wife and when a woman dresses worldly and carries about herself worldly, she cannot reflect the true Church of God.

In Revelation 17, what did God call the systems of the world, the denominations? The whore and harlots! But what did God call the true church? A virgin; a Bride! Two women, one immoral and one virtuous! What did Solomon say? "Who can find a virtuous woman?" [Proverbs 31:10 -Ed.] God is looking for a bride today. God

cannot take the denominations for a wife because God called them harlots and Christ wouldn't get married to a harlot; because they obey man's word instead of God's Word. They received man's seed. They received man's doctrine and they commit spiritual fornication. When a woman goes with another man who is not her husband, she is committing fornication and adultery. And so God is saying the church has to receive His Word and His Word alone if she is a virgin. So the woman must have authority on her head because of the angels.

<sup>11</sup> Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.

<sup>12</sup> For as the woman is of the man, even so is the man also by the woman; but all things of God.

Because today a woman gives birth to a male and female! Verse 13, Paul is telling the church,

<sup>13</sup> Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?

<sup>14</sup> Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

Get the thought. "It is uncomely that a woman should pray to God with her head uncovered." And he gives you an example again, "If a man has long hair, it's a shame to him because a man must not pray with his head covered." What is the covering he's talking about? The hair! If a man has long hair, it's a shame to him and if a woman has short hair, it's a shame to her.

Now we might have been influenced by fashion. Our minds might be so darkened while we were in the world and Satan had us in deception, we didn't realize how dishonorable it was for a woman to cut her hair. And now that we came to the Word and we begin to learn God's ways and see the will of God. Why God gave a woman long hair; what He gave her long hair for; what it symbolizes; how it is her glory? They fail to realize

what a great thing in the sight of God it was to them when they had long hair. Listen again. Verse 15:

<sup>15</sup> But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

He makes his point. All through the text he was making a point. He was talking about men with long hair and women with short hair praying before God; how Christ is the Head of the man; the man is the head of the woman and now he makes his point. Why a woman must not cut her hair? Her hair was given her for a covering. She doesn't need a covering to cover the covering. The covering was the hair and she should not cut it.

They were trimming little pieces and Paul said, "It's best you take a razor and shave your whole head." Don't just trim little pieces. When a woman cuts her hair, she disrespects her husband. Look at the deception of the devil. Women walk about with bobbed hair. They find they look fashionable. Not for one moment they think they are disrespecting their husbands. But when they put a piece of cloth on their head, they feel holy; a piece of man-made cloth. And what nature gave them; what God gave them they cut it off to put a man-made piece of cloth.

God never say the man-made cloth is your glory. He said, "Your hair is your glory." He never said you dishonor your husband when you take off your manmade covering. He said, "You dishonor your husband when you cut your hair; when you begin to take off your spirit covering; God-given covering." And how do the women take off their God-given covering? They go in the beauty salon and they sit down on the chair and they let some Jezebel begin to cut their hair. They are taking off their God-given covering. Amen. "If an Angel comes down from Heaven and says anything different to this," what Paul said in 1st Corinthians 11, "let it be a curse."

Tithings, tithings are one tenth of your earnings. The Bible says, "They who preach the Gospel must live by the Gospel." There are many examples given in the Bible. It says, "Thou must not muzzle the ox that treads the corn." [Deuteronomy 25:4 –Ed.] In the Old Testament, it was the way God ordained for the ministry and that is why a true minister will live by the Gospel. It is something that requires our entire life. Tithings are spoken in the Old Testament and in the New Testament. In the Book Hebrews, Paul even speaks of tithings how Abraham paid tithes to Melchisedec. Hebrews chapter 7, Paul speaks of Abraham paying tithings to Melchisedec and we become Abraham's seed by being in Christ.

The Prophet of God said, "A true Christian will pay their tithings." It's not that God needs our money because David said, he said, "Lord, we only give back to You what You have given us." It is God Who provides for us. It is God Who supplies our needs. But God has an administration in His economy whereby we can receive financial blessings. And God said, "Many people are not blessed financially because they fail to pay their tithings." So God shuts up the heavens. He said, "You pay your tithings and I will open the windows of Heaven and pour out a blessing upon you," Malachi chapter 3.

Also in the Bible... The Prophet also said that tithings go to the Pastor where you receive your spiritual food. Your offering is something different. Your offerings are what you give to God. Your tithings are what belong to God. The people's offerings are what we give to God; we offer it to God but tithings belong to God. You don't give God tithings. If you read the Old Testament God says, "The firstfruits belong to me." That is why they had to take their firstfruits and take it to His temple and offer it to God. That belongs to God. We must know we rob God when we don't give God what belongs to him. But when we understand our place in God's economy and we understand the method of how God blesses us

financially, just like Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, we could give God what belongs to him. I want to close. I have two more questions we need to answer.

## Question and Answer 4:

Where to fellowship? Somebody asks the question, "I'm coming out of the Baptist church. Should I fellowship among you?"

If the Word is being preached where you see where the Presence of Jesus Christ is; where there are true believers gathered together who believe that Word, that is where you will want to fellowship. You look to see where the Word is because where the carcass is there the eagles will be gathered together. And the Bible says, "Don't forsake the assembling of yourselves much more you see the day approaching because where two or three are gathered in My Name there I am in the midst." Believers should fellowship. Come where there is a faithful minister that will preach the Truth of God's Word. Amen.

## Question and Answers 5:

And the last question, gifts of the Holy Spirit. "Does it mean that somebody is Spirit-filled when they manifest a gift?"

I would like to quote you a few places in the Scripture where people manifested gifts and it was not of God. Judas cast out devils. Judas had power to perform miracles. Judas was chosen by Jesus. Jesus said, "Have not I chosen you twelve and one is a devil?" [John 6:70 –Ed.] Judas was born the son of perdition yet Judas was casting out devils; yet Judas was performing miracles and he was rejoicing with the rest that the devils were subject unto them. And Jesus said, "Don't rejoice that the devil is subject to you; rejoice that your name is in Heaven; written in Heaven." [Luke 10:20 –Ed.]

Look at Balaam. Balaam saw visions. God spoke to Balaam but Balaam sold out his gift for money and caused the children of Israel to commit fornication with the children of Moab. In the Bible in the Book of Acts,

Paul went into a city and there was a young girl with a spirit of divination, Acts 16:16. This girl was possessed with a devil that would tell people their future. And when she saw Paul and them coming in the city she said, "These men are servants of the Most High God come to show us the way of Salvation."

Was that correct? It was correct! Did Paul glorify God for it? No! Paul turned around and cast the devil out of her. When the priest was calling Jesus Beelzebub, the devils in the people were saying, "Jesus, Thou Holy One, You've come to torment us before time." The priest didn't know Who Jesus was but the devils knew Who Jesus was.

Today if somebody would manifest a gift like that, what would we do? We say, "Praise the Lord that person has a gift." How can you tell it's not a devil? You see what I'm saying. You don't just run after a gift. Is it speaking according to the Bible? Because the Bible says those men who were in control of that girl with the gift were making lots of money by telling everybody their future but it was a devil.

So gifts and calling are without repentance. An unrepentant person could have a gift, chapter 7. Jesus said, "Many will come unto Me in the last days and say 'Lord, didn't I prophesy in Your Name? Didn't I cast out devils? Didn't I heal the sick?" He said, "I will say unto them 'Depart from Me you workers of iniquity, I never knew you."

Matthew 24: 24, it says, "Many will do great signs and wonders in the last days and deceive many." Gifts are no sign of being filled with the Spirit. To be truly filled with the Holy Spirit you will be a new creation in Christ and you would be able to agree with every Word spoken in this Bible. You will have the literal life of Jesus Christ in you.

And the question on birth control, we had made a little tape with some of these things and our Bro. Paul

has it and I think it'll be very lengthy. He will play it for you and let you know about those things.

So we want to close at this time. And I trust that some of the questions that were asked, we must not confuse manifestations of the Holy Spirit with evidence of the Holy Spirit. That is why a person could manifest gifts and be lost but you could never have evidence and be lost. Evidence identifies you as a true believer.

I know I have spoken to you the Word and I know if you have evidence you will be able to take this Word even though you were wrong. You would be able to receive correction. The spirit in you will make you walk in the Word when you see the Word. Let us all stand to our feet. Let just have a word of prayer.

Father, we have tried our best to answer these questions with love and concern for Your people that they might be assisted and that they might be better Christians. You are working amongst them. You are calling them out to bring them into the fullness of Your Word; into the fullness of Your Life. I pray that the Holy Spirit would enlighten them; give them understanding; give them a witness that they heard Your Word today. Bless them for the sacrifice that they have made to be gathered here together; to sit in the heat of the sun to hear Your Word. Bless them for it Lord. Keep them together. Bring them in one mind and one accord.

