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FOREWORD

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Excerpt.

Did the Prophet have a real revelation of the Cross? Did he die daily? Did God have pre-eminence in his life? Did his prayer have power? He had those two Altars. He had those two Altars. You offer yourself a living sacrifice, you die daily. That's your daily ministration: sacrifice offered up every day.

Paul said, "I die daily." What was he talking about? A daily sacrifice...daily sacrifice. "Pray without ceasing!" What was he talking about? "Praying always with all prayers and supplication and with thanksgiving, making your request known unto God with joy, singing to yourself in spiritual hymns and psalms." What was he talking about? Incense, the Golden Altar in his life – a worshiper; a worshiper to worship God in Spirit and Truth; a real worshiper to worship God in Spirit and Truth. [Page 34]

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[#49 - Songs That Live -Ed.]
Oh, would you walk with the Lord,
Would you walk with the Lord,
In the light of His Word,
... light of His Word,
And have peace and contentment...?
... contentment always?
You must do His sweet will,
You must do His sweet will,
To be free from all ill;
... your all you must lay.
How many are ready to lay their all this morning?

CHORUS

Is your all on the altar...?

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?

Your heart does the spirit control,

You can only be blessed and

Have peace and sweet rest,

As you yield Him...

As you yield Him your body and soul.

Oh, we never can know, What the Lord will bestow.

Let's trust Him today. He is gracious; He is willing to come to the assistance of anyone this morning, whose heart is open, who can confess in His Presence what He is able to do for them. Watch Him intercede upon that confession.

Till our body and soul,
He doth fully control
And our all on the altar is laid.
... the altar...

reservation and make a full surrender?

Can't we love Him enough to come without

CHORUS

Is your all on the altar?

He gave up His all for us. He took our place. He became us that we might become Him. He didn't hold back. Hallelujah!

Does the spirit control,

You can only be blessed

And have peace and sweet rest,

That's a rest from all sin, amen; a rest in a realm of perfect faith.

As you yield Him your body and soul,

Who can tell all the love

He will send from above,

This great Dove of Agapo Love, this morning. This blessed Holy Spirit, how we want Him to flutter into our hearts.

...from above

And how happy our hearts will be made,

... our hearts will be made,

Oh, of the fellowship sweet

... of the fellowship sweet

We shall share [today as we gather around] at His feet; [Think of it.]

When our all on the altar is laid?

Oh, believe to receive from Him today. He is faithful; He will not disappoint you. Amen.

CHORUS

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?

Oh, we are a Royal Priesthood that He has chosen to worship Him, to minister in the sanctuary, (amen) to let our praise come up as incense, sweet incense before Him, Oh, that it might be an odor of a sweet smelling savor today.

You can only be blessed and Have peace and sweet rest, As you yield Him your body and soul.

Thank You, Lord. Thank You, Jesus. Let's bow our hearts in His mighty Presence. We sing this song of consecration; we sing this song of surrender and sacrifice. We offer that from the depths of our hearts to Him because we love Him, because we know whom we worship because we know what He has done for us. We know what He is doing for us. We know the promises that He has given unto us; the things that He is preparing us to receive even in this very Hour. How it humbles us; yet it thrills us to think that One would love us like this; we who were unlovable, we who will never ever be deserving of this great kindness. Truly, His loving kindness is better than life. Our lips shall praise Him, thus will we bless Him. We will lift up our hands in His Name.

Oh Father, we give You thanks today, dear God. How great and awesome is Your mighty Presence! How wonderful and excellent is Thy Name in all the earth, oh God! There is none like unto Thee!

Oh, God, we embrace this privilege, this golden opportunity to enter Your courts with praise, to come into Your gates with thanksgiving, to come, oh God, as a people who have been at the Brass Altar, who have washed at the laver, who have been dressed in the Holy Garments, anointed with the Oil, sprinkled with the Blood and to come, Lord, into Your great Sanctuary, where only a chosen people can come, Lord, to offer our

praise, to bow down before You, to worship You, to lift up Your great, mighty Name.

Oh, God, we thank You today, Father. How great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. Blessed be His wonderful Name today. May Your Divine Presence condescend and overshadow this entire assembly of worshipers today, for the Father seeketh such to worship Him that they who will worship Him, will worship in Spirit and Truth; and we have no desire to come any other way.

We have no strange altar, we have no strange incense, oh God, we have no strange fire but we come, oh God, in the only provided place of worship. We come by the new and living way, through Your very own Blood, Father; and we come in the merits of what You have done, to stand before the Throne of grace with confidence, knowing, Lord God, what we are asking is according to Your will, Father. Lord Jesus, and You said if we ask according to Your will we have the very petition that we desire from You. This is our confidence, dear God, that we are lining up our thoughts with Your thoughts.

Oh God, take full charge today, Father, and let the blessed Holy Spirit, Lord, sanctify every worshiper, sanctify every believer standing here, everyone that is within our gates today, everyone that You have drawn by Your Holy Presence, that, Lord God, You might minister unto us, and we might be ministered into such a spot, Lord, where the things that You have promised, we would be in condition to receive it. And, dear God, we would be in harmony with Your Divine will that You could look down upon us and be pleased and the Holy Fire of God can come and receive us, as we offer ourselves unto You a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto You, knowing that this is a reasonable service. Grant it, oh God,

Lead and direct us in all that is to be said and done today. Get honor and glory. We'll not fail to give You

praise and thanks, for we ask these mercies in the Almighty and precious Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, amen. Amen. Thank You, Lord.

God richly bless you. We certainly appreciate the privilege to be in His house once again. David said, "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Does it excite you to come into His house? You look forward to coming into His house? And when you come into His house you come with an offering of yourself, to offer yourself a living sacrifice, you come with the fruits of your lips giving praise and thanks. Is that how you come?

That is the way He has said to come. That's the way we want to approach Him, by the grace of Almighty God because we know in Whose Presence we come. We know Who we are coming unto and we know why we come, by the grace of God. Amen. It is only the grace of God that could bring us here today. Blessed be His wonderful Name.

I would like to invite your attention over to the Book of Psalms, Psalm 65 and Psalm 141. I told you on Friday, I have a little message I would like to preach. And I've been studying all week on this, and sometimes it gets so large, you get in the pulpit on a day like this and you desire to speak and you just don't know how you can say all what God has put on your heart.

We trust that God would give us grace and leadership and direction because we don't want to speak to be heard. We don't want to stand here to be seen. We don't come to say anything to impress one another, but I believe that because of how God has been dealing with us, and it is a 'call to prayer', I would like to speak in a way that what I've been studying is to help the church come into a deeper life of prayer, greater power in prayer. And that's where I'm speaking around this morning because I know that this is the will of God concerning us.

And we trust that He would help us by the Word to bring it out in a way that it could inspire our faith and cultivate such a spirit of prayer, that the very spirit of prayer would consume this place. This is our desire that we would be a consecrated people before God in this hour. Amen.

Psalm 65, a very familiar Psalm. I spoke on it before. Verse 1:

- ¹ Praise waiteth for thee, oh God, in Zion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed:
- ² O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.
- ³ Iniquities prevail against me: as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away. What an expression of confidence!

Iniquities prevail against me; as for our transgressions thou shall purge them away!

Oh, that we could come to God like that, friends, to know if we can come to Him, it's His desire for us to come. It was He, when man couldn't come, Who decided to come to take our judgment, to give His Son to be a propitiation, to remove every obstacle to bring us back. As we read this, I want you to catch David's revelation of God's provided way of approach to worship in Spirit and in Truth.

He wasn't just a person, "Blah-blah-blah," he was a person who knew God. He was a person who walked with God. He understood; he had studied. He said, "I long to be in Your courts. I desire to live in Your house, to dwell in the house of the Lord; to worship and to inquire of You in Your temple." So he understood the approach to God. Look at him:

O thou that hearest prayer...

He knew that God heard prayer. He knew God purged iniquity. He knew God desired praise. He said, "Praise waiteth for thee in Zion." He knew when a man

makes a vow he must pay that vow before God. He said, "And unto thee shall the vow be performed."

He wasn't just a man coming to church; he was a man that made vows to God. "I vow I will walk uprightly. I vow I will live clean and holy. I vow I will separate from the unbelief. I vow I will stand for the Truth. I refuse to be part of unbelief. I vow before God I'll live for Him all the days of my life." Amen.

He was a man that made vows to God. Amen. He knew God expected of him, and he wanted to meet God in a place where he could respond to the heart of God.

⁴ Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach...

He knew that the priesthood, who had the privilege to draw near and have access to God, was by election. They didn't vote them in as priests. It is God who came down and separated Aaron and his sons and said, "The priesthood is in you. Only those who are born from your loins and in your family can be a priest to Me." Oh my! He says:

⁴ Blessed is the man whom thou choosest and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts:

Their life was to be in the courts of God to serve in the office of God, to minister in the sanctuary of God. They knew that. And how many know we are a Royal Priesthood, today? How many know we are born in the Family of the great High Priest?

How many know that the only reason we could stand in the sanctuary is because we were in His loins? How many know the Family is one Priesthood? It is a Priesthood Family. Glory be to God! My! They offered day and night.

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

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

We don't need your house and Dagon's house; we don't need your house and some house of worldly pleasure out in the world;

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

How many know the Bride is His house? How many know that's His holy temple today? Amen. Psalm 141. Look at this man: "Praise waiteth for thee...Oh, thou that hearest prayer. You will purge away our iniquities. Blessed is the man You choose and cause to approach..." a Psalm of David.

¹ Lord, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.

"Make haste unto me," not "I'm making haste when I'm in Your Presence." No. "I'm patient when I'm in Your Presence. I'm going to wait before You. I'm going to wait until I hear from You. I'm not going to run off without You talking to me." Amen. But, "Lord, You make haste unto me. Come to me quickly, Jesus. I need You urgently." Amen.

...give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.

² Let my prayer...

Catch this. This is what I'm looking at.

² Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

From where was this man praying? What thoughts filled this man's heart that this man, in saying, "Lord, I lift up my hands as the evening sacrifice and my prayer is coming up as incense, Lord, that You choose me and cause me to approach unto Thee, to dwell in Your courts. You purged my iniquity." You made me fit to come in Your Presence, in other words. "You released me from guilt and condemnation, and I come before You

where I could offer my prayer, and I know Your ear is attentive because You hear prayer."

Oh, what a place! Could we have that spirit of David in this church here; the spirit of David that when we stand to pray, when we approach God, we know we are coming as a priest; when we stand in God's Presence, we know we stand in the temple, we stand at the altar? When we lift our hands we know it is just like the priest that used to wave the offering before God. We raise our hands and we worship our God. When we offer our prayer we know that when the Holy Fire burns the incense, it causes it to ascend and come up before God as a sweet smelling savor.

Oh my! The man's heart and mind were filled with the ordinance of God, that when he spoke to God, he spoke back to God in the language that God gave in ordaining the ordinance, in instituting the office and the priesthood and the ministry and the sanctuary. He spoke back to God in the same language because he understood what that prayer was. He understood what that 'praise' that waiteth for Him in Zion was. He understood what the approach to come unto God was. My! My!

Malachi Chapter 1, verse 11: the last Book in the Old Testament. Verse 11:

¹¹ For from the rising of the sun, even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the Lord of hosts.

And how many know His Name has been revealed in this Day? How many know He unveiled Himself, and we saw the Name on the Thigh, a Name that is written that no man knows save he who receives it? How many know that through this Message a White Rock that a prophet opened up, he brought back the Mystery and gave a White Stone with a New Name in It to every true believer?

How many know that the Bride has that Name written in their foreheads today, the ones who are called to approach Him? Hallelujah! Oh my. We can pray in that Name. Peter said, "By faith in that Name hath made this man whole." Glory be to God in the Highest! May the Lord bless the reading of His Word. You may have your seat.

I want to speak this morning on "THE TWO ALTARS OF THE TABERNACLE" THE TWO ALTARS OF THE TABERNACLE, and for a little subject, "The Divine Connection Between The Brass Altar And The Brass Altar And The Brass Altar And The Golden Altar.

We want to look at the continual burnt offering and the perpetual incense. On that Brass Altar was an Altar of Sacrifice; on that Golden Altar was an Altar of Incense. You couldn't offer anything else but incense on the Golden Altar. It was no use to stand at the Golden Altar or try to enter into the sanctuary, without coming to the Brass Altar.

The first place you could meet God was at the Brass Altar; that stood at the door of the tabernacle. From the time you come to the tabernacle and you reach the door, there's a big Brass Altar standing there. That's the first thing you see; you see nothing else but a Brass Altar and that is where you brought your sacrifice. That was a place of death. That was a place where untold millions and millions of sacrifices were killed and blood was shed continually in that place to keep a covenant people clean before God. Oh my!

Israel, there was no nation like them on the earth: they were a chosen nation; they were called out by God. The bands of their bondage were broken. They were delivered by a prophet; they were taken out of captivity, and they were made a special nation unto God. And God gave them prophets and God gave them the

Scriptures, and God came down visibly among them and God set up His tabernacle that He will dwell among them. That was a great thing.

There was no nation like that upon the face of the earth, and it was all a great type of the real believer, the real Church of God, the elected Church of God. Israel was an elected people. God chose Abraham by election. God always works by election. God deals in election: "You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you."

So as we look at this, you know we've been in the Book of Samuel, and this is coming out of there because one of the last things we struck there was Mizpeh and Ebenezer. That was like our climax there to see how before they could repossess all that was lost, it had to come to a place where they had to come back to God; the fragmented Church had to be reunified. Their sin had to be put away.

In the days of Judges the people had fallen into such a mess, in such a condition, idolatry was sown among them. We've gone through these things. We will not try to take much time to remind you of it because we are trying to teach something here. I'm going to try to go slow a little bit to teach it to create the feeling of it. It is more like to teach it a little bit first, so we can grasp these things.

I have quite a few Scriptures to read and I would like to get through reading them quickly because you know how in reading Scriptures, you can spend all day reading and never get to what you want to say. So I would like to move on a little further because David had something in mind. David was looking at the tabernacle. David was thinking about the courts of God.

In David's time, the temple was not yet built because David was the one who received the pattern from the Spirit to build the temple. He gave it to Solomon that Solomon would build the temple. When David was dying he gave Solomon the pattern; he gave him everything. David found the place on Mount Moriah where the temple was to be built.

And as we think of this, I'm not so much dealing with the Old Testament institutions but I must take them to crystallize your understanding. Because today, we have so much of loose interpretations and all kind of human approaches to Divine Things of God. And when people find themselves in a situation, unanswered prayer, no response from God, no Presence of God, no answering back, no vindication in the Spirit, they don't know what is going on. They say, "Well, I'm trying hard, and I'm doing this, and I'm sincere, and God should know my heart." and they fail to see they are not approaching God according to His thoughts concerning these things.

And that's why I must go back to the Old Testament symbols because in these symbols is where God was slowly unfolding His Mystery before it came in Christ. When you look at Jesus, you saw a Man, and you couldn't understand all that this Man was. You look at the Prophet in this Day revealing the same Son of Man; you see a man but you can't understand all that this man is and what he is supposed to represent, and what God revealed to the Bride through this man. But when you looked at the Old Testament symbols and you saw the ashes of the red heifer and you saw the burnt offering and you saw the sin offering and you saw the peace offering; when you looked at Jesus, you knew who Jesus was; you know what He was supposed to do.

That's why Paul, in writing the Book of Hebrews... And the Book of Hebrews was like the climax, the Prophet said. He said that one is where he proved he was a prophet because he typed the Old with the New. He went back and showed that the old things were just shadows of good things to come; ...the law having a shadow of good things to come; It spoke of a reality.

That's why when he spoke of Christ he didn't speak like Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. They just said, "Jesus was a man. Jesus did this. He had a meeting in Bethesda. He had a meeting in Galilee. He had a meeting in Nazareth. He did a great sign; a voice came by the river. He was transfigured on the mountain. He did many miracles. There wasn't a man like Him." And they talked of Him in a way of somebody witnessing another performing great acts, "We know that no man could do these miracles except God be with him."

But when Paul began to teach on Christ, he began to show to us, "Look at this Christ. Look how in the thoughts of God the Lamb was slain before the foundation of the world. Look how the love of God began to come down. Look how the plan of salvation was already settled in the back part of God's mind. Look how Israel was born in bondage and God went down by means of a prophet, Moses, a type of Christ, to deliver a people who were born in bondage, who couldn't deliver themselves. Look how he slew a lamb and covered them in Exodus. Look how he put their sins and their enemies in the Red Sea. Look how he raised the Brass Serpent, and, the smitten rock."

And Paul began to show to us that these things were to unfold the Mystery of this God Who became flesh and walked on the face of the earth.

Today, many people, when they think of the Message, they say, "Well, Bro. Branham was a powerful man." They say, "Boy, I tell you, maybe we have to follow his sons and what Jeffersonville says, and I tell you, the Message, when the Prophet came, when he was here..." and that is what impressed them. That is what they saw but that is not my experience. I look a little deeper than that.

I look a little deeper than that. I see the Alpha and the Omega. I see the Son of Man in the Morning time and the Son of Man in the Evening time. I see as John introduced the Word in the first Coming, so there is one to introduce the same Lamb in the Second Coming; this great Lamb with Seven horns and Seven eyes, this mighty God that was to be unveiled before us; this Christ, the Mystery of God that was to be revealed.

We look and we see these things and that's why we are a called-out people, and we not just trying to have now a 'Message church', what we call a 'Message church'. No, no, no. We realize we are called out and there is a promise because when He came, He achieved something (hallelujah!) just like when He died on the Cross (amen) and He bruised the Serpent's head.

In this Day, after the second Eve fell like the first Eve and was the mother of all spiritually living, and Cain and Abel, two vines, came out of Eve's womb, we had a denominational vine and a spiritual vine that came out of spiritual Eve. Glory be to God! And as Eve threw the world into death, so spiritual Eve threw the Church into death. But natural Eve was promised the Word to be made flesh to come and bring deliverance, and spiritual Eve was promised the Word to be made flesh at the Evening time to do the same thing. Amen! Glory be to God! And as that Word made flesh came through Mary, a virgin, so this Word is going to come through a virgin Bride in this Hour, (glory be to God!) when that mighty Angel descends from Heaven. Oh, my! It's great. It's marvelous.

I say those things that you can see when we speak of the Message we are not just talking about a picture on a wall; we are not just talking about, maybe, something that has to happen in the United States, and we down in a Third World country are trying to follow something in America. No, no, no. We are talking about what was promised in the Garden of Eden: the Evening Message, the Evening Sacrifice; the Restoring Time. Hallelujah! This is what has come to us in these last days. I believe if the Seven Thunders have uttered their voices and the Seven Seals have been opened, God is shining Light to help keep us going forward.

And this Message is designed to keep the Church going forward; going forward in the Spirit, becoming more powerful in prayer, becoming more unified under the headship of God, coming into more understanding with clearer vision of how to approach the things of God and carry out and discharge the functions of the sacred office that God has called us unto, (amen, hallelujah!) that we could see an apostolic Church come back in this hour. Amen. Glory be to God! How many know, that is promised? How many know that you're called unto that? Amen.

How many desire, "Oh God, make it clear in my heart, make it real for me, Jesus. I want to stand there. I detest a church life, I detest a lukewarm, Laodicean life, having a form of godliness. I want the Life I read of in the Bible. (Amen. Glory!) I want to see the power of the Holy Spirit moving inside of me. That's what I was born for; that's what I want to live for. My time is running out, my days are shortening (amen, glory be to God!) but I want to press to the mark of the high calling, forgetting the things that are past and reaching forth to lay hold upon the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, this great mark that we are called unto; focused to the target in this Hour. Oh, my! My!

People who know what they are called unto, people who know what the great administration of the Holy Spirit is in this Hour; people, whose amnesia is leaving them and they begin to understand the pictures that God took of them in the back part of His mind, how He developed the negative down through the lives of the shadows. Hallelujah! Thank You, Jesus!

Oh, I'm hearing Him! Thank You, Father! Hallelujah! Oh, thank You, Lord. My! He's giving me Heavenly Things to say there. Glory! Yes, sir! He put it in the Bible. It was medication. It was eyesalve designed to take away your amnesia, that you might know as you were known; that in the last days when the evening Messenger stands on the earth and that mighty Angel comes down and He rips the Seals off the Book, and that angel begins to speak and echo the Voice of the

Heavenly Angel, that Voice goes into the earth, friends. That's the very same Voice that called Lazarus. That's the very same Voice that called Samuel and Moses. That's a supernatural Voice. That's the creative Voice of God.

What are you doing here? You should be on the hill. Oh my! You have an office there to function in. Get your guitar and go quickly, and repent when you get up there. [Bro. Vin speaks to someone in the congregation:] Amen.

My! So watch something. So here, we see what is happening. It is a great thing.

No, that was just a little thing. She has to play the guitar, the music for the children on the hill, but she is sitting down here and soaking up this blessing and clapping and rejoicing. Oh my! I'm trying to get the church positionally placed.

My! Now watch something. So as we look at these things, friends, this is the hour that God has come down. And God is unveiling, and God is taking away this amnesia and letting us see the way He saw us. And our thoughts have to get lined up with God's thoughts. We have to see ourselves the way God sees us. And until then, we'll always be paralyzed, impotent, we'll always be halting; we'll always be functioning with instability. Why? Because you are called to reflect something. You are called to manifest.

Jesus didn't heal because He had power, He healed to fulfill the Word. And you didn't come to just live a good life; there are specific things in this Bible that God said, "I'll have a royal priesthood, I'll have a chosen generation." Then there must be a people who are conscious that they are functioning in the office of that priesthood because that's a prophecy in the Bible: a kingdom of priests. He has made us kings and priests unto God. He loosed us. We have to offer the spiritual sacrifices of the fruits of our lips, giving praise and thanks unto God. That's right!

That's what we are called unto, but then, you see people going along, you have to tell them, "Lift your hands. Say, hallelujah!" and, "Give me a better 'Amen' than that."

You didn't have to prompt Israel's priests. No, sir! Brother, those angels didn't have to prompt those Seraphim and say, "Seraphim, you are falling asleep. Seraphim, you're supposed to be saying, 'Holy, holy, holy'. Seraphim, flap those wings; flap those wings. The Lord is watching you."

They didn't have to do that. No sir! That is denomination, friends. That is Eli. That is back there in the old school. Amen. That is where there is no Fire of God. But where the Holy Fire burns between the wings of the Cherubim (glory be to God! Amen!), there is a people who have broken through the veil. You hear people talk about, "The veil is off of God," and, "Do you see the Seals?" and, "The Mighty God is in plain view and we have access."

Oh, they learn terminology. And they're reciting that, which they made their little creed, but where is the realization of this God? Where are the influence and the awesomeness of standing in His Presence? Where are the anointing and the stimulation? Where is the reality that they see the grace that has chosen them to stand in that place, anointed by God, that there is not a people like them on the face of the earth? Oh, my! Yes, sir! It has to be; it has to be here, friends.

When that thing struck I said, "Lord, we need prayer and we're trying to cultivate it, but the ground is hard. We need some water on those seeds." And then the one the Lord showed to work with is Bro. Winston; God gave him some nice things there. We sat down and we talked, and he went there in the Word. And He said, "Winston, you start. You take that first run and you start to run." Amen.

And I'm sitting there and I'm watching, you see. I said we need to break into places. We need to get in the

thoughts of God. We need not just to look at the picture, we need to enter into the drama and see it be made real. The Spirit that that contains must be broken like the alabaster box and that anointing fall upon us, and when we walk in a place here, we are all perfumed.

You could walk in here, in the natural realm and smell all kinds of perfume; everybody's perfumed. They perfume their body, a well-perfumed body. Amen. But then down in some of those souls, oh brother, where it needs the perfume of the Rose of Sharon, where it needs the opium from the Lily of the Valley, it is not there. Amen!

You want when the church walks in here, and that faith creates an atmosphere coming out of the soul, and that vision is focused and lined up with the Word, and that heart with so much of love for God to exalt Him and worship Him in Spirit, that creates an aroma, an odor of a sweet smell unto God, that God smells that. He says, "That's faith. That's Divine Love. That's repentance." Oh, my! "That's expectation." Yes, sir! God's smelling that!

You know there is a perfume called *Passion* and you say, "Umm."

Somebody says, "I'm wearing Passion. Whoo!"

When God smells you: passion for the Word, passion to know the Word. "Ummm! What a perfume! a passion to know the Word." My! God smells that and it's sweet, friends. Shop in God's parlor a little bit. Buy some of God's products a little bit because you can't buy that kind in Stetchers [a local gift store -Ed.]. You can't buy that in Bee-Wee Bond [British West Indian Airways -Ed.]. Amen. No sir! You can't buy that by those Rastafarian fellas with their little vials on the Drag [shopping mall -Ed.]. You have to buy this one at Calvary (amen. Yes, sir! Glory be to God!), where He crushed the Rose of Sharon and the perfume came forth. My! My!

And so, when I began to look at this, something struck me and I said: My! To find this, I have to go back

to the Altar of Incense because that's what came out of the thoughts of God. It was never known on earth until the time of Moses until the Exodus prophet went up in the mountain when God descended from Heaven in a Cloud and met a prophet on the mountain, a prophet He had commissioned and given two signs earlier. that right? And then that prophet came back with a Tent Vision, a Seventh-Seal Vision. He came out of the mountain where the Voice of God was thundering from that Cloud. Amen. He had seen heavenly Things, the hidden Secrets of redemption. Is that right? prophet came back with the hidden redemption and he began to speak Things and call Things by name; that never a man heard. He began to talk about a heavenly Vision. Is that right? And men in the camp, men under the Exodus prophet had to catch a vision of what the prophet was saying because he was going to call upon gifted men, chosen men to build those things, to bring what the prophet saw in vision, into reality.

You could imagine when those men saw a tabernacle rising, when they saw the furniture of God coming up, when they saw sacrifice and washing and light and bread and prayer; when they saw these mysteries unfolding in the furniture, in this sevenfold mystery of the equipment that was to be in the tabernacle that God was going to dwell in; they were speaking a sevenfold mystery, they were building it. They saw under their own ministry what the prophet got from Pillar of Fire in the Cloud in the mountain, where he alone could ascend. Is that right? Those gifted men saw that coming up under their own labor.

Who heard me here? A man named Bezaleel didn't go on the mountain. A man named Aholiab didn't go on the mountain. Many other wise-hearted men didn't go on the mountain. And when God called, He didn't call many who were on the frontline, walking with the prophet. God named them in the mountain. He said,

"There is a man in the camp named Bezaleel; all what I am saying here, I will anoint him with wisdom and understanding. He will bring these things to life." He said, "He is in your camp."

Moses said, "He's in my camp?"

He said, "Yes, he is in your camp. There is a man name Aholiab with him," He said, "and there are other wise-hearted men."

Moses said, "What about Joshua? What about Caleb?"

He said, "No. There are gifted men here to bring that. Little nobodies are going to bring that. They will bring up this." Hallelujah!

He said, "Is that man a priest? That doesn't sound like a priest name."

He said, "No. It has nothing to do with what you think and how you have it figured out in your mind. You just listen. If I give this vision to you, you go and speak it in the camp. Go and speak *The Unveiling Of God* [1964-0614M-Ed.]. Go and speak *Christ Is The Mystery Of God Revealed* [1963-0728-Ed.]. Go and speak *The Token* [1964-0308-Ed.]. Amen. Go and speak *He That Is In You* [1963-1110E-Ed.]. Go and speak these Things and when you speak It, It will fall in the places where It is ordained to fall. You'll call their names...you will call their names. Go and preach and call their names. I'm going to name them for you."

When that man takes brass, and you think that brass is only some little thing that you put flowers in or some little thing at the side; when he starts to work in brass and bring out the mystery of brass, when he starts to make brass altar (amen), when he starts to reveal the mystery of judgment and brass laver... That man will take brass mirrors and turn them into a place to remove defilement." He says, "You'll be surprised to see the kind of skill I'll give. They'll take your very same things that I show you in the vision here and when they start to work and bring it out, them sons of God will begin to

catch the Mystery in the last days." Hallelujah! "You are My Prophet. I take you up in the mountain, past the rhythm of the music, past the clapping of the hands, past the singing of the choir. I take you up way up in the Heavenlies and show you this prophetic vision. You go back."

Are you understanding my language? Are you understanding my talk?. Amen. Glory! I'm talking about God and Moses on the mountain.

David, when he said, "Praise waiteth for You in Zion. Blessed is the man whom You cause to approach..." where was he getting that from? Moses, a prophet brought that off the mountain. Moses, a prophet brought how to approach God. Israel had never known how to worship God that way, but through the ministry of the prophet, He said, "Now, I'll separate you from all the nations. I'll separate you from all denominations. I'm going to make you a peculiar people. I'm going to give you a church order that those denominations don't have. That is one of My Mysteries to show how I'll work in your midst." Is that right?

That's why if God's people today had understood these Things, brother, the Church would be further along the road; but God's people think that it's to put people in their seat, keep them quiet, do all these different things and they make it all mechanical and they make it all dead. And they fail to realize God is setting a gifted and elected Church in order by the Spirit.

God was setting up a faith economy. That is what He was doing. God was appointing times to worship and how to worship. God was laying out ministries, discharging offices, delegating responsibilities. God was doing these things. That's right. You see, the thoughts of God are higher than our thoughts and the ways of God are higher than our ways. That's why many times we look at the things of God and we bring them down to a carnal level. We bring it down to just a little

piece of superstition that has no real value, but that was the very Thoughts in the mind of God. In this day the reality is coming forth: all that was shadow, all that was symbol, all that was there as a little ordinance is coming out.

Could you imagine, brother, what it ought to be today when you see a real priest begin to walk and he knows how to walk. And you hear, "Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy," and God's ear is listening; and you see the Pillar of Fire moving over the mercy seat. Amen. Why? God is hearing a priest on the approach; he is coming. Amen. He is coming with Blood. He has been at the Brass Altar. He understands, "Why I'm carrying this Blood," (amen) he knows, "I am approaching God." There was a veil there that is no longer there today because, in 1963, He tore it away. Hallelujah!

When you see a son of God goes in the Word and comes back out, it doesn't get you scared. You don't say, "It's too bright, Moses; put on a veil, put on a veil! I can't handle that. What are you saying at all? Are you trying to make it, God in you?"

Oh, brother! Go back and read *Uniting Time And Sign* [1963-0818-Ed.], *Invisible Union* [1965-1125-Ed], *He That Is In You* [1963-1110-Ed.], *Christ Is The Mystery of God Revealed* [1963-0728-Ed.], *The Token* [1963-0109-Ed.], *Statue of a Perfect Man* [1962-1014-Ed.]. Tell me if you understand the Message. Glory be to God in the Highest! Why? To go in the Word and come back out.

David said, "Oh God, when I come in your courts..." As I always say, David could see beyond that veil. There was a veil upon God when David came into that court, but he could look at the ordinance and it carried him above the simple things. In the natural, he could say, "I wasn't born in the tribe of Levi, but I see that priest offering incense. Lord, when I come, let my prayer be as incense because I know incense is Your Divine institution and your priest is a chosen, elected, born in a special family, ordained priest. You could only give

birth to your own sons." And he gave birth to those who were in his loins. They came into the priesthood by birth, not by vote, not by popular opinion, but by birth – born. From the time God started to talk priest talk, they could catch priest talk because God watched that DNA. God preserved that seed. God, from way back in Adam, marked that out: Levi.

Brother, the Jews even found out that there are certain chromosomes and different things with those Levites. They have a make-up; (those who are from Levi) a special make-up. Why? They are chosen and born for that.

Have you ever seen in a family...? Look at Bro. Squires. It's inside of his DNA, that's why nobody has to push him, pull him, beg him; vote for him. No, no, no. He caught it and walked in it. And to prove he isn't doing it for popularity, for attention, it didn't last just one day; since the church started and look at the place still today. That is when you catch it. That is when you catch it. That is when it comes by predestination.

Look at Bro. Jerome [Mc Millan -Ed.] and his family. They come there, brother, devotion, sacrifice, labor, and service for the church. From the time they came, after a couple services, he already saw... he said, "Rearrange those chairs so that people could get a better view and we don't lose any space." He saw things to lift it, right away. For ten years, it stayed straight like that. Eleven years, it stayed straight like that. The right man comes in, "Fix this, move this, change this," makes it easier." Everybody was getting stiff neck, everybody wanted a seat up in front; everybody wanted more in the aisles here. Everybody wanted..., because nobody got a thought to overlook and see.

Do you see how it is? When you come into it by the leading of the Spirit, that is how it is, friends. That's why don't ever desire things. If God put that in you, God makes a way. God gifts always find their places. My!

So look. David says, "Lord, and when I lift my hands, let it be as the evening sacrifice." When that priest took that sacrifice and he began to wave that before God. Lifting hands to him wasn't aerobics: "You all lift your hands." They go down thirty seconds after. Do you know why? Their understanding is darkened. The understanding is darkened. David didn't read anywhere from Genesis to the Psalms, "When you all come you're supposed to lift your hands."

And if you were doing it that way and the priest said, "You all lift your hands now," you know how in the Anglican Church and the Catholic Church, they have their mass set up a certain way; and everybody knows the thing, like goats. It is a goat religion anyhow. They just do the thing out of form; they're cultured into it. But the thing is when you come and you know it by revelation... David said, "When my hands go up, it's like I am that priest standing there because I realize, we are all priests when it comes to worship."

He said Adam was the first priest and God used to come down in the cool of the evening (hallelujah!) at the time of the evening sacrifice. And Adam used to stand there and lift those hands (when he saw God coming) waving, "Jesus, Jesus." And he'd see God coming down, (oh my!) and that Presence hit the garden, (brother, oh my,) there was an uproar, and the elephants started to trumpet and the nightingales started to sing. Amen! And brother, the great choir in the garden, they began to blend their voices. Because, when Adam felt that Presence, he said, "Let everything that has breath praise God here." Brother, and it went up in worship. It was something sweet, it was something real.

Do you think these things got invented afterwards? Man was made for this. But now, Satan takes man, puts him in his Eden and he says, "You know, you were made to be a 'B' Class operator. You will lock off this valve here at four, in the evening and you will walk across here and you will turn on this other tap, here.

And you will do *this* over here." Satan put him there. See? And everybody gets their thing in Satan's Eden and they get disoriented and they forget what God made them for, what their Creator made them for. Is that right? But God made you for a purpose.

God made you for something special! God had a thought concerning you. Amen! That's why He designed you the way He designed you. That's why He made you up the way He made you. Glory! And your success lies in you inquiring of the Lord to find that out. God wants to reveal that to you because nobody else can teach you that, and if you never see God, your life will remain a sealed book. But if you seek God He will begin to break the seals off of your life. Hallelujah! He will begin to unfold your mystery to you (amen) and you begin to see yourself in the Mirror of God's Word. And then you find you come to walk, not by sight; you come to walk by faith, in another realm with God.

So, David was looking back at something, and that's what I want us to see. We have to look at something. And that's why I went into this message and I began to study on that Altar of Incense. And I began to find that, that Altar and the Brass Altar had to work together, and how in every Christian life those two altars are present. There is not a Christian without those two altars because at the Brass Altar is where you meet Christ; it's where the Sacrifice died. That's where He points all men to; His death, where He died in your place under judgment. Brass is judgment.

So you might be a Christian, you might never think of it as a Brass Altar. You might say "Calvary" and your understanding remains shallow and you never go deeper than the Cross. But to understand the Thoughts of God, you have to search out Calvary. You have to find the Brass Altar and see how they killed that sacrifice, how they examined it, then you would understand how He had to be perfect, how He had to be without guile and without sin to die in your place

because of what it costs for your redemption. Amen. Then how all Israel had access to the Brass Altar. Every man brought their sacrifice to the Brass Altar, but only those born in the family of the high priest had access to the next part of the tabernacle. If a next man tries to come in there, he is dead. He is dead.

And so many Christians today stay outside there: "Jesus died for me. I glad I'm a Christian. I accepted Christ ten years now, you know." But you're still at the Brass Altar so you don't know how to pray. Call you to pray, say, "Come and pray. Brother, pray for me, I'm not feeling too well. Pray." You stand up there and you can't pray; you have never been at the Incense Altar.

Before Aaron's sons could get in there after they'd been cleansed by the blood of the slain sacrifice, then they came to the laver and they got washed: washing of the washing of the water of the Word; a separation from all unclean things, properly cleaned up – the waters of regeneration. Amen. Because why? Except a man be born of water and Spirit, he can't even get in the Kingdom. Is that right? He can't even get in that sanctuary.

And then after he is washed, he is dressed in a new raiment. He is dressed in the clothes of the Word, because he can't go in there in his own garment. He can't go in there in a garment he bought in Habib's or he bought in Bradford's. [Garment stores -Ed.] He can't go with some Tommy Hilfiger inside there, and some Polo or Ralph Lauren clothing. He can't go inside there with that. Amen.

Brother, that's why people think that dressing with clothes is coming to church. That is not coming to church, friends. No, no, no. To come where God is, you have to come robed in the Holy Spirit. Hallelujah! You have the clothes of the Word; you have to be washed with clean water at the laver.

Then, after when that man—get this now. When that man is washed in the Brass Altar... and listen to me

closely because I am speaking and you're getting a chance to listen. And as you catch it here, you're saving me time from reading Scripture, so when I get to other places that I have to read, I could strike it. Maybe the Spirit is doing that. It doesn't mean to slow me down in this first part; I can tell you these things. Do you know these things are in the Bible? Do you know what I'm saying is in the Bible? All right! You've been taught. Now watch.

Then after they were dressed, the prophet had oil, olive oil, beaten olive oil. Brother, he took that oil and began to sprinkle them, anoint them and sprinkle their clothes with oil. Then he took blood and the tip of their right ear, he will sprinkle with blood – man who could listen to the Voice of God, man who could hear God's Voice, man who could hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Notice when Jesus came, He said, "He that hath an ear to hear..." Everybody has ears, but He is talking now about one sprinkled, one anointed, one that could catch spiritual Things. You hear It right. You don't put a carnal interpretation to It and go into sin; you hear It right. When you hear It, It brings faith. "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word."

How many know there is another Scripture where they used to bore their ears too and that also had to go with hearing? Is that right? But there was one where they anointed their ear with oil and blood. Yes, sir! Then they anointed the right thumb, the main finger, that right thumb there; it holds all the others under control. Without that thumb, the rest can't do anything. He puts a grip on your hand and gives your hand some real purpose and some strength. And then they anointed the main toe on the right foot; he had to hear it right; brother, he had to do it right. He had to walk right. His walk, his works, his hearing; he is anointed. Amen! This is a man who has been at the Cross. This is a man who has been at the Brass Altar.

Amen. This is a man that God is getting ready to pray. This man had to come and serve at the Golden Altar. This man had to come at this altar to pray.

Now, I'm taking the symbol first, because when I caught the symbol I caught what God's thought was. Then, when that is to be translated into our lives today, then you see when the Prophet stood up there and the Angel said, "Nothing shall stand before your prayer." Jesus said, "My Father hear Me always." And He told the Church, "Whatsoever you ask, believe you have received and you shall have it. Ask anything in My Name."

Where is that kind of praying people? Where are the people whose prayer has that kind of power? Where are the people whose prayer has that kind of focus? Where are the people whose prayer has that kind of sweetness? Where are the people who have the ingredients mixed right in the prayer, so that it is not strange Incense? Where are the people who are anointed with the Spirit so it is not strange fire, and they're trying to work up in that prayer, but it is the Holy Fire burning, sending that Incense up? A prayer life...a prayer life.

When we say, "Prayer meeting, I'm going up to prayer meeting," we don't mean, "Oh gosh, I like Sunday service more. We'll have preaching and singing and choir; prayer service is kind of dull." You're on entertainment. You're on entertainment. You're on entertainment. You don't understand the access. You don't understand the worship. Amen. You don't understand that the people could bring God's Presence. You don't understand the power He gave to the Church.

"What are you doing, Brother Vin. What do you mean?"

That is when the Holy Spirit gave me this: "Construct the altar here. Build it to dimensions. Build it the way the prophet saw it in the mountain. Put it up *so much* cubits high, *so much* cubits wide; overlay it with gold." A lot of people only have shittim wood altar. There's no gold on that altar at all. A lot of people's altar is not foursquare. A lot of people are standing at that altar in filthy garments; in their own garments; not anointed, not cleansed.

A lot of people are standing in garments under condemnation. When they go to pray, it's only confession, confession, confession, like a Catholic. There's no praise, they can't lift their hands and thank God; no joy, no sweetness. Some are praying down people, praying against this one, and praying against that one, and praying against that one. It isn't sweet. It isn't sweet to God; strange incense.

That brother who thought he is a minister; one night, sat down here and he was praying about Panday and the UNC and all kinds of different things, until the brothers had to come and say, "Brother, keep quiet a little bit, please." He thinks he is a prophet to Trinidad – strange incense – he came to church with his own altar.

This is what goes on in the name of the Message. This is what goes on when people think they're walking with God. A lot of people think that wearing a tie, a shave, Message book with an eagle, they think that is serving God. Let's get in the Word, friends. Let's get the thinking filtered. Let's get a holy man's taste. Let's get an atmosphere here that when believers come and they get down there... And, brother, if that is constructed in this tabernacle, then every individual tabernacle will have that altar inside too, with the right dimensions, but that altar makes no sense without the Brass Altar.

That's why the tabernacle had seven pieces of furniture but two altars, and the two altars are intimately and inseparably linked together. And you have to understand how one lays the foundation for the other one because intercessory work is based on sacrificial work. Jesus had to die as a sacrifice first, and then go to become a High Priest. Is that right?

Otherwise, the veil is not rent, there is no way to go in; no blood is shed, no sin is put away, nobody is cleansed.

That is why when you are coming to God to pray; oh, you are coming, you think of your condition. You come at the Brass Altar first. Why? Because in your prayer you are walking, you are approaching God. You start from the outside and you are going in "Holy, holy, holy." Glory! You're going in to God. Amen! And brother, you stand there and you take some of the shewbread and you eat, and you stand there and the light of the candlestick is upon you. Amen. Brother, and then you take some incense and you offer up that incense. Amen. And then you come before the mercy seat and you take that incense with the fire.

Now watch something. I'll show you this link, and when we could understand how God linked these things; God was giving the ordinance how it should be done and what should be done. God was unfolding the Mystery of prayer and the Ministry of prayer in the Church.

Now, catch the thought...catch the thought. Let me slow down a little bit. It came out of the Thoughts of God: "I want an altar of incense here." God never thought a new Thought. God didn't think that, that day for Moses. When was the Lamb slain? Before the foundation of the world. That was the Brass Altar. Brass Altar was in the mind of God, way back there when the Lamb was slain. Is that right?

When God used to come down and worship with Adam in the Garden of Eden, when He took Eve out of Adam's side; that was the Brass Altar. Is that right? That was a type of Christ's death. Then, when God came down there and began to worship, that was the Incense Altar right there because Eve was given to Adam for what? Sex? [Congregation says, "No." -Ed.] Fellowship, fellowship, communion. What is the Church given to Christ for? Fellowship, to minister to Him. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed,]

Oh my! I believe if we can lead the Church into a deeper place, deeper thoughts and higher objectives, our prayer will get different. Our prayer will get sweeter before God. Amen. Our prayer will go up in the Presence of God, and God will be able to make intercession on our behalf. He will sweeten those very prayers with His own intercession. Amen. Glory!

Think of it, that God wants to do this like He told the Prophet, "And nothing shall stand before your prayer, not even cancer. I'm sending you out there." Well, if he's going to pray those kinds of prayers, he'd better have a revelation of the Brass Altar before he goes into a healing revival because that's where the price for healing was paid. Is that right?

And he saw man running with a gift, looking for a gift, right? He said, "Everybody thinks they have a gift. Somebody's got it in their hand, somebody's got it in their foot." He said, "No gift ever healed anybody." He so understood it; he said, "Divine healing doesn't mean power to heal anything." He said, "Any gift will only stimulate faith, pointing you to a finished work." It is already done! Why? He understood: "My prayer, this Altar of Incense is only to see the results of what was achieved there on that Brass Altar, come down, where God can give these things."

God knew one day, when the real tabernacle comes in the last days, this real house of God, What House Will You Build Me? [Acts 7:49 -Ed.] Upon this rock I'll build My church [Matthew 16:18 -Ed.], when the real house comes. And here was a man, reflecting a real house, full of the Shekinah Glory. Is that right? God and this man were in union together; one prayer: seven truckloads of wheelchairs and crutches. Think of it! How sweet was that Incense! How foursquare was that Altar! How that Altar was overlaid with gold! How that man was cleansed and anointed and washed at that laver (Is that right?) from all denominational defilement to stand there before God! Are we getting somewhere?

Draw me deeper and deeper into Your Word of Truth.

See. You want to go deeper. Like I told you on Friday. I'm showing you a Place to walk, a Place God wants us to walk into, to climb those steps and come into that Place. I myself want to say, "Follow me, I'm walking in There. I'm walking Up There." Yes, sir! I want something deeper. If this church doesn't get a Word to keep us going deeper, we are finished because the condition we are in can't bring the Resurrection.

We don't have a church yet where sin can't stand among us. We don't have a sin-free church yet. We have it by predestination. We have it and we are going to walk into it, but then all kinds of sinners walk in here; believers sit here in sin and play the fool and everything else, and come with their hypocrisy and pretense right there and nobody falls dead. And God is not talking about spiritual death; Ananias and Sapphira didn't die spiritually. They packed them out. You don't dig holes for spiritually dead people. He said, "They've just finished burying your husband; they're going to bury you now. Go ahead too. They have not yet covered up the hole; they will put you in the same hole."

Then why are there so many sick people that can't walk out of their condition? Do you know why? Because there are all kinds of strange incense. The Altar needs to be foursquare. Worshipers, priests who are standing there, need to understand the link between the Brass Altar and that Altar; the harmony, to bring those two Altars into harmony to get results.

Whenever you see a people not getting prayers answered: things that God promised, things that He didn't promise for the future but things that He promised for now, things that you can have when any condition and circumstance rise up; it is either there is some problem with the people, some problem with the church, or some disharmony between those two Altars. Did you get that? Because there is nothing like a Christian without those two Altars.

Every tabernacle has those two Altars, and there is a service and a function performed and done at those Altars. Is that right? There is a sacrifice to be offered up daily. Offer yourselves—it had what was called the daily ministration in the temple. They offered the daily sacrifice at morning and evening. Then they had the daily incense that had to go up every day. Is that right? And then they had the daily lighting of the lampstand, the trimming of the wicks.

How many know the Prophet says, "It is lamp-trimming time? Behold, the Bridegroom cometh." They rose and they trimmed their lamps. Matthew Chapter 25: the Seventh Seal, the Coming of the Lord. Genesis Chapter 18: the Seventh Seal, the Coming of the Lord. How many know Abraham was interceding for Lot? Is that right? Then, under that Seventh Seal is intercession and lamp trimming. While they were trimming their lamps it was the time to offer the incense. We read it on Friday. Exodus Chapter 30, you trim the lamps; at the time of the trimming of the lamps, you offer the sacrifice. That is what priests were supposed to do every day: keep the lamps trimmed.

Do you know why we have a lot of people whose lamps have gone out, like Eli had the lamp to go out in the temple and the lampshade got smokey, and people can't reflect the light? They're reflecting darkness instead because their lampshade is all smutty with old smoke. You have to get that scissors and trim that wick. Why? It allows the oil to saturate the wick and allows the flame to burn evenly. And then you could get the light reflecting brightly.

"Keep your lamps all trimmed and burning." Is that what It says? But while they were doing that, it's the same time God was saying incense must go up, and they were offering the incense at morning and evening because there is a sacrifice being offered at morning and evening.

How many know Paul offered the morning sacrifice? Did the Alpha Church have the same Lamb? Did they have the revelation of Jesus Christ? Did they write a Book of Acts by that revelation? Did Paul talk about the Cross of Christ being of effect? Is that right? Did they have power in their prayer? When they prayed, did the building shake? When they prayed, did they get a refilling of the Holy Ghost? When they prayed, did they pull Peter out of prison from the jaws of death? When they prayed, did they raise the dead?

Did the Prophet have a real revelation of the Cross? Did he die daily? Did God have pre-eminence in his life? Did his prayer have power? He had those two Altars. He had those two Altars. You offer yourself a living sacrifice, you die daily. That's your daily ministration: sacrifice offered up every day.

Paul said, "I die daily." What was he talking about? A daily sacrifice...daily sacrifice. "Pray without ceasing!" What was he talking about? "Praying always with all prayers and supplication and with thanksgiving, making your request known unto God with joy, singing to yourself in spiritual hymns and psalms." What was he talking about? Incense, the Golden Altar in his life – a worshiper; a worshiper to worship God in Spirit and Truth; a real worshiper to worship God in Spirit and Truth.

David looked at the tabernacle and he understood that that tabernacle was a revelation of the way back to God. What was the first revelation God gave man after the fall? Abel, by faith, he offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice; the way back to God. Is that right?

Did God have a tabernacle set up in Eden? Come on. Did Cherubim seal the Tree of Life? Was there a flaming sword turning everywhere? That Shekinah was there and those Cherubim were there guarding every way to the Tree of life. And Abel came with the Mystery of a lamb, catching it from the Thoughts of God, coming to pray, and he had those two Altars. And Cain, without

a Brass Altar, was trying to get in. Is that right? Cain was trying to get in without sacrifice, without shed blood, without accepted sacrifice. And right there, God stopped it: "In vain do you worship, Cain; teaching for doctrine the commandments of men. I can't accept that because your thoughts are not lined up with My thoughts. You're doing it differently to the way it is in My mind. Do like your brother; his thoughts are lined up."

And Cain said, "But it is an individual thing. I am not him and he can't be me."

God said, "You're stupid. You're stupid."

Do you know why? He couldn't submit himself. When God told him that, it only brought out more of what was inside of him. The rebellion to God didn't come out yet, but when God told him that, the rebellion jumped out. God was saying things to pull it out so he could see himself and see his condition.

That's why sometimes under the Word people sit there and fight up inside and suppress and get vex, sitting there under the Word, but the Holy Spirit will pull it out. He will bring conditions around you and manifest it. And that's why many times when people don't submit to the Word, they go into sin. You watch them; they go into sin because they still think it's church. They still think it is religion, like Cain. They still have a lot of Cain's thoughts. Brother, from quite back there, God showed, "They can't worship Me like that."

In the middle of the Bible when they came, He said, "In vain do these worship Me." Strange Altar, strange Incense; He condemned their prayers. Is that right? All these long, long prayers are vain. *Vain repetition*, He called it. James says, *Praying amiss*. What was he doing? Condemning their Incense (that's right!), condemning their Incense.

When some of you used to have your rosary and your beads, and saying, "Hail Mary, mother of God, pray for

us sinners," and you see God told Moses, "Bring an Altar of Incense and put it there and put a Brass Altar there," and "this is the way to God." and you go and light your candle and you minister, and you don't see God already killed Nadab and Abihu. Don't you see it's the mercy of God upon you?

God said, "No strange incense can come on the Altar; it is an abomination!" And all those vain things that people used to pray, and God winked at your ignorance and still gave you a blessing; and then you say Mary did that for you. See? And the priest you went and confessed to, you now realize how many altar boys he has. Those priests didn't come through any laver. Those priests didn't get washed by any prophet.

A prophet had to wash the priests, friends. A prophet who came down from the mountain with the Pillar of Fire is who washes the priests. It is he who anoints priests to serve in God's things. God's priests don't come out of a seminary; God's priests are born into a Royal Priesthood by the Incorruptible Seed. See?

It's vain worship. And that is why Jesus says, "You're not going to worship God on this mountain nor in Jerusalem; you're going to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth."

This is the hour for real worshipers. This is the hour the whole world is deceived; they rejected the King. They rejected the King, King Jesus, and went into apostasy to make Satan their king, so the man of sin could be exalted in the temple as God; he could become the head of the Church instead of Christ. And that's the prophecy for the last days. How many know that?

And brother, do you think that I'm going to stand here and see some strange kind of Altar and strange kind of Incense and strange kind of worshipers, and I know what that means in the Bible? That means Satan is exalted. That means Christ is put out. That means Christ is refused His rightful place. He is dishonored. That shows if a man is rebellious like Ahaz: he came

and he cut the leg off the laver, moved the laver aside, changed the Brass Altar that the prophet saw up in Heaven, and he brought an altar from Damascus that he saw a politician had up there.

Do you know how people watch things on television and read all kinds of nonsense in books, and then want to kind of bring it here in the church after? The allseeing eye of God, brother, let me tell you. You see that kind of foolishness going around in His Name when we have a Message here that's come forth in the last days to wash a people, to dress a people, to anoint a people, to teach a people how to approach God, to bring a Church to be the most powerful Church upon the face of the earth, to build a praying Church that will be filled with the Glory of God, a Church that will finish up this Ministry of the Son of Man in the last days. You and I are called unto that, friends, to be part of a Royal Priesthood, a chosen generation. Nobody has to ask us to pray and sing. Nobody has to beg us to worship. Nobody has to beg us to do these things. No, no, we offer, we offer, we offer, we offer! Yes, sir! We offer.

Whenever you see prayers not being answered, you know something is wrong, because those two Altars are of importance in the life of every true Christian believer. Whenever any prayer is being answered or any blessing received, or any promise obtained, or any manifestation of God's Spirit in reality to fulfill His promise, it's because somebody was able to bring those two Altars in harmony. Somebody was able to approach God with the understanding of how to approach God, how to get an audience with God, how to get God's attention.

God knows how to get man's attention. Is that right? He took signs to attract the attention of the people. He attracted Moses' attention with a burning bush. Is that right?

How many know Blind Bartimaeus attracted His attention and He stopped? He stopped the S-o-n.

Which was greater to stop, the s-u-n, the solar sun or the S-o-n, the Creator? He didn't stop the creation; he stopped the Creator with the burdens of the sins of the world upon Him, going to Calvary. The cry of one blind, poor, insignificant beggar stopped Him. And Jesus, the Son stood still. Think of it. Man could get God's attention.

A woman touched Him by faith; He stopped and He turned around, "Somebody touched Me."

Peter in the flesh, started to rebuke Him, "How do You mean somebody touched You?"

"Shut up, Peter, you don't understand what is going on here." And He began to scan with that eagle eye. He said, "Yes, woman, you touched Me." Amen.

Oh brother, think of it! Can you touch Him this morning? Can your faith reach out? Do you know how to attract Him? That Brass Altar... You see, there is nothing in the Bible that is known of prayer receiving anything without the knowledge of sacrifice. Did you get that? Prayer without sacrifice has no value. It's unheard of and unknown in the Bible. The first thing: the Lamb was slain in the mind of God. The first thing in the Garden of Eden when man fell, God slew a lamb. The first thing for Abel that come back, was a lamb. In the time of judgment in Egypt, it was a lamb being slain. Is that right? That must be rooted in our hearts. That must be rooted.

And remember, when He died you were supposed to be dying in Him. And if you were in Him dying, when you come out here in this Age, you will look at this big beautiful Age and you will die to it to prove that you did die when you were in Him; that you were in Him. Because if you weren't in Him, you will never die to this world. You will never give up; you will never separate. You will try to be an Esau – You will want the better of two worlds. You will just be a profane person, religious to the core but can't even get a grip on God; seeking a place of repentance with tears and can't find it.

And because of the lack of that understanding today, the basis upon which God has set up His Divine economy... This is how God has set up His economy: you must come to that Brass Altar first. You must come to that laver, you must be washed, you must be clothed; you must be anointed. God's people are not a people hanging around the altar out here all day: "Oh God, Jesus, forgive me, Jesus. Jesus, I'm sorry. Oh God, Jesus, don't send me to hell, Jesus." No, no, no. When would you ever get in here and start to offer Him sweet Incense? When would you ever get in here and start to trim the wicks of the lamps so there could be a witness of power and testimony?

How many remember in the upper room? Do you remember what happened in the upper room? Amen. Brother, Jesus had died on the Cross (Is that right?) at the Brass Altar. In the resurrection, the Holy Fire of God, the same Spirit that raised up Christ from the dead came down and consumed the sacrifice, quickened the body and raised Him back up. Is that right?

The Fire consuming the sacrifice was the sign of acceptance of the sacrifice: the Holy Spirit coming and raising Jesus from the dead. The baptism of Fire on the eighth day, loosed Him from the grip of sickness and death and sin and everything else (is that right?) into a glorified condition where there is no sickness, no pain, no sorrow, no death, nothing; completely loosed, totally annihilated, gone; standing there in the Eighth Day, the resurrection, the Eighth Day, the morrow after the Sabbath, loosed from the grip of death by the baptism of the Holy Spirit, standing there. Is that right? And when He stood there (think of it), here was the Sacrifice accepted. That Sacrifice at the Brass Altar never used to be consumed with man-made fire.

Catch this. On the Brass Altar, the sacrifice was never consumed with man-made fire. They didn't light a fire and roast that. No. When they made that, like Abel: and Abel offered unto God a more excellent

sacrifice, and God testified of his gift (what he offered) that he was righteous. The Fire of God came down supernaturally and received it. And that Holy Fire... Leviticus 9:24 tells you what used to happen. That Fire of God came down in the presence of the people and consumed the sacrifice. Like Elijah on Mount Carmel, the Fire came down. Is that right? And when the Fire came down and consumed the sacrifice then it showed it was accepted, a type of the resurrection.

And then, those who had been identified with Him at the Brass Altar, who had seen the Sacrifice accepted, who knew the Blood was shed for them, here they were in the upper room. Is that right? Oh my! Peter began to get those lamps trimmed. Peter began to get those lamps trimmed on that day.

Jesus had breathed upon them. Is that right? "Go ye and tarry." He breathed upon them. And then on that day, brother, here comes the lamps to begin to be lit, "You shall be witnesses of Me in Judea and to the uttermost parts of the world." Is that right? "You shall be the light of the world." Amen. And those lamps were lit by the baptism of Fire that came down. Why? Because the same... How did they light the lamp? Do you know how they used to light the lamp? When the Fire came down and consumed the sacrifice, they took the live coals and they carried it to light the lamp with it.

And do you know how they used to light the incense? When the Divine Fire came down, they took that coal and they carried it in and they burnt the incense with that coal. So inside there, the Fire that they operated with, in that sanctuary came from Holy Fire that came down from God.

When Abihu and Nadab came, they came with a different fire to what was on that Altar. In other words, they came with strange fire. And what is strange fire? Any fire that is not the Fire that came down from Heaven. And what is the Fire that came down from

Heaven? The baptism of the Holy Ghost and Fire. And when they tried to operate there without that Fire, do you know what took place? They went and kindled their own fire.

They decided to light up their own fire. And to light your own fire is human will and human effort; it's human zeal. It is human ambition to light your own fire. It is self, exalting itself above the knowledge of the Divine ordinance, the knowledge of God's Word. It is a man trying to come into God's Presence, but not coming in the only provided way. It is a man who wants acceptance from God, thinking that God will accept any substitute that he decides to come with because he isn't sincere to obey. And what happened? God struck them dead. Is that right? And to prove it, God took the priest's sons who were born in the priesthood and He killed them, much more anybody else coming.

How many remember Uzziah? God had said, "Only Aaron's son who was born from Aaron's loins, who was born in Aaron's family." Uzziah figured, "I get blessed, man. I want to burn incense. I want to be at the Golden Altar. I carry my bullock by the Brass Altar, but I want to see inside of there." It is only the priest that's supposed to go in there. It's exclusive. You have to be in the family to be inside of there. Did you get that? You have to be born in the family to be in there.

You can't manufacture this faith. What brings this perfect faith? The New Birth. To walk in this realm of perfect faith, it takes the New Birth; but to operate in the realm of emotion you don't need the New Birth. To be wild and fanatical and full of zeal, you don't need the New Birth; but to walk in this realm of perfect faith, to discharge it, to walk in holy union with God, to know the Divine approach, you have to have that. You have to come in there. My! Think of it.

Don't rush me today, now. Let me have my way a little bit. I haven't been in church in a little while. I know I can't preach everything this morning, I know

that. I know enough for that, but I just want to get the place right, because this is not just a message to bless. This is something to sow in the church to correct, to cultivate, to lead the church on further, to bring the church up another level to see a real Mizpeh, so that there could be a real Ebenezer; to show the attitude of approach to prayer, to show prayer is a Mystery in the back part of God's mind.

Isn't it strange that there is something called prayer? And isn't it strange that in real worship there is prayer? As Paul laid it out in the Bible: prayer, intercession, thanksgiving, supplications, and meditation. Didn't David say, "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight; even my unspoken things. When I begin to breathe my prayer and when I am praying, I breathe that holy Name in prayer, sweetest Name in Heaven and in earth. Is that right?

"Ask anything in that Name," because no man could say that Jesus is Lord but by the Fire from Heaven; by the Holy Ghost. Is that right? So every man says, "In Jesus' Name, in Jesus' Name," and they in church thinking, He's the second person in the Trinity. God is not talking about that. Only a man with the New Birth could say, "Jesus is Lord." according to the Bible. Can you see so far, that these Things are Divine Things? Can you see so far, how I am trying to take those Things and bring them down and apply them in our lives here today, what that priesthood operated in, where they worked with a dove and running water and cedar wood, and cleansed a leper, and saw the sick healed under the blood of bulls and goats; and today, we have a Dove and we have Running Water and we have the Cedar Wood and we have the Ashes of the Red Heifer, too?

I want to show you and prove to you that if there was any time there ought to be prayer, it's now. And I am going to make that my climax for today, to prove to you that the Evening Sacrifice has been offered. The

Evening Sacrifice has been offered in this Day. How many of you know that the original Atonement has been restored? For what...for what? As a thought? As a word? If any time prayer would have value, it's now.

How many know in Luther's time and in Wesley's time, Wesley could even lay his hand on his horse and it got healed (with pouring water on people). Is that right? And if Luther, smoking his pipe (with tobacco going up before God) could speak in tongues and shake the whole of Europe, what about when the Evening Sacrifice, the original Lamb comes back? Amen!

But do you know something? People who say they believe the Message, and worshipers, don't understand the Things of God. That is why they think Bro. Branham in the picture; that is the Message, Bro. Branham in the picture with the Pillar of Fire over his head; that is the Message. Oh yes, that is the Message. Sure. That Pillar of Fire is this whole Bible.

But if you just see a Light and you don't see anything there; if you see a Prophet go up in the Cloud in the mountain like Moses and come back out with a Tent Vision, where God and man would become one, a vision of union; if you see gifted men building what the Prophet was showing in the vision that is to be in the tabernacle, so that God could dwell among the people, if you see that, then you would be looking; you'll say, "If I am in the right Church, I am looking for a Brass Altar. I want to see people who understand the Atonement. I want to see people who understand what it is. It is not legalism, it is not Arminianism, it is not Calvinism; people who understand the real Mystery of atoning sacrifice and the cleansing through the Blood, and the pardoning and the release from guilt and condemnation, and what it is to be justified. Then, I want to see man who understands separation, to cleanse people at a laver where they can wash their hands and wash their feet and maintain their communion with God, as they carry out the service of God: to look and see man who understands the

Golden Altar and the access it gives them to God. A man who understands the Table of Shewbread and on that Table of Shewbread there is no old moldy bread; there is fresh Bread every day." Whole Wheat. Did you hear what I said? Fine Flour, Whole Wheat! Yes!

Do you know if you are in the right Church tonight? Because if those men sat down there for years and years and years, and the Prophet came off the mountain from the Cloud and spoke about the Seven Seals and the Tent Vision and all these Things, and we don't see a Tabernacle rising and God dwelling among the people, something is wrong. They did not carry out what the Prophet said. The prophetic vision of the Prophet has not come to life.

It drives me, friends. It drives me! That's why I cannot settle for a good life, I can't settle for church, I can't settle for these things; I am not called unto that. I can't call us to watch some station. I see the Church and its condition. I see the weakness of the Church. I see where the Church ought to be in this hour. I see the alienation in so many minds still. It lacks a quickening influence, an anointing from the Spirit that quickens the people and moves them into the realm of faith. It is missing in so many lives.

I see people who are just getting trained and cultured to programs, becoming programized: Song practice this evening... Now I am not saying to do away with it. Have it and keep on doing it because that was a Levitical role. But I am saying don't just—Is that all that you know? There is a praise in the Bride. There is a praise in the Bride. There are wells of Living Water in the Bride that come up, that bubbles. There is a clean, fresh drink, a real Pentecostal worship in Spirit and Truth that God, the rejected King that is thirsty in the heat of this Harvest Time, could come and drink from. He could drink from this well again. That when God comes down, God knows, "Oh, this is what I'm longing for; I'm longing for Spirit worship. In the last days, they put Me out of

My own Church. Satan is exalted; everything is form and program, bobbed hair women, painted faces, sissified men, false doctrines, all kinds of strange things, money-making schemes."

And God is looking at it and saying, "Where is that people that will worship me in Spirit and Truth? Where is that people who will understand: 'Lord, let my prayer come up to You as the incense, and when I lift my hands as the evening sacrifice."

What did David know so much about the evening sacrifice that he didn't say the morning sacrifice? Why did David not mention the morning sacrifice and specifically mentioned the evening sacrifice? Do you know why? Because in the very beginning, in Genesis, in Eden, God would come down at evening time. But for the Church, there was going to be a morning time, and the Church will have to fall into the ground and die, but it would be restored in the last days, and the glory of the latter, will be greater than the glory of the former. And at evening time, it shall be light; then, there will be a Bride. Seven Thunders are going to utter their voices, Seven Seals will open.

Then, when the whole world is worshiping the Beast, they'll be in Heaven worshiping the Lamb. When the Lamb begins to pull the Seals back and they begin to see their names splashed in the Blood, (amen!) they'll be singing a new song! Amen! They'll be worshiping the Lamb! Oh, it will be glorious. Oh! It will be glorious! Oh, it should be glorious, and that's the Glory I'm trying to break into, friends. That's the Glory I am trying to break into because I recognize the Evening Sacrifice has been offered.

I see the great High Priest standing there at the Altar. I see Him offering the Evening Sacrifice. It had two lambs, it had two meat offerings, and it had two drink offerings. They used to offer them there. And in the evening sacrifice, the meat offering took the predominant place. Do you know why? Because the

meat offering is a non-blood offering. He did not come back to be killed and to shed Blood again in this Day, but it is the revelation of Him that has come to us in this Day, in His entirety; He in all reality! But here we see what it is, friends. Think, this great revelation that comes, *Elijah And The Meal Offering* [1960-0310 -Ed.]. Oh, my. What great Things of God, friends; a little Gentile woman bringing forth a Mystery. Oh, thank You, Jesus.

Isn't He wonderful? Just give Him a wave offering this morning! Just give Him a little wave in this place. Hallelujah! We worship You, Lord. We worship You, we worship You, we worship You, we worship You. Thank You, Jesus! Thank You, Lord. All glory and honor be unto Your mighty Name! Hallelujah! Oh my.

Turn with me as we strike that evening sacrifice a little bit. Turn with me. I want to turn to 1st Kings 18. I want to strike that evening sacrifice. David said—He looked at the evening sacrifice. There was something about the evening sacrifice in the cool, the setting of the sun when the day's work is done. He said, "I'll sup with you and you with Me. I'll come into you and sup with you." How many know in Eden it was evening time? When Abel offered his lamb it was at evening time. In the time of the Exodus, it was at evening time. Moses ordered them that the lamb must be killed at evening.

How many know that Jesus died at the time of the evening sacrifice; that when they pierced Him, just at that time the high priest and they were standing right there and they saw the veil of the temple rent in twain from top to bottom simultaneously, when the veil of His flesh was rent in twain? Remember my message for Easter this year, *The Rending Of The Veil In The Temple*? [2002-0329 –Ed.] Amen.

How many know Melchisedec gave Abraham bread and wine, not breakfast time, not lunchtime, but at evening time; evening time, suppertime, the Lord's Supper, Mystery of broken Bread and poured out Wine, long before there was an Aaronic priesthood. How many know that the Melchisedec priesthood was before the Aaronic priesthood, during the Aaronic priesthood, and after the Aaronic priesthood? There are only two priesthoods in the Bible: the Melchisedec priesthood and the Aaronic priesthood; a Royal Priesthood and a priesthood of fallen men or a temporal one where the priests used to die; but over here: ever liveth to make intercession by the power of an endless Life. Is that right?

Now, watch something. Under the law had an Aaronic priesthood, but under grace, there was a Melchisedec priesthood. The Bible says you are a Royal Priesthood. Why? Because this great eternal One has attributes and He has expressed those attributes. When the Lamb was slain in the back part of His mind He used to fellowship with them in His thoughts. How many caught that?

Those two Altars were right there in the back part of His mind, but the Prophet says that He can't fellowship with His thoughts anymore, because now His thoughts are made manifest. He must fellowship with His thoughts made manifest. But when He was alone as El-Elah-Elohim, He fellowshipped with His thoughts. He could have fellowship through the Blood because the Lamb was slain in the back part of His mind. Hallelujah! No wonder the morning stars sang for joy and the sons of God shouted when they saw that Pyramid being capped! Oh, thank You, Jesus! Glory!

1st Kings here, just that Jezebel religion, her pagan altars were all over the land. She had a pagan priesthood offering pagan sacrifice to Baal (you know that) because the church went into false union. It was midnight for Israel.

1st Kings 18 all the way, tells us about Elijah going up for the great showdown at Mount Carmel, after the three and a half years of famine; but it's time for the rain to fall now, and he brings the challenge, a Mount Carmel showdown. And we see how he told them, "You

get your bullock, build your altar, dress it and call on the name of your gods; and put no fire under it. You all are accustomed to kindling your own fire, but today don't kindle any fire. If your god is really God, let the god answer by fire."

But you see, when you have people who only kindle their own fire and you're dealing with a man whose Fire comes from God, it has no match there, friends. He put them in a hard spot right away. He said, "Get fire from your god, go ahead." All those fellows knew was kindling their own fire. We don't want any kindlers of fire; we want our Fire to come from Above.

Where did the early Church get their Fire from? Above. Did they have a praise in that Church? Did they have power in that Church, in their prayer? Did they have power in their witness and testimony in that Church? But where did the Fire come from? It was the same Fire that consumed the sacrifice at the Brass Altar.

The same baptism of Fire that raised Christ up is the same Fire that came upon them; it lit their lamps and then the incense began to burn; and in their prayer, brother, they performed great acts. Is that right? That's right. That's the early Church, that's Alpha. If that is Alpha, Omega has to be the same.

Did a Pillar of Fire come back from Heaven in this Day? Did it come down upon a man? Did he get his Fire in a Baptist seminary? Did he get his Fire from some minister somewhere? Where did he get his Fire from? It met him in a cave. It came down from Above. Revelation 10:1 came and met Revelation 10:7 in Green Mills, Indiana, robed him in the Scriptures of the Word; removed all the Baptist theology; (is that right?) sprinkled the Oil upon him. He walked out with a seventh-grade education but anointed and commissioned. Hallelujah! Thank You, Jesus.

When the Light came in the woodshed, what was it? A cross. Is that right? He saw the Brass Altar at the

Ohio River, standing at the laver. Is that right? Here comes that Pillar of Fire again. Here he is out here, brother, getting ready to go around the world, and God brings some anointing, and brings some robes (amen), and equipped him to do what? "You are being sent to pray." Jesus. Amen!

And they saw prayer like never before in human history on planet Earth. Thirty thousand Blanket Natives came in there, women half-naked and everything else. And brother, after two discernments (with all those idols and everybody packing their idols), and a Prophet, standing there saying, "If you believe these things, that this is the Lord Jesus Christ, (the things He promised) the same yesterday and forever, break your idols."

He says it was like a storm, a dust storm. Brother, thirty thousand people with idols broke them, you were only seeing dust. All the women covered themselves like that and walked out. At the evening service, they came out dressed. They came out dressed and sat down in the meeting. He said, "That was ten times the day of Pentecost when three thousand souls were saved. That was thirty thousand." Here were twenty-five thousand healed at one time. Think of it, friends.

A man, whether he prayed in Mexico, whether he prayed in Germany, whether he prayed in Finland, whether he prayed in Africa, whether he prayed in India, it did not matter where he went because they were traveling with that tabernacle. They were traveling with that Incense everywhere they went. And wherever they pitched, that Incense was burning. It was a perpetual Incense. It was a continual offering of the Burnt Sacrifice. It was a perpetual Incense.

The Sacrifice could not cease, neither could the Incense cease; day and night, day and night, day and night, day and night, day and night. In the New Testament, everything is, "Pray without ceasing. Pray always. Don't cease to pray."

I never get weary yet; I never get weary yet, I never get weary praising the Lord, I never get weary yet.
Some are so weary now, Their hands are hanging down, Their feet have become lame ...

See? But, may some of this Incense, may some of this Fire this morning, loose them from that paralysis, turn them back in the path. Lift up them feeble hands that hang down again, as the Evening Sacrifice because you are living in the Evening Sacrifice. Your hands should be up always, your voice should be going up always. You are the Evening-time people. You are the one walking in the Evening Light. Amen.

So it was a time for God to bring an end to all those strange altars, and strange incense and strange fires. Elijah laughed at them and provoked them and everything. And then, from about verse 30, it says:

30 Elijah said unto all the people, come near unto me, and all the people came near unto him and he repaired the altar of the LORD that was broken down.

How could he know how to repair the Altar if he did not know the original way the Altar was set up? And how could he know the original way the Altar was set up if Moses did not say, "This Altar is so many cubits high, this is so many cubits wide here. This must have horns here; this must be this way." Is that right?

How could Malachi 4 come to repair the Altar at the Evening Time if he didn't know what Paul taught; if he didn't know how they baptized, if he came with sprinkling and pouring; if he came with a baptism in titles? What if he came with women preachers and find, "Well, the sisters could out preach the brothers so it's best we have them"?

No, no, no, no, no. He could look back at the original. When the prophet went up in the Cloud and came back down, the prophet met the Pillar of Fire like Paul met the Pillar of Fire. Is that right? The prophet in the Second Exodus was a wise master builder who laid the foundation. Here is Elijah, another master builder, at evening time, building back the Altar.

³¹ And Elijah took twelve stones (Notice, the Bible says) according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob...

Do you see how it had representation? Do you see how it just wasn't twelve random stones? Every tribe was represented there. The people of God were represented there. How many know at that time there were two kingdoms and they were divided? But how many know the prophet had revelation? He could see God's people in the thoughts of God; not how man broke them up, but in the thoughts of God. My!

...Unto whom the word of the LORD came, saying, Israel shall be thy name.

³² And with the stones he built an altar in the name of the Lord: and he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.

³³ And he put the wood in order...

He did not just throw wood; he put the wood in order because he knew the requirement. Watch the prophet-priest here. He is a priest too. He is building an Altar, he is getting ready for prayer; he is going to offer Sacrifice. It is the office of a priest here. Watch him here. He is going to approach God. He is drawing near to God now. It's showdown time.

...and cut the bullock in pieces and laid him on the wood, and said fill four barrels with water, and pour it on the burntsacrifice, and on the wood.

³⁴ And he said, do it the second time, and they did it the second time. And he said, do it the third time. And they did it the third time,

³⁵ And the water ran round about the altar and he filled the trench also with water.

³⁶ And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near...

Did you get that? He is not going to offer the evening sacrifice, you know. At the time of the evening sacrifice – it's a man who knew when the evening sacrifice had to be offered, according to the institution of God that Moses gave; morning and evening. But the Altar was broken down and no sacrifice was being offered and God was not being praised. And Baal was being worshiped all through the land and people were trapped in Jezebel religion. But the prophet is coming now, not to start a new movement; the prophet is coming to restore; restoration at evening time.

He was looking back at the morning time. He was looking back at when Moses laid it down in the beginning. He was looking back at the original way. He knew that God does not change His mind about His Word. He knew God couldn't give a first Word and then come and give a second Word to contradict the first Word. So he knew it was the unchanging God in the unchanging continuity of the Word.

He waited until it was evening time. He let them go on, go on, go on; he did not stop them. He let them go on from morning to noon; he let them go on from noon to afternoon then he stopped them. He said, "You fellows had enough. I gave you all, time and extra time." They thought he was making a mistake by giving them extra time, but he knew the economy of God.

Here is my thought: he knew that prayer has no value outside of the appointed way that God says to approach Him. He knew prayer has no value outside of sacrifice. He knew that that Brass Altar and that Incense Altar were the two Altars God put in the tabernacle when He

revealed the way to approach Him, to get an audience with Him; to get anything from God.

Any man that has to get anything from God has to know how to approach God, and he has to come according to God's Divine ordinance; otherwise, he cannot get an audience with God. It is not known of in the Scripture. It is not known of in the Bible. "There is a way that seems right unto a man but the end is death." There is only one way provided by God for everything and any way, other than the original way is a perversion, and the lake of fire was for all perversion. "It was not so in the beginning!" Amen.

God has one way. You want God to bless you, you want to line up with God, you want to know if you are pleasing God, don't let any brother or sister tell you that you are pleasing God. You know what the Word says, what the original Word says. "Let every man's word be a lie and let God's Word be the Truth."

Ahab was listening to Zedekiah and they were saying, "Go up, you're blessed, you're blessed, you're blessed." But look at the Word of God: he was cursed and God never blesses over sin. Is that right? That's right. Do you know where the problem comes? People think they could get things from God, coming how they want. They influence people the wrong way, they fool themselves, and the blind leads the blind into the ditch; because nothing moves God except God see His Word.

"If you abide in Me and My Word abides in you, then you ask what you will." Is that right? That's Scripture, friend; Scripture. Could you have faith coming outside of the Scripture? If you ask according to His will, His already expressed desire; otherwise, you are praying amiss: strange incense.

But watch. He is waiting. He's waiting. What was he waiting for? What was he waiting for? He was waiting for the time of the evening sacrifice.

³⁶ And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near...

It was then he came near. He knew, "I am the prophet." He knew, "I am a son of God." He knew, "This is the sacrifice." He knew, "God told me to come up on the mountain here, but I have to wait for the right time."

How many know the Prophet, even though he was seeing people healed, he couldn't run and do it? He had to wait for the right time and the right person in the vision. How many know that is the God of the Bible? What am I speaking about? Lining up your thoughts with God's thoughts, then we'll see a powerful Church.

That's why I had to go back to find the Altar first because that Altar was prayer in the thoughts of God. In the eternal Mind before the foundation of the world, that was the symbol; it must be in the tabernacle that God will dwell. And God gave the dimensions, and God gave the incense and God said nobody could bring another incense other than this formula.

"But I can't find this certain thing. I am afraid of the sea; I might drown. I can't go down so deep; I might suffocate. I have no scuba tank." You have to find that ingredient.

Someone might say, "But they say frankincense is scarce these days. There's no grape wine, could we use grape juice? Oh God, I can't take the heat of the oven. What if I go and bring some crackers?"

That's what the church does today. They have *Crix* [crackers-Ed.], they have salt biscuits, they have crackers; they have grape juice on God's table. They have a woman in God's pulpit. They have false doctrine from Rome, and creed and dogma in the bread that they serve. That is why they can't have any revival and any move of God, friends.

They could do what they want: whoop up the music, buy more sophisticated music, the people listening to more variety of music, they get headphones and special personal monitor; it doesn't bring any power in the church. It just makes flesh feel glorified with technology and science. It has nothing to do with God, because if the player is filthy and unsanctified, God can't even accept that music. If they get up from that piano, God will never come down and continue playing. That's right. It will come like Church of Christ [A denominational church -Ed.] without music. Sure right.

I am trying to bring the God of the Bible to you. I want it to strike your senses; I want it to strike your heart. I'm trying to bring you to the place where you could see that God will not accept another way because the original way wasn't just a commandment; it was a revelation of how to please God. It was a revelation to open up to you how to worship this God.

If you want to please Him and worship Him and you want your worship to be acceptable, you have to understand, you have to work according to the plan of redemption. You have to work according to what pleases and moves Him because He doesn't get moved any other way. You might get moved, but not God.

And what's the use if I come and try to preach to move you, and I can't move God? It's better if I move God and God will move you; otherwise, I'll take the stick here and beat the turtle day and night. I'll take you and put you in the water and try to drown you, but let that Fire of God come under you and see what will happen. You'll leave all your shell where you say, "Well, I'm made up like that. I'm made up like that." Fire will change your makeup. The Fire of God will change your makeup. That is why a lot of you need the Fire of God.

Let me get an 'Amen' from *this* corner. I could take a good, sanctified 'Amen' here by the grace of God, from this corner. Amen. Yes, sir! My!

He waited, and then look what It says.

³⁶ And it came to pass that at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said,

LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word.

³⁷ Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the Lord God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again.

³⁸ Then the fire of the Lord fell...

Notice, he did not kindle any fire. He did not come with any strange fire; the Fire fell.

...and consumed the burnt-sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench.

³⁹ And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces...

Because they never saw that in any Jezebel-religion altar. They saw those priests lighting and saying, "Come, come. Fan, fan. Get a piece of cardboard and fan it, fan it!" They would say, "Look, look, look, create some breeze! Create some breeze, some oxygen. Come, come, come, blow this thing! We have to get something to blow it. People wait; it's out; it's out. Bear with us; we are trying to blow it back. We are trying to blow it back! Fan it back, fan it back!" That is what they were accustomed to seeing.

But here, they saw the Fire of God come down: "Father, if I have spoken Your Word come and confirm It. Here is a man from Cedros; here is a woman from such and such." That's what came, friends. That's what came. Do you know why? Because a man looked back at the beginning and lined himself up.

And that is what I am saying the Church needs. And that is why, when I say it's a call to prayer, and cultivate prayer, I'm saying an Altar of Incense has to be here; it

must be constructed a certain way, and then it must be in all of us.

³⁹ And when the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, the LORD, he is God, the LORD he is God.

Now, notice, we see what happened here. But if after they walk away and say, "Praise the Lord," and no rain falls, what would that be? The plague was drought. The sacrifice was offered for what? To remove the plague. Is that right? God accepted the sacrifice but rain didn't fall, it was Fire that fell.

But Elijah knew, "I'm at the Brass Altar, I have offered the sacrifice. Now I am going to the Incense Altar." Is that right? He knew the connection, the Divine connection between the Brass Altar and the Incense Altar. Oh, my.

Now catch this. Every day they would light the incense, the daily incense, with the Fire from the Altar; but once a year on the Day of Atonement, the priest would take the blood from the sacrifice and come and put some on the horns of the Altar, because the Altar had four horns, and they put it on the horns.

So the Fire from the Altar and the blood from the Altar, that's the Brass Altar, were identified with the Incense Altar (Did you get that?) because they were connected. These prayers were going up by virtue of accepted sacrifice. Because the reason you could get Fire from that Altar to send up this incense is because that Fire had accepted that sacrifice.

When you accept the Lord Jesus Christ, and you identify with Him and the Holy Ghost comes upon you, you can stand and pray. You can ask in His Name. Because why? The Name on the Thigh is now written in your forehead. But if you are standing there only baptized in water, saying, "In Jesus' Name, in Jes

until you get washed (is that right?), clothed, anointed, ear sanctified, hands sanctified, feet sanctified, to come inside of there to minister that Altar. You think you can, but you can't.

You say, "Is that why I pray but I don't have faith to wait to see my prayer answered?" Exactly. Because you are praying as a form, you know you are supposed to pray. Just like people know how to worship God. Everybody wants to worship something. They know worship means they're supposed to worship something.

Man wants to worship, so people pray and say prayers because they know we ought to pray. "I mean, I must say something, but that is how I pray; that is how you pray. Well, you pray how you pray and I will pray how I pray." No, no.

"Lord, teach us to pray."

He is the Altar of Incense. He Himself is the Altar of Incense. He is foursquare, His prayer had power: "I know my Father hears Me always." None of His prayers ever fell to the ground. None of His prayers was ever wasted. Every prayer He prayed he got it answered. Why? He was praying with perfect Knowledge, perfect Faith; perfect Love. He was standing there.

In St. John 17 when He stood there as the great High Priest praying the intercessory prayer, "I pray not for these alone but these who believe through their word, Lord. I don't pray for the world because the world already rejected the Blood. They rejected the Sacrifice; they rejected the Lamb Elijah introduced. They want to wrap up in the substitute of vain tradition, hold on to the natural lamb and hold on to their denomination: their Sadducee and their Pharisee churches. They don't want to turn the corner, so I don't pray for them."

Did you get that? Is this too deep for some of you? This shouldn't be. I'm trying to avoid reading a lot of Scriptures here, to try to speak it in simple, layman terms and bring it right down on a personal level to you to show you what it is.

Hear this. In the Old Testament, this Altar of Incense represented prayer, but the Bible is a Book of Mystery, so what does the Bible do? The Bible shows Moses praying, the Bible shows Abraham praying, the Bible shows Samuel praying, but the prayers they prayed weren't prayers they learnt, and it wasn't a prayer that they tried to think up in their mind to say a great thing to God. Certain circumstances caused those prayers to be prayed.

In other words, when Samuel stood at Mizpeh, he understood the people had forsaken the way of Moses. They had forsaken the way of Joshua. They had gone in the day of Judges. They had been sown with Baalim and Ashtoreth. They had a polluted priesthood. They desecrated the temple of God. They neglected the work; the lampstand went out.

So when he was going to pray, what would he say? "Father, bless them. This is Your mighty church, Lord Jesus." Is that what he would pray? He said, "No, you all start to clean up the idols first. Start to draw the water and pour it out." He said, "Then draw near. Start to make things right like God's been showing you; do things." He was instructing them. Why? He was getting ready to pray.

Why did God let the Philistines come at the same time? Catch it. Why did God let the Philistines come at the same time in the battle, while they were there worshiping? To show them the value of their prayer; to show them the value of coming in the provided way, because in the origin when God gave it, this is how it was designed and intended to benefit the people. In other words, when God gave a Brass Altar, God knew that fallen man needs an Altar with a sacrifice to get any blessing from God; to even get an audience with God.

God knew, "He needs a channel of communication; he needs a Golden Altar: a place where he must praise Me and thank Me for My promises, because I have loosed him from his sins. A sacrifice died in his place,

his guilt was transferred to the sacrifice, the innocence was transferred to him and made a way to reconcile him, to give him back My favor. He ought to be thankful and appreciative because if he doesn't do it he is unthankful. He has to come and worship because I am God. He couldn't do it for himself, his brother couldn't do it for him, and nobody could do it for him. Because the first man, the perfect man, when he fell, he ran and made aprons with fig leaves, trying to save himself. I had torn up that thing and thrown it away and shown him the real provided way."

Is that right? Exactly. God had to show them. God had to prove and show them. So, when Samuel stood there too... All through the Bible: Moses, Samuel, Abraham praying for Lot, and Moses praying for the children of Israel. What was it? God was showing: in human life now, look what this symbol represented; look what real intercession is.

How many know those prophets were the Word? How many know they were part of Christ? How many know it was the Mystery of Christ? How many know Samuel was Christ, and Moses was Christ? And Abraham was Christ; he left from Dan to Beersheba to redeem his lost, fallen brother? Moses, in a time of persecution, was a lawgiver. Samuel: prophet, priest, and judge. Is that right? Exactly. They were all Christ, showing this Mystery in the life of the real believer-priest.

In other words, from now, a wood Altar overlaid with gold becomes a man. And you see how that Altar with those horns is supposed to function. And when you see the power in Abraham's prayer, did he get Lot out? "And God remembered Abraham."

Did Moses get a pardon for people? "Aaron, run! Take some fire from the Altar! Take a censer, run to the Golden Altar after you leave the Brass Altar; get some incense, pour it on the Altar, let the sweet incense go up before God because the plague is already gone out!" And he was running, running, running, running, like a

mad man, running. And he stood there between the living and the dead, holding up that incense; and the plague stopped. He saw a man there, and it was coming to him, and he saw it stopped. And he said, "Huh! I could breathe again. What happened there?"

And God gave different scenes in the Bible to unfold the benefit (are you getting it?) that it was designed and intended to bring to us. So you say, "Oh God, if that Altar with that incense can remove plagues, remove curses, bring back blessings..." Because when Elijah went up on Mount Carmel and began to pray for the rain, what happened? The servant said, "I don't see anything."

He said, "What?" He said, "The first thing you should have seen was Fire come down on the sacrifice. You don't even understand anything. You're following me around all the time asking all kinds of foolish questions. Watch what happened there. Didn't you see that I waited until the evening sacrifice and then I drew near? You weren't observing that? Go again seven times!"

Brother, he went up and began to pray, and when he [Gehazi] came back he said, "Well, I waited a real long time, you can't complain with me this time. Do you know what I saw? Do you know what I saw? Do you want to know what I saw? I saw a cloud this big, the size of a man's hand. That is what I saw."

Brother, that old prophet kicked up his heels, had a dance on that mountain; started to shout.

Gehazi said, "What happened? What do you see in that?"

He said, "You faithless, miserable wretch. You can't even see God has begun to move. In a couple of minutes when it gets big enough for your eye gate and your ear gate to start to hear the thunder and the lightning, then you will start to believe." He said, "This is the answer to prayer, boy."

He said, "Well, the man's hand is still paralyzed; he could only move his little finger."

He said, "He couldn't move anything before. If his little finger is moving, healing has begun! You should rejoice for that!" He said, "If God tells you to go and say to this mountain, 'Be thou removed', and you see only one little pebble fall off after a month, start to praise God and say, "One pebble came off, praise God, it has already started. It's happening!"

But the kind of unbelieving, so-called, makebelievers, weak kind of Christians that we have today, brother, they don't know. "Well, I don't know, and, I can't say so yet. I don't want to say that and get embarrassed." No wonder the Church doesn't go anywhere. Do you know why? Their mind is darkened from the ways of God.

God had men praying to show the Mystery, and when Jesus came, He Himself was the fullness of the Golden Altar. Samuel's prayers, Elijah's prayers, Moses' prayers, Abraham's prayers were now in Him, and now He was praying. He was the Source of prayer. He was the Essence of prayer. He was the sweetest Prayerwarrior and Prayer. He was the Altar, He was the Incense, He was the Horns, He was the Shittim Wood, He was the Gold, He was the One foursquare, standing there. He was the very Mystery of God being revealed. Never a man prayed like Him. Never a man had results like Him in his prayer. Oh, my.

Let's turn to Daniel, Chapter 9 quickly. You are doing well. You're doing well. I have Daniel, I have Kings, and I am supposed to close with Ezra – short Scriptures. Ezra might be a little longer one. I tell you I want to close on the Evening Sacrifice being offered. That's why I am driving this down.

So I want you to see the climax. If the Evening Sacrifice is offered, then can't we draw near? You mean to say the sick is laying here sick; this is happening here and we talk about a Prophet "I want that picture. I want

that picture with the Pillar of Fire. I see you all have a new one; I want that one with the Cloud too. Can't I get one like that? I like that one they have in Technicolor; it is blown up. I want that one for my living room."

God doesn't want all that, friends. Do you know what God wants? If you see the Sacrifice offered, you see a Word God accepts, you see a Pillar of Fire come... The Pillar of Fire came for what? Vindication, vindication, to vindicate the thing; and you see that, then you say, "Then, my prayers can go up now. Now, my prayer has value. If there is any time to pray, it is now. Now is the time of prayer because the time of the sacrifice is the time of the offering of the incense. Do you get that?

Daniel 9, from verse 1 coming down you know he is praying for his people. He is praying because he knows the temple is in ruins. He was taken captive to Babylon but he searched, reading the writings of Jeremiah, and then he found it in Jeremiah 29 where God said, "I would bring you back here after seventy years."

He knew seven decades were about run out. Sixty-eight years had passed, two more years were left, and he set himself to seeking God and he was praying. And he had prayed and prayed, confessing his sins and the sins of the people. And verse 20 says:

²⁰ And whiles I was praying, I was speaking and praying...

Watch him here. This man had known prayer. Watch the faithful and dedicated priest in the sanctuary. Watch him at the altar of incense, and watch the strength and power of the horns on his Altar. Are you getting that? His Altar had horns. In Daniel Chapter two, when the king was going to kill everybody, he said, "What? I have an Altar of incense, I can get in God's Presence."

He said, "You tell the king to hold his hand." He said, "We are going to come up with that answer tomorrow." He said, "Well, you ask an impossible thing."

Daniel said, "My God is a God of the impossible." "He said, "I have access to him as a priest. My temple might be in ruins but I know how the house of God was carried out. I studied those things. I followed a prophet called Jeremiah." Amen. Glory be to God in the Highest! And then he came there and he went before God with his other friends. And they were all priests, (is that right?) Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. And they went in there and began to pray and then down came the Holy Spirit and broke the vision to reveal to the king what was going on.

He was separated and washed at the laver. They told him to eat Babylonian meat, do these things. He said, "No, no, no. I don't want to mess with these things at all. No, sir, not at all."

Brother, in Daniel 5, he prayed day and night (is that right?), three times a day. They were against him and they tried to trap him but his prayer wasn't just empty prayer, his Altar had horns. Horns speak of power. The horns speak of power, showing the power of prayer that came from that Altar. And he had sweet incense because he was greatly beloved in Heaven by the way he carried himself, as fitting to be a priest and he knew the approach to God.

And so, when he went there, they threw him in the lion's den; but the Altar had horns. And as Hebrews 11 says: And they shut the mouth of lions. Why? By faith, they couldn't touch him because he knew he had power in prayer. Is that right?

And now, here he was in Daniel 9, praying again for his people. Incense was going up all the time. In persecution and outside of persecution he had separation, no defilement. He was washed in the laver. He understood the sacrifice, that's why his prayer could have such power.

²⁰ And while I was speaking and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting...

What? What word? *Presenting*, that's a priestly word, *Presenting*. I didn't just come before God saying, "Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah." No, no, no. "Oh Father, what a privilege, Lord. Oh, we love You. How excellent is Thy Name in all the earth! How great Thou art!" Amen. He's coming in worship. He is coming to do what? Present it before God.

Could you imagine that somebody needs some assistance from you: they need fifty dollars and you give them fifty dollars, and when they come to pay you back, they have it folded up and they say, "Here; you lent me fifty dollars the other day." Could you imagine that? They could have said when they came, "I really appreciated you standing for me that time." Why? Gratitude, thanksgiving, as they return and give back and keep their vow and their vow is performed.

Do you know why you can't do that with God? Because you don't do that with one another. Have you ever seen people give offering in church sometimes? They have all their money folded up like this. That is their offering to God. And for somebody's birthday they buy a card, they write it up nice, they put little things and they bring it. Fallen, sinful man, they give him something nice, in a nice way and when it comes to God, they crumple up the fruit of their labor: "Here, here, I don't know why you have offering for, and taking people's money they worked hard for. Here!"

You can't offer that to God. Brother, when they start with some of the lowest things like that, some of the small things like that, could they enter into the spirit of what worship is, when that is part of worship...when that is part of worship; when you're offering that as acknowledgment that God gives you, health and strength, that everything belongs to God and you are giving back to God what is God's; that He made you a co-worker with Him to fulfill the plan of redemption?

You don't approach things like that. That is why people don't get anywhere with God. Do you know why? They're not seeing God. Let a... He sealed my lips.

You let some sophisticated, aristocratic man come with some suit and tie, brother, and they hear that this man is some executive, some big person or something, they want to give him all the respect and all the favor. When he doesn't even want to smile, they are smiling. They are even over-smiling as well; trying to play themselves up, trying to get attention, hoping they find the favor because they want something from there.

And God, God, the consciousness, the sensitiveness of God, Who He is and what He is, our Creator; the privilege to draw near. When we see what it was in the natural under the blood of bulls and goats, how much more is it when He Himself became the Sacrifice, and we can come? Oh, Jesus.

We want to come with such sincerity. No wonder He told a Prophet, "Be more sincere. If you want Me to hear your prayer, be more sincere. Your Incense needs some sweetening." Your Incense has the tendency to be corrupted or be tempered. Tempered means to be salted.

²¹ Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

The Man Whom he had seen in the beginning was flying swiftly, "So that He can touch me and I can get my answer." When? When? At the time of the evening sacrifice. God, coming in swiftness, flying swiftly to touch me. He didn't come five minutes before and stand up and wait. Elijah was waiting until the time of the evening sacrifice and then he drew near.

In other words, they were not functioning from human zeal here, they were functioning from the revelation of God here; from the lofty Thoughts of God, from how God set up the faith economy, how He is to be accessed and approached according to the Divine ordinance and the pattern that was laid out. That is the understanding that governed their life, their speech, their worship, their attitude. That is why every move they made reflected Christ. That is why everything they did was manifesting the written Word, and what they were doing, they had a reason for doing it. It was revelation making them do it *that* way and not another way.

They understood the doctrine, that is why they could guard the Truth and nobody could change It up. But when you don't know It, somebody could say something close to It and you think it is the same thing they are saying, and you get detoured because it is not the same thing. When you know It exact, you know It must be so long, so high, so wide *this* way, *that* way; and outside of that, you know not even one jot or tittle could change.

You get my point there? You see that in the Bible? Watch how you read that there:

...being caused to fly swiftly, touched me...

Why is he noticing the time, the speed and the touch, to the evening sacrifice? Why is he conscious to write that and say, "But I happened to notice, He flew swiftly and He touched me, but the touch, the time of it wasn't such and such, it was at the time of the evening sacrifice"? They are conscious that their prayers have to go up through the sacrifice. If the prayers have no sacrifice, the prayers can't be accepted. "Ask anything" in what? "My Name." My Name, Jesus, is what? Jehovah Saviour. What is that? That is work He did on the Cross, the atoning work.

2nd Kings 3, verse 14 – Elisha. Divine promises are governed by Divine laws. Watch this. After this, I have one more Scripture, Ezra and I am going to close with that. 2nd Kings 3, verse 14. You know the story: uninspired leadership caused three kings... and Jehoshaphat got himself with this bunch of unbelievers,

and they went to make war seven days in the desert, a type of Seven church Ages. And they all ended up there in that condition, dying of thirst, and then they came to Elisha.

- ¹⁴ And Elisha said, [verse 14] As the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I stand, surely, were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, I would not look toward thee or see thee.
- ¹⁵ But now bring me a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the hand of the Lord came upon him.
- ¹⁶ And he said, Thus saith the Lord, make this valley full of ditches.

Watch him how he began to work with music to get out of his own human spirit because he was angry with those kings, because Ahab's son was an idolater in Jezebel's religion and had misled the children of Israel, and Jezebel had tried to kill Elijah and he was following Elijah so he knew those spirits. And then look at him here now, he began to prophesy and he said:

¹⁶ Thus saith the Lord, make this valley full of ditches, this valley...

He pointed out which valley.

- ¹⁷ For thus saith the Lord, you shall not see wind, neither shall you see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, that ye may drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts,
- ¹⁸ And this is but a light thing in the sight of the Lord: he will deliver the Moabites also into your hand.
- ¹⁹ And you shall smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and shall fell every good tree, and stop all wells of water, and mar every good piece of land with stones.

²⁰ And it came to pass...

After he gave his prophecy, he told them it will have water, but it didn't come to pass until a certain time. God, by the spirit of prophecy, spoke through the prophet. It wasn't the prophet speaking, it was, THUS SAITH THE LORD. It was the Lord speaking through the prophet, but the Lord had His appointed time to bring to pass the promise that He promised them.

²⁰ And it came to pass in the morning, when the meat offering was offered, that, behold, there came water by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water.

Why is God putting in the sacrifice together with the water? Why is God telling us the water came at the time of the sacrifice? Do you know why? Because that prayer had no value, that prophecy had no value outside of that sacrifice on that Altar out there, atoning for sin and making them clean from defilement to be able to access a blessing from God. The sacrifice that they had undervalued because they got into Jezebel's religion, and the Altar of God was broken down in Israel, and when Elijah came he could have only turned back seven thousand; the whole nation stayed in the thing. Think of it.

God showed that the deliverance only came because of the sacrifice that was being offered *there* in the temple, at the time. Do you know why God honored that sacrifice? Because it was Christ and it was speaking about Christ. And do you know why a blessing could come? Because any blessing received comes on the basis of what Jesus Christ did for us. Satan can't heal anybody. Don't let anybody tell you the devil heals.

You went by an obeah woman [a necromancer -Ed.] one time and you got healed. You might have been ignorant. God winked at your ignorance and you got healed in spite of the foolish things that you did, but only God could heal because Jesus says, "If Satan can cast out

Satan his kingdom is divided." The devil cannot heal. "I am the Lord Who healeth *all* thy diseases and forgiveth *all* thy iniquities." He blessed you with *all* spiritual blessings in Heavenly Places in Christ by the value of the Sacrifice.

So watch. What am I saying? Can you see the connection between the Brass Altar and the Altar of Incense? Can you see man who understood that when they were at this Incense Altar, if they wanted to get an audience with God, if they wanted to obtain a favor from God, if they wanted to remove a plague, if they wanted to help deliver people from a condition, if they wanted to reconcile people back to God like Elijah did, remove a plague like Moses did, stop a plague from among the people like Samuel did; reconcile a people back to God and they were able to re-possess their inheritance like Elijah did, see a people get delivered; all of that at the time of the sacrifice. Why? Because God set it up.

Which Altar was first in the tabernacle? The Brass Altar. The Brass Altar was first. You can't even be a Christian if you didn't see that Jesus died. The Greeks came, "Sirs, we would see Jesus."

He pointed them to the Brass Altar: "Except a corn of wheat fall on the ground and die, it abideth alone."

Friends, what I am saying is, if you bypass these Things today you have nowhere to go with God. You can't even call yourself a believer. Every believer has those two Altars.

There were only two Altars in that tabernacle and they were divinely and intimately and inseparably connected together. The Fire off that Altar and the blood off that Altar were identified with *this* Altar. And the incense off *this* Altar went into the holy place, the most holy place on the Day of Atonement. And do you know something? That Altar of Incense was the highest piece of furniture in that whole tabernacle, so when that incense went up everything else came under the cover of that sweetness. Oh, my!

You say, "What do you mean, Brother Vin? Our prayer, this whole place will be so blanketed with prayer, sweet prayer before God, a sweet hour of prayer, a people who know how to plead the Blood and approach the Presence of God; how they have their prayers to go up like the incense, and the lifting of their hands as the evening sacrifice; and the Incense would go up in the morning time and the evening time; in every place?" Is that right?

Because, "Blessed is the man whom God causeth and chooseth to approach unto Him," that a people who are approaching God are approaching God through knowledge of how He set up the system; this faith economy, which the prophet who went up in the mountain... Did the Prophet go up in the mountain? Did the Cloud descend on the mountain under the Seventh Seal? I could go so far to show you the Tent Vision; it is a Tent Vision. The first part of the Tent Vision was healing. The First and Second Pulls were healing. How many know that? His ministry was healing. How many know that before he came to the Third Pull it had the long altar call while Bro. Branham was taking a rest? Is that right? It's right.

And while he was taking a rest, there were people who had been saved and healed in the meetings (is that right? That's right.) at the altar. They were offering their prayers; they were being ministered to; they were being prayed for. Why? Because those had been saved out of the meetings. And then, now, the last part was that little room where God said, "I'll meet you in there." because though those priests used to be there. Here was still veiled, but then when it was torn open, this Altar of Incense used to be right before the mercy seat...right before the mercy seat.

Today we have no veil. The only thing God removed... God didn't move the pieces. God didn't do away with the Brass Altar. Has God done away with Calvary? Has God done away with separation from defilement in the

laver? Has God done away with the candlestick and the Altar of Incense? Has God done away with the table of shewbread? All God removed was the veil. He took the veil off the Word.

Now, the same priest here can go in. Now the same priest is ministering and praying before an unveiled God. And with that veil taken off, brother, now you see from the very slaying of that Sacrifice until a man stands in union with God here, in harmony with God. Think of what this church is going to be. Think about if this church can begin to march forward into real prayer. Think about if you, this morning, say, "Oh God, I hardly pray, my prayer life is in a mess. My prayer life is broken down."

Do you see what the devil has done to you? Do you see what the devil has done to you? Do you see what the ministry of prayer was? Do you see how every time, every deliverance came in the Bible, it was men who stood there knowing how to approach God on the basis of an accepted sacrifice? Do you see how blessings came to people to save their lives and deliver them from conditions?

If you are sick this morning and you have a lifethreatening disease, what is going to get you out of it? Isn't it, by His stripes you were healed? Isn't it going to be: the prayer of faith shall save the sick and the Lord shall raise them up? Isn't that prayer of faith to save the sick, is the prayer of faith knowing that by the stripes he is healed, back here? When the man comes here and he sees the people don't have faith, what does he do? He builds their faith. In what? A finished work. Is that what he did? Is that what the gifts did? Is that what gifts are for? Do gifts heal? Do preachers save? It's already finished at Calvary. It is to point to a finished work, but it builds your faith in here, so you could get the results of the prayer here. Are you getting that?

But how could you offer incense if the lamp isn't trimmed? Wasn't the lamp supposed to be trimmed at the same time? Aren't you supposed to testify, "John Ryan, go and testify you are healed." Is that right? Light, testimony, witness, "You shall be witnesses of Me after the Holy Spirit is come upon you." After your lamps get lit you would bear witness. No man lights a lamp and puts it under a bushel but on a lampstand (is that right?) to give witness and testimony.

And then, the prayers began to go up, and then, what happened? The man at the Gate Beautiful was healed. And they came, shook up all of Jerusalem. And they came saying, "Where did you all get this power?"

Peter said, "Don't look at us as if it's by our holiness

Peter said, "Don't look at us as if it's by our holiness or it is something we did. It is by faith in Him Whom you crucified. It is by faith in what happened at that Brass Altar. Our praying, based on that, is what brought this result with this man here."

When did they go up? At the time of prayer, being the ninth hour, the time when the incense was offered. Because when the incense was offered, the people were outside praying because it represented the prayer.

"Cornelius, your alms have come up before Me."

"What! I found that I prayed so weak that day, and grumbling and snotty-nosed; I could hardly even see. I was so broken in spirit that I couldn't be as eloquent as my normal self."

He said, "No. That was the day when you got the mixture right and your Altar was foursquare. And I could have seen the horns on your Altar because, through the agony and the things you were going through, it compounded the thing into a very fine substance that had tears mixed with it; it wasn't any dry-eyed business. It had gratitude and sincerity, and faith pulling. It had expectation from God, it had reverence before God, it had thanksgiving and supplications." Amen!

"Thy prayer is heard!" and the Angel came. Is that right? When? ...being the ninth hour. See it in the Bible. I'm throwing it out because I am not going to read it. "Being the ninth hour," he said. When did Peter and they go up? ...being the ninth hour and when Jesus died. Darkness was from the sixth to the ninth hour. And Jesus died at the ninth hour, the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice.

Zacharias stood at the Altar of Incense because his lot was to burn the incense, and he was by the Golden Altar. And the beginning of the New Testament, the first supernatural act in the New Testament... They hadn't seen angels for hundreds of years, hadn't seen prophets for hundreds of years (amen) and the Messiah had been promised for four thousand years. The time had come and the man who got the visitation was where? At the Incense Altar.

And Gabriel appeared. Since from Daniel's time, "Seal it up, Daniel, fall in thy lot and fall asleep. You don't understand half of these Things you are seeing, it's in symbol form." And Gabriel Who came down at the time back there at the evening oblation, came back at that time there, at the time of the offering of the incense.

And the first revelation of Elijah and the Son of Man came in the earth in that hour, came by a mighty Angel descending from Heaven coming there and it couldn't even be believed by a priest who was standing there at the Incense Altar. And the man who could not break into the Supernatural and receive the Supernatural at the Incense Altar; a man who had forgotten: he had come into form and ritual, came under a temporary judgment right there, "You shall be dumb for a season until My Word be fulfilled in Its season."

Could you imagine? Uzziah got judged where? At the Incense Altar. Korah and they wanted to offer incense, but it's only those in the priest's family had to be in there. Only a Chosen Generation, only a Royal

Priesthood, only a special people, elected and called and anointed and placed was to come in there.

Friends, do you realize that to pray, to offer prayer before God, it is only a certain people who could pray before God? Do you realize that all this kind of prayers people pray: Hindus are praying, Muslims are praying, this one is praying, Bahá'ís are praying, New Age are praying, Unity people are praying, everybody is praying; and if you don't pray in the Name of Jesus Christ and you don't come in His Name, all of that is abomination? And if your Fire doesn't come from Heaven to burn that Incense off the Incense Altar, and if you believe Jesus was just a man who died like other people and He really wasn't God in the flesh, that prayer has no value before God?

And how many people and ministers bow for Pentecostal women to lay their hands on them and bring a false prophecy? Some bobbed-hair woman or somebody doing something like that, who is offering all kinds of wrong things on that altar; a strange altar with strange fire and everything, and people are submitting themselves to that.

Watch these men. Watch these men in the Bible. Watch, men who knew God and got a hold of God. Watch, men who knew the basis and the principles and the laws upon which God set up a faith economy, and men who knew how to work in harmony with those things to access those blessings. And watch how that was God's designed way to bring things to His people: by prayer, by prayer with faith, by the approach to God.

That Altar must have power. Prayer without power is nothing. Paul said, "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man." How did the man get righteous? What made him righteous? His guilt went on the Sacrifice that was killed at the Brass Altar. The innocence of that Sacrifice came upon him. He became righteous. And because he knew the stead it put him in, now at the

Incense Altar, he could pray fervently based on what that achieved back there to get the blessings.

Elijah prayed; a man of like passions could pray fervently and effectually because he understood that sacrifice. He could tell the boy: "Go again seven times, I see the sacrifice accepted." Elijah saw it happen.

Ezra, the last one, I am closing with Ezra. I shouldn't have to be saying that as though I am apologizing for staying a little long today; not with the church being in the condition it is in, not with the lives of people being in the condition they are in, and to know that this can change your very life and can change your attitude, and you can leave this place different and never be the same again after a message like this, this morning.

Your whole concept of prayer should change after a message like this, this morning. This should bring in the reverence, this should bring in the sweetness, this should bring in the favor, this should bring in the right approach. Every time you lift your hands you should remember the evening Sacrifice. Every time you open your mouth, you remember the incense going up like David said. And when you come in before God, that, "Blessed is the man who is called and who is chosen to approach unto God."

When did they know that approach? God revealed the approach. When He killed Nadab and Abihu, He said, "Let no man come in here without blood. Let a man dress a certain way, walk a certain way to come inside of here. I'm going to be listening for that approach."

I want to read from verse 1, Ezra.

Oh, Jesus. Jesus, I love You so and I want You to know what You've done for me is not in vain; and I will stake my claim, Lord, on Your holy Name. Oh, how I love, I love You so. I pray all this is acceptable in Your sight today, Father; it is pleasing unto You.

Ezra 9, verse 1:

¹ Now when these things were done, the princes came to me, saying, the people of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, have not separated themselves from the people of the lands, doing according to their abominations, even of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites.

That may look like a bunch of names, but Moabites and Ammonites were born through incest. The Canaanites and they had bestiality worship and all kinds of pornography and astrology and did all kinds of things in getting a wife, and marriage, and the religion had a lot of prostitution and those things.

All you have to do is read Leviticus 18, Deuteronomy 18, and you would see the things that God told them about the iniquities of the Amorites. And then look in the land today and see the things in the land and you'll understand what type of Age we are living in; because the iniquity of the Amorites is full in this hour.

² For they have taken of their daughters for themselves...

The Priests and Levites and people of Israel, they took daughters from all these people and they married into these families. They weren't watching Abraham who said, "Put your hand on my thigh and swear that you would not take a bride from there." They had come back out of Babylon. Catch this: These are people who came back out of Babylon. When you have Minister in this Message marrying a woman to a Hindu, and marrying this one, and all kinds of foolishness going on in the Message, it shows you where they have no revelation. It shows you what goes on inside this Message here.

They had come back out of Babylon, at the end of the seventh decade; they had come into the land of their fathers; they had rebuilt the temple. And when Ezra came, maybe about sixty years after, in the second set

of people, the second set of the remnant that was coming back, when they came there, there was so much false union, so much pollution among the people that they came to Ezra and they told Ezra this. He said:

² For they have taken of their daughters for themselves, and for their sons; so that the holy seed have mingled themselves with the people of those lands: Yea, the hand of the princes and rulers hath been chief in this trespass.

Men, who supposed to have known; princes and rulers who supposed to have known that this people was a called-out people by a prophet, brought in that land to be the head of the nations, given the Word of God, given the worship of God among them, and for the very sins was when they went back into captivity for seventy years, and they came back, and they went right back into that kind of filth, and compromise, and makebelief, and these things. They should have known that. And this very people was a people who was to bring forth the Messiah.

Messiah, who was to slay the enmity and bring redemption and raise up the Old Testament saints who died in faith, was to come through that race of people, that called-out people. And these men had lost sight... Catch what I am saying. These men had lost sight of what the real Church was, and the condition the Church was to be in, and the purpose the Church was called for, and the hour they were living in, and why they had come back out of Babylon at the end of the seventh decade and brought back in the land of the fathers.

And when people today forget why God brought a people out of denomination, at the end of the Seventh church Age after Seven church Ages ran out, brought us back into the land of the fathers, and go back into all kinds of false union and make-belief, it just shows they are in the same condition. They can't beat their

type. They have forgotten, they have lost sight, they have come down to a human realm of just church. They've become selfish. They've started to live their own lives to please their own human self and are not thinking about the Church of God that they are a part of and what God raised up that Church for.

They say, "I am an individual. I could take a wife if I want to. I don't see anything wrong with that. After all, Moses married an Ethiopian and Joseph married an Egyptian. Look, it has that in the Bible too." And they started to play with words; started to play with words.

Think of it, friends. In an Age today when a man is marrying a man to another man saying he is a priest, and he is marrying two men. He could do that when he's interfering with an altar boy. He could afford to marry two men. God, have mercy. People are so far from God that God is just form and ritual that their hearts are not even touched by those things.

Look at a man of God here who saw the condition of the Church at the end of the seventh decade. Watch. Watch and see. See if that is your type. Look at a real priest. If we are a Royal Priesthood see what kind of priests we are today. Watch. For they have taken daughters and done these things.

And verse 3:

³ And when I heard this thing [when I heard this thing] I rent my garment and my mantle, and plucked off the hair of my head and of my beard, and sat down astonied.

He was so blown away; he was so petrified, "Oh God, Israel? Do you mean God Who sent a prophet with a Pillar of Fire and a Cloud, Who went up in the mountain?"

Ezra was a direct descendant of Aaron. He was in the loins of Aaron when Aaron was put in that priesthood. He was a direct descendant of Phinehas. In Ezra 7 he

traced his pedigree and he told you he came from the great high priest. Can you trace yours?

Do you know you are part of the great High Priest; you were chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world and you could trace yours all the way back to Melchisedec who came to Abraham? Is your amnesia gone so much that you could see that?

Then watch; watch one from Aaron (you're from Melchisedec) and see. Look. He says:

⁴ Then were assembled unto me every one that trembled at the words of the God of Israel, because of the transgression of those that had been carried away...

Two sets of people: those who trembled at the Words of the God of Israel, and, those who had been carried away. Which group are you of, this morning? Do you tremble at the Word? Is your heart in condition? And I want to speak to some of those who're outside and in the side rooms, because many times there are people who need prayer here; those on the outside are starting to figure they are in another church, another small church out there, so they don't come up here. But, friends, it doesn't matter if you have to walk from home to walk to this altar here. It is not too far to walk when you need to walk; when you see the Word and you can tremble under the Word.

If a heart in this hour can't tremble under the Word at the end of the Seventh Decade, a priest in the sanctuary of God, I guarantee you that is not a real Priest. And the Bride is a Royal Priesthood; every member of the Bride is part of the Royal Priesthood. Watch.

³ And when I heard this thing I rent my garments... I sat down astonied.

And verse 4 says:

⁴ Then were assembled unto me every one that trembled at the words of the God of Israel, because of the transgression of

those that had been carried away; and I sat astonied until the evening sacrifice.

⁵ And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness...

It seems like he had the same revelation Daniel had, and it seems like they had the same revelation Elijah had; and it seems like they had the same revelation that David had and the same revelation that Moses had, when he came down from off the mountain with that Tent Vision. He sat down there and waited. He didn't go and try to pray and bawl, "Oh God, oh God, oh God, come."

"I sat down and waited until the evening sacrifice and at the evening sacrifice, I got up. Now, I am going to pray. Now, I am going to pray." Do you know why? His thoughts are lined up with God's thoughts. His thoughts are lined up with God's thoughts. He wasn't a free thinker; his thinking was filtered.

I showed you that, in the Old Testament, in all these characters. I showed you that, when Jesus died, in the time there. And what happened when Jesus died at that time? The graves were opened and the Old Testament saints arose but didn't come out until after He rose. But when the veil of the temple was rent in twain they woke up and they arose.

When Peter went up at the ninth hour... The first miracle done in the Book of Acts was done when? At the time of prayer. And the Bible accounts the time, what time it was, and what they were doing: they were going up for prayer at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice. Do you get that? Why? Because when that sacrifice was bleeding at the Brass Altar that's when the incense used to go up, that's when the wick was trimmed, that's when the light was burning. Because why? You need that fire from there to light here, so when God accepts that you take that fire to burn your incense here. Do you follow me?

Do you see how some of you can't pray according to the Message? Do you see how some of you don't know the mind of God in the Message? You see, when Jonah was praying in the belly of the fish, out of all his prayers were the Psalms. When Jehoshaphat was praying, out of his prayers were the Scriptures with David and Solomon and Abraham. Do you see where they were getting their incense from to burn? They were digging deep in the Word and they were mixing that incense and it was sweet before God.

Isn't this wonderful? Are you feeling that, this morning? Are you catching that? Down in your heart as a believer you say, "Oh God, this is the prayer life I wanted all my life. I feel you opened it to me this morning. You put it here. We have come to Mizpeh."

Friends, you don't know over the hours... I am just preaching a little portion of it this morning. I left out most of my Scriptures on these Things, a lot of my quotes because it was about a week here, eighteen hours a day sometimes, that I am in it, trying to search out every little thing; reading everything I could find, studying everything I could find about the Altar of incense; this incense, that, that, that,

And when I was finished I said, Lord, I've read, I studied, I've done everything, but still I need to have that in a way that I could apply that here for my people, for us where we are walking, in our junction where the church needs to come up here for us to understand that, to be able to come up to that level where we could be consumed with prayer, a spirit of prayer; where this spirit of Ezra and this spirit of Elijah and this spirit of Samuel and this spirit of Elisha is here in this tabernacle; this spirit of Abraham and this spirit of David is here in this tabernacle.

When we stand here and lift our hands and we start to pray and worship God, nobody has to say anything, friends. When we come through those doors we come in as a conscious people who know what it is and what we come for. We don't sit down there chewing, watching around, seeing who's doing this, checking that out, waiting for church to be over, looking at our watches every five minutes. No, no, no. We know what we are doing here.

If I am talking foolishness don't come back. Leave and go home, you're forgiven, no problem with that. If I am preaching the Word of Almighty God then these Things are Divine Things. These Things you don't hear everywhere. These things come from far; bringing Them from far, from far, from far in pain and suffering on a sick bed trying to find, saying: God, You walked with me in places.

Look at when I had my first bout of sickness; I went down, found Samuel. Second bout: I came back, got to the altar. I had about three or four messages I wanted to continue to preach but I knew something was wrong. I said that is wrong, I can't go there. If I go there I would be going clean out of my inspiration. I'll need to stop at Mizpeh; something has to happen in the church at Mizpeh. Mizpeh is designed for something to take place.

I wanted to go and preach about the removal of names from the Book, and the apostasy and all these different things that come through the rejection. I knew in my heart that's not where I want to go; that's not where I feel it is. And I waited, and then I started to think about the prayer, the prayer, the prayer; but how can we go deeper in the prayer? We came into one prayer meeting, two prayer meetings, and I find the prayer meeting is still not what it ought to be. People are still coming, and we are not breaking. There is no enthusiasm, there is no real fervency, there is no atmosphere. I said something is wrong somewhere.

I said I have to go back to the beginning and find this Altar, what it is...what it is, and bring it down. When I found gifted men who were called out by a prophet, who went up in the mountain, in that Cloud when the Lord descended with a Seventh Seal vision, a prophetic vision

bringing the hidden Secrets of redemption, every one of them had a piece of the Mystery of redemption – seven steps to God, seven pieces of furniture, seven-fold Mystery thundering from the Cloud in the mountain and these men had to bring to life what the prophet only saw in vision and spoke to the called-out people. And then under their ministry of laboring and building, they saw it coming forth into reality. It was there among the people.

I said, oh God, this is great. This is great. Do you mean under our preaching and laboring and knowing how to work in gold, and this Mystery of Deity and shittim wood and the humanity – perfect strength in human weakness, is how to bring these things together? Oh my, it is Divine.

That is why I say don't try to run ahead, don't jump; don't try to use Scriptures and turn corners and jump and keep going, no. Wait, wait, wait, let God talk to your heart. Pray, read over. If you have to just 'parrot' and say back what is said, it might be better. Just say, "I don't have anything; play a tape." Yes, that's the way, until it comes and it comes right, then we make a step.

Otherwise, the next thing takes away and detours you this way, pushes you this way, kills what is there and you drop back down in a human realm, and you ask, "How did the service get like this? The other day service was going good, and look how it get back."

No, no, no. When you are working by certain laws and principles—look, we are in November; we are in November now. Think. Next month we'll be in December; a few more weeks from now. Spiritual Astronauts In This Zero Hour [2001-1231 -Ed.], Thy Faith [2002-0407 -Ed.], Power of True Confession [2002-0414 -Ed.], Ministry of Angels [2002-0224 -Ed.], all these Things have come right back. See how these Things have come back here? See how these Things have come back here? It can't move.

That's why we have to hear It right, get our ear, this ear. I think we are anointing the wrong ear sometimes that's why I hold this, *this* ear, the *right ear*. Get that ear anointed to hear it right; because you can't say it right, you can't know it right unless you hear it right, unless it is revealed right. You have to see it right.

He waited.

...I arose from my heaviness [Verse 5]
⁵ And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness and having rent my garment and my mantle, I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto the LORD my God.

No doubt he read that same Psalm of David because he was a ready scribe; he knew the Law. And he cried out. Look at him here; he spread out his hands. Why? Didn't David say, "I lift my hands as (what?) the evening sacrifice"? He said, "At the time of the evening sacrifice I get there and I spread out my hands." Isn't that strange?

⁶ And I said, O my God...

Watch the incense coming off of this man's Altar, and look at the manner in which this priest was burning the sweet incense at the Golden Altar. He is at the Golden Altar now. The sacrifice is being offered. He has his Fire from that sacrifice and he is burning his incense and his incense is going up. You can tell his Altar is foursquare and you can tell the horns of his Altar is sprinkled with blood. His incense was well compounded according to specification because look at how he starts to pray.

By the life and by the prayer of this priest, you could tell he had been at the Brass Altar. You could tell this man's right ear was anointed. You could tell this man's right hand was anointed. You could tell this man's right toe was anointed. His garments and he himself were sprinkled with the anointing oil, because you must be in that condition to stand at that Altar.

And hear this anointed priest at that Altar praying and hear the sweet incense coming up before God, what is he trying to do? He is an advocate pleading the cause of the guilty in the Supreme Court. He is in the Supreme Court. He is coming before the Supreme Judge, (amen) but he is making an approach. He is coming before the bar of the Supreme Judge, Sammy [Elder Bro. Samuel Johnson -Ed.], and he is coming there. He is a priest. And as he approaches, when is he coming? At the end of the seventh decade. When at the end of the seventh decade? When the evening sacrifice is offered.

Are we at the end of the Seventh Decade? Is the Evening Sacrifice offered? Do we understand it? When we look around and see people in all kinds of condition and sin and bound up, right among us, what is our attitude if we are priests, if we have access, if we know that we are called and we are born into a Priest Family; if we trace our pedigree back to the original High Priest, if we are Ready Scribes and we know the Law? Think of it.

What is he trying to do? He wants a pardon. He knows they are dead under God's judgment if they don't get a pardon. He is trying to find mercy and grace for the offenders of God's justice. He's coming to plead. Have you ever seen an attorney sum up a case before the judge? He knows the man is guilty and he can't try to tell the judge the man isn't guilty, the evidence is too glaring; but he is asking for leniency, "Oh, Your Honor, this man had a hard upbringing. He wouldn't have turned out this way but he was abused as a young boy. He was never shown love." He starts to find everything he could draw on.

Oh, my! "And You are plenteous in mercy; and did You not provide a way that a man can have his sins atoned, Your Honor? Did You not, in the very beginning, the first One (if I remember the record right); You slew a lamb in the Garden of Eden? And one day when a man came to You without blood, with all kinds of fruits and flowers, it didn't move You but You saw another one, the younger one, (amen, hallelujah!) he came there. Right there at the beginning, Your hands were crossed; the blessing was on the younger one that came from the right loins, that had the right revelation (amen! Glory be to God in the Highest!) by sovereign grace. And I know that these people here are in this condition." and he is pleading the case.

This is the incense. This incense is to get the favor of the Judge. The Judge is going to smell this. The Judge is going to be affected by this; the Judge's emotions are going to be stirred. It is going to get into His mind. It is going to carry Him back and make Him remember Abraham standing there, pleading. It is going to carry Him back and make Him remember Aaron with the incense. It is going to carry Him back and make Him remember all those things in the garden; and how Moses said, "Blot my name out." It is going to carry Him back and make Him remember these things; that very incense at that evening sacrifice. Because why? They were approaching Him with a knowledge and on a basis that He was very familiar with. Did you get that?

That is why you learn the Word, so when you go to talk to God you can talk to God on the Word. You talk to God about something He is familiar with, something that He gave to you as a channel of communication; something that He might be accessed by, that He might be referred back to. You say, "Lord, such and such a time You did *this*, and You were merciful here. Remember David, Father, when he sinned and he bought the threshingfloor and he brought the bullock and he offered the sacrifice, and the Angel put back the sword. Oh God, You are still that same God today; would You sheath Your sword, Jesus?" Oh my.

This could be a sequel to *Standing In The Gap*. Amen. My! Think of it, friends. Look at the prayer. Look at the incense. Look at the incense here. This is

where every Believer-Priest at the end of the Seventh Decade, take your pattern here in the restoration people, in the restoration hour. Ezra means *a helper in the hour of restoration*. Think of it: *a helper*.

⁶ And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush [I am ashamed and blush!] to lift up my face to thee, my God:

The blushing prophet, the blushing priest, watch him:

And our iniquities are increased...

Oh, my; he is not trying to hide their sin, friends. What is he doing? He is confessing the sin.

Daniel said, "While I was praying and making my confession and confession for the sins of my people..." not just for himself; for him and for his people he is making confession. Think of it. He is making that confession before God. Oh, how beautiful.

He says: [verse 7 -Ed.]

...and for our iniquities have we, our kings and our priests, been delivered into the hand of the kings of the lands, to the sword, to captivity, and to a spoil, and to confusion of face, as it is this day.

Because they had just come out of captivity. God had taken them down to Babylon for seventy years and Ezra was referring back, "Lord, You did this because of the hardness of our hearts. Now look at us, we've come back in that same condition after all that chastisement."

⁸ And now for a little space grace had been shewed from the Lord our God, to leave us a remnant to escape...

Think of it! We are a remnant to escape the pollution and corruption of this world; the pollution of organization going to the Mark of the Beast. We are a remnant: "Come out of her, My people! As many as I love..." He took us out of Babylon; brought us back to the land of the fathers.

...and to give us a nail in his holy place, that our God may lighten our eyes, and give us a little reviving in our bondage.

⁹ For we were bondmen; yet our God hath not forsaken us in our bondage...

They saw God raise up Cyrus, a heathen king, and set a decree and sent them back to fulfill a prophecy of Isaiah, to fulfill Jeremiah's prophecy. They saw that. And he is praying out of these experiences. He said: "You didn't forsake us in our bondage,"

...but hath extended mercy unto us in the sight of the kings of Persia, to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our God, and to repair the desolations thereof, and to give us a wall in Judah and in Jerusalem. [Nehemiah had come.]

¹⁰ And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? For we have forsaken thy commandments,

Do you see how a man didn't try to beat around the bush and pray all kinds of things? He waited at the time of the evening sacrifice; he knows it has shed blood there. He is smelling that incense being offered, and he is praying while that incense is going up and while that sacrifice is offered because it took that Fire to do that.

And look at something here, friends. Look at something here. And while he is doing that by the grace of God, a type of us in this last Day, where we should be getting our Fire from, where we should be affected when we see what goes on in the Church, where we understand what happened if we know the Church history: the Nicolaitanes in Ephesus that came in, how the second Eve fell; Satan's synagogue in Smyrna; in Pergamos, that false union, married to the world where Satan's seat was; in Thyatira to the depths of Satan with that woman Jezebel. Our works weren't found perfect; they were unfulfilled in Sardis – escaped ones. In Philadelphia, they had little strength. In Laodicea they

are blind and wretched and naked and miserable and don't know it; lukewarm. Think of it. And looking back and seeing the condition of the Church, and God took us out from all that filth where He is rejected, and brings us here, back into the land of our fathers.

I don't just preach a message. I don't just preach a message. These things help me understand I am not strange. When I find things in the Bible like that, in my time and season that type me, that type my hour and my time and what our behavior should be and what our hunger should be and how we should be affected, God is saying you're not strange, you're not crazy because if you did not have that you were not a believer. If you are not feeling like that your life is in the outer court somewhere; you haven't even come into the Holy Place. You're still living under guilt and condemnation and all your prayer is, "Father, forgive me, Father, forgive me. Oh God, I am getting a mind battle."

When would you ever get to begin to offer up Incense before God, worship God; bring a Sacrifice of praise and honor Him and magnify Him, and feed on the Shewbread, and give out your witness and testimony? When?

¹⁰ And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? For we have forsaken thy commandments,

¹¹ Which thou hast commanded by thy servants the prophets, saying, the land unto which ye go to possess it, is an unclean land with the filthiness of the people of the lands.

He's saying, "Father, and You had told us since, in the time of Joshua and them back there, we were coming to a land of abominations. We've come back in the land, the abominable ones are still there and we went and got tied back up with the same thing."

...which have filled it from one end to another with their uncleanness.

On every corner there's a bar, there's a nightclub, there's a red light area. Every block has a weed pusher, a cocaine addict, somebody selling their body for some crack. Everywhere there's a burglar, somebody doing gunrunning; there's kidnapping. They filled the land with their abominations, the length and breadth of the land.

When we have a chance like this to come and gather here in a little sanctuary and get under the Word, friends, and get in the Presence of God; friends, let me tell you, don't be so carnal; don't be so low and live in a dead, half-dead condition. Get where you can get Rapturing Faith. Get where your spirit can be lifted. Get where your strength can come in the inner man. Get where your thinking can be cleared up and you can begin to see the hour and you can begin to take your place as a believer. And if you don't have that this morning, cry out for it.

I'm not trying to keep bringing you to the altar, but every time the Word comes and carries you a little deeper and you see the last time you ran to the altar when your flesh got shaken, but this time now He is showing you where your spirit ought to be, where your soul ought to be on the inside. He is showing you that the sin you run up for half the time is some old mind battle, but watch your service. Examine your service. Examine how you discharge your functions as a Christian.

Watch and see if you are part of this Priesthood. Watch and see if you're really living for God or you come to church and live your life otherwise. Church is a little religious time you give for God, but you're not really living for God, you not really waiting before God. You don't want His leadership. Everything you are going to do, you don't consult Him and acknowledge Him, you don't put Him first in your life. Everything you're going to do: "Is this pleasing to Him? Is He pleased with this?"

Why? And that is only so if He is real to you, friends. If He is not real to you, you don't do that.

Friends, if it is not real to you because He so far from you, you're insensitive. Do you know what you more think of? A brother and sister – "I don't want that brother to see me. If that sister sees me, she talks this, so and so and so. That brother, he will call me and tell me about it." And you're living in a kind of fear for this brother and sister; become a man-pleaser. And you're looking at people and trying to get into pretense to behave according to how people see you, and God is seeing you all the time.

You are not conscious of the Unseen yet. You're not conscious of angels all around you listening to your conversation. You're not conscious your thoughts speak louder in Heaven. But when David was conscious that his thoughts speak louder in Heaven he said, "Let the words of my mouth, let the meditation of my heart be acceptable. Let it be sweet incense (amen) whether it is on my Altar or it is ascending up to God."

The incense started from in the man and went up to God. It started from here. The Fire burning it makes it rise. The Holy Ghost in you, burning that and pushing it up, (amen) It brings it up before God, friends.

And Ezra was pleading the case, and he was pleading. Look at him. He is pleading and the prayer is going up and the incense is going up; and the sacrifice, the cloud and the smoke are going up before God. And he says (verse 12):

12 Now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto thy sons, [God had said that in His Word] nor seek their peace or their wealth forever: That ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and leave it for an inheritance to your children forever.

¹³ And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds...

"We went into Babylon for seventy years for our evil deeds, after You warned us when we came out with Moses in the Exodus. And after all that came upon us in Babylon and You brought us back and now..."

...and for our great trespass, seeing that thou our God hast punished us less than our iniquities deserve,...

"We should have gotten two thousand years down in Babylon, Lord, but You only gave us seventy and You brought us back. And we came back and got mixed up in the land again the same way."

...and hast given us such deliverance as this:

¹⁴ Should we again break thy commandment, and join in affinity with the people of these abominations?

Do you mean to say we would get so selfish, we would get so self-centered, "Who, me and Bro. Vin and them? That's Bro. Vin, yes. That is their church up there. He could say what he wants, he doesn't have to live my life. He isn't facing what I am facing." You hypocrite. You don't deserve to be in this rank. Is this about Bro. Vin and them? All that I am saying is it about Bro. Vin and them? Did Bro. Vin give you a Brass Altar and an Incense Altar; a Golden Altar? Is it Bro. Vin who said that is the way you're going, where Ezra and Nehemiah and Samuel and Elijah and all of them had there, Elisha and they had there, and Aaron and they; all that I quoted there, and Peter and they in the New Testament went up to pray; and this one praying in his house there, Cornelius, praying in his house at the ninth hour; and Jesus died at the ninth hour in the New Testament too, at the time of prayer; is that Bro. Vin's thing? Did Bro. Vin write that in the Bible?

Did a prophet go up in the Cloud? Did the same God come on Sunset Mountain? Did he come back with a vision for the Church? Is God to be in this church the same way, in a greater Glory; otherwise, it's the Mark of

the Beast in the tribulation? Otherwise, it's worshiping the devil? Is it?

This isn't my thing. This isn't my thing, friends. By God's grace, He lets me see this. Do you know why? My heart hungers for something to carry His Church forward because I know if the Rapture comes right now, we are not going a place. We are not in condition to go if we are alive. That is why God has to take some of us dead, take us to the grave to help us because the challenge is rising and people are not moving on. This is a faith. This Message is designed not to come to church and wear a long dress alone, friends.

This is not like twenty-five years ago when you say, "Look at her with her short dress; my dress is longer than hers." That is carnality. You are worse than a Catholic if you think that. Do you know why? Because this Message has nothing to do with the outer court, this Message has to do with the Third Pull, the soul, the inside of the inside. What are you there? Do you have faith? Without faith, it is impossible to please God. Do you live by every Word? Without every Word, you can't go back to the Garden of Eden because one Word took you out. Do you have the Token? Are you in covenant with God? Do you have the Covenant Sign? Sure. Are you so burdened for people outside there or do you walk with your head up in the air and your neck stuck up, 'holier than thou'? That's right, you see.

That's why it gets to a place, where you see, friends, what it takes to go forward. And if God doesn't have something to shake us from where we are to go forward, a lot of people would get a false sense of security, thinking they're good. You hear them sometimes: "Brother, I'm ready to go." Their moral life can't even make them lift their hands and pray for half an hour, but they're ready to go somewhere. They're watching that moral life and trying to estimate it higher than they think it really is.

And you ask them, "When last did God talk to you? Tell me something God revealed to you. Tell me some experiences you are having now." They're talking about twenty years ago, something they had since twenty years ago, serving God in a rearview mirror. There's nothing fresh, nothing in their life. They're not under the effects of anything. It doesn't cost them anything to live this life; they just float around with the crowd. To live this life you will be rejected, persecuted and hated.

I've already passed my time; I am starting to feel a little worn out here. I'm putting too much into this, but it's the best place to die. Like a cowboy, let me die with my boots on. The best time for me to die is in the pulpit, preaching with my last ounce of breath because the Message burns in my heart. The Message burns. You see, I didn't just come to preach; it burns in my heart.

Isn't It the Scripture? Is It right?

14 Should we again break thy commandments, and join in affinity with the people of these abominations? [Let the musicians come.] wouldest not thou be angry with us till thou hadst consumed us, so that there should be no remnant nor escaping?

¹⁵ O Lord God of Israel, thou art righteous: for we remain yet escaped, as it is this day: behold, we are before thee in our trespasses for we cannot stand before thee because of this.

May God make us pray like that. You continue to read on in Chapter 10, it tells you about when he began to pray. When he began to pray and the people were around him, he wept; he cried sore; he was affected. He was pleading the case before the Supreme Judge in the Supreme Court. Brother, God moved; I can feel Him all over me now.

God moved, and God moved in such a way that men who had married, who had brought forth children, they were smitten. They said, "No, no." They said, "We will make a covenant with God. We will separate from all this." They were shaken back to the realization. They were awakened. Their conscience was pricked; they looked deep inward. The Light shone intensely, focusing upon the inside.

As that Light began to move through their inner being, they began to see their crimes. They began to see how selfish they were. What they began to realize there was if they were living in a certain atmosphere, it wouldn't have taken that for them to realize it; they would have caught those things. But they went headlong into sin and kept on going on because they became so self-centered, lost all zeal for God, weren't living for the promise; lost all understanding of why they were brought out of Babylon and had come back in the land of the fathers.

They had failed to see; they weren't living in expectation of bringing forth the Messiah through their race; that which was going to redeem them back to the Garden of Eden. They didn't believe they had come back to rebuild the temple and wait for the Messiah, though Zechariah and Haggai had preached and driven that home to them with conviction; but now they were off the scene and everything just got weak. It got weak.

You know, sometimes, friends, when you preach this way people think you don't want them to enjoy themselves. That is so far from the truth. That is a carnal understanding. That is a person whose mind hasn't been enlightened by God as yet. Let me settle this once and for all: God made us and there is nothing man-made, because the same way you weren't made to lie and you weren't made to commit adultery; your body wasn't made for those things that's why it brings sickness and death. That's why it is marked and recorded in Heaven and comes back again as a testimony for your own condemnation because you

weren't made to do that. Your body was made to be a temple of God.

And since God made you, God is such a jealous person, God made you that the greatest joy you could ever get, the greatest satisfaction you could ever get, it comes from Him and Him alone; not even from anything He made. So when you, as a believer think that somebody is trying to rob you of joy, I always say, you see somebody in the world enjoying himself and you want to leave here and go there, brother, everything I have, which is not much, I'll give to you and that person if you can bring them to me. And I guarantee you in your presence when we are done (and they don't have to spend more than ten minutes. I think ten minutes should be sufficient), you can't find a happier person than me, honestly.

Let me say this: it doesn't have such a person on planet Earth. They could be as happy as me, and if they are as happy as me, what makes me happy is what makes them that happy, because I have the Thing that can make you the happiest. And these are the Things I am sharing; these are the Things I spend my life sharing.

I am not looking for anything. When I found Jesus, I found the New Heaven and the New Earth, I found the Eternal; I found the Healer, I found the Solution to every problem. I found the Baptizer with the Holy Ghost. I found the Supplier of my every need. I found the One Who could bring me back young, the Resurrection and the Life; when I found Him.

When Philip told Nathaniel, "We have found Jesus, the Messiah of Whom Moses did speak in the law and the prophets," their search was over. If you keep on searching for something after you found Jesus, something is wrong with you. You don't know what you have. I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold. I'd rather have Jesus than riches untold, friends, because what you have money can't buy.

For twenty-nine years, I haven't had to look back for something in the world. I have traveled the world, by His grace. I've seen the big cities. I've seen the glamor, not on television; I've walked in the streets. You walk in places like Hong Kong, Paris, New York, Los Angeles, London, some of the great cities of the world, Rio de Janeiro; places people take off and want to go to like Perth, Sydney, Brisbane; out in some of the Asian countries like Singapore: you can't find a place more advanced in technology; Tel Aviv, I've been to all those places by the grace of God. I don't say it to boast. I say it to bring this point; I say it to enforce a point. There was nothing I ever wanted, as a matter of fact, when I walked those streets it was to look for somebody that what I have, I could offer it to them; because what made me go to those places was to share this joy and this love that I have found.

I've spent long this morning talking about Him. I'm coming out of retirement, almost. "Go hide yourself, Elijah. Go show yourself. Go back and hide yourself; go and show yourself again. Go up and show your face."

Yes, sir! I feel that when I come before you I come with a message. I know when I come before you I come with the Presence of God. I come with something fresh from the Throne. I come with something that is going to help you walk on further and closer with God; bring more power to your life.

Let's stand to our feet.

I want to read this last quote from the Fifth Seal [1963-0322 - The Revelation of The Seven Seals - Pg. 385 (6) -386 -Ed.] This is on the Seal and this is where even when the Seals opened, the Prophet had to correct the Seventh-day Adventist doctrine.

He says: Here is where I differ with a precious brother, a teacher. ...I know I see some of his people sitting here and I realize that this was a great teacher. He's a Doctor of Divinity a Ph, L.L.D.; and he is a real good man too. I think he's gone on at this time, but he was a good man,

and a good writer. It's Brother Uriah Smith, the author of "Daniel of Revelation."

The Prophet is paying respects to a man, a great man who wrote some fantastic books that he himself had studied the man's writings. I myself have the very man's book at home.

Now to you people who are followers of his teachings, I don't want to say this arrogantly, but Brother Smith, in trying to support soul sleeping, he mentions that the soul sleeps and that there is no altar of the sacrifice in heaven; that the only altar spoke of, he believes, in heaven is the altar of incense.

But remember God had told Moses that what he saw in Heaven he must represent on earth.

But to you dear people (and not to differing with my brother; [He called him, 'my brother'] I hope to meet him on the other side.) the Prophet says, because it wasn't for his time; the man had died and gone on. He lived in this Age and this Time. He preached what he knew; the Seals weren't opened to him.

(...I hope to meet him on the other side) not differing with that great teacher; but just to show how this disproves that... See? It disproves it. The opening of the Seals in this last day it just takes soul sleeping out of the way. They are alive, they are not dead.

Because he himself had gone over there. He saw his wife and his daughter and millions that he had preached to. He said, "They are not dead, they are alive."

Now, the incense was the odours, the odorous stuff that they burnt, which the Bible said were the prayers of the saints. [Catch this now.] If there isn't no sacrifice on the altar, then the prayers cannot be received. It's only by the Blood on the sacrificial altar that lets the prayers go through to God.

It's only by the Blood on the sacrificial Altar that lets this odorous stuff, this incense, the prayers from the Golden Altar go up to God. I spent the whole morning showing you that prayer is connected to sacrifice...prayer is connected to sacrifice; how David and they were looking back at what the prophet came out of the mountain and brought.

Well, here, this Fifth Seal was part of what came out of that Cloud when he came down from the mountain to bring the revelation of these Things in the Third Exodus. And the same Pillar of Fire that met Moses (and Paul who wrote the Book of Hebrews), Moses who brought these things that he saw and they are in the Book of Leviticus, is the same One that came back in the last days and manifested all these Things. And nothing ever stood before his prayer. He said, "Everything I ever prayed for, God gave to me, and what He didn't give to me He told me why that couldn't be." to fulfill what the Angel said that nothing shall stand before his prayer. Like Jesus: "I know He hears me always."

Do you know that this church, like the Alpha Bride, stands in the same position? Then, friends, if that Evening Sacrifice... Ezra knew when the evening sacrifice was offered. Elijah knew when the evening sacrifice was offered. Daniel knew when the evening sacrifice was offered. Do you know the Evening Sacrifice is offered, when the full Word has come back, the full revelation, the full Lamb has come back and has been offered up before us; and there is a priest standing here and the greatest intercessory outside of the Lord Jesus Christ's personal intercession for His Church in Heaven is standing here in this Day, dealing with a people of all nations, when the Royal Seed is being called out, when all the family of the earth is being blessed? And a Prophet, whether it was in Mexico, whether in Africa, in India, in Europe; whether it was in Jamaica, no matter where it was, in the Caribbean, (Think of it!) he stood there with the Evening Sacrifice. He stood there with the Golden Altar. He stood there and never brought anything but the Apostle's doctrine,

the Twelve Loaves, and the Table of shewbread. His Light was not under a bushel; everywhere he went It was on display. That Shekinah Glory was veiled behind him. That testimony was in the ark of his heart. Think of it, friends.

Then if that Evening Sacrifice has been offered through the evening Message; if that original Atonement: the Lamb slain, which had seven horns and seven eyes... Have we seen Him? Did we see that Lamb with the open Book? Do we have that open Book? Then, friends, we should be standing in the Presence of God knowing that this is the time of prayer. What other time is the time of prayer but when the sacrifice is offered? What other time is the time of thanksgiving? Did John begin to shout and worship and praise? Did the elders bow down to worship?

How many know that in Revelation Chapter 5, there was a priest before the Throne standing at the Golden Altar, offering the Incense which was the prayers of the saints? Revelation Chapter 5, verses 5 to 8. In Heaven, where was the Golden Altar? Before the Throne. On earth, where was the Golden Altar? Before the Throne.

Now is that time, friends. Then what about us? Are you a Priest? Then can we not draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith? Let us draw near. That is the privilege of a priest, to have access to God, to draw near. Do we know that we came from the Loins of the great High Priest? Is the Name on His Thigh written on our forehead that we can ask anything in His Name when we come? Friends, if we know these Things by revelation, we could never have an unanswered prayer because we could never pray amiss.

Praying amiss and praying with vain repetition is strange incense. Praying unscriptural prayers is strange incense. Working up yourself in the energy of the flesh is strange fire, and having your own altar that is not the Altar where He died and is not what gives us access that our prayers could go up before God.

Because if there is no sacrifice the prayers cannot be received because there is no blood there to receive the prayers but how the Fire and the blood from that Altar were there.

And you know Bro. Branham told the story about that woman. He said: [1953-0329 - Israel And The Church #5 - Para. 29-30 -Ed.]

A young lady come up to the house here not long ago, been prayed for ... she had been anointed [over] fifty times, ... How that everything had taken place. I'd prayed for her there. But set down in the room one morning when the Angel of the Lord come near, He begin to speak to her and tell her just what she'd done, and something she was harboring back in her soul; she'd had there for eight long years. She wouldn't tell nobody. The psychiatrist couldn't pull it out of her. And she almost fainted, fell on the floor and begin to cry. And I said, "You go make that right, and God will heal you." That's right. She went and got her husband and made the thing right, and come back up. She's healed....

He said: Now, see, all of the praying, all of the stomping, all the casting out of evil spirits, she was harboring her sin way down deep in her heart, [but] she didn't want to tell nobody that she had did, but the Holy Spirit revealed the secret of her heart. She went and made that right, then she was clear. God won't bless over the top of sin. You got to clear it up first.

See? She was trying to go at the Incense Altar without first going to the Brass Altar. At the Brass Altar, your sin is put away that you could approach God with confidence, with boldness, to find grace to help in time of need. She thought that prayer could have value without Atoning Blood, but she found out that it took confession, putting your sins in the Blood, to remove the sin to bring the blessing that the prayer could be answered.

The same is for you, friends. Many people run here to the Incense Altar; they want prayer: "Pray for me,

pray for me, pray for me, "but they need to be at the Brass Altar first because if you confess your sin, God is just and faithful to forgive you of your sins. His Blood was shed for the remission of your sin. Without the shedding of blood, there is no remission and no blood could be shed on the Incense Altar. The only thing that was to be there was incense, nothing else. My! My, my, my.

I trust that you appreciate that Word today. It was spoken to your heart. If It got to the place where It shone Light; Light in places that you say, "I want more power in my prayer. I realize that my altar doesn't have horns on it, that my prayer is so weak; my faith is weak when I pray. And I realize that to praise God, to give thanks, to worship, I feel odd sometimes doing that. You know if I want something from God, I go and ask Him like I talk to my father. I say, "Father, Papa, I need this and that and that."

Some people try to impress other people that way, it's like they have a good relationship with God. In your ignorance, God might let you talk to Him a certain way, but He wouldn't leave you there for long. He would start to teach you how to approach Him. He will start to teach you that to come into His Presence you can't bypass that laver. You don't walk and stumble over a big laver trying to rush in here.

When you watch that laver, you'll say, "Why did God put that laver there? I see there's water in it. My feet are kind of dirty; I walked in the counsel of the ungodly. I walked after the prince of the power of the air a little bit. I walked in the vanity of my mind." Then, you come in.

You know there was no light, not even a little ray of sunlight that could have come in that sanctuary. The only light that they had in there was that candlelight and that eternal Light. That was the light that they functioned with; a light that was lit by the Fire from the Brass Altar. It was connected to sacrifice, and the Fire

that came from Heaven, that is the light that shone upon them. And under the rays and the influence of that light and by the power of that light, they carried out and discharged their sacred functions of the sacred office. Every move that they made inside of there, there was no movement that was unnecessary because everything that they did was carrying out a function in a Divine manner after a Divine order; because this was not relating to man, it was to be acceptable to God.

When you have to please God and for God to accept what you do, you have to first know, "Are my thoughts about this and God's thoughts the same thoughts, or am I doing something and expecting God to just accept it?"

He said, "I'm positive sure this morning that if men and women could get into the position where their soul, their thinking, their attitudes would be perfect in the sight of God, that would be one of the most powerful churches that ever existed."

If we could get in the position where our soul, our thinking, our attitudes would be perfect in the sight of God. I've tried to preach to you how God set up these things to answer prayer; to relate to prayer, the value of prayer, the ministry of prayer; how it was designed and intended to bring to us, prayer based on accepted sacrifice to teach the ways of God.

Every time a sick was healed in the Prophet's ministry, he would say, "Whom did she touch? Not me. It was not I that healed you lady; it was your faith. You touched the High Priest. You touched Him. Your faith, He had to receive your faith. This gift helped build your faith in a finished work and you came to the spot where God could give you that blessing." He was so conscious as a Priest.

Wasn't it something how the Prophet used to be in charge? You see him there, every move he's moving there so gracious; every movement so sacred. He's there, he's always in control; he's in the Presence of that

Angel. His ministry is ordered by a heavenly Being, directed in service. That's how we ought to be, friends. That's what we are called unto. That's why these Things, let them not lose their effect.

I'm going to do something a little different this morning. How many believe these things and desire these things, let me see. Hold the person's hand next to you. In sincerity, we are going to pray, in unity...in unity. Let the Spirit of prayer begin to move in your heart while you stand there. Let It get your mind and your thought focused away from everything else.

And as you stand there conscious: "That's my brother, that's my sister; I'm in contact with them. We just heard a message, it's clear to us; we are in the Evening Time. It's the time of the Evening Sacrifice. The Heavenly Angel has come down again at Evening Time, at the time of the Evening Sacrifice."

Blessed be His wonderful Name. Thank You, Jesus. Thank You, Father. We love You. We appreciate You today. You are a great God, a mighty God. How gracious You are unto an undeserving bunch of people like us, Father. How plenteous is Your mercy towards us and Your loving kindness, and what great favor You have shown upon us, Lord! God, a people who were afar off from You, You've drawn us nigh. What great propitiation You've made, Father, and how precious is the value of Your Blood! And how highly we esteem it as we grow from day to day, in the knowledge of this great grace that has come to us, to understand with the mind of Christ what these Things mean. It is too wonderful for us, Lord. It is awesome, oh God!

Truly You are the All-wise God, the Infinite God, the God Who Himself is Divine Love. Only You could love like this, Father. Only You, dear God, would stoop so low and subject Yourself to such humiliation and persecution and suffering, being wounded for our transgressions, being bruised for our iniquities. The chastisement for our very peace that passeth all

understanding, which we can enjoy today in the midst of the storms of life, was upon You. And in this Age of sickness and disease and pestilence moving across the earth that doctors and medicine cannot do battle against, Lord, we could look to those stripes and know the great Jehovah-Rapha, our God, heals us of every disease. By Your stripes, we were healed.

God, we thank You today, Father. We thank You, dear God, knowing that because of Your great sufficiency, You were delivered for our offenses and raised for our justification. Who can lay any charge against us, Lord? It is God Who justifieth! Shall You not freely give us all things? Didn't you offer up Your own Son for us all? You Who sent this Message and vindicated it in such a way; the most vindicated Message, the greatest Light that ever shone since creation has been offered up. You have come down and had Yourself photographed, the very Angel of that covenant at the time of the Evening Sacrifice. And we have seen that it is an accepted Sacrifice; then, dear God, we draw near today. We draw near today, Lord, to offer this Incense, knowing this Message is as fresh as though the Seals were opened half hour ago, dear God, (hallelujah!) and that everything that we have need of today, Lord God, You are ready to give it unto us.

Heavenly Father, may You blot out all our transgressions. May You pardon our iniquities. May You take Your Word and drive It deep down into our hearts that we will not miss these Things, Father, that It will be real. It will be so clear, we will come under the effects of It, Lord; It will govern and control and influence our lives; It will become chains upon us that will bind us and make us a love slave, a very prisoner, dear God, that we would have no will of our own, that our every step will be ordered by You, dear God. May You grant it, Father.

May Your great Love be shed abroad in our hearts, one for the other that we could be in such unity, in such agreement. God, we see the hour and we thank You for the grace that You have given, and giving, and is giving. And, Lord God, we feel instructed and directed to build this Altar of Incense. We pray it will be overlaid with gold, pure gold. We pray, oh God, that this very Incense, compounded, Lord, these five things, oh God, that go to make it, Father; God, it will be the only things that will be burnt on this Altar: praise and thanksgiving and supplication and prayer.

Our meditation will be sweet continually, Lord, that we will die daily, oh God, a continual Burnt Offering; and we'll pray continually, without ceasing, a Perpetual Incense, oh God. And, Father, we'll see, dear God, Your Divine Presence coming down in a greater way, like it was at the first evening time when You would come in the garden, oh God. Like You came down to Abraham, like You came down with Moses and Aaron, like You came down with Elisha, oh God, and Father, like You came down with Ezra, Lord Jesus, that we'll see the very Spirit of God moving among us and these things taking place. How we desire that, dear God. How we pray and we strive for that, Lord. Lead us on, Lord, we will follow. Lead us on, Lord, we will go, Father. Oh God, direct us, Lord Father.

Lord, we realize that we don't know how to go, Father, but we ask for Your leadership in these things, Lord; that You would lead us from faith unto faith, from victory unto victory until we see, Lord God, every prayer being answered; until we stand here as a praying people, Lord, so unified, our prayers being acceptable, our worship always fresh, dear God, always with love in our hearts, a sacrifice pleasing unto You, an odor of a sweet smell, a sweet savor unto You, coming up before You continually from this place.

And wherever we would be, that our prayers will be as incense; our hands lifted up will be as the evening sacrifice, oh God, and Lord God, the revelation of this Divine approach will be written as laws in our hearts and in our minds, that every move we make will reflect Jesus Christ. Oh God, may You grant it, Father. We pray and we ask these things today, as we stand in your courts, as we stand in Your Presence, Lord, thanking You for Your grace and thanking You for the Message, Lord.

I pray, oh God Father, that this would be the portion; this Holy Fire that comes down from Above, oh God, will consume our lives on the Altar of Sacrifice and will, Lord God, fire our prayers up before You, oh God; and the Blood will sprinkle upon the horns and the power of that Blood will carry our prayers to pull down strongholds, to remove plagues; Lord, to remove every sickness and disease from our midst, dear God, and to bring, Lord, Your Holy Spirit in a renewed way, in a deeper way among us, Father, that there will be a real reviving of the church here in this hour, bringing us into a readiness for Your Coming.

And every lamp will be trimmed oh God, and Lord, it will be foursquare, equal on all sides, dear God. May You grant it, Father. We pray and we ask these things today, in the precious, almighty Name of Jesus Christ, Lord, for Your honor and for Your glory, that we truly can be that Royal Priesthood, Lord, to offer sacrifices continually unto You, Lord, the fruits of our lips giving praise and thanks. May You grant it, Lord.

May we be dressed right, anointed right, walking right, Father; oh God that You could be pleased with us, Lord, a Kingdom of Priests in this hour. Grant it, Lord, we pray and we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, amen. Amen

Lift your hands to Him, (amen) as the Evening Sacrifice. Let your praise go up to Him as sweet Incense. Oh, and purpose in your heart and make your vow. Make your vow: "Lord, I will be here in service. I'll take my post of duty. I'll serve You with a more fervent spirit, oh God; a cry for reaching out in the Spirit, a

fervent desire to please You, Lord; oh God, spontaneous praise in the Holy Ghost, a passion to know Your Word."

Oh God, may You grant it, Lord, that Lord God, You could inhabit our praises, Father. There'll be no sin, no leaven among us, Lord; you'll remove it completely, Father. Oh, may You grant it, Jesus. May You grant it, Lord.

Lead me, Lord, I'll follow. (Amen!) Lead me, Lord... as Bro. Ken comes. Amen. I will follow Him, friends. As we walk in this Truth, as we stay in this Atmosphere, as we meditate upon this Word, may God help us that I'll be able to dig a little deeper into It for you, to see that Spirit here among us.

Pledge in your heart to love Him and serve Him, and know that there is none like Him. It is a privilege to walk with Him. It is a privilege to have the Light we have, friends. It is a blessed privilege today. Stay close to Him, is my prayer. He loves you and I'm trying to tell you that. I'm trying to say let's love Him back. Let's love Him back. Let's not hold back from Him. Let's give everything over to Him and watch what He'll make out of us, friends. Amen. Blessed be His Name.

